

Sietz

Date

Fri, 04/23/2021 - 08:25

Activity

Skiing

This morning we toured up the Sietz Slidepath to check out the new snow. The last few days of sun baked the top of the snow event from Sunday/ Monday, and created a new crust layer. On East and North East aspects, this failed easily. Multiple hand pits on the ascent revealed a Q1 shear with minimum effort approximately 20cm deep in the snow (photo). A quick snow pit on a Northeast aspect dug to 1m, yielded ECTN11 @ 5cm, ECTN23 @ 20cm, and ECTN27 @ 30cm. Photo is of pit, with a shear conducted on remaining block with a Q1 shear at 20cm. On Southern aspects this crust layer was much more solid and we observed no failures. On due north aspects, and isolated areas that were very protected by tree cover, we did not observe this crust.

Region

Bridger Range

Location (from list)

Northern Bridgers

Observer Name

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