

Mountain Resort Report©

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

Good Morning, Lake Tahoe Skiers & Riders! Here's your Mountain Resort Report for your Tuesday, March 5th. Expect Increasing Cloudy Skies with a Slight Chance of snow showers late in the day. Temperatures will climb in to the mid 40's on the Slopes with Light to Moderate Winds. Ridge Top Gusts up to 85 mph in the afternoon may affect the operation of Lifts. A Winter Weather Advisory is posted for 10pm tonight thru 10pm tomorrow with 8 to 14 Inches of snow predicted above 7000 feet. For today, Dress in layers, with your Windproof Jacket... Wear a Hat, Beanie or Wear a Helmet for Safety; also, wear Good Goggles. Surface conditions are Variable with Machine Groomed & Skier/Rider Packed Snow, with areas of Firm Packed Snow. 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". 26 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) with Mtn. Access from the Gondola, California Base; Plus, both Stagecoach & Boulder Lodges in NV. 12 Lifts are scheduled in CA & 14 Lifts in NV. 94 Trails are accessible (47MG); Plus 2 Terrain Parks are open with 49 Features including Half Pipe. (Ante Up T-Park is being Rebuilt) Sledding & Snow Tubing is offered at Adventure Peak at top of Gondola. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 30F / MCldy / Mod-Strong 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 31-95". 9 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with the Grandview Express to the top of Front Side; the Backside & The West Bowl open. 46 Trails are open (35MG) + 6 Terrain Parks are open with over 50 Features including Half Pipe. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 34F / MCldy / Lt Winds). Snow Shoe Trails, Tubing Hill & Snow Play Area are Closed today. Complimentary Shuttles buses run from So. Shore. **(530) 659-7475**. www.sierraattahoe.com

***Camp Richardson Mountain Sport Center** - on Hwy 89/Emerald Bay Road (Closed at Emerald Bay to DL Bliss) – 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 10-30". 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 87-107". All 12 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 5 Lifts out of the Mtn. Village including Chairs #6 & Chair #10; All Lifts scheduled for the Backside & 2 Lifts will turn at the Timber Creek Base. 72 Trails are open (47MG), Plus, All Bowls & 3 Terrain Parks are open (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 25F / Clear / Lt-Mod Winds). **Kirkwood XC & Snowshoe Center** is open with 70km 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". 5 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) including the Crystal Express Quad to the top. 26 Runs are open (14MG) Plus Terrain Park open. (MG & SKRPkd Snow / 37F / MClear / Lt Winds). Complimentary Shuttles run thru out Incline Village. **(775) 831-1177**. www.diamondpeak.com

***Mt. Rose Ski Tahoe** - Mt. Rose Hwy 431 () Is reporting a base of 49-102". 6 Lifts & Tow including the NW Magnum 6 are scheduled to operate (9-4) with the both & The Blazing Zephyr & The Chuter Lift to open at 8:30am. 60 Trails are open (30MG) All the Chutes Gates are open + 3 Terrain Parks are open with 19 Features. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 28F / MClear / Lt-Moderate Winds). **(800) SKI ROSE**. www.mtrose.com

Truckee Area Resorts

***Northstar California** - On Hwy 267 () – Is reporting a base of 35-81". 15 Lifts & Tows will operate (8:30-4) with the Front Side, Back Side & Look Out Mountain all open. 92 trails are open (61MG). 7 Terrain Parks are open with 157 features including Super Pipe. (MG & SKRPkd Snow / 29F / MCldy / 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". 5 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 17 trails including the Bite Size & Mini Size Terrain Parks open (MG Snow). **Tahoe Donner XC** – is open (8:30-5) with 31 trails = Offering 35Km of XC Terrain available. (39F / 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 103-149". 6 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 53 features including Boarder Cross & Super Pipe open. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 28F / 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 L Closed today /// open Wed-Sun (8:30-4:30pm) on a base of 48". They have 16 trails accessible with 16km of Groomed XC Trails open. www.AuburnSkiClub.org

***Soda Springs Winter Resort** - Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd. () – Is Closed today /// open (10-4 / Thur-Mon), reporting a base of 103-149". 2 Lifts will operate with 16 runs open (MG 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 73 Trails, 54 are Groomed today, offering 179Km 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 30-85". 7 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with both Front & Back sides open. 52 runs are open (MG & SKR Pkd Snow). Old School Tuesday with \$30 Lift Tickets. 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 46-121". 9 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Jerome Hill, Mt Judah & Mt Lincoln Express. 96 runs are open (52MG). Switching Yard Terrain Parks open with over 40 Features. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 33F / MCldy / 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 41-68". 6 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) 64 runs are open (36MG). 4 Terrain Parks open with 29 Features. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 37F / MCldy / Lt Winds). (530) 525-2900. www.skihomewood.com

***Granlibakken Ski & Snowboard Hill** – Hwy 89 () - Tahoe City – The Ski & Snowboard Hill Closed midweek /// open Fri-Sun 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) with a base of 12-24". 15 Trails are open to offer 35 KM of Groomed Terrain. (530) 583-5475. www.tahoexc.org. And, at their 2nd Location at the Tahoe City Golf Course, the **Tahoe City Winter Sports Park** is Closed Midweek /// 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 51-86". 10 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) including Summit Six to the top of the front side & Sherwood turning on the backside. 69 Trails are accessible (36MG) plus 6 Terrain Parks open with 86 features. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 27F / MClear / Lt-Mod Winds). Free Shuttles run back & forth to Sister Resort Squaw Valley. (530) 581-8374. www.skialpine.com

***Squaw Valley** - Hwy 89 () is reporting a base of 20-95". 21 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (9-4) with 10 Lifts from the bottom including Red Dog & KT22; Plus, the Funitel & Aerial Tram (9-4pm). 11 Lifts are scheduled for the upper mountain including Shirley Lake, Siberia & Granite Chief. 88 runs are open (44MG). Plus, 5 Terrain Parks are open with 58 Features including Super Pipe. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 25F / MClear / 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 7.5-15.5 ft. Entire Mtn to open. 23 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4) with 12 Lifts out of the Main Lodge, 8 Lifts out of Canyon Lodge & 3 Lifts from Eagle Lodge. 160 Trails are accessible (85MG) + 8 Terrain Parks with 138 features & 2 Half Pipes open (MG & SKR PP / 27F / MClear / 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 (5MG) (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 38F / PCldy / 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 27-41". 8 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 64 Runs open (29MG). 3 Terrain Parks open with 20 features. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 23F / MClear / Lt-Mod Winds). 2 Miles of Nordic Track open. (209) 536-5300. www.dodgeridge.com

***Bear Valley Mountain Resort** - Hwy 4 () reports a base of 66". 6 Lifts & Tows will operate (9-4) with 75 trails open (17MG) plus 1 Terrain Park is open. (MG & SKR Pkd Snow / 30F / Cldy / Lt-Mod Winds). (209) 753-2301 #2. www.bearvalley.com

***Bear Valley XC** – is open on a base of 18-30". 32 Trails = 38Km of groomed XC trails are accessible. Plus Sledding & Tubing Hill open (9-4). (209) 753-2834. www.bearvalleyxc.com

So, there you have it! The NLT Snowfest continues thru March 10. For the complete schedule events, go to www.TahoeSnowFestival.com. One Road Control, this morning, Hwy 89/ Emerald Bay Road remains closed. For updates

on Road Conditions, Dial 5-11. For updates on this report 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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