Nature Notes Creeks In The Park



Just how many creeks are there in the Park and why do they have no formal names? Where do the creeks start and where do they go? When I began research for this project I asked these questions and received no answers, which was interesting.

One creek forms in the gully west of Musser's plateau and runs into Dipper Lake. No creek runs out of Dipper Lake but does the creek that runs along Creek Trail actually come from Dipper Lake? Should this creek be called 'The Creek' or some other name? This creek runs into the wetlands at the bottom of Whitetail Valley. You cross it on the bridge on Jimmy Russell Road. Another creek forms below



Creek Trail Creek

photo by S Hansen



Bridge on Jimmy Russell Rd. photo by S Hansen

Jimmy Russell Road but sinks before reaching St. Mary's Road. Another familiar creek forms between Army Road and Myrtle Mountain. You cross this creek as you head towards Duck Pond from Myrtle Junction. This creek runs alongside Lower Army Road and then disappears. The creek coming out of Eimers Lake runs alongside the trail from Higgins Street. At Higgins Street it goes into a culvert, under the streets of Kimberley and empties into Mark

Mark Creek. There is another creek, formerly called Archibald Creek, which the early residents of Lower Blarchmont used for their water supply. This creek also goes into a culvert system that disappears under the streets of Kimberley.

Although it is not always clear where these creeks come from and go to they form an integral part of the water network in the park. They feed the marshes and bogs in the park and therefore form a major part of the Kimberley Nature Park's ecosystem.