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THE MOUNTAIN TOP INN'S NORDIC SKI & SNOWSHOE CENTER PLANS OPENING DATE

CHITTENDEN, Vt., – (November 20, 2008) **The Mountain Top Inn & Resort** announced plans to open the Nordic Ski & Snowshoe Center for the 2008-2009 winter season on December 20. Located in Chittenden, Vermont just a short drive from Killington or Rutland, the Resort features 60 kilometers of trails for cross country skiing and snowshoeing. With the prediction of early snow and colder temperatures to allow for snowmaking, the Resort's Nordic Center should open with excellent conditions. "We will start making snow on December 1, and we anticipate the added bonus of natural snow to enhance the base," says Roger Hill, Director of Programs & Facilities for the Resort. "With the slowing economy families are looking for a fun, outdoor activity that is reasonably priced. Our full day passes are only \$20 for adults and children 6 and under ski for free. It has to be the best deal around."

The Nordic Center's extensive trail system is varied, offering beginners an easy way to give the sport a try as well as terrain for more experienced skiers to be challenged. The professional staff is available to give lessons for all skill levels and to assist with selecting rental equipment. With elevations up to over 2100 feet, the more expert trails have breathtaking views of the lake and mountains. Season trail passes are reasonably priced and on sale at the Nordic Ski & Snowshoe Center until January 1, 2009.

In addition, residents and visitors to the area are welcome to enjoy horse drawn sleigh rides, guided snowmobile tours and dog sledding at **The Mountain Top Inn & Resort**. Reservations are suggested for most activities so it is best to call in advance. For information or reservations call 802-483-6089 or 802-483-2311 or visit www.mountaintopinn.com for a complete listing of activities and daily trail conditions. **The Mountain Top Inn & Resort** is located at 195 Mountain Top Road in Chittenden, Vermont.

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