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FINALLY ANIMALS!, GLACIER CALVES!

Early this morning, Gene & Maxine and Bonnie & I left on the boat Chugach to see the Columbia and Meares glaciers. We motored thru Prince William Sound on this 160 passenger boat that was really a nice one.

We cruised up to the terminal moraine of the Columbia glacier and could go no further. The face had receded more than a mile away and was still huge.

This glacier generates large chunks of ice that

*EINEY, MEENY, MINEY, MOE
WHERE DO YOU THINK THAT
ICEBERGS GO?
I DON'T KNOW!*

float up to the terminal moraine and stick there until they melt enough to float out to sea.

We did not see any calving on this one.



WHY ARE YOU LOOKING AT MY CALVES?

SNAP, CRACKLE, POP

We proceed to the Mears Glacier and spent an hour real close to the face. (1/4 mile). We heard tremendous crackling noise and saw several large chunks calve from the face.

Leaving there we stopped at a Sea Lion rookery and also observed a Puffin bird in his cave.

From there we went to Growler island and had an all you can eat dinner. We arrived back in 10 1/2 hrs.

SAW 4 BALD EAGLES, SEA OTTERS, PUFFIN, HARBOR SEALS, SEA LIONS