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Jared Broadwater on Mt. Bailey



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## OSSA's RTP project for Avalanche Beacon Checking Station Signs won the CRT's Annual Achievement Award for outstanding use of Recreational Trails Program funds

Each year, the Coalition for Recreational Trails (CRT) chooses RTP projects for achievement awards. The project award categories are:

- Construction and Design
- Maintenance and Rehabilitation
- Public-Private Partnerships and Access to Public Lands
- Community Linkage
- Education and Communication
- Accessibility Enhancement
- Multiple-Use Management and "Corridor Sharing"
- Use of Youth Conservation/Service Corps and Community Outreach

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We are pleased to announce, the RTP project for Avalanche Beacon Checking Station Signs won the CRT's Annual Achievement Award for outstanding use of Recreational Trails Program funds in the Education and Communication category.

I want to personally thank each and every volunteer that dedicated their time to making this project a success. This award is yours!

President, Dennis Jordan accepted the award on March 6th in Washington, D.C., at a special awards ceremony followed by a reception on Capitol Hill.

Lisa Mahoney,  
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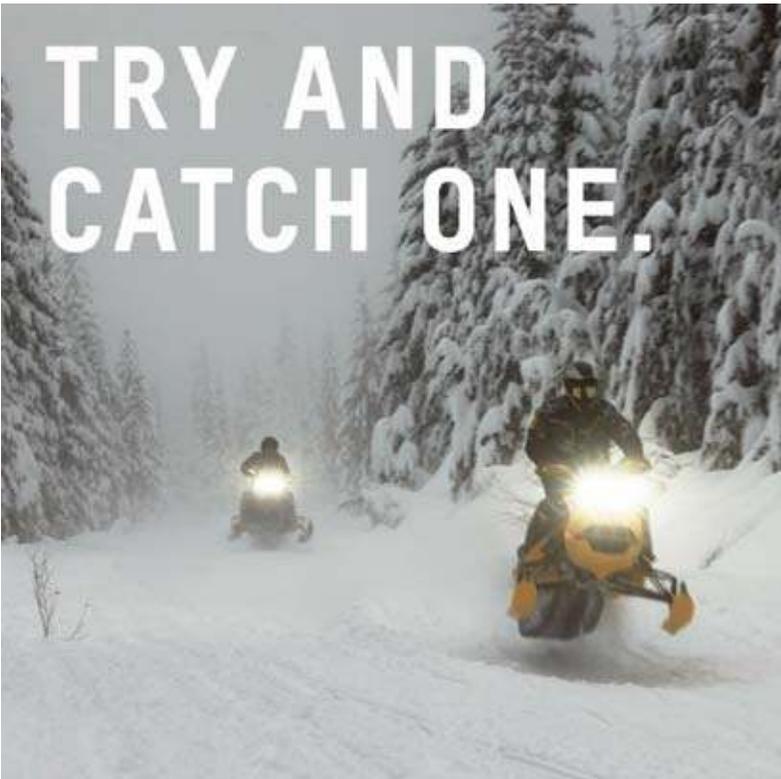
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# OSSA Vice President TJ Reilly & OSSA Public Lands Chair John Vogel attended Trails Day at the State Capitol.

The purpose of the event to restore Recreational Immunity.

## Oregon State Snowmobile Association

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February 11, 2024

Dear Chair Prozanski, Vice-Chair Thatcher, and members of the committee:

I am writing to support the Recreational Immunity Fix Amendment to SB 1576

The Oregon State Snowmobile Association and its 24 volunteer clubs represent over 1,400 families. We take care of over 6,000 miles of both improved and unimproved trails for all winter recreationalists. Without recreational immunity we would lose most of our volunteers for fear of being sued.

Public and private lands are much different than the sidewalk in front of your house.

There is an implied danger not only from the land but also from nature. Wild animals, trees and rocks falling etc. This is why it's called "nature". Being out in "nature" has a natural implied risk, and everyone who enjoys nature must also bear that risk or stay at home.

During the last 12 years I have personally spent thousands of volunteer hours helping to maintain snow trails for snowmobiles, cross country skiers, snowshoers and other winter recreationalists. Every winter I spent 1 to 2 days a week operating a snow groomer as a volunteer. Every fall I volunteer to put up informational signs in the forest and every spring I volunteer to take down these signs. During the summer I volunteer to clear the trails from fallen trees.

Without recreational immunity I would not be volunteering for fear of being sued by someone who hurt themselves on the trails that I help maintain.

**Please pass SB 1576-3 with language that clearly restores recreational immunity for public and private landowners and clearly applies to both improved and unimproved trails**

Respectfully,

TJ Reilly

Oregon State Snowmobile Association Vice President

## NEWS UPDATE

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Friends! We did it! Yesterday the Oregon House passed SB 1576 A, the bill to provide an emergency fix for Oregon's recreational immunity law and reopen Oregon's trails! Now it's on to the Governor's desk!

Deep gratitude to everyone who provided public testimony and contacted their legislators with support for the bill!

Together, we have a powerful voice for Oregon's trails!



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House passes bill likely to help reopen Oregon Coast trails, heads to Gov. Kotek's desk

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## Recreational Trails Program

The **Recreational Trails Program (RTP)** provides funds to the States to develop and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both nonmotorized and motorized recreational trail uses. The RTP is an assistance program of the Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). [Federal transportation funds benefit recreation](#) including hiking, bicycling, in-line skating, equestrian use, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, off-road motorcycling, all-terrain vehicle riding, four-wheel driving, or using other off-road motorized vehicles.



Snowmobiles at Eagle River, Wisconsin

The [Bipartisan Infrastructure Law](#) of 2021 reauthorized the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) through Federal fiscal years 2022 through 2026 as a set-aside from the [Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside](#) under the [Surface Transportation Block Grant \(STBG\)](#). The amount set aside is equal to the State's FY 2009 RTP apportionment.\* See [Funding Levels by State](#).

Each State administers its own program. [Contact your State RTP Administrator](#) for guidance on State policies and project eligibility requirements.

The [Recreational Trails Program Project Database](#) lists most RTP projects funded from 1993 through 2021. The [2021 Recreational Trails Program Annual Report](#) describes how the States used RTP funds. The Coalition for Recreational Trails (CRT) recognizes outstanding RTP projects through its [Annual Achievement Awards](#).

