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### OREGON'S MT. BACHELOR OPENS FOR 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY SEASON Latest updates available at [www.mtbachelor.com](http://www.mtbachelor.com)

(Bend, Ore) – This weekend's long-awaited weather system produced a growing storm total of 23 inches at the base Mt. Bachelor. The Mountain is now offering terrain serviced by Pine Marten Express and Sunshine Accelerator lifts plus an early season terrain park. Terrain offerings will continue to be expanded as conditions allow in preparation for Holiday skiers and riders.

Nordic beginner and intermediate trails are now open. Track packing and grooming has been constant in both Nordic and Alpine areas. Foot-powered tubing sessions start today for \$5.

"Mt. Bachelor is very excited to be opening. We are still under early season snow conditions so we advise everybody to please look before you leap number 1, and number 2 stay on the open runs. We want to everyone to have a long and happy winter. So enjoy the first day and many more to come", says Ski Patrol Manager Curtis Norsen.

The Dirksen Derby fundraiser is underway opening day. An impressive lineup of talent will be competing on a course adjacent to the Thunderbird run. Spectators are welcome and participants encouraged. Registration is \$25 and all proceeds benefit Tyler Ecklund and Cole Ortega.

Mt. Bachelor Ski and Sport is having a significant sale offering up to 50% off last year's gear and apparel plus additional discounts for season pass holders including 25% off on new 2009 skis, snowboards, boots and bindings. West Village Rentals and Repair services are open.

Guests can enjoy fare from Cocoa's and the Clearing Rock Bar and Pinnacles Café in West Village. Pinnacles, offering smoothies, pastries and gourmet coffee drinks will be open at the West Village Lodge and in the Ski and Sport shop.



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Opening day lift ticket prices are below. These rates will adjust as open terrain and conditions change.

Adult	\$43
Teen	\$36
Youth	\$26
Senior 65	\$37
Adaptive	\$19
Nordic	\$17

This storm cycle remains over the Mountain with continued snowfall and light winds on Sunday morning. Century Drive is plowed with areas of packed snow and ice. Guests are advised to be equipped for winter driving conditions. Additional updates will be posted at [www.mtbachelor.com](http://www.mtbachelor.com). Mt. Bachelor intends to operate daily after Sunday's opening.

### *About Mt. Bachelor:*

*Celebrating its 50th anniversary during the 2008-2009 season, Mt. Bachelor is the sixth largest ski resort in North America, offering 3,683 acres of lift-accessible terrain. New this year, the connection of the back catch lines offers additional expert bowl and glade terrain to be explored. The mountain features 10 lifts, seven of which are Express Quads, plus two tubing lifts and wonder carpet and an average annual snowfall of 370 inches. Mt. Bachelor also features terrain parks, 56K of groomed and tracked cross country trails, snowshoeing, tubing and sled dog rides. For weather conditions, news and events visit [www.mtbachelor.com](http://www.mtbachelor.com).*

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