Mountain Resort Report®

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" - Wednesday, Nov. 24, 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 Wednesday, November 24th. Take the Day Off and Take Advantage of some the best pre Thanksgiving Conditions in years. Be Thankful... Shaping up to be a Great Day to make some Pre-Thanksgiving Turns. Beautiful Sunny Skies expected with Temperatures in to the low 20's on the slopes with Light Winds. Dress warm in your Windproof – Waterproof Jacket, take along a hat, beanie or wear a helmet for safety; Also, wear good Sunglasses or Goggles and warm gloves. Surface conditions are Powder, MG Powder & MM Snow. Ski and Ride with care. Early season conditions exist so keep an eye for marked and unmarked obstacles and stay on opened runs only.

South Lake Tahoe & Surrounding Area Resorts

Heavenly Mountain Resort - South Lake Tahoe – Reports 5" of new and a base of 42-50". 14 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with access to the mountain from the Gondola & Cal Base Lodge. Upper California & NV Lifts open including Canyon & Sky Express in CA. & Dipper & Comet Express on the upper Side. 22 Trails are scheduled to open including California Trail with Terrain Park Features. (Powder, MG-MM Snow / 14F / Clear / Calm Winds) Heavenly Season Passes are still available. (Hwy 207: R-1) **1-800-HEAVENLY**. www.skiheavenly.com

Sierra-At-Tahoe - on U.S. Hwy 50 (R-2) — Is open reporting 16" of new on a base of 34-73". 5 Lifts are scheduled to operate on the Front Side including Grandview Express to the top and the West Bowl open. 35 Trails are open (21MG) including T-Park Features. (Powder MG / 7F / Clear / Lt Winds). Sierra only Season Passes still available for \$199. (530) 659-7475. www.sierraattahoe.com

Camp Richardson Mountain Sport Center - on Emerald Bay Road - Hwy 89 - Closed. (530) 542-6584. www.camprichardson.com

Hope Valley XC Outdoor Center - 14655 Hwy 89/88 – at Pickett's Junction – Closed. **(530) 694-2266.** www.hopevalleyoutdoors.com

Kirkwood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 88 (R-2) – Is opening today with 32-36" of new snow on a base of 73". 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Chairs 5 & 6 to Start, Then Chairs 1 & 11 in the afternoon. (Powder & MG / 1F / Clear / Lt Winds). Kirkwood Season Passes available starting at \$239. **Kirkwood XC Center** – Closed. **(877) KIRKWOOD. www.kirkwood.com**

North & East Shore / Nevada Resorts

Spooner Lake Cross Country - Highway 28/50 (R-1) - at Spooner Lake State Park – Scheduled to open Friday. They have a base of 30" and plan to have 22KM or Groomed XC Trails open. (775) 749-5349. **www.spoonerlake.com**

Diamond Peak - Hwy 28 (R-1)- in Incline Village – Is planning to open on Dec 16. **(775) 831-3211. www.diamondpeak.com**

Mt. Rose Ski Tahoe - Mt. Rose Hwy 431 (R-1) – Checks in reporting 20-24" of new on a base of 28-52". 2 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including the NW Magnum Six to the top of the Rose side & Ponderosa. Terrain Park Features available. (Powder, MG PP Snow / 4F / MClear / Lt Winds). It's Over the Hill & Student Wednesday with \$35 Lift tickets for ages 50 & Older or Student with Valid ID. (800) SKI ROSE www.mtrose.com

Truckee Area Resorts

Northstar-at-Tahoe - On Hwy 267 (R-2) – is open, reporting 6-14" of new on a base of 37-51". 5 Lifts are scheduled to operate on the front side (9-4) with 18 Trails (12MG) accessible and Terrain Park Features. (Powder, MG MM Snow / -3F / Clear / Lt Winds). Northstar XC/Telemark & Snow Shoe Center – Closed. (530) 562-1330.

www.northstarattahoe.com

Tahoe Donner Ski Area - 11603 Slalom Way, Truckee – Is planning to open on Dec. 10. **(530) 587-9444 #2** (Downhill). Tahoe Donner XC – Closed. **(530) 587-9484.** www.skitahoedonner.com

Donner Summit Resorts

Boreal Mountain Resort – Off I-80 (R-2) at Boreal/Castle Peak Exit – Is open reporting 36" of new on a base of 58-65". They have 5 Lifts scheduled to operate (9-4:30) including Castle Peak Quad & Accelerator Express Quad to the top. 15 Trails are open with Terrain Park features. (Powder, MGPP / 1F / Clear / Calm Winds). Playland Tubing Park is open (10-4). 2 lifts will operate for Night Skiing & Riding till 9pm. (530) 426-3666 #1. www.rideboreal.com

Soda Springs Winter Resort - Off I-80 — Closed. (530) 426-3901. www.skisodasprings.com

Royal Gorge Cross Country Ski Resort – Off I-80 (R-2) in Soda Springs – Scheduled to open Friday thru Sunday, November 26-28. **(530) 426-3871. <u>www.royalgorge.com</u>**.

