



Get Outdoors
PARRY SOUND



Winter Cycling—FAQs

In partnership with Get Outdoors Parry Sound, Georgian Nordic Outdoor Activity Club Club is pleased to announce that winter cycling on fat bikes is now available at the club!

What is Fat biking?

Cycling during the winter on fat bikes is a growing industry, that originated in Alaska. Fat bikes are similar to mountain bikes, however, the tires are considerably larger, at least 3.5 inches or wider. GSNCC is now one of the growing list of places that accommodates winter cycling.

Why was GNOAC interested in including fat biking?

Fat biking is another way to promote an active outdoor lifestyle to our community. In addition, and opportunity for marketing and to increase revenue through day passes and inclusion in events (e.g., Sounder, Ski-A Thon)

Is there a cost?

Yes, a rider must have day pass or membership from both GNOAC AND Get Outdoors Parry Sound. Fees are available with attendant at the Burrow, Trysport, or Parry Sound Bikes.

What trails will riders be on?

Riders will have access to many of the trails groomed for skating (e.g., Lynx, Partridge, Wolf, Bunny) and the snow-shoe trails (e.g., Fisher, Rattlesnake). Please check with the Burrow Attendant

What will happen to the trails?

Winter cycling is dependent on the right conditions. Just like skiing, some temperatures and snow conditions are better for classic skiing as opposed to skate skiing. In general, if the snow is too soft, or a rider has to push their bike, they should not be riding. In the right conditions, when the trails are firm, the impression left by a bike tire is similar to that of a ski. Information about trails being open or closed will be posted on the website site, social media, and with the burrow attendant (705.746.5067).

When will riders be on the trails?

Access to trails for riding may be restricted during large events at GNOAC and is also highly dependent on trail conditions. If you are not sure it is a good day to ride, or to ask about current conditions and planned events, riders can contact the burrow attendant,

What is the riding etiquette?

So that everyone has an enjoyable experience, riders will be required to follow some basic etiquette guidelines such as riding in the same direction as skiers, yielding to skiers, riding on the left hand side of trail, avoiding the track set, and smiling. Helmets are mandatory.

If you have any questions, contact Get Outdoors Parry Sound by email goparrysound@gmail.com or visit <https://www.facebook.com/GOParrySound>