The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) Section 1524 requires the U.S. Department of Transportation to encourage States and regional transportation planning agencies to use qualified youth service and conservation corps to perform appropriate transportation-related projects. This section of law remains in effect. See:

- [Youth Service and Conservation Corps Q&A](#) for MAP-21 Section 1524
- [Youth Workforce Development Resources](#) (June 2018)

\* Note: From FY 1993 through FY 2012, the RTP funds were distributed to the States by legislative formula: half of the funds were distributed equally among all States, and half were distributed in proportion to the estimated amount of nonhighway recreational fuel use in each State. The RTP funds come from the Federal Highway Trust Fund, and represent a portion of the motor fuel excise tax collected from nonhighway recreational fuel use: fuel used for off-highway recreation by snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, off-highway motorcycles, and off-highway light trucks.



Recreational Trails Program

## RTP Snowday Hosted by OSSA



Pictured to the left is Dennis Jordan and Jodi Bellefeuille, RTP Grant Program Coordinator standing in front of one of our “Are You Beeping?” Avalanche Beacon Checking Signs that we purchased with an RTP Grant last year.

On Friday March 1st, OSSA and the Mt Jefferson Snowmobile Club hosted the RTP (**Recreational Trails Program**) committee for Snowday, enjoying a day on the snow. TJReilly, Kelly Fough, Tony Kuenzi, Lisa Burt, and Dennis Jordan were among the 27 people who attended.

We gave snowmobile and groomer rides and provided lunch.

Gene Benson gave everyone a history lesson about OSSA and Ray Benson snow park.

OSSA and other OSSA clubs have been receiving RTP grants for grooming machines and many other important projects over the years.

Tony Kuenzi (District 2 Membership Director) served on the RTP committee for many years. TJReilly (OSSA Vice President) is currently serving on the RTP committee. TJ & Tony helped coordinate the RTP snowmobile day.

Randy Bolin from the Mt Hood Snowmobile Club helped lead some of the rides (see pictures of amputee).

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## 2024 International Snowmobile Congress

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### FOSPAC

If you have been around organized snowmobiling for a while, I am sure you have heard “FOSPAC”. Do you know what FOSPAC is? It stands for “Friends of Snowmobiling Political Action Committee”. This entity was established in 2001 to assist in helping political candidates that support snowmobiling. By law, we only support candidates for the US House and Senate. The candidates are recommended by the members of ACSA. Most of the time, the supporting funds are sent to the ACSA member, who then will give the check to the candidate. The best and most effective way is for the snowmobiler to attend a fundraiser where they can meet and talk with the candidate.

The candidates enjoy the support and need to hear from the snowmobilers. The FOSPAC contributions open doors to building relationships with the snowmobile community in their district. Over the years FOSPAC has supported over 700 candidates, all of whom were Friends of Snowmobiling. The effort has been successful and we are recognized in D.C. as involved, engaged and educated citizens.

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A FOSPAC event is held every year at International Snowmobile Congress. It is always a fun packed event where friends meet to support snowmobiling. Over the years we have had everything from a River Boat Cruise, to Hog Roast, to Go Cart Racing, to Pee Wee Putt, to Pub Crawls and everything in between. If you attend ISC, please try to attend the FOSPAC event, usually held Wednesday afternoon. You will have a GREAT time, and give much needed support to the sport of snowmobiling.

Contributions are always welcome! Personal checks can be made payable to FOSPAC and sent to 1640 Haslett Road, #170, Haslett, MI 48840.

Dan Long  
FOSPAC President





# Membership Challenge

OSSA Member Cindy Broadwater has joined all 24 clubs in the state of Oregon.

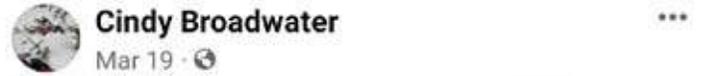
She then challenged her friends. Her Facebook Challenge is posted on this page.

Today, Bernie Shoemaker followed suit, paid and joined all the clubs in the state. Dave Hannibal responded to the challenge and also joined all 24 clubs. OSSA Executive Director Lisa Mahoney and her husband Sean have been members of all clubs for some time now.

What a great way to support our clubs. They may not make it to all the riding areas, however they are supporting all.

**Contact Lisa Burt if you want to join in supporting OSSA clubs and join all 24!**

Lisa Burt  
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OSSA Executive Assistant  
and Membership Administrator



MY CHALLENGE TO ALL OF YOU ❤️  
...I just finished joining the other half of Oregon's Snowmobile Clubs; there are 24 total. I've belonged to 12 clubs for a number of years & enjoy getting their trail maps; some still print paper maps & some are on Avenza maps. Most clubs are on social media & update snow conditions often. ❤️ I've met & have been riding snow & dirt in the mountains all over Oregon with some pretty awesome peeps over the years! 🏠

My Challenge is to all of you that enjoy the snow & dirt trails of OSSA - (Oregon State Snowmobile Association) - JOIN ALL 24 CLUBS \$450 total or more clubs in your region. 😊 You can see how much each club cost per year at a glance on my invoices & the map will give location. You only have to pay OSSA Membership one time per year. 🙌 All of the clubs put tons of volunteer hours clearing the trails in the off-season & grooming during the snow season.

See you soon out on the snow & dirt!

❤️ Cindy Broadwater ~ Cascade Rebels  
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The Coalition for Recreational Trails is composed of trail groups from across the U.S., motorized, non-motorized and multiple use that are supported with Recreational Trails Program (RTP) funds.

RTP funds are collected every time a snowmobile fills their gas tank, with the federal gas taxes. These funds are very important to the trails programs across the country. RTP is a very small part of the Transportation Bill that is Congressionally approved every 5 years.

Every year the CRT recognizes outstanding trail projects that were completed with the assistance of an RTP grant. This week those outstanding CRT projects were recognized on Capitol Hill. There are several categories of projects that receive many nominations of deserving projects.

The Oregon State Snowmobile Association was recognized for their "Are You Beeping" avalanche beacon checkers signs. Twenty-four of these signs were placed at trailheads in the areas with the most avalanche danger across the state.

The signs show if the avalanche beacon is turned on and working for snowmobilers, skiers and other users.





## 22nd Annual ACSA Fly-In

The 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Snowmobile Fly-In will be held April 27-30 in Washington, DC. Snowmobilers from across the country will hold business meetings on Sunday, will have speakers on current issues and topics from the Agencies, Capitol Hill and Partners on Monday and will meet with each of their Congressmen and Senators on Tuesday.

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March has been a fun one out of Salt Creek Summit..... we had great early month snow, which made for some great pow days. We had bluebird days and sunglass weather to follow. With the warmer temps, spring riding has begun for sure. We had a great ski day with the Nordic Ski Club, always fun to see those guys and their fun St. Patrick's Day outfits.



Snowbike fun in the meadows.

