

Mountain Resort Report©

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" – Friday, Nov. 26, 2010 - **UPDATED as of 7:00am**

Good Morning, Lake Tahoe Skiers & Riders. If you're visiting, Welcome to Thanksgiving weekend at Lake Tahoe. Here's your Mountain Resort Report for Friday, November 26th. Black Friday, but you can make it a White Friday and go skiing or riding... Shaping up to be Great Day for making turns. Mostly Clear Sunny Skies in the morning then Partly Cloudy in the afternoon with Temperatures warming in to the mid 30's on the slopes with Light Winds. Dress warm, wear a Jacket, take along a hat, beanie or wear a helmet for safety; Also, wear Good Sunglasses or Goggles and don't forget the sunscreen. Surface conditions are Machine Groomed and Skier / Rider Packed 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 a base of 42-50". 15 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4) with 9 Lifts in California including Canyon & Sky Express and 6 Lifts in Nevada Dipper & Comet Express. Access to the mountain is from the Gondola & California Base Lodge. 47 Trails are open (30MG). (MG & SKRPP - MM Snow / 28F / Clear / Lt Winds) Heavenly / Northstar Season Passes are still available for \$379. **1-800-HEAVENLY**.

www.skiheavenly.com

Sierra-At-Tahoe - on U.S. Hwy 50 – Is open reporting a base of 31-79". 5 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) on the Front Side including Grandview Express to the top and the West Bowl open. 39 Trails are open (26MG) + T-Park Features. (MG & SKRPP / 29F / 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 – Opening soon. **(530) 542-6584**.

www.camprichardson.com

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

www.hopevalleyoutdoors.com

Kirkwood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 88 – Is open on a base of 73". 6 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) on the Front Side, including Chairs 1, 5, 6, 11 & 10 "The Wall". And firing up Chair 7 today. 35 Trails open. (MG & SKR PP / 22F / MClear / Lt Winds). Kirkwood Season Passes available starting at \$239. **Kirkwood XC Center** – Open with 30KM of Groomed Track. **(877) KIRKWOOD**. www.kirkwood.com

North & East Shore / Nevada Resorts

Spooner Lake Cross Country - Highway 28/50 - at Spooner Lake State Park – is opening today (9-5). They have a base of 30". 22KM or Groomed XC Trails are open. (775) 749-5349. www.spoonerlake.com

Diamond Peak - Hwy 28 (R1)- in Incline Village – Is scheduled to open on Dec 16. **(775) 831-3211**.

www.diamondpeak.com

Mt. Rose Ski Tahoe - Mt. Rose Hwy 431– Checks in reporting a base of 28-52". 5 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including the NW Magnum Six to the top of the Rose side & The Blazing Zephyr on the Slide Side. 20 Trails are open, plus Terrain Park Features available on Ponderosa. (MG & SKRPP / 31F / MClear / Lt Winds). **(800) SKI ROSE**

www.mtrose.com

Truckee Area Resorts

Northstar-at-Tahoe - On Hwy 267 – is open, reporting a base of 38-56". 9 Lifts are scheduled to operate on the front side (9-4) with 59 Trails are open (43MG) 14 Terrain Park Features. Back Side opening tomorrow. (MG, SKRPP & MM Snow / 20F / Clear / Lt Winds). Village Ice Rink is open (1-8pm). **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.skitaheodonner.com

Donner Summit Resorts

Boreal Mountain Resort – Off I-80 at Boreal/Castle Peak Exit – Is open reporting a base of 58-65". They have 6 Lifts scheduled to operate (9-4:30) including Castle Peak Quad & Accelerator Express Quad to the top. 30 Trails are open (12MG) with Terrain Park features. (MG & SKRPP / 20F / Clear / Lt Winds). Playland Tubing Park is open (10-4 / till 8pm Fri/Sat). 2 lifts will operate for Night Skiing & Riding till 9pm. (530) 426-3666 #1. www.rideboreal.com

Soda Springs Winter Resort - Off I-80 – Is open on a base of 58". 3 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) for Skiing & Riding; Plus Snow Tubing with Tube Town & Planet Kids. (MGPP / 10F / Clear & Lt Winds) (530) 426-3901.

www.skisodasprings.com

Royal Gorge Cross Country Ski Resort – Off I-80 in Soda Springs – Scheduled to open today thru Sunday, November 26-28. Call for conditions and number of trails open. **(530) 426-3871**. www.royalgorge.com.

Donner Ski Ranch - On Donner Pass Road – Is opening today thru Sunday. They have a base of 50-60". 3 Lifts are scheduled to operate on the Front Side plus the Tubing Hill is open. **(530) 426-3635**. www.donnerranch.com

Sugar Bowl Ski Resort - Off I-80 on Donner Pass Rd – is open on a base of 58-65". 8 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Jerome Hill & Lincoln Express. 88 Trails to open (37MG). (MG & SKRPP / 25F / Clear / Lt Winds). Enter from the Mt Judah Base area. (530) 426-1111. www.sugarbowl.com

West Shore / North Lake Tahoe Resorts

Homewood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 89 – 55-77" of Snow from Storms. Opening Dec 10 (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 – Is now open daily (8:30-5). They Report a base of 38-60". 13 trails are open offering 42 Km of Groomed trails + 3 Dog Friendly Trails are open. (21F / Clear / Calm Winds) Annual Potluck Party set for Saturday, Dec. 11. (530) 583-5475. www.tahoexc.org

Alpine Meadows Ski Resort - Hwy 89 – opening today on a Base: 54-90". 4 Lifts are scheduled including Summit Six, Roundhouse, Hot Wheels & Meadow Chairs. 17 Trails open (11MG). (Powder, MGPP / 20 / Clear / Lt-Mod Winds) (530) 581-8374. www.skialpine.com

Squaw Valley USA - Hwy 89 – Check in reporting a base of 45-65". 13 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 8 Lifts from the bottom, including the Cable Car & Funitel, Far East & Red Dog. Plus, 5 Lifts up top including Gold Coast & Shirley Lake. 70 Trails are open + Terrain Park Features. (MG & SKRPP / 31F / Clear / Lt Winds). Hosting a ThanksJibbin' Rail Jam on Saturday. (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 a base of 42-88". 27 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4) including the Upper Panorama Gondola, Plus Chair 23 to the top, Plus access from Canyon & Eagle Lodge. 150 trails open (89 MG) + The Main and Stomping Grounds Terrain Parks open. (MG & SKRPP / 33F / Clear / Lt-Mod 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 (R1)–open on a base of 30-34". 11 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 62 Trails (38MG) open plus terrain park features accessible. (MG & SKRPP / 31F / Clear / Lt Winds) (209) 536-5300. www.dodgeridge.com

Bear Valley Mountain Resort - Hwy 4 – is opening today on a base of 48". 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate. (209) 753-2301 #2. **Bear Valley XC** – Opening today. (209) 753-2834. www.bearvalley.com

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. So there you have it. For updates visit and book mark my Website at BikeandSkiTahoe.Com. It's Curtis Fong, TGFT and Have Yourself a Great Thanksgiving Holiday... 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 Family Fun, the Heavenly Village Ice Rink is open and Borges Sleigh Rides are also offered on the corner of Hwy 50 & Lake Parkway (across from Montbleu Parking Lot)

For Information and Lodging on the South Shore please visit:

TahoeSouth.Com

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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...

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