

Mountain Resort Report©

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" – Wednesday, January 23, 2013 - As of 7:30am

Good Morning, Lake Tahoe Skiers & Riders! Here's your Mountain Resort Report for your Hump Day, Wednesday, January 23rd. Get Out on the Mountain Early... A Change in Weather coming... Expect Mostly Cloudy Skies with a Chance of Rain and Snow in the Afternoon. Temperatures in to the Low 40's the Slopes and Light to Moderate Winds picking up with Ridge Gusts, 65mph, increasing to 80mph in the afternoon. So Winds could affect the operation of upper mountain lifts in the afternoon. Dress in layers with your Windproof Jacket... Wear a Hat, Beanie or Wear a Helmet for Safety; also, wear Good Goggles. Surface conditions are Machine Groomed & Skier/Rider Firm Packed Snow - Softening. It's National Safety Awareness Week on the Slopes, So, Please Review the Skier/Rider Responsibility Code. Ski & Ride with Care! Keep an Eye out for Marked & Unmarked Obstacles. And, Stay In Bounds and on Opened Runs & Terrain Only.

South Lake Tahoe & Surrounding Area Resorts

Heavenly Mountain Resort - South Lake Tahoe CA/NV – Checks in with base of 42-72". 26 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP, with Mtn. Access from the Gondola, California Base; Plus, both Stagecoach & Boulder Lodges in NV. 12 Lifts in CA & 14 Lifts in NV. 97 Trails are accessible (46MG); Plus 3 Terrain Parks open with 60 Features & 18 Foot Half Pipe open. Sledding & Snow Tubing offered at Adventure Peak at top of Gondola. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 33F / Cldy / Lt-Mod Winds). Complimentary Shuttles buses running to all base facilities. (Hwy 207:) 1-800-HEAVENLY. www.skiheavenly.com

Sierra-At-Tahoe - on U.S. Hwy 50 () – Is reporting a base of 39-94". 9 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) with the Entire Mtn Open... Front Side; Backside & The West Bowl open. 43 Trails are open (33MG) + Check with Patrol on Back Country Gates today. 6 Terrain Parks are open 45 Features. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 42F / Cldy / Lt Winds). Snowshoe Trails, Tubing Hill & Snow Play Area are open. Complimentary Shuttles buses run from So. Shore. (530) 659-7475. www.sierraattahoe.com

Camp Richardson Mountain Sport Center - on Hwy 89/Emerald Bay Road () – is open daily (9-4) with 10km of Groomed XC & Snowshoe trails. (530) 542-6584. www.camprichardson.com

Hope Valley XC Outdoor Center - 14655 Hwy 89 /88 () – at Pickett's Junction, the Yurt is open, 10-4pm on a base of 36-48". They have 35 miles of groomed Trails and 20 Miles of Marked & Skier Packed Trails accessible. No Fees to XC or Snowshoe in Hope Valley and they Accept Donations. (530) 694-2266. www.hopevalleyoutdoors.com

Kirkwood Mountain Resort - On Hwy 88 () – is reporting a base of 86-106". 12 Lifts & Tows are scheduled operate (9-4)-WWP, with 5 Lifts out of the Mtn. Village including Chairs #6 & Chair #10; All Lifts to the Back side plus both the Vista & Covered Wagon Tows. 2 Lifts will turn at the Timber Creek Base. 72 Trails are open (48MG), Plus All Bowls to open & 3 Terrain Parks Open (MG & SKR FP Snow / 31F / PCldy / Lt-Mod Winds). **Kirkwood XC & Snowshoe Center** is open with 80km of groomed XC trails. (877) KIRKWOOD. www.kirkwood.com

North & East Shore / Nevada Resorts

Spoooner Lake Cross Country – at the Junction of Highway 28/50 (R1) is Closed this year.

