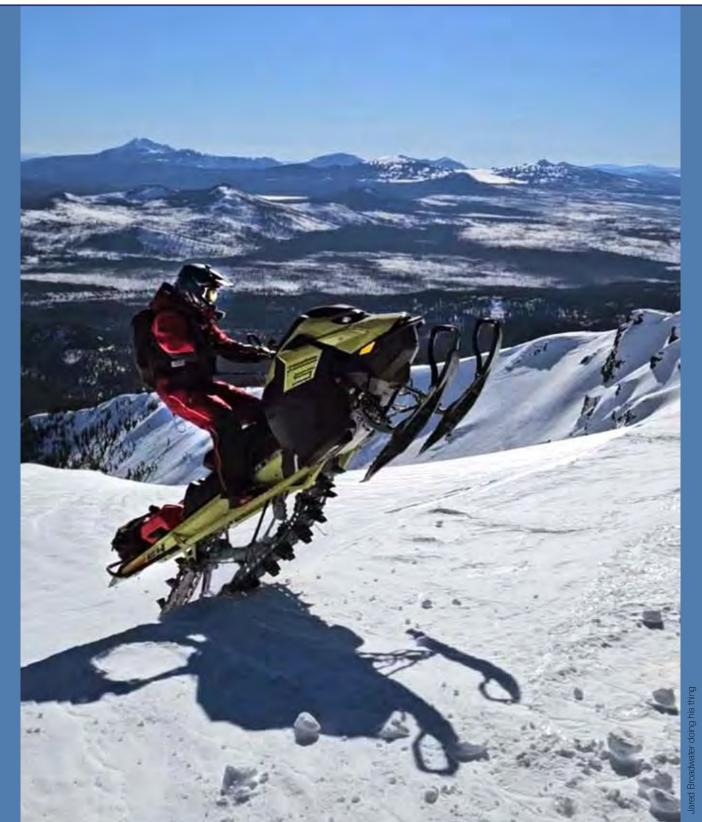


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# **TRESPASSING** Threatening snowmobiling access everywhere!

Dave Newman, ACSA Vice President

I believe, or at least I hope, I am preaching to the choir here. If you are a club member you should already know that you are only allowed to ride where you have permission. But we also know that is not always the case with everyone. Too often we are seeing snowmobilers riding where they are not allowed, by definition, trespassing.

Trespassing is a problem across the county. In the trails riding areas where trails are located on private property, landowners typically only allow snowmobiling to use their property on a designated corridor and any riding outside of the marked trail without permission is considered trespassing. This not only leads to a closure of a trail across one property, but it also often results in the closures of an entire section of a trail system. Many times we have found trespassing may have triggered a trail closure, but other underlying issues may have contributed, such as loud pipes or personality conflicts with club members or government officials. Regardless, this requires club volunteers to work with local landowners to create a new trail or in some cases, a permanent loss of a trail.

Even in areas when snowmobiles are allowed on public lands, it may not mean you are allowed to ride everywhere. In areas where most snowmobiling takes place on public lands, it is important to know there are areas where snowmobiles are not allowed. Riding in areas off limits to snowmobiles is considered trespassing. It is every snowmobiler's responsibility to know where they can legally ride and where it is prohibited.

While laws vary from state to state, trespassing will result in a fine if caught. Even more important, trespassing costs us access.

What has the American Council of Snowmobile Associations (ACSA) done about the problem? We have used social media to bring attention to the issue and encouraged snowmobiles to use the Snowmobile Manufacturers "Take the Pledge" campaign. ACSA has held several contests to bring attention to trespassing. We are currently holding another contest for all ages, to bring attention to the issue through the youth and hopefully their parents. Participants may have a chance to win prizes by submitting coloring pages, a word search, memes or a short video. For more information go to the ACSA website at *www.snowmobilers.org.* 

What can you do? When someone riding in your group rides where not allowed, call them out and explain to them why it is a problem. If you catch someone trespassing report them to your local law enforcement. Let your local law enforcement know where problem areas are, so they know where to best use their resources when patrolling. Clubs can also use their social media pages to bring attention to trespassing. Make sure your trails have appropriate signage to educate everyone to stay on the trail and only ride where allowed.

We ask clubs who experience trail closures resulting from trespassing to report them to their state snowmobile association so we can show the true cost of this issue. We find many times clubs just react to the closure by finding a re-route.



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Show your club or OSSA membership card to receive these discounts.





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ODOT has cut our budget at OSSA (Oregon State Snowmobile Association) by 30% so we had no choice other than reducing all the club's grooming funds by the same, there is strength in numbers and your support is greatly needed and appreciated.

The other groomers and I are happy to groom and open trails for all users, cross-country skiers benefit from the grooming as do snowmobilers, and here on the Malheur NF we are very fortunate to have nearly zero user conflicts.

Our local club membership is down from past years and has never been supported to the level it could be. I know there are a lot of snowmobilers, as well as X-country skiers who are not members but benefit from our efforts.

Please hit the QR code below and renew your membership or join for the first time! Membership is only \$45.00 per year.

There is a lot of effort that goes on behind the scenes to make these winter trails work, your support is greatly appreciated.

Cheers & Have a Great Season

Dave OSSA Director of Grooming Dist. 6







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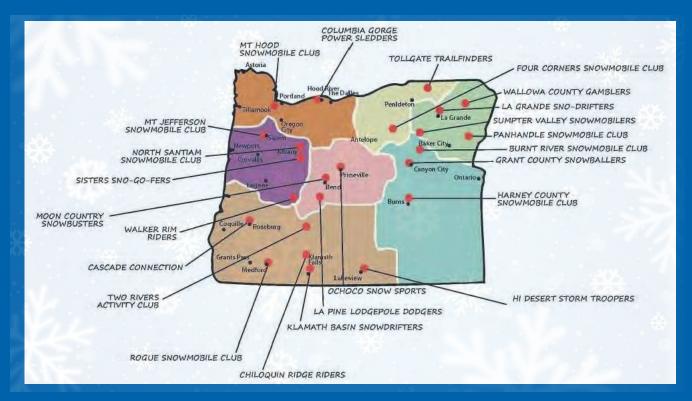
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- Some attributes of club membership include : \* Cooperative enjoyment in club activities, rides and play days.
- \* Assistance through club membership in formalizing legislation for snowmobiles.
- \* Learning new areas to ride and familiarity with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

- \* Opportunity to gain knowledge of snowmobiling through club meeting speakers.
- <sup>t</sup> Obtaining a feeling of "Belonging" a common bond experience.
- \* Meet new people and make new friends.
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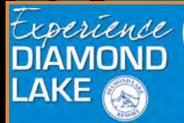
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Here is a link to the OSSA sign up page for the Klamath Basin snowdrifters.

https://www.oregonsnow.org/klamath-basin-snowdrifters/

We had 24 members attend the January meeting. Thanks to all that attended.

