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2024 International Snowmobile Congress June 12-15, 2024, Green Bay, Wisconsin The 56th Annual International Snowmobile Congress, Green Bay Wisconsin, June 13 – 15, 2024 (snowmobilers.org)





OSSA Awards

To submit a nomination for the OSSA Awards, please complete the respective form and submit it to the OSSA office.

<https://www.oregonsnow.org/awards/>

All forms must be received at the OSSA office by December 1st of the year of nomination.

Harney County Snowmobile Club Got a new cat!



Lisa Burt, OSSA Executive Assistant & Dennis Jordan, OSSA President



CHECK OUT OUR NEW AVALANCHE SAFETY PAGE!

<https://www.oregonsnow.org/avalanche-safety/>

OSSA has been working with the National Avalanche Center to create a system that you can use when riding in popular non-forecasted areas of Oregon.

This year, OSSA will be hosting a website that will provide a focused forecast page as well as an observation page. This will give you the most current snow conditions. The goal is to generate an observation every time you ride. Once the observation page is live, you will be able to submit an observation.

The Bridger-Teton Avalanche Center has created a page for snowmobilers and back country skiers to submit observations. This is what our observation will look like.

<https://bridgertetonavalanchecenter.org/>

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January 23 - 27, 2024 La Pine, Oregon

Hosted by The La Pine Lodgepole Dodgers

Registration link:



2024 OSSA Convention La Pine, Oregon - Oregon State Snowmobile Association(oregonsnow.org)

Events

- *Tuesday January 23, 2024 – Wetlands Tap house Gathering welcoming snowmobilers to convention Dinner (food trucks) & No host bar
- *Wednesday January 24, 2024 – Vic's Bar & Grill Dinner & No host bar
- *Thursday January 25, 2024 – Moose Lodge Dinner & No host bar
- *Thursday January 25, 2024 – Moose Lodge Dinner, (Location to be determined) Dance & No host bar
- *Friday January 26, 2024 – Parks & Rec pizza dinner
- *Saturday January 27, 2024 – Parks & Rec banquet dinner

Rides (Please Check Back for Ride Info.)



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Club News & Events

2023 - 2024 SEASON

Monthly OSSA CLUB REPORTS & PHOTOS

Publication **Deadline** Schedule

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Email Reports & Photos to: gscott@oregonsnow.org

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December OSSA NEWS

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Happy Fall Everyone!



With the first snow of the year falling on October 9, we are getting some encouraging vibes from Mother Nature, and a hint of perhaps a good snowfall this year.

The CC Riders have been working on the groomer, getting it shined up and ready for some hard work changing snowflakes to corduroy.

We also have been doing some trail work, cutting and marking trail. I guess our club is no different from what I'm hearing from other clubs. That is, we are having a serious shortage of volunteers. It is understandable that young members with kids in sports, etc have a hard time working time into a busy weekend to come and cut some trees. ***But us older, retired folks aren't going to be able to do this someday***, then what will happen to the trails ?

So you new, younger members think about really trying to volunteer just a little of your time next time a trail cleanup is scheduled. It's just fresh air and exercise. My old Dad used to say Many hands make light work.

We look forward to seeing everyone at our first meeting in November, or any future meetings. Potluck at 6. Meeting at 7 the first Wednesday of the month.

Here's to a good year everyone!

Shirley Wampler
Secretary Cascade Connection



Aging Volunteers in Snowmobile Clubs

The passion of snowmobiling is like no other and the reasons we fell in love with the sport are different for everyone but my friends things must change or we could be facing a breakup. The clubs that maintain the trails and club infrastructure for snowmobilers are facing a challenge: they're aging volunteers.

Many of the volunteers who have been working for snowmobile clubs for decades are now retiring. This is creating a gap in the workforce, as there

are not enough new volunteers to replace them.

The lack of volunteers is having a significant impact on snowmobile clubs. In some cases, clubs have been forced to reduce the number of trails they groom or close trails altogether. Hence the breakup!

We NEED you! Although monetary donations are important to clubs please keep in mind that in most clubs there is a core group of "workers" who do all of the work whether it be contacting landowners, building/maintain-

ing trails, organizing fundraisers and the snow isn't even on the ground yet. Now think about the groomers. These are often the same group of people who began all of the work mentioned above starting in late August and now will begin to lay down the white carpet for you in January. The workload is insurmountable and we need YOUR help! So please don't just reach into your pocket, reach out to your local club ask them how you can help and donate a few hours of your time.

A Tribute to Volunteers Author Unknown

Valuable is work you do,
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CHRISTMAS EVE DINNER



WHEN: December 24, 2023 @ 5:00 pm

Dinner Seating at 5 p.m. & possible 2nd seating at 7 p.m. RESERVATIONS REQUIRED.
Contact the Lodge at 541 480 7378 or elresort@gmail.com.
See Menu <https://elklakeresort.net/winter/dining/christmas-eve-dinner/>

CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER



WHEN: December 25, 2023 @ 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

Menu served from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. No reservations required. See Menu
<https://elklakeresort.net/winter/dining/christmas-day-dinner/>

NEW YEARS EVE DINNER



WHEN: December 31, 2023 @ 5:00 pm

Dinner Seating at 5 p.m. & 2nd seating at 7 p.m. RESERVATIONS REQUIRED. Contact the
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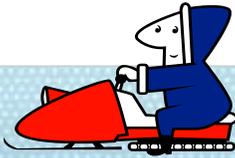
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OSSA Safety Chairman
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Safety First

Determining Group Ride Order and Spacing

- The most knowledgeable and experienced rider takes the lead. Trail leaders:
 - Guide the direction, pace, and length of the ride.
 - Alert the group to changing conditions and warn of potential hazards.
 - Avoid unnecessary risk by placing safety first.
 - Do not allow reckless behavior such as “horseplay” or passing within the group.
- The last position of a group, called a “trail sweep,” is critical in maintaining proper spacing and leadership on the trail. This rider should be as experienced and knowledgeable as the trail leader.

Group Ride Spacing

Stay a safe distance behind the snowmobile ahead of you.

- Proper spacing is determined by speed, reaction time, distance, and the need to maintain visual contact.
- As a rule of thumb, calculate spacing distances using a reaction time of three seconds. As the snowmobile in front of you passes an object, count one-thousand-one, one-thousand-two, one-thousand-three. If you pass that same object in less than three seconds, you should allow more space.

Group Communication

- Group riding requires good communication and visual contact.
- Visual communication requires proper spacing.
- To keep the group together, the trail leader should slow down or wait on the opposite side of a crossing when a stop is required. After crossing, the leader stops or slows the group to ensure that everyone knows the correct route.
- Hand signals should be used at all times when riding. When riding with a group, you give hand signals to the person behind you.
 - Before letting go of the handlebar to signal, make sure you will be able to maintain control of your snowmobile.
 - Don't make sloppy signals.
 - Make sure the person behind you can see your signals.
- Two-way headsets installed in helmets are useful for voice communication and are an effective way for the trail leader and the sweep to communicate. Several companies like BCA 2 way radios designed for snowmobilers' are very effective and a lot of folks are using their combination Garmin GPS and radio systems.

