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2016-2017 Tahoe Donner Winter Events

Truckee, Calif. (November 2, 2016) – With the recent snowfall, Tahoe Donner is announcing its full list of winter events for the 2016-2017 season. Below is the complete listing of events, happenings and promotions taking place this winter at the Tahoe Donner Cross Country and Downhill Ski Areas as well as the Snowplay Recreation area.

PHOTOS available via Dropbox [here](#).

TAHOE DONNER CROSS COUNTRY SKI AREA

Dec. 3 - 16, 2016, **Season Passholder “Bring a Friend” Days** (conditions permitting). Season passholders may bring as many guests as they like between 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Guests will receive special discounted rates on lift tickets and rentals. Passholder must be present. Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area, 15275 Alder Creek Rd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9484, www.tahoedonner.com/cross-country.

Dec. 17, 2016, **Early Season Skate “Tune-up” Clinic**. A great way to learn or brush up on winter tuning techniques to keep your cross country ski equipment dialed all winter. Advanced beginner to advanced skate skiers. \$34 per person. 10 – 11:30 a.m. Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area, 15275 Alder Creek Rd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9484, www.tahoedonner.com/cross-country.

Dec. 25, 2016, **Christmas Day**. Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area and trails will be open to the public from 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. on Christmas Day. Trails will be open and ski patrolled for season passholders only from 8:30 a.m. Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area, 15275 Alder Creek Rd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9484, www.tahoedonner.com/cross-country.

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Dec. 28, 2016 and Jan. 8, 2017. **Equipment Demo Day.** The first opportunity this season to try what's new in the way of skis, boots, and poles this year. Industry reps will be on site with demo gear for to try and will share their knowledge about how to choose the right equipment. Free event; trail pass required. Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area, 15275 Alder Creek Rd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9484, www.tahoedonner.com/cross-country.

Dec. 30, 2016, **"Caring for your Cross Country Skis" Seminar.** Far West Nordic wax guru, Roger Chaney, will be sharing his knowledge about waxing skis for maximum efficiency and performance. This free clinic takes place from 4 - 6 p.m. Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area, 15275 Alder Creek Rd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9484, www.tahoedonner.com/cross-country.

Dec. 31, 2016, **New Year's Eve Sunset Snowshoe Tour.** Join us for a guided snowshoe hike on the cross country trails followed drinks at the Trailside Bar. A great way to welcome in the new year with the family. 4 - 6 p.m. Dress in warm layers, including hats and gloves, and bring water and a headlamp. Cost: \$25 for adults; \$15 for kids under 18 (must be accompanied by an adult). Includes evening trail pass and guided tour. Snowshoe rentals are available for an additional \$10. Space is limited. Please reserve your spot(s) at least 24 hours in advance at tahoedonner.com/shop. Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area, 15275 Alder Creek Rd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9484, www.tahoedonner.com/cross-country.

January 2017, **National Learn to Ski Month.** Grab a friend and come learn to ski at Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area. To celebrate "National Learn to Ski Month," Tahoe Donner Cross Country will be offering discounted private lessons and private lesson packages (for first-timers only) any midweek, non-holiday day from January 9 - 31. Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area, 15275 Alder Creek Rd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9484, www.tahoedonner.com/cross-country.

Jan 7, 2017, **Moonlight Snowshoe Tour.** Join us for a guided moonlight snowshoe hike followed by drinks at the Trailside Bar. 4 - 6 p.m. Dress in warm layers, including hats and gloves, and bring water and a headlamp. Cost: \$25 for adults; \$15 for kids under 18 (must be accompanied by an adult). Includes evening trail pass and guided tour. Snowshoe rental is available for an additional \$10. Space is limited. Reservations should be made at least 24 hours in advance at tahoedonner.com/shop. Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area, 15275 Alder Creek Rd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9484, www.tahoedonner.com/cross-country.

Jan. 16, 2017, **Sierra Skogsloppet – Fun Race Fundraiser.** This event is organized by local school cross country ski teams as a fundraiser and will start at Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area at 10 a.m. Participants can choose from 15-kilometer, 10-kilometer, 5-kilometer or 2-kilometer races. Races are for all ages and abilities. Participants will receive lunch and be entered into a raffle drawing for prizes donated by friends and businesses that support the school teams. Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area, 15275 Alder Creek Rd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9484, www.tahoedonner.com/cross-country.