Donner Ski Ranch - On Donner Pass Road - Closed. (530) 426-3635. www.donnerskiranch.com

Sugar Bowl Ski Resort - Off I-80 (R-2) on Donner Pass Rd (R-2) – is opening today on a base of 58-65" with 12-18" of new snow on top. 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Jerome Hill & Lincoln Express. 55 Trails to open (27MG). (Powder & MGPP / 2F / Clear / Lt Winds). **(530) 426-1111.** www.sugarbowl.com

West Shore / North Lake Tahoe Resorts

Homewood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 89 (Emerald Bay Rd Closed) – 55-77" of Snow from Storms. Opening Dec 17 (530) 525-2900. Skihomewood.com

Granlibakken Ski & Snowboard Hill – Hwy 89 - Tahoe City – CLOSED. (530) 581-7533 www.granlibakken.com.

Tahoe Cross Country Ski Area - 3 miles E. of Tahoe City on Hwy 28 (R-1) – Is now open daily (8:30-5). They Report 16" of new on a base of 40-61". 12 trails are open = 40 Km of Groomed trails + 3 Dog Friendly Trails. Annual Potluck Party set for Saturday, Dec. 11. **(530)** 583-5475. www.tahoexc.org

Alpine Meadows Ski Resort - Hwy 89 (R-2) – Has been receiving snow = 56-70" from the series of storms and is now pushing up their opening to this Friday, Nov. 26. 4 Lifts are scheduled including Summit Six, Roundhouse, Hot Wheels & Meadow Chairs. **(530) 581-8374.** www.skialpine.com

Squaw Valley USA - Hwy 89 (R-2) – Check in reporting 10-16" of new and a base of 60-70". 7 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including the Cable Car, Far East & Red Dog. 15 Trails are to be open. (Powder, MGPP / 10F / Clear / Lt Winds). **(530) 583-6955 #1.** www.squaw.com. The Resort at Squaw Creek XC Trails - Closed.

Central Sierra Resorts

*Mammoth Mountain - off Hwy 395 – is open and reporting 9-13" of new on a base of 42-84". 17 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4) including the Upper Panorama Gondola & access from Canyon Lodge. 65 Runs are open + Main Terrain Park. (Powder, MG & PP / 11F / Clear / Lt Winds). (888) 766-9778. www.mammothmountain.com. June Mountain – Closed (760) 934-2224. www.junemountain.com

Yosemite/Badger Pass - is CLOSED. Scheduled to open Dec. 17. (209) 372-8430.

www.yosemitepark.com/BadgerPass.aspx

Dodge Ridge - Pinecrest, CA on Hwy 108 – Scheduled to open Wednesday, Nov. 24. They Picked up 50" of snow from the series of storms and will operate 6 Lifts 40% of the terrain accessible. **(209) 536-5300. www.dodgeridge.com**

Bear Valley Mountain Resort - Hwy 4 - Closed. **(209) 753-2301 #2**. **Bear Valley XC** - Closed for the Season. **(209) 753-2834**. <u>www.bearvalley.com</u>

One other note, don't miss the Traditional Kick off to Winter with Warren Miller's "Wintervention" premiering on the South Shore, Dec 3 & 4, at the Montbleu Showroom. Get your tickets in advance at Tahoe Sports Ltd. Be prepared for winter driving conditions as Chains or Snow Tires are required on all Highways in and around the Lake Tahoe Basin. Stay tuned for updated road conditions. Or, Log on to KTHORADIO.Com or dial 5-11 for updates. So there you have it. For updates visit and book mark my Website at **BikeandSkiTahoe.Com**. It's Curtis Fong, TGFT and that's today's Mtn Resort Report

www.bikeandskitahoe.com

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CALIFORNIA: 1-800-427-7623 • NEVADA: 1-877-NV-ROADS or 511

R1=CHAINS OR SNOWTIRES REQUIRED

R2=CHAINS MANDATORY EXCEPT 4WD WITH SNOWTIRES

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Special Events and Promotions:

"Wintervention" from Warren Miller Productions will be premiering on the South Shore on December 3 & 4, 7pm - Montbleu Casino Showroom. Tickets available at Tahoe Sports Ltd. I will be Emceeing the event with lots of swag and giveaways.

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

You can listen to my Mountain Resort Report daily on KTHO AM590 and at 96.1 FM in South Lake Tahoe. Or, listen anywhere around the world from their Website at kthoradio.com. The air times are 7:35am & 8:35am. You can also check this website every morning at bikeandskitahoe.com. I also updated with an audio report so click the boom-box if you want to listen to the report. The Report is also featured on LakeTahoeNews.info every morning.

On another note, this year I am working the Lake Tahoe Television / Outside TV 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 Lake Tahoe Television / OUTSIDE TV 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:

www.nvtrails.acctv.org

for my archived programs:

Episode 406 - Ski Report

Episode 331 – Skiing at Tahoe / Episode 335 – Heavenly Skiing / Episode 336 – Skiing Nevada Episode 324 – Bike the West / Episode 238 – Bike the West

See you on the Slopes... Curtis Fong "The Guy From Tahoe"