

APRIL 3 - SPRUNG SPRING

Spring is in full effect here in Golden this week and the blue sky and warm temps confirm it. Conditions have been quite good in the high alpine this week and many people snagged some cold smoke turns, however the weekend is set to have a period of significant warming and that will settle the pow and also awake avalanche conditions. Gorman and Silent have seen their last grooms of the season this week and it's race weekend for the Suhan race!

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!

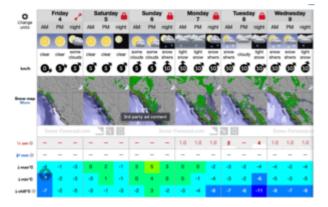
SOLD OUT!

VOLUNTEERS WANTED! Special prizes and paid positions available for course marshals. please email sled@sledgolden.com

Snow & Weather

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We've had approximately 15cm of new snow this week. There's a period of warming which peaks on Sunday and then we're expecting precipitation next week.



snow-forecast screen shot



Pow on Mar 17



East Quartz/Lang traverse on Mar 20

Staging Areas Latest Info

Quartz Creek

Conditions: compacted powder

Grooms scheduled: as allowed by avalanche conditions - groomed to 12km for sure

Fees: \$30/sled

Parking: main parking lot

Additional notes: Main parking lot is dirt but snow starts right after payment kiosk. Still a snow ride into the cabin.

Silent Pass

Conditions: wet powder

Grooms scheduled: done for the season

Fees: \$30/sled

Parking: 31km lot - please do not drive past. **Road:** Road in is rough, lots of puddles and bumps.

Additional notes: Road is muddy and bumpy. trail is rotting but still almost all snow.

Gorman Lake

Conditions: wet powder

Grooms scheduled: done for the season

Fees: \$30/sled

Parking: 3.5km lower lot is dirt. People have been parked at upper lot (11km) when it was frozen.

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. 3.5km lower lot is dirt. People have been parked at upper lot (11km) when it was frozen. Snow line is approximately at the 8km mark. Trailers are not recommended above the 3.5km lot.

KNOW WHERE YOU RIDE