

## Winter 2016-2017 and 2015-2016

### Wed 29.3. Skating not possible, cross-country skiing is

Skating tracks are closed for this winter, heavy snowfall yesterday so cross-country skiing conditions possible for the next 3-5 days!

### Wed 22.3. Skating tracks are closed for this winter, natural ice skating possible at some mornings

Due to warm night and early spring, skating track is closed for this winter!.

Promising weather forecast for friday and saturday nights (enough cold), so some skating might be possible on early mornings. However, track guidances are gathered away today, so skating only with small groups and with safety equipments (info can be told from our reception). Thanks for for the season!

### Mon 20.3. Skating tracks open, unsure starting from wednesday

Skating tracks are open! Starting point of track from the south-point of Tuunaansaari. Weather forecast from wed. 21.3. might be too warm for skating (nights are too warm), so skating cannot be promised. We will update the info here, if tracks are closed starting from 21.3. There should be a night temperature of minimum -5 degrees for skating to possible.

### Thu 16.3. Skating track closed, skiing possible

Skating track closed today: Heavy snowfall last night and due to warm temperatures, skating not possible at the route. Most likely skating possible next week monday again, as there is cold nights forecasted! Some cross-country skiing is still possible.

### Monday 13.3. Skating possible at mornings

Routes still open and although warm days, still good skating condition on mornings. **We strongly recommend to come skating early morning / morning**, because in the end of afternoons the surface of ice becomes soft. Might be the last week of season. Starting point of track from the south-point of Tuunaansaari.

### Thursday 9.3. Welcome to skate

All routes open (16 km) and maintained to good skating condition once again, great weather forecast for the weekend. Equipment Rental open sat and sun 10-17, on friday the equipments from main building. Pancake Café open along the route sat and sun 11-16, welcome!

### Tuesday 7.3. All routes open

All routes open again (16 km) and on good skating condition! Great weather forecast for this week, welcome!

### **Sunday 5.3. at 11.30 12 km of skating routes open**

Routes were cleaned 30 min ago, on most parts the track is now on good skating condition, some bumpy sections also! 12 km of skating routes open, Pancake Cafe open 11-16 and equipment rental 10-17!

### **Sunday 5.3. at 9.10 Skating possible, but routes can not be cleaned**

Skating is possible, but suprisingly the water sections have not completely frozen yet (so we can not maintain and clean the ice route). Experienced skater can skate easily, some uneven sections at the route. Conditions get better the more further the day goes! 12 km of routes open today.

### **Saturday 4.3 Skating tracks will be opened tomorrow**

Last night snowing prevented the ice freezing. Today all rouds closed. Starting from sunday morning 10.00, there will be around 10-12 km of skating tracks open, Pancake Cafe open on sunday between 11-16, equipment rental 10-17!

### **Wed 1.3. // mod fri 3.3. // Skating track closed, good weather starting from sunday!**

Due to warm days, skating track is closed (water on top of route) for few days. Routes will be opened when it gets cold again. Cold nights forecasted for the following weekend, especially sunday looks promising! Saturday looks unlikely for skating, conditions will be informed on saturday morning around 9 a.m.

A good weather forecast starting from sunday for the following week.

### **Tuesday 28.2.**

All routes open and on good shape!

### **Thursday 23.2.**

Skating route closed today because of snow storm and high wind, route will be open once again tomorrow morning, starting from 11.00!

### **Wednesday 22.2.**

All routes open (16 km), tomorrow routes are opened propably after the snowfall and heavy wind. Equipment Rental open every day between 10-16, equipments for friday night skating event are fully booked. Pancake Cafe is open this week on friday and sunday 11-15.

### **Thursday 16.2.**

All routes open (16 km) an the track is in good skating condition! Nice forecast for saturday, routes will be maintained after sunday nights snowfall. On the following weekend Pancake Cafe open along the route on saturday and sunday between 11-15.

Starting from this saturday, the equipment rental is open everyday between 10-16 until 12.3.2017!

#### **Thursday 9.2.2017**

All routes open (16 km) an the track is in good skating condition! On the following weekend Pancake Cafe open on sunday between 11-15, on saturday is closed. Equipment rental open on weekend between 10-15, on other days equipments from main building.

