

GOLDEN HOUR

It feels like spring has sprung and with it comes the best Golden hours; this time of year is when Golden really shines. In the last week conditions have been amazing and it looks promising for that to continue. We've had 30 cms of snow in the past week and there's 20+ more in the forecast. The alpine continues to be the main area of snowpack stability concerns. There's been plowing activity to note in the Quartz Creek area, Oldman is getting groomed and East Quartz has been groomed as far as we can. Only 23 sleeps left till the Riley Suhan Race!

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

Riley Suhan Backcountry Race

Only 23 sleeps left until the most awesome event in snowmobiling! Registration is OPEN for the 4th Annual [Riley Suhan Backcountry race](#) on April 1, 2023. Check the link for more info. **Only 50 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.

They have plowed a truck lane up to the 1km at Quartz, so people need to stay on the side trail and be aware of any traffic. No public traffic beyond the kiosk.

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: East Quartz got a pass up to the start of the slidepath this week. We can't go further than that due to avalanche conditions.

Old Man

Conditions: Fresh

Grooms scheduled: Waiting for more snow

Fees: \$30 - pay at Quartz Kiosk

Parking: At Quartz Creek upper lot

Road: N/A

Additional notes: Old man should be slated to get groomed this week.

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>