

Silver Bell Village Holds Grand Opening

The newest ski area in Oakland County — Silverbell Village — marked its official opening Feb. 25.

Located two miles north of Pontiac on Bald Mt. Road, Silverbell Village has three-quarters of a mile of cleared ski slopes, a T-bar lift and a rope tow for beginners.

The lodge includes a spacious ski lounge and rental area on the ground level, with a snack bar, restaurant, and cocktail lounge on the second floor. The resort also has a well-stocked ski shop.

Feature of the opening ceremonies was dedication of the highest and steepest run as Mustang Hill. Ford Motor Company cooperated in the dedication by placing many of its 1965 Mustang models throughout the ski area and in the lodge.

Top skiers from other Michigan ski centers were invited to attend the opening and participate in Mustang Hill races. The owners hope the races will become an annual event.

Plans also call for clearing and grooming nearby hills to make the area one of the largest in the county.

Approximately 40 feet already has been added to the height of the main hill and an additional 60 feet will be added next summer in a colossal earth moving project.