

SKATING DIARY 2024-2025

WED 26.3. SKATING SEASON OVER, THANKS FOR SEASON!

Skating maintenance and possibilities ended, as spring came with warm temperatures! Many thanks for the long season. This was already the 18th season of making nordic skating routes, this year ice quality was mostly great throughout the 3,5 month season. Next winter we will continue once again!

TUE 25.3.

No skatings, warm weather melted snow on top of routes.

MON 24.3. LAST(?) SKATING DAY

Today skatings on a great track. In the afternoon gets soft. Then spring seems to go ahead as no freezing night ahead.

SAT 22.3. FULL SKATING DAY

Great skatings today on a 15km track! On sunday strong recommendation to come in the morning. Last days of skating season.

TUE 18.3. LAST SKATING WEEK, 10+5 KM OPEN

Great skatings the following 4-5 days! Tuesday full skating day. From wednesday, **come to skate in the mornings, as the ice surface might go soft in afternoon.**

At the moment we forecast that saturday will be the last skating day before high temperatures. 10 km of tracks in great condition. Haataansaari 5 km also will be opened today. Tracks, start from southpoint of island (900m from rental).

ROUTES

- Southpoint - Siplahti (6 km back forth)
- Kaarnalahti route 2 km
- Valkialampi route 2 km
- Haataansaari island route 5 km (this one is decent shape)

Sumpunlahti route (9km) is now closed for the rest of winter.

OTHER ACTIVITIES & SERVICES

- EQUIPMENT RENTALS: Between 10-16 daily
- WINTER CYCLING: Rent an E-bike and head to ridge trails (Topeliuksen Polku /Takaharjun lenkki) or to tree arboretum park! You can also cycle along the skating route.
- CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING: Skiing possible in holiday village and in ice routes the following 3-4 days.
- WINTER SWIMMING AND PUBLIC SAUNA: Public sauna heated every day on our shore! [See sauna times from here.](#)

FRI 14.3. NOW TO ICE (LAST WEEKEND?)

Now might be the last full week of skating before next weeks warm. We recommend the not so windy sections of Kaarnalahti and Valkialampi route. 10 km in great shape, 14 km in decent. During weekend we focus on keeping the 10 km routes open.

MON 10.3. AT 10.30 ALL ROUTES OPEN! 24 km

Suprise of monday morning: All routes open! We had some luck with weather conditions. Routes mostly in nice/great shape, some air bubbles and uneven sections on the routes. Sumpunlahti route for experienced skaters. Great with kick sleds or bikes!

Full skating week ahead! Tracks, start from southpoint of island (900m from rental).

- Southpoint - Siplahti (6 km back forth)
- Siplahti-Sumpunlahti (9 km back forth)

- Kaarnalahti route 2 km
- Valkialampi route 2 km
- Haataansaari island route 5 km

THU 6.3. AT 10.30 ROUTES CLOSED AFTER THIS MORNING

Some routes skatable now, weather goes warm and ice goes soft: Routes will be closed for the rest of week for skating. Winter Cycling conditions are good at the moment and also cross-country skiing at ice. Next week cannot yet be forecasted as we have to see what changes happen during 4-5 days of warm.

SERVICES & OTHER ACTIVITIES:

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TUE 4.3. NO SKATINGS TODAY

Soft conditions, no skatings today. Tomorrow cold night!

- Cross-country skiing
- Winter Cycling

MON 3.3. WET, BUT SKATABLE CONDITION, 15 KM

Today bit wet conditions, 15 km open: Snow fell on wet ice last night, ice surface today is not very hard for skating on all parts, good sections on ice also. We received skaters feedback that condition was quite alright until afternoon when it went bit soft.

So head to skating in the mornings this week.

This weeks skatings any way are day-by-day: Long warm period affects the ice surface and maintenance options. Cold nights are needed.

SERVICES & OTHER ACTIVITIES:

- EQUIPMENT RENTALS: Between 10-16 daily
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- CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING: Next maintenance attempt is tuesday 4.3.

SAT 1.3.

