

Mountain Resort Report©

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" – Wednesday, March 31, 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 Wednesday, March 31st. Winter Conditions Continue with FRESH POW as a Winter Weather Advisory is posted till 1pm this afternoon. Expect Snow in the Morning then continued Snow Showers in the afternoon. Temps only into the low 20 to mid 20's on the slopes with Light to Mod Winds. Another 5 to 9 inches of snow is predicted above 7000 feet. Dress warm in layers with your Windproof-Waterproof Jacket. Take a hat, Beanie or wear a helmet for safety. Also, wear good Goggles. Surface conditions are Powder and Machine Groomed Powder. Ski and Ride with Care and always with a buddy if 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 12-16" of new on a base of 69-101. 28 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4). 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 are scheduled on the CA Side & 14 Lifts on the Nevada Side. 94 trails to open + 3 Terrain Parks on the CA side. Adventure Peak activities at the top of the Gondola are scheduled to open (11-4:30) with the Snow Tubing, Sledding, Snowshoeing & Snow Bikes for Rent. (PWDR & MGPP / 21F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). Heavenly has 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 11-26" of new on a base of 48-115". 7 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Grandview Express to the top, West Bowl & the backside open. 47 Trails are open (36MG) + Jacks Bowl and Avalanche Bowl scheduled to Open. Huckleberry Canyon is being assessed, so check with Patrol at the top. 4 T-Parks, Boarder X & Super Pipe are to open + Snow Shoe Trails. (PWDR & MGPP / 24F / Snowing / Lt Winds). 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 – Closed at Em Bay) - Is open from 9-4. They have fresh snow on a base of 16-18". Grooming out 10-12km of XC trails & they have 2-3km of Snow Shoe trails open. **(530) 542-6584. www.camprichardson.com**

Hope Valley XC Outdoor Center - 14655 Hwy 89/88 (R2) – at Pickett's Junction, The Yurt is open (10-5) They have 12" of new on a base of 30-56". They and have 60 miles of Marked Trails and 20 miles are being groomed. No Fees to XC or Snowshoe up in Hope Valley and No Snow Park fees. They do except donations and they have Rentals & Lessons available. **(530) 694-2266. www.hopevalleyoutdoors.com**

Kirkwood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 88 (R2) – Reports 20-24" of new on a base from 130-190". 12 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with some delays after snow safety with Chairs #6 & #10 to the top of the Front Side + 5 Lifts to the Back Side, including the Vista & Covered Wagon tows; and the Timber Creek Lifts to turn. 72 Trails are to open (18MG) + 7 Bowls are scheduled to open, 3 T-Parks, Skier/Boarder X and the Half Pipe are scheduled to open. (PWDR, MGPP / 18F / Snow / Mod Winds). **Kirkwood XC Center**: is open grooming out 70km of set track & skating lanes. **(877) KIRKWOOD. www.kirkwood.com**

North & East Shore / Nevada Resorts

Spooner Lake Cross Country - Highway 28/50 (R1) - at Spooner Lake State Park – is open (9-5) with 6-8" of new on a base of 36-84". They are grooming out 65Km of Trails up North Canyon to Marlette Lake and around to the Dam. They also have Separate Snowshoe Trails open around Spooner Lake and above Spooner Meadow. (775) 749-5349. **www.spoonerlake.com**

Diamond Peak - Hwy 28 - in Incline Village – is reporting 12" of new on a base of 59-104". 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Lakeview Chair & the Crystal Express Quad to the top. 31 trails are open (17 MG) + T-Park open. (MG & PWDR / 23F / 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 6-10" of new on a base of 64-101". 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with the NW Magnum 6 to the top of the Rose Side and the Blazing Zephyr (opening at 8:30) on the Slide Side is scheduled to go. 60 Trails + 3 T-Parks to open. The Chutes Gates are Closed – Call Ahead. (MG & PWDR / 17F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). Student & Over the Hill Wednesday. \$35 Lift Tickets with valid Student ID or if you are over 55 years of age. **(775) 849-0704 #1. www.skirose.com**

