

SOFT OPENING WEEKEND

The snow is falling in Golden BC and a lot of people have snowmobiling on the mind. Usually we tell people that they should wait a bit longer and technically we can't 'recommend' coming here to sled yet but the reality is that the bowls in Quartz are sledable. Therefore we're please to announce that we are doing a 'soft' opening this weekend at Quartz. This means that we will have gate staff at the kiosk in Quartz, where you are able to buy or pick up your memberships. We will also be accepting any donations you'd like to make towards our grooming costs.

Grooming

We've hit a couple hurdles in getting our grooming equipment up and running this season and we're waiting on some parts to come in and some much needed TLC on our equipment to take place. We're hoping to get things up and running by the last week of November. If you felt like make a donation this week at the kiosk, we will put it all towards the \$10,000+ we're spending on equipment repairs to get up and running.

Trail Area Conditions Reports

Quartz Creek

Conditions: Fresh snow, thin base, watch for rocks and use caution

Grooms scheduled: None **Fees:** \$0 - Donations welcome

Parking: Will be plowed for weekend. Please do not drive up the trail

Road: n/a

Additional notes: Please see notes at the start of the Conditions Report

Gorman Lake

Conditions: No information yet **Grooms scheduled:** None

Fees: No fees

Parking: Not currently maintained **Road:** Conditions not known

Additional notes: We are waiting on waiting on parts and repairs for our grooming equipment before we can groom. Please buy and

pick up your membership in advance of the season.

Silent Pass

Conditions: No information yet **Grooms scheduled:** None

Fees: No fees

Parking: Not currently maintained **Road:** Conditions not known

Additional notes: We are waiting on waiting on parts and repairs for our grooming equipment before we can groom. Please buy and

pick up your membership in advance of the season.

East Quartz

Conditions: No information yet **Grooms scheduled:** None

Fees: No fees

Parking: Quartz Creek parking will be plowed for weekend. Please do not drive up the trail.

Road: n/a

Additional notes: We are waiting on waiting on parts and repairs for our grooming equipment before we can groom. Please buy and pick up your membership in advance of the season.

Old Man

Conditions: No information yet **Grooms scheduled:** None

Fees: No fees

Parking: Quartz Creek parking will be plowed for weekend. Please do not drive up the trail.

Road: n/a

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Westbench Trail

Conditions: No information yet **Grooms scheduled:** None

Fees: No fees

Parking: Not currently maintained

Road: n/a

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2020 - 2021 SEASON

COVID and the Club

The Golden Snowmobile Club is working hard to ensure the health of our employees and members this season. As snowmobiling trends toward a solitary sport, you may not notice many differences, but then again, maybe you will.

Buying tickets and memberships – our gate kiosks and staff will be outfitted with protective equipment – masks, gloves and an extra window, and we ask that all riders please pay with credit card or debit, to minimize cash transfer.

Parking Lots and Gathering Zones – please ensure you're observing social distancing by staying 2 metres away from other riders. While you may be comfortable with the risk, some of our other members are not so we ask that you respect their space. This includes line-ups for tickets, outhouses, and chilling outside the cabin.

Cabins and Shelters: we will be posting a maximum occupancy load for each of our two cabins. We ask that you respect these maximums and move outside once you're warmed up so other can also access the heated indoor space.

Otherwise, we'll do our best to keep all services, handles, etc clean, but please make sure you're wearing gloves and not sneezing on surfaces that get a lot of hand traffic.

Highway 1 Improvement

The long awaited twinning of the "canyon" is still going to be "awaited" this year. There are no plans for construction closures beginning this fall or winter, although there may be some disruption starting in April 2021. We will keep you apprised of the situation via our conditions reports, with links to actual factual data and information, when it's all available.

Weather & Avalanche Conditions

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Weather Conditions

https://www.snow-forecast.com/resorts/GC-HeliSki/6day/mid

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