Free backcountry demo event at Alpine

The Lake Tahoe Backcountry Demo Event, North America's largest venue for all things alpine touring, telemark and splitboard, returns Jan. 2

Alpenglow Sports has partnered with Alpine Meadows Ski Resort for the 10th year. The event is from 9am to 3pm.

Participating vendors will include DPS, Dynafit, G3, Scarpa, NTN, Salomon, Scott, Marker, Volkl, Twenty-Two Designs, La Sportiva, Voile, Moment, Julbo, Fly Low, Jones Snowboards and more.

In addition to the opportunity to try more than 100 styles of skis, Alpenglow and Richard Bothwell of the Bay Area Adventure Club will also provide a free, informal avalanche companion rescue class. This clinic will include beacon searches, strategic shoveling, and probing and will begin at 1pm at the registration tent.

The event is free, but participants must possess a valid lift ticket or season pass purchased from Alpine Meadows or Squaw Valley, along with a driver's license and credit card for deposit.