

## **Viking Tour Report for Monday, February 21, 2022**

Hi tourers,

I am pleased to report that we had a lovely tour on the Red, Orange, Red yesterday. The weather started out with brilliant sunshine and mild just below 0°C temperature, then got mostly cloudy, perfect for fish scales with a light coat of silicone tip to tail. We were 6 starting off, myself, Chris, Wilma, Jarmila, Judée, and Richard, and we were joined shortly by Tomas who cut out at the north end of our route to return to his house. The trail was in great shape, all packed and mostly tracked. Someone asked me what the lake was that we saw in the middle distance, it is Lac Belanger. Our old Green trail used to follow its south shore.

Statistics: 10 kms in 3 hrs, about what I expected.

Pierre Faucher has re-worked the map of his Amicale trail. I have done more than 60%, not counting section 11, of it already and it is fun to ski on. I am going to propose that we adopt it officially, put it on our maps, trail clear it, put in intersection signposts and trail markers.

This new map shows the intersections and the distances between intersections. The whole trip not counting section 11 is 12.5 kms, or if you take section 11 instead of 2,3,4, it is 13.6 kms. All trails and distances have been plotted by G.P.S.