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Feb. 11 and March 11, 2017, **Full Moon Showshoe Tour**. Enjoy the beauty of the full moon on this guided snowshoe hike above Donner Lake. 6:30- 8:30 p.m. Dress in warm layers, including hats and gloves, and bring water and a headlamp. Cost: \$25 for adults; \$15 for kids under 18 (must be accompanied by an adult). Includes guide and snowshoe rental if needed. Space is limited. Please reserve your spot(s) at least 24 hours in advance at tahoedonner.com/shop. Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area, 15275 Alder Creek Rd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9484, www.tahoedonner.com/cross-country.

Feb. 14, 2017, **Valentine's Day Sunset Snowshoe Tour**. Bundle up with a companion for a special Valentine's Day evening to watch the sunset above Donner Lake. 4:30 - 6 p.m. Dress in warm layers, including hats and gloves, and bring water and a headlamp. Cost: \$25 Includes guide and snowshoe rental if needed. Space is limited. Please reserve at least 24 hours in advance at tahoedonner.com/shop.

March 26, 2017, **Tour D'Euer**. This event and tour through Euer Valley has been a spring celebration and tradition for more than 25 years. Ski more trails to earn more raffle tickets for a chance to win cool prizes. After the event, participants can gather on the Alder Creek Adventure Center patio overlooking the meadow for a classic spring barbecue and music. The event begins at 10 a.m. Trail pass or season pass required. Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area, 15275 Alder Creek Rd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9484, www.tahoedonner.com/cross-country.

TAHOE DONNER DOWNHILL SKI AREA

Dec. 9, 2016, **Opening Day at Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area** (conditions permitting). This is every skier's and rider's favorite day of the year! Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, 11603 Snowpeak Way, Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9444, www.tahoedonner.com/downhill-ski.

Dec. 17, 2016, **Customer Appreciation Day**. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area appreciates loyal customers who continue to come year after year, so all day long everyone may ski for just \$5. Bring the whole family for a day packed full of fun. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, 11603 Snowpeak Way, Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9444, www.tahoedonner.com/downhill-ski.

Dec. 25, 2016, **Christmas Day Pancake Breakfast with Santa**. Who wouldn't want to dine with Santa himself? Breakfast starts at 10 a.m. at Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, followed by a half day of skiing and riding with Santa. The lifts will open at 11:30 a.m. for this special day. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, 11603 Snowpeak Way, Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9444, www.tahoedonner.com/downhill-ski.

Dec. 31, 2016, **Light Parade on New Year's Eve**. Come to Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area early to secure a spot in the parade. This free event is for intermediate skiers and riders ages 10 or older who can ski or ride unassisted in the dark on the Race Course run. There will be music, plus snacks will be provided in the bar area prior to the parade. Sign-ups are from 4:30 - 5:45 p.m. with a chair loading time at 6:15 p.m. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, 11603 Snowpeak Way, Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9444, www.tahoedonner.com/downhill-ski.

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Jan. 9 - 13 and 17-20, 2017, **Learn to Ski or Snowboard Month**. From January 9-13 and 17-20, guests can take advantage of learn to ski or snowboard packages for just \$39 as part of National Learn to Ski Month. This package is for first-timers only and includes an all-day lift ticket, rental equipment, and a 1 hour and 45-minute group lesson for ages 7 and up. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, 11603 Snowpeak Way, Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9444, www.tahoedonner.com/downhill-ski.

Jan. 14 - 16, 2017, **Ski and Snowboarding Safety Weekend**. Children and adults may participate in many safety-oriented activities around the mountain at Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area. From fun scavenger hunts, to a national coloring contest, to snow science and safety, there will be activities for everyone. By participating in safety weekend, participants receive 25 percent off Smith helmets and goggles. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, 11603 Snowpeak Way, Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9444, www.tahoedonner.com/downhill-ski.

Feb. 18 - 25, 2017, **Winter Superstars Week**. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area is looking for superstars to come out and win some medals! Events are for all ages and include ski and snowboard races, a sled pull and a mini terrain park event. Participants can sign up on the day of the event. The schedule of events will be posted online. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, 11603 Snowpeak Way, Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9444, www.tahoedonner.com/downhill-ski.