We have 86 family members that have joined up so far this season.

Remember Poker Run is scheduled for Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>. We will be donating to **Best Friends of Baker City and SAR** (Baker County Search and Rescue). If our snow holds out and stays with us, we will be having 4 stations on the trails for a purse of \$500 for the people that go out and they will also have a chance for our normal \$3000 pot. In order to qualify for \$500, you must hit all 4 station on the trails plus the other 3 from town stations. Hope we have a great turnout.

Oregon Vintage Snowmobile Race Circuit Group had their 1" race of the season on Jan. 18" & 19" at the fairgrounds. (Martin Luther King weekend.) Stage Stop provided food on both days. Make sure you thank them for being there. Both days were extremely cold.

2<sup>nd</sup> set of races are scheduled for Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>nd</sup>. Hope to see you there.

### 2024 – 2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS Regular

Monthly Meetings (subject to change) POTLUCK starts at 6:00 PM at Sumpter Community Center. Bring your own-table service and drinks. The Club meeting starting at 7:00 PM on the third Thursday of each month from September through April. If you can't make the potluck, you can still come for the meeting.

### Dates and times are subject to change so please check the schedule for each month. Regular Monthly Meetings (subject to change)

- \* Thursday Feb. 20, 2025, 6:00pm
- Thursday March 20, 2025, 6:00pm
- \* Thursday April 17, 2025, 6:00pm

### **Volunteers Hours Needed**

I need <u>members only</u> volunteer hours, that you do, thru out each month to report to OSSA. Please let Jane know, thru email <u>Svbmsc-secytreas@outlook.com</u> or you can text me at 208-739-3498. We report it as Charity and it helps with funding for new groomers, fuel, new groomer sheds, etc. If you need info on what can be counted, please call me.

### Membership:

A new season starts September 1<sup>st</sup>. Even if you don't have a snowmobile, you might have an ATV or just want to drive around the roads to enjoy the great outdoors, remember the money that goes to OSSA is for a good cause. It keeps our trails and forest roads open for all of us to use, ATV/UTV's, Snowmobiles. We can't let them shut it down.

### Grooming/Trail Cleaning Report

They have groomed 626 miles so far. They had a breakdown but worked hard to get it fixed and now just waiting for fresh snow. Hopefully we will get lots of snow in February.

### LINKS TO ISSUES OF INTEREST TO SNOWMOBILERS

### American Council of Snowmobile Associations http://www.snowmobilers.org/

### **Blue Ribbon Coalition**

http://www.share trails.org/.

### **Blue Mountains Forest Plan Revision**

http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/BlueMtnsPlanRevision

### Forest Access for All

http://forestaccessforall.org/

### **OPRD Statewide Trails Plan**

http://www.oregon.gov/oprd/Trail\_Programs\_Services/Pages/Trail-Plans.aspx

### Oregon State Snowmobile Association

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### Wallowa Whitman NF Travel Management Plan

http://www.fs.usda.gov/ detail/wallowawhitman/landmanagement/projects/ ?cid=fsbdev7\_008909





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# Sumpter Valley Blue Mountain Snowmobile Club

Dallas Buck & Richard Kludt cutting trees





A few of us riding to Austin House for lunch. Wes & Vickie Christensen, John &Elaine Livran and Jane Leatherman. Gary & Lynne Applegate and Mike Bogart drove over to join usfor lunch.





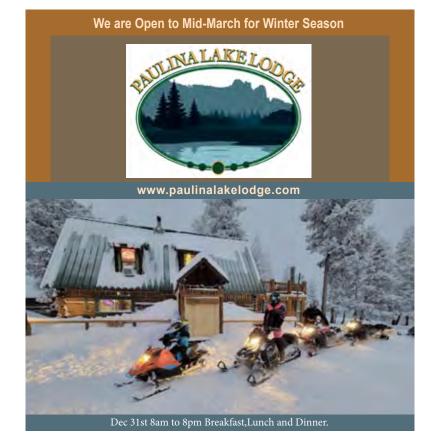
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This is a game-changer for everyone who loves winter adventures on McKenzie Pass. We couldn't have done it without YOU—our community of over 3,000 supporters who signed the petition, shared the message, and proved just how much this place means to all of us.

So get your sleds prepped, your gear ready, and let's make this season unforgettable. This is just the beginning, and we're not slowing down. Next up: working toward a long-term solution to keep these trails open and legendary for generations to come. 💥

Thank you for being the heart and soul of this incredible win. Stay tuned for updates, and let's ride into this season stronger than ever. Let's show everyone what this snowmobile family is made of!





### We need more snow!

In spite of not having a lot of snow our trails are in pretty good condition. Our grooming has been kind of hitand miss. On March 1st the Tollgate Trailfinders has invited our club for a club ride. We've been told that they have good snow.

- Mt Hood Snowmobile Club



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### AIARE Level 1 Feb 8-9, 2025 Joseph

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- \$25 fee which includes 2 practice runs
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- Practice runs 9-10:30

- Lunch at 11:00
- Racers Meeting at 12:00
- Drags start at 12:30
- Prizes at the Wanoga shelter after





Moon Country Snowbusters always does a chili feed for the Bachelor Dog Derby Sled Race. This year we are switching it up to a Chili Cook off. Anyone who is an OSSA member can enter. March 2nd, chili turn in is 11:00, feeding starts at 12:00 at Wanoga snow shelter. The mushers of the race will be voting, there will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes.

### Text me at (541) 390-5503 to get on the entry list

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Move-in hours Tuesday March 4<sup>th</sup> 12pm – 8pm Wednesday March 5<sup>th</sup> 8am – 8pm

### Booth Info;

\$900.00 10 x 10 booth 8' draped back wall and 3' draped side walls One electrical outlet up to 600-watt capacity Exhibitor sign 24-hour security staff Master passes and discount coupons

If all 6 clubs in central Oregon plus OSSA join in the booth. The cost to each club would be \$128.50, 5 clubs \$150.00, 4 clubs \$180.00, 3 clubs \$225.00, 2 clubs \$300.00 and 1 club \$450.00 We would need volunteers from each club to help run the booth. Clubs involved would be;

The following clubs will be participating in the Central Oregon Sportsman's Show March 6-9 inRedmond, OR at the Deschutes county fairgrounds.

OSSA Sister's Sno-Go-Fer's Moon Country Snowbusters Ochoco Snow Sports Lodgepole Dodgers Two Rivers Activity Club Thank you, Roger Ellis OSSA Membership Director District 4 <u>Rellis@oregonsnow.org</u> (503) 475-8095



Malheur, Umatilla, and Wallowa-Whitman National Forests



# 2025 Public Meeting Schedule

# Blue Mountains Forest Plan Revision

These meetings offer an opportunity for the public to learn about the upcoming NEPA process and to hear plan development updates. For questions and more information, please reach out to sm.fs.bluesforests@usda.gov or (541) 278 - 3716.