Truckee Area Resorts

Northstar-at-Tahoe - On Hwy 267 (R2) – Reports 18-24" of new on a base of 40-110". 15 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4). They are open top to bottom - Front to Back including Lookout Mountain. 92 trails are open (56 MG) + 7 T-Parks to open & Super Pipe Open. (MG & PWDR / 25F / Snow / Lt Winds). **Northstar XC/Telemark & Snow Shoe Center** – is open (9-3) with 40km of groomed XC & Snowshoe trails. Snow Tubing Center is open (12-4). The Village Roller Rink is scheduled to open (12-8pm). **(530) 562-1330. www.northstarattahoe.com**

Tahoe Donner Ski Area - 11603 Slalom Way (R1), Truckee – is open reporting 19-28” of new on a base of 65-85”. 3 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4). 12 Trails open + T-Park open. (MG-PWDR / 18F / Snow / Lt Winds). **(530) 587-9444 #2 (Downhill). Tahoe Donner XC** – Also open (8:30-5) grooming out Trails this morning. **(530) 587-9484.**
www.skitahtoedonner.com

Donner Summit Resorts

Boreal Mountain Resort – Off I-80 (R2) at Boreal/Castle Peak Exit – Reports 19-28” of new on a base 100-160”. 6 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) Including the Accelerator Express Quad to the top of the Front Side & the Lost Dutchman Triple on the Backside. 41 Trails are open + 3 Terrain Parks, the Boarder X & Super Pipe scheduled to open. Their Playland Tubing Park open (11-3). 2 Lifts will continue to operate till 9pm for night skiing & riding. (MG & PWDR / 18F / Snow / Lt Winds). (530) 426-3666 #1. www.rideboreal.com

Soda Springs Winter Resort - Off I-80 (R2) – Reports 19-28” of new on a base up to 100”. They have 2 Lifts for Skiing & Riding open (9-4) with 16 trails open, plus 3 Moving Carpets open (10-4) for Tube Town, Kids Tube Carousel & Planet Kids. (MG PWDR / 18F / Snow & Lt Winds). Mini Snowmobiles open. (530) 426-3901. www.skisodasprings.com

Royal Gorge Cross Country Ski Resort – Off I-80 (R2) in Soda Springs – Is CLOSED on Wednesdays. Open tomorrow (9-4:30) with a base of 95-100”. They have 12 Trails open with 30 km of groomed XC trails & Snowshoe trails open. (30F / Snowing / Mod Winds). **(530) 426-3871. www.royalgorge.com.**

Donner Ski Ranch - On Donner Pass Road (R2) – Is open with 18-24” of new on a base of 90-148”. 3 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) on the Front Side with 30 Trails open. (MG & PWDR / 18F / Snow / Lt Winds). **(530) 426-3635. www.donnerskiranch.com**

Sugar Bowl Ski Resort - Off I-80 (R2) on Donner Pass Rd - Reports 18-24” of new on a base of 100-154”. 9 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Mt Lincoln, Jerome Hill & Judah Express. 90 runs are open (52 MG) + 4 T-Parks including Switching Yard open. (MG & PWDR / 18F / Snow / Lt Winds). **(530) 426-1111. www.sugarbowl.com**

West Shore / North Lake Tahoe Resorts

Homewood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 89 - (R-1, Closed at Em Bay) – Reports 10-15” of new on a base of 76-159”. 5 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) Including the Madden Chair, The Ellis Chair & The Old Homewood Express. 60 Trails are open (31MG) + 2 Terrain Parks and Quail Face Bowl to open (MG & PWDR / 14F / Snow / Lt-Mod Winds). **(530) 525-2900. Skihomewood.com**

Granlibakken Ski Hill – Hwy 89 - Tahoe City – is open Friday thru Sundays so the Ski Hill is Closed today, but, they do have XC & Snow Shoe Trails and the Snow Play Area open daily. **(530) 581-7533.**

