

Mountain Resort Report©

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" – Friday, February 5, 2010 - **UPDATED as of 7:00am**

Good Morning, Lake Tahoe Skiers & Riders. If you're visiting, Welcome to Lake Tahoe. Here's your Mountain Resort Report for your Friday February 5th. A Winter Weather Advisory remains in effect till 10am this morning for snow and Rain. Then Showers Likely in the afternoon. Temps will be in the upper 20's on the Slopes with Moderate to Strong Winds and possible Ridge Gusts to 85 mph. Winds will decrease in the afternoon with Gusts up to 50 mph. Winds could affect the operation of upper mountain lifts – So, Call Ahead. Dress warm, in layers with your Windproof-Waterproof Jacket. Take along a hat, beanie or wear a helmet for safety. Wear good Goggles. Surface conditions are Machine Groomed & Skier-Rider Packed Powder. Ski and Ride with Care and always with a Buddy if you go Off-Piste. Keep an eye out for marked and unmarked obstacles and "Stay In Bounds and on opened runs only".

South Lake Tahoe & Surrounding Area Resorts

***Heavenly Mountain Resort** - South Lake Tahoe – Reports 1-3" of new a base of 39-58". 28 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP. Access to the mountain will be from The Gondola, The CA Base Lodge and both Stagecoach and Boulder Lodges on the NV side. 14 Lifts scheduled on the CA Side & 14 Lifts on the Nevada Side including Mott Canyon. 87 trails are open (70MG) Powder Bowl + The Groove T-Parks are open and new T-Park on Jack Pot. Adventure Peak activities at the top of the Gondola are scheduled to open with the Snow Tubing Hill (11-4:30) Sledding, Snowshoeing & Snow Bikes for Rent. (Powder, MG & SKRPP / 30F / Cldy-Flurries & Mod Winds). Heavenly Village Ice Rink is open daily from 10 till 8pm. Complimentary Shuttle Buses are running thru-out the South Shore to all base facilities. **1-800-HEAVENLY. www.skiheavenly.com**

***Sierra-At-Tahoe** - on U.S. Hwy 50 (R2)– Reports 5-6" of new on base of 48-91". 9 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP including Grandview Express to the top, West Bowl & the backside open. 46 Trails are open (35 MG) + Jacks Bowl and Avalanche Bowl Open. Gates 1 & 2 accessing Huckleberry Canyon Open – Check with Patrol at the top. 5 T-Parks are open. (Powder, MG & SKRPP / 32F / Snow Showers & Mod Winds). Snowshoe Trails & Tubing Hill are open. Complimentary Shuttle Buses are running from the South Shore. **(530) 659-7475. www.sierraattahoe.com**

***Camp Richardson Mountain Sport Center** - on Emerald Bay Road - Hwy 89 (R2) - Is open daily from 9-4. They have a base of 10-16". 10-12km of groomed XC trails & 2-3km of Snow Shoe trails are open. Plus Skier packed Trails along the beach. **(530) 542-6584. www.camprichardson.com**

***Hope Valley XC Outdoor Center** - 14655 Hwy 89/88 (R2) – at Pickett's Junction. The Yurt is open (9-5) They report a base of 48-60". They and have 40 miles of Marked and Skier Packed Trails and 25 miles of groomed XC Skiing & Snow Shoeing. Hosting their Women's Winter Day Tour, Saturday, Feb 6. \$25 fee with \$15 going to the SLT Women's Center. No Fees to XC or Snowshoe up in Hope Valley and No Snow Park fees. They do except donations. Rental & Lessons available. **(530) 694-2266. www.hopevalleyoutdoors.com**

***Kirkwood Mountain Resort** - On Hwy 88 (R1) – Reports 6-8" of new on a base from 112-155". 12 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP with Chairs #6 & #10 to the top of the Front Side + 5 Lifts to the Back Side including Vista & Covered Wagon. Plus all Timber Creek Lifts to turn. 72 Trails are accessible (30MG) + 6 Bowls, 3 T-Parks & Skier/Boarder X Open. Hosting the USASA Slopestyle this Sunday. (Powder, MG & SKRPP / 24F / MCldy & Lt-Mod Winds). **Kirkwood XC Center**: is open with 70km of groomed trails. **(877) KIRKWOOD. www.kirkwood.com**

North & East Shore / Nevada Resorts

***Spoooner Lake Cross Country** - Highway 28 (R1)- at Spooner Lake State Park – is open (9-5) with a base of 20-65". 8 trails = 60km of Groomed Trails up North Canyon to Marlette Lake and to the Dam. Separate Snowshoe Trails also open around Spooner Lake and above Spooner Meadow. **(775) 749-5349. www.spoonerlake.com**

