

WINTER TRACKS

A Festival to Celebrate Winter

February 25-28th, 2010

Hosted by the Gunflint Trail Association Member Businesses

For event information: www.wintertracks.com

For lodging information: www.gunflint-trail.com

The pursuit ski race previously scheduled for Sat & Sunday at Bearskin Lodge has been cancelled !

ALL WINTER TRACKS ACTIVITIES (in alphabetical order)

Art- Plein Air Event

February 24th-February 28th

Gunflint Trail – various locations as chosen by artists

Artists check in at Grand Marais Art Colony on Wednesday and paint along the Gunflint Trail throughout the weekend. Stop by when you see an Artist and watch them work.

Thursday evening at 6PM the group will get together at Trail Center. Exhibit and reception of paintings on Saturday, February 27th and exhibit continuing on Sunday at the conference center at Gunflint Lodge

Broomball

Saturday, February 27th

2 - 4 PM

Tuscarora Lodge -388-2221

A broomball pick-up game at Tuscarora where all ages and ability levels are welcome. Join the fun of this high-energy winter sport and remember to dress warm. Brooms and ball are provided as well as hot chocolate during breaks. Adults only game from 2-3PM and mixed ages from 3-4PM.

Dinner and Dance

Saturday, February 27th

Windigo Lodge

Live music

Cash Bar

Buffet Style Dinner 5 – 7 PM

Ice Skating

Thursday –Saturday

Golden Eagle Lodge -388-2203

9 AM – 4:00 PM

Our rink is open – lace up your skates and take to the ice. Ice skates are available for free use...first come, first served (limited skates available). Must park and check in at Golden Eagle Lodge.

Ice Fishing Tournament

Sunday, February 28th

Gunflint Lake

9 AM – 3 PM

The Ridge Riders Snowmobile Club sponsors this fun ice fishing event. Registration on site with food provided.

Intro to Snowshoeing

Friday, February 26th

Golden Eagle Lodge – 388-2203

2PM

Strap on some wood or high-performance snowshoes. Learn the differences and applications for both types. Snowshoes provided on a first-come basis so arrive early if you need them. Any reserved snowshoes require a \$5 non-refundable deposit

Lit Skiing

Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Golden Eagle Lodge, Gunflint Pines Resort, Bearskin

Dusk until 8PM

Take a tour on a lighted ski trail and see the magical world of snow from a new perspective. Park and check in at the lodges for maps and directions to trailheads.

Mini Winter Olympics

Saturday, February 27th

Gunflint Pines – 388-4454

11AM

Fun competition for the kids: sledding, snow-shoeing and other winter sports are all a part of it.

Mongolian Firepot Dinner

Thursday, February 25th

Poplar Creek Guesthouse – 388-4487

12 – 3 pm at the Tall Pines Yurt

Cost \$15/person – drop in, no reservations required.

Boundary Country Trekking's highly acclaimed Mongolian Firepot is a delicious fondue of vegetables and meats cooked in a savory charcoal heated broth, with Oriental condiments, served over rice. 1km – walk, ski or snowshoe trek from the parking area.

Poker Run, Snowmobile

Thursday –Saturday

By snowmobile hit the Trail and visit participating resorts. At each stop pick up a card and bring your hand to Windigo Saturday night.

Seminars and Presentations

Saturday, February 27th

Gunflint Pines Resort

10AM Rose Arrowsmith Decoux, Storyteller will entertain children as well as adults with her delightful tales.

12:30PM Steve Robertson, USFS Volunteer will talk about tracks in the snow followed by a guided snowshoe trek in the woods.

Ski Free

Friday, Saturday & Sunday

Bearskin Lodge, Golden Eagle Lodge and Gunflint Pines

SKI for FREE on over 150km of groomed trails. There are rolling hills and sweeping vistas of varying difficulty. Please park and check in at a participating resort and ask for a map.

Sledding

Thursday – Sunday

Gunflint Pines Resort – 388-4454

Relive your childhood! Bring your kids or come alone to have a little good ol' fashioned winter fun! We'll provide the sleds and the hill, and as always we'll have hot chocolate and a fire going to warm you up when you're through.

Snowmobile Rentals

Thursday-Sunday

Gunflint Pines Resort – 388-4454

Try out the extensive snowmobile trail system and see some fabulous scenery. Two-person snowmobiles and helmets available. Drivers must be at least 18 with a valid driver's license, and MN residents born after December 31, 1976 must possess a Snowmobile safety certificate.

Cost \$70.00 per person for two hours. Reservations can be made by calling 218-388-4454.

Snowmobile Tours

Sunday, February 28th

Gunflint Pines Resort – 388-4454

1-4PM

A guide will escort you on a short trip down the lake to the snowmobile trail to a scenic vista at the West end of Gunflint Lake. Tour will last roughly 20 minutes. Drivers must be at least 18 with a valid driver's license, and MN residents born after December 31, 1976 must possess a Snowmobile safety certificate.

Cost \$20.00 per sled (2 people per sled max).

Snowshoe Obstacle Course

Saturday, February 27th

Gunflint Pines Resort – 388-4454

11AM

Challenge your snowshoe skills and have fun too as you make your way through the course forwards backwards, over, under and around. Fun for the whole family with hot chocolate available.