#### **Thursday 27.1.2017**

All routes open (15-16 km) an the track is in good skating condition! Pancake Cafe open sat and sun between 11-15. Equipment rental open on weekend between 10-15, on other days equipments from main building.

#### **Saturday 7.1.**

All routes open (15-17 km), starting point from our shore and Pancake Cafe open today on tomorrow between 11-14. :) Equipment rental open between 10-15.

#### **'Tuesday 3.1.2017 All tracks open, Pancake Café open on weekend**

15 km of skating routes open, until thursday/friday the starting point is from the southend of Tuunaansaari (700m from equipment rental). Very good skating conditions.

Pancaké Cafe will be opened on saturday, along the skating route, in the heart of ridgearea! Pancakes, coffee, tea and salty pastries on a beautiful cottage. Open on saturday and sunday between 11-14 (cash only). Equipment Rental open between 10-15.

#### **Friday 30.12.2016 All tracks open 30.12. - 31.12.**

All skating tracks are open and on good condition! Approx. 15 km of tracks, starting point is from the southend of Tuunaansaari (700m from equipment rental). Should be good skating condition on saturday 31.12. also. Further info from our rental.

The skating condition for sunday 1.1. is bit unsure, as there is forecasted warm nights. Cold temperatures forecasted starting from 2.1., the tracks are guaranteed to be open then.

#### **20.12.2016 Tracks closed**

Due to warm weather tracks are now closed, propably the rest of the week. Freezing temperatures forecasted for next week, tracks most likely reopened then.

#### **16.12.2016 7 km of tracks open!**

7 km of skating tracks are now open and on decent condition! Equipment rental is open. Ice conditions are challenging, although more routes will be opened during the following weeks, there might be pauses on tracks opening hours if too warm.

## **8.12.2016 Skating season is starting soon!**

Lots of snow and some freezing temperatures, winter has started in Punkaharju. However the ice conditions are challenging, ice is not thick enough yet. Preparation of skating track can be started next week and hopefully some parts of track are open before Christmas.

## **Updates of 2015-2016 season**

### **Sunday 27.3.**

The weather is too warm for skating, tracks are closed for now.

### **Saturday 26.3. Final day of tracks open**

It is starting to get too warm for skating, this is the last day of skating tracks to be open.

### **Monday 21.3.**

Perfect skating conditions and weather this week, tracks will be open during Easter weekend. Starting point of the track is now on south-end of Tuunaansaari (800m from Rental), 14 km of routes open.

### **Friday 18.3. Skating tracks are open!**

All tour skating tracks (14 km) are open and the ice is in great condition! The weather right now + weather forecast for following 7 days couldn't be better! Detailed track guidance will be given from equipment rental, starting point of the track is now on south-end of Tuunaansaari (800m from Rental).

Equipments available every day, Equipment Rental open sat & sun 10-16, our Pancake Café open along the skating route is open sat & sun 11-16. Welcome to enjoy. :)

### **Thursday 17.3. Tour skating tracks re-opened**

Tour skating tracks will be opened on saturday at the latest, perhaps from tomorrow morning already. Equipment Rental open sat & sun 10-16, Pancake Café open along the skating route sat & sun 11-16. Weather forecast predicts that skating tracks can be kept open next weeks also. :)

### **Sunday 13.3.2016 Tracks are closed, re-opening approx. 18.-19.3.**

Unfortunately not enough cold nights (it would only need few more degrees of freezing temperatures), the skating tracks are still closed. We recommend to try the cross-country ski tracks and Snowshoe Park meanwhile!

The weather forecast predicts enough cold temperatures starting from 18.-19.3. to re-open the tracks, before that the situation is unsure and quite warm. Info will be updated when the tracks are open!

**Wednesday 9.3.2016**

Skating tracks are closed due to warm weather. The weather forecast predicts freezing temperatures starting from weekend, so the tracks will be most likely re-opened in the start of next week (it takes 1-2 nights of cold temperatures to re-open the tracks).

**Monday 7.3.2016**

10 km of skating tracks open, we estimate that the skating season last's the following 2 weeks.

**Friday 19.2.2016**

All of the skating tracks are open, 15 km of tracks! Small freezing temperatures forecasted for following weeks, which are ideal for skating.