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Our club volunteers have been busy putting up trail direction signs. In addition they put up snow poles around the sno-park so that the snow plows can better clear the parking lot. Now all we need is snow!



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- * Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
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- * Pasta Salad
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NEW
YEAR'S EVE

Grand Buffet

Friday, December 31, 2021
6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Adults	\$32.95	Senior 55 & Older	\$28.95
Children 12-16	\$16.95	Children 6-11	\$10.95

Children 5 and Under eat for free with a paid adult.

- * Honey Mustard Glazed Ham
- * Pork Flat Iron Steaks
- * Italian Sausage
- * Steamer Clams
- * Oyster Shooters
- * Peel & Eat Shrimp
- * Bacon Wrapped Scallops
- * Cocktail Franks
- * Wild Rice
- * Pasta Salad
- * Carrot & Raisin Salad
- * Pepperoni Pizza
- * Puddings
- * Cheesecakes
- * Pies
- * Carved New York Strip
- * Chicken Supreme
- * Garlic Mashed Potatoes
- * Oyster Dressing
- * Relish Tray
- * Garden Vegetable Cous Cous
- * Green Bean Almondine
- * Toss Green Salad with Dressing
- * Vegetable Trays
- * Peach Flamed Carrots
- * Fresh Baked Rolls
- * Corn Dogs
- * Chicken Strips
- * Macaroni & Cheese
- * Milk, Soft Drinks, Coffee, Tea

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Club News & Events



Hello everyone! Greg here from the Rogue Snowmobilers,

Last month was a bittersweet month for us in the Rogue club. We said our goodbyes to our 2014 Pisten Bully 400. It's still a young cat with just over 2500 hours on it. It will be in good hands with Randy and his crew over at Diamond Lake for the foreseeable future. Many don't know, but this cat changed grooming operations across the state.

After learning about the robustness of the cats, their manufacturing, and the limited major maintenance on them, we knew we couldn't go back. Look around the state these days and you'll see red cat after red cat. We enjoyed our time with ours and our volunteer cat operators are thankful they got to operate a cat as legendary as this one. The Rogue club was the "guinea pig" for the state and it turned out well for all. Thanks again to the great crew up at OSSA, we have a brand new 2024 PB400 on the way and should be taking delivery of it near the end of November.

We were also fortunate enough to continue the passing-down tradition with the help of our district 5 grooming director, OSSA, and their president. Burnt River is set to receive a PB400 with just over 6000 hours on it, while Diamond Lake Resort is getting our cat with just over 2500 hours on it. Upgrades for all parties involved!

Enough about cats though. We've been working hard at getting our event schedule all planned out for the year. It's attached here for your viewing. Our club was selected as an award winner for ISMA's snowmobile celebration day on October 28, 2023. We have some fun activities up at Thousand Springs Sno-Park after we get our annual work party completed. Our next general club meeting is set for November 7th at the Rogue Regency Inn at 7PM. Followed shortly after on November 14th at 6PM our annual kid's safety snowmobile class.

Please get your snow dances ready for the season. We should start seeing our first whiffs of snowpack building snow on the way soon. Pray for snow this year, with the potential of a strong El Nino setting up for the winter, we'll need all the help we can get.

Thank you and see you all on the snow soon!

Greg Gulrich
President – Rogue Snowmobilers
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Diamond Lake cat loaded onto the truck for Burnt River



Heavy Tracks!



Rogue Cat Ready for Randy



Rogue Cat Loaded up on the Truck for Diamond Lake





View Our Event Schedule

roguesnowmobilers.com/winter-event-schedule



Our Mission

Our mission is to ensure the survival of winter motorized recreation by keeping public lands open and to educate the community on behalf of changing laws, weather, and trail conditions.

To ensure you are kept up to date about our club and it's continuing effort, please download the latest copy of our monthly newsletter found on our site under the "Newsletter" tab.

Nearly all members of the Rogue Snowmobilers are also members of a state organization, Oregon State Snowmobile Association (OSSA) and their job is to distribute grooming funds and grooming equipment to snowmobile clubs across the state of Oregon. They also join us in our never-ending fight against people that want to shut our sport down. They are our main line of defense for keeping snowmobile trails open and prevent public land from being taken away from us.



Ready to take the next step?

You don't need to attend club functions in order to join our club. Even for those of you that don't care much about group rides/functions, your membership is the main line of defense of keeping your riding area open and accessible. Our club officers and board members work tirelessly to protect your riding areas. In some cases, we are able to restore riding rights in closed areas for your enjoyment. Without your membership, we can't do it. Join our team to get involved today!

Club News & Events

roguesnowmobilers.com/winter-event-schedule

ROGUE SNOWMOBILERS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS 2023/2024

EVENTS	2023	updated 10/20/2023
December	2023	
TBA	Water World Open House 10 am to 2 pm	Water World
5	General Club Meeting, 6:00 pm	Rogue Regency/Hybrid
9	Christmas Tree Ride & Chili Feed/BYO side dish	1000 Springs Sno-park
12	Board Meeting 6:00 pm	ZOOM
12/26-1/2	No Host Holiday Rides - Christmas/New Year's Break	TBA
January	2024	
1	New Years Day HAPPY NEW YEAR	
9	General Club Meeting, 6:00 pm	Rogue Regency/Hybrid
15	MLK Day	
16	Board Meeting 6:00 pm	ZOOM
TBA	Snow Bike Races	Diamond Lake Resort
20-21	Shasta Ride - Taco Feed	Dear Mountain, CA
23-27	OSSA Convention	LaPine, OR





Club News & Events

Sumpter Valley Blue Mountain Snowmobile Club

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See upcoming events for a disclaimer

UPCOMING EVENTS 2023-2024 SNOWMOBILE SEASON

Regular Monthly Meetings (subject to change)

Our meetings are every 3rd Thursdays of each month starting in September. The Club will have our potluck starting at 6:00 PM and our meeting will start at 7:00 PM in case you just wanted 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 December 21, 2023
- * Thursday January 19, 2024
- * Thursday February 15, 2024
- * Thursday March 21, 2024
- * Thursday April 18, 2024



We had 27 members at our November Thanksgiving dinner/meeting. A lot better turn out than last month, that's for sure. The food was awesome. Thanks so much for Marsha Demaris and Vickie Christensen stepping up for the turkey, dressing and gravy and all other members filled in with the other trimmings and I have to say, my husband and I just got off a cruise and I would take this food over cruise food any day.

We will have a gift exchange (white elephant) for our Christmas meeting. Members agreed to up it to \$20. It's always a fun event, please try to come. Sherry Brandt is bringing ham and Elaine Livran is bringing the turkey. Everyone can bring what will go with that.

