

Mountain Resort Report©

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" – Thursday, November 29, 2012 - [As of 10:30am](#)
Good Morning Lake Tahoe Skiers & Riders! Here's your Mountain Resort Report for your Thursday, November 29th. Get out on the mountain early today... More Weather coming thru... Expect Cloudy Skies with Scattered Showers, Snow Level around 7000 Feet with Temps warming in to the low 40's on the slopes. Moderate to Strong Gusty Winds with Ridge Top gusts to 100-115 mph will affect the operation of upper mountain lifts. So all Lifts will operate Wind & Weather Permitting. Call Ahead. A Winter Weather Advisory goes into effect tonight at 10pm thru 4pm on Friday. Snow Level between 7000-7500 Feet. 8-16" of Snow predicted between 7000-8000 feet and 2-3 Feet of Snow above 8000 Feet. For Today, 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 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 – Checks in reporting 6" of new snow on a base of 18-24' Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) – WWP, with Access to the mountain from the Heavenly Village Gondola with Tamarack Express & Dipper Express scheduled to operate. 6 runs are open, including Orion's Run & Big Dipper, p 15 Terrain Park Features. (Powder, MM, MG / 32F / Cldy / Mod-Strong Winds). Call Ahead. Season Pass deadline extended thru December 2.

1-800-HEAVENLY. www.skiheavenly.com

Sierra-At-Tahoe - on U.S. Hwy 50 () – Is open, reporting 3-7" of new snow on a base of 8-33". 5 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) on the front side with Grandview Express to the top-WWP; Plus, EZ Rider, Rock Garden Surface Lifts. 12 Trails are open (12MG) with Terrain Park Features on Broadway. (MG PP / 36F / Cldy / Lt-Mod W (530) 659-7475. www.sierraattahoe.com

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

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

Kirkwood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 88 (R2) – is open, reporting 6-8" of new snow on a base of 26-36". 5 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP out of the Mtn. Village. Chair #1, Chair #5 & #11; Plus, Chair #6 (Cornice Express Chair #10 (The Wall) scheduled to the top - WWP. 29 Trails & 3 Bowls are open (13MG). (Powder, MG & SKRPP / Lt Snow & Lt-Mod Winds). **Kirkwood XC & Snowshoe Center** is open with 10km of groomed track in the meadow. Hosting their Job Fair this Saturday, Dec 1. (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 keep 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 low prices on full season passes are offered at \$449. (775) 831-1177. www.diamondpeak.com

Mt. Rose Ski Tahoe - Mt. Rose Hwy 431 (R1) Is open with 4-6" of new on a base of 13-22". 3 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP on the Rose side with, Lakeview, Ponderosa & the NW Magnum 6 scheduled to the top. Call Ahead. 22 trails are open (14 MG). (Powder, MG & SKRPP / 30F / Cldy / Strong Winds). (800) SKI ROSE. www.mtrose.com

Truckee Area Resorts

Northstar California - On Hwy 267 () – Is open reporting 6-7" of new on a base of 18-36". 6 Lifts are scheduled to

operate (8:30-4) with the Arrow Express & the Comstock Express schedule to the top of the front side-WWP. 17 trails are open (14MG) + Terrain Park open with 13 features. (Powder, MM, MGPP / 36F / Cldy / Lt-Mod Winds). The Village Ice Rink scheduled to 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.skitahtoedonner.com

Donner Summit Resorts

Boreal Mountain Resort – Off I-80 () – at Boreal/Castle Peak Exit – is open reporting 3” of new on a base of 24-30”. 4 Lifts will operate with the Nugget Chair (9-4pm) and The Castle Peak Quad (9am-9pm)-WWP. 4 runs are open with Terrain Park features. (MG PP / 34F / CLdy & 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 operated by Sugar Bowl. XC Snowshoeing Season Passes are available for \$299. Will open when conditions permit (530) 426-3871. www.royalgorge.com

Donner Ski Ranch - On Donner Pass Road / Old Hwy 40 () – Needs 6” more inches of snow to open and will reopen when conditions permit. (530) 426-3635. www.donnerranch.com

Sugar Bowl Ski Resort - Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd () – CLOSED MIDWEEK to Re-Open Dec. 1-2, Weekend. did receive 4-6” of new snow...

/// Reporting a base of 10-27”. Mtn. Access is from the Gondola with 4 Lifts scheduled to operate (9-4); Nob Hill, Diablot 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. www.sugarbowl.com

West Shore / North Lake Tahoe Resorts

Homewood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 89 () – 6 miles South of Tahoe City, is planning to open on Dec. 14, conditions permitting. (530) 525-2900. www.skihomewood.com

Granlibakken Ski & Snowboard Hill – Hwy 89 () - Tahoe City – The Ski & Snowboard Hill will open when conditions permit and scheduling Dec. 16 as opening. (530) 581-7533 www.granlibakken.com

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

Alpine Meadows Ski Resort - Hwy 89 () – is Getting ready and has set their Opening day for December 7, conditions permitting. They received 1-3” of new. (530) 581-8374. www.skialpine.com

Squaw Valley USA - Hwy 89 () is open reporting 6” of new on the upper Mtn on base of 5-28”. 2 Lifts scheduled to operate (9-4) include Red Dog & Tucker Surface Lift – Call Ahead /// 2 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) scheduled from the bottom; Red Dog. Plus 1, surface lifts in the Snow Ventures Area. Upper Mountain Access & Lifts on HOL (Powder, MM, MGPP / 38F / Cldy & Mod Winds). (530) 452-4335. www.squaw.com
And, for XC Skiing or Snow Shoeing & Ice Skating, **The Resort at Squaw Creek** has their Ice Rink open. (530) 586-6300 ext 6631. www.visitsquawcreek.com

Central Sierra Resorts

Mammoth Mountain - off Hwy 395 () – Is open and reports 8-10” of new on a base of 34-44”. 14 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4) out of the Main with Chair #23 & Upper Panorama Gondola to the top - WWP & Roller Coaster Express out of Canyon Lodge. 90 Trails are opened (36MG) + 5 Terrain Parks with 33 features. (Powder, MM, MGPP / 29F / Snow & Mod 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 scheduled to open in early December, conditions permit. They received 5-7” of new. (209) 536-5300. www.dodgeridge.com

Bear Valley Mountain Resort - Hwy 4 () - Will open in mid December or when conditions permit. They report 6” of new. (209) 753-2301 #2. www.bearvalley.com

Bear Valley XC – CLOSED to re open on Dec. 1. They were open for Thanksgiving weekend with a 4-6” base. They

had 10km of XC/Snow Shoe trails accessible. (209) 753-2834. www.bearvalleyxc.com

So, there you have it, There are some road controls posted this morning. So, carry tire chains and for updates on Roads call 5-11. For updates on this Reports as Condition may change due to Winds, 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

FOR CURRENT ROAD INFORMATION CALL:

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

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