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Visitors Treated to New Upgrades at Tahoe Donner Equestrian Center

Truckee, Calif. (July 6, 2016) – Equestrian enthusiasts have even more reasons to be excited about horseback riding and boarding at Tahoe Donner Equestrian Center this summer. The center, which is open to the public, is located at the Alder Creek Adventure Center that opened in November 2015. An investment of \$6 million was made in building the new state-of-the-art-facility that also houses Tahoe Donner Bikeworks in the summer and Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area in the winter. Over this past spring and into early summer, highly anticipated improvements will enhance equestrian operations further, including:

- 60' diameter round pen and footing in the round pen
- Varying sized boarding paddocks
- Seven tack sheds (tack sheds are in place next to the boarder paddocks)
- Seven water utility pedestals with power located throughout the new campus
- Horse trailer turnaround area, which goes around the round pen
- New pad for the caretaker trailer to park. Also, the caretaker trailer now runs off of power instead of a generator
- New holding pen area for trail ride horses
- New loading area and staging area for trail rides
- New area for hay
- New pony station in the shade
- New pony trail
- New perimeter fencing
- New signage throughout operation

PHOTOS: [Click here to see some of the upgrades via Dropbox.](#)

“The paddock area is now in the shade and the boarders have their own tack sheds,” said Tahoe Donner Equestrian Center manager Krystal-Rae Mecham, who explained the entire area is now more private, which is a bonus to boarders. “Boarders also enjoy a proper horse trailer turnaround for easy unloading and loading of horses.”

Additionally, the new pony trail is a single loop in the shade that wraps around in approximately 10 minutes time for three loops total. The trail is longer than its predecessor and less dusty, creating a

much more pleasant environment for young riders and staff. Tahoe Donner Equestrian offers pony rides to little ones as young as 2 years old.

One of the biggest advantages of all the upgrades are the utility pedestals. “Seven water pedestals is a huge upgrade for us,” said Mecham. “Now we have water available every 30 yards.” This makes it easier, according to Mecham, for staff and boarders to keep horses hydrated.

The equestrian operation has never looked better. Guests are encouraged to visit and experience all of the upgrades firsthand. Tahoe Donner Equestrian Center offers trail rides and pony rides by reservation every Wednesday – Sunday between 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. with the last ride leaving at 3 p.m., in addition to offering private lessons and private family dinner rides in scenic Euer Valley. Throughout the season, equestrian events are also offered, including:

- Cowgirls and Cocktails, which features an early evening trail ride followed by beer, wine and appetizers, scheduled for July 29, Aug. 19, Sept. 2 and Sept. 23
- Saturday Night Barbeques, which are a family favorite filled with an evening of games, crafts, contests, dress up, pony rides and delicious food, scheduled for July 16 and Aug. 6
- Pancakes and Ponies, a family event that includes a pancake breakfast and a pony ride for children, scheduled for Aug. 13, Aug. 17, Sept. 3 and Sept. 17

The Alder Creek Café, housed inside the new Alder Creek Adventure Center, serves fresh salads, paninis, wraps, and more with organic and locally sourced ingredients when possible. It is open daily throughout summer. The adjacent Trailside bar offers happy hour, small plates and specials, plus live music on Saturdays. Music and hours are listed online at tahoedonner.com/alder-creek-café.

To learn more about Tahoe Donner Equestrian Center or to make a reservation for an upcoming trail ride or event, call 530-587-9470 or visit tahoedonner.com/equestrian.

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Located 25 minutes from Lake Tahoe in Truckee, California, Tahoe Donner operates a wide variety of recreational facilities – some which are for members only and others which are also open to the general public. These amenities can be explored in detail at Tahoedonner.com.

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