# Hello everyone!

We finally got enough snow to go grooming, and wouldn't you know it both of our tillers had mechanical issues within their first few days out. After being down for a few weeks we are back up and running ( thank you to the mechanic's of the Carniglia boys) and now the snow is thinning out again and local logging has disrupted some of our trail system. Can't catch a break! Still some decent snow up high but getting there can be tricky.

We had a few club members attend the convention and they had a very enjoyable time. We may help with another vintage oval race come March 16 (snow pending) in Sumpter. There was an event last weekend in February that was a lot of fun with some of our local club members participating in the races.

Big shout out to our vice president Brady Long, who has been an active groomer operator and valued club member for many years. He will be relocating to the Elgin area, so please welcome him and his family into their new neighborhood. We will miss him but he promises to be back often.

photo credits to Ely Carniglia



Club President Garrett Carniglia at the golden hour on his snowbike near High Lake rim.





Club member Levi McLellan getting some evening air on his snow bike.



Club members Dylan and Ashley Brandsma out enjoying some fresh air on a recent ride.



Grooming down from High Lake rim with the Prinoth. Photo courtesy of Jay Carniglia.



Club President Garrett Carniglia and wife Emma enjoying the sunshine & blue skies on a recent ride.

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*See you in the summer.*





Photos submitted by Andy Pardue with the Hi Desert Storm Troopers



SAVE THE DATE!



# 2025 OSSA Convention

Hosted by the *Harney County Snowmobile Club*  
Burns, Oregon January 28th, - February 1st, 2025

**Harney County  
Snowmobile Club**



Lots of work happening at the Groomer Shed. Lighting and heat started. Thank you so much to all of the volunteers, nothing happens without you!!!!

Warren has been grooming the 2820 out to the 28 road. King Mt. looks great. We had a great time attending the 2024 Snowmobile Convention in LaPine and we are excited to hold the 2025 Convention here in Harney County.

We look forward to seeing everyone here. Start praying for snow!!!

Coleen G. Allen  
Harney County Snowmobile Club, VP



Grooming King Mt.

Idle City

Low Mill

Groomer Shed Work



Harney County, North.

Idlewild Campground

King Mt Area.



# A Day in the Life of a Volunteer Groomer

Did you know that OSSA has 24 clubs in Oregon and that all 24 clubs volunteer to groom the snowmobile trails?

## Typical Grooming Day:

**5:00 am** Wake up.

**6:00 am** Drive 90 minutes up to the mountain.

**7:30 am** Prepare the Grooming Machine for the day.

**8:00 am** Begin Grooming the trails.

**8am to 6pm** Groom the trails, remove fallen trees, remove moguls, make roads through snow drifts.

**6:00 pm** After grooming 50 to 60 miles return to Groomer Barn and begin refueling and cleaning the Groomer.

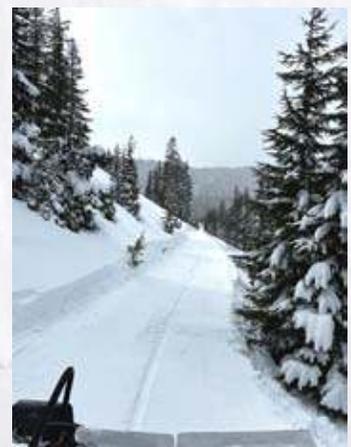
**7:00 pm** Head for home.

**8:30 pm** Arrive home and crash.

Did you know that the best way to **“THANK YOU”** to a groomer volunteer is to renew your membership every year?

Many OSSA members join every club in every area that they ride just to say, **“THANK YOU”!**

Oh yeah, if you see a Groomer Volunteer be sure to shake their hand and say **“THANKS”**.





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WOW! We are loving the late February, early March snow! Our groomers have been incredibly busy keeping our most popular trails smooth and ready for riding. We were quite happy with the last storm's dumping of snow with a full snow park every weekend. When the grooming for the night is complete, our grooming team shares the route on our Facebook page. The grooming team connected Little Nash Snow park with the Ray Benson Sno Park trail system. We are also actively working with the Sisters Sno GoFers to re-establish the route between HWY 242 and Three Creek Sno Park. Strides are being made, but we won't be able to fully accomplish this without a few Summer work parties. Keep an eye on Facebook for more updates on how you may be able to help us with this. The more the merrier!

Our club spent the weekend of March 15 and 16 supporting the Oregon Nordic Club's John Craig Memorial Ski Race and Tour. The race was scheduled for the 16th. On Friday the 15th, groomers groomed the ski race course. We borrowed a track setter from Bend City Parks and towed the track setter on the course to create the race track. The MJSC SAR team provided support with our Ski-doo Expedition to assist injured or ill skier as well as had water and hot cocoa for participants. The race saw a little over 250 participants, which is a great turnout. Some even joined the club as a thank you for our efforts, and many donations were made.

We are getting ready for elections and looking to fill board positions. We are looking forward having the fresh perspective of some new participants on our board. We have two regular board positions open, and Vice President and President are up for elections as well. Be sure to attend the March general meeting on the 20th for more info.

As always, please don't hesitate to call if you have questions...  
See you on the snow,

Ray Benson  
MJSC President  
503-871-5813





## NEWS FROM THE PANHANDLE SNOWMOBILE CLUB, HALFWAY

We finally got some snow and have lots of riders coming in to enjoy the riding and the sun. Our Poker Run on February 18 had a good turnout. We sold 733 poker hands and had lots of nice raffle items.

The winners were: \$1600 1st place Heather Edgar, \$1000 2nd place Robert Hack and \$1000 Blake Butler(not in photo), \$800 3rd place Dave Gover(not in photo), \$400 4th place Buck Robinette, \$200 5th place Robbin Cecchini.

We really appreciate everyone coming to town and participating. Our wonderful donors and you riders help make it a great success! And people enjoyed the breakfast burritos in the morning and chili & cornbread in the evening.

I have included some photos taken during the day.

The groomers are out keeping the trails in good shape. They will continue until it's just too warm to take the Cat up.

We are sorry to hear that Kip is closing Cliff's Saw & Cycle in Baker. He has been the Ski Doo and Honda representative.

Submitted by  
Mary Herold, Sec.



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## UPCOMING EVENTS 2023-2024 SNOWMOBILE SEASON

### Regular Monthly Meetings (subject to change)

Our meetings are every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of each month starting in September. The Club has a potluck starting at 6:00 PM and our meeting starts at 7:00 PM in case you just want to attend the meeting. Please be sure to bring your own table service and drinks to potluck-meetings. Dates and times are subject to change so please check the schedule each month.

These are the dates for our next meetings.

