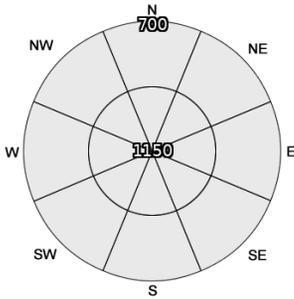


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 17/04/2021 TO 18:00HRS Sun 18/04/2021



Hazard Level	Avalanche Probability
Very High	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. Numerous very large, often extremely large natural avalanches can be expected.
High	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. In some cases, numerous large, often very large sized natural avalanches can be expected.
Considerable	Natural and human triggered avalanches possible, in some cases large, in isolated cases very large sized natural avalanches are possible.
Moderate	Very large sized natural avalanches are unlikely. Human triggering possible in indicated steep places.
Low	Only small and medium sized natural avalanches are possible. Human triggering possible in steep, extreme terrain.

Forecast Weather Influences

Overnight, dry and cool conditions will continue to affected the area. Patchy light rain will commence in the early morning for a short period this will give a dusting of new snow on the higher summits. Winds will be fresh to strong over the summits from a South-South-Easterly direction. The freezing level will rise to well above the summits by the end of the period.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Overnight, the snowpack will consolidate. Any new snow amounts are not expected to be significant mostly a light dusting above 900 metres. These new deposits will start to thaw and the surface layers will soften again as the freezing level rises but stability will remain generally good. Surface instabilities may exist in the afternoon, mainly on steep North through East to South-East aspects above 850 metres. Remaining cornices will be prone to collapse. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 17/04/2021

Observed Weather Influences

It was another dry, warm day, plus 2 degrees Celsius on the highest summit. The winds were light from a Southerly direction.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The spring snowpack is generally consolidated and stable. Surface layers softened but stability remained good in most places. Some minor localised surface instabilities developed on some steeper slopes that were exposed to direct sunshine, mainly on North through East to South-East aspects above 850 metres. The avalanche hazard is Low.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Firmer snow in the morning, softening through the day. Good visibility. Mainly calm conditions with light Southerly winds.

Comments

Strong summit winds are forecast for next couple of days. Cooler on Tuesday. This is the last report of the winter, thanks for all your support this season.