The public meetings will be in person and virtual. Meetings will be held from 5 - 8 p.m., with doors opening at 4:30 p.m. More information and meetings links will be available at <u>https://tinyurl.com/ythmbdnt</u>.

### Please note: New dates for the next step in the Blue Mountain Forest Plan Revision

Blue Mountains Forest Plan Revision Winter 2025 Public Meeting Schedule

All public meetings will be held from 5 – 8 p.m. Doors open at 4:30 p.m.

### Virtual links and information will be available at:

https://wwwfs.usdagovdetail/umatilla/ home/?cid=fseprd1200075

Forest Service Link https://www.fs.usda.gov/ detail/umatilla/home/?cid= fseprd1188541

Date	Host Forest	Location
February 24, 2025	Umatilla National Forest	Gilliam & Bisbee Event Center 105 E May St Hisponer, IDR 97838
February 25, 2025	Umatilia National Forest	Pendleton Convention Center, West Conference Rooms 1601 Westgate Pendleton C/R 97501
February 26, 2025	Umatilia National Forest	Columbia County Fairgrounds, Passion 5 N Pine St Dayton, WA 99328
March 3, 2025	Malheur National Forest	Grant County Fairgrounds, Trowbridge Pavilion 411 NW Bridge St John Diry, OR 97845
March 4, 2925	Malheur National Forest	Harney County Fairgrounds, Memorial Building 86660 S Egan Ave Buths: OR 97720
March 5, 2025	Wallowa-Whitinan National Forest	Cloverleaf Hall 800 NW 1st St. Enterprise, OR 97828
March 6, 2025	Wallowa-Whitman National Forest	Baker County Fairgrounds 2600 East St. Baker Cay, OR 97814
March 7, 2025	Wallowa-Whitman National Forest	Eastern Oregon University, Gilbert Event Center EOU - 1 University Blvd.



\$50.00 PRIZE FOR THE OLDEST SNOWMOBILE TO COMPLETE THE COURSE

### **COLUMBIA GORGE POWER SLEDDERS - POKER RUN** FOR QUESTIONS CALL WALT AT 541-980-1146

Check us out on Facebook and columbiagorgepowersledders.com

### FEBRUARY 22nd, 2025 **Billy Bob Snow Park** 10:00am to 1:00pm

Hands will be sold starting at 10am (\$5.00 per hand) Drawing and Prizes Begin at 2:00 pm Food compliments of the Columbia Gorge Power Sledders

50/50

and

**Prizes to win** 

TICKET



### Representing the Eugene, Springfield, and Crescent Lake Area

President: Riley Spence Email

Vice President: Doug Wardell Email

Secretary:

Treasurer: Tracy Strode Email

Grooming Co-Chairman: Cole Stuller Email

Grooming Co-Chairman: Tyler Hovelsrud Email

Mailing Address: PO Box 1090 Crescent Lake OR 97733

Facebook Page

Club Map

### March 2025

- 2 Candlelighter's Snow Day Junction Sno-Park 9:00AM
- 8 Timpanogas Lake Ride Junction Sno-Park 9:00AM
- 8 Club Meeting Fire Hall 6:30PM

April 2025

- 12 Trail/Work Party Junction Sno-Park 9:00AM
- 12 General/Voting Meeting Junction Sno-Park 2:00PM

### May 2025

10 - Work Party to Stain Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter - 9:00AM 10 - Club Meeting - Fire Hall - 6:30PM

### June 2025

- 14 Trail/Work Party Junction Sno-Park 9:00AM
- 14 Club Meeting Fire Hall 6:30PM

### July 2025

- 12 Diamond Lake Dirt Ride Junction Sno-Park 9:00AM
- 12 Club Meeting Fire Hall 6:30PM

### August 2025

9 - Kayak Float - Junction Sno-Park - 9:00AM





# La Grande Sno-Drifters Annual LAST CHANCE POKER RUN



We are finally getting some snow again and hopefully, we are done with the really cold weather!

The **La Grande SnoDrifters** are holding a club ride at Ladd Canyon on February 22nd, meeting at the parking lot at 9am, pack a lunch as we will eat on the trail.

Our Poker Run is Saturday, March 1st. Hands start being sold at 9am at the Catherine Creek SnowPark. Dinner will follow after the ride at the Union County Fair Grounds 4H Building. We are looking for sponsors and silent auction items for this event. If you would like to sponsor or donate please contact Amber via call or text at 541-786-4412.

# March 1nd, 2025

Start at 9 AM at Catherine Creek Summit Snow Park · \$5 a hand Riders buy hands at the Snow Park 9-11 AM · For info, email lgsnodrifters@gmail.com· facebook.com/lagrandesnodrifters

Hands need to be turned in by 2pm to warming shelter Dinner to follow @ 6pm at 4H Building at Fair Grounds in La Grande where winners will be announced! Dinner provided by:

Our 2025 Sponsors









Our club president Garrett Carniglia with expectant wife Emma. They had a baby girl!!

# Hí All from Grant County!

We started off our GCSC year with a kickoff bbq at the Carniglia shop in December, where there were some fun giveaway prizes, good food and conversations about the upcoming season! Our groomer operators also met and went through our two Prinoth's and got them ready to roll. We met in January at the Outpost and discussed planning some club rides and events (snow pending). We also elected a new Vice-President, Seth Barrietua. We appreciate him stepping up to fill the position!!

Our club was represented at the OSSA convention by members Dave Hannibal and Cindy Broadwater.Our president Garrett and his wife Emma were unable to attend this year due to welcoming our newestclub member on the 20th of January! I guess that is one way to "grow" our membership!!!

Our club got a call to help out our local sheriff in getting the solar panels cleared of frozen fog and snow at the Dixie Mtn repeater location. Club members Garrett and Ely Carniglia as well as Seth Barrietua and another friend made the trip out the ridge top in very dense fog with limited visibility and were able to clear the panels and get the repeater back up and running. We appreciate our members always being available to lend a hand where needed. Thank you!!!

Some of our club members also recently attended and supported the vintage oval races held in Sumpter in January. It is always a great time with awesome folks from the Sumpter club!!

Our groomer operators have been busy clearing trails and keeping them safe. There has been a goodnumber of folks out using the trails!! Things are a bit different in some areas due to logging operationskeeping roads plowed, but we are managing around that.

We are currently getting more snow after a dry January, and it is stacking up quickly! Get out and enjoy itwhile it's here! Please like and follow us on Facebook for grooming updates and other info! We are underthe group name " GCSC ". Thanks and ride safe!!!







Ashley Brandsma

# Hí All from Grant County!



December season kickoff bbq at the Carniglia shop.



