

Mountain Resort Report©

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" – Saturday, January 5, 2013 - As of 7:30am

Good Morning, Lake Tahoe Skiers & Riders! Here's your Mountain Resort Report for your Saturday, January 5th. A Change in Weather coming in with a chance of snow expected overnight & Sunday... For today, expect Partly Cloudy to Mostly Cloudy Skies by afternoon and Temperatures in to the upper 30's on the Slopes. Light to Moderate Winds will increase by this afternoon with Ridge Top Gusts up to 65mph. So, Lifts will operate Wind & Weather Permitting in the afternoon. Dress in layers with your Windproof Jacket... Wear a Hat, Beanie or Wear a Helmet for Safety; also, wear Good Sunglasses or Goggles and don't forget the Sunscreen & Chapstick when the sun is out. Surface conditions are Machine Groomed & Skier/Rider Packed Powder. Ski & Ride with Care! Keep an Eye out for Marked & Unmarked Obstacles. And, Stay In Bounds and on Opened Runs & Terrain Only; And, if go Off-Piste, always Ski & Ride with a Buddy.

South Lake Tahoe & Surrounding Area Resorts

Heavenly Mountain Resort - South Lake Tahoe CA/NV – Checks in with a base of 42-72". 28 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (8:30-4) with Mtn Access from the Gondola, California Base; Plus, both Stagecoach & Boulder Lodges in NV. Upper Mtn. Lifts Include Sky & Canyon in CA and Dipper, Comet & Mott Canyon on the NV side. 95 Trails are accessible (50MG); Plus 2 Terrain Parks open with over 45 Features. Sledding & Tubing Hill is open at top of Gondola. (MG & SKRPP / 27F / MClear / Lt Winds). Complimentary Shuttles buses running to all base facilities. Unbuckle Apres Ski Party at Tamarack Lodge (3:30-5:30pm). (Hwy 207) **1-800-HEAVENLY**. www.skiheavenly.com

Sierra-At-Tahoe - on U.S. Hwy 50 () – Is reporting a base of 46-98". All 14 Lifts & Tows scheduled to operate (8:30-4) with the Front Side; Backside & The West Bowl open. 46 Trails are open (36MG). 5 Terrain Parks are open including the Alley. (MG & SKRPP / 36F / PCldy / Lt Winds). 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 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 30-50". 50 Miles of Marked & Skier Packed Trails are accessible with 15 mile of groomed. 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 77-94". 11 Lifts & Tows are scheduled operate (9-4) with 5 Lifts out of the Mtn. Village including Chairs #6 & Chair #10; Chairs #2, #3 & #4 to the Back side plus the Vista Tow. 2 Lifts will turn at the Timber Creek Base. 72 Trails are open (55MG), Plus All Bowls to open & 2 Terrain Parks Open (MG & SKRPP / 27F / MClear / Lt 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 () is Closed this year.

Diamond Peak - Hwy 28 () - in Incline Village – is reporting a base of 36-60". 7 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Crystal Express Quad to the top. 31 Runs are open (17MG). (MG & SKRPP / 14F / Cldy / 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 72-126". All 7 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4) including NW Magnum 6 to the top of the Rose Side & Blazing Zephyr on the Slide side. The Chuter Lift & all Chutes Gates will open. 48 Trails open (30MG). Badlands Terrain park open with 14 Features. (MG & SKRPP / 32F / Clear / Lt-Mod Winds). **(800) SKI ROSE**. www.mtrose.com

Truckee Area Resorts

Northstar California - On Hwy 267 () – Is reporting a base of 46-94". 19 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (8:30-4) with the Front Side, Back Side & Look Out Mountain all open. 94 trails are open (61MG) + Sawtooth Ridge open. 6 Terrain Parks open with 76 features. (MG & SKRPP / 20F / MClear / Lt Winds). Snow Tubing open (10-4) + The Village Ice Rink is open (12-9pm). Cross Country, Telemark & Snowshoe Center open (8:30-4) with 30km 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". 5 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 16 trails & mini size terrain park open (MGPP). **Tahoe Donner XC** – is open (8:30-5) with 39 trails - 70Km of groomed trails. (25F / MCldy / 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 89-132". 7 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate starting at 9am including Lost Dutchman (10-3:30) on the backside & the Castle Peak Quad & Accelerator Express Quad turning till 9pm. 36 runs are open (13MG). 3 Terrain Parks open with 27 features. (MG & SKRPP / 18F / PCldy / Lt Winds). Hosting Volcom Peanut Butter & Rail Jam, today. Playland Tubing Park open from 10-8pm. (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 with 14km of Groomed XC Trails open. www.AuburnSkiClub.org

Soda Springs Winter Resort - Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd. () – Is open a base of 89-132". 2 Lifts will operate (10-4) for skiing / riding 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 69 trails and 186Km of groomed XC terrain. **(530) 426-3871.** www.royalgorge.com

