

Ellicottville Conditions

Posted by Jon Sundquist - 16 May 2004 06:50

This is a first post. I think the trails database needs this to work correctly!

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Re: Ellicottville Conditions

Posted by Jon Sundquist - 24 Sep 2012 20:49

Yeah, I'd say go for it. If this were May I'd say stay away with this rain. But we've had such a moisture deficit, the water soaks right in, and what doesn't the leaf cover takes care of.

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Re: Ellicottville Conditions

Posted by slower_than_u - 25 Sep 2012 14:05

I had a nice four hour ride today from Eagle Hill. The ground is damp and there are some splashy puddles here and there but the trails are in nice shape. If you like your trails tacky and just soft enough so the knobbies cut in, you'll have a good time. Leaf cover is minimal though some had more than others, Rocky's Run is tricky to follow already in a few spots.

I rode Mesa in both directions for the first time. It's a very nice addition to the trail system. I found it slightly more fun riding from Eagle on my way back to the car.

I really enjoy fall riding.

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Re: Ellicottville Conditions

Posted by Painfulldischarge - 17 Oct 2012 15:46

Anybody been out since this last post? How are the current conditions in EVL? Some rain forecast for Friday, but the weekend looks warm and dry. Are conditions predominately dry right now? Or is this rain on Friday going to make a soggy mess worse?

As always, any info would be appreciated.

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Re: Ellicottville Conditions

Posted by slower_than_u - 17 Oct 2012 16:28

My brother and I rode there today for 4+ hours. His trail assessment on the drive home was right on. Except for the downed leaves, the trails are very good. Still not a lot of water in the small streams and only a few muddy spots. More rain isn't going to help obviously but I think it will stay good for a while. Maybe somebody could blow leaves off the trail???

I had some bike drama early on but things held together for the duration of the ride. I only went over the bars once on Bent Rim. I love that trail and hate it at the same time.

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Re: Ellicottville Conditions

Posted by bennymack - 18 Oct 2012 08:18

The trails are salad, ahem, solid. But really, the trails are great right now and can only get better every day it doesn't rain. The leaves started off wet but were dry and crunchy by early afternoon especially on the sun facing hill sides. If anyone were to rake or leaf blow, then definitely give them a few hours to dry out and make it easier on yourself.

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Re: Ellicottville Conditions

Posted by pmac225 - 25 May 2013 16:04

Eagle, side winder, big merlin and HV trails are in good shape. Some wet spots to be expected, no major problem areas.

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Re: Ellicottville Conditions

Posted by bodie6 - 01 Jun 2013 11:00

Rode Eagle, Sidewinder, Dead Dog, and Merlin. The heavy rain we received on Tuesday/Wednesday caused a pretty severe washout on one of the switchbacks on Eagle. I don't know how it will turn out once the ground firms up, but it might be an area that needs some TLC. I tried to de berm some of the wetspots on Merlin.

Overall, the trails are in pretty good shape.

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Re: Ellicottville Conditions

Posted by kb voodoo - 26 Jun 2013 06:31

I rode Eagle, Mesa, Sidewinder, Dead Dog, Big Merlin, and Rain Trail last night.

Conditions are superb. Just a slight sprinkle when I got back to the parking area, but that was all the rain I saw.



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Re: Ellicottville Conditions

Posted by kb voodoo - 02 Aug 2013 08:26

It must have rained way more than I thought Wednesday night and Thursday morning, because there were a lot of puddles last night.

The majority of the trail surface was excellent though.

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Re: Ellicottville Conditions

Posted by pmac225 - 30 Aug 2013 15:19

The trails around Eagle, Big Merlin, Rain trail etc. were in good shape. Some standing water for sure, but the roots and rocks were dry.

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Re: Ellicottville Conditions

Posted by brantdavis - 07 Apr 2014 09:03

4/6/14

Rode Dead Dog Loop yesterday, It and half of what was once marked big merlin is now clear.

Much less blow down that I thought.

Goal is to clear all the trails off McCarty road by end of next weekend. Dead Dog, Sidewinder, Big Merlin and Rain Trail

See you out there!

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Re: Ellicottville Conditions

Posted by Jon Sundquist - 07 Apr 2014 16:26

The question is not the branches but the mud. Are the trails dried out yet?

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