

# Mountain Resort Report©

From: Curtis Fong - "The Guy From Tahoe" – Saturday, December 7, 2013 - As of 8:30am

Good Morning, Lake Tahoe Skiers & Riders. Here's your Mountain Resort Report for Saturday, Dec. 7th. Tahoe's real first Powder Day! A Winter Storm Warning is posted till 10am this morning. Up to 30" of snow has fallen above 7,000 feet For today, Mostly cloudy with snow showers with up to 2" more to fall... Temps on the mountain will be into the mid-teens with light to moderate winds and Ridge top gusts up to 70mph. Winds will hamper the operation of lifts today... Dress warm, in layers with your Good Jacket. Take a Hat, Beanie or Wear a Helmet for Safety; also, wear Good Goggles. Surface conditions are Variable with Powder, Packed Powder & Machine Groomed Machine Made 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 – Is reporting 12-30" of new snow on a base of 40-52". 7 Lifts & Tows are scheduled to operate (8:30-4) with Access to the mountain from the Gondola with Big Easy, Tamarack Express & Dipper Express & Comet turning. **ALL LIFTS ON WIND HOLD THIS MORNING. DELAYED OPENING ETA IS 10:00AM.** 4 runs are open including Big Dipper, Orion's, Comet & Cal Trail with 7 T-Features. 3 Beginner tows & carpets also operating. (PP, MG MM / 5F / Snowing / Mod-Strong Winds) Sledding offered at the top of the Gondola. East Peak Lodge open as well as Tamarack Lodge with Unbuckle Apres Ski Party 3:30-5:30pm. **1-800-HEAVENLY.** [www.skiheavenly.com](http://www.skiheavenly.com)

**Sierra-At-Tahoe** - on U.S. Hwy 50 (R2) – Is report 14-18" of new snow on a base of 4-12". Easy Rider Express & 2 Surface Lifts are scheduled to turn (9-4) with limited terrain with 1 groomed run. (MG PP / 17F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds) \$40 Lift tickets today. Unlimited Season Pass available for \$389. Value Pass = \$239. **(530) 659-7475.** [www.sierraattahoe.com](http://www.sierraattahoe.com)

**Camp Richardson Mountain Sport Center** - on Hwy 89/Emerald Bay Road () is getting ready to open for rentals and they are looking to open some Cross Country and Snowshoe trails soon – Call Ahead. **(530) 542-6584.** [www.campricharson.com](http://www.campricharson.com)

**Hope Valley XC Outdoor Center** - 14655 Hwy 89/88 (R2) – at Pickett's Junction has constructed the Yurt and may be opening this weekend. Call Ahead. **(530) 694-2266.** [www.hopevalleyoutdoors.com](http://www.hopevalleyoutdoors.com)

**Kirkwood Mountain Resort** - On Hwy 88 (R2) – Is reporting 24-28" of new snow on a base of 18". 2 Lifts – Solitude "Chair #5" & Snowkirk "Chair #1" will operate (9-4) with 3 runs open, Lower Zachary, Outlaw (race course) & Hayflat. (MGPP MM / 17F / Snowing / Mod Winds) **Kirkwood XC & Snowshoe Center** is planning to open when conditions permit. **(877) KIRKWOOD.** [www.kirkwood.com](http://www.kirkwood.com)

## North & East Shore / Nevada Resorts

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

**Diamond Peak** - Hwy 28 (R1) - in Incline Village – Reports 14" of new snow and a base depth of 12-24". They are planning to open on Dec. 12, or as conditions permit. Full Season Pass = \$449. **(775) 831-1177.** [www.diamondpeak.com](http://www.diamondpeak.com)

**Mt. Rose Ski Tahoe** - Mt. Rose Hwy 431 (R1) Is reporting 14-16" of new on a base of 16-24". 2 Lift will operate (9-4) Ponderosa Lift and opening to the top with NW Magnum Six. 3 runs from the top and Ponderosa Trail open with 4 T-features. (Powder, MG PP MM / 7F / Lt Snow / Lt-Mod Winds). Santa Ski Crawl coming up on Dec 14. Unlimited Season Pass - \$599. **(800) SKI ROSE.** [www.mtrose.com](http://www.mtrose.com)

## Truckee Area Resorts

**Northstar California** - On Hwy 267 (R2) – Is reporting 18" of new on a base of 18". 8 Lifts will operate (9-4) to the top with 11 Trails open. Pinball Terrain Park open with 20 Features. (MGPP MM / 15F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds). Village Ice Rink is open (12-9pm). **(530) 562-1330.** [www.northstarcalifornia.com](http://www.northstarcalifornia.com)

**Tahoe Donner Ski Area** - 11603 Snowpeak Way () in Truckee – is scheduled to open on December 13, or when Conditions Permit. Public Unrestricted Down Hill = \$299. For both Down Hill & XC Center = \$389. **Tahoe Donner XC** – will open when conditions permit. **(530) 587-9484.** [www.skitaheodonner.com](http://www.skitaheodonner.com)

## Donner Summit Resorts

**Boreal Mountain Resort** – Off I-80 (R2) – Is open with 27" of new on a base of 29". 3 Lifts will operate including The Castle Peak Quad and Accelerator Express Quad is open to the top, turning 9am-9pm, and Nugget Chair turning till 4:30pm. Mini Shred Park is open with 8 terrain park features. Woodward Tahoe open 11-8pm. Adult Season Pass = \$269. /// The adjacent **Auburn Ski Club Training Center** is Closed. [www.AuburnSkiClub.org](http://www.AuburnSkiClub.org)