Donner Ski Ranch - On Donner Pass Road / Old Hwy 40 () – Has a base of 40-84". 7 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 52 runs open (MG & SKRPP). The Tubing Hill open (10-4). **(530) 426-3635.**
www.donnerranch.com

Sugar Bowl Ski Resort - Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd () is reporting a base of 75-150". 12 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Jerome Hill, Mt Judah & Mt Lincoln Express. 96 runs are open (64MG). Terrain Park open with 38 Features. (MG & SKRPP / 32F / MClear / 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 open reporting a base of 54-79". 6 Lifts will operate (9-4) including the Ellis Chair, Quail Chair & Old Homewood Express. 63 runs are open (36MG). 4 Terrain Parks open with over 20 Features. (MG & SKRPP / 7F / MClear / Lt Winds). **(530) 525-2900.** www.skihomewood.com

Granlibakken Ski & Snowboard Hill – Hwy 89 () - Tahoe City – The Ski & Snowboard Hill is open for the Holidays with 2 Surface Lifts & 3 Runs open, Plus their XC & Snow Shoe Trails & Snow Play & Sledding hill are open. **(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 60". 21 Trails = 57 KM Groomed trails are open. Hosting Breakfast at Lakeview at 10am. **(530) 583-5475.** www.tahoexc.org. And, at Tahoe City Golf Course, the new **Tahoe City Winter Sports Park** is open with 3 KM of XC-Snow Shoe trails & the Sledding Hill is open. They will operate thru Holiday weeks and Fri-Mon thru March 31.

Alpine Meadows Ski Resort - Hwy 89 () – is reporting a base of 69-96". 12 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) with Roundhouse, Summit Six & Sherwood. 99 Runs are open (28 MG) plus All the Bowls & 4 Terrain Parks open with 52 features. Alpen Glow Sports hosting Back Country Demo Day today, 9am -3pm. (MG & SKRPP / 27F / MClear / Lt 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 63-119". 27 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 13 Lifts from the bottom including Red Dog & KT22; Plus, the Aerial Tram & Funitel. 14 Lifts are scheduled for the upper mountain including Shirley Lake, Silverado & Broken Arrow. 160 runs are open (45MG), plus 4 Parks are open with 41 Features. (MG & SKRPP / 26F / MClear / Lt Winds). Snow Tubing, Mini Snowmobiles, Ice Skating open 11-7pm. **(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 11-12 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 (93MG) + 8 Terrain Parks with 87 features & Two ½ Pipes open (MG & SKRPP / 36F / Clear / 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 on a base of 49". 4 Lifts will operate (9-4) with 9 Trails open (5MG) (MGPP / 15F / MClear). 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 41-48". 12 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 65 Runs open (44MG). 5 Terrain Parks open with 21 features. (MG & SKRPP / 25F / Clear / Lt Winds) **(209) 536-5300.**
www.dodgeridge.com

Bear Valley Mountain Resort - Hwy 4 () – Reports a base of 73". 7 Lifts will operate (9-4) with 75 trails open (28MG) plus 2 Terrain Parks open. (MG & SKRPP / 33F / MClody / Lt-Mod Winds). **(209) 753-2301 #2.** www.bearvalley.com

Bear Valley XC – is open on a base of 36-48". 25 Trails = 38Km of groomed trails are accessible for XC & Snow Shoeing. Plus Sledding & Tubing Hill open (9-4). **(209) 753-2834.** www.bearvalleyxc.com

So, there you have it, All Roadways around Tahoe are open and free of controls. 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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Special Events and Promotions:

Heavenly Mtn Resort

Unbuckle Apres Ski Party at Tamarack Lodge, 3:30-5:30pm

Kirkwood Mtn Resort

Jan 5: E:K Back Country Awareness Clinic

**Jan 6: E:K Steeps Camp
Sierra Crest Snowshoe Trek**

Mt Rose Ski Tahoe

**German Beer Garden – Beer, Brats & Music
Winters Creek Lodge 11:00-2:00pm**

NorthStar California

Burton Mountain Festival Jan 5-6.

Boreal

Volcom Peanut Butter & Rail Jam at 10:00am

Tahoe XC

Hosting Breakfast at Lakeview, Saturday, Jan 5 @ 10:00am

Alpine Meadows

Alpenglow Sports Back Country Demo Day, 9:00am-3:00pm

Squaw Valley USA

**Lift & Last Chair Music Festival featuring Lettuce & Nit GriT
Doors open at 8:00pm**

**Tahoe Sports Ltd. Apres Ski - Happy Hour
Thursdays - Saturdays - Starting at 4:00pm.
FREE Swix HOT WAX**

**Complimentary Wine from Red Poets & Skyhawk Lane Wine Tasting Room.
Rent Equipment the night before at no additional charge. Rent 3 days & 4th day is FREE.**

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See you on the Slopes...
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