

# Peters Creek Tour

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Ski in the mixed birch and spruce forest with magnificent views peaking through the trees of Mount Rumble and Mount Eklutina.

We'll meet at 9:00 am at the bakery in Carrs--Muldoon & Northern Lights and regroup at the trailhead about 10:15 am. You can expect to return at the trailhead about 3:00 or 3:30 pm.

For the first quarter mile from the trailhead to the locked gate expect foot packed snow conditions with a section of overflow which is easy to negotiate. After the locked gate the trail transitions into ski tracks set in powder. In the first mile and half the trail climbs 500 feet however it does so in a couple of steep sections. These are easy to ascend if you can herringbone or sidestep in spots however beginning skiers will find these challenging to descend. Conditions were wet "powder" on Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Unless we get some snow after this weekends wind and rain, expect icy conditions. If the trail is icy, you may want to bring a pair of skins if you have them.

Anticipate adding layers when we stop for breaks and lunch and taking them off as we warm up skiing. We'll take several breaks for food, water and visiting, with a lunch break at the old homestead site. For those skiing with their dogs, the Peters Creek area is open to trapping.

The zone forecast can be obtained by view the website:

<http://pafc.arh.noaa.gov/pubfcst.php?fcst=FPAK51PAFC#AKZ101>

The closest weather site providing temps and wind information is at the Birchwood airport at: <http://pafc.arh.noaa.gov/obs.php?stnid=PABV&hours=12>



All NSAA tour participants should sign a release form once a year. They are available for download and signing at:

<http://anchorgenordicski.com/Forms/NSAATourReleaseForm.pdf>

They will also be available at the start of the tour.

All the NSAA tours are accompanied by the Anchorage Nordic Ski Patrol. If needed, they provide first aid and safety for tour participants. We thank them for their valuable help.

If you have more questions email us at [anchorgenordicskitours@gmail.com](mailto:anchorgenordicskitours@gmail.com) or call 336-1717.



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