\* Thursday March 21, 2024

\* Thursday April 18, 2024

We had a great turn out for our annual Poker Run on the 17<sup>th</sup>. We sold 394 cards and 3898 raffle tickets. We had our Awards ceremony at 6pm at groomer shed. The top 5 winners were:

1<sup>st</sup> place Kelly Hoots with 4-4's won \$800.

2<sup>nd</sup> place John Livran with FH A's/Q's won \$500.

3<sup>rd</sup> place Mike Dahn with FH A's/10's won \$300.

4<sup>th</sup> place Dallas Buck with FH A's/4's won \$200.

5<sup>th</sup> place JW Chatwood with FH Q's/k's won \$100.

We had 10 - \$75 winners & 7 - \$50 winners.

Our 50/50 Raffle winner was Max McCammon who won \$777.50.

Our member's only winner was Laramie Roberts who \$150.

We had a lot of cash prizes that were donated by merchants and the club and lots of merchandise valued at over \$8500. There were 70 merchants and/or individuals that donated to our event. We can't thank them enough for their donations. If it wasn't for them, our event wouldn't be that successful. We had 7 stations in town that were manned by club members and non-members. It takes a lot of people to pull off this event and we really appreciate the volunteers that are willing to help. We were going to have 3 stations out on the trails but with the lack of snow, we had to cancel at the last time. Hopefully, we can pull it off next year. Thanks to all the participants that came up for the event. It was a beautiful day to have it.

This year we will be donating some of our proceeds to CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) for children and Best Friends of Baker City.

The Vintage race that was in Sumpter Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> was put on by the Western Vintage Snowmobile Racing (Facebook Page) group. The heat was on the 24<sup>th</sup> with the actual race on the 25<sup>th</sup>. You can go to their Facebook page and see photos of the event. The weather turned out great for the 2-day event.

You can go to YouTube and find "Mark Way Up", and Mark will have videos of the event. Thanks Mark.



# Sumpter Valley Blue Mountain Snowmobile Club



## Poker Run Winners 2024



50 50 winner  
Max McCammon



Member only  
Winner Laramie



Greenfields basket winner



Tim Holly our Dist. 6  
Membership Director  
Raffle winner



Awards Ceremony 2024 from Poker Run



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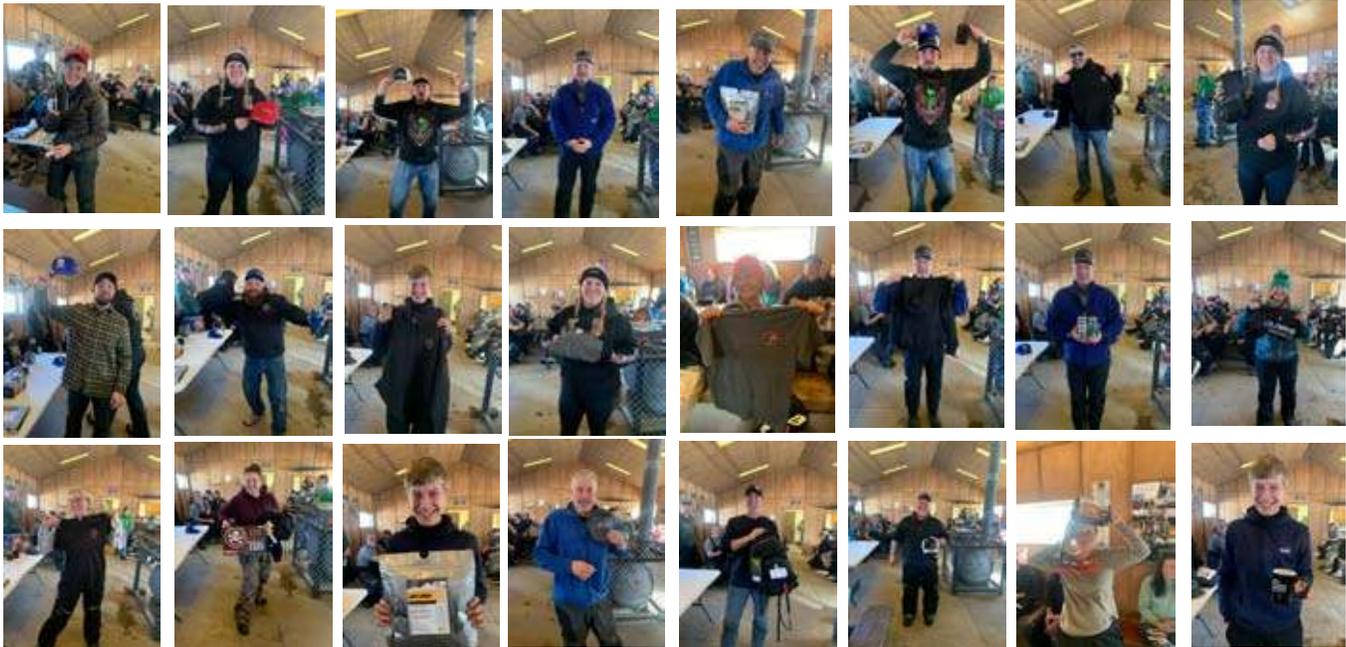
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 Hands need to be turned in by 2pm to warming shelter  
 Dinner to follow @ 6pm at EOLS Clubhouse in Union, OR where  
 winners will be announced! Dinner provided by:

On Saturday March 2, 2024 we had our annual "last chance" poker run. It was a successful event despite the lack of snow down low. That evening was a dinner of yummy tri tip and BBQ chicken with delicious sides. We had a 50/50 drawing and the winner won \$124.00. We had a silent auction and raffle with some awesome items gathered by Christine that were donated by a lot of local businesses. We would like to congratulate the poker pot winners Eric, Kevin, Jerry & Darin. Thank you to those members who manned a stop, you are a valuable part of this event. Thank you to everyone that participated in the poker run and who came to the dinner, you help make this event successful. Also thank you to those businesses that donated to our raffle & silent auction, your donations are appreciated very much. Last but not least a huge thank you to our poker run sponsors, without you we couldn't have this annual event.



Amanda selling poker cards



Someone had a boo boo



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3 of the winners...missing Kevin



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# Tree-Well Magnet!

A Story of a Snowmobile Mom's Self-Rescue from a Deep Tree-Well

By Cindy Broadwater

This is a Snowmobile Mom's Story of Self-Rescue from a Deep Tree Well in late December 1991, during one of our annual two month trips to our cabin at Diamond Lake, Oregon. We spent many days and nights riding in the Mount Bailey back-country over the years. This day, we were in a moderately sized group of riders Boondocking through the trees. I chose to be sweep (last rider) so I didn't have to worry about anybody behind me as I had to maneuver carefully, while riding the powdery snow through the trees with my then 6 week old infant son, Jared Broadwater. A fairly confident rider, yet-

I was finding it somewhat difficult to round some of the tree wells, being pulled toward them like a magnet!