Still nothing more to report on grooming since no snow. The groomer is ready. Just need the snow like everyone else.

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Our Poker Run will be on Feb. 17, 2024.



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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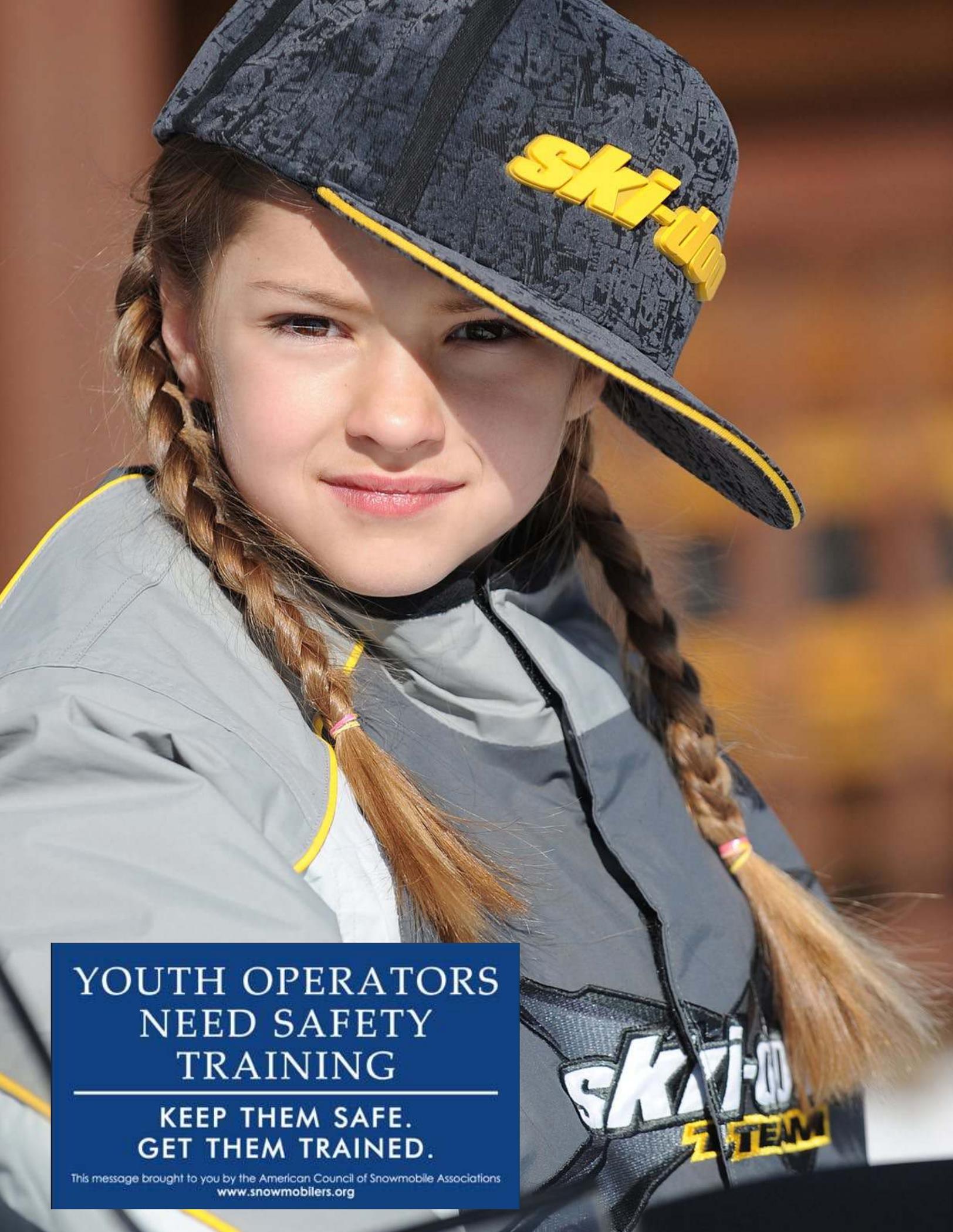
The OSSA Safety Program



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.

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	EMAIL
TJ Reilly	Portland	503-804-2075	treilly@oregonsnow.org
Brent Younker	Boring Or	503-695-2911	b_totalrental@yahoo.com
Randy James	Enterprise	541-426-3854	
Dennis Jordan	Medford Area	541-826-6326	Djordan@oregonsnow.org
Lyle Klenski	John Day	541-620-1324	
David Miller	Klamath Falls	541-884-2423	DavesATVrepair@gmail.com
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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.

Why should I join?

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.

DON'T MISS A SINGLE EVENT, RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY!

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OSSA Membership

Become a general member online today at <http://oregonsnow.org/about/> Please also consider joining your local club to further help support our sport. (This is only for OSSA membership. Most club memberships automatically include a membership in OSSA. Be sure to check with your local club. Many of our members have memberships in several clubs. If you are a member of multiple clubs you would only pay OSSA dues one time.)

Use the online form at <http://oregonsnow.org/about/> to join OSSA only.

If you wish to join a local club, please contact your local club directly. Local club membership automatically includes a membership in OSSA. Thank you for your support!

Note: Many powersports dealers give discounts to OSSA Club members.

Some attributes of club membership include :

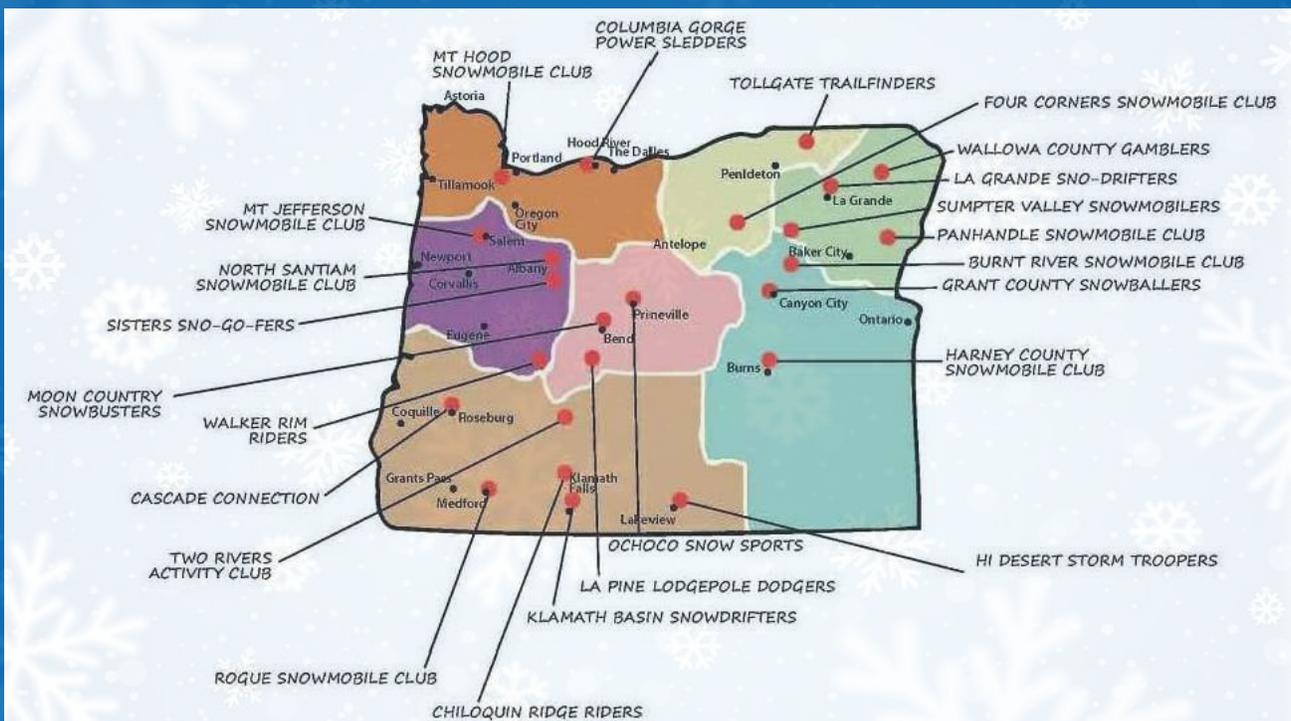
- * Cooperative enjoyment in club activities, rides and play days.
- * Assistance through club membership in formalizing legislation for snowmobiles.
- * Learning new areas to ride and familiarity with areas through joint rides.
- * Strength in state organization through local club organization and input.

