

BETTER THAN YOU THINK

Sledding conditions in Golden are pretty good right now. Many riders have been pleasantly surprised this week and conditions are proving to be better than you thought they were. There's been 20-30 cms of fresh this week and when you combine that with the facts that Golden's alpine mostly free of rain crust and also that the moderate avalanche ratings are allowing for some explorations, then it adds up to some fun sledding. It's not epic deep but it's a long way from terrible out there. There's 10+cms in the forecast along with some sun and normal winter temperatures. Avalanche danger is rated at Moderate and grooming operations are in full force in all 3 staging areas.

Volunteers WANTED!

If you wanted to be a nice community member: please feel free to put the wood from the metal dumpster into the sea can at Quartz Cabin. That would be very much appreciated.

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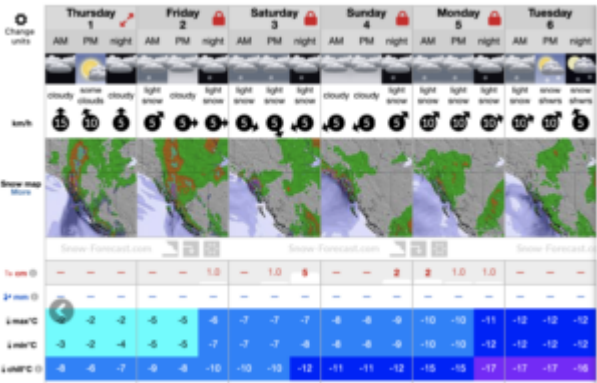
Like we said in the intro, the snow is maybe better than you think it might be. After the crazy warming weather we had, people had really low expectations and then got pleasantly surprised. Below treeline is still a bit hard and tough to sled in. This weekend is all about the alpine, that's where the best snow is. Looks like we're going to get the visibility and avalanche conditions that will make it reasonable to venture in these parts.



Definitely enough snow to get stuck in on Feb 4!



149 cms probed on Feb 6 at 2310m in Quartz



snow forecast near Quartz on Feb 8

Staging Areas Latest Info

Quartz Creek

- Conditions:** Lots of soft snow. Alpine is where it's best.
- Grooms scheduled:** As needed
- Fees:** \$30/sled
- Parking:** main parking lot. Trailers in upper east lots - sleds on trucks in lower west

Silent Pass

- Conditions:** Lots of soft snow. Alpine is where it's best.
- Grooms scheduled:** As needed.
- Fees:** \$30/sled
- Parking:** 47Km on McMurdo road
- Road:** Logging activity past the 47 km turn off. Use a radio to call you kms.
- Additional notes:**

Road was recently plowed. Gnarly frost heaves at 30-31 km got filled with gravel on Feb 7.

Gorman Lake

Conditions: Lots of soft snow. Alpine is where it's best.

Grooms scheduled: as needed

Fees: \$30/sled

Parking: lower 3.5 km lot

Road: A lot of active logging traffic on road. Call your kms! RR27

KNOW WHERE YOU RIDE