

2005

December 29, 2005

Christmas Eve it rained at the lodge, consolidating the snow pack for a good base. Following the rain came 43 cm of new snow and cold temperatures, making for fantastic skiing. At this time at the lodge the total snowpack is 138 cm with several storm fronts on the way.

December 11, 2005

A series of small storms over the last couple of weeks have steadily added to the snowpack, although with good stabilizing settling occurring not much net gain was made. The total snowpack at the start of the week was 97 cm (38"), then a nice dump of 27 cm (10 1/2") of light powder at the start of the week added to that. After the storm passed through, temperatures dipped to a nippy - 22 Celsius overnight for a few days. The accompanying clear skies gave beautiful sunsets and great views of the growing moon, and skiing was excellent on the silky new powder on top of a good base. Total snowpack by the end of the week had settled out to 112 cm (44"). Next snow update will be sometime around Dec. 28th. We're looking forward to a great Christmas trip into the lodge with friends, and wishing everyone all the best of the season!

November 29, 2005

The snowpack at Powder Creek is looking great so far and the early season skiing has been SUPER! A big storm blew in for the Remembrance Day long weekend and dumped over 70 cm (2 ft) of light, dry powder on top of a dense 50 cm base. The snowpack after the storm was 110 cm (3 1/2 ft), which settled out to 90 cm (3 ft) by Nov 18th. With this great early season snowpack, coverage is excellent and much of our terrain is already skiable. Another series of snowy storms has been blowing through the region starting last weekend, dumping lots of new snow in the mountains. More is forecast to be on the way over the next week. We head into the lodge next week to check on things, so stay tuned for our next snow update sometime around Dec. 10th. More Powder to the people!

April 10, 2005

Typical April conditions at Powder Creek last week, we had 20 cm of new snow, sunshine and very warm temperatures, and then another 20 cm of snow to go straight back to winter. Total snow pack at the lodge 256 cm.

March 29, 2005

Finally winter is back at Powder Creek. In the last 10 days we received 114 cm. of new snow, to bring our total snow pack to 265 cm. The skiing has been fantastic. More snow to come in the next few days.

March 13, 2005

We try to be as honest as we can, so let's face it, it wasn't great powder skiing last week. Very warm temperatures, even rain on Tuesday, sent skiing conditions down the drain. After that we got corn snow on south and west aspects, and we even got 10 cm of snow over the week to improve things. Traveling conditions were great, skiing conditions not. Snowpack at the lodge 181 cm. Let's hope the weatherman is right about snow mid week and colder temps.

February 27, 2005

The last 2 weeks we have had nothing but blue skies over Powder Creek. Except for south facing slopes, the snow quality remained excellent and the skiing has been great. Last weeks group from Seattle (including 75 year old Dick Eitel) made it all the way to the Baldy coll. Today it is starting to snow again. Total snowpack 193 cm.

February 14, 2005

Carol reports amazing skiing this last week. Blue skies and cool temperatures. In the last 2 days we received another 29 cm. of new snow, just in time for the new group that flew in Sunday. Total snowpack 210 cm.

February 07, 2005

During the last few days we received 49 cm of much needed snow. Skiing is fantastic these days under blue skies and cold temperatures. Total snowpack 209 cm at 7100 ft.

January 30, 2005

Cooler overnight temperatures and warm sunny days at the beginning of the week helped stabilize the snowpack and created some great corn skiing (in January!) on south aspects. Further cooling later in the week accompanied by some new snow made for great travel and improved skiing conditions. The average maximum temperature for the week was +2 degrees Celsius, the average minimum was -3 degrees. Total snowfall for the week was 21 cm. The total snowpack is 180 cm. The weather office is predicting more new snow for the end of next week.

January 23, 2005

Two weeks of frigid temperatures came to an abrupt end this week as a pineapple express chugged through the area in a big way, bringing warm temps and lots of precipitation. At the beginning of the week it started with wet snow, and towards the end of the week it turned to rain and it rained all the way to ridgetops, causing numerous avalanches on all aspects. The average maximum temperature for the week was 0 degrees Celsius, the average minimum was -6 degrees. Total snowfall for the week was 75 cm. The total snowpack is 185 cm.

January 15, 2005

The week was clear, sunny and cool with most of the new snow arriving overnight. Total snowfall was 27 cm. Average max temp for the week was -11.7C. Average min temp was -23.1C.

January 08, 2005

Total snowfall 12 cm. Average max temp for the week was -8.3C. Average min temp was -17.7C.

January 04, 2005

Champagne Powder is the only way to describe snow conditions last week. We received 31 cm at the beginning of the week, and then the sun came out and it got cold. Excellent skiing on all aspects and at all elevations. Total snowpack is 153 cm.