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Riley Kincaid, Will Burgess, Dennis Jordan Dave and Madi McClure at Convention



Celebrating All Year, 50 Great Years!

## Hello Everyone,

As I sit here this afternoon, it's about 65 degrees with no rain or snow in the forecast. But I know our great grooming volunteers are out keeping our trails rideable. While I did not get to enjoy our great 50th Anniversary Convention, everyone I spoke to said it was great. Lots of snowmobilers turned out for the daily rides. The food out on the trail was wonderful and everyone had fun hanging out with old and new friends. All the evening activities were well attended, and people had fun.

I want to say thanks to Dave McClure (keynote speaker, Riley Kincaid, and Will Burgess for the providing great rides. Everyone I talked to said they were fun to ride with. Also, a special thanks to Luke Youngberg for his great Avalanche Ride Clinics.

I also want to make sure to give Lisa Mahoney and Lisa Burt a very special and huge THANK YOU for stepping up and putting together a very successful Convention. They both worked hard before the convention and the whole week of the convention with registration, selling raffle tickets, getting donations from vendors, making and moving room reservations and any and everything that came up. I want to also thank Mark Conner for his help with setting up our professional riders, putting together our workshops and our award presentations on Saturday night.

So... for those of you that attended the convention, Thank You for coming and supporting OSSA. I know the event was an ever-changing with Covid. I hope to see you in La Grande in January for our next convention.

As always, I want to say thanks to our many volunteer grooming operators across the state. While we have seen a long dry spell, our great groomers are still out on the trails keeping them smooth and tilling up the super hard snow so we can all ride on it. Thank You Guys.

Dennis Jordan  
President, OSSA

## Hello Snowmobilers!

The OSSA 50th Anniversary Convention at Diamond Lake was a success! A huge thank you to everyone who donated items to the Live Auction, Silent Auction, and Raffle. We made \$11,896.00 all the proceeds benefited the OSSA Legal Fund.

**Avalanche Beacon Boards are here! We will be working with the clubs to get them installed throughout the state.**

Now, all we need is SNOW! Lots and lots of SNOW!

Lisa Mahoney,  
OSSA Executive Director



## OSSA has obtained a grant to purchase and install 24 avalanche beacon checkers

Many of Oregon's snow parks will receive these. The signs will give you instant feedback as to whether or not you are wearing a functioning transceiver as you pass by. **The Lodgepole Dodgers Club were the first in the state to purchase one of these valuable tools back in 2017, thanks to our sponsors for this project - Pro Caliber Motorsports of Bend, CS Construction and Reynolds Electric and Plumbing.** Volunteers are currently pre-assembling these 24 signs before delivery to the clubs that will install and maintain them.

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Greg Clowers, Prinoth Regional Manager Far West at Diamond Lake, OR. OSSA 50th Annual Convention

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## Ask An Expert: Trail Grooming Tips & Tricks with Brian from PRINOTH

We had a chance to sit down with Brian Ainsworth from PRINOTH to talk about snowmobile trail grooming tips and tricks. PRINOTH is a manufacturer of a variety of trail grooming machines. If you are interested in learning more about PRINOTH or trail groomers, visit [prinoth.com](http://prinoth.com) or call 603.267.7840.

### Why do snowmobile trails get groomed?

To make them smooth for people to enjoy. You can't enjoy the sport unless you're comfortable.

It's important that riders allow time for the trails to set up after the groomers have done their job. This creates a fantastic concrete surface that lasts for many riders, not just the first few. Clubs spend a lot of money on their choice of snow grooming equipment so everyone can enjoy the sport. This is one good reason why you join a club and support their events.

### What goes into grooming a trail?

It all starts with the cooperation from very generous land owners. Without them, we would have nothing. Before the snow falls there's a lot of preparation done by the clubs. There are a lot of volunteers that do groundwork, tree, limb, and rock removal, and general trail clearing. If you have a smooth base you'll have a smooth trail.

Then, with the cooperation of Mother Nature, we have snowmobile trails.

After there's snow, the clubs go out and start preparing the base by either rolling or packing. Heavy snow is preferred, but any snow is welcome. A heavy snow packs the best, so that's what we want first. Powder just gets pushed aside.

After you have a base, normal grooming takes place – most of the time with drags.