Tahoe Cross Country Ski Area - 3 miles E. of Tahoe City on Hwy 28 – is open (8:30-5) with 10” of new on a base of 18-34”. They are grooming out at least 59km of trails. Plus 2 Dog Friendly trails are open. (Open thru April 18) **(530) 583-5475. www.tahoexc.org**

Alpine Meadows Ski Resort - Hwy 89 (R1) – Is reporting 22-31” of new on a base of 111-174”. 6 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with Roundhouse & Summit Six to the top of the front side scheduled + Scott Chair & Sherwood Express scheduled on the Back Side. 100 Trails to open + 3 T-Parks are open. (MG & PWDR / 14F / Snow / Lt-Mod Winds). **(530) 581-8374. www.skialpine.com**

Squaw Valley USA - Hwy 89 (R1) – Reports 16-22” of new on a base of 137-147”. 23 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with delays after snow safety. 12 Lifts from the Bottom with Red Dog & KT22 scheduled. Plus, 11 Lifts are scheduled to operate on the Upper Mountain, including Shirley Lake, Siberia & Granite Chief. 177 trails to open + The Belmont & Monster T-Parks, as well as the Riviera Super Pipe are scheduled to open. The Olympic Ice Pavilion at High Camp & The Swimming Lagoon & Spa is closed today (11-4). Snow Tubing open at Papoose (10-3). (MG & PWDR / 20F / Snow / Lt-Mod 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 from 10 till 10pm.

Central Sierra Resorts

Mammoth Mountain - off Hwy 395 - is reporting 9” of new on a base of 102-156”. 24 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4) out of all 3 Lodge Bases including the Village Gondola. 150 Trails (99 MG) & 6 T-Parks and Wonderland Pipe, Super Pipe & The Super Duper Pipe open (MG & PWDR / 18F / Snow / Mod-Strong Winds). Nordic Center has 19 miles of Groomed trails open. Hosting Nordic Fest this week. **(888) 766-9778. www.mammothmountain.com. **June Mountain**** – is open with 9” of new on a base of 72-120”. 7 Lifts will operate (9-4) with 37 Trails & 3 T-Parks & Super Pipe open. (MG & PWDR / 18F / Snow / Mod Winds). **(760) 934-2224. www.junemountain.com**

Yosemite/Badger Pass - is open with fresh snow on a base of 66-84”. 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 9 runs open. (MGPP / 18F / Lt Snow & Lt-Winds). Snow Tubing offered. For XC Skiing, there's 145 KM of Skier Packed trails and 32 KM of Groomed track. **(209) 372-8430. www.yosemitepark.com/BadgerPass.aspx**

Dodge Ridge - Pinecrest, CA on Hwy 108 – Reports 6” of new on a base of 76”. 8 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 61 Trails Open (35 MG) + 4 T-Parks, Skier/Boarder X & Granite Bowl Open. (MG & PWDR / 16F / Snow / Lt Winds). **(209) 536-5300. www.dodgeridge.com**

Bear Valley Mountain Resort - Hwy 4 – Reports 10” of new on a base of 106”. 7 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)

with the Front & Back-Sides & Grizz Open. 67 Trails open + 2 T-Parks. (MG & PWDR / 17F / Snow / Lt Winds). (209) 753-2301 #2. **Bear Valley XC** – Open with a base of 66-72". 37 Trails = 65Km 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**. 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.

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For Information and Lodging on the South Shore please visit:
TahoeSouth.Com

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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 in to RSN in South Lake Tahoe, North Lake Tahoe, Reno, Carson City & Carson Valley.

You can also watch **Nevada Trails** where I am a monthly guest supplying information about skiing and bicycling in Nevada. This is a :30 minute program, produced by Michael Smith and Access Carson City Television and is Broadcast weekly in the Reno, Carson City, Carson Valley and at Lake Tahoe on Public Access Cable Stations. Please visit:

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