

65 people evacuated from Heavenly chairlift

Sixty-five people were evacuated from North Bowl chairlift at Heavenly Mountain Resort today.

At 10:58am Jan. 3 an unoccupied chair on the downhill side fell from the lift.

No injuries were reported.

This is a fixed grip triple chair on the Nevada side of the South Shore resort. Fixed grip means the chairs are permanently attached to the cable.

The chairlift will be out of service until the maintenance team can evaluate what happened.

The lift was stopped immediately, according to resort officials. Ski patrol then was able to bring everyone off the lift.

North Bowl lift is in the master plan to be replaced with a high speed detachable quad, but there is no date when this will happen.

– Lake Tahoe News staff report