20 March 2025

MARCH 20 - MARCH MADNESS

It's been an incredible week of snowmobiling in Golden and it's looking like the cooler temps and more snow will keep the March Madness alive for a bit longer! There was 30-40 cms this week but that landed on top of 60+cms from the week before. It all translates to a lot of snow and there's 20+ cms more in the forecast. As long as the temps stay cool then this amazing March will keep going. Avalanche conditions remain considerable and there's some tricky snow out there for sure. Grooming ops will continue as avalanche conditions allow.

In other news we're stoked to announce a $2,500 ProPurse for the Suhan Race! Keep reading to find out more.

Riley Suhan Backcountry Race

On April 5, 2025 the Golden Snowmobile Club will once again host the Riley Suhan Backcountry Race, one of the best events in all of snowmobiling! This unique mountain race traverses a large loop of the Quartz Creek riding zone in Golden BC and is executed in a timed, relay format. **For 2025, on top of the normal race that combines the times of a randomly chosen, 4 person team, we will have an additional pro-level race with a $2500+ prize purse on a more challenging course.** We're sorting out the details of this pro race but be assured that the idea is for it to be awesome for both spectators and participants alike. Entry to the second pro race will require placing in the top 30 of the main race. The pro race will have a more challenging lap that is slightly longer than the main race. We will announce more specifics as we iron them out.

We will have a new start/finish location in 2025 – Cabin Valley! Head left past the cabin and you'll be able to see the set-up. This will give better spectating for everybody at the start/finish area, including Dr. Poz who was really feeling left out in past years.

REGISTER HERE!

OVER 79% BOOKED!

95 spots registered. 25 spots left…

Snow & Weather

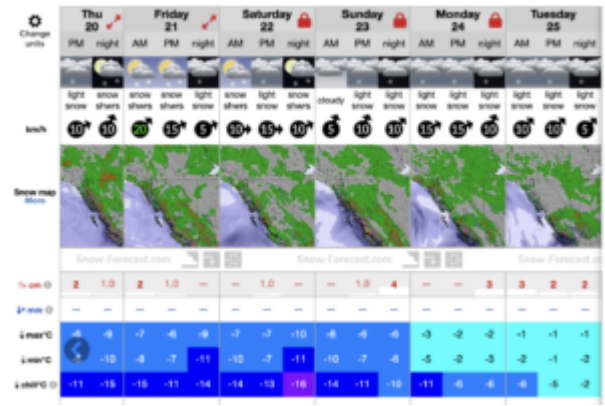
SNOW AND WEATHER

The snow has changed a lot this week but one thing that is certain, there's been a lot of it lately. The winds are starting to have their

way and the storm snow is changing to be wind affected. As usual, the best snow is in the trees where pockets of fresh remain deep. The alpine has good traction. Looks like it's going to warm up after the weekend so this is the time to get out.



Pow on Mar 17



20+cms in the snow-forecast.com page



East Quartz/Lang traverse on Mar 20

Staging Areas Latest Info

Quartz Creek

Conditions: Main areas have compaction. Some sweet spots left.
Grooms scheduled: as allowed by avalanche conditions - groomed to 12km for sure
Fees: $30/sled
Parking: main parking lot
Additional notes: Main area is compacted. Flat Trail in. Parking lot is cleared. East Quartz trail has been pushed.

Silent Pass

Conditions: packed powder
Grooms scheduled: as allowed by avalanche forecasters. Groomed to 47km
Fees: $30/sled
Parking: 31km lot - please do not drive past.
Road: Road in is rough, lots of puddles and bumps.
Additional notes: Compaction in main areas.

Gorman Lake

Conditions: wind affect in alpine
Grooms scheduled: As needed moving forward (once a week)
Fees: $30/sled
Parking: 3.5km lower lot
Road: road is nicely gravelled. Call your kms! RR27
Additional notes:

First few km of trail is very thin and icy in the morning. Not a lot of places to cool down.

KNOW WHERE YOU RIDE