- * Opportunity to gain knowledge of snowmobiling through club meeting speakers.
- * Obtaining a feeling of "Belonging" a common bond experience.
- * Meet new people and make new friends.
- * Promote and understand safe snowmobiling.
- * To protect and preserve the rights and freedoms to enjoy the sport of snowmobiling.
- * To help preserve and promote our natural resources.
- * Assist in search and rescue missions.
- * The ability to enjoy snowmobiling activities as a family and at a price reasonable for doing so.
- * Helping provide a trail groomer.
- * Helping to discourage bad snowmobiling practices.
- * Assistance in formulating and conducting youth driver education clinics.
- * Promote sanitation and non-littering in all areas used for snowmobiling.
- * Serve as a catalyst in service to state and federal agencies in providing new snowmobiling trails and parking facilities.
- * Club membership brings recognition to the member from both state and federal agencies and prestige in that recognition.



Our Volunteers spend hundreds of hours taking care of and grooming snowmobile trails.

A ski lift ticket for one person for one day is \$100 or more.
Say "Thank you" to our volunteers by joining your local club today.
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SNOWMOBILERS CARE ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT





Thank you to the Butterfield's and Voboril for loads of wood for the groomer shed.



Well we are officially in winter here in Wallowa County, temperature has dropped and so has some snow.

We have been busy clearing trails, hill climbs and hazards. We have had sunshine and snow days, rainy and wet days and windy and cold days. BUT we aren't complaining, any day on the mountain is a GREAT day. We have done some cabin maintenance and repairs, darn woodpeckers. Have a couple meetings under our belts and good plan moving forward.

So far only a hand full of people are showing up to volunteer, remember without volunteers things don't just magically happen. You don't have to help during organized event days, there is plenty to do leading up to the season as well. If you are out driving trails and see a tree across the road or just know it will be an issue come winter, remove it. Drive by a cabin in the fall and notice it is full of garbage, take out what you can. Also if you notice damage to something your club is responsible for maintaining, get ahold of your club officials and let them know so it can get fixed. Not sure when things are happening get ahold of a club official and find out.

PACK IT IN PACK IT OUT is great to remember when using public areas.

New this season as well as we have started sending out Gambler News every month to members who have provided an email address. Not receiving and want to be added, just email Lorien at amyoutlaw@eoni.com and she will get you added.



WE ARE SO THANKFUL FOR OUR VOLUNTEERS!





Snowmobile Avalanche Rescue Course

Feb. 6th 2024
8am - 5pm

Location: Ten-Mile Sno-Park
LA Pine, Oregon

Instructor:
Mike Duffy Avalanche1.com

Avalanche Rescue (Members Only)

February 6, 2024 Avalanche Instructor: Mike Duffy
Avalanche Rescue is a one-day stand-alone course covering the basics of companion rescue as well as the current best practices in rescue techniques and gear. Students will receive professional coaching on their rescue skills and timed practice with realistic scenarios. Thus, this course is intended for those new to the backcountry, but it should also be retaken on a regular basis to keep skills sharp and to stay up to date with advancing rescue techniques and technology. This course is recommended for anyone completing a Snowmobile Rec Level 1 course and it is a mandatory prerequisite for both the Rec Level 2 Avalanche Course and the Professional Level 1 Avalanche Course. We use an internationally vetted curriculum and state of the art knowledge from MountainSafety.info. The course meets the guidelines set forth by the American Avalanche Association.

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AIARE 2 Motorized January 13-14, 2024 Halfway



AIARE Motorized Rescue Course January 19, 2024 Catherine Creek



AIARE Motorized Level 1 Avalanche Course Catherine Creek Jan 20-21, 2024

Hurry! *Before they are all filled up!*

Motorized AIARE Level 2 Course - January 13th, 14th @ Halfway, OR
-AIARE 2 Motorized January 13-14, 2024 Halfway
– Wallowa Avalanche Center Store

Motorized AIARE Companion Rescue Course - January 19th @ Catherine Creek
- AIARE Motorized Rescue Course January 19,2024 Catherine Creek
– Wallowa Avalanche Center Store

Motorized AIARE Level 1 Course - January 20th, 21st @Catherine Creek
- AIARE Motorized Level 1 Avalanche Course Catherine Creek Jan 20-21, 2024
- Wallowa Avalanche CenterStore

Thanks for your support of the WAC!

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Welcome to the OSSA Avalanche Safety Page. This page is intended to present to our members a place where they can find content relating to the OSSA Avalanche Safety Program and links to professional training and education.

Oregon Avalanche Training Events

- Jan 13: WAC Motorized Avalanche Level 2
- Jan 19: WAC Motorized Companion Rescue
- Jan 20: WAC Motorized Avalanche Level 1
- Feb 2: Avalanche1 Mike Duffy Motorized Companion Rescue (Newberry Crater)
- Feb 3-4: Avalanche1 Mike Duffy Motorized Level 1 (Newberry Crater)

OSSA Program

The OSSA Avalanche Program is designed with three main objectives.

Objective 1 - "Get the training"

Objective 2 - "Get the Gear"

Objective 3 - "Get the forecast"

Southern Oregon Observations

- OSSA Leadership has worked hard with the National Avalanche Center to create a system which we can use when riding in popular non forecasted areas of Oregon. This year OSSA will be hosting an internet site which will provide a focused forecast page as well as an observation page. This will give us all the most current snow conditions. The goal is to generate an observation every time we ride. The page can be accessed via the OSSA website off the Avalanche.org website.



