

LOW HANGING FRUIT

It's a good time to pluck some ripe turns because 40+ cms of recent snow has reset all the zones this past week. It's more than possible to get it good right off the trail right now and there's 14cms in the forecast with some sun and cooler temps. The trails are in excellent shape and the cold weather is keeping the snow preserved. Sledders are advised to not let their guard down because deep persistent slab avalanches are being reported regularly. Don't forget to register for the Riley Suhan Backcountry Race. Keep reading to hear more about sledding in Golden this week.

Riley Suhan Backcountry Race

Registration is OPEN for the 4th Annual [Riley Suhan Backcountry race](#) on April 1, 2023. Check the link for more info.



Trail Area Conditions Reports

Quartz Creek

Conditions: Fresh snow

Grooms scheduled: Regularly / As needed. Wed/Fri/Sun

Fees: \$30

Parking: At main lot - Trucks in the upper west, Trailers in the upper lots to the east.

Road: groomed

Additional notes:

Quartz is fully operational. Regular grooming to the cabin is occurring. Day tickets will be sold and passes checked 7 days a week.

All the low hanging fruit got a good reset this week. Time to pluck a ripe one off the vine.

Gorman Lake

Conditions: Fresh but thin

Grooms scheduled: Friday

Fees: \$30

Parking: 3.5km lots

Road: Watch for ice spots

Additional notes:

It's a thin year in Gorman area. The tree line and below hold the most snow. There was some wild wind this week but it's deep where it's loaded.

DFD warming cabin has been installed.

Silent Pass

Conditions: Fresh - really good

Grooms scheduled: Thursday/Saturday - as required

Fees: \$30

Parking: 31km - leave room for large trailers to turn around.

Road: active logging on road.

Additional notes:

Silent is good right now.

Please note that the kiosk will now be issuing parking passes for the Silent Pass parking lot. Vehicles in the parking lot will be cross checked with pass purchases to help ensure that we can continue to pay for operations in this area.



Silent Pass Parking

East Quartz

Conditions: Fresh

Grooms scheduled: waiting for avalanche clearance

Fees: \$30 as per Quartz

Parking: Main Quartz

Road: N/A

Additional notes: The road to East Quartz has not yet been groomed this season but several groups have been up there. We're waiting on avalanche clearance to proceed.

Old Man

Conditions: Fresh

Grooms scheduled: Waiting for more snow

Fees: \$0

Parking: At Quartz Creek upper lot

Road: N/A

Additional notes: We took the cat up Oldman without the drag but it's not ready yet for a groom. We will access as we get more snow.

Westbench Trail

Conditions: not passable

Grooms scheduled: N/A

Fees: \$0

Parking: Gorman or Quartz

Road: N/A

Additional notes: not open at this time

Weather & Avalanche Conditions

Avalanche Conditions

<https://www.avalanche.ca>

Weather Conditions

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