

Indian River Businessmen Announce Ski Area Opening

The Griswold Mountain ski area, located one and one-quarter miles north of Indian River on US-27 will open January 1, according to an announcement from the group of Indian River businessmen who will operate the park as a non-profit corporation.

Griswold Mountain boasts two mechanical rope tows, 60 possible runs for skiers, skating and lights for night skating and skiing.

Heralding the opening will be the naming of the Griswold Mountain winter sports queen next Sunday.

Two Petoskey girls, Beverly Shanley and Lorraine McBride, are among the eight contestants for this honor. Others include Marjorie Fenn of Alanson, Ros-

alie Beden and Joanne Cole of Mackinaw City, Bethany Maybank, Greta Baureich and Lillian Botts all of Indian River.

The coronation of the queen will take place January 8 at the ski area along with the formal dedication when many state officials will be present. A banquet for the queen and members of her court will be held January 8 at 8 p.m. at the Indian River Inn.

Griswold Mountain offers skiing at a low cost. Memberships will cost \$5 with a tow fee of \$1 for members and \$1.50 for non-members.

In addition to skiing and skating, the area offers rabbit, coyote and bobcat hunting, sturgeon spearing and ice fishing for pike and perch.