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Hello, everyone!

The year is halfway done, 177 days till Christmas. "Aurora and the Whispering Jewels: A South Pole Christmas Story" is set to arrive on November 1 (only four months from today).

Thank you for subscribing to my newsletter. Please share this link with a friend or family member:

<https://southpolechristmas.net>

I've replaced the stock pictures on that website with illustrations from the book so you can see them whenever you visit.

This month, I decided to reveal some interesting information I found while researching my story...

1. WINTER IN AUSTRALIA

It's actually in June, July, and August -- with snow in many places.

<https://www.australia.com/en-us/facts-and-planning/when-to-go/australias-seasons/winter.html>

2. YULEFEST CELEBRATIONS

Head to the Blue Mountains for some classic winter fun and festivities.

<https://mountainwhispers.com.au/christmas-july-yulefest-popular-time-year-visit-blue-mountains>

3. ALL AROUND THE WORLD

Wikipedia tells what's happening in the Northern and Southern hemispheres.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christmas_in_July

4. PENGUINS AND ANIMALS IN ANTARCTICA

This website has beautiful photos and simple, clear information.

<https://www.antarctica.gov.au/about-antarctica/animals/penguins>

5. LIFE AT THE SOUTH POLE

What's it really like to live in the coldest place on earth?

<https://wandereatwrite.com/life-at-the-south-pole-station>

Happy Yulefest!

--Ed



Merry Christmas in July!