As with anything new, we will be looking for constructive comments on ways to improve the service at the end of the season.

AVALANCHE REPORTING

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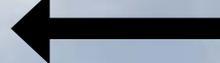


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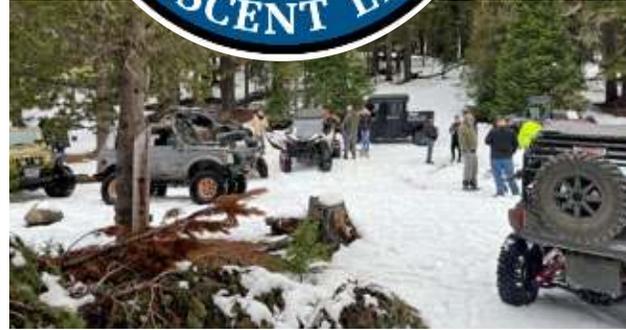
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Club News & Events



The Walker Rim Riders “Pray for Snow” ride 11/12/23 turned work party as we needed to re-stock the Timpanagos Lake warming shelter with wood for the season.

Walker Rim Rider Event List 2023 - 2024

Date	Event	Location	Time
12/09/23 - Sat	Christmas Party	Ponderosa Public House - Chemult	5:30 PM
12/31/23 - Sun	Diamond/Crater Lake Ride	Junction Sno-Park	8:00 AM
01/13/24 - Sat	Waldo Lake Ride	Waldo Lake Sno-Park	9:00 AM
01/23/24 - Tues	OSSA Convention	LaPine	
01/24/24 - Wed	OSSA Convention	LaPine	
01/25/24 - Thur	OSSA Convention	LaPine	
01/26/24 - Fri	OSSA Convention	LaPine	
01/27/24 - Sat	OSSA Convention	LaPine	
02/10/24 - Sat	Elk Lake Ride	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM
02/10/24 - Sat	Board Meeting/Dinner Gathering	Odell Lake Lodge	6:00/6:30 PM
02/25/24 - Sun	Candlelighter's Snow Day	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM
03/09/24 - Sat	Ladies Skills Day - All Men/Women/Children encouraged to attend	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM
03/09/24 - Sat	Board Meeting/Dinner Gathering	Odell Lake Lodge	6:00/6:30 PM
04/13/24 - Sat	Scavenger Hunt	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM
04/13/24 - Sat	General Meeting - Voting	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	2:00 PM
05/11/24 - Sat	Trail Work Party	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM
05/11/24 - Sat	Board Meeting/Dinner Gathering	Bigfoot Tavern - Crescent	6:00/6:30 PM
06/08/24 - Sat	Cowboy Dinner Tree Dirt Ride - RSVP Required	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM
07/13/24 - Sat	Diamond Lake Dirt Ride	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM
08/10/24 - Sat	Kayak Float - Wood River - Fort Klamath	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM



Eagle Cap Extreme Sled Dog Race is looking for snowmobile riders

January 18-20, 2024

The Eagle Cap Extreme Sled Dog Race (ECX) is looking for experienced snowmobile operators to help support 200 miles of remote trail in Northeast Oregon. ECX is part of the Rocky Mountain Triple Crown and a qualifier for the Iditarod and Yukon Quest. We operate a large remote checkpoint that provides food and shelter to volunteers during the race. The race runs January 18-20, 2024 and starts near Joseph, Oregon.

Trail Boss:

The Trail Boss is considered a race official and has responsibility for the overall marking and condition of the trail. The Trail Boss coordinates with trail groomers during the race to ensure the race course is in suitable condition. Occasionally the trail boss will coordinate with the trail team to pack sections of trail with snowmobiles. The Trail Boss will join members of the trail team earlier during race week to mark the trail using an established method with mile markers, direction signs, and hazard signs. The Trail Boss will have support from our Trail Boss emeritus who served in this position for over 10 years before retiring after ECX 2023. The Trail Boss may recruit other riders, and/or work with returning volunteers. During the race, the Trail Boss will head the point team for the 200 mile race. The Trail Boss coordinates multiple point and sweep teams to ensure a safe event. The Trail Boss also works closely with the Race Marshal and the Ops Chief to ensure the highest level of safety on the trail.

Trail Team Member:

Trail Team members work with the Trail Boss on either point or sweep teams. Food and rest are provided at the Ollokot checkpoint which serves as a hub for several loops that comprise the 100 and 200 mile races. Trail Team members looking for a shorter commitment may consider volunteering for the 31 mile race that is run over 2 days and is about 6 hours on each day with the ability to return to town in between.

Snowmobile Support:

Snowmobile support operators assist in setting up and tearing down the Ollokot Checkpoint. The team travels about 2 hours from Joseph early January 17th and operators help shuttle personnel and equipment about 3-8 miles one way depending on the snow. On Saturday January 18th we have a need for operators to assist in the tear down, returning to town mid afternoon.

Volunteering for ECX is a rewarding experience!

Many volunteers return year after year. If you have a snowmobile and would like to ride for a purpose, please consider helping ECX! We will provide fuel during the race and food for all volunteers on the course. All snowmobile operators must have a snowmobile suitable for riding on groomed trails that occasionally get drifted during storm events, and the ability to transport the snowmobile to the race start. <https://eaglecapextreme.com/>

To register to volunteer:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdOJrler8FY92RYNmZgD4tBOSQb__pgiVOOmlcncwhHqpx8Yg/viewform

Interested volunteers may also call/text Julian Pridmore-Brown 503-709-9109.

SNOWMOBILING IN BAKER COUNTY OREGON

Baker County is a winter playground with more than 900 miles of snowmobile trails. If snowmobiling is your thing, then the Elkhorn and Wallowa Mountains of Baker County is where you want to be.

Sumpter has access to hundreds of miles of groomed trails in the breathtaking Elkhorn Mountains of Eastern Oregon! And...in most cases, you can hit the trails right from your lodging!



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In **Halfway**, the main trail heads right up into the Wallowa Mountains north of town and ends at Twin Lakes in the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest at near 7,000 feet elevation. From Unity you can explore the Elkhorn mountains while enjoying some of Eastern Oregon's most spectacular winter scenery.

Upcoming Snowmobiling events include vintage snowmobile races in Sumpter January 9th and the annual snowmobile poker runs in Sumpter and Halfway on Presidents Day Weekend.

The Sumpter Snowmobile Poker Run is always the Saturday of Presidents Day Weekend and the Halfway Panhandle Snowmobile Club's Poker Run is always the Sunday of Presidents Day weekend, making this the perfect three-day winter weekend for exploring the Elkhorn and Wallowa mountains of Eastern Oregon on your snowmobile.

