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Southern Wisconsin Offers Many Spots for Those Who Like Winter Sports

MADISON — Wisconsin's winter sports centers are looking forward to another busy season of catering to the thousands of Badgers and visitors who will enjoy skiing, skating, ice boating, tobogganing, ice fishing, snowshoeing, skijoring (using a horse for power), and all of the other popular activities that make up Wisconsin winter fun.

Average snowfalls vary from 30 inches in the south to 115 inches in the north, assuring plenty of opportunity for the serious skier. Railroads, buses and airlines offer good service to all of the popular areas, and good highway conditions are maintained with modern equipment.

Numerous hotels, resorts and cabins offer accommodations to the winter sportsman, but it's advisable for him to check accommodations in advance.

Wisconsin's lengthy list of winter sports centers in Southern Wisconsin include:

BAY VIEW SKI HILL: Williams Bay, Walworth County—Only two hours from Chicago. Facilities: three 100-foot hills; 500-foot rope tow; weekends; 1,000-foot ski runs; ski trail, instruction, rental of skis and poles, tobogganing, 1,200 feet; toboggans and ice boats rented; ski jumping, ice fishing, ice skating (lighted rink), area reached by train or auto. Write: Amundson & Berg, Williams Bay, Wis. Phone Lake Geneva 5-3122.

BIG HILL MEMORIAL PARK: Four miles north of Beloit, Rock County — Hot and cold refreshments; 1,200-foot hill; senior jumping hill, 136-foot scaffold, two junior jumping hills, no rope tow, ski rental, ice skating (lighted rink), accommodations in Beloit, reached via train, airline, bus and auto, cost of taxi transportation to area from railroad or bus, $1.50. Write: Erling Ellingson, 1016 Fourth St., Beloit, Wis. Phone College 3498.

BRUCE MOUND: Two miles east of Merrillan, Clark County—Shelter; hot and cold refreshments; beginners' slope, lighted, with two rope tows, 6 mph; two hills, 120 and 360 feet high; ski runs of 800 to 2,600 feet; ski touring, five miles; trails, five miles; accommodations in Merrillan, Neillsville, Black River Falls and Hatfield; reached by train, bus and auto. Write Dewey Lang, Neillsville, Wis.

CALUMET COUNTY PARK SKI HILL: 20 miles southeast of Appleton—Shelter; refreshments, beginners' slope; three 180-foot hills; two 800-foot rope tows; Tuesday and Thursday nights and weekends; four ski runs, 400-1,000 feet; ski patrol; lighted slopes; ski touring, trails 3 miles; ski jumping; rentals: skis, ski poles and ski boots; class lessons free; ice boating, ice fishing; ice skating (lighted rinks); tobogganing; accommodations in the area; reached by train, bus or auto. Write: Roy Berggren, 121 North Appleton St., Appleton, Wis. Phone 3-9536.

DEVIL'S LAKE: Baraboo, Sauk County—Located in the rugged Baraboo range — Shelter; hot refreshments; 300-foot hill; 800-foot rope tow, 10 mph; ski runs to 1,200 feet; rentals: skis and poles; skating at Baraboo; accommodations at Baraboo. Write: Windy City Ski Club, 2509 Irving Park Blvd., Chicago. Phone KEystone 9-4694.

DYRACUSE MOUND: 13 miles south of Wisconsin Rapids, Adams County—New solar shelter; beginners' slope; 175-foot hill; 600-foot rope tow; 500-foot rope tow, 12 mph; tow operates holidays and weekends beginning Saturday noon; three open slopes 450-800 feet; unlimited trails, ski touring; ski jumping nearby; ice skating on lighted rink; ice fishing; accommodations at hotels and motels in the area; reached by train, airline, auto. Write: F. B. Kubisiak, 1150 High St., Wisconsin Rapids, Wis. Phone 1377-R.

ELPA LODGE SLOPES: 7 miles southwest of Slinger, Washington County — 300-foot hill; two rope tows, to 1,600 feet; ski runs to 1,600 feet; national ski patrol; shelter, refreshments. Phone Slinger 142.

FOX HILL: West Bend, Washington County—On Cedar Lake; runs and slopes, 750 feet; 750-foot rope tow; 200-foot rise; ski patrol; shelter and refreshments; accommodations in West Bend. Write: Chamber of Commerce, West Bend, Wis. Phone (Milwaukee) Jackson 14F13.

GREENBUSH AREA: 6 miles west of Plymouth, Sheboygan County, in Northern Unit of the Kettle Moraine State Forest—Shelter; two slopes, beginners' slope, 1 rope tow, 400 fet long. Tow operates on weekends and holidays; ski patrol; ski touring, trails 8 miles; snowshoeing; accommodations at Plymouth. Write: Clyde T. Smith, State Forest Supervisor, Campbellsport, Wis. Phone 113W Kewaskum, Wis.

HOGS BACK HILLS: near Reedsburg, Sauk county—Shelter; refreshments; 250-foot hill; 800-foot rope tow; ski runs, 1,400 feet; ski patrol; tobagganing; area open at night upon request; accommodations in Reedsburg. Open Wednesday nights, Saturdays and Saturday nights, Sundays, and holidays.

HOLIDAY SKI HILL: 2 miles north of Lake Geneva on Highway 6, Walworth county—200-foot hill; beginners' slope; two 900-foot rope tows; open weekends and holidays; 1,200-foot ski runs; ski touring; private and class instruction; lodge; hot refreshments; first aid room; ski patrol; rental boots, poles, skis; restaurants and hotels near area; reached via train, bus, and auto; cab service between Lake Geneva and skiing area. For literature write: Holiday Hill, R.R. 3, Lake Geneva, Wis. Phone Chestnut 8-9983.

