

Mt Blackmore East Ridge

Date

Sun, 02/21/2021 - 15:22

Activity

Skiing

Went up the east ridge of Mount Blackmore this morning. Winds were strong in the basin and along the ridgeline from the SW. Lots of snow being transported and wind slabs forming.

Dug a pit on an SE facing, 23deg slope at 9500ft out of curiosity to see what the pit would tell me in contrast to the giant avalanche from a few days prior. Facets at the ground were about 175cm from the surface and unreactive in my CT (had a CT5 on a density change about 8" down). Switched to a deep tap and got a DT4 with a dramatic sudden collapse. Skied a few laps in the low angled trees. Had some wind slab cracking along the ridgeline but otherwise no other signs of instability.

Region

Northern Gallatin

Location (from list)

Mt Blackmore

Observer Name

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