Club member Dylan Brandsma racing IFS class on the inside in Sumpter.



Cam Barrietua racing on the 120. This is his second year racing!!!



Club member Christopher Gibson first time racing on the ovals.



Grooming from both Huddleston and Parish snow parks. Shoutout to Dave Hannibal, Allen Taylor and Jay Carniglia for the beautiful trails!



Club member Ely Carniglia sweeping off the solar panels on Dixie Mtn.



Seth (vp) and Garrett (pres.) having some fun on the oval track in Sumpter.



Mix group of Harney county and Grant county riders at the High Lake rim on a gorgeous blue bird day!







# Just when the snow was getting thin, Klamath County got a huge snowstorm! Perfect timing!

Chiloquin Ridge Riders have had a busy month so far.

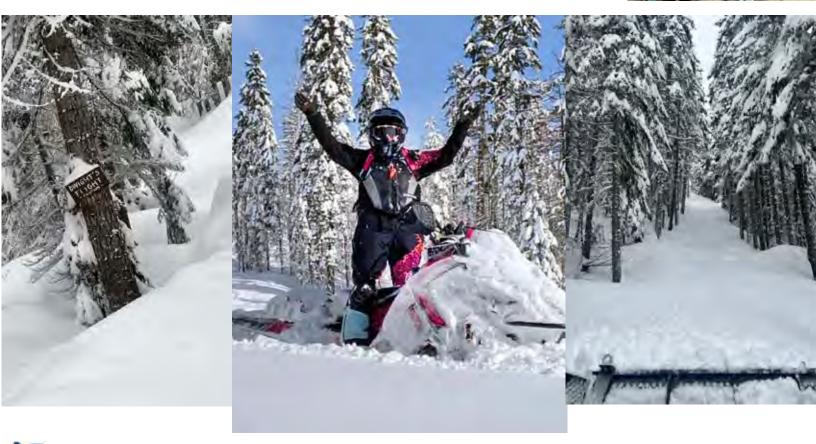
Thank you to our groomers, they have been able to put around 700 miles on our cat this season, so far. On2/2, our club's cat received some servicing to keep it in tip top shape for the rest of the snow season!

On 2/8, the club had a club ride. It was well attended with around 15 members & family friends. After playing around, there were chili dogs to be eaten!

For March, we plan to have a club ride again on 3/8. More details to follow about the ride after our March meeting. We will send an email out to all the Chiloquin Ridge Riders members.

Please don't forget to thank or wave at the volunteers helping keeping our trail systems groomed and open! Be on the lookout for updates about 2026 Convention hosted by the Klamath Basin Snow Drifters & Chiloquin Ridge Riders.







# Ready to Join the Santiam Snowmobile Club? Signing up has never been easier!

Just a few clicks and you'll be part of an amazing community that loves the outdoors as much as you do. Whether you ride snowmobiles or side-by-sides, we've gotevents, trails, and adventures waiting for you!

Join today: https://members.oregonsnow.org/.../Application/QraZaqpW Let's ride, volunteer, and grow together!

#JoinTheClub #Snowmobiling #SideBySide

#OutdoorAdventure #SantiamSnowmobileClub #MembershipMatters #GetInvolved



The PB400 is on the mt. With a Marion county escort. https://www.facebook.com/share/p/15eBGGvAMz/







### **Snowmobile Safety Tips**

### Provided by the Oregon State Snowmobile Association

### Never ride alone (it could be deadly)

- You could get stuck, breakdown, or get lost.
- You could have snowmobile roll over and pin you down.

### New rider instruction

- Squeeze throttle slowly until you get used to the power.
- Hold tight, but do not have a death grip on handlebars. Allow handlebars to move slightly (usually an inch) from side to side.
- Do not follow too close.
- Do not cut blind corners.
  - Stay on main trails. Tree stumps and rocks can be hidden under the snow off trail.

### Alcohol and drugs (even prescription or over the counter)

• Impairs ability to react and think

### **Carrying passengers**

- Most snowmobiles are not designed for carrying two passengers
- 2-Up snowmobiles are safest for two people
- Hazards of having a person sit in front of you on a non 2-Up
  - Hit head on handlebar, dash, or windshield on fast stop
  - They can accidentally grab the throttle
  - Sharp right turn will force front passenger into throttle
  - Reduce right turn will force front passenger into throttle
  - o Reduce ability to handle the snowmobile safely

### GPS Maps

• Free GPS maps for your mobile device are available at <a href="http://oregonsnow.org/clubs/">http://oregonsnow.org/clubs/</a>

### Follow the leader

- Leader should never disappear, even if followers know where the leader is going
- Leader should slow down at corners so that everyone takes corners at a safe speed (especially important if leading beginners)

### Obey the laws to preserve our ride to ride

- 5 MPH in the Sno-Park
- Reduce excessive noise around Sno-Park and non-snowmobilers
- Slow down and stop if necessary when approaching sled dogs
- Slow down when passing skiers and pedestrians
- Avoid accidents, do not follow too close
- Respect the environment. You can be fined for destroying trees.

### Protecting the snowmobile

- Overheating is the #1 cause for expensive repairs. Rental agencies will charge you for repairs related to overheating.
- Watch temperature gauge and use ice scratchers when needed.
- Going too slow for too long (less than 10 MPH) can cause overheating on almost any snowmobile.

### Safety

• It is easier than you think to become dehydrated. Carry water and a protein bar.

### What to do when stuck

- Avoid gunning the engine as you will become more stuck
- Tip sled on its side and pack snow under. When all else fails, get out shovel.

### Clothing

- Avoid scarves or loose clothing that could get caught on snowmobile.
- Dress in layers. Cotton will stay wet and is dangerous in extreme conditions.
- Two or three thin layers will keep you warmer than one thick piece of clothing
- Thick gloves are great for skiing but bad for snowmobiling. Thick gloves prevent the head from heated handlebars from warming your hands and reduce your ability to hold the handlebars and work the brake and throttle.

### For additional safety information go to <a href="http://www.snowmobileinfo.org/">http://www.snowmobileinfo.org/</a>



snowmobile.org









### A Memorable Weekend at the 2025 OSSA Convention

There's nothing quite like spending a weekend surrounded by passionate snowmobile enthusiasts, and the 2025 Oregon State Snowmobile Association (OSSA) Convention was chock full. From January 16-18, we gathered at Diamond Lake Resort, just a short drive from the breathtaking Crater Lake, for three days of connection, education, and, of course, snow.

One of the best parts of attending was getting to spend quality time with members from clubs all across Oregon. Whether it was sharing meals, swapping stories over drinks, or hitting the trails, the sense of camaraderie was strong.