I was pretty strong, but the last one got me, slowly sucking me closer & closer as I tried to round the tree well. The snow was really deep that year, I mean **super-deep** & I was riding my mom's new Indy snowmobile. I remember thinking while feeling in slow motion...knowing I was being sucked downward into the deep tree well... what is the best case scenario I can land this thing without totally wrecking it & not hurting us...Not sure I had too much choice in the way it was going, but I tried to end with flat track toward the tree as I semi-circled around the tree well area, spiraling deep down to the bottom of the trunk of the big fir. All this, while holding onto my infant son with my left hand and the handle bar & throttle with my right hand. We came to a pretty quick stop with the sled - skis down at an angle & track against the tree, dumping us off into the snowy bottom of the tree well... My first thought, we're not hurt and I think the sled is good too! Can't say it I didn't have a sense of worry of my mom's reaction to her new sled in the tree well on my brain, which that thought was then alleviated! I then turned my focus to getting out of the tree well which was several feet above my arm's reach. Keeping my baby close to me still in the sling inside my

jacket, I began instinctively to gain focus on my exit up & out... I used my boot and kicked ladder rung type slots in the hard tree well side to make like a ladder. The sled positioned downward was a little helpful, enabling me to kinda par-core & stretch to the wall, but not enough to just climb out. I thought strongly about that nobody was even going to be looking for us, since I was the last rider, and the added fact that we were not visible at all to others that may follow tracks back to me. New goal... I had to be able to get their attention to us - if and when they came back for us. I quickly thought of my "hot pink" helmet that I was wearing that would maybe get somebody's attention. If only I could just get it outside of the tree well edge, perhaps they would backtrack to us. I unfastened my helmet, baby still in sling & mustered up to the top of the hand dug slots & tossed my helmet landing it perfectly on it's opening - giving the best visual possible.... As I looked at the side of the helmet, it said "Indy", the helmet I bought from Diamond Lake back then, which was certainly close to my name "Cindy"... I kinda giggled out loud... thinking "somebody's gonna find us now for sure", as I fell with baby back down into the tree well with no more upward momentum. Funny, I don't remember ever panicking & was able to stay focused, surely time was eating by and happy that my son was warm & resting comfortably with me... Now, I had to get us out of the tree well, so I began to dig deeper into the side wall, so that I had better footing. Before the next attempt out, I took off my jacket & I got to the top...still not able to get myself out with baby in front of me. I dug my hands deep into the snow with my riding mittens to hold myself steady and was able to get the sling (baby Jared) up & over my neck while propped at top and with all my might kinda tossed him onto the outside edge of tree well in the snow near my "got pink" helmet. Now, I knew I needed to be swift and get myself out too, again the momentum of tossing him a bit, sent me back down into the treewell. Got my jacket back on, feeling much lighter and extremely motivated, I was able to seemingly bound up

the hand-dug ladder to the top & outside of the tree well. Whew... Baby Jared was just fine -happy & smiling. I was fine & perhaps feeling a little bit prowess of job-well-done of the self-recovery of my shenanigan that I found my self in.

## The search for Us.

I stood upon the edge of the tree well & re-hung the sling & baby over my shoulders, wrapped him in my jacket & walked around humming to him. Not a soul insight, no sled noise, just very quiet & peaceful. After what seemed to be an hour, I began to hear one sled from the side - about 75 feet from me & not on my tracks. Surely he was gonna miss me! Then, he "spotted my hotpink Indy helmet" and made a quick turn towards it, and found me and my baby super happy, grateful & unharmed at the top edge of our tree well.

## Sled recovery.

The rest of the riders began to gather as I told the story of how I found myself in the shenanigan, they quickly assessed the condition of the sled & that it was completely unharmed in my crazy ass maneuver down... All of the men dug a trail down and out horizontally due to the depth of the tree well... no way it was coming back up vertical, they rode the sled out & around back up to me & off we went Boondocking through the back country of Mount Bailey...albeit we were now in the middle of the pack...



# “Candlelighters Snow Day”

Sunday morning 25 February 2024 dawned cold (20 degrees) and no fresh snow and cloudy. But the Crescent Lake Junction Snow Park was alive with activity. It was the “Candlelighter’s Snow Day” at the snow park! Snowmobiles were being off loaded from their trailers and lined up in the staging area; plastic sleds were being lined up near the sledding hill (CJ Price-head groomer for the Walker Rim Riders Snowmobile Club had been thinking ahead and built the sledding hill about a month earlier when there was fresh snow available); Mike Strode club president was setting up his S’Mores and fire pit near the sledding hill; the Mogstad family was setting up the warming hut with hot water for drinks, and extra gloves and mittens; Sport Hill Company from Eugene was setting up their cross country skiing ski area; and over at the fire station Brenda Gray and her cooking crew were preparing lunch!

Volunteers from the Walker Rim Riders Snowmobile Club and the LaPine Lodgepole Dodgers Snowmobile Club showed up in numbers for the 0900 briefing! Also had 6 volunteers from the LaPine Les Schwab Tire Center who gave out stocking caps (beanies) with their company logo on them! Also had volunteers from the Diamond Peaks subdivision and the Klamath County Search and Rescue team. (...*Continued on next page*)





# “Candlelighters Snow Day”

The Candlelighters (children with some form of cancer) and some parents were coming to the snow park from the Eugene/Springfield area for a fun day in the snow! Mary Lou Bradley-Candlelighter organizer had rented a 56-passenger commercial bus and it was to arrive about 10 A.M... 3 to 5 private vehicles were also expected bringing the total to 60+people! The bus arrived on time and by 1030 laughing, and screaming kids could be heard in the park where snowmobiles revved up, and away they went with children getting their first snowmobile ride! The children could ride as many times as they wanted and they definitely did that! One snowmobiler at the end of the day said he put 60 miles on his machine! Rides were taken around the outside of the airport runway and on local snowmobile trails. The machines were running constantly, stopping long enough to offload and then pick up another rider. The pull-behind sleds were also very popular as they could carry two kids at one time! The sledding hill was in constant use and the volunteers were busy helping kids climb the hill and then getting into the sleds.

Lunch was from 1200-1230 at the fire station and attendees had a choice of sloppy Joe's or hot dogs; 3 types of salads; baked beans; soda/water; and cookies. After lunch, the kids slowed down a little and by 1430 some were heading to the bus to change out of their winter play clothes. Pictures were taken in front of the warming hut and by 1530 the bus and sleeping children was on its way back to Eugene/Springfield.

