

### **SNAP THE COLD**

We're happy to see temperatures warming up and snow in the forecast again. Grooming ops are in full motion to provide smooth trails. We've got discounts for people who have AST education and there's been some people wrecking ski touring lodge terrain. Keep reading to get the latest from Golden.

# **Trail Area Conditions Reports**

## **Quartz Creek**

Conditions: Packed

**Grooms scheduled:** Wed, Fri, Sat (if needed), Sun **Fees:** \$25, \$5 discount if you can prove AST training

**Parking:** Trucks with decks park west of the kiosk, trailers use two lots on the east side.

Road: There's some crazy big frost whoops on the highway near Quartz - might want to slow down if you have a trailer.

Additional notes: Quartz Creek has been filling up on Saturdays, lately. We shouldn't have to say this but don't park on the highway.

The RCMP have been handing out tickets and towing vehicles. If the parking lot is full, try Gorman.

#### Gorman Lake

Conditions: Packed

Grooms scheduled: Wed, Sat.

Fees: \$25, \$5 discount if you can prove AST training

**Parking:** Both parking lots at 3.5 plowed. **Road:** Road has been in good shape.

**Additional notes:** A lot of active log hauling in Gorman. The kiosk attendant can call up the road for you if you don't have a radio. RR 27 is the channel. Please yield to logging trucks. The Sea-Cabin will NOT be pulled in to Gorman this winter due to the limited size and our COVID regulations. We'll have it back in action next winter!

#### **Silent Pass**

Conditions: Packed

Grooms scheduled: Thur, Sat

Fees: \$25, \$5 discount if you can prove AST training

Parking: Please park ON THE ROAD (not in the turn around) at the 30 km, leave enough room for others to turn around.

Road: Call your KMs on your VHF radio! Channel RR-3.

**Additional notes:** The parking at Silent has been a gong show. We are going to get some no parking signs made up so people don't clog up the mandatory turn around at the 30 km mark. Please keep that turn around area clear.

## **East Quartz**

Conditions: Unreported Grooms scheduled: Fri

**Fees:** \$25, \$5 discount if you can prove AST training **Parking:** At Quartz Creek parking (see above)

Road: n/a

Additional notes: Watch for overhead danger.

#### **Old Man**

Conditions: Unreported Grooms scheduled: Thur

**Fees:** \$25, \$5 discount if you can prove AST training **Parking:** At Quartz Creek parking (see above)

Road: n/a

Additional notes: Groomed to the end of the trail. Not recommended for beginner riders.

### **Westbench Trail**

**Conditions:** Groomed - not continuous! **Grooms scheduled:** Sunday (as needed)

Fees: \$25, \$5 discount if you can prove AST training

Parking: Park at Gorman or Quartz

Road: n/a

Additional notes: WBT is not a continuous trail this year due to logging operations. Closed at Cirque Creek from Gorman. Closed at Oldman turnoff from Quartz. For both sides, it's a there-and-back trail. If you ride through the plowed road sections you could get up to a \$2500 fine as sledding on plowed roads is illegal.

# Weather & Avalanche Conditions

**Avalanche Conditions** 

**Weather Conditions** 

https://www.avalanche.ca

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