



2016-17 Country Legends – Snow Rider Report

Eh Ha! Calling all snow riders! The Alaska Avalanche Information Center brings you this report thanks to support from Country Legends.

We can expect cooler temperatures this weekend with snow and warmer temperatures forecasted for next week.

Avalanche danger is MODERATE at treeline and above in Turnagain Pass and Summit Lakes areas. Hatcher Pass is reporting MODERATE avalanche danger above 2500 feet.

Numerous human triggered and natural avalanches have been reported in Turnagain and Hatcher Pass, so while the probability of triggering an avalanche may be low, the consequences remain high with the unstable snowpack. Careful snowpack evaluation and EXTREME CAUTION in route-planning is highly advised in all Southcentral mountain areas.

Trails in the Petersville area are reported in great condition with more than two feet of fresh snow. Hatcher Pass is open to riders from the Fishhook trailhead to Summit Lake however trail conditions are reported windblown and variable. Stay on the trails as there is no base off trail and failure to stay on the trails will result in closures from state officials.

AARP Alaska is hosting a free workshop for riders on Saturday, February 18th from 10 am to 3 pm in the Turnagain Pass motorized parking lot. Find details about this and other upcoming events at AlaskaSnow.org.

Remember if you are heading into the mountains go prepared. Take your beacon, shovel and probe and know how to use them so you can ***Live to Ride Another Day!***

That's it for this week. Have a safe time out there and keep thinking snow!

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