Even though we didn't have fresh snow, what we did have softened by noon allowing for snowball fights, and making snow angels! We got fresh snow on Monday. I know the kids enjoyed the day but I think we adults got more in return!! To see children with cancer having fun and enjoying life not knowing how many days of life they may have left gave we adults a new perspective on life-live it to the fullest! God bless all the volunteers; the Candlelighters's Association organizer Mary Lou Bradley; the children; and their parents!! Gary Holtz event lead person. -Written by Gary Holtz, Lead person for Snow Day

*If you would like to get involved with this event in 2025 contact the Walker Rim Riders Snowmobile Club.*



# My New Definition of Fear

An all too true story by Jack Reynolds

*The tree wells are monsters out there right now so I am posting my story from 2012 as a reminder for all of my snow loving friends:*

So there I was having an incredible day, my best day of skiing in a season marked with blizzards, rain, drought, wind, lift closures, mountain closures, power outages, too little snow, too much snow. Finally, a day with sunshine, calm wind and a fresh overnight dump of the kind of powder that puts a smile on any snow lovers face. I grabbed my fat rockered powder skis and caught the fifth chair out on the Skyliner chair lift at Mt. Bachelor. Only the front side lifts were operating but it was a Monday and there weren't that many people on the mountain so I got in several laps of fresh tracks without even having to leave the main runs. As the day progressed the search for fresh tracks led me to the edges of the runs and occasionally out into the trees for short stretches. I was ecstatic when Northwest lift opened at mid-day and gave me access to hundreds and hundreds of acres of new untracked powder and very few people left on the mountain to compete with for fresh tracks.

On one of my solo rides back to the top I gave some thought to the "Tree well safety" link on Mt. B's website that I had just reviewed a few days earlier. While checking out the website article it was easy to visualize myself doing all the right things should I ever be unfortunate enough to be in that predicament, things like changing my trajectory if headed for a landing in a tree well and staying calm and not panicking if I ended up in one anyway. I knew that I was violating the number one rule – **ski with a buddy if you are going to ski the trees in these kinds of conditions** - but I have always balked at that rule, knowing full well that when I do ski with a buddy in those conditions that we never keep that close of track of one another anyway. My rule was "no friends on a powder day" and in my 40-some years of skiing I've had some close brushes with tree wells but nothing that left me questioning my ability to deal with it. I made a conscious decision that the risk of skiing alone was worth the reward but I also made a decision to NOT ski west of Northwest where the tree well hazard was extreme. Besides, "Downunder West" on the Outback chairlift had some of the lightest and deepest snow I had found all day and there was no competition for a new track especially along the sides of the run.

Late in the day, sometime after 2:30, I'm bouncing in and out of the trees on the sides of "Downunder West" and thinking that this is probably my last run of the day when I hit a deep compression with a little kicker that launches me head first and airborne. I immediately recognize the tree well that I am aimed at and ask myself "is this really happening or is this another visualization of what it would be like for this to happen?". **The next thing I know it's dark**, I'm disoriented and I'm completely immobilized from my knees down (or up, depending on how you look at it). I immediately panic, screaming and flailing, pushing and finding no leverage, my breathing quickly turns to gasping. It takes me a minute or so to calm myself and start remembering what I had read on the website about what to do if you find yourself

in this situation ... stay calm, clear some airspace, move your body slowly to try to create more space. I realize that I'm upside down and my lower legs and feet are free so I decide to kick my legs from the knees down (or up) and try to draw attention to my predicament if anybody is around up there. After a while of kicking I start thinking about how late in the day it is, how few people are left on the mountain, how I hadn't seen another skier or snowboarder on this run and that I am well off to the side of the main run. When I finally decide that this kicking strategy is getting me no where fast I go back into full-on panic mode – screaming, flailing, gasping. I calm myself again and come to the realization that every time I panic my predicament gets worse, mainly from expending the energy that it takes to panic. I discover that my hydration pack has ridden up over the top of my helmet and that my goggles are around my chin. My hands are in front of my face and, since I didn't have pole straps on, they are very usable. The snow in front of me is not real dense and it is relieving to find that it is easy to clear a fairly large area in front of my face. I make an attempt to pull one of my poles from my side so that I might be able to find the bottom of the hole with it to give me some leverage to push against, but I can't move my pole. Panic sets in once again ... uncontrollable panic, and once again I calm myself and start working on another plan. I decide that my hydration pack and helmet might be too much bulk to be pushing out the same hole that I came in through and maybe if I can get them off and in front of me that it will give me some more room to work with. So I remove my gloves to try to unhook the snaps on my pack and helmet. My pack is on top of my helmet and even though I can't get the straps unbuckled I am able to pull the pack over my helmet and get it out in front of me in my breathing space. I try using my pack to push against, thinking that it might just be enough surface area to give me enough leverage against the unconsolidated snow to push my way backwards. But pushing on my pack meets no resistance and, oh shit, here it comes again, uncontrollable panic. After I talk myself off the ledge again I find all these thoughts going through my head about things like family and life insurance and unfinished business. I remember a young snowboarder named Kate that lost her life up here at Bachelor several years ago. It took weeks for searchers to find her body in the same position mine is in right now ... upside down in a tree well. I start wondering if I will suffocate before freezing and which would be more agonizing. I realize that my eyes are adjusting to the darkness and I can now see a faint blue light in my upper right peripheral vision so I use my hydration pack to reach as far towards that direction as possible. The light gets brighter as I blindly stab my pack towards it and I can now make out shapes and some details inside my breathing space. Having some light is a great psychological improvement over the complete darkness. I came up with a new plan: maybe I can tunnel forwards (down) and then turn up, toward the source of the light, and escape in that direction instead of backing out the way I came in. I start wiggling my body down into the hole farther but I immediately feel more weight on my back and stop to reevaluate that idea. I decide that the hole may be closing shut behind me as I wiggle down in, and that if I'm wrong about getting out in the forward direction that this maneuver may close my only open door out, which is the way I came in. So I abandon that plan and panic again, uncontrollable panic that I fully realize is only making my situation worse. Once again I calm myself and take an inventory of what's in my breathing space; plenty of air (the only time I seem to run out of air is when I panic), one pole handle,

my hydration pack, one glove, some tree branches. Maybe I can get some leverage by pushing against these newly found tree branches! It was right around here that I remembered a statistic that I read on that tree well safety website: **90% of the volunteers that dove into a tree well during a controlled demonstration were unable to self-rescue.**

