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TIMBER RIDGE RESORT SIZZLES IN THE SNOW

Winter Events and Activities Call to Anyone With “Snow Love”

TRAVERSE CITY, MICH—It takes a special person to smile and laugh with delight as temperatures fall and snow begins to pile up. At cozy and picturesque Timber Ridge Resort in Traverse City, winter comes alive with entertaining outdoor events and activities designed with “snow groupies” in mind. With about 50 kilometers of combined Timber Ridge and Vasa Pathway groomed trail systems, the Ridge is an ideal location for cross-country ski and snowshoe activities and special events.

Featuring two lit loops for night skiing, Timber Ridge hosts outdoor enthusiasts and novices alike on beautifully snow-covered trails groomed for skate and classic skiers, and untouched pathways for snowshoers. Many visiting guests choose to center their weekends around these outdoor sports by renting heated basic and deluxe log cabins. They rise, shine and hit the trails right from their front doors! The words “winter camping” and “roughing it” do not have to intertwine at Timber Ridge. Deluxe cabins include a kitchenette, bathroom and shower, “chaperones” room, and sleeping arrangements for five-to-ten guests. With a cozy fire, snacks, and television in the lodge

(call for business hours), the Ridge offers all the creature comforts a vacationer could want for an Up North winter getaway.

In addition to daily visitors on the trails and in the cabins, Timber Ridge hosts a variety of popular events. The winter event season begins with the Timber Ridge Open House on January 5, a free day of all-ages, no-skill-needed Nordic skiing and snowshoeing. Treats and drinks are provided to guests at no charge, as well as family-fun outdoor activities like snow fort building, snowshoe and cross-country ski relays, and ski waxing clinics. The day is designed to show folks just how welcoming winter outdoors can be—and not as intimidating as many think!

The Bigfoot Snowshoe Race, scheduled for January 26, is the annual Midwest qualifier for the National Championship Snowshoe Race. If you've never seen or participated in a race on snowshoes, you simply must attend this annual Running Fit 5K and 10K race to see the snow fly! Visit runsnow.com for more details and to register for the event.

The return of Wednesday Women's Nights promises more laughter, learning and girly fun on February 6 and 20 and March 5. Ski, snowshoe or simply meander through our lit loops or on the scenic Vasa trail. A delicious meal, drinks and informative, entertaining clinics round out the evening. Free cross-country ski lessons are also offered to “newbies” or those looking to brush up on their ski skills. Gather your gal pals for a night of laughter...and calorie burning out on the trails!

The North American VASA Festival of Races is scheduled for February 9 and 10...and it's not just for champions! Visit vasa.org to learn about the variety of Nordic ski races you can try on for size. Many participants are new competitors—and some are trying on cross-country skis for the first time! It doesn't take an expert to enjoy the excitement and beauty of the VASA.

The new signature Timber Ridge event, Suds & Snow, returns on March 1. Put on your beer tastin' snowshoes at this uncommon celebration of two lesser known pastimes in Traverse City: microbrew beer tasting and snowshoeing, of course! Microbrews from a dozen breweries around Michigan, music, food and fun on the snowshoe trails...What better way to spend your Saturday afternoon? (Skiers are welcome.)

Whatever your own signature style—be it a relaxing, quiet day on the trails, or an exciting, tasty event in the snow—Timber Ridge runs the gamut for “hot” wintertime diversions!

Timber Ridge RV & Recreation Resort is an all-season recreation resort featuring RV and tent camping; overnight cabin rentals; family oriented activities; a banquet facility and elegant tents for weddings, events, reunions, family gatherings, and meetings; access to the popular VASA trail system; and nationally renowned events like the North American VASA and Iceman Cometh Challenge mountain bike race.

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