

Ski Report

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Excellent skiing is reported in the northern two-thirds of the state, and colder temperatures should enable southern Michigan lodges to make enough snow to get slopes into peak shape by the week-end, according to Automobile Club of Michigan.

Wednesday's auto club survey shows excellent conditions reported around Grayling, Traverse City, Mancelona, Alpena and across most of the Upper Peninsula.

These conditions were reported by Michigan lodges planning weekend operations:

WEST MICHIGAN—Boyne Highlands, near Harbor Springs, very good, 30-inch base; Boyne Mountain, near Boyne Falls, very good, 30-inch base; Thunder Mountain, near Boyne Falls, very good, 30-inch base; Walloon Hills, near Walloon Lake, very good, 30-inch base; and Petoskey Winter Sports Park, near Petoskey, very good, 18- to 24-inch base.

Mt. Mancelona, near Mancelona, very good, 20- to 36-inch base; Shanty Creek, near Bellaire, good to excellent, 12- to 26-inch base; Sugar Loaf, near Cedar, very good, 33- to 49-inch base; Timberlee Hills, near Traverse City, excellent, 18- to 23-inch base; Maplehurst, near Kewadin, excellent, six- to eight-inch base; Traverse City Holiday, near Traverse City, very good to excellent, 12- to 14-inch base; and Crystal Mountain, near Thompsonville, good, 18- to 26-inch base.

Missaukee Mountain, near Lake City, fair, three-inch base; Caberfae, near Cadillac, very good, 26-inch base; Lost Pines, near Harrietta, good, 16-inch base; Brady's Hill, near Lakeview, good, six- to 10-inch base; Cannonsburg, near Cannonsburg, fair to good, 20- to 24-inch base; Timber Ridge, near Gobles, good, eight-inch base, and Swiss Valley, near Jones, good, three- to six-inch base.

EAST MICHIGAN—Tyrolese Hills, near Gavford, good, eight- to 10-inch base; Sylvan Knob, near Gavford, good, seven- to eight-inch base; Sheridan Valley, near Atlanta, good, seven- to eight-inch base; Mt. Maria, near Spruce, very good, to excellent, four- to 12-inch base; and Fonro near Comins, good, five-inch base.

Mio Mountain, near Mio, good, six- to eight-inch base; Timberline Mountain, near Mio, good, seven- to 10-inch base; Bear Mountain, near Graveling, excellent, 12- to 30-inch base; Skyline, near Graveling, good, six-inch base; Snowsake, near Harrison, fair, six- to eight-inch base; Mott Mountain, near Farwell, good, four- to 10-inch base, and Apple Mountain, near Saginaw, good, 20-inch base.

SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN—Black Forest, near Port Huron, fair to good, 16- to 18-inch base; Mt. Gramplan, near Oxford, fair to good, up to 18-inch base; Mt. Holly, near Holly, very good, 29-inch base; Pine Knob, near Clarkston, good to very good, 14- to 20-inch base; Alpine Valley, near Milford, good, 24-inch base; Mt. Brighton, near Brighton, good to very good, 24-inch base, and Irish Hills Sports Park, near Onsted, good, 10- to 12-inch base.

UPPER PENINSULA—Mt. Zion, near Ironwood, excellent, eight-inch base; Porcupine Mountain, near Ontonagon, excellent, 17-inch base; Indianhead Mountain, near Wakefield, excellent, 13- to 28-inch base; and Mount Ripley, near Houghton, excellent, six to 18-inch base.

Brule Mountain, near Iron River, excellent, 15- to 30-inch base; Crustella, near Crystal Falls, good, nine-inch base; Pine Mountain, near Iron Mountain, excellent, 22- to 30-inch base; Cliff's Ridge, near Marquette, excellent, 14- to 22-inch base; Gladstone, near Gladstone, good, nine-inch base, and Rio Valley, near Newberry, excellent, 14-inch base.

Skiers wishing to travel to Canada, where presently no gas shortages exist, will find these conditions:

Ontario area, good, 14- to 14-inch base; Muskoka area, good, 17- to 24-inch base, and East Ontario, good, 14- to 26-inch base.