Mountain Resort Report©

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" – Sunday, January 30, 2011 - 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 Sunday, January 30th. Finally a welcome change in weather yeah... Fresh Snow is falling... A Winter Weather Advisory in effect thru noon today... Up to 8" above 7000 feet. Temps will remain cold into the mid-20's on the Slopes with some Light to Moderate Winds with Stronger Gusts that may affect the operation of upper mountain lifts, so be aware. Dress in Layers with your Windproof-Waterproof Jacket. Wear a Hat, Beanie or Wear a Helmet for Safety; Also, wear Good Goggles. Surface conditions are Fresh Powder over Machine Groomed & Skier / Rider Firm Packed Snow. Ski and Ride with Care. Keep an Eye for Marked and Unmarked Obstacles – Always Ski or Ride with a Buddy if you go Off-Piste and Stay In Bounds and on Opened Runs Only.

South Lake Tahoe & Surrounding Area Resorts

*Heavenly Mountain Resort - South Lake Tahoe –Reports 1" of new on a base of 65-90". 27 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4)-WWP with 13 Lifts scheduled in California and 14 Lifts on the Nevada Side. Access to the mountain is from the Gondola, California Base Lodge, Stagecoach & Boulder Lodges on the NV side. 94 Trails to open (70+MG). (Check with Patrol on the opening of Mott & Killebrew Canyons & the Face) + Three Terrain Parks Open with 62 Features, plus the High Roller Rail Line. (Powder, MG & SKRFP Snow / 16F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). Adventure Peak Activities at the top of the Gondola are scheduled with Sledding and Snow Tubing (10-4)-WWP. Complimentary Shuttles buses running thru-out the So. Shore to all Base Facilities. **1-800-HEAVENLY**.

*Sierra-At-Tahoe - on U.S. Hwy 50 (R2) – Is open reporting 2" of new on a base of 37-112". All 13 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4)-WWP including Grandview Express to the top of the front side, The West Bowl & the Backside open. 45 Trails are open (37MG) + Jack's Bowl & Avalanche Bowl open. Check with Patrol at the top on the Back Country Gates. 4 Terrain Parks + Boarder X & Super Pipe are open, as well as Snow Shoe Trails, Snow Play Area & the Tubing Hill also open. (Powder, MG & SKRFP Snow / 24F / Snowing / Lt Winds). Complimentary Shuttle buses are running from So Shore. (530) 659-7475. www.sierraattahoe.com

*Camp Richardson Mountain Sport Center - on Emerald Bay Road - Hwy 89 (R2) – is open daily (9-4) with a base of 4-12". They have 7 Trails open offering 15km of groomed XC & adjacent Snow Shoe Trails. Plus, additional Trails open on along the beach as conditions permit. (530) 542-6584. www.camprichardson.com

*Hope Valley XC Outdoor Center - 14655 Hwy 89/88 (R2) – at Pickett's Junction – The Yurt is Open Daily (10-5) They have 2" of new on a base of 24-48". 60 Miles of Trails are open including 20 miles of groomed trails and 40 miles of marked & skier packed trails. They have Rentals & Lessons available. There are No Fees to XC or Snow Shoe in Hope Valley, but they gladly accept donations. (530) 694-2266. www.hopevalleyoutdoors.com

*Kirkwood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 88 (R2) – Is open reporting 5" of new on a mid-mountain base of 81-86". 11 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP out of the Village, the Timber Creek Lifts and the Back Side Lifts scheduled, including the Covered Wagon Tow (Vista Closed). 72 Trails are open (37MG), Plus 7 open Bowls, 3 Terrain Parks, Boarder-X & Half Pipe are open. (Powder, MG & SKRFP Snow / 16F / Snowing / Lt Winds). Slide Mtn Tubing Hill open (12-5). Kirkwood XC Center – Open (9-5) with 80KM of Groomed XC & Snow Shoe Trails with 2 Dog Friendly Trails open as well. (877) KIRKWOOD. www.kirkwood.com

North & East Shore / Nevada Resorts

*Spooner Lake Cross Country - Highway 28/50 - at Spooner Lake State Park – is open daily (9-5). They report 1" of new on a base of 30-68". 60km of XC trails open & 2 Separate Snow Shoe Trails open offering 7km. (775) 749-5349. www.spoonerlake.com

*Diamond Peak - Hwy 28 - in Incline Village – Is open, reporting 2" of new on a base of 52-87". 4 lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including the Crystal Express Quad to the top. 31 trails are open (22MG) & Terrain Park open. (Powder, MG & SKRFP Snow / 26F / Snowing / Calm Winds). If you have a valid Season Pass from any other Resort, you can test ski or ride Diamond Peak for only \$25. (775) 831-3211. <u>www.diamondpeak.com</u>