Diamond Peak - Hwy 28 () - in Incline Village – is reporting a base of 36-60". 5 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Crystal Express Quad to the top. 31 Runs are open (15MG) Plus Terrain Park open. (MG & SKR FP Snow/ 25F / MClear / Lt Winds). Complimentary Shuttles run thru Incline Village. (775) 831-1177). www.diamondpeak.com

Mt. Rose Ski Tahoe - Mt. Rose Hwy 431 () Is reporting a base of 61-116". 6 Lifts & Tow are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP, including NW Magnum 6 to the top of the Rose Side, And the Blazing Zephyr & Chuter Lift opening at 8:30am, on the Slide side. 60 Trails open (28MG) + All the Chutes Gates are open. 2 Terrain park open with 20 Features. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 36F / Cldy / Lt-Mod Winds). (800) SKI ROSE. www.mtrose.com

Truckee Area Resorts

Northstar California - On Hwy 267 () – Is reporting a base of 39-83". 16 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (8:30-4) with the Front Side, Back Side & Look Out Mountain all open. 92 trails are open (61MG). 7 Terrain Parks open with 86 features. Plus, Super Pipe open. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 31F / Clear / Lt Winds). Snow Tubing open (12-4) + The Village Ice Rink is open (12-9pm). Cross Country, Telemark & Snowshoe Center open (8:30-4) with 35km of groomed trails. (530) 562-1330. www.northstarcalifornia.com

Tahoe Donner Ski Area - 11603 Snowpeak Way () in Truckee – Is open on a base of 45-75". 4 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 17 trails including the Bite Size & Mini Size Terrain Parks open (MGPKd Snow). **Tahoe Donner XC** – is open (8:30-5) with 44 trails = 95Km of groomed trails. (38F / MClear / Lt Winds). (530) 587-9484. www.skitahtoedonner.com

Donner Summit Resorts

Boreal Mountain Resort – Off I-80 () – at Boreal/Castle Peak Exit – is reporting a base of 94-137". 6 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate starting at 9am, Entire Mtn open with Front Side & Back Side with 2 Lifts turning till 9pm for Night

Skiing & Riding. 36 runs are open (13MG). 3 Terrain Parks open with 43 features including Super Pipe & Boarder Cross Open. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 34F / MCldy / Lt Winds). Playland Tubing Park open from 10-4pm. (530) 426-3666 #1. www.rideboreal.com /// The adjacent **Auburn Ski Club Training Center** is open Wed-Sun (8:30-4:30p) on a base of 48". They have 20 trails accessible with 14km of Groomed XC Trails open. www.AuburnSkiClub.org

Soda Springs Winter Resort - Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd. () – Is Closed (Tues-Wed), with a base of 91-137". 2 Lifts will operate (10-4) with 16 runs open (MGPP); plus The Tube Town, the Kids Tub Carousel & Planet Kids are open with Mini Snowmobiles for rent. (530) 426-3901 www.skisodasprings.com

Royal Gorge Cross Country Ski Resort – Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd () in Soda Springs, is open (8:30-4) with 76 trails, 59 are Groomed for a total of 162Km of groomed XC terrain accessible. (530) 426-3871. www.royalgorge.com

Donner Ski Ranch - On Donner Pass Road / Old Hwy 40 () – Has a base of 40-91". 5 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 52 runs open (MG & SKR FP Snow). The Tubing Hill open (10-4). Old School Pricing (Tue-Thur), \$30 Lift Tickets. (530) 426-3635. www.donniskiranch.com

Sugar Bowl Ski Resort - Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd () is reporting a base of 58-123". 10 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP including Jerome Hill, Mt Judah & Mt Lincoln Express. 96 runs are open (57MG). Switching Yard Terrain Parks open with over 40 Features. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 33F / MCldy / Lt-Mod 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 open reporting a base of 47-73". 6 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with Entire Mtn Open. 64 runs are open (37MG). 4 Terrain Parks open with 28 Features. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 25F / PCldy / Lt Winds). (530) 525-2900. www.skihomewood.com