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# Celebrating 100 Years



## Diamond Lake Resort

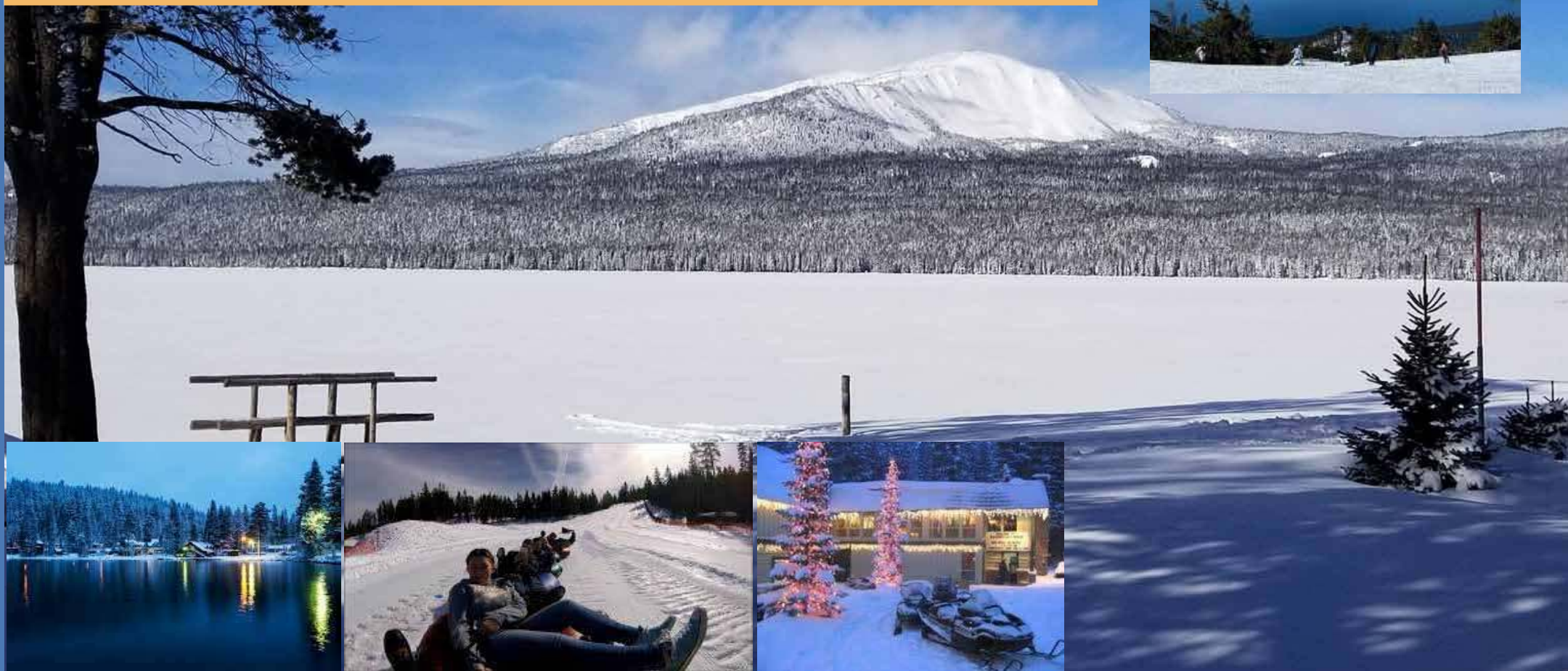


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I just wanted to extend our thanks from the entire team at Diamond Lake Resort. It is our pleasure to continue to host the OSSA convention. What a special year to have OSSA's 50th anniversary and Diamond Lakes 100th year celebration in the same year!

We are so thankful to have welcomed new guests, gained new friendships, and seen so many familiar faces return from previous years. It was also a thrill for the employees and other guests to see the lineup of snowcats and impressive new sleds!

Thank you to all our local clubs that helped plan rides, provided trail lunches, and provided support behind the scenes. We appreciate your amazing challenging work and dedication to our area.

We have all faced several challenges in the past couple of years, but it is exciting to know that together we can adapt, grow, and continue to enjoy our time in the snow. Thank you for allowing us to be a part of the program.

Mari Dybowski  
Vice President  
Diamond Lake Resort









## LADIES GROUP RIDE (March 11-12):

Check out the “Cascades Ladies Ride” Facebook page for information on the upcoming all woman’s snowmobile ride on March 12, 2022 beginning at 10 Mile Sno Park at 9 am!