For more information about snowmobiling in Baker County Oregon, including latest snow conditions, upcoming events, and trail maps, contact:

The Sumpter Valley Snowmobile Club

Halfway Panhandle Snowmobile Club

Burnt River Snowmobile Club

Or, the **Oregon State Snowmobile Association**



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Scholarships



2024 KEN HAEVERNICK OSSA SCHOLARSHIP

OSSA scholarship is available to either graduating high school seniors or a person currently enrolled in a college or trade school full time (12 semester credits), either physically or online. Scholarships will be given to the winners regardless of other grants or scholarships that the students may receive.

Requirements are as follows:

1. The applicant or immediate family must be a paid member of Oregon State Snowmobile Association.
2. The applicant must submit the completed application form.
3. The applicant must submit a cover letter. This letter must include the student ID number and college/trade school name and the address to which a scholarship check would be sent.
4. The applicant must submit a resume detailing his/her involvement in snowmobiling as well as extra-curricular/volunteer activities.
5. The applicant must include an essay (essay subject on the application form). The essay **MUST** follow the format below to be accepted and should be sent in Word or Google Docs:
 - a. Minimum of 2 pages – typed.
 - b. Double-spaced.
 - c. Font – Times New Roman.
 - d. Font size – 12 point.
 - e. Margins – set to 1 inch for all margins (top, bottom, left side, right side).
 - f. Page numbers (if included) should be .5 inch from the top of the page (not within the 1” margin).
 - g. A header (for example, the essay question) can be added 1 inch from the top of the first page, and then enter a double space to begin your essay.
 - h. Do **NOT** use bold-faced type or other special settings.
 - i. If work is cited, add an additional “work-cited” page at the end of the essay. This information will **NOT** be counted as part of the 2-page minimum.
6. The applicable documents must be received via email at the OSSA Office by February 1, 2024. Please email to Lmahoney@oregonsnow.org using a subject line of OSSA Scholarship Application.
7. **Any entry that does not meet ALL of these requirements will be disqualified. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

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Club News & Events



Mt. Jefferson Club Winter 23-24 Club Rides

12/09/23	James Benson	Pending – snow pending
12/16/23	Mark Trotter	TBD
New Years	Tony Kuenzi	Ray Benson staging area A – see facebook
1/6/23	Gene Benson	TBD
1/13/23	Don Johnson	TBD
1/20/23	Kelly Fough	TBD
1/28/23	Steve Duch	Brietenbush - EXTREME Ride
2/3/23	Ray Benson	TBD
2/10/23	Open	
2/17/23	Open	
2/24/23	Ray Benson	TBD
2/29-3/3	Steve Duch	Halfway
3/9/23	Open	
3/16/23	Open	
3/23/23	Open	
Summer '24	Summer Barbecue	TBD

All of us at the Mt. Jefferson Snowmobile Club would like to give a shoutout to all our
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MJSC SAR Team completed certification on Nov 4-5, 2023 from their Lead organization Linn County Sheriffs Office SAR

Eleven club members attended the course along with Linn County Parks Dept members and the Linn County Sheriff's Mounted Posse to either certify or recertify the Oregon Sheriff Type 4 Level Searcher requirement. Some new course material was updated by LSCO SAR like the trend is getting away from Search and more to Rescue due to the technology with Cell Phone coverage and rescue notification devices like SPOT, with known locations, it is now the speed to rescue someone in the Winter environment to save lives. There is now an annual requirement that all First Responders need to obtain which is the protection and transport of injured individuals for possible "Spine, Neck and Back" injuries.

Another new item added to the education was the GAR (Green, Amber, Red) Card used to evaluate the "risk" of a SAR team going out on a mission. Nobody wants to go out and rescue a SAR team member.

The MJSC SAR team priority of coverage is the Ray Benson Snow Park area near Hoodoo, but is available to assist any County Sheriff in the State if called upon.

Article written by
Bob Elliott MJSC SAR POC



Hefty fines for trucks failing to use tire chains in Oregon

Prepare for slippery weather travel now! Oregon law requires all commercial vehicles to carry chains whenever road conditions might require their use during your trip and signs are posted.

Oregon law requires that all vehicles over 10,000 pounds gross vehicle weight carry chains whenever their use may be needed or required. You may also be fined for not having an appropriate set of chains for your rig.

Start carrying chains before the weather takes you by surprise. And before every trip, visit TripCheck.com for current road and weather conditions and more on Oregon chain requirements.

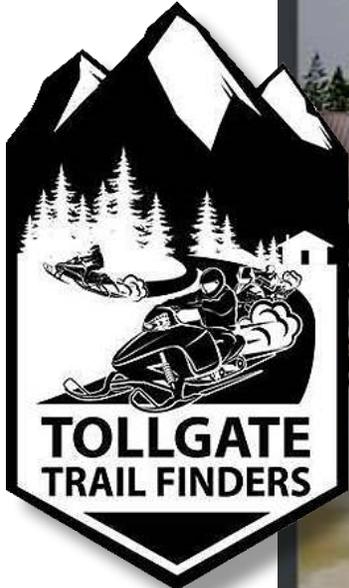
Cost of trucks without chains

The estimated cost of delays caused by trucks failing to follow Oregon chain laws is over \$8 million a year — to the motor carrier industry and other highway users. When a truck loses traction, it can not only delay its delivery but also delay everyone else on the road behind a stuck truck.

Keeping Oregon moving is so important to motor carriers and all Oregonians that the Oregon Legislature raised the fine for trucks failing to use chains to \$880. That law took effect in September 2021.

If a truck is involved in a crash where failure to use chains is a factor, there could be other costs for the motor carrier — not to mention other travelers. Don't be the driver stopping miles of traffic behind you! The time it takes to chain up will get you to your destination faster and reduce the chances of a costly delay.

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The snow has returned with more predicted. Ropes and Poles at Mud Flats work party will be announced soon. Enjoy your day!



Club News & Events

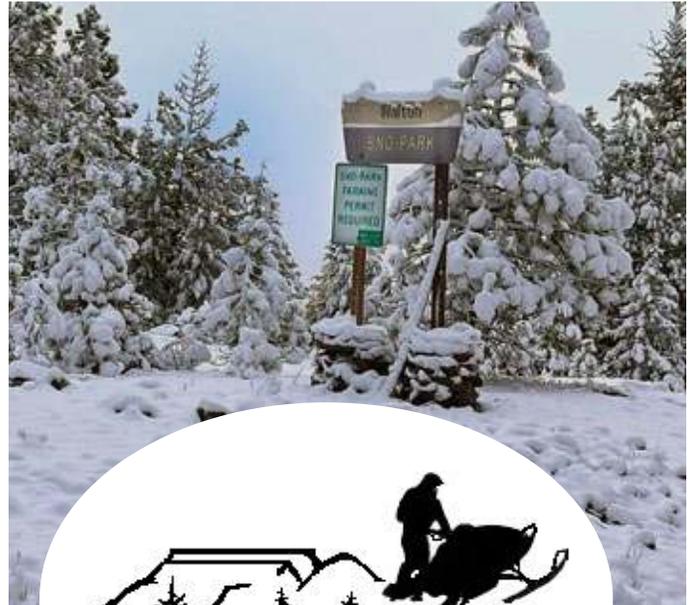
Meetings will be held at the West Salem Wallery's Pizza Parlor at 6pm the 1st Wednesday of every month. The **ONE** exception to this is the January meeting (after the busy holiday season) where the meeting will be held on the 2nd Saturday in January at the Detroit City Hall.



