



Western Michigan

SKI REPORT

By The Associated Press

Skiing was reported very good to excellent today at West Michigan winter sports centers.

The report from the West Michigan Tourist and Resort Assn. includes Ludington ski area, Michigan's 70th winter resort which opened to the public for the first time today.

The new area, seven miles south of Ludington and two miles east of US 31, has seven runs served by three rope tows.

The weekly report follows:

Boyne Mountain, Boyne Falls— 55 inch snow pack, 6 to 8 new snow. Skiing excellent.

Brady's Hills, Lakeview — 5 inch base, some powder, Skiing very good. Night skiing Wednesday.

Briar Hill, Mesick — 7 to 9 inch base, 3 inch powder. Excellent.

Buck Hills, Beulah — 12 to 16 base, 4 to 8 powder. Very good.

Caberfae, Cadillac — 10 packed base, 3 inches powder. Very good.

Echo Valley, Kalamazoo — Tobogganing, skating excellent.

Glacier Hills, Bellaire — 10 to 20 packed base, 3 inches powder. Excellent.

Harbor Highlands, Harbor

Springs — 3 to 3½ feet packed base, 5 inches powder. Skiing excellent.

Holiday Hills, Traverse City — 43 to 78 inches base, 4 inches powder. Excellent.

Hickory Hills, Traverse City — 15 to 24 inches base, 5 inches powder. Skiing excellent. Skating city rinks very good.

Lake Valley, Kalkaska — 19 inches base, 2 powder. Excellent.

Ludington Ski Area — 10 inch packed base, 2 inches fluff. Skiing excellent. Open day and night Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday.

Manistee Ski Area — 10 to 14 inches packed base, 2 inches powder. Excellent.

Missaukee Mountains, Lake City — 8 inches base, 2 inches fluff. Excellent.

Mt. Mancelona, Mancelona — 20 to 30 inches packed base, 6 inches powder. Excellent.

Thunder Mountain, Boyne Falls — 10 to 42 inches packed base, 4 to 8 inches powder. Excellent.

Walloon Hills, Walloon Lake — 18 to 30 inches base, 8 inches powder. Skiing excellent.

Ward Hills, Branch — 4 to 10 base, 3 to 6 powder. Skiing excellent.