



Swimmin' in the Rain

Day 20 we got up and ready for a hike over to Conover Cove. It's only a $\frac{1}{2}$ mile or so each way with lots to see along the way. The kids ran most of the way. The rusted old Jeep sitting in a field is like something out of a movie, and raccoons lined the trail just inside the forest. There is a hike out to Conover Point that looks like fun but the map didn't say how far it was.

Conover Cove was packed with boats coming and going, but what really caught Skylar's eye was a green, funny shaped kayak on the beach. He couldn't stop looking at it so a guy and his wife came over to tell him all about it. The owners had been camping on the island. They had all their stuff packed ready for departure but were more than willing to talk kayaks for as long as Skylar wanted. John, the guy who owned it was extremely passionate about kayaks, and really knew his stuff. His kayak was a semi custom, built by a company in Bellingham. John let Skylar take it for a spin and you would have thought he won the lottery. He loved it and cant stop talking kayaks, looking everything up possible on the Internet the next night. The couple was so nice we talked with them for a coupe hours and Skylar was very thankful for the demo.

As we headed out for Otter Bay it started raining, but that didn't stop us from doing some fishing along the way. We were

trying to catch a lingcod but no luck. We did catch a bunch of rockfish and they were pretty good size. We all had a blast taking turns reeling them up!

We pulled into Otter Bay a little later than planned, so we were hoping they had a restaurant. Neither of us wanted to cook another meal on the boat. Unfortunately all they had was some sandwiches from a little grocery store. They were made to order, and a huge surprise how good they were! The rain kept coming down but that didn't stop us from going to the swimming pool. Julie said no way she was going in but I finally convinced her. At 61 degrees outside the pool felt kind of warm, well at least for the first minute. After about 10 minutes we were all freezing! We cranked the heat on the boat and all snuggled in for the night in the pouring rain.







