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FIRST TRACKS AT THE YELLOWSTONE SKI FESTIVAL Start your Nordic Ski Season off Right

For the 29th year, West Yellowstone will host the Yellowstone Ski Festival over Thanksgiving week. Seasoned veterans and Ski Festival rookies alike will descend upon our small mountain town looking forward to the early snow and all its delights. If this is your first time headed to the Yellowstone Ski Festival, we are sure it will not be your last. Keynote speaker, Ben Husaby has spent over twenty Thanksgivings in West Yellowstone and keeps coming back for more. His experience throughout the years as a member of the U.S. Ski Team, founding member of the Factory Team, former Olympian, and coach are sure to add insight to many Nordic skiers.

It is time to gear up for the 2008 Yellowstone Ski Festival. Let's check out the week...

Preparations for the always popular Nordic Ski Clinics are in full swing. Due to popular demand, we have increased the number of days we offer the one day skate clinic to three and added a one day classic clinic. The traditional three and five day lessons cover all aspects of Nordic skiing under both classic and skating techniques. They incorporate two on-snow sessions and classroom experience daily. Space is still available but going fast. If you want to go fast this season, kick it off with one of the many Yellowstone Ski Festival clinics.

The first USSA Cross Country SuperTour Race of the season is held in West Yellowstone. This year we will host a Women's 10k and Men's 15k Classic race on Friday, November 27th. A Women's 5k and Men's 10k Freestyle race will be featured on Saturday, November 28th. A Biathlon Sprint Race sponsored by Altius Handcrafted Firearms will run on Thursday, November 26th with a novice division immediately following. Sign up online at <http://yellowstoneskifestival.com/tour.html>

The Yellowstone Ski Festival offers fun on the snow for the whole family. The Montana Outdoor Science School has put together a great selection of classes for school-aged

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children; some classes even include classic skiing. Kindergarteners to sixth graders can sign up for programs ranging from Nature's Fury and Predators to Bone Detectives and Tracks & Trails. In addition, the Grizzly & Wolf Discovery Center will offer a different Wild Winter Kids Program at their locale each day. Make the Yellowstone Ski Festival your next family tradition.

Included in your November Rendezvous Ski Trail pass is admission to the on-snow demo area from November 25-28. Take the latest in cross country skis, boots, poles, and wax for a test drive on our freshly groomed corduroy. This is the largest on snow demonstration of its kind and the first look at the coolest Nordic gear around.

The Yellowstone Ski Festival rounds out the week with many subtle services for participants. Shuttle service from Bozeman is available this week through Karst Stage. Daily yoga and Pilates classes are offered at the Festival's headquarters, the West Yellowstone Holiday Inn. Compare four different ski wax companies and watch their demonstrations. Multiple ski movies, team presentations, and meet and greet sessions are planned. Spend your days on the snow and your evenings at the show!

For more information on the Yellowstone Ski Festival click on www.yellowstoneskifestival.com or contact Sara Hoovler, Director at info@yellowstoneskifestival.com

See you on the snow this November in West Yellowstone!