Meyers teen alive after falling through ice



A South Shore teen is rushed to the hospital Dec. 28 after falling through ice. Photo/Provided

A 13-year-old boy from Meyers is lucky to be alive after falling through the ice at Lake Baron today.

The youth, whose name has not been released, was riding his bike at Tahoe Paradise Park in Meyers when the front tire broke through the ice. The ice cracked, then the boy and his bike went under water.

Ian Whitmarsh from Oakland crawled onto the ice to try to rescue the boy while others called 911.

The teen was taken to Barton Memorial Hospital with severe hypothermia.

Public safety officials are warning people to stay off ice in the basin because it is probably not thick enough to carry the weight of any size person.

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