Thank you to all of the volunteers who assisted our new President, Jeff Chipman, with getting wood up to the McCoy shelter!
Volunteer efforts are much appreciated!!

Another thank you to these club members who spent another day placing snow poles!! The Chipmans and the Weavers look like they made it a fun day 😊👍
We can always use more volunteers so please let us know if you are interested!





Club News & Events

Ochoco Sports had a work day with many members contributing to a list of projects.

On the drive in to Walton Snow Park there was about an inch of snow; upon arrival, we broke off into four work groups, each tasked with a project. The projects included stocking firewood in the warming shelter at Indian Prairie. Two cords of firewood are waiting to keep you warm as soon as the snow arrives. Another group took on cleaning up a trail. Low hanging limbs, that take you off your machine before you know what has happened, were removed. A third group replaced the windows in the Walton Snow Park warming shelter, thanks to a donation from Mt. Hood Polaris.

The talented mechanics of the club repacked the wheel bearings and replaced the drive sprockets on the snow cat. At the end of the day our district grooming representative and chair provided a barbeque lunch. If you come to ride in the Ochocos, the Club voted to use radio channel 22.4.

Our next club meeting is at the Sandwich Factory in Prineville on Nov 30th at 6:00pm.





Club News & Events



NEWS FROM THE PANHANDLE SNOWMOBILE CLUB

With winter in the air, we are gearing up for the upcoming season. Our meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month with a potluck at 6:30 pm and the meeting at 7pm. If you are in our area, we would love to have you attend.

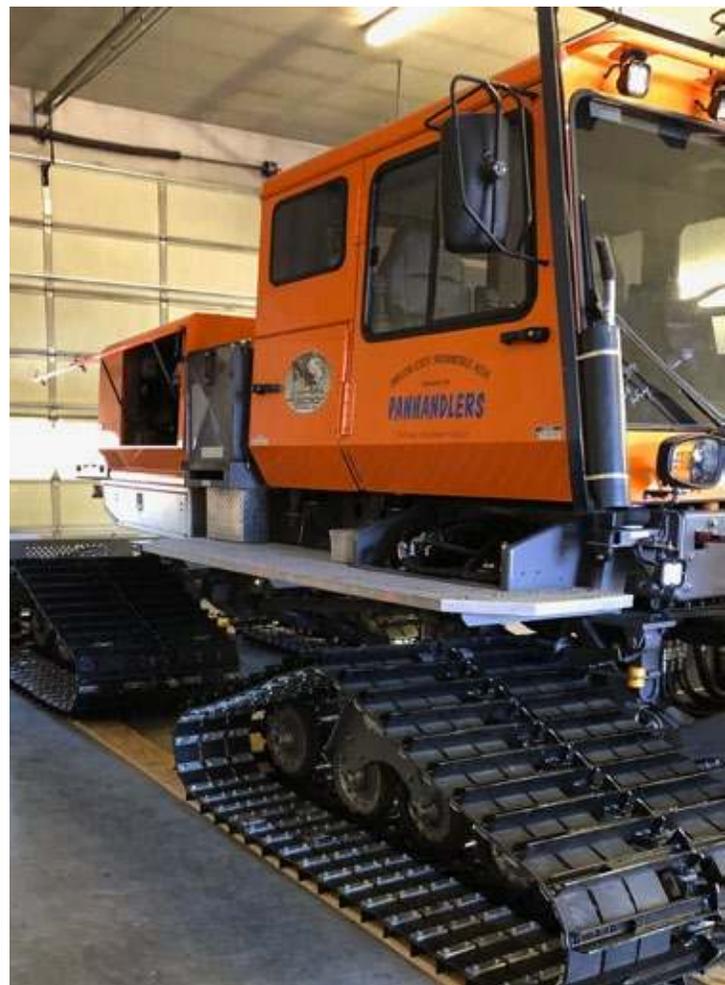
October was busy. We picked up trash along Hwy 86 between Richland and Halfway, which we do each fall and spring. Also, we got 13 cords of logs cut, split and in the shed. There was a great turnout for this activity, which took a couple days. The young guys did terrific hand splitting lots of it as we only had one splitter. We even got some youngsters who worked very hard stacking in the shed. It was a nice day and we all got pizza and beer at the end.

The Sno-Cat is ready to go. Denny Farwell took it to Medford and Tucker put on new grousers all the way around. That should help keep with break downs to a minimum.

POKER RUN/RAFFLE WILL BE FEBRUARY 18TH.

Be sure to mark your calendars and make your reservations. We have some new B&Bs in the area.

Submitted by
Mary Herold, Secretary



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Just a quick shout-out about the southern Oregon Avalanche Information Exchange a game-changer for the Southern Oregon region! Huge thanks to Chuck and everyone at the Oregon State Snowmobile Association for making it happen.

This project came to life because of Chuck at the OSSA, The National Avalanche Center, and the OSSA organization itself - We're just cheering them on. But here's the deal - the real magic comes when we all share the intel from our field experiences.

MAKE SURE TO REPORT YOUR OBSERVATIONS, and let's boost our collective knowledge!

Share observations through avalanche.org or through the OSSA observations page here:

<https://www.oregonsnow.org/observations/#/view/observations>

Psst... we've got several avalanche courses lined up in Mt. Shasta and Crater Lake this winter too.

Curious about why this is such a win for Southern Oregon? Swing by and chat with us at one of the upcoming events in the Southern Oregon area.

Upcoming Events:

- 11/30 SOU Outdoor Program Know before You Go
- 12/2 Mt. Ashland Ski Area Winter Kick-Off event

Find our current avalanche course schedule here: <https://bit.ly/3QIwUV4>

Stay tuned for one more big announcement coming soon - Trust us, it's going to be HUGE!

