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some 50 miles before joining the Kootenay River. Anglers consider it to be one of the finest dry fly-fisheries for rainbow, cutthroat and bull trout in North America. Guided trips are designed to satisfy both beginners and experienced anglers, with float trips on for different stretches of the St. Mary River. Fly Fishing is Catch & Release only. Check current



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The St. Mary River is the perfect place to play. From leisurely summer floats to Whitewater experiences in class 2 & 3 rapids Visit www.Kimberley.ca for more information on Water Adventure Packages.



and an abundance of sunny days. Skiers and riders of all

abilities will find fun and excitement on 80 trails

spread throughout 1,800 acres of terrain

# SKATE PARK SKILLS PARK

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he park is located just off the railhead of the Lions Trail System at the corner of Marsden and Rotary Drive. The facility is open for Skateboarding, BMXing and Mountain Biking. The outdoor park area showcases a wide variety of ramps, verts, bowls, and rails for use, whether you're a pro showing off your skills or a beginner.



The Northstar Rails to Trails is an abandoned CP railway track that has been removed and converted into a 25 km paved greenway connecting Kimberlev to Cranbrook. The trail runs along the main artery, Hwy 95A and begins across the street from the Aquatic Centre on Rotary Drive, winding its way to Marysville before heading into the

# The Kimberley Trail System PEAK TO PLATZL (P2P) Kimberley is continuing to expand its paved trail system. On the Peak

Kimberley is a unique community in that it provides

hundreds of kilometres of trails within the Kimberley city limits and surrounding area. Outdoor enthusiasts

can participate in a wide variety of trail recreational

moderate to difficult hike, you will find what you are

opportunities. Whether you are seeking a thrilling

technical ride, family outings, easy strolls, or a

Access Points: Beale Avenue, Marsden Street,

easy to follow with wayfinding signs along the way.

Black Bear Corner and 301st Street in Marysville

The Mark Creek Trail Is an easy and popular trail. It is a mix of both

urban and forested trail along the scenic Mark Creek. The Trail is

From the Platzl, the trail begins with an urban walk down Rotary

Drive to the south end of McKim Middle School field. Turn right

on McKenzie Street and cross the footbridge; follow the creek

downstream to the Marsden Street Bridge. Cross the Bridge and

enter the single track trail known as Lions Way. This portion of the

trail has rolling terrain that may be difficult for beginner cyclists

and can be bypassed by following Rotary Drive to the Black Bear

Bridge. From here the trail widens and follows Mark Creek through

a beautiful, mature forest until it reaches the Marysville area.

A short walk down 304th Ave takes you to 304 St. which is the main

looking for within the Trail Network.

**City Trail** 

Highlights

MARK CREEK TRAIL - Easy

**MARYSVILLE FALLS -**

A short, beautiful walk along a scenic boardwalk will take you to the majestic Marysville Waterfalls

that cascade 100 feet into a

way to join the St. Mary River.

Park in the 'eco-friendly' parking lot next to Mark Creek on the

north side of 304th St, Marys-

ville's Main Street. The parking lot features a riparian restoration project and interpretive signage.

A small park and picnic area are

located here.

narrow, moss covered rock

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to Platzl Trail portion, you can ride your bike from the Kimberley Alpine Resort to downtown Kimberley and connect to the longer portion of

#### **ROUND THE MOUNTAIN**

"Round the Mountain" is a classic Kimberley route that circumnavigates North Star Mountain. Combining dirt roads, challenging single-track, great views and lovely forest, this 20km outing has something for everyone. Popular in the winter for cross-country skiing, and in the summer for biking and hiking.

## COMINCO GARDENS LOOP NURSE'S TRAIL - Easy **Access Point: Howard St**

Enjoy a casual walk from the north entry of the Platzl walk west along Howard Street to the end of the road; the Nurse's Trail is on the right. Follow the Nurse's Trail up the hill to Cominco Gardens.

# Kimberley

WEBSITE: www.kimberleynordic.org **ACTIVITIES:** Cross Country Skiing,

Cross-country skiing was practiced on the mining exploration trails at the base of North Star Mountain for decades before the first specific Nordic Trail. Centennial was constructed in 1967

The Kimberley Nordic Trail Network now consists of a variety of doubletrack set trails of varying degrees of difficulty and length. The Nordic trails are operated by the Kimberley Nordic Club and are exclusively for cross-country skiing during the snow months. The Trail Facility includes a 1,200 sq. ft. lodge with washrooms, a racers' warming/waxing hut, 30 km of groomed double track trials, a 3.3 km lit loop for night skiing,

The facility also has some trails that were specifically constructed as Paralympic skiing friendly. Use of the trails in the summer is open to the

# **Nordic Club Trails**

Hiking, Mountain Biking

1.0 km sprint loop and 5 km of single track trails.

public for hiking and mountain biking.

