

Pleasant Run Ski Area to open

Hoosier snowbunnies and hares: now you can flex your skis within a 50-mile drive of Lafayette.

A Dec. 1 opening is slated for the Pleasant Run Ski Area Inc., currently under construction 2 miles north of Greencastle off of U.S. 231.

The ski resort project is the baby of two Greencastle residents — J.L. Stamper, DDS, and Thomas H. Black, MD. And they promise a spot that will cater to novice skiers.

Pleasant Run will feature five runs that accommodate rope tows. They will sprawl over eight acres of hills, which feature a 125-foot vertical drop and run up to 650 feet long.

Snow-making and grooming equipment have been purchased and the area will be lighted for night-time skiing.

Pleasant Run also will feature a 78-by-45-foot lodge with complete food service, ski shop and 300 sets of rental skis.

The developers estimate the hill will accommodate up to 500 skiers with lessons available. Though they plan on gearing it towards the beginner, some features may appeal to the intermediate and advanced skiers, they added.

Ski hours will be noon to 5 p.m. and 5:30-10:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, and 9 a.m.-11 p.m., weekends and holidays.

Lift tickets will be \$5 with a \$5 rental fee per session on weekdays. Season tickets are \$100. Group rates will be available.

For further details on Pleasant Run's offerings, write: Thomas H. Black III, MD, president, Pleasant Run Ski Area Inc., Rt. 2, Box 63, U.S. 231-S., Greencastle, Ind. 46135.