

Missing Heavenly skier safe, faces fine

A South Lake Tahoe resident was cited last week for skiing out-of-bounds at Heavenly Mountain Resort.

Nicholas Bridges, 28, had been reported missing Dec. 19 at 4:33pm. His friends had not seen him for two hours. It would be another four hours before he was located.

Douglas County sheriff's deputies said Bridges went under the ski ropes. This is a misdemeanor that comes with a \$640 fine.

The resort had little to say about the incident. It's not known if Bridges will lose his pass as is customary in incidents like this.

"A skier went out of bounds ... and was found safe. Guest safety is a priority at Heavenly Mountain," is all Coop Cooper, spokesman for Heavenly, told *Lake Tahoe News*.

– *Lake Tahoe News staff report*