# **Lois Creek Trails**

**ACTIVITIES: Cross Country Skiing, Snowshoeing** Hiking, Mountain Biking

The Lois Creek trails are adjacent to the townsite subdivision with trail heads at the north end of Trail Street; at 8th Avenue where it intersects with Elko Street; and past Centennial Hall at the old Legion Track. The Lois Creek trail offers a variety of trail experiences. Trails are a mixture of double track and single track that weave through mature forest, rock outcroppings, and often alongside Lois Creek. The trails are generally beginner to intermediate with a few technical single track trails that contain some roots and loose rocks. Not only are the trails popular for biking and hiking in the non-snow months, they are also a local favorite for cross country skiing & snowshoeing in winter.

## Lois Creek **Trail Highlight**

#### TEA SPOT - Easy to Intermediate, 6 km Trail Head: 8th Avenue and Elko Street - Lois Creek

Follow the trail taking the left fork at the top of the hill and continue on Lois Creek Trail. Take the right up the hill to 401, passing the Swamp Trail on the Left and the "Chute" on the right. You will come to a logging road, cross it and continue across a few metres left. The trail meanders through a larch and pine forest for a km to a small lean-to shelter, called the Tea Spot. The tea spot is mid-point of the trail and a great place to have a rest, and enjoy the view of Mt. Fisher. Bring your map as there are lots of alternate routes that you may wish to consider along the way.

# The Kimberley Nature Park and Horse Barn Valley "GATEWAY TO NATURE" Have a backcountry experience... without leaving town!

On the west side of the City of Kimberley, where the Purcell Mountains step down toward the Rocky Mountain Trench, there lies a municipal park unlike any other in Canada. Swathed in a deep green forest of conifers, ridged and dimpled by tectonic forces, glacial scouring and rushing waters, and dotted with small sloughs and interrupted streams, the Kimberley Nature Park provides a wealth of

Located entirely within the City boundary the 800 hectare Nature Park is twice the size of Vancouver's Stanley Park. With over 600 metres of elevation change from its lowest to highest point and under the influence of both the wet Pacific air masses that move down the St. Mary River Valley and the dry air of the Rocky Mountain Trench, the diversity of habitats in the Park is remarkable.

Inhabited by moose, black bear, rubber boas, northern alligator lizards, ant lions and the endangered Williamson's Sapsucker, the Park is an important conservation area and a great place for people to experience the diversity of nature.

A 50 km long network of natural surface trails allows visitors (along with their well-behaved dogs) to safely explore the Park by foot, bi-

The Kimberley Nature Park Society stewards the Park on behalf of the City of Kimberley, maintains the trails, information kiosks and signage and produces a detailed full colour topographical guide to the Park. The Society, which has about 350 members, helps plan ecological restoration treatments, hosts monthly guided events to introduce newcomers and visitors to the trail network, carries out inventories of flora and fauna and organizes special events such as the week-long calypso orchid count each spring.



# HORSE BARN VALLEY

Just outside the City boundary and attached to the Kimberley Nature Park is the Horse Barn Valley Interpretive Forest. Co-managed by the Kimberley Nature Park Society and the Province of B.C. this 200 nectare parcel of land contains an old growth cedar forest, most of Dipper Lake, a rustic log cabin, some great viewpoints, and a number of well maintained trails

It is a popular destination for Nature Park hikers and cyclists and shouldn't be missed.

