# Mountain Resort Report®

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" – Monday, November 26, 2012 - As of 7:30am Good Morning Lake Tahoe Skiers & Riders! Here's your Mountain Resort Report for your Monday, November 26th. Shaping up to be a Beautiful Day on the Slopes... Expect Mostly Sunny Skies with Temps warming in to the low 50's on the slopes and Light Winds. More Winter Weather is predicted Wednesday & Thursday night and then, thru-out the coming Weekend – Keep your Fingers Crossed. For Today, Dress in light layers... Take a Jacket... Wear a Hat, Beanie or Wear a Helmet for Safety; also, wear Good Sunglasses or Goggles and don't forget the Sunscreen. Surface conditions are Variable but primarily Machine Groomed – Packed Powder & Machine Made Snow. Ski & Ride with Care! Early Season Conditions Exist! Keep an Eye for Marked and Unmarked Obstacles & Stay on Opened Runs Only.

## **South Lake Tahoe & Surrounding Area Resorts**

\*Heavenly Mountain Resort - South Lake Tahoe CA/NV – Is making snow and Checks in reporting a base of 18-: Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with Access to the mountain from the Heavenly Village Gondola with Tamaracl Express & Dipper Express turning on the upper mountain. 6 runs are open, including Orion's Run & Big Dipper, plt Terrain Park Features. (MM MG PP / 27F / MClear / Lt-Mod Winds). Unbuckle Apres Ski Party at Tamarack Lodge 5:30pm. Season Pass deadline extended thru December 2.

1-800-HEAVENLY. www.skiheavenly.com

\*Sierra-At-Tahoe - on U.S. Hwy 50 () – Is open, reporting a base of 10-33". 6 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to opera 4) on the front side with Grandview Express to the top; EZ Rider, Rock Garden & 3 Surface Lifts. 12 Trails are oper (12MG) with Terrain Park Features on Broadway. (MG PP / 42F / Clear / Lt Winds). Snow Play area is also open for sledding. (530) 659-7475. <a href="https://www.sierraattahoe.com">www.sierraattahoe.com</a>

**Camp Richardson Mountain Sport Center** - on Emerald Bay Road () – will open for cross-country and snow sho when conditions permit. **(530) 542-6584.** <u>www.camprichardson.com</u>

\*Hope Valley XC Outdoor Center - 14655 Hwy 89 /88 () – at Pickett's Junction, is open on weekend (10-4) with > Snow Shoe Rentals. No snow around the Yurt but snow trails accessible at Carson Pass. (530) 694-2266. www.hopevalleyoutdoors.com

\*Kirkwood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 88 () – is open, reporting a base of 26-36". 5 Lifts are scheduled to operat 4) out of the Mtn. Village. Chair #1, Chair #5 & #11; Plus, Chair #6 (Cornice Express) & Chair #10 (The Wall) scheduled, to the offer top to bottom skiing & riding. 29 Trails open (13MG). (MG SKRPP / 33F / Clear & Lt Winds Kirkwood XC & Snowshoe Center is open with 10km of groomed track in the meadow. (877) KIRKWOOD. www.kirkwood.com

#### **North & East Shore / Nevada Resorts**

**Spooner Lake Cross Country** – at the Junction of Highway 28/50 () - at Spooner Lake State Park. After 27 years & Patti Jones have decided not to renew their lease with Nevada State Parks. State Parks report they will try to ke the parking lot plowed but will not be packing or maintaining trails or seeking another operator... **(775) 749-5349.** www.spoonerlake.com

\*Diamond Peak - Hwy 28 () - in Incline Village – is scheduled to open December 13, conditions permitting. New k prices on full season passes are offered at \$449. (775) 831-1177. www.diamondpeak.com

\*Mt. Rose Ski Tahoe - Mt. Rose Hwy 431 () Is now open on a base of 12-21". 4 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4 the Rose side with Lakeview, Galena, Ponderosa & the NW Magnum 6 for top to bottom skiing & riding. 21 trails at open (13 MG). (MG & SKRPP / 35F / MClear / Lt Winds). (800) SKI ROSE. www.mtrose.com

#### **Truckee Area Resorts**

\*Northstar California - On Hwy 267 () – Is open reporting a base of 18-30". 7 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30 with Comstock Express schedule to the top of the front side. 17 trails are open (12MG) + Terrain Park open with 1 features. (MM MG PP / 23F / Clear / Lt Winds). The Village Ice Rink also open (12-9pm). (530) 562-1330.