#### The Highlight: Showcasing the Stage V Bison X

The standout moment of the weekend? Bringing the Stage V Bison X to the convention. Snowmobile clubs across the state rely on top-notch grooming equipment to keep trails in peak condition, so getting the chance to introduce our machine to OSSA members was a big deal.

On Friday morning, Prinoth and other manufacturers joined a roundtable discussion, where OSSA President Dennis Jordan led an engaging Q&A with club groomers. The conversations were insightful, with operators eager to share experiences and ask great questions about the latest in grooming technology.

That afternoon, we rolled out the Bison X for a hands-on show-and-tell session. More than 15 operators gathered to see it in action, and we spent hours demoing and answering questions. Seeing the excitement firsthand made all the effort worth it!

#### Looking Ahead

Beyond the presentations and demonstrations, the convention was packed with valuable training sessions, riding skill workshops, and group rides. OSSA continues to do an amazing job bringing the community together and supporting the sport. Overall, it was a fantastic weekend, and we're already looking forward to next year's convention. Until then, we'll be out on the trails, making sure every ride is as smooth as possible!



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#6,400 miles of volunteer groomed trails

## 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:**

Grooming Machine for the day.

N.S.	<b>6:00 am</b> Drive 90 minutes up to the mountain.
	<b>7:30 am</b> Prepare the Grooming Machine for the
	8:00 am Begin Grooming the trails.
	<b>8am to 6pm</b> Groom the trails, remove fallen tr make roads through snow drifts.
	<b>6:00 pm</b> After grooming 50 to 60 miles return t and begin refueling and cleaning the C
	7:00 pm Head for home.
	<b>8:30 pm</b> Arrive home and crash.
	Did you know that the best way to <b>"THANK YC</b> volunteer is to renew your membership every year
	Many OSSA members join every club in every are say, <b>"THANK YOU"!</b>

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our membership every year? join every club in every area that they ride just to

Oh yeah, if you see a Groomer Volunteer be sure to shake their hand

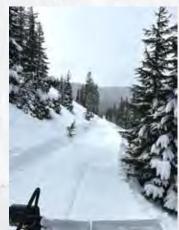




and say "THANKS".

5:00 am Wake up.









Find us on <a>Facebook</a> (<a href="https://www.facebook.com/sumptersnowmobileclub">https://www.facebook.com/sumptersnowmobileclub</a>)



### Congratulations to all our class winners from the Oregon Vintage Snowmobile Race in Sumpter.



Youth 120 and 200- Axl C, Nox C, and Hank M.

We also had kagen W, Jaxton E, Cam B and Hallie D that couldnot join use for day two.

Youth Stock 340- 1 Trenton Wild, 2 Blaine Arnold Youth IFS- 1 Trenton Wilde Master Stock- Glenn Warren Stock 340 Fan- Parker Helgesen Stock 340 Free air/Liquid- Bill Turner Stock 440 Fan- Katy Martin Youth Stock 440- Blaine Arnold Womens Stock 340- Elizabeth Ruchert Super Stock 440- Ty Murray Womens Stock 440- Katy Martin MOD 440- TY Murray IFS Fan- Bill Turner Stock 440 Free air/Liquid- Gattett Carniglia IFS 500+ Liquid- Glenn Warren









HAVE FUN ON YOUR RUN

## BUT DON'T DRINK 'TIL YOU'RE DONE

This message brought to you by the American Council of Snowmobile Associations www.snowmobilers.org



## Snownobile Safety For more safety tips go to: www.snowmobile-ed.com Avalanche Training: www.nwac.us



Did you know that you must have a valid driver's license or snowmobile safety card to operate a snowmobile in Oregon? OSSA offers snowmobile safety classes for all ages, even kids as young as 7 years old. See: www.oregonsnow.org/contact/safetytraining/ Snowmobile safety starts before you go up to the mountain.

**Are you totally prepared?** Here's a partial list of items to consider carrying: Shovel, hand saw, water, protein bar, 2 way radio, SPOT unit, cell phone with spare battery, maps, first aid kit, matches, fire starter, extra socks, extra gloves, emergency blanket, whistle, tampons, compass, mirror, zip ties, duct tape, Leatherman tool pliers.

#### **Tow Strap**

#### Snowbunje allows you to tow a snowmobile without 2 riders (available at most snowmobile dealers).









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## FEBRUARY 15th 2025

\* Walk About Requires : 7 Stations, all located in Town

• Trail Run Requires : All available Trail Stations and any remaining Stations needed from Town to achieve a total of 7 stations

\* All Trail Participants must have a snowmobile license on their machine

\* Full Participant Rules available at Registration

## REGISTRATION Location : Sumpter School House FRIDAY Feb14th 6pm-8pm SATURDAY 15th 8am-1:00pm

Early Registration recommended for Trail Participants Registration later than 9:30am Saturday will make it difficult to complete the run

Awards Ceremony & Raffle - Saturday 6pm at the Groomers Shed

Sponsored by Sumpter Valley Snowmobile Club

## PANHANDLE SNOWMOBILE CLUB DENNY OLIVER MEMORIAL PROPERTY OLIVER MEMORIAL HALFWAY, OR



9 AM-12 PM PAYOUT - 6 PM @ LION'S CLUB Breakfast - 7 am Dinner - 4 pm @ Lion's Club PROCEEDS SUPPORTING HALFWAY LION'S CLUB & PINE VALLEY GRANGE

JASON HARRIMAN- 541-742-6641 MARY HEROLD- 541-742-6446 JAKE ROE- 541-540-2065

Snow Park Permit Required 25 Miles Bonfires at each station 

 \$5 Hands- No Limit
 1ST PLACE - \$1600

 \$4000 Payout
 2ND PLACE - \$1000

 \$4000 Payout
 3RD PLACE - \$800

 4TH PLACE - \$400
 5TH PLACE - \$200



#### To Register - Click this link:

https://oregonsnowmobileassociation.growthzoneapp.com/ap/Events/Register/6VFB067tmC1CZ

Saturday, February 15, 2025

#### Description

Rogue Snowmobilers, Central Equipment, and Diamond Lake Resort, has joined together to host Oregon's Premier Snowmobile event.

Come join Rogue Snowmobilers and all your snowmobile and Snowbike friends at Diamond Lake, on Saturday, Feb 15th. This is the largest event of its kind in the western states.

Your entry includes a tour around Southern Oregon's most AWESOME Snowmobile/Snowbike country.

(§) Pricing Event Entry and First hand for each rider is \$15.00

Additional hands for a rider are \$5.00 each - available after you purchase your first hand - You can purchase as many extra hands as you want.

Most people will buy their Entry hand and 2 extra hands for \$25

Diamond Lake Resort 350 Resort Dr Diamond Lake, 97731

Thank you to all our sponsors!







Event Contact Greg Gulrich Email: madness-iz-back@live.com

③ Saturday, February 15, 2025 Snowmobile Poker Run

> Online pre-registration is available on our website. Now open through Monday, February 10th.

