

# Mountain Resort Report©

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" – Thursday, March 31, 2011 - As of 7:00 am

Good Morning, Lake Tahoe Skiers & Riders. If you're visiting, Welcome to Lake Tahoe. Here's your Mountain Resort Report for your Thursday, March 31st. A Great Day for Tahoe Spring Skiing. Clear Sunny Skies with temperatures warming into the Mid-50's on the Slopes & Light Winds. Dress in Layers with your Jacket or Shell; Wear a Hat, Beanie or Wear a Helmet for Safety. Also, wear Good Sunglasses or Goggles. Don't forget to use Sunscreen when the sun is out and Stay well Hydrated. Surface conditions are Machine Groomed & Skier/Rider Packed Powder - Softening. Ski & 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 a base of 130-176". 27 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 13 Lifts scheduled in California and 14 Lifts on the Nevada Side. Access to the mountain is from the Gondola, California Base Lodge and both Stagecoach & Boulder Lodges on the NV side. 94 Trails are open (70+MG) + 2 Terrain Parks including the Groove Terrain Park w/30 features. (MG & SKRPP / 35F / Clear / Lt Winds). Adventure Peak Activities at the top of the Gondola are scheduled for Sledding, Snow Tubing & Snow Bikes for rent on (10-4). Complimentary Shuttles buses running thru-out the So. Shore to all Base Facilities. **1-800-HEAVENLY.**

[www.skiheavenly.com](http://www.skiheavenly.com)

**Sierra-At-Tahoe** - on U.S. Hwy 50 – Is reporting base of 141-221". 8 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Grandview Express to the top of the front side & The West Bowl open & Short Stuff on the Backside. 45 Trails are open (32MG) + 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. Hosting the Red Bull Butter Cup on Saturday, April 2. Snow Shoe Trails, Snow Play Area & the Snow Tubing Hill are Open. (MG & SKRPP / 41F / Clear / Lt-Mod Winds). Complimentary Shuttle buses are running from So Shore. **(530) 659-7475. [www.sierraattahoe.com](http://www.sierraattahoe.com)**

**Camp Richardson Mountain Sport Center** - on Emerald Bay Road - Hwy 89 – is open daily (9-4) with a base of 36-48". They have 8 Trails open grooming out 15km of XC & adjacent Snow Shoe Trails. Plus, additional Trails are open on along the beach as conditions permit. **(530) 542-6584. [www.camprichardson.com](http://www.camprichardson.com)**

**Hope Valley XC Outdoor Center** - 14655 Hwy 89/88 - at Pickett's Junction – The Yurt is Open Daily (10-5) They have a base of 48-72". 60 Miles of Trails are open with 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](http://www.hopevalleyoutdoors.com)**

**Kirkwood Mountain Resort** - On Hwy 88 – Is open reporting a base of 230-273". 11 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) out of the Village with Chairs #6 & #10 to the top of the Front Side; The Timber Creek and The Back Side Lifts including Chair #4, except for the Covered Wagon Tow. 72 Trails are to open (48MG) + 7 Bowls, 3 Terrain Parks, Boarder-X & Half Pipe are scheduled to Open. (MG, SKRPP / 44F / Clear / Lt Winds). **Kirkwood XC Center** - Open (9-5) with 60km of Groomed XC & Snow Shoe Trails with 2 Dog Friendly Trails open as well. (Open Thru May 1) **(877) KIRKWOOD. [www.kirkwood.com](http://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 have a base of 48-90". 19 Trails are open with 70km of Groomed XC trails & 5 Separate Snow Shoe Trails open offering 15km. (open thru April 17) **(775) 749-5349. [www.spoonerlake.com](http://www.spoonerlake.com)**

**Diamond Peak** - Hwy 28 - in Incline Village – Is open on a base of 111-175". 4 lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with the Crystal Express Quad to the top. 31 trails are open (20MG) + their Terrain Park is Open. (MG & SKRPP / 30F / Clear / Calm Winds). If you have a valid Season Pass from any other Resort, you can ski or ride Diamond Peak for only \$25. 11<sup>th</sup> annual Dummy Downhill coming up Saturday, April 2. **(775) 831-3211. [www.diamondpeak.com](http://www.diamondpeak.com)**

