

HOORAY FOR HOLLYWOOD!

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The Hollywood Scene as seen by Tiger
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What's it like to spend a weekend with **BEN MURPHY**? Ask about a hundred of us ski fanatics, stars, and reporters who followed the **Alias Smith and Jones** star to Bear Valley and we'll tell you—it's fun but exhausting! Now you ask, where's Bear Valley? Well, it's a groovy ski lodge located in the High Sierras of California (about 100 miles north of Sacramento). Since the lodge is perched so high in the mountains, there's always lots of snow for skiing—and that means lots of stars who like to go skiing even in the summer!

On the way to the ski lodge, **BEN** told me why he had come to Bear Valley all alone: "I thought if I came up here without any girls, I'd have to find some at the lodge!" And I sort of think **BEN** must have had a lot of luck in that department! Scads of girls surrounded **BEN** everytime he stepped out on the slopes to go skiing—and one lucky girl got into a fun-filled snowball fight with him that lasted for nearly a whole hour!

But snowball fights weren't the only fun **BEN** had up at the lodge. I caught him whizzing around the slopes in a shiny new snowmobile one day and the next day, I saw **BEN** playing tennis under this huge "bubble" which was actually a tennis court enclosed under a giant glass top!

When **BEN** wasn't skiing, snowmobiling, or snowball fighting, he was chatting with that handsome **Marcus Welby** star, **JIM BROLIN**, and his wife, **JANE**. One night **BEN**, **JIM**, and **JANE** plopped themselves down near the ski lodge's piano and pounded out a few songs. But things really didn't get going until the last night up there when all of us started a big pillow fight!

You should have seen the look on **BEN**'s face when **JIM** socked it to him with a large green pillow! But that was nothing compared to the look on **JIM**'s face when **BEN** hit him back with a big pillow of his own! Of course it was all in fun—but you should have seen the look on **MY** face when **BEN** and **JIM** ganged up on me and really let me have it all together! And that's what I call a smashing end to a really smashing weekend!... By the way, I don't want to let the cat out of the bag or anything but did you know that **BEN**'s co-star on **Alias Smith and Jones**, **ROGER DAVIS**, is married? Sorry, girls, but it's true—**ROGER** is married to a pretty young actress and model named **JACLYN**. At first, some people advised **ROGER** to keep his marriage a secret, but **ROGER**'s too honest a guy to go for anything like that so he just let it all hang out and gave

us the scoop on his marriage! "**JACLYN**'s too pretty to keep hidden," **ROGER** told me. And after speaking to **JACLYN**, all I can say is right on **ROGER**! He's a lucky guy and with a girl like **JACLYN**, no wonder he wants the world to share his secret!... Speaking of "secret" marriages (and we were—sort of), I keep hearing that one of your faves, **JAN-MICHAEL VINCENT**, is married now to his girlfriend **BONNIE**. I honestly don't know if it's true since **JAN-MICHAEL** is off in Europe making his gangster movie, **The Mechanic**. But I promise to ask **JAN-MICHAEL** himself once he get back here when he starts filming **The World's Greatest Athlete** for Disney. The plot of this movie really sounds crazy! It's all about a coach who goes on a vacation to South Africa and finds **The World's Greatest Athlete** (that's **JAN-MICHAEL**) in a tree!... If you think that's crazy, listen to **RANDY MANTOOTH** (the star of **Emergency!** on the TV) tell me about how he arrived in Hollywood with his pets: "I had just signed a contract in New York and turned in my airline ticket to drive across the country to Hollywood with my dog and two cats. The dog is a mixed breed about the size of a collie and the cats—well, they're just cats."



THE CARPENTERS did a great job singing "Bless the Beasts and the Children" on "Oscar" awards' night.
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DAVID AND SHIRLEY spent some time together backstage at David's Mad. Square Garden concert in N.Y.



BRANDON CRUZ has a new hobby! Collecting seashells to decorate Mr. and Mrs. Bixby's new house!