## Nature Park Trail Guide - \$5.00

Available: Kimberley Chamber of Commerce and several local retailers

## **Nature Park Trail Highlights**

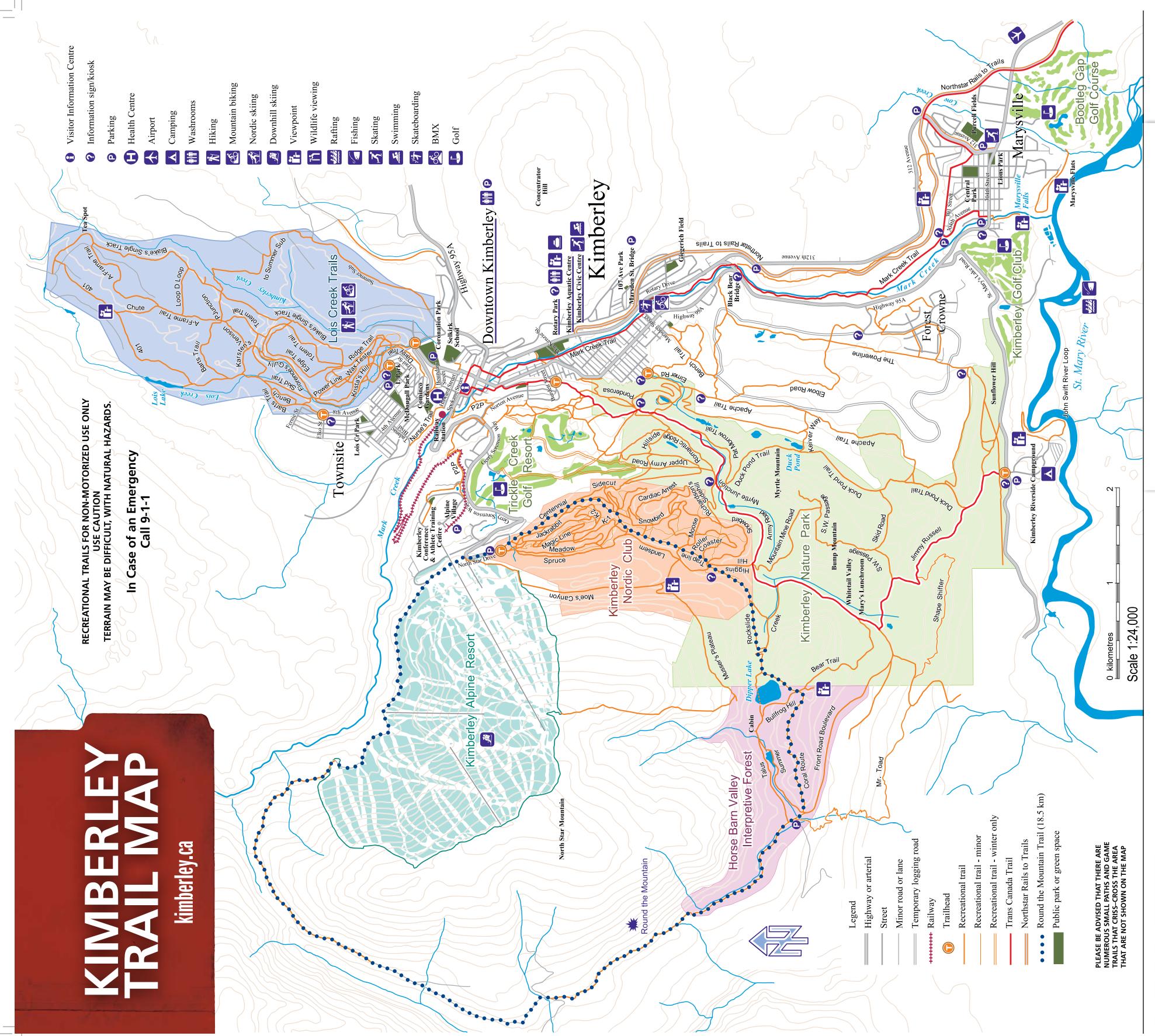
To get more detail on Kimberley's trail network system - please go to www.kimberley.ca/trails

### DUCK POND LOOP - Easy to Moderate, 8 km **Trail Head: Higgins Street - Nature Park**

The Duck Pond Loop is an excellent introduction to the Kimberley Nature Park. The ride is suitable to both intermediate and advanced riders. It starts with a gradual climb up a wider trail. Then it drops you into rolling sections of single track descent that eventually spits you out into double track that offers great view of the Rocky Mountain Trench and can be ridden multiple times if desired with a few variations to mix it up.

## SW PASSAGE LOOP - Advanced Trail Head: Higgins Street - Nature Park

The SW Passage is more challenging ride that is suitable for riders with a good cycle base. Strong fitness and bike handling skills are required to successfully negotiate this challenging trail. It starts with a long climb that gets steeper and rockier the farther you go. The climb is then followed by a flowing single track descent.



# **Trail Rules and Regulations**

GENERAL

Bring food, water and extra clothes o

Bring a cell phone for emergency use

CYCLISTS terrain and you when passing bell or greeting. Practice erosing and any action.

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