In-person pre-registration is available 5:30PM - 7:30PM Friday, February 14th at the lodge at Diamond Lake.

Check-in Saturday, Feb 15th at 8:30 am (you'll pickup your registrations packets)

Rider's meeting and safety briefing at 10:00am

Poker run begins at 10:15 am

Checkpoint 5 will open up at 2:30PM at the lodge and remain open through 4:30PM for those who want to get last-minute hands. No more hands will be sold after 4:30PM to give our volunteers time to prepare for winners.

Dinner will be upstairs in the Baily room at the lodge from 5PM -8PM. Awards and winners will be announced during this time.



- Representation
- Education
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- Community Service
- Information
- Socializing

The Rogue Snowmobilers, located in the Rogue Valley, are the largest snowmobile club in the state of Oregon.

We are a non-profit snowmobile club responsible for grooming in the area just west of Crater Lake National Park in an area known as Thousand Springs Snow Park.

Our club **maintains over 150 miles of trails**, most of which are groomed weekly.

We want to ensure not only do snowmobilers have access to these parts of the woods, but anyone.

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#### ROUGE SNOWMOBILERS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS 2025

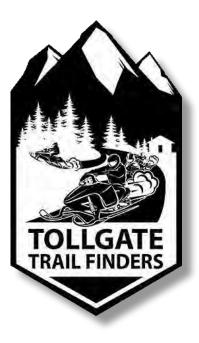
March	2025	
1-2	No Host Ride	10-Mile Snow Park
4	General Club Meeting, & Pie Auction, 6:00pm	IOOF Central Point
TBA	Cascade Ladies Ride	TBA
15-16	Snow Drifters & Rogue Play Day	Annie Creek Sno-park
TBA	District 5 Playday	TBA
11	Board Meeting 6:00 pm	Teams
29	Last Hurrah/ Winter Banquet	Claude Lewis Sno-park
April	2025	
1	General Club Meeting 6:00 pm	IOOF Central Point
5	No Host	3-Lakes Sno-Park
8	Board Meeting 6:00 pm	Teams
TBD	Candlelighters Ride	1000 Springs Sno-park



#### 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!

#### https://roguesnowmobilers.com/membership



## The Tollgate Trailfinders have these activities completed and planned.

Jan 4, TTF, Umatilla and Union County SAR held a basic Avalanche Rescue training put on by WallowaAvalanche Center.

Jan 18 TTF hosted a club ride with Spokane Winter Kights.

Feb. 8 TTF hosted Snowmobile and Snow bike rides for a visiting WSSA convention riders.

March 1 TTF is hosting club rides with The Mt Hood Club.



Here are a few pics. 3 are from the WSSA Snowbike Group at Tollgate. The other 3 are a few of us enjoying the deep powder at Tollgate.



## Tollgate AVY Class













#### Klamath Basin Snowdrifters 2024/2025 Schedule of Events

General meeting locations are to be announced prior to the meeting on Facebook, due to limited seating and options. In addition, locations for club rides will also be announced on Facebook and at the general meeting prior to the ride.

> Here is a link to the OSSA sign up page for the Klamath Basin snowdrifters. https://www.oregonsnow.org/klamath-basin-snowdrifters/

#### February 2025

Tuesday 2-11-25: General Meeting 7pm, dinner at 6 PM (location TBA

Saturday 2-22-25: Club Steak Feed and club ride (location TBA)

#### March 2025

Tuesday 3-11-25: General Meeting 7pm, dinner at 6 PM (location TBA

Saturday 3-22-25: Club Ride (details TBA)

#### April 2025

Tuesday 4-8-28 General Meeting 7pm, dinner at 6 PM (location TBA

Saturday 4-19-25 End of Year Banquet at Trappers @ 5pm





## 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 sledders, snow blkers 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.



## SNOWMOBILING IS A FUN FAMILY ACTIVITY



## Join us today!

### Trail Conditions/Grooming Reports

Be sure to always check avalanche conditions before you ride! https://members.oregonsnow.org/grooming



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!





#### Wallowa Avalanche Center

PO Box 324 Joseph, Oregon 97846

(503) 329-6603

Info@wallowaavalanchecenter.org

https://wallowaavalanchecenter.org /classes-events/

www.wallowaavalanchecenter.org

#### About Us

The Mission of the Wallowa Avalanche Center is to keep wroter backcountry travelera safe in the mountains of Northeast Dregon through education, avalanche advisories, mountain weather information and observations.

We begin bi-weekly avalanche forecasts in the fall after enough snow accumulates in the mountains for on-snow travel in the backcountry and continue them until early April. We also offer a variety of classroom and field based educational programs, including instruction specifically almost towards youth, backcountry skiers, snowmobilers, and professionals.

#### Victor McNeil, Director

#### vistor willowaavalanchecenter/

Victor began spending winters in the Wallowas in 2009, and has worked as a professional ski and mountain guide for the patt 12 years. As a native of Oregon, Victor graduated from Southern Oregon University, with a degree in Small Business Management. During the spring and summer, Victor guides in Alaska, Washington and Peru on high altitude peaks and technical summits. As an American Mountain Guide. Victor has achieved the highest level of certification in Mountain Guiding, through the American Mountain Guides Association. Victor has achieved a Level 3 Avalanche Certification through the American Avalanche Institute. La Grande, OR is home for Victor with his with and 2 Golden Retrievers. When not out backcountry sking, Victor is working on his snowmobile skills and how to develop better avalanche education for motorized backcountry users.

#### **Rex Stanley, Development Director**

Rex halls from the small town of Baggs, WY, where he grow up thowmobiling with this family and learning to showboard on the slopes of Steamboat Springs, CD, He attended Boise State University where he graduated with a degree in Business Management. Currently living in La Grande, DR, he is learning to explore the backcountry of the Wallowas and Elikhons via his split-board and showmobile. He hopes to increase the reach that the WAC has for all backcountry users, and build upon the growing backcountry culture here in Northeast Oregon. When the show melts, he can be found hiking and riding his bike with his pup and wife. He also serves as board member of the local mountain biking chapter. Blue Mountain Singletrack Trails Club.



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#### Michael Hatch, Avalanche Specialist

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Michael Hatch grew up in Boise. ID and earned a B.S. in Resource Conservation/Wilderness Studies from the University of Montana, and an M.S. in Education from Eastern Oregon University. Currently Hatch is the director of the Outdoor Adventure Program and instructor of Health and Human Performance for EOU. Hatch worked for over a decade as a backcountry ski guide in the Sawtooths and Wallowas. One of Hatch's biggest passions is toaching avalanche courses, as an AIARE Course Leader for Level 1 and 2 classes. Hatch is a professional member of the American Avalanche Association and is also a board member for the WAC.