***Diamond Peak** - Hwy 28 (R1) - in Incline Village – is reporting 10" of new and a base of 66-102". 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP including Lakeview and the Crystal Express Quad to the top. 31 trails (20MG) + T-Park open. (Powder & MG / 28F / Snow & Lt Winds). Complimentary Shuttle buses running thru-out Incline Village **(775) 831-3211. www.diamondpeak.com**

***Mt. Rose Ski Tahoe** - Mt. Rose Hwy 431(R1) – Reports 4-6" of new on a base of 44-69". 5 Lifts scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP Including NW Magnum 6 to the top of the Rose Side and the Blazing Zephyr (opening at 8:30) on the Slide Side. Delayed opening of Chuter. 60 Trails + 2 T-Parks open. 8 Chutes Gates are scheduled to Open. (Powder & MGPP / 27F / Snowing & Mod-Strong Winds). Hosting their Slide Back Retro 80's Ski Party on Saturday. **(775) 849-0704 #1. www.skirose.com**

Truckee Area Resorts

***Northstar-at-Tahoe** - On Hwy 267 (R1) – Reports 5-6" of new on a base of 44-84". 15 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4). They are open top to bottom - Front to Back including Lookout Mountain. 90 trails are open (69 MG) with 8 T-Parks & Super Pipe open. (MG & SKRPP / 29F / MCldy & Mod Winds). **Northstar XC/Telemark & Snow Shoe Center** – is open with 40km of groomed XC & Snowshoe trails. Snow Tubing Center is open (12-4) & Village Ice Rink open (1-8). **(530) 562-1330. www.northstarattahoe.com**

***Tahoe Donner Ski Area** - 11603 Slalom Way, Truckee – is open with 6-8” of new on a base of 65-85”. All 3 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP. 12 Trails open + T-Park open. (Powder & MG / 29F / Snowing & Mod Winds). **(530) 587-9444 #2 (Downhill). Tahoe Donner XC** – Also open (8:30-5) with 50 Trails = 99Km of XC & Snowshoe Trails. **(530) 587-9484. www.skitahtoeonner.com**

Donner Summit Resorts

***Boreal Mountain Resort** – Off I-80 (R2) at Boreal/Castle Peak Exit – Reports 6-8” of new on a base 90-130”. 7 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP Including the Accelerator Express Quad to the Top + Lost Dutchman on the Back Side open with 41 Trails open. Terrain Park, Super Pipe & Boarder X Open. Their Playland Tubing Park open (10-4). 2 Lifts will continue to operate till 9pm for night skiing & riding-WWP. (Powder, MGPP / 29F / Snowing & Lt-Mod Winds). **(530) 426-3666 #1. www.rideboreal.com**

***Soda Springs Winter Resort** - Off I-80 (R2) – Is open with 6-8” of new on a base up to 100”. 2 Lifts are scheduled to operate for Skiing & Riding (9-4)-WWP with 16 Trails open. Plus, 3 Moving Carpets scheduled to open (10-4) for Tube Town, Kids Tube Carousel & Planet Kids. (MG & PP / 29F / Snowing & Lt-Mod Winds). Mini Snowmobiles are scheduled to open. **(530) 426-3901. www.skisodasprings.com**

***Royal Gorge Cross Country Ski Resort** – Off I-80 (R2) in Soda Springs – Is open (9-4:30) with 4” of new on a base of 85-95”. 15 Trails = 40km of groomed XC trails & Snow shoe trails open. (30F / Snowing & Lt-Mod Winds). **(530) 426-3871. www.royalgorge.com.**

***Donner Ski Ranch** - On Donner Pass Road (R2) – is open with 6” of new on a base of 44-96”. 3 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP on the Front Side (Back Side closed) with 33 Trails open. (Powder, MG / 28F / Snow / Lt-Mod Winds). **(530) 426-3635. www.donnerrskiranch.com**

***Sugar Bowl Ski Resort** - Off I-80 (R2) on Donner Pass Rd - Reports 6-10” of new on a base of 86-138”. 8 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Mt Lincoln Express to the Top. 87 Trails are open (60 MG) + 4 T-Parks including Switching Yard open. (Powder & MGPP / 28F / Snowing & Lt-Mod Winds). **(530) 426-1111. www.sugarbowl.com**

West Shore / North Lake Tahoe Resorts

***Homewood Mountain Resort** - On Hwy 89 (R1) – Reports 4-6” of new on a base of 72-100”. 5 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP with 55 Trails open (26MG) + 2 Terrain Parks. Both their North and South Lodges are open. (MG & SKRPP / 30F / Snow Showers & Lt Winds). **(530) 525-2900. Skihomewood.com**

***Granlibakken Ski Hill** – Hwy 89 (R1)- Tahoe City – is open (9-4) Friday thru Sunday with fresh snow on a base of 60”. One Tow and Run are open. They also have XC & Snow Shoe Trails and the Snow Play Area open daily. **(530) 581-7533.**

