

Mountain bikers gathering to work, ride this weekend

It's all about mountain biking this weekend – riding and trail building. TAMBA says dirt conditions are pretty amazing and the weather will be sunny and in 60s.

Oct. 22 is Trail Day No. 2 on Toads (Saxon Creek. Work will be on the upper sections of Toads, picking up where work was left off last month.

Ride to the work area and then ride down afterward. All tools will be at the site.

Meet at the rock sections at 9:30am, which is about one-half mile down from the intersection of Saxon Creek and the Tahoe Rim Trail. Work will end about 3pm.

Watta Bike Shop will be hosting a free barbecue with drinks for all volunteers. The lunch will be provided on the trail from Yellow Sub, including free Clif Bars. No need to work all day.

Bring water, long sleeves, sunglasses, gloves, your bike.

On Oct. 23 is a group ride from Stagecoach to Star Lake Connector and Cold Creek Trails.

This will showcase what the U.S. Forest Service did this summer with the Star Lake Connector Trail. This section of single track connects the Tahoe Rim Trail at Star Lake down to High Meadow and Cold Creek Trail.

Sunday's ride will start at Stagecoach Lodge and follow the Rim Trail out to Star Lake, after eating lunch at Star riders then descend down the new Star Connector Trail and continue on to the descent of Cold Creek Trail while ending on Powerlines back to Ski Run Boulevard. Blue Dog Pizza near the Heavenly

Gondola is offering discounted pizza after the ride to all paid TAMBA members.

To carpool, meet at 10:30am on Ski Run Boulevard on the mountain side of Pioneer Trail between Needle Peak (near Hansens Tubing Resort). If you do not need to car pool, meet at 11am at Heavenly's Stagecoach Lodge parking lot.

This ride is about 20 miles, with close to 3,000-vertical feet of climbing and 4,000 vertical of decent over some fun rocky trails.

RSVP to these events by emailing trails@mountainbiketahoe.org.