Today 12 km open! Routes from southpoint to Kruunupuisto, Haataansaari route, Kaarnalahti and Valkialampi. Stay in the center of the route. Siplahti and Sumpunlahti most likely doesn't open today, it's soft and more water.

FRI 28.2.

Tracks skated in morning. Siplahti and Sumpunlahti routes are too soft. Others open. Next night cold forecast, we recommend to come in the morning.

THU 27.2. SITUATION AND FORECAST

24 km open! Right now conditions are great despite warm: Most of track surface is clear, hard ice, which doesn't go soft that easily on warm degrees. Forecasts difficult to make, but we expect the tracks to be open throughout weekend at the moment.

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- WINTER CYCLING: Rent an E-bike and head to ridge trails (Topeliuksen Polku /Takaharjun lenkki) or to tree arboretum park! You can also cycle to Sumpunlahti.
- PANCAKE HUT: Open on our shore this week friday, 12-16.
- WAFFLE CAFE: In the shore of Kruunupuisto, Open still this week, Thu-Sat 10-18 and sunday 10-16.

WED 26.2.

Now again excellent conditions on ice!

TUE 25.2. TOMORROW SHOULD BE GOOD!

At 21: Ice maintained (cutted) the whole day and we assume wednesday is a good day.

At 10.40: This layer can be cutted (which was now started) and condition are quite alright. Reduce speed at first skates.

At 10: For today, Ice went bad: Some snow melted / water partially froze to ice. Skatings carefully today. Will inform more when investigated

MON 24.2. GREAT SITUATION, 24 km

Tracks in great shape, also the additional route to Sumpunlahti starts to be good!

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- CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING: Cross-country trails on holiday village and on large areas on ice. Maintenance [situation from here.](#)
- PANCAKE HUT: Open on our shore this week tuesday-wednesday and friday, 12-16.
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THU 20.2. AT 9 GREAT WEEK + FORECAST IS GREAT

Steady forecast and great situation in the ice. Main routes 15 km in great shape. Also last week we opened a new additional route: This 9 km route is to Sumpunlahti-recreation area. This track for experienced skaters. Now a whopping 24 km of routes!

FORECAST THIS WEEK: Should be excellent through the weekend

FORECAST NEXT WEEK: Weather goes warmer, but with current forecast the expectation is, **that does not affect skatings at all during next week!** It shows minus degrees in nights and if the nights are even -1, that usually keeps ice conditions quite stable. Hopefully forecast doesn't go warmer.

Punkaharju Torch Skating on friday!

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- CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING: Cross-country trails on holiday village and on large areas on ice. Maintenance [situation from here.](#)
- PANCAKE HUT: Open on our shore on weeks 8-9 on tuesday-wednesday and friday.
- WAFFLE CAFE: Open four days a week in Kruunupuisto shore 14.2.-2.3: Thu-Sat 10-18 and sunday 10-16.

FRI 14.2. STEADY CONDITIONS, 24 KM OPEN

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FRI 7.2. NOW 24 KM OF ROUTES OPEN!

We opened a new additional route to ice area. This route is to Sumpunlahti-recreation area, updated map made. Now a whopping 24 km of routes!

- Main routes (15 km) in great condition!
- New route (9 km) is decent and fits more experienced skaters.

SERVICES & OTHER ACTIVITIES:

WINTER SWIMMING AND PUBLIC SAUNA: Public sauna heated every day on our shore! [See sauna times from here.](#)

WINTER CYCLING: Rent an E-bike and head to ridge trails (Topeliuksen Polku 3km /Takaharjun lenkki 1,7km) or to tree arboretum park (5 km Puulajireitti)!

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING: Limited amount of snow at the moment, check skiing options from the link. Maintenance [situation from here.](#)

PANCAKE HUT: Open on our shore on saturdays (until 15.2.) between 12-16.

EQUIPMENT RENTALS: Between 10-16 daily

TUE 4.2. ALL ROUTES OPEN, 15 KM

Nice ice condition and all routes open. We received snow during weekend and very winterous condition now.