*Mt. Rose Ski Tahoe - Mt. Rose Hwy 431 (R1) – is reporting 2-3" of new on a base of 62-111". 6 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with the NW Magnum Six to the top of the Rose side & The Blazing Zephyr opening at 8:30am to the top of the Slide Side. The Chutes Gates are Closed today. 50 Trails are open + 3 Terrain Parks on the mountain. (Powder, MG & SKRFP Snow / 22F / Snowing / Mod-Strong Winds). (800) SKI ROSE www.mtrose.com

Truckee Area Resorts

*Northstar-at-Tahoe - On Hwy 267 (R2) – is reporting 3-6" of new on a base of 54-88". 19 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4). They are Open top to bottom – Front to Back including Look Out Mountain. 88 Trails are open (66MG)

+ 3 Terrain Parks with 59 features and Super Pipe open. 2 Kids Adventure Parks open as well. (Powder, MG & SKRFP Snow / 26F / Snowing / Lt Winds). Their Village Ice Rink is scheduled to open (1-8pm) & Snow Tubing is offered (10-4pm). Northstar XC/Telemark & Snow Shoe Center is open with 40km of groomed XC & Snow snowshoe trails. (530) 562-1330. www.northstarattahoe.com

*Tahoe Donner Ski Area - 11603 Slalom Way (R1), Truckee – Is open, reporting 6-8"" of new on a base of 56-72". 5 Lifts will operate (9-4) with 14 trails + 2 Terrain Parks open with 25 features. (Powder, MG & SKRFP Snow / 26F / Snowing / Lt Winds). (530) 587-9444 #2 (Downhill). Tahoe Donner XC – is open (8:30-5) with 50 trails open offering 101 Km of groomed XC trails + 4 separate Snowshoe trails open offering 7 Km. (530) 587-9484. www.skitahoedonner.com

Donner Summit Resorts

*Boreal Mountain Resort – Off I-80 (R2) at Boreal/Castle Peak Exit – Is open reporting 7-9" of new on a base of 84-160". 7 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including the Accelerator Express Quad to the top of the front side & The Lost Dutchman on the back side. 41 Trails are open. Plus, 2 Terrain Parks, Boarder X Open & Super Pipe open. (Powder, MG & SKRFP Snow / 24F / Snowing / Lt Winds). Playland Tubing Park is open (10-8pm) & Bag Jump (11-3). And, 2 Lifts will operate for Night Skiing & Riding, till 9pm. (530) 426-3666 #1. <u>www.rideboreal.com</u>

*Soda Springs Winter Resort - Off I-80 (R2) – Is open, reporting 7-9" of new on a base of 82-120". 5 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 2 Lifts for Skiing & Riding and 16 Trails open; Plus 3 Lifts for Snow Tubing, with Tube Town, the Kids Tube Carousel & Planet Kids. Plus, The Mini Snowmobiles are open for rent, today. (Powder, MG & SKRFP / 24F / MCldy / Lt Winds). (530) 426-3901. www.skisodasprings.com

*Royal Gorge Cross Country Ski Resort – Off I-80 (R2) on Donner Pass Rd in Soda Springs – is open with 6" of new on a base of 72". They have over 60 Trails open with 180 Km of groomed XC & Snow Shoe trails available. (24F / Snowing / Lt Winds). (530) 426-3871. <u>www.royalgorge.com</u>.

*Donner Ski Ranch - On Donner Pass Road (R2) – Is open with 6" of new on a base of 60-108". 7 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4), Front Side & the Back Side are open with 52 trails. Plus the Tubing Hill is scheduled open. (Powder, MG & SKRFP). (530) 426-3635. <u>www.donnerskiranch.com</u>

*Sugar Bowl Ski Resort - Off I-80 (R2) on Donner Pass Rd (R2) – is open reporting 8-10" of new on a base of 64-134". 9 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Mt Judah, Jerome Hill & Mt. Lincoln. 87 Trails are open (59MG) + 3 Terrain Parks with 37 features are open on the Mountain. (Powder, MG & SKRFP Snow / 25F / Snowing / Lt Winds). (530) 426-1111. <u>www.sugarbowl.com</u>

West Shore / North Lake Tahoe Resorts

*Homewood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 89 (R2) – 6 miles South of Tahoe City, Is open reporting 4-6" of new on a base of 37-90". 6 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4), Including the Ellis Chair, The Madden Chair and the Old Homewood Express. 63 trails are open (36MG) & 2 Terrain Parks are open on the mountain. (Powder, MG & SKRPkd, FP / 27F / Snowing / Lt Winds). (530) 525-2900. <u>Skihomewood.com</u>

*Granlibakken Ski & Snowboard Hill – Hwy 89 (R2) - Tahoe City – Is open Friday thru Sundays with 4" of new on a base of 36". 1 Tow & 1 Run are open. Their XC & Snowshoe trails and the Snow Play Area are open daily, as conditions permit. (530) 581-7533 www.granlibakken.com.

