



Media Pack Information Sheet 2011

Coronet Peak – open June 4. Scheduled closing October 2.

Adored by locals, The Peak's easily accessible rollercoaster terrain embraces every level of skier and rider. Consistent snow conditions with Mother Nature given a helping hand by a state-of-the-art, fully automated snowmaking system, means coverage from the beginning of June to early October. Dedicated learner and novice areas away from the main trails make learning fun and easy, while higher up, choose your slopes as you explore the rolling terrain and take in spectacular views. Talking about views, the base building has floor to ceiling windows each side - one way looks out over the magnificent Wakatipu Basin, the other takes in the mountain action. Outside, you can set up base camp on the massive deck to relax, people watch or enjoy regular live music. The day starts early with First Tracks from 8am and on weekends finishes late with Night Skiing under lights on Fridays and Saturdays. Over at Rocky Gully a dedicated race training area hosts world-class athletes and you can pick up fabulous Euro-style pizzas and pasta at Heidi's Hut while you watch the action (with a wine, beer or coffee in hand) from the Heidi's deck. Coronet's also home to FIS ski racing, the Queenstown Winter Festival, and this year, the bi-annual New Zealand Pacific Winter Games.

Stuff you need to know about Coronet Peak:

- World-class ski resort with a state-of-the-art base, lifts and snowmaking facilities
- The longest opening hours of any New Zealand mountain resort (combining First Tracks and Night Skiing)
- Varied, rolling terrain to suit all
- Closest mountain to Queenstown with an easy access, 20-minute self-drive or regular coach service on a sealed road
- A vibrant and cosmopolitan ambience with regular events throughout the season
- Skiwiland Early Learning Centre for children from 3 months to 5 years and all day supervised kids programmes with the Kea Club
- Free day lift passes for children aged 6 years and under

Coronet Peak – What's New

- A spacious new novice skiers and boarders trail from the top of the Meadows Chairlift
- Existing trails widened
- Improvement to trails around the Meadows Express quad chairlift, installed last year
- A dedicated 'Kids' Fun Zone' complete with flags, berms and wide open space.
- A new 102-metre carpet conveyor lift from below the base of the Meadows Express lift making it easy to reach the learner area
- Five new snow guns for lower trails including the new novice trail
- Brand new HEAD BYS (ski and boot rental system) to upgrade range of performance rental equipment
- New Performance Centre programmes developed for children and adults

Coronet Peak Key Dates – (may be subject to change please check website for confirmation)

- 4 June: Opening Day
- 25 June: Mid Winter Xmas Day

- 1 July: Night Skiing scheduled start
- 3 July: First Tracks scheduled start
- 16 July: Junior Interfield ski competition
- 19 July: Winter Classic series starts
- 24 July: Kids Day Out
- 4 August: Canadian FIS ski race
- 5/6 August: NZ Skiing Masters (TBC)
- 6 August: Peak to Peak
- 18 – 21 August: Japan Southern Cup FIS races
- 22/25 August: Winter Games events
- 3/4 September: NZ Alpine Ski Champs
- 6 September: Winter Classic series final
- 9 September: World Theme Day
- 10 September: QUEST Banked Slalom (TBC)
- 25 September: Summer Daze
- 29 September: Rugby Match
- 2 October: Scheduled closing day