

Devils Nest Ski Area Open

Nebraska ski enthusiasts, who normally face long distance travel in order to reach slopes and snow, have found a friend in the weatherman this year.

With the energy crisis threatening the chances for eastern Nebraskans to make the long trek to Colorado, heavy snow fall in the last two weeks has given close-to-home facilities their best conditions ever.

The Devils Nest Ski Area in northeastern Nebraska is off and running. Lifts and tows are operating daily with the snack bar serving hot refreshments.

Rental ski equipment, in plentiful supply, is also available, according to a Devils Nest spokesman.

"We are operating much earlier this year than last," he said, "and with all the snow already on the ground, we'll have terrific skiing throughout the holidays."

Devils Nest is three hours north of Omaha via I-29 to Yankton, S.D.