*Tahoe Cross Country Ski Area - 3 miles E. of Tahoe City on Hwy 28 (R2) – Is open daily (8:30-5). They have 2-3" of new on a base of 16-35". 21 Trails are open offering 65 Km of Groomed XC & Snow Shoe trails with 3 Warming Huts open + 3 Dog Friendly Trails are open. (27F / Snowing / Lt Winds). Hosting the Alpenglow 20Km Race Today at 10am. (530) 583-5475. <u>www.tahoexc.org</u>

*Alpine Meadows Ski Resort - Hwy 89 (R2) – is open reporting 7-10" of new on a base of 82-150". 10 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP including Roundhouse & Summit Six on the Front Side. Plus, the Scott Chair, Lakeview & Sherwood Express scheduled on the back Side. 70 Trails open (32MG) + 3 Terrain Parks open on the mountain. Tubeville open for Snow Tubing. (Powder, MG & SKRFP Snow / 26F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). (530) 581-8374. www.skialpine.com

*Squaw Valley USA - Hwy 89 (R2) – Checks in reporting 4-8" of new on a base of 30-111". 25 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP with 13 Lifts from the bottom including the Cable Car & Funitel + Red Dog & KT22. 12 Lifts are scheduled for the upper mountain, including Shirley Lake, Siberia & Headwall. 177 Trails to open (39MG) + 2 Terrain Parks, including The Riviera Terrain Park & Super Pipe are open. (Powder, MG & SKRFP Snow / 28F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). Snow tubing offered at Papoose (10-3:30). Olympic Ice Pavilion at High Camp is scheduled to open for Ice Skating (11-7pm). So, you can Ski, Ride, Ice Skate & Dine till 7pm from up at High Camp. **(530) 583-6955 #1.** www.squaw.com. And, for XC Skiing or Snow Shoeing, The Resort at Squaw Creek has 18km of XC & Snow Shoe Trails open (9-5).

Central Sierra Resorts

*Mammoth Mountain - off Hwy 395 – is open and reporting 2-3" of new on a base of 102-174". 19 Lifts scheduled to operate (8:30-4). Lower Mountain Open. Access from Main Lodge, Canyon Lodge & Eagle Lodge. 150 trails open (91MG) + 8 Terrain Parks and Super Pipe & Super Duper Pipe open. (Powder, MG & SKRFP Snow / 20F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). (888) 766-9778. <u>www.mammothmountain.com</u>. June Mountain – open on a base of 60-108". 6 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4). 29 Trails open + 3 Terrain Parks & Super Pipe Open. (760) 934-2224. www.junemountain.com

*Yosemite/Badger Pass – is open reporting 2" of new on a base of 66-72". 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) 9 Trails open. (Powder & MG / 28F / Snowing / Lt Winds). Snow Tubing Offered Daily. Cross Country Center is open (8:30-4) with 90 miles of Trails, of which 14 miles are groomed to Glacier Point & Bridalveil Campground. (209) 372-8430. www.yosemitepark.com/BadgerPass.aspx

*Dodge Ridge - Pinecrest, CA on Hwy 108 (R2) – is open reporting 6" of new on a base of 50-70". 11 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 62 Trails open (47MG). Plus 4 Terrain Parks open. (Powder, MG & SKRFP Snow / 20F / Snowing / Lt Winds). Hosting their Family Winter Carnival this weekend. (209) 536-5300. www.dodgeridge.com
*Bear Valley Mountain Resort - Hwy 4 (R2) – open reporting 3" of new on a base of 79". 8 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) 60 Trails to open (Grizz & Lower Mtn trails Closed) + 2 Terrain Park open. (Powder, MG & SKRFP Snow / 23F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). (209) 753-2301 #2. Bear Valley XC – open (9-4) with 37 Trails offering 65Km of groomed XC trails & Sledding hill open (9-4). (209) 753-2834. www.bearvalley.com

So, there you have it. All Roadway in and around Lake Tahoe require Chains or Snowtires. For updates visit KTHO Radio.Com or dial 5-11. For updates on this Report, Please visit my Website at **BikeandSkiTahoe.Com**. Have a Safe Day on the Mountain, It's Curtis Fong, TGFT ... And, that's today's Mtn Resort Report.

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Special Events and Promotions:

Heavenly Village Ice Rink Open as well as Borges Sleigh Rides. Zephyr Cove Snowmobile Center is open with daily Tours to the Top

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

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