Nick began skiing before he can remember. He started working on the Mt. Hood Meadows Pro Patrol in 2005 and became the Snow Safety Supervisor there in 2014. Nick spent the summers of 2016 and 2017 working as a ski area avalanche forecaster in the Cragieburn mountains of New Zealand. He has travoled to ski in Chile, Argentina and Japan.

#### Caleb Merrill, Avalanche Specialist

Caleb Merrill grew up on the coast of Maine, eventually venturing west in search of more anowfall and vertical relief. He began his career in the snow and avalanche arena in 2006 as a ski patroller at Solitude in the Wasatch mountains of Urah. Early morning avalanche mitigation routes with explosives along exposed ridgelines are amongst the favored memories of this job. Caleb became a guide with Ruby Mountain Helicopter Sking in 2014, and has enjoyed exploring the mooks and crannies of this hidden gem of a range while learning amongst some of the best guides in the Industry. He is the creator, bost, and producer of *The Avalanche Hour* Podcast- a side project almed at creating more dialogue amongst the snow and avalanche community. Caleb is actively progressing through the AMGA ski guide peogram in hopes of certification. He completed an AIARE level 3 course in 2014, and is currently an AIARE course instructor. He looks forward to a winter in the Wallowase getting to know the terrain, snowpack, and people.



Kelly grew up in Eastern Wyoning where she started exploring the Big Horn mountains on snowmobiles and dirt bikes at an early age. During that time, she also learned to ski in the South Dakota Black Hills. Kelly moved to Montana for her undergrid and was introduced to backcountry ikling. After many years of school and earning her Ph.D. from Oregon State University in 2009, whe began a career as a professor at Eastern Oregon University, where much of her work focuses on public health and research in outdoor physical activity including the study of behavior in outdoor environments. Recently Kelly has started to assess how public health theories and practices can be utilized for avalanche education and forecasting. Since 2017, Kelly has helped organize and run operations at the Wallowa Avalanche Center; including teaching avalanche courses for both inotorized and non-motorized users. In 2019 Kelly took her Professional Level 1 Avalanche Course and will be taking her Professional Level 2 Course this February. Last winter Kelly completed her AIARE Instructor Training Course at Togwotes, WY on a snowmobile. Kelly is a Professional Member of the American Avalanche Association, a guest host on the Avalanche Hour Podcast, and lias also completed her AMGA Alpine Sivil's Course.







### YOUTH OPERATORS NEED SAFETY TRAINING

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This message brought to you by the American Council of Snowmobile Associations www.snowmobilers.org

## 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:

ORS 821.150 drivers license or permit required. Class D Fine up to \$250

## We can CERTIFY kids 16 and under without a driver's license.



## 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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Salem Area Maria Sammons (503) 569-5552

Hood River Area

John Vogel (541-490-8114

Portland Area TJ Relly (503) 804-2075

Klamath Falls Area David Miller (541) 884-2423

### John Day Area

Lyle Klenski (541) 620-1324

Roseburg Area Glenn Shirek (541) 673-3787

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Enterprise Area Bandy James (541) 426-3854



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Portland Area Snowmobile, ATV, Dirt Bike & SxS rentals

https://mthoodatv.com/

#### Portland snowmobile rentals

https://skwatercraftrentals.com/Rentals-Tours/Snowmobile-Rentals

#### Mt Hood guided snowmobile tours

http://www.mthoodoutfitters.com/winter/snowmobiling

Southern Oregon & Rogue Valley snowmobile rentals

http://www.rentsleds.com/

#### Mt Bachelor guided snowmobile tours

http://www.coadventures.com/

#### Mt Bachelor snowmobile rentals at Elk Lake Lodge

https://outridersnw.com/ 503-298-9175

#### Sunriver area snowmobile rentals:

http://floatationnation.com/

#### Bend area snowmobile rentals:

https://adventurerentals.weebly.com/

#### **Central Oregon snowmobile rentals**

http://www.central-oregon-rentals.com/snowmobile-rentals.html

#### Elk Lake Lodge snowmobile rentals

http://elklakeresort.net/ activities/winter/

#### Diamond Lake Lodge snowmobile rentals

http://www.diamondlake.net/winter-recreation#snowmobile

#### Odell Lake Lodge snowmobile rentals

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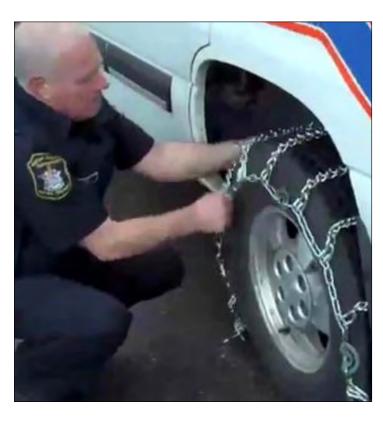






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Always wear protective gear to stay safe



## Volunteer hours and miles Are Vital to OSSA

### What is a snowmobile club volunteer ?

By Lisa Mahoney, OSSA Executive Director

A snowmobile club volunteer is a special person who dedicates their time, energy, and sometimes money to benefit not only their snowmobile club but others. This person is involved, helpful, charitable, selfless and always humble. Much of the time, the public has no idea what our volunteers do. So, let us share just a few things that they do.

They voluntarily maintain over 31,500 miles of multi-use trail each year. These trails benefit not only snowmobilers but crosscountry skiers, snow bikers, snow-shoers, and dog sledders. In the spring and fall, volunteers are busy cleaning trails and putting up trail markers to get ready for the next season. They cut wood and fill the shelters for all to use. They build bridges, shelters, re-roof existing grooming sheds, and do their own maintenance on their sno-cats. They voluntarily teach snowmobile safety classes and avalanche safety classes. They donate to charitable organizations such as Candlelighters, Wounded Warriors, Hospice, and Meals on Wheels just to name a few.

Our volunteers are the backbone of our organization. We could go on and on about all that they do. So, we want to humbly thank each and every one of you for your hard work and dedication to our wonderful organization.

Volunteer hours/miles = \$\$\$. More \$\$\$ = the more we can provide for snowmobiling!

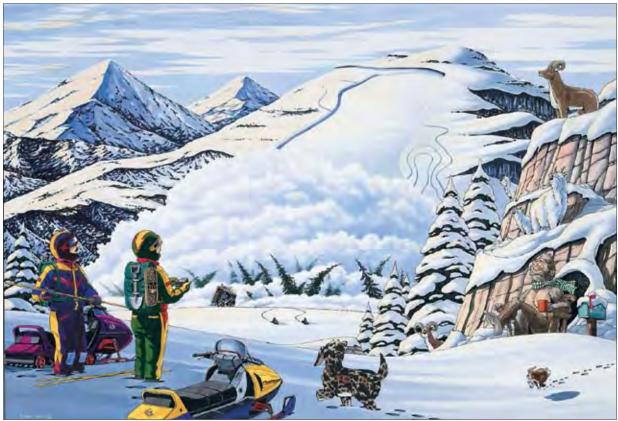
#### CLICK HERE FOR VOLUNTEER FORM

Use this form to track your volunteer hours and miles. Please turn in the form monthly. You can mail to OSSA, PO Box 6255, Bend, OR 97708; email to Imahoney@oregonsnow.org; or fax to (458) 202-1193.