Tracks, start from southpoint of island (900m from rental).

- Southpoint - Siplahti (6 km back forth)
- Kaarnalahti route 2 km
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EQUIPMENT RENTALS: Between 10-16 daily

Sat 1.2. At 9 Skating day!

Routes frozen (except Valkialampi and Siplahti pond) and great skatings!

FRI 31.1. WEEKEND SKATINGS!

at 16: **Skatings continue (very likely) on Saturday! We report on Saturday morning around 9 am.** On many areas we could already skate now, some areas not yet skatable. Most likely next nights -2 is enough.

at 10: Huge change in one night, tracks look much more dry. No skatings today, larger inspection in the afternoon, that does the skating re-start on Saturday or on Sunday.

THU 30.1.

Some routes skatable, but very wet today! We are making holes next to the route for water to exit the routes.

Thursday: Very wet skatings on some areas

Friday: Do not go to the routes! little freezing temperatures, and water starts to freeze

Saturday: Small possibility of skatings

Sunday: Possible skating day

WED 29.1. SITUATION AND WEEKEND

(Tuesday update modified) No skatings today: Little freezing temperatures last night, which likely froze the water surface - not skatable.

For the weekend the weather gets dry and lightly freezing: If the water exits the routes / ice areas go more dry during Thu-Fri, there is little chance for skating re-start on Saturday. We can estimate this during Friday. Sunday looks a like probable skating day at the moment.

MON 27.1. AT 12 THIS WEEK

Ice routes (and all ice areas) are filled of water as the snow on ice has melted. Very wet conditions and at the moment the water doesn't go under the ice surface. **The surface of ice is hard enough for skating, but very wet to skate.**

We monitor the situation daily, as the water on routes might start to go under the ice as the ice area starts to "float". This happens when certain weather conditions happen (ie. high wind). Cannot be forecasted at the moment, we monitor it daily.

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Exceptionally warm conditions have taken majority of snow away at the moment.

WINTER SWIMMING AND PUBLIC SAUNA: Public sauna heated every day on our shore! [See sauna](#)

[times from here.](#)

WINTER CYCLING: Rent an E-bike and head to ridge trails (Topeliuksen Polku 3km /Takaharjun lenkki 1,7km) or to tree arboretum park (5 km Puulajireitti)!

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING: Very limited amount of snow at the moment, check skiing options from the link. Maintenance [situation from here.](#)

PANCAKE HUT: Open on our shore on Saturdays (until 15.2.) between 12-16.

EQUIPMENT RENTALS: Between 10-16 daily

SUN 26.1. AT 9 WATER

Warm weather has lifted water to all routes. Skatable, but wet.

On Monday, we attempt to remove the water from routes by making holes to the route ice. We will see on Monday if it works. Ice is hard for skating despite warm.

SAT 25.1.

Routes open except Valkialampi pond. Great ice despite warm.

THU 23.1. GREAT SITUATION

15 km of tracks open and majority in very good condition! Weekend shows quite warm conditions, our expectation is that doesn't affect for skating conditions during Friday-Sunday. Welcome!

PANCAKE HUT: Open on our shore on Sat 25.1. and Sat 1.2., between 12-16

WINTER SWIMMING AND PUBLIC SAUNA: Public sauna heated every day on our shore! [See sauna times from here.](#)

WINTER CYCLING: Rent an E-bike and head to ridge trails (Topeliuksen Polku 3km /Takaharjun lenkki 1,7km) or to tree arboretum park (5 km Puulajireitti)!

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING: Limited amount of snow at the moment, check skiing options from the link. Maintenance [situation from here.](#)

EQUIPMENT RENTALS daily

MON 20.1. ALL ROUTES OPEN

All routes open (15 km) and perfect ice!

Sun 19.1. at 10

12 km open today! Tomorrow all routes.

SAT 18.1. FORECASTED CHANGED, TOMORROW IS POSSIBLE

Forecast now shows a freezing night for next night with wind - this might be enough to restart skatings on Sunday already! We will skate the routes and report around 9 am.

