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Wisconsin Offers Many Centers For Winter Sports Enthusiasts

With average yearly snowfalls varying from 30 inches in the south to 115 inches in the north, Wisconsin is well suited to cater to the desires of the outdoor sportsman all winter long.

Areas have been developed and maintained for skiing, skating, iceboating, sleighing, tobogganing, ice fishing and probably several other lesser-heard-of winter activities.

In most cases, comfortable hotels, resorts, cabins and farms are available to the sportsman for lodging, though it is always a good idea to check accommodations before hand and make reservations if planning an extended trip.

There are 16 sports centers in southern Wisconsin, and 12 in the northern part of the state worthy of mention:

Southern Sports Centers

Devil's Lake, Baraboo (Sauk county); Holy Hill, Richfield (WASHINGTON county), located six miles west of Richfield, rope tow; Wilmot Ski Hills, ½ mile south of Wilmot (Kenosha county); Fox Hill, WEST BEND, on Big Cedar Lake, runs and slopes 750 feet, rope tow, 200 foot rise, shelter with refreshments; Holiday Hill, Lake Geneva (Walworth county); Pleasure Valley, Blue Mounds (Dane county); New Munster Hills, 20 miles west of Kenosha (Kenosha county).

Slinger Hill, 10 miles west of WEST BEND, ski shelter and restaurant, 200 foot hill, 600 foot rope tow, 600 foot ski run, $1.50 per day, skating in Slinger; Potawatomi State Park, five miles west of Sturgeon Bay (Door county); Bay View Ski Hill, Williams Bay (Walworth county); Green Bush, seven miles west of Plymouth (Sheboygan county); Big Hill Park, two miles north of Beloit (Rock county); Iverson Park, one mile east of Stevens Point (Portage county); Lake Lawn (Walworth county); Bruce Mound, two miles east of Merrillan (Clark county); Snow Bowl, two miles east of LaCrosse (LaCrosse county).

Northern Sports Centers

Moon Valley, Green Bay (Brown county); Boulder Junction (Vilas county); Hazelhurst (Oneida county); Moccasin Snow Bowl, six miles west of Land O' Lakes (Vilas county); Mount Telmark, three miles east of Cable (Bayfield county); Rib Mountain, Wausau (Marathon county); Phelps (Vilas county); Three Lakes (Oneida county); Mount DuLac, Superior (Douglas county); King's Gateway, Land O' Lakes (Vilas county); Hiawatha Slopes, Eagle River (Vilas county); Pinehurst Ski Bowl, Eau Claire (Eau Claire county).

U. W. Badgers Will Finish Near Middle Of Big 10—Foster

No one can accuse Harold "Bud" Foster of being less than forthright when it comes to talking about the season prospects for his 1950-51 University of Wisconsin varsity basketball team.

If they're not too optimistic, he'll tell you so; if they're pleasingly good, he'll not quibble about his good fortune. And down through the years, the Badger cage coach has seen his words proven in the final season report.

Right now, as his current varsity edition opens its schedule, Coach Foster figures his team will do well to win half of its games and finish in the middle of the Western conference team ranking.

For one thing, Wisconsin has lost heavily by graduation. Biggest loss, of course, was the towering Don Rehfeldt, the 6 ft., 6 in. center, who virtually rewrote every school scoring record for individuals last season, to say nothing of winning the Big Ten All-Conference center selection and individual scoring crown two straight times along with the trophy.

Rehfeldt graduated last June, along with seven other major lettermen, four of whom played a great deal of the time last season.

Bob Mader, guard; Don Page and Fred Schneider, forwards; James Moore, center, were classed as regulars last season, the first three getting starting assignments along with Rehfeldt. Three other reserves who graduated were Ronnie Nord (now coaching Beaver Dam) and John Schwartz, guards; and Bob Worthman, forward.

Only returning starter from last year's quintet which finished in second place and had an overall season record of 17 wins against 5 loses, is Ab Nicholas, guard. Nicholas was a sophomore last year and ranked 12th in the conference with 144 points, an average of 12 per Big Ten game. In all games, he was second to Rehfeldt with 255 points and played more minutes than any varsity regular.

Wisconsin definitely lacks the height this season but will make up for that handicap with speed and good marksmanship.

Hope

Seeing this advice to women in a paper the other day. "How to

(Bob Boltz Photo)

It didn't take winter sports enthusiasts long to get out the skis after the big snowfall last week and the tow at Ski Slinger did a booming business over the week end. The picture shows a part of the Sunday crowd that waited in line for their chance for a lift to the top.

Late Tabulations on Hunting Show About 70 Percent Returned With Deer

The Wisconsin conservation department made an all out drive during the recent deer season to get all the facts possible for properly managing its huge deer herd. More than 8,100 hunters were personnally contacted in the woods and at highway checking stations by biologists and game managers.

The information on the hunting success and deer killed by this group of hunters has provided a good picture of the 1950 deer season and is the largest check of deer hunters of this type ever made in Wisconsin.

It is estimated that 300,000 hunters participated in the hunt. This is an increase of nearly 20,000 over 1949. As a result, slight increases of hunting pressure over last year were noted in nearly all areas.

Heaviest hunter concentrations were noted in most of the central counties and in the northeast area. Hunting pressure declined sharply after the first two days; opening weekend success was quite high. With the exception of the first day, accurate information on hunting success was difficult to get because many successful hunters remained in the woods after they had bagged a deer to help the unsuccessful members of their parties.

Have Marked Success

Thus the true daily hunting success of individuals was obscured by difficulty in determining how many hunters of the group still in the woods did not already have a deer. Complete information on daily total hunting effort and hunting success was obtained for 3,250 of the total number of hunters checked.

As was expected, the greatest

Opening day success was highest in the northeast area, with 56 per cent of the hunters killing deer, and lowest in the central area, where 36 per cent of the hunters were successful. The northwest area reported 42 per cent opening day success. Success on the second day dropped off to about 20 per cent in all areas. Success dropped further after the second day of hunting, but remained fairly constant thereafter, ranging from eight to 19 per cent on each of the last five days.

These figures strongly indicate that there were still plenty of deer left in the woods, not only after the first day, but after the last five days as well. Information on the size of the deer herd was obtained through the personal testimony of hunters.

Hunters' sight records showed that they saw as high as 10 deer per hunter and an average of just over two deer apiece on opening day. On the last day of the season, hunters were still reporting an average of one deer being seen for every two hunters.

Deer Ages Checked

For the first time, Wisconsin game men obtained detailed information about the age composition of the deer herd, a knowledge which is vital to good

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