Feb. 25, 2017, **Glowstick Parade and Carnival**. A kids' version of a torchlight parade with glowsticks for children ages 10 or younger who can ski or ride unassisted in the dark on our Snowbird run. Participants should plan to come early to secure a spot in the parade. Music and snacks will be provided in the bar area prior to the parade. Sign-ups and the carnival start at 4:30 p.m. with the parade starting at 6:30 p.m. This event is free. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, 11603 Snowpeak Way, Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9444, www.tahoedonner.com/downhill-ski.

March 11, 2017, **Winter Beach Party**. Join Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area for some tropical fun, live music, food specials, a snow sculpture contest and games. This is great for the whole family and is a free event. This party kicks off at 12 p.m. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, 11603 Snowpeak Way, Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9444, www.tahoedonner.com/downhill-ski.

March 12, 2017, **I-Did-A-Run**. Dogs of all shapes and sizes compete in this entertaining, timed dog pull race which raises money for the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, 11603 Snowpeak Way, Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9444, www.tahoedonner.com/downhill-ski.

March 18, 2017, **200-Foot Banana Split Extravaganza**. Kids of all sizes will help devour an incredible 200-foot banana split at 1:30 p.m. for free! Grab a spoon because this will be one tasty monster at Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, 11603 Snowpeak Way, Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9444, www.tahoedonner.com/downhill-ski.

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March 26, 2017, **Tahoe Donner Family Challenge**. The Family Challenge is a matched time competition raced by family teams at Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area. It is a Giant Slalom race, but the time that counts is the difference between first and second runs. The team component is a combined best difference from a child in a family with the best difference from an adult in the family. The winning team gets their name engraved on the trophy in the ski lodge. All children who complete their two runs will earn a medal, and there are other prizes as well. This event starts at noon and is free. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, 11603 Snowpeak Way, Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9444, www.tahoedonner.com/downhill-ski.

April 1, 2017, **Spring Evening Ski Party**. The sun is still up, so Eagle Rock chairlift will remain open a little later at Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area until 5:45 p.m. Enjoy a barbecue, live music and a special outdoor bar. Attendees will also be entered into a free drawing to win a 2017-18 season pass. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, 11603 Snowpeak Way, Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9444, www.tahoedonner.com/downhill-ski.

April 9, 2017, **Closing Day and Downhill Dummy Contest**. This wacky event is an annual tradition for Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area's end-of-season bash! Enjoy food and beverage specials, a bounce house, live music, and the traditional Downhill Dummy event, in which teams build unique dummies to send sliding down the hill and off a massive jump. This year's theme is "Cartoon Characters." Prizes will be awarded for best design, best air and best crash. Full-day lift tickets will be available at half-day rates. Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area, 11603 Snowpeak Way, Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9444, www.tahoedonner.com/downhill-ski.

SNOWPLAY

Nov. 25 - 27, 2016, **Tahoe Donner Snowplay on Thanksgiving Weekend** (conditions permitting). After spending quality time with the family for Thanksgiving, slide into some family fun at Tahoe Donner Snowplay! Admission includes sledding and tubing equipment (no personal equipment is permitted). Hours of operation are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tahoe Donner Snowplay, 12790 Northwoods Blvd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9437, www.tahoedonner.com/snowplay.

Dec. 9, 2016, **Opening Day at Tahoe Donner Snowplay** (conditions permitting). Regular snowplay hours are Fridays from 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Extended days of operation will be available throughout the season:

- Dec. 19, 2016 to Jan. 2, 2017 from 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. daily with both Christmas Day and New Year's Eve hours from noon - 4:30 p.m.
- Jan. 14-16, Feb. 28-26 and April 8-16, 2017 from 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

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Dec. 16, 2016; Jan. 6, Feb. 3, and March 3, 2017, **Friday Night Tubing**. Tube under the lights this winter at Tahoe Donner Snowplay until 6:30 p.m. for night sledding. Tahoe Donner Snowplay, 12790 Northwoods Blvd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9437, www.tahoedonner.com/snowplay.

Jan 14, 2017, **Snowball Launching Contest**. Have good aim? Prove it! Come out to Tahoe Donner Snowplay at 1:30 p.m. to compete. Use one of Snowplay's snowball launchers to see how far the snowballs will fly! Trout Creek Recreation Center, 12790 Northwoods Blvd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9437, www.tahoedonner.com/snowplay.

Jan. 21, 2017, **Fastest Tube Event**. Fly down the hill at Tahoe Donner Snowplay's Fastest Tube Event! Heats will run every half hour from 1 - 2:30 p.m. Tahoe Donner Snowplay, 12790 Northwoods Blvd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9437, www.tahoedonner.com/snowplay.