**Mt. Rose Ski Tahoe** - Mt. Rose Hwy 431 – is reporting a base of 143-213". 5 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with The NW Magnum Six to the top of the Rose Side & The Blazing Zephyr on the Slide Side as well as the Chuter Lift. 60 Trails are open including The Chutes Gates + 2 Terrain Parks are open on the mountain. (MG & SKR PP / 44F / MClear / Lt Winds ) Ladies Day Thursday with \$35 Lift Tickets for all the Ladies. (Open Thru May 8) **(800) SKI ROSE.**

[www.mtrose.com](http://www.mtrose.com)

## Truckee Area Resorts

**Northstar-at-Tahoe** - On Hwy 267 – is reporting a base of 120-208". 16 Lifts scheduled to operate (8:30-4). They are Open top to bottom – Front to Back including Look Out Mountain. 91 Trails are open (62MG) + 4 Terrain Parks open with 45 Features & Super Pipe open. 2 Kids Adventure Parks are open. (MG & SKRPP / 26F / Clear / Lt Winds). Their Village Ice Rink is Closed today (3-8pm) & Snow Tubing Center is open (12-4pm). **Northstar XC/Telemark & Snow Shoe Center** is open with 17 Trails offering 38km of Groomed XC & Snow snowshoe trails. **(530) 562-1330.**

[www.northstarattahoe.com](http://www.northstarattahoe.com)

**Tahoe Donner Ski Area** - 11603 Slalom Way, Truckee – Is reporting a base of 275". 5 Lifts will operate (9-4) with 14 trails open. (MG & SKRPP / 30F / Clear / Calm Winds). **(530) 587-9444 #2 (Downhill)**. **Tahoe Donner XC** – is open (8:30-5) Grooming out 29 Trails to offer 67 Km of Groomed XC Trails. **(530) 587-9484. [www.skitahtodonner.com](http://www.skitahtodonner.com)**

### Donner Summit Resorts

**Boreal Mountain Resort** – Off I-80 – at Boreal/Castle Peak Exit – Is open reporting a base of 275-375". 5 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including the Accelerator Express Quad to the top of the front-side. Lost Dutchman closed on the back-side, So, the is front side open with 27 Trails. Plus the Mini-Shred Terrain Park, (Boarder-X & Super Pipe Closed). (MG & SKRPP / 29F / MClear/ Lt Winds). Playland Tubing Park is scheduled to open (10-4) And, 2 Lifts will operate for Night Skiing & Riding, till 9pm. **(530) 426-3666 #1. [www.rideboreal.com](http://www.rideboreal.com)**

**Soda Springs Winter Resort** - Off I-80 – Is open on a base of 200-300". 5 Lifts are scheduled to operate with 2 Lifts open (9-4) for Skiing & Riding and 16 Trails open; Plus 3 Lifts for Snow Tubing open (10-4), with Tube Town, the Kids Tube Carousel & Planet Kids. Plus, The Mini Snowmobiles are open for rent, today. (MG & PP / 29F / Clear / Calm Winds). **(530) 426-3901. [www.skisodasprings.com](http://www.skisodasprings.com)**

**Royal Gorge Cross Country Ski Resort** – Off I-80 on Donner Pass Rd in Soda Springs – Is reopening today after digging out. Call Ahead. **(530) 426-3871. [www.royalgorge.com](http://www.royalgorge.com).**

**Donner Ski Ranch** - On Donner Pass Road – Has re-opened on a base of 160-300". At least 4 Lifts will operate (9-4) on the Front Side & the Back Side with 52 Trails open. (MGPP) \$25 Lift Tickets Mon-Fri. **(530) 426-3635. [www.donnerranch.com](http://www.donnerranch.com)**

**Sugar Bowl Ski Resort** - Off I-80 on Donner Pass Rd – is reporting a base of 175-300". 10 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Mt Judah, Jerome Hill & Mt Lincoln Express open. Summit Chair opening at noon. 93 Trails are open (47MG) + 3 Terrain Parks with 10 features are open. (MG & SKRPP / 37F / Clear / Lt Winds). **(530) 426-1111. [www.sugarbowl.com](http://www.sugarbowl.com)**

