Bethel, Maine, Home of World's Tallest Snow Man and Snow Woman, Hosts 2010 Winter Fest

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Events and activities include guided snowshoe tours at the Bethel Nordic Ski Center at the Bethel Inn Resort, a snowmobile uphill climb at Mt. Abram, Old-Timers Nordic Ski Race at Carter's XC Ski Center, a rail jam competition on Bethel's Lower Main Street, hot air balloon ascents, snow sculptures, ice carvings, snow groomer rides, and horse-drawn sleigh rides, as well as a full-moon Nordic relay, full-moon snowshoe hike, and biathlon clinic at the Bethel Nordic Ski Center. Here skiers can learn this Olympic sport which combines cross-country skiing with target shooting. The Bethel Historical Society's exhibit, "Celebrating the Skiing Heritage of the Bethel Area" will be open with free admission. The exhibit has photos, artifacts, and ski equipment from the early years of Mt. Abram Ski Area and Sunday River Ski Resort.

An 80' by 195' outdoor ice skating rink, a 90 square foot snow maze, and a snow sculpture playground will be open free of charge on the festival lot where the SnowPersons have long since melted - 37 Cross Street, Bethel.

Bethel area inns, B&B's, motels, and vacation rental properties are offering special packages for WinterFest, ranging from 3 night stays for the price of 2 to a complete lodging and skiing package for the over-50 crowd at Sunday River Resort.

This event is being organized by the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, with support from presenting sponsor, Norway Savings Bank.

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