

## Landslide goes for night skiing

The winter season and all the fun that goes with it is upon us once again in Sault Ste. Marie and district.

For the past two to three weeks local ski enthusiasts have been busy waxing up their skis and checking their equipment prior to the opening of the local season, with snow being the only commodity missing to make the picture complete.

Although many people have the equipment and the skills needed to have a successful ski season, one of the facilities that is always instrumental in making this a reality is the presence of good ski resorts.

The Landslide Ski and Enterprises, who work in conjunction with the Sault Ski Club have such a location just south of Hiawatha Park on the Landslide Road.

A spokesman for the group, which incidentally is a non-profit organization that returns all profits to be used for work and improvements on the course, advised The Star of a great number of renovations that were completed during the fall season.

The slopes were bull-dozed late last month and poles installed on the hill as well as light fixtures being set up near the tow.

The installation of lights in the near future will afford local skiers the opportunity to participate in night skiing, with the Landslide Club being one of the first to go into this field of skiing on a full time basis.

For those skiing for the first time who do not feel they are qualified to try the Landslide, the YMCA and the Sault Ski Club have combined forces to help the novice along with a ski training program.

An eight-to-10-week course for ladies has been instituted beginning January 4, 1971 at the YMCA with classes moving to the Landslide and Garson Hill areas the following Monday.

The fees for the courses are eight dollars for members while non-members will be charged \$12, with the instruction course being included in the cost to go along with lectures on proper equipment, the maintenance of same, as well as a course on ski safety.

The tow fees at either Landslide or Garson Hill are also included in the cost of the course, which gives local ski buffs the opportunity to learn and enjoy safe skiing at a reasonable price.

The club has made plans to conduct a men's course similar to the one for the ladies in the near future although plans are just in the initial stages at present.

There have been two trips planned over the winter months for the club, with one of the jaunts taking members into the state of Michigan for a weekend of skiing.

A trophy will be awarded this year for the most improved skier taking the course at the YMCA, an added bonus to anyone wishing to participate in the instructional lessons.

Monday January 4, 1971 will also find a course in parallel ski instruction conducted by the YMCA, which will be open to parallel skiers and instructors only at a cost of \$10 for members and \$14 for non-members.

The course will be situated at the Landslide Hill and charges will include the use of the tow for the complete day.

So ski buffs, the open hills await you once again for another winter of skiing fun.