

Media Pack Information Sheet 2011

The Remarkables – open June 18. Scheduled closing October 16.

The Remarkables is all about FUN! Relaxed, friendly and high in The Remarkables mountain range, The Remarkables is fabulous for kids and families and the natural Queenstown 'home' for big mountain fans and park rats. Its high altitude and north-facing slopes make it a fantastic sun trap. There's a large, wide, gentle beginner area, a snow tubing park that's perfect for non-skiers or the best family fun, a progressive series of terrain parks and tracts of big mountain terrain inside and out of the ski area boundary. First timers can progress happily from conveyor lifts to the novice chair and maybe into the beginner Terrain Park of Alta Blue. Sugar Bowl is home to an FIS-rated advanced terrain park and the Southern Hemisphere's first Stash, a revolutionary Burton signature freestyle park where big 'names' of freestyle sometimes hang out. Over in Shadow Basin sensational steeps attract advanced and expert skiers and riders. From Sugar and Shadow, big mountain skiers and riders can hunt fresh tracks – sometimes it takes a hike but is always worth a go. The kids are sorted with entertainment from mascots Spike and Shred and Skiiland and Kea Club programmes for those aged from 3 months to 15 years. Modern coaches to The Remarkables depart regularly from Queenstown and the bottom of the access road.

Stuff you need to know about The Remarkables:

- One of New Zealand's best learning facilities for beginners and family groups
- The ideal family mountain
- Licensed Skiiland Early Learning Centre and all day supervised children's programmes with the Kea Club
- Family restaurant and base lodge facilities
- Three terrain parks provide a progressive park network for all abilities
- Homeward Run – New Zealand's best "in-bounds" backcountry run
- Free day lift passes for children aged 10 years and under
- A fantastic 'big mountain' experience

The Remarkables – What's New

- New runs, wider terrain, reconfigured slopes and increased snowmaking
- Extensive trail work to create more terrain and better gradients for novice and intermediate skiers and riders
- New snow guns for consistent snow coverage on novice and intermediate trails
- 2.5 km of new guard rails along access road
- Extensive investment in brand new state-of-the-art HEAD BYS ski and boot rental system making the rental experience easier and quicker for all
- New trail signs making it easier to navigate terrain and trails
- The advanced Waterfalls run to be groomed this year for the first time
- New Performance Centre programmes developed for children and adults

The Remarkables – Key dates (may be subject to change please check website for confirmation)

- 18 June: Opening Day
- 16 July: Slopestyle series starts
- 17 July: Minishred No 1
- 6 August: Peak to Peak race

- 7 August: Burton Boys Camp (TBC)
Snow Broads series starts
- 12 August: Parklife Invitational (Downtown Queenstown)
- 9 September: World Theme Day
- 17 September: Snowbroads series final day
- 18 September: Stash Gathering
- 19 September: Pirate Day
- 24 September: Slopestyle series finishes
- 29 September: Rugby Match
- 8/10 October: Spring Carnival
- 9 October: Minishred No. 2
- 16 October: Mountain scheduled closing