#### www.northstarcalifornia.com

**Tahoe Donner Ski Area -** 11603 Snowpeak Way () Truckee – Is scheduled to open Dec 7, conditions permitting. **Donner XC** – will open when conditions permit. **(530)** 587-9484. www.skitahoedonner.com

#### **Donner Summit Resorts**

\*Boreal Mountain Resort – Off I-80 () – at Boreal/Castle Peak Exit – is open reporting a base of 24-36". 2 Lifts wi operate (9-4pm) with The Castle Peak Quad (9am-9pm). 4 runs are open with 11 Terrain Park features. (MG MM F 32F / Clear & Lt Winds). (530) 426-3666 #1. www.rideboreal.com

**Soda Springs Winter Resort -** Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd. () – will open when conditions permit. Great Family offering skiing, boarding, snow tubing and more. **(530)426-3901 www.skisodasprings.com** 

Royal Gorge Cross Country Ski Resort – Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd () in Soda Springs, is now owned and oper by Sugar Bowl. XC Snowshoeing Season Passes are available for \$299. Will open when conditions permit (530) 4 3871. <a href="https://www.royalgorge.com">www.royalgorge.com</a>

**Donner Ski Ranch** - On Donner Pass Road / Old Hwy 40 () — Needs 6" more inches of snow to open and will reor when conditions permit. **(530) 426-3635.** <a href="https://www.donnerskiranch.com">www.donnerskiranch.com</a>

\*Sugar Bowl Ski Resort - Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd () — CLOSED MIDWEEK to Re-Open Dec. 1 -2, Weekend /// Reporting a base of 10-27". Mtn. Access is from the Gondola with 4 Lifts scheduled to operate (9-4); Nob Hill, Di Christmas Tree & Mt. Lincoln Express to the top for top to bottom skiing & riding. 25 runs open (22MG). (MG MM | 30F / Clear & Lt Winds). (530) 426-1111. <a href="https://www.sugarbowl.com">www.sugarbowl.com</a>

#### **West Shore / North Lake Tahoe Resorts**

\*Homewood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 89 () – 6 miles South of Tahoe City, was open offering Sledding for Thanksgiving weekend. They are planning to open on Dec. 14, conditions permitting. (530) 525-2900. <a href="https://www.skihomewood.com">www.skihomewood.com</a>

Granlibakken Ski & Snowboard Hill – Hwy 89 () - Tahoe City – The Ski & Snowboard Hill will open when condition permit and scheduling Dec. 16 as opening. (530) 581-7533 <a href="https://www.granlibakken.com">www.granlibakken.com</a>

**Tahoe Cross Country Ski Area -** 3 miles E. of Tahoe City on Hwy 28 () – Will open when conditions permit. **(530) 5475.** <u>www.tahoexc.org</u>

\*Alpine Meadows Ski Resort - Hwy 89 () – is Getting ready and has set their Opening day for December 7, condi permitting. (530) 581-8374. <a href="https://www.skialpine.com">www.skialpine.com</a>

\*Squaw Valley USA - Hwy 89 () is open reporting base of 5-22". 14 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 6 Lift scheduled from the bottom; including the Aerial Tram, the Funitel & Red Dog. Plus 3, surface lifts in the Snow Vent Area. Plus, 8 Lifts are scheduled for the upper mountain including Emigrant, Gold Coast & Shirley Lake. 28 Trails a open + Terrain Park Features. (MG MM PP / 29F / Clear & Lt Winds). (530) 452-4335. www.squaw.com

And, for XC Skiing or Snow Shoeing & Ice Skating, **The Resort at Squaw Creek** will open when conditions permit **(530) 583-6300 ext 6631**. **www.visitsquawcreek.com** 

#### **Central Sierra Resorts**

\*Mammoth Mountain - off Hwy 395 () – Is open and reports a base of 26-36". 14 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8: out of the Main with the Lower & Upper Panorama Gondola & Roller Coaster Express out of Canyon Lodge. 90 Toare opened (36MG) + 4 Terrain Parks with 33 features. (MG MM PP / 40F / Clear & Lt Winds). (888) 766-9778. www.mammothmountain.com

June Mountain – June Lakes Loop () Will be closed this winter. (760) 934-2224. www.junemountain.com

Yosemite/Badger Pass - on Badger Pass Rd () - Scheduled to open on Dec 14, or as conditions permit.

**Dodge Ridge -** Pinecrest, CA on Hwy 108 () – Is schedule to open in early December, conditions permit. (209) 530 5300. <a href="https://www.dodgeridge.com">www.dodgeridge.com</a>

Bear Valley Mountain Resort - Hwy 4 () - Will open in mid December or when conditions permit. (209) 753-2301 www.bearvalley.com

**Bear Valley XC** – CLOSED to re open on Dec. 1. They were open for Thanksgiving weekend with a 4-6" base. Th had 10km of XC/Snow Shoe trails accessible. **(209) 753-2834.** www.bearvallevxc.com

So, there you have it, all roadways around Lake Tahoe are open and free of controls. For updates on Roads call 5-11. For updates on this Report, Weekly Articles and other news from the Resorts, Please visit my Website at **BikeandSkiTahoe.Com**. Have and a Safe Day on the Mountain... It's Curtis Fong, TGFT ... And, that's your Mtn. Resort Report.

### www.bikeandskitahoe.com

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