

GLEN EDEN SNOW TUBING



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Reluctant parents who've decided to give in and offer their enthusiastic kids the experience of snow tubing will love this one. It is the closest tube park to Toronto, and probably the one with the mildest slopes. Not that you could not gain some speed on these slopes. On a good night, the staff have seen people fly by at 80 km/h on radar.

The Glen Eden Ski and Snowboard Centre is located in the heart of Kelso Conservation Area in Milton. Its tube park includes four chutes and one tow lift. When we visited, the February weather was so mild, one of the staff members was wearing shorts.

I thought the slopes a bit lame when I first saw them, but the ride down was

quite fast. I was getting concerned by the acceleration that was building as I got really close to the end of the run when black rubber patches abruptly slowed me down. I recommend this tube park for parents of kids 5 to 8 years old.

Older kids know to visit the place in the evening, when the weather is colder and the chutes get icier. Younger kids will prefer day time, when warmer temperatures create more friction under the tube.

Beginner skiers use the Galaxy Learning Centre, a series of mild slopes located on the north side of the train track. You access the ski hills on the south side of the track through a funny low tunnel right next to the rental shop.

TIPS (fun for 4 years +)

- See the **Halton Museum** on p. 387.
- Kids need to be a minimum of 42 inches (106cm) tall to ride. Only one person per tube is allowed but you can hold another rider's tube handles to ride down in two's (or three's).
- The farthest parking spot is located 1/2 km from the ski chalet on the eastern part of the ski hills and the Galaxy Learning Centre. It's a long way to walk back to the car with tired little skiers. Good news! A pedestrian walkway was built and now allows skiers to buy their ticket at the western chalet, by the parking lot.
- There's a snack bar inside the eastern chalet and exterior food counters in both lodges.

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Schedule: Call to confirm when the season starts, it depends on the weather. Always call to confirm tubing runs are open. They're confident the season can go until end of March Break. Glen Eden is open for night use but closes at around 4 pm in the spring. Check exact schedule.

Admission: Around \$3/one ride, \$15/six rides. Note that unused rides can be used anytime within the same season. Ask about special nights.

Directions: In Kelso Conservation Area. From Hwy 401 West, take exit #320/Hwy 25 northbound. Turn west on Sideroad #5 (Campbellville Rd.), then south on Tremaine Rd. and enter Kelso C. A., west on Kelso Rd.