Granlibakken Ski & Snowboard Hill – Hwy 89 () - Tahoe City – The Ski & Snowboard Hill is open (Friday-Sundays) with 2 Surface Lifts & 3 Runs. Their XC & Snow Shoe Trails / Snow Play & Sledding hill are open daily. (530) 581-7533. www.granlibakken.com

Tahoe Cross Country Ski Area - 3 miles E. of Tahoe City on Hwy 28 () – is open (8:30-5) on a base of 48". 21 Trails = 54 KM Groomed trails are open. (530) 583-5475. www.tahoexc.org. /// And, at Tahoe City Golf Course, the new **Tahoe City Winter Sports Park** is open (Fri-Mon), with 3 KM of XC-Snow Shoe trails & the Sledding Hill is open.

Alpine Meadows Ski Resort - Hwy 89 () – is reporting a base of 64-93". 11 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP, including Summit Six & Sherwood. Entire Mtn Open with 99 Trails accessible (32MG) plus 4 Terrain Parks open with 67 features. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 35F / Cldy / Lt-Mod Winds) The Free Squaw / Alpine Express Shuttle is operating. (530) 581-8374. www.skialpine.com

Squaw Valley USA - Hwy 89 () is reporting a base of 28-106". 24 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 12 Lifts from the bottom including Red Dog & KT22; Plus, the Aerial Tram & Funitel. 12 Lifts are scheduled for the upper mountain including Shirley Lake, Siberia & Granite Chief. 160 runs are open (41MG), plus 6 Terrain Parks are open with 49 Features. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 33F / MCldy / Lt-Mod Winds). Snow Tubing, Mini Snowmobiles, Ice Skating open 11-4pm. (530) 452-4335. www.squaw.com
And, for XC Skiing or Snow Shoeing & Ice Skating, **The Resort at Squaw Creek** has 18Km of XC & Snowshoe Trails open as well as their Ice Rink. (530) 583-6300 ext 6631. www.visitsquawcreek.com

Central Sierra Resorts

Mammoth Mountain - off Hwy 395 () – is reporting a base of 7.5-16 ft. Entire Mtn to open with 24 Lifts scheduled to operate (8:30-4) with 13 Lifts out of the Main Lodge, 8 Lifts out of Canyon Lodge & 3 Lifts from Eagle Lodge. 160 Trails are accessible (84MG) + 8 Terrain Parks with 87 features & Two ½ Pipes open (MG & SKR FP Snow / 36F / PCldy / Lt-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 () – is open with a base of 46". 4 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 9 Trails open (4MG) (MG & SKR FP Snow Softening / 30F / MClear / Lt Winds). Snow tubing Hill is open. XC Center is also open with 70 miles of trails. (209) 372-1000 #5. www.yosemitepark.com/DailySnowReport.aspx

Dodge Ridge - Pinecrest, CA on Hwy 108 () – Is reporting a base of 32-42". 8 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 67 Runs open (34MG). 3 Terrain Parks open with 18 features. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 32F / Clear / Lt Winds). 2 Miles of Nordic Track open. (209) 536-5300. www.dodgeridge.com

Bear Valley Mountain Resort - Hwy 4 () – Reports a base of 65". 7 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 75 trails open (24MG) plus 2 Terrain Parks open. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 36F / Cldy / Lt Winds). (209) 753-2301 #2. www.bearvalley.com

Bear Valley XC – is open on a base of 36-42". 28 Trails = 44Km of groomed trails are accessible for XC & 2Km of Snow Shoe only trails. Plus Sledding & Tubing Hill open (9-4). (209) 753-2834. www.bearvalleyxc.com

So, there you have it, All Roadways around Tahoe are open. Buckle Up & Drive Safely. For updates on Roads, Call 5-11. For updates on this Reports, please visit my Website at BikeandSkiTahoe.Com. Have a Fun & Safe Day on the Mountain ... It's Curtis Fong, TGFT ... And, that's your Mtn. Resort Report.

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