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|  | Mileage | Elevation Gain CalTopo Profile | Elevation Loss CalTopo Profile |
| Day 1 | 7.14 | 4288 | 506 |
| Day 2a | 5.18 | 1225 | 1074 |
| Day 2b | 5.58 | 2228 | 2270 |
| Day 3 |  |  |  |
| Day 4 |  |  |  |
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|  | Mileage | Elevation Gain CalTopo Stats | Elevation Loss CalTopo Stats |
| Day 1 |  | 4665 | 860 |
| Day 2a |  | 1253 | 1115 |
| Day 2b |  | 2264 | 2303 |
| Day 3 |  |  |  |
| Day 4 |  |  |  |
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|  | Mileage | Elevation Gain GaiaGPS | Elevation Loss GaiaGPS |
| Day 1 | 7.2 | 4063 | 390 |
| Day 2a | 5.21 | 1198 | 1097 |
| Day 2b | 5.61 | 2166 | 2149 |
| Day 3 | 9.21 | 2037 | 1620 |
| Day 4 | 10.36 | 235 | 4846 |
| Day 5 | 13.66 | 2341 | 1983 |
| Total | 51.25 | 12,040 | 12,085 |

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Smartphone battery link:

<https://curiosity.com/memes/youve-been-charging-your-smartphone-wrong-curiosity/?utm_source=Facebook.com&utm_campaign=MythBusters&utm_medium=social#meme-how-to-properly-charge-your-smartphone-monday-tech-tip-3-the-nerd-herd>

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This fall I am looking to start a “User Group” focused on smartphone technologies used in the backcountry and I am looking for people willing to join me. The exact focus of this group will depend on the goals of the people willing to contribute to the group. My own starting point will be using GaiaGPS on iPhone. I am picturing the assemblage of training materials to help new backcountry navigators to use this inexpensive (provided you already have a smartphone!) tool. This information might take the form of a webpage like this: <http://www.davecoate.com/MountainNavigation/SmartphoneNavigation.html>. Following this, I can envision some Field Trips in local parks for practicing and asking questions. These activities are likely to be offered through the Mountaineers.

I am also interested in contributing to “crowd sourced” trail data sets such as the Open Cycle. This past week, I documented a section of the Devil’s Dome loop trail that has clearly moved since the USGS map data was collected. I have seen this before where the Open Cycle data is different and more up to date than the USGS. However, in this case, it was not. So how might we as outdoor hiking enthusiasts submit changes to the Open Cycle data to correct this?

I am proposing a meeting this September for people willing to form the initial core of this user group. I already have an Android user that could help document the differences in using that platform instead of iPhone. He also pointed out an app for rendering first aid in the backcountry, so we need not limit the scope of this group to just navigation. Please let me know if this is of interest to you. I am very open minded to ideas and contributions. I do not want to put this group “in a box” just yet, so I invite you to be creative! Please contact me here on FB or via email (for those of you that already have that address) if you would like to participate.