

Avid Skiers Pleased with New Snowfall

PIERRE (AP) — At least some South Dakotans — skiers and operators of ski areas — were pleased by recent snowfalls.

Three of the four ski areas have the winter sport in full swing.

Terry Peak in the Lead-Deadwood area reports all 11 trails open and in excellent condition. It has had a 12-inch base and 14 inches of new snow to lure winter sports enthusiasts. For better than two weeks Terry Peak has experienced a good crowd with an influx of out-of-state skiers.

Holiday Hill at Yankton has been operating on a base of 4-12 inches of artificial snow covered by 8-10 inches of natural snow. The area reported "excellent skiing conditions," with all three runs open.

Sisseton's La Coteau ski area, newest in South Dakota, has been lacking sufficient snow to begin operations. Toboggan and ski trails were to be opened following a few more inches of snowfall.

Near Sioux Falls, Great Bear Ski Valley reported "very good" conditions after a base of 8-10 inches of artificial snow. The area said two runs have been open and more snow was being placed.

Advertisements have been placed in the national ski magazines by the state highway publicity division to attract out-of-state skiers and winter sports enthusiasts.