An additional ride will be held on Friday, March 11, 2022 at 10 Mike Snopark, in Newberry Crater aka Paulina area, open to ladies and others ( ie hubbys, brothers, sons etc)

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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.**

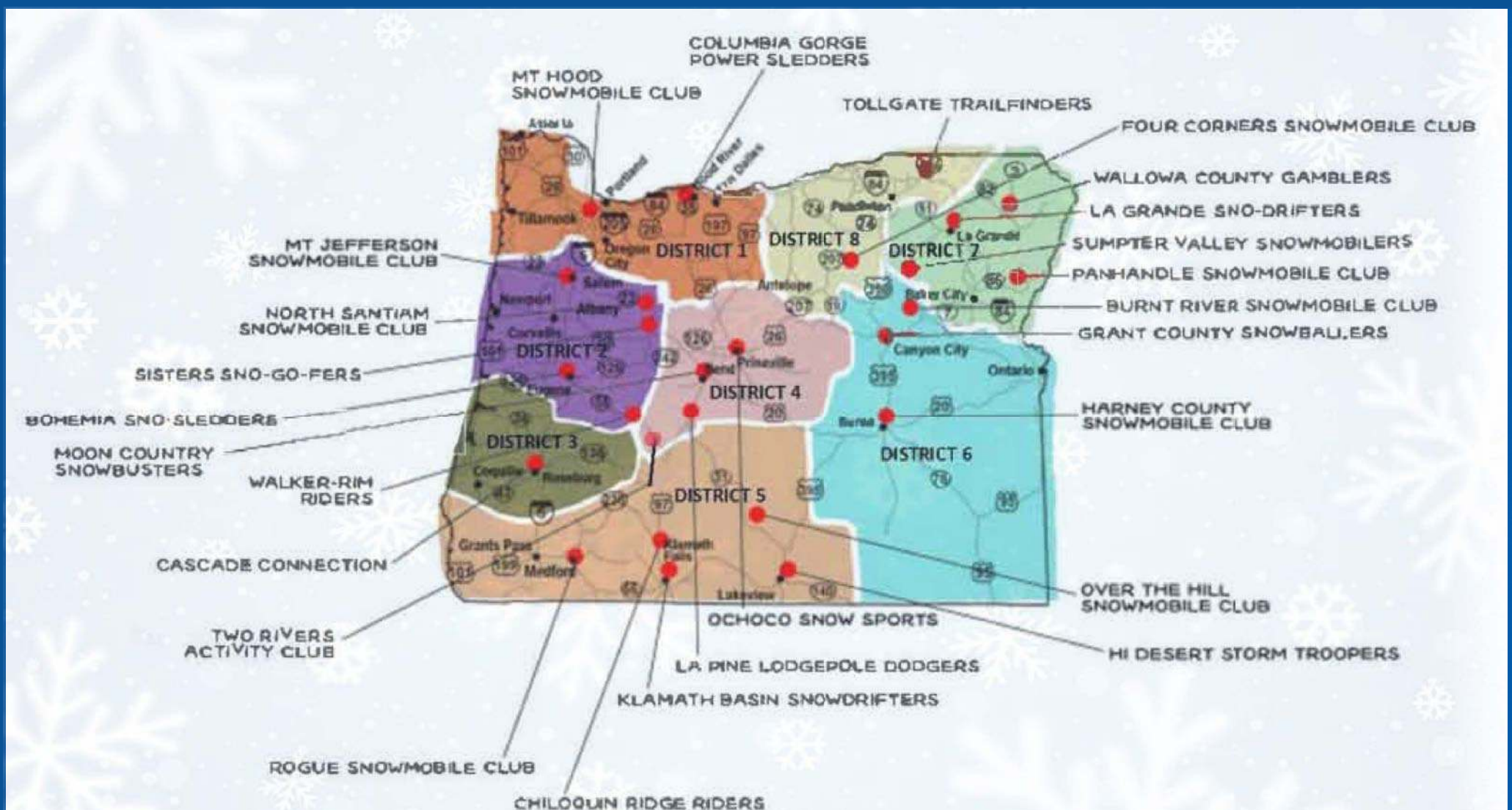
#### Some attributes of club membership include :

- \* 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.

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# Sumpter