

Mountain Resort Report©

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" – Sunday, February 17, 2013 - As of 7:30am

Good Morning, Lake Tahoe Skiers & Riders! Here's your Mountain Resort Report for your Sunday, February 17th. of your Presidents weekend... A Great Day to enjoy Holiday Skiing & Riding. Expect Mostly Sunny Skies with Temperatures in to the mid 40's 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. Stay Hydrated & Don't forget to use the Sunscreen. Surface conditions are Variable with Machine Groomed & Skier/Rider Packed Snow, with areas of Firm Packed Snow, Off Piste – Softening... 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 a base of 42-72". 27 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (8:30-4) with Mtn. Access from the Gondola, California Base; Plus, both Stagecoach & Boulder Lodges in NV. 13 Lifts scheduled in CA & 14 Lifts in NV. 95 Trails are accessible (45MG); Plus 3 Terrain Parks open with 68 Features including Half Pipe open. Sledding & Snow Tubing offered at Adventure Peak at top of Gondola. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 22F / Clear / 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 32-90". 14 Lifts & Tows will operate (8:30-4) with the Grandview Express to the top of Front Side; the Backside & The West Bowl open. 46 Trails are open (36MG) + Check with Patrol on Back Country Gates today. 6 Terrain Parks are open with over 50 Features including Boarder Cross & Super Pipe. (MG & SKR FPKd Snow / 33F / Clear / Lt Winds). Snow Shoe 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 (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 18-36". They have 20 miles of groomed Trails and 20 Miles of Marked & Skier/ Snowshoe 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 will operate (9-4) Entire Mtn scheduled to Open with 5 Lifts out of the Mtn. Village including Chairs #6 & Chair #10; All Lifts to the Back side & 2 Lifts will turn at the Timber Creek Base. 72 Trails are open (56MG), Plus, All Bowls are to open & 3 Terrain Parks Open (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 23F / Clear / Lt Winds). **Kirkwood XC & Snowshoe Center** is open with 72km 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 24-48". 6 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) including Crystal Express Quad to the top. 25 Runs are open (21MG) Plus Terrain Parks open. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 23F / Clear / 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 52-105". 6 Lifts & Tow will operate (9-4) with both NW Magnum 6 & Blazing Zephyr scheduled to turn. 41 Trails open (36MG) + The Chuter Lift & All the Chutes Gates remain Closed today. 3 Terrain park open with 18 Features. (MG & SKR FPKd Snow / 30F / MClear / Lt Winds). (800) SKI ROSE. www.mtrose.com

Truckee Area Resorts

***Northstar California** - On Hwy 267 () – Is reporting a base of 35-80". 20 Lifts & Tows will operate (8:30-4) with the Front Side, Back Side & Look Out Mountain all open. 92 trails are open (65MG). 7 Terrain Parks open with 146 features, including Half Pipe. (MG & SKR FPKd Snow / 23F / Clear / 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 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". 5 Lifts & Tows will 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 52 trails = 95Km of groomed trails. (30F / Clear / Lt Winds). (530) 587-9484. www.skitaheedonner.com

Donner Summit Resorts

***Boreal Mountain Resort** – Off I-80 () – at Boreal/Castle Peak Exit – is reporting a base of 98-143". 7 Lifts & Tows will operate starting at 9am, with Accelerator Express Quad to the top of on the Front Side & Lost Dutchman turning on Back Side. 2 Lifts will turn till 9pm for Night Skiing & Riding. 36 runs are open (13MG). 3 Terrain Parks open with 42 features including Boarder Cross & Super Pipe open. (MG & SKR FPKd Snow / 26F / Clear / Lt Winds). 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 (8:30-4:30pm) on a base of 42". They have 18 trails accessible with 16km of Groomed XC Trails open. www.AuburnSkiClub.org

***Soda Springs Winter Resort** - Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd. () – Is Open - Thur-Mon (10-4), reporting a base of 97-141". 2 Lifts will operate with 16 runs open (MG Pkd Snow); 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 72 trails, 61 are Groomed offering 170Km 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 30-84". 7 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 52 runs open (MG & SKR FPKd Snow). 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 61-128". 10 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) including Jerome Hill, Mt Judah & Mt Lincoln Express. 92 runs are open (62MG). Switching Yard Terrain Parks open with over 40 Features. (MG & SKR FPKd Snow / 24F / 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 reporting a base of 41-65". 6 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with Entire Mtn Open. 64 runs are open (36MG). 4 Terrain Parks open with 28 Features. (MG & SKR FPKd Snow / 18F / MClear / Lt Winds). (530) 525-2900. www.skihomewood.com

***Granlibakken Ski & Snowboard Hill** – Hwy 89 () - Tahoe City – The Ski & Snowboard Hill is open thru out this week 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 36". 20 Trails = 44 KM Groomed trails are open with 3 Warming Huts. (530) 583-5475. www.tahoexc.org. And, at Tahoe City Golf Course, the new **Tahoe City Winter Sports Park** is open (Fri-Mon / 10-5), with 3 KM of XC / Snow Shoe trails & the Sledding Hill is open.

***Alpine Meadows Ski Resort** - Hwy 89 () – is reporting a base of 53-83". 13 Lifts & Tows are Scheduled to operate (9-4) including Summit Six to the top of the front side & Sherwood turning on the back side. 64 Trails are accessible (30MG) plus 6 Terrain Parks open with 86 features. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 26F / Clear / Lt-Mod Winds). (530) 581-8374. www.skialpine.com

***Squaw Valley USA** - Hwy 89 () is reporting a base of 23-93". 26 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 14 Lifts from the bottom including Red Dog & KT22; Plus, the Funitel & Aerial Tram (9-8pm). 12 Lifts are scheduled for the upper mountain including Shirley Lake, Siberia & Granite Chief. 87 runs are open (49MG), plus, 6 Terrain Parks are open with 52 Features. (MG & SKR FP Snow / 25F / Clear / Lt-Mod Winds). Snow Tubing, Mini Snowmobiles, Ice Skating open from 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 7.5-15 ft. Entire Mtn to open with 24 Lifts are 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. 159 Trails are accessible (108MG) + 8 Terrain Parks with 108 features & 3 Half Pipes open (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 27F / Clear / 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 on a base of 30-36". 4 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 10 Trails open (10MG) (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 22F / Clear / 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 25-38". 12 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 66 Runs open (43MG). 3 Terrain Parks open with 16 features. (MG & SKR FPKd Snow / 28F / 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 61". 7 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 75 trails open (26MG) plus 2 Terrain Parks open. (MG & SKR FPKd Snow / 27F / Clear / Lt Winds). (209) 753-2301 #2. www.bearvalley.com

Bear Valley XC – is open a base of 36". 32 Trails = 44Km of groomed XC trails are accessible. Plus Sledding & Tubing Hill open (9-4). (209) 753-2834. www.bearvalleyxc.com

So, there you have it, All Roads are open – Buckle up & Drive Safely. I'm reporting from the Red Rock Casino Resort in Las Vegas, I had a great day Skiing at Brian Head Ski Resort in Utah yesterday. Today I'm heading to Las Vegas Ski & Snowboard Resort. For updates on my mid winter road trip please check out my Facebook page or 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.

www.bikeandskitahoe.com

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