FRI 17.1. ROUTE CLOSED, SKATING CONTINUES ON MONDAY

It was -2 degrees last night and there was little amount of water on routes, which are now lightly frozen: Skating is not possible today. This means that skatings continuing needs an "enough" freezing night, as it's partially frozen and impossible to skate. This weather seems to happen on Sunday-Monday night, so our estimate is that on Monday the skatings continue!

WINTER SWIMMING AND PUBLIC SAUNA: Public sauna heated every day on our shore! [See sauna times from here.](#)

WINTER CYCLING: Rent an E-bike and head to ridge trails (Topeliuksen Polku 3km /Takaharjun lenkki 1,7km) or to tree arboretum park (5 km Puulajireitti)!

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING: Tracks open!

EQUIPMENT RENTALS: Between 10-15 daily

THU 16.1.

Despite warm, great situation today! Friday unsure and especially saturday-sunday because lack of cold nights.

WED 15.1. SITUATION

Ice is perfect at the moment, all routes open! Following days are warm without freezing nights - we expect that tomorrow thursday no affect to ice. Friday-Sunday is very unsure at the moment and cannot yet be forecasted. Day-by-day.

MON 13.1. GOOD SITUATION + FOLLOWING DAYS

Tracks now and today good, 15 km open. Following days are warm, lot of maintenance is done to keep prevent water to come to routes on first days. Should not affect skatings on tuesday and wednesday. After this its day-by-day, depending on nightly temperatures. [Track map from here.](#)

Tracks, start from southpoint of island (900m from rental).

- Southpoint - Siplahti (6 km back forth)
- Kaarnalahti route 2 km
- Valkialampi route 2 km
- Haataansaari island route 5 km

FRI 10.1. ALL ROUTES OPEN!

All routes open now and good condition!

Thu 9.1. 12 km open

Lot of snow but majority of routes open and nice condition! Work continues.

WED 8.1. SNOWSTORM

No skatings today due to snowstorm. Daily work continues on ice, tomorrow better day.

SAT 4.1. EXCELLENT ICE SITUATION, 15 KM OPEN

15 km of tracks open and overall situation is good: Mostly the ice is really good, always some bumpy sections despite daily maintenance. [Track map from here.](#)

Tracks, start from southpoint of island (900m from rental).

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- Haataansaari island route 5 km

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WINTER CYCLING: Rent an E-bike and head to ridge trails (Topeliuksen Polku 3km /Takaharjun lenkki 1,7km) or to tree arboretum park (5 km Puulajireitti)!

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING: Not recommended before next weeks snowfall

EQUIPMENT RENTALS: Between 10-15 daily

TUE 31.12. ROUTES OPEN

12 km of routes and great condition! On thursday most likely all 15 km of routes open. These new tracks demand some work.

MON 30.12. TOMORROW IS SKATING DAY, FORECAST OF WEEK

at 11.30: Correction for this day, today route closed! Water on top of routes started to freeze already. Lets not break the surface. Tomorrow a good skating day!

at 9: Despite rain and heavy wind, ice looks great, limited amount of water on top of routes. Should be no problem. Based on forecast, we expect great conditions starting from tomorrow morning. Few uncertainties still, we will inform in the morning.

Right now 10 km of routes and the goal is to check and mark all of the routes that are not open yet, during tomorrow 31.12. Rest of the week: Should be very steady conditions!

WINTER SWIMMING AND PUBLIC SAUNA: Public sauna heated every day on our shore! [See sauna times from here.](#)

WINTER CYCLING: Rent an E-bike and head to ridge trails (Topeliuksen Polku 3km /Takaharjun lenkki

1,7km) or to tree arboretum park (5 km Puulajireitti)!

EQUIPMENT RENTALS: Between 10-15 daily

SAT 28.12.

Routes open and great icet! 10 km of skating tracks open and steady conditions!

Fri 27.12. TOMORROW PERHAPS SKATING DAY!