## Thank You so much for all that YOU do for snowmobiling!



## **KNOW THE RISKS** AND BE PREPARED



## Avalanche Safety Guidelines

GET THE GEAR: Ensure everyone has an avalanche transceiver, shovel, and probe on their person and knows how to use them.

GET THE TRAINING: Take an avalanche course.

GET THE FORECAST: Make a riding plan based on the current avalanche and weather forecast.

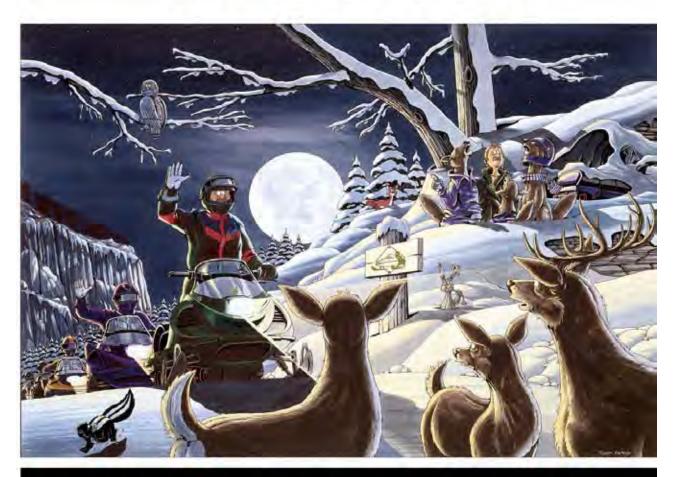
GET THE PICTURE: If you see recent avalanche activity unstable snow exists. Riding on or underneath steep slopes can be dangerous.

GET OUT OF HARMS WAY: One at a time on all avalanche slopes. Don't go to help your stuck friend. Don't group up in runout zones.



United States: www.avalanche.org Canada: www.avalanche.ca

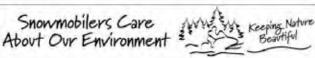
# WHEN NIGHT RIDING, **SLOW DOWN**



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### Scholarships



#### 2025 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.



#### 2025 OSSA Scholarship Application Link

https://www.oregonsnow.org/assets/pdf/2025+Ken+Haevernick+OSSA+Scholarship+Application/

#### 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.
- 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.
- The applicant must submit a resume detailing his/her involvement in snowmobiling as well as extracurricular/volunteer activities.
- 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:
  - 1. Minimum of 2 pages typed.
  - 2. Double-spaced.
  - 3. Font Times New Roman.
  - 4. Font size 12 point.
  - 5. Margins set to 1 inch for all margins (top, bottom, left side, right side).
  - 6. Page numbers (if included) should be .5 inch from the top of the page (not within the 1" margin).
  - 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.
  - 8. Do NOT use bold-faced type or other special settings.
  - 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.

The applicable documents must be received via email at the OSSA Office by April 1, 2025. Please email to Lmahoney@oregonsnow.org using a subject line of OSSA Scholarship Application. All applicants will be notified of the final scholarship selection by April 15, 2025. The scholarship winner will be announced at the OSSA Board Meeting in May 2025.

#### 6. Any entry that does not meet ALL of these requirements will be disqualified. NO EXCEPTIONS.

#### Additional rules:

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#### OREGON STATE SNOWMOBILE SCHOLARSHIP 2025 APPLICATION FORM

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City	y: State:
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	Have you attached an essay on the following subject (must be at least 2 pages, double-spaced and typed)?

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#### OREGON STATE SNOWMOBILE SCHOLARSHIP 2025 APPLICATION FORM

#### Essay Topic:

A week after President Biden took office, he signed an executive order that announced his commitment to protecting 30% of U.S. land and water by 2030.

#### Essay Challenge:

- How does this executive order impact snowmobiling?
- What action should snowmobilers take on the order?

Note:

Essays will be judged on depth of content, clarity, organization, and persuasiveness.





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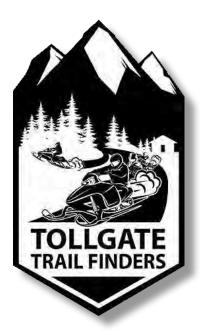


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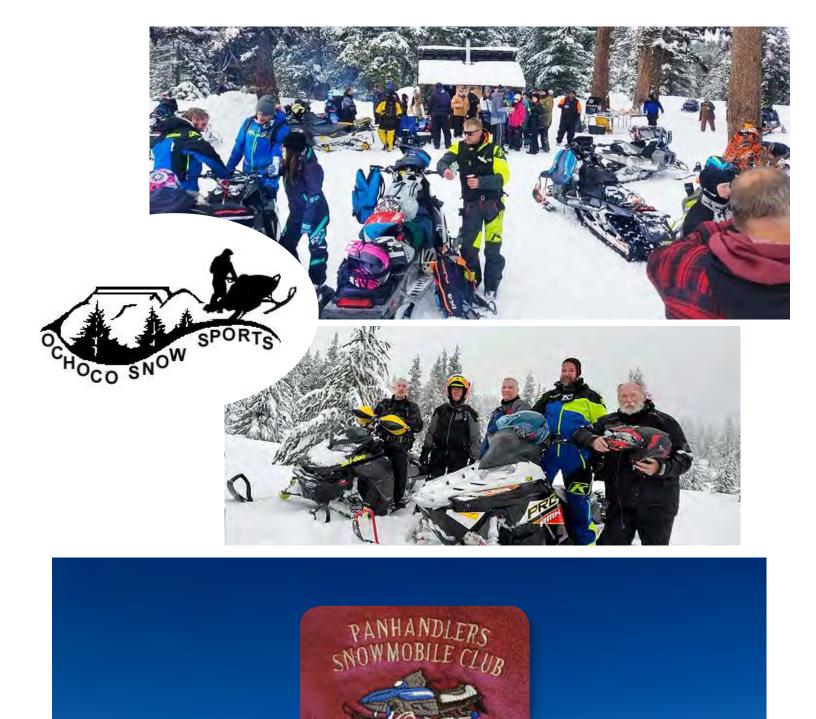


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## Oregon State Snowmobile Association

The Oregon State Snowmobile Association is a non-profit organization formed in 1972 by a small group of snowmobilersworking 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-usesnowmobile 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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