



The Loppet Foundation Presents The Winter Solstice Loppet Ski Week

December 21 - December 27

Lacking in Light but Loaded in Fun

Join us for a week of fun-filled activities at The Trailhead at Theodore Wirth Park in Minneapolis to kick off the ski season. After a year that challenged us in many ways, let's safely celebrate together at a distance this holiday week. Pull out those ugly sweaters, retro skis, quality holiday attire and bring some light to The Trailhead by participating in a week of themed days - on your own schedule.

Winter Solstice Loppet Ski Week Schedule

The individual(s) chosen each day as the winner for that day's contest will be contacted via email or social media and given a voucher redeemable for one free session of snow tubing OR one free ski package rental at The Trailhead.

To be in the running for each day's contest, you must take a photo of yourself showing that you are participating in the challenge. You can then either email your picture to marketing@loppet.org or post a picture on social media and tag the Loppet Foundation on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) or [Twitter](#), in addition to using #LoppetSkiWeek. If you post the photo to social media, be sure that your profile is public so we can see your picture. By sharing your image(s) with The Loppet Foundation via Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and/or email, you are allowing the Loppet Foundation the use of your image(s).

All photos must be taken at Theodore Wirth Park. You must [purchase an All-Access Ski Trail Pass](#) and have it on you at all times when using the trails. Please also adhere to all COVID-19 state and local guidelines, including social distancing and mask wearing when in public spaces.

Please see the next page for the categories for each day.

Monday, Dec. 21 through Sunday, Dec. 27th

- ❖ **Monday, Dec. 21st – Brightest Skier:** It may be the darkest day of the year, but not at Theodore Wirth Park! Wear your brightest colored clothes while skiing during the Winter Solstice.
- ❖ **Tuesday, Dec. 22nd – Best Vintage Ski Gear:** Time to dig out that rickety gear and kick it old school! Bamboo poles, wood skis, or graphics from the 80s - we encourage it all! Take your oldest skis, boots, and poles (extra points for also wearing vintage ski clothing too) for a spin on the trails.
- ❖ **Wednesday, Dec. 23rd – Best “Aprés Ski” Photo at Mill Valley Market:** Enjoy a warm drink from [Mill Valley Market](#) (open 9am - 6pm) on the patio outside The Trailhead. Take a picture fireside or sipping hot cocoa while enjoying this unseasonably warm winter weather - having skied previously is not necessary to win.
- ❖ **Thursday, Dec. 24th – Ugliest Holiday Sweater:** Look through your closet or visit a local thrift store to sport your ugliest holiday sweater while skiing - the flashier the better!
- ❖ **Friday, Dec. 25th – Most Festive Holiday Attire:** Calling all elves, reindeer, Santas, and snowmen to celebrate the season by wearing your best winter-themed costume while you ski.
- ❖ **Saturday, Dec. 26th – Most Laps Skied On the Snowmaking Loop:** Ski off the 12 dozen cookies you ate yesterday by completing the most number of laps on the Theodore Wirth Park snowmaking loop. The Female Adult, Male Adult, Female Junior (Under 18), Male Junior (Under 18), and Youth (Under 14) with the highest number of laps will be awarded. Be sure to post your results to the [2020 Loppet Solstice Ski Challenge Results Spreadsheet](#) to be in the running. Both Skate and Classic skiing counts. The laps do not need to be continuous, they only need to be completed at some point between 6am and 10pm on Dec 26. Please include your club/team affiliation on the spreadsheet, as your results will be counted towards your group average in a friendly competition between local ski groups - This includes high school teams, college teams/clubs, ski clubs (including Loppet TRAIL KIDS, LNR Juniors, LNR YAMS, LNR LEMONS, LNR TOAST, LNR Women's Wednesday Warriors), etc.
- ❖ **Sunday, Dec. 27th – Best Face Mask:** This year, staying safe while enjoying the holidays has never been more important. Practice good COVID-19 safety by wearing your most festive mask while skiing.