

Crag name : Riverside

Access: Starting from the St Mary river road bridge , just below the lake outlet .

Head East 5.6 km along the ST Mary River FSR .

Turn sharp left down an old but good logging road .

Two wheel drive high clearance vehicle is OK .

Follow this for approx 800m then take a main right hand turn to park out in the large landing .

The trail starts at the very NE corner of this landing .Pink flagging.

Follow this non strenuous trail for less than 1km to the crag.

This crag is not baby/toddler or dog friendly due to the ledge system that requires using a chain hand line .

Riverside is a North facing crag that only see's the Sun very early or very late in the summer, great for Mid Summer/mid day climbing .

Many of the routes are long and a 70m rope is recommended .

PLEASE take a small paint brush to clean the routes once the last person has climbed as this is a new area with plenty of dust and pine needles collecting on the holds .

Please no Fires.

Routes right to Left.

1st route left of the chain hand line .

"Cornerstone" 10b. Trad. Bolt anchor. 12m ***

Up right facing corner, small but plentiful gear all the way.

Brett Ehlers

20m left is three routes that share the first several bolts to a mid rap station.

(10a to the mid station) then go their separate ways.

Right of the mid station

"Angels on a matchstick " .11b/c -ish

Techie slab /face

FA: Brett Ehlers

Straight up .

BFG 10a. 17 bolts 40m !!!

Take many long draws to ease the mega rope drag.

Dirty start , gets cleaner higher. This route requires better bolt placements.

FA :Matt Honeyman

Left of mid station

"Polished grit" 10c-ish..... 37m !

16 bolts

FA: Chris Mckim

20m left

Gain the ledge via the iron rungs.

"Flight path". 11d/12a.....?

16 bolts. 32 m ***

Steep fun pulling on jugs and crimps.

At the horizontal break , ease on to the slab for a totally different half of the climb.

On the slab the route tends to wonder a bit due to quality of the rock for the bolts. Best 11d around .

As the climber & belayer cranes their neck to the sky two flight path vapour trails are sometimes seen intersecting high in the skies above creating an "x" "Flight path"

FA: Ian Binnie

"Snivilization" 10c... Mixed. 2 bolts gear to 3.5 . Bolt anchor. ***

Two bolts just left of the steel rungs lead to left leaning crack then back right to the base of the main line . Plug and go , it's steep .

FA: Ian Binnie

10m right

"Purcell puller". 10c/d. 14 bolts. **

Crux down low with stellar climbing all the way to the chains.

FA: Ian Binnie

"House of cards" 11a. 12 bolts. *

Up and over ledges with hidden holds (stay out of the choss to the left)

Heroically pull the bulge, take a breath then slither up the techie arête ...

FA: Becky Bates. Ian Binnie

"Shiverman "11-c/d 7 Bolts. ***

Walk around or rap off tree directly below "Snivilization" to the Talus/ boulder field (towards the river).

Steep shallow corner leads to nice face climbing ..

Try not to knock dirt on the route if you rap off , reclean it if you do !.

Ian Binnie