HOLY HILL: Richfield, Washington county Located six miles west of Richfield, 25 miles northwest of Milwaukee. Slope skiing served by rope tow.

IVERSON PARK: 1 mile east of Stevens Point, Portage county — Shelter; cold refreshments; beginners' slope, one hill; rope tow; ski jumping; ice fishing; ice skating (lighted rink) tobogganing; snowshoeing; sleighing; accommodations in Stevens Point; reached via bus, auto, train, airline; cost of transportation to area from railroad, bus or air terminals, 25-50 cents; weekly snow report sent free. Write: Curtis L. Taylor, Box 120, Stevens Point, Wis.

LAKE LAWN: One-half mile west of Delavan, Walworth county — Beginners' slope; shelter; rope tow, 200 feet; weekends only; ski, boot, and pole rental; private lessons; skijoring, ice boating, ice fishing, ice skating (lighted rink); motor sledding; tobogganing; snowshoeing; sleighing; dancing; accommodations at Lake Lawn Lodge reached by train, bus or auto. Write Harold Zilisch, Lake Lawn Lodge, Delavan, Wis. Phone 344, — Chicago FR 2-6062.

NEW MUNSTER SKI HILL: 20 miles west of Kenosha, Kenosha county— Secluded bowl-like area, permitting skiing from any angle; refreshments served at shelter. Facilities: 200-foot hill; 750-foot rope tow; two 500-foot rope tows; 50-foot jump; 80-foot jump; ski patrol; tobogganing; 50-foot run; rental of boots and skis; instruction; accommodations at Burlington and Kenosha. Write: Chamber of Commerce, Kenosha, Wis.

POTAWATOMI STATE PARK: 5 miles west of Sturgeon Bay, Door county—Shelter; hot and cold refreshments; beginners' slope; two hills, 130 and 50 feet high; two rope tows, 300 and 500 feet; operates weekends, other times by appointment; ski run, 800 feet; ski patrol; lighted slopes; ski touring and trails throughout entire park, 1,100 acres; ski jumping; ski and ski pole rental; class lessons, free Saturday mornings; ice boating; ice fishing; ice skating in Sturgeon Bay (lighted rink), tobagganing (two 1,000-foot steel toboggan chutes), total run 1,500 feet; toboggan rental $1 per hour; toboggan tow (lighted area); accommodations in Sturgeon Bay; reached by train, airline, bus, auto; weekly snow report sent free. Write: Door County Chamber of Commerce, Sturgeon Bay, Wis. Phone 704.

POWERS BLUFF: 17 miles north of Wisconsin Rapids and 14 miles southeast of Marshfield, Wood county Shelter; hot refreshments; beginners' slope; 350-foot hill; 1,100-foot rope tow, weekends; 3 ski runs, 1,300, 1,400 and 1,500 feet; reached by train or auto; weekly snow report sent free upon request. Write: Emil F. Mueller, Arpin, Wis. Phone Auburndale 3,713.

SLINGER'S LITTLE SWITZERLAND: 25 miles northwest of Milwaukee, Washington county Shelter; refreshments; beginners' slope; 2 hills, 150 feet high; snow machine assures good skiing; two 800-foot rope tows; weekends only; ski runs, 900-1,500 feet; ski patrol; ski school, novice to expert; rental: poles, boots, skis; repair service; reached by auto, U. S. 41; weekly snow report sent free upon request. Write: Ed Herte, 7700 West Stickney Ave., Wauwatosa 12, Wis. Phone GL 3-7172 or Slinger 99R.

SNOW BOWL: 2 miles east of La Crosse, La Crosse county — Shelter; hot and cold refreshments; beginners' slope; two hills, 400 to 500 feet high; two rope tows, 1,200 feet, 6 mph., $1.50 per day; tows operate weekends only (open any day for large groups by appointment); ski runs 1,400 feet and 1,200 feet; ski patrol; lighted slopes; ski touring, 10 miles; ¾ mile trail; rentals: skis and poles; class lessons; ice fishing, ice skating (lighted rink); tobogganing; snowshoeing; accommodations in La Crosse; reached by train, airline, bus, and auto; transportation to area from bus or railroad, 25 cents; from air terminal, $1.50; weekly snow report sent free. Write: Swede Olson, 221 South Third St., La Crosse, Wis. Phone 2-7972.

TOUCHETT RECREATION AREA: 3 miles east of Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac county— Three hills, 700, 500, and 300 feet; 750-foot rope tow; operates weekends only; ski runs to 700 feet; lighted slopes; ski touring and trails, one mile; class lessons; tobogganing, snowshoeing; transportation to area from railroad $1; weekly snow reports sent free. Write: Association of Commerce, Fond du Lac, Wis. Phone 1611.

WILMOT SKI HILLS: 1 mile south of Wilmot, Kenosha county, on the Wisconsin-Illinois Border — One half mile runs; slopes 150 to 200 feet high. Open slopes, trails. Five rope tows, two 1,000 feet long, and three 500 feet long. Ski runs 500 to 1,500 feet long. Tows operate weekends, Wednesday afternoons and evening, and holidays. Snow machine covers entire slope; ski school; 5 instructors for private and class lessons. Lighted slopes for night skiing, Wednesdays and Saturdays. Ski patrol. Large modern shelter with open fireplace, lunch counter, ski shop. Rentals: skis, boots, poles. Accommodations in Genoa City, Twin Lakes, Antioch

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