Jan. 28, 2017, **Winterpalooza**. Join Tahoe Donner Snowplay for our second annual Winterpalooza! This all-day event includes tube racing, snowman building, relay races and more. Tahoe Donner Snowplay, 12790 Northwoods Blvd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9437, www.tahoedonner.com/snowplay.

March 4, 2017, **Snowman Building Contest**. All snowmen must be built prior to 2 p.m. to be considered by the judges. Good luck! Tahoe Donner Snowplay, 12790 Northwoods Blvd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9437, www.tahoedonner.com/snowplay.

March 18, 2017, **Snow Tube Bowling**. This isn't an average day at the bowling alley. Bowling gets elevated to the next level by tubing into giant-size inflatable bowling pins for a strike. Event hours are 12 - 2 p.m. Tahoe Donner Snowplay, 12790 Northwoods Blvd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9437, www.tahoedonner.com/snowplay.

April 1, 2017, **Snowball Throwing Contest**. Heats will run every half hour from 1 - 2:30 p.m. at Tahoe Donner Snowplay. Tahoe Donner Snowplay, 12790 Northwoods Blvd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9437, www.tahoedonner.com/snowplay.

April 2, 2017, **Last Day to Play** Conditions permitting, we're planning to stay open through April 2. Join us for one last chance to go tubing or sledding for the season. Tahoe Donner Snowplay, 12790 Northwoods Blvd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9437, www.tahoedonner.com/snowplay.

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RECREATION

Nov. 26, 2016, **Light Up the Night**. Thanksgiving weekend is a family favorite at Tahoe Donner. After enjoying family time on Thanksgiving Day, get ready for Santa and holiday activities at the 11th annual Tahoe Donner Light Up the Night event at The Lodge Restaurant & Pub. Give back to the community by bringing canned items for the food drive. There will also be a raffle for prizes; proceeds from both will benefit Project MANA. Light Up the Night is from 5 - 7 p.m. with several fun activities, including reindeer games, Santa's arts and crafts workshop, hot chocolate and s'mores, letters to Santa, storytelling with Mrs. Claus, caroling, meeting Santa and the lighting of the tree. The Lodge Restaurant & Pub, 12850 Northwoods Blvd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9455, www.tahoedonner.com/the-lodge.

Oct. 2016 - April, 2017, **Family Movie Night**. Kids and adults are invited to bring a favorite pillow and blanket to the Northwoods Clubhouse, kick back, and enjoy both classic and new movies for free every Friday night. Movie nights begin at 6:30 p.m. and the films are rated G and PG. To find out what movie will be playing in advance, call Member Services at 530-587-9400. Northwoods Clubhouse, 11509 Northwoods Blvd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-587-9400, www.tahoedonner.com/member-services.

Oct. 2016 - April, 2017, **Trivia Night**. Stop by Pizza on the Hill every Thursday night for a trivia challenge. Answering questions correctly could mean winning free prizes. Trivia Night is from 6:30 - 8 p.m. every Thursday night, but is subject to cancellation for low attendance. Pizza on the Hill, 11509 Northwoods Blvd., Truckee, CA 96161, 530-582-9669, www.tahoedonner.com/pizza-on-the-hill.

About Tahoe Donner:

Tahoe Donner is one of America's largest homeowner's associations, with nearly 6,500 properties and 25,000 members enjoying over 7,000 acres in the Sierra Nevada. Tahoe Donner is a vibrant community with a passion for outdoor recreation and a celebration of the Tahoe lifestyle.

Located 25 minutes from Lake Tahoe in Truckee, California, Tahoe Donner operates a wide variety of recreational facilities, including an award-winning championship golf course, a family-friendly downhill ski area, and a renowned cross country ski area with a newly constructed, state-of-the-art base lodge — all of which are open to the public. In addition, Tahoe Donner operates several member-only facilities, such as a beach club marina, recreation center and pools. These amenities can be explored in detail at Tahoedonner.com.

For more information on Tahoe Donner and its recreational facilities and events, visit tahoedonner.com or call 530-587-9400. 'Like' Tahoe Donner on [Facebook](#) and follow on Twitter @tahoedonner and Instagram @TahoeDonnerAssociation.

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