

Still Dangerous

Date

Sun, 02/11/2024 - 12:45

Activity

Skiing

Wind was calm and there was no new snow overnight. A small whumpf in the skin [track](#) was followed by a massive one a few minutes later. I can count on one hand the number of times I got whumpfs in a skin [track](#) ...rare indeed. The second one was so big it had us both deeply concerned. We peeled off the skin [track](#) after deciding to not cross a gully and soon found debris from a sizeable avalanche that released a couple days ago about 500' above us. We dug in the flank and had 100 cm of snow, 60 cm new from last week. The snowfall during the Avalanche Warning, doubled the depth and more than doubled the [snow water equivalent](#) of the snowpack. It was a large load and avalanches are breaking underneath the new snow.

Karl was using his 100 cm long Norwegian Battle Saw (pic)...a bit overkill.

Region

Lionhead Range

Location (from list)

Hebgen Lake

Observer Name

Doug Chabot