### West Shore / North Lake Tahoe Resorts

**Homewood Mountain Resort** - On Hwy 89, 6 miles South of Tahoe City, Is reporting a base of 146-265". 5 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) Including the Ellis Chair, The Madden Chair, the Old Homewood Express. 62 trails are open (29MG) & 2 Terrain Parks are open on the mountain. (MG & SKRPP / 37F / Clear / Calm Winds). **(530) 525-2900. [Skihomewood.com](http://Skihomewood.com)**

**Granlibakken Ski & Snowboard Hill** – Hwy 89 - Tahoe City – Is open Friday thru Sunday, so the Ski Hill is Closed today (9-4) /// with on a base of 60-72". 1 Tow & 1 Run are scheduled open. (MGPP). /// Their XC & Snowshoe trails and the Snow Play Area are open daily, as conditions permit. **(530) 581-7533 [www.granlibakken.com](http://www.granlibakken.com).**

**Tahoe Cross Country Ski Area** - 3 miles E. of Tahoe City on Hwy 28 – Is open daily (8:30-5) with a base of 75-110". 21 Trails are open with 65 Km of Groomed XC & Snow Shoe trails with 3 Warming Huts open + 3 Dog Friendly Trails open as well. (32F / Clear / Calm Winds). Free Beginner Cross Country Ski Lesson with purchase of Trail Pass today. **(530) 583-5475. [www.tahoexc.org](http://www.tahoexc.org)**

**Alpine Meadows Ski Resort** - Hwy 89 – is reporting a base of 167-294". 7 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Roundhouse & Summit Six to the top of the Front-side. Plus, the Scott Chair & Sherwood Express scheduled to the Back-Side. 100 Trails open (17MG) + 2 Terrain Parks open on the mountain. (MG & SKRPP / 39F / Clear / Lt Winds). Hosting Annual Community Benefit Day on Sunday, April 3 with \$25 Lift Tickets. (Open thru May 15) **(530) 581-8374. [www.skialpine.com](http://www.skialpine.com)**

**Squaw Valley USA** - Hwy 89 – Checks in reporting a base 90-250". 19 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 8 Lifts from the bottom including the Funitel & Cable Car + Red Dog & KT22 scheduled to open. 11 Lifts are scheduled for the upper Mountain including Shirley, Siberia, Headwall & Granite Chief. 170 Runs open (60+MG). The Belmont & Riviera Terrain Parks & Super Pipe Closed. (MG & SKRPP / 29F / Clear / Lt Winds). Snow tubing is offered at Papoose (12-4). (Open thru May 30) **(530) 583-6955 #1. [www.squaw.com](http://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 a base of 210-324". 24 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4). The Entire Mountain to Open. Access from the Main Lodge, Canyon Lodge & Eagle Lodge. 150 trails to open (108MG) + 7 Terrain Parks and Half Pipe, Super Pipe open & Super Duper Pipe open. (MG & SKRPP / 35F / Clear / Lt-Mod Winds). **(888) 766-9778. [www.mammothmountain.com](http://www.mammothmountain.com).** **June Mountain** – open with on a base of 120-168". 6 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4). 27 Trails open + 3 Terrain Park open & Super Pipe open (MG, PP & FP Snow). **(760) 934-2224. [www.junemountain.com](http://www.junemountain.com)**

**Yosemite/Badger Pass** – is reopening today. They report a base of 180". 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4). 9 Trails open. (MGPP / 42F / Clear / 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](http://www.yosemitepark.com/BadgerPass.aspx)**

**Dodge Ridge** - Pinecrest, CA on Hwy 108 – is open reporting a base of 144-158". 8 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 62 Trails open (37MG). Plus 3 Terrain Parks & Skier-Boarder-X open. (MG & SKRPP / 38F / Clear / Lt Winds).

**(209) 536-5300. [www.dodgeridge.com](http://www.dodgeridge.com)**

**Bear Valley Mountain Resort** - Hwy 4 – is open reporting a base of 178". 9 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4). 67 Trails to open + 1 Terrain Park Open (MG & SKRPP / 40F / Clear / Lt 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](http://www.bearvalley.com)**

So, there you have it. Stay Tuned to K-Tahoe or log on to [kthoradio.com](http://kthoradio.com) for updated Road Conditions. For updates on this Report, Please visit my Website at **[BikeandSkiTahoe.Com](http://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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See you on the Slopes...  
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