The tree branches proved to be about as effective as my hydration pack did and I progress into a full-on panic again. Then I find that one of these tree branches originates from somewhere behind my right shoulder. I reach back above my right shoulder with my bare left hand, grasp the branch and pull until it breaks. I try to use the broken branch in conjunction with my hydration pack and the other branches in my airspace to push on but still, no resistance, no leverage. Panic again, screaming, gasping for breath, spending energy that I don't have. I discover that there is a much larger branch where the other branch broke off from and I wiggle around so that I can get both bare hands over my right shoulder and get a good grasp on it. With most of the energy that I have left I pull on this branch as hard as I can over my right shoulder and, as I pull with all my might, I feel the weight on my back lighten, I see daylight and I find myself above the snow. Here it comes again ... more screaming, tears, bawling ... uncontrollable panic?? No, uncontrollable celebration! ... but it looks much the same from the outside. **I'M GOING TO LIVE!! I'M NOT GOING TO DIE IN THAT HOLE!! I'm screaming this out loud. I'M NOT GOING TO DIE IN THAT HOLE!!**

My body is in a state of shock and/or hypothermia, I'm shaking uncontrollably and I'm babbling in sentences that only make sense to me. I hadn't been cold up till now but cold sets in now with a vengeance. I feel dizzy and sick to my stomach. I have a splitting headache. My bare hands are so cold they are useless and I can't even make them function well enough to get the one glove I can find, back on. To my total amazement two skiers are coming down the run, they hear me screaming and somehow realize that my screams are not just celebration but also that I need help. The skiers were a woman taking a private lesson and her instructor from Mt. Bachelor, Larry Smith. Larry retrieved one of my skis, which was 15' up the hill in the compression that I launched from, and they both helped me gather my gear and get it back on. One of my gloves is still down in that hole somewhere and Larry offers me his gloves and gave me his hat until I could get the snow cleaned out of my helmet and get it back on. Luckily they understood the seriousness of the situation better than I did because I kept telling them to not let me disrupt their lesson and that I'd be fine on my own. They insisted on accompanying me to the bottom of Northwest and then all the way back over to the Skyliner parking lot where my car was.

I'll be forever grateful for their caring assistance. I went back with a shovel a week later and dug until I found my lost glove.

I don't know what the lesson in this story is and I don't know who will read it, but it is my hope that somehow my story will prevent someone from having to go through what I did ... or something much worse.

- Jack Reynolds  
OSSA Club Member  
La Pine Lodgepole Dodgers

## Trail Conditions/Grooming Reports

<https://members.oregonsnow.org/grooming>



Be sure to always check avalanche conditions before you ride!

The Oregon State Snowmobile Association provides snowmobile trail grooming in the state of Oregon with a 100% volunteer effort. Our volunteers are out on the snow almost every day grooming the trails to provide a safe and enjoyable experience for snowmobilers, snow shoeing, cross country skiing and other recreationalists.

A typical volunteer grooming day begins with arriving at the grooming shelter before sunrise to get the equipment ready for the day. Not only do our volunteers groom the trails but we also remove fallen trees and obstacles from trails. In addition we provide search and rescue assistance in emergencies. It's not uncommon for our volunteers to put in a 10 or 12 hour day grooming. It takes many many hours of training to become a primary groomer. Our groomers are trained in first aid, CPR, and equipment safety and maintenance.

Be sure to show your appreciation by joining OSSA and your local snowmobile club today!





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TRAINING**

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**KEEP THEM SAFE.  
GET THEM TRAINED.**

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# Are you New to snowmobiling ?

Do you want to learn how to ride Safely ?

Do you want your kids under age 16  
to be able to ride Legally ?

**Oregon Snowmobile Law says:**

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**We can CERTIFY kids 16 and under  
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**The OSSA Safety Program**



Below is a list of current state approved snowmobile safety trainers.

Please contact your local trainer to get your kids 16 or younger without a drivers license trained and obtain their snowmobile safety certificate now.

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## Oregon State Snowmobile Association

# OSSA Membership

We encourage everyone to join their local snowmobile club which automatically includes an Oregon State Snowmobile Association membership.

You can be a member of OSSA without joining a local club. However, please consider joining the clubs where you ride in Oregon. These clubs groom and maintain the trails that you enjoy riding on.

If you live in another state or for some other reason don't want to join a local snowmobile club you are welcome to become an **OSSA only Member**.

## Who Can Join?

Anyone who enjoys the outdoors can be a member including cross country skiers, snow shoers, dog sledgers, snow bikers and of course snowmobilers.

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Our mission is to protect and enhance the sport of snowmobiling. We work closely with the Forest Service and BLM to keep areas open, resolve conflicts, and to provide the quality snowmobiling that Oregon is famous for. We work with local, state, and federal legislators to protect the rights of all snowmobilers. We fight any damaging legislation, and we support legislation that helps our sport. We coordinate with industry, national and international snowmobile groups to share knowledge, provide mutual support, and protect the sport we all love so dearly.



To enjoy this...



Volunteers are needed for this!