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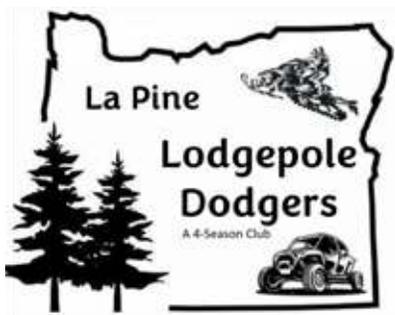
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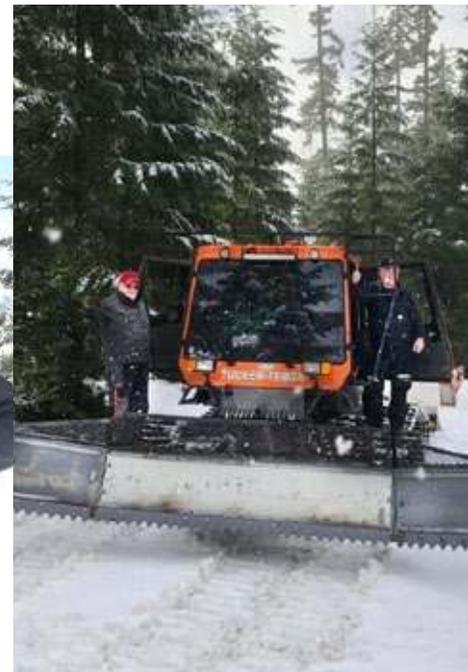


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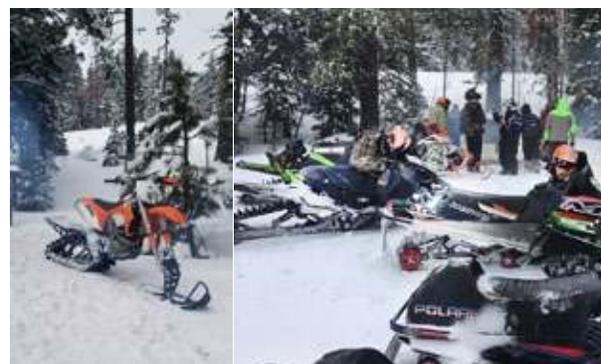


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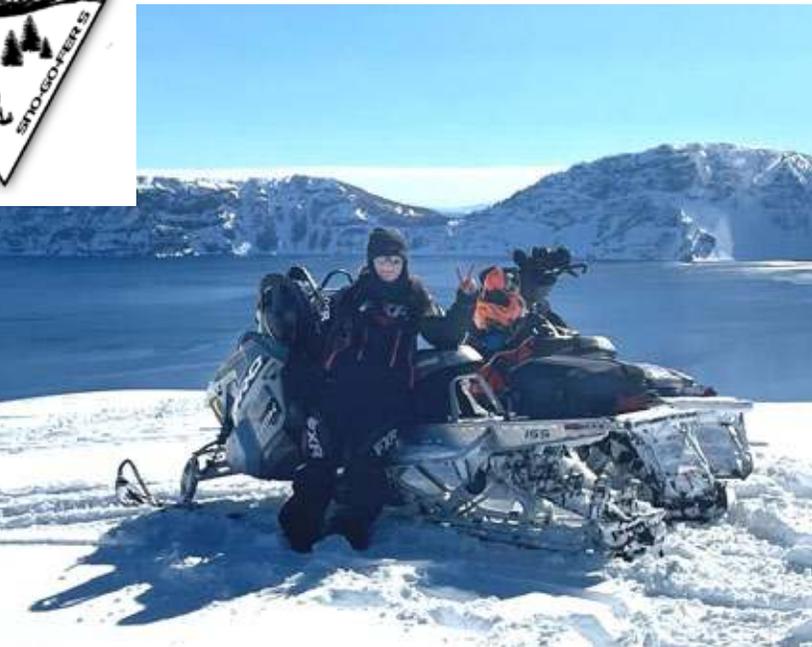
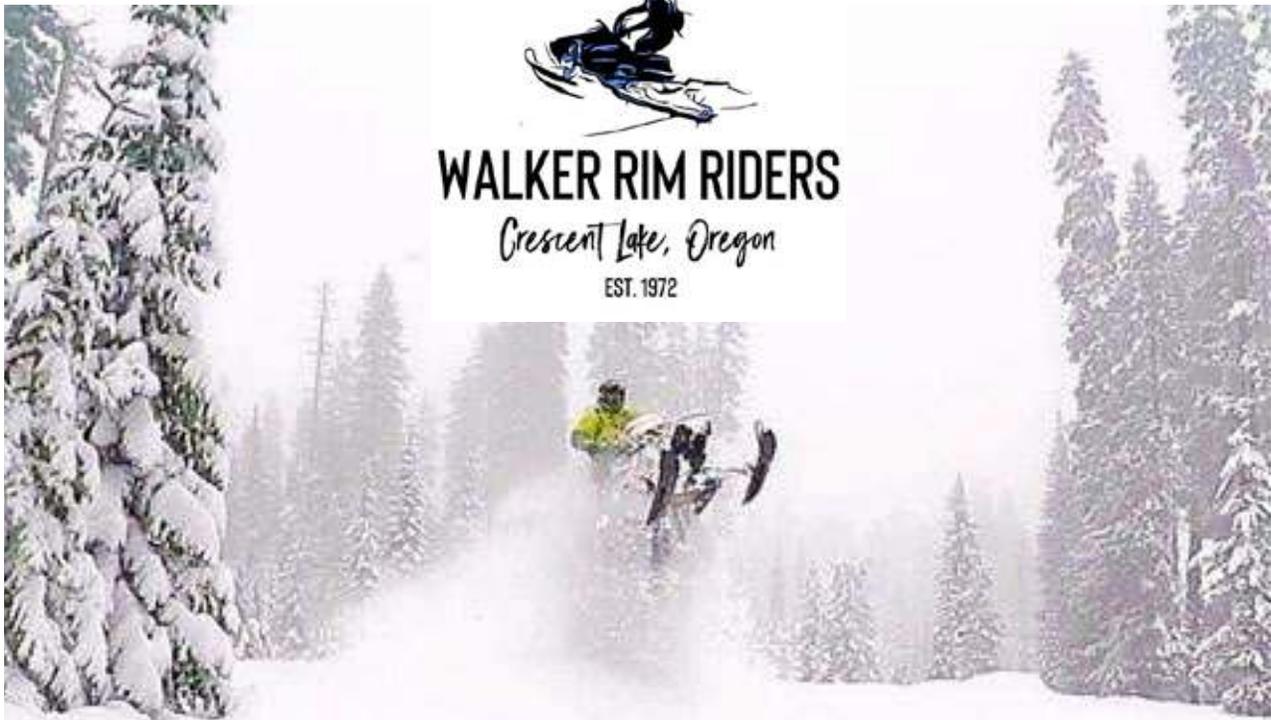
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Oregon State Snowmobile Association

The Oregon State Snowmobile Association is a non-profit organization formed in 1972 by a small group of snowmobilers working to find a way to provide a groomed statewide trail system and to assure continued access to our public lands. We are currently an organization with twenty-five member clubs and a trail system of 6,410 miles of multi-use snowmobile trails. We promote safe and responsible snowmobiling, represent snowmobilers as an organized group and promote proper recreational use of our land by working together with the Forest Service, BLM and other land managers to develop and maintain a quality trail system and winter recreation opportunities. Our mission, briefly stated, is to protect, promote and enhance the family sport of snowmobiling.

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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