

WELCOME TO WINTER (DEEP AF)

Conditions in Golden have been wild to say the least. An incredible amount of snow has fallen in the last week and we've been busy trying to cope.

Avalanche conditions have been very high and are forecast to continue. There's a SPAW (Special Public Avalanche Warning) in effect for our area and these conditions have also caused some grooming operations to be delayed according to risk assessed by our forecasters. As the temps cool and the sky clears we can get back regular grooming. This latest storm has coincided with the start of official winter and conditions are no longer 'early season'. Please keep reading to know more.

Trail Area Conditions Reports

Quartz Creek

Conditions: Very deep where untouched

Grooms scheduled: Wed, Fri, Sat, Sun.

Fees: \$25

Parking: Main parking has been repeatedly plowed this week.

Road: Groomed from parking lot.

Additional notes: A lot of traffic in Quartz and a lot of snow.

Gorman Lake

Conditions: Very deep where untouched.

Grooms scheduled: Wed, Fri, Sun.

Fees: \$25

Parking: Park at upper lot.

Road: Road is in rough shape. Very icy and bumpy.

Silent Pass

Conditions: Very deep where untouched. Wind skin in the alpine.

Grooms scheduled: Wed, Sat.

Fees: \$25

Parking: Please DO NOT park at the 27. Please park ON THE ROAD (not in the turn around) at the 30 km. Please keep the turn around free at the 30km so that trucks with trailers can turn around.

Road: The loggers working west of the 27 km point have asked us to please NOT park at the 27km. We've made a good turn around at the 30 km mark but ask that people do NOT park in the turn around. Reminder, give loggers the right of way. Call your KMs on your VHF radio! Channel RR-3

Additional notes: Still easy to find fresh.

East Quartz

Conditions: Very deep where untouched.

Grooms scheduled: Nothing this week

Fees: \$25

Parking: See Quartz Creek.

Road: n/a

Additional notes: We made no attempts to groom E Quartz this week. Hopefully next week.

Old Man

Conditions: Likely deep.

Grooms scheduled: Next Monday (tentative).

Fees: \$25

Parking: See Quartz Creek.

Additional notes: We put our first groom into Oldman Monday Dec 7. Still too early for a grooming drag.

Westbench Trail

Conditions: No information yet.

Grooms scheduled: None.

Fees: \$25

Parking: Park at Gorman or Quartz

Road: n/a

Additional notes: WBT is not a continuous trail this year due to logging operations. You can ride from Gorman to just before Wiseman Corner. You can ride from Quartz to Oldman. For both sides, it's a there and back trail.

Weather & Avalanche Conditions

Avalanche Conditions

<https://www.avalanche.ca>

Weather Conditions

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

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