**WE ARE SO THANKFUL FOR OUR VOLUNTEERS!**

Klamath Basin Snowdrifters



Always wear protective gear to stay safe









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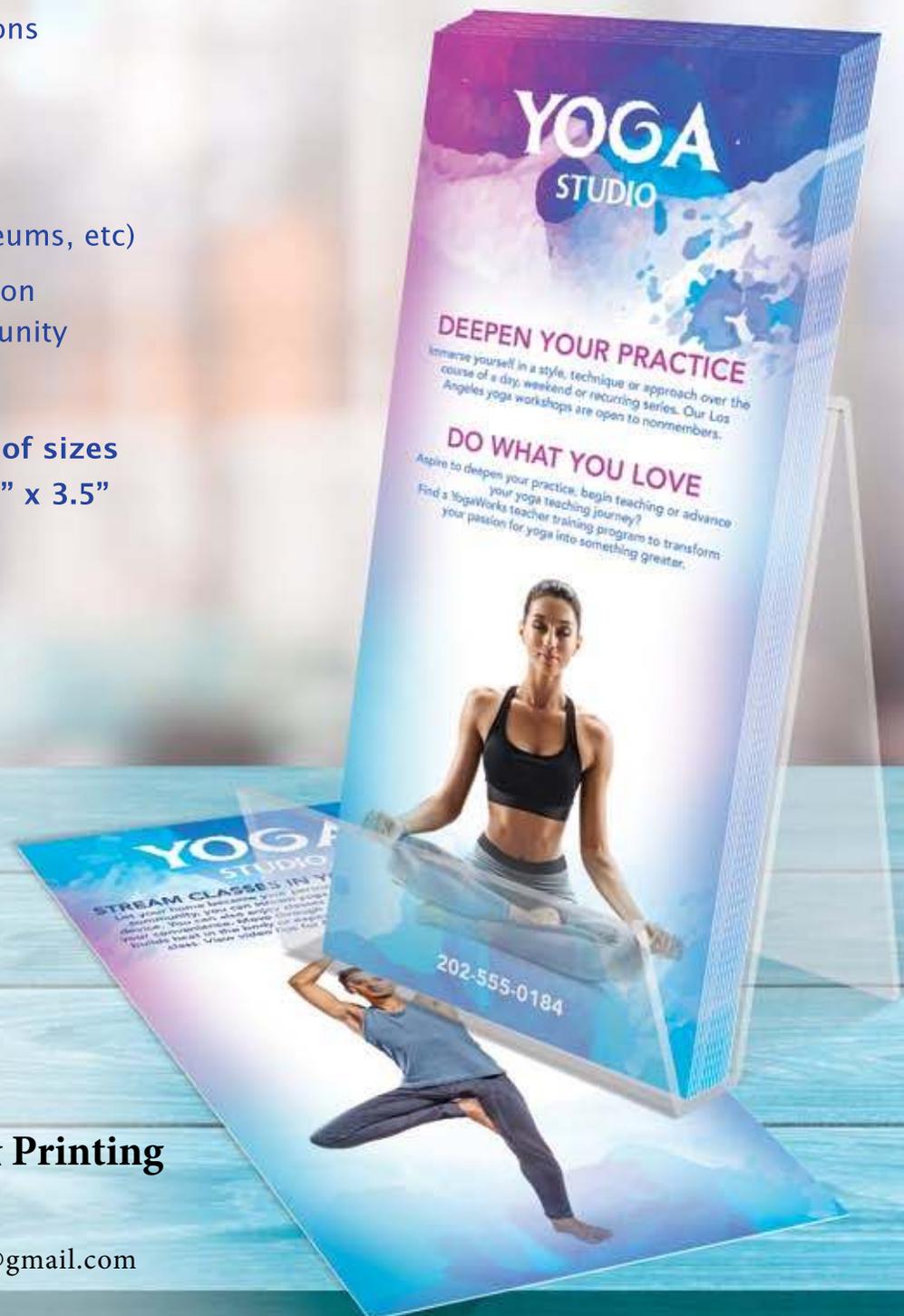
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Our hearts are mourning with the loss of two incredible humans this week. Nick Burks worked for the Wallowa Avalanche Center, as a forecaster and educator. After spending his young adulthood ski patrolling at Mt Hood, Nick moved to NE OR and began another chapter in his life. A man of few words, (but always important ones) the local community accepted Nick as a member of the community. He touched so many lives and gained so many new friends in just a couple of years.

Matt Primomo who passed away in a rock climbing accident this week was a forecaster for NWAC. Matt spent the winter of 2009 ski guiding in the Wallawas. His reach was also vast, extending across the mountain west. Matt will be remembered in so many ways.

It's hard to also consider that March 8th marks the passing of former WAC ED, Kip Rand. Another young snow safety professional, educator and guide Kip was an amazing human.

As we all go through different stages of mourning we hope everyone has someone to call to console and comfort them duringby this hard time. Spending time with friends and loved ones is critical right now. Call your friends and remind them that you love them.



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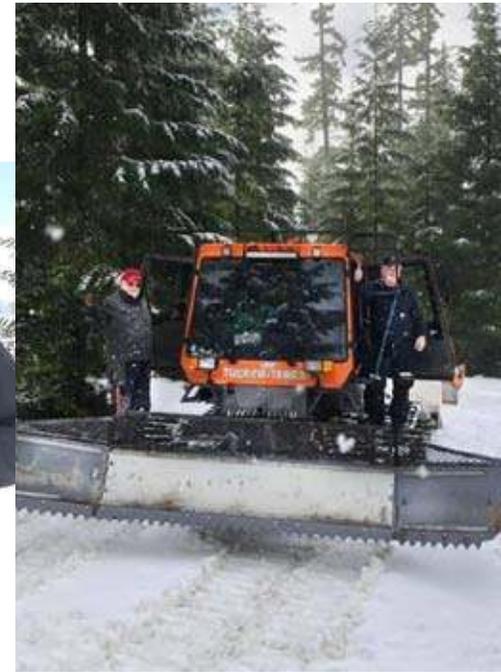
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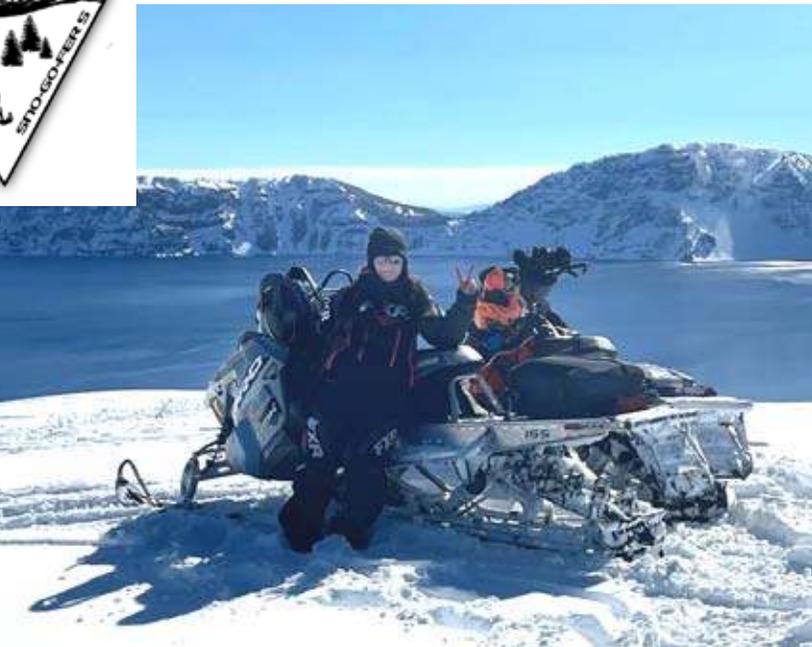
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## Our Mission

Our mission is to protect and enhance the sport of snowmobiling. We work closely with the Forest Service and BLM to keep areas open, resolve conflicts, and to provide the quality snowmobiling the Oregon is famous for. We work with local, state, and federal legislators to protect the rights of all snowmobilers. We fight any damaging legislation, and we support legislation that helps our sport. We coordinate with industry, national and international snowmobile groups to share knowledge, provide mutual support, and protect the sport we all love so dearly.

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