***Tahoe Cross Country Ski Area** - 2.5 miles E. of Tahoe City on Hwy 28 (R1)– is open (8:30-5) with fresh snow on a base of 34-60”. Grooming out 19 Trails for 65km of set track, plus 2 dog friendly trails are open. **(530) 583-5475. www.tahoexc.org**

***Alpine Meadows Ski Resort** - Hwy 89 (R1) – Is reporting 7-10” of new on a base of 80-134”. 9 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP with Roundhouse and Summit Six to the top of the front side + Scott & Sherwood Express scheduled to the Back Side. 90 Trails, plus 2 Bowls & 3 T-Parks are open. (Powder & MGPP / 29F / Snow / Mod – Strong Winds). **(530) 581-8374. www.skialpine.com**

***Squaw Valley USA** - Hwy 89 (R1) – Reports 4-8” of new on a base of 81-107”. 24 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4). 11 Lifts from the Bottom with the Cable Car & Funitel and Red Dog & KT22 scheduled. Plus, 13 Lifts scheduled to operate on the Upper Mountain-WWP including Shirley Lake and Granite Chief & Silverado on Standby. 170 trails to open + The Belmont & Monster T-Parks open. The Olympic Ice Pavilion at High Camp is scheduled open for Ice Skating (11-7)-WWP. Snow Tubing offered at Papoose (10-4). You can Ski / Ride, Ice Skate & Dine till 9pm at High Camp-WWP (Powder & MGPP/ 26F / Snow / Mod-Strong Winds). **(530) 583-6955 #1. www.squaw.com.**

The Resort at Squaw Creek has 18Km of groomed XC & Snow Shoe Trails open daily (9-5), as well as their Ice Rink open.

Central Sierra Resorts

***Mammoth Mountain** - off Hwy 395 - is reporting 7” of new on a base of 84-132”. 24 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4)-WWP out of all 3 Lodge Bases including the Village Gondola. 150 Trails (103MG) & 7 T-Parks and Super Pipe & The Super Duper Pipe open (Powder, MG & SKRPP / 25F / Snowing & Lt-Mod Winds). Nordic Center has 29km of Groomed trails open. **(888) 766-9778. www.mammothmountain.com. June Mountain** – is open with 7” of new on a base of 48-96”. 7 Lifts will operate (9-4) with 37 Trails & 3 T-Parks & Super Pipe open. (MG & SKRPP/ 25F / Snowing & Lt Winds). **(760) 934-2224. www.junemountain.com**

***Yosemite/Badger Pass** - is open on a base of 96”. 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 9 runs open. (MGPP / 28F / Snowing & Lt Winds). For XC Skiing, there is 10.5 miles (one way) of groomed trails out to Glacier Point & 3.3 Miles groomed out to Bridalveil Creek. **(209) 372-8430. www.yosemitepark.com/BadgerPass.aspx**

***Dodge Ridge** - Pinecrest, CA on Hwy 108 (R1) – Reports 4-8” of new on a base of 65”. 8 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP with 61 Trails Open (34 MG) + 4 T-Parks and Granite Bowl open. (Powder & MGPP/ 28F / Snowing

& Lt Winds). (209) 536-5300. www.dodgeridge.com

Bear Valley Mountain Resort - Hwy 4 (R2)– Reports 5” of new on a base of 85”. 7 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP with the Front & Back-Sides & Grizz Open. 67 Trails open + 2 T-Parks. (Powder & MGPP / 276F / Snowing & Lt Winds). Hosting their TeleFest Friday thru Sunday. (209) 753-2301 #2. **Bear Valley XC** – Open with a base of 72”. 32 Trails = 45Km of groomed track open + 4km of separate Snow Shoe trails. Sledding open daily & Tubing Hill open weekends. (209) 753-2834. www.bearvalley.com

So there you have it. For updates on all Resorts visit **BikeandSkiTahoe.Com**. Carry Tire Chains and Stay tuned to KTHO for the latest in Weather and Road Conditions or Dial 511. Be Safe and have a great day on the mountain. It's Curtis Fong, TGFT and that's today's Mtn Resort Report on KTHO AM590 & 96.1FM.

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Heavenly Village Ice Rink is open 10-8pm in the Heavenly Village.

For Information and Lodging on the South Shore please visit:
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On another note, this year I am working the **RSN** and producing a weekly feature titled, **“What's Up Tahoe”**. I have Resort News & Interviews, action Video and a weekly calendar of fun events on and off the slopes. It airs 6 times daily in various programs. Tune into RSN in South Lake Tahoe, North Lake Tahoe, Reno, Carson City & Carson Valley.

See you on the Slopes...

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