**Soda Springs Winter Resort** - Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd. () – will open when conditions permit. **(530) 426-3901** [www.skisodasprings.com](http://www.skisodasprings.com)

**Royal Gorge Cross Country Ski Resort** – Off I-80 () on Donner Pass Rd () in Soda Springs, will open when conditions permit. Now operated by Sugar Bowl. Unrestricted Season Pass \$899. **(530) 426-3871.** [www.royalgorge.com](http://www.royalgorge.com)

**Donner Ski Ranch** - On Donner Pass Road / Old Hwy 40 (R2) – will open when conditions permit. Season Pass =

\$299. (530) 426-3635. [www.donnerranch.com](http://www.donnerranch.com)

**Sugar Bowl Ski Resort** - Off I-80 (R2) on Donner Pass Rd (R2) reports 18-22" of new snow on a base of 26-36". They are opening today for the weekend. 3 lifts are scheduled to include Christmas Tree, Nob Hill & Mt. Lincoln Express. Top to bottom skiing offered with 1500 vertical feet and 12 trails open. (Powder, PP & MG / 16F / Snowing / Lt-Mod Winds) Access from Gondola to Village base area. Unrestricted Season Pass = \$749. (530) 426-1111. [www.sugarbowl.com](http://www.sugarbowl.com)

#### West Shore / North Lake Tahoe Resorts

**Homewood Mountain Resort** - On Hwy 89 (R1) – 6 miles South of Tahoe City, Reports 16-20" of new snow and is planning to open on Dec 13. Full Season Pass = \$479. (530) 525-2900. [www.skihomewood.com](http://www.skihomewood.com)

**Granlibakken Ski & Snowboard Hill** – Hwy 89 (R1) - Tahoe City – The Ski & Snowboard Hill will open in Dec. (530) 581-7533. [www.granlibakken.com](http://www.granlibakken.com)

**Tahoe Cross Country Ski Area** - 3 miles E. of Tahoe City on Hwy 28 (R1) Received 18" of new snow and will open when conditions permit they will also be operating the Tahoe City Winter Sports Park. 15<sup>th</sup> annual Open House Potluck set for Saturday, Dec 14th. Adult Season Pass = \$319. (530) 583-5475. [www.tahoexc.org](http://www.tahoexc.org).

**Alpine Meadows Ski Resort** - Hwy 89 (R1) – picks up 12-14" of new snow and will be opening on Dec. 13. Gold Tahoe Super Pass with Squaw Valley = \$809. (530) 581-8374. [www.skialpine.com](http://www.skialpine.com)

**Squaw Valley** - Hwy 89 (R1) Is open reporting 15" of new on a base of 18-22". 11 Lifts are scheduled to operate (9-4)-WWP, with 5 Carpets & Tows in the SnoVentures Beginner area. Exhibition, Red Dog & Squaw Creek (on Hold) scheduled... as well as the Funitel & Aerial Tram (on Hold). 1 Lift, Gold Coast Express is scheduled to turn up top. 10 Trails are open. (Powder, MG PP MM / 15F / Snowing / Lt Winds). Ice Skating offered 11am-4pm. Gold Tahoe Super Pass with Alpine Meadows = \$809. (530) 452-4335. [www.squaw.com](http://www.squaw.com)  
And, **The Resort at Squaw Creek** XC & Snowshoe Trails will open when conditions permit. (530) 583-6300 ext 6631. [www.visitsquawcreek.com](http://www.visitsquawcreek.com)

#### Central Sierra Resorts

**Mammoth Mountain** - off Hwy 395 (R1) – is open reporting 10-14" of new on a base of 25-30". 7 Lifts are scheduled to operate (8:30-4) out of the Main Lodge to include Broadway Express, Stump Alley, Face Lift Express, Thunder Bound and Discovery Chair. Plus Lower & Upper Panorama Gondola. 20 Trails are accessible (13MG) + Main Terrain Parks open. (Powder, MG PP & MM Snow / 12F / Snowing / Mod Winds). Lift Tickets \$79.00 (888) 766-9778. [www.mammothmountain.com](http://www.mammothmountain.com)

**June Mountain** – June Lakes Loop () Will be re-opening Dec 13. After not operating last year. (760) 934-2224. [www.junemountain.com](http://www.junemountain.com)

**Yosemite/Badger Pass** – on Badger Pass Rd () – will open on Dec 13, conditions permitting. Adult Season Pass = \$149. (209) 372-1000 #5. [www.yosemitepark.com/DailySnowReport.aspx](http://www.yosemitepark.com/DailySnowReport.aspx)

**Dodge Ridge** - Pinecrest, CA on Hwy 108 () – Picks up 16-20" of new snow and will open as conditions permit. Adult Season Pass = \$399. (209) 536-5300. [www.dodgeridge.com](http://www.dodgeridge.com)

**Bear Valley Mountain Resort** - Hwy 4 () gets 10-14" of new snow. Scheduled to open as conditions permit. Adult Season Pass = \$499. (209) 753-2301 #2. [www.bearvalley.com](http://www.bearvalley.com)

**Bear Valley XC** – reports 18" of new snow and will be grooming out trails for possible opening on Dec. 14. Adult Season Pass = \$299. (209) 753-2834. [www.bearvalleyxc.com](http://www.bearvalleyxc.com)

So, there you have it! Dial 5-11 for updated road conditions. For updates on this report please visit my Website at [BikeandSkiTahoe.Com](http://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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