At 12: Very thin layer of water under the ice top surface, not skatable today as this water layer has to freeze. When it freezes, there is plenty of ice and has been for two weeks already. Limited amount of cold for next night, our estimate is now, that it is enough. **We will know for sure in the morning, try to inform here at 9.00.**

Very unsual and beautiful ice surface!

At 10: Skatings unlikely today. Water that hasen rosen to routes are not fully frozen yet. We will go round the routes in the next hours and inform.

MONDAY 23.12. AT 11 WET CONDITIONS, TODAY STILL SKATABLE | CHRISTMAS WEEK

Due to rain and warm, water has rosen to routes faster than expected. Routes are still skatable today (ice surface is hard), but as time goes on, more water will rise to routes which makes it unskatable. Our expectation is that on 24.12. routes are skatable, but very wet conditions.

Routes will most likely be unskatable 25.-26.12. with this weather forecast, days after this are unsure (depend on water amount on routes and freezing temperatures). There is limited freezing temperatures forecasted for end of week, but unsure if its enough.

CHRISTMAS WEEK ACTIVITIES

WINTER SWIMMING AND PUBLIC SAUNA: Public sauna heated every day (except 25.12) on our

shore! [See sauna times from here.](#)

WINTER CYCLING: Rent an E-bike and head to ridge trails (Topeliuksen Polku 3km /Takaharjun lenkki 1,7km) or to tree arboretum park (5 km Puulajireitti)!

SNOWSHOEING: Recommended in tree arboretum routes, with some snow

EQUIPMENT RENTALS: Between 10-15 (except 25.12. when we are closed)

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING: Skiing is possible (freestyle/without lanes), but a little amount of snow is needed to prepare the actual skiing lanes for classic style skiing. Maintenance [situation from here.](#)

23.12.2024 - water rises to routes, but still skatable today.

SAT 21.12. good, 10 KM!

Good ice situation! As forecasts are changing for the following week: A reminder to all followers, that when the night is under zero degrees, that usually means quite stable skating situation. When conditions change, we will inform.

Tracks at the moment, start from southpoint of island (900m from rental).

- Southpoint - Vaahersalo bridge (1,5 km back forth)
- Kaarnalahti route 2 km
- Valkialampi route 2 km
- Haataansaari island 5 km (back forth)

Additional routes cannot yet be opened, as its early in ice season.

Note that there is no track maintenance on 25.12., as its the only day we are closed.

WINTER SWIMMING & SAUNA: Everyday in our shore!

WINTER CYCLING & SNOWSHOEING is possible

EQUIPMENT RENTAL: Between 10-15

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING: Skiing is possible (freestyle/withouth lanes), but a little amount of snow is needed to to prepare the actual skiing lanes for classic style skiing. Maintenance [situation from here.](#)

Thu 19.12. open

Despite snowstorm, routes open! Same 10 km as earlier. We expect that fridays rain does not affect greatly, so saturday should be a nice skating day!

Tue 17.12. SEASON STARTS TOMORROW! 10 KM OF TRACKS

Skating season starts tomorrow, 10 km of tracks! Work was able to be started yesterday and tomorrow wednesday 18.12. is the first day of skatings. Note that during tomorrow benches etc. items will be put on place and we will focus on cleaning the routes we were able to open today, but you can come in the morning. Rentals from restaurant.

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Surface of ice is quite good! We cannot yet bring to the ice the ice cutter (which makes the surface cleaner and better), but quite nice condition. :)

13.12. very promising, season starts next week?

Very positive situation at the ice. Lot of snow coming on weekend. If all goes well we are able to start pushing the snow away from ice on monday! We will see on monday but we expect to open the season early next week at the moment.

During Christmas and New Year, restaurant and rental open daily (expect 25.12. when we are closed), [check opening hours from here.](#)

11.12. winter starts

Promising forecasts regarding cold temperatures. Could be possible that season could start before christmas. We will most likely have a better estimate on friday.

5.12. First ice

Lakes froze last night! Fingers crossed that the icing continues before big snow amounts - with luck the season might start quite soon.