

AWESOME AND CAUTION

With 55cms + of new snow in the last week, winter is full swing in Golden. There are a lot of awesome pockets out there to be shredded from all three of our main trailheads. The alpine still deserves a lot caution in terms of stability with buried weak layers and windslab. There's 12 cms more forecasted for the week and once it's done, the sky is going blue! Grooming operations are continuing to keep the trails flat and it's looking like a great weekend to head to Golden.

Keep reading to hear more about sledding in Golden this week.

STOLEN!

If you've seen the pink sled below, please contact police. It was stolen in Calgary on Tuesday.

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. **Only 70 spots left!**



Trail Area Conditions Reports

Quartz Creek

Conditions: Pockets of powder

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.

The main paths are compacted but there's some good pockets to be had.

Gorman Lake

Conditions: Best it's been all year

Grooms scheduled: Friday

Fees: \$30

Parking: 3.5km lots

Road: Watch for ice spots

Additional notes:

It's a thin year in Gorman area but it's starting to feel like normal. The tree line and below hold the most snow. The alpine slopes should be considered very suspect for stability.

DFD warming cabin has been installed.

Silent Pass

Conditions: Fresh snow - powder pockets

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 has a lot of good spots left. The main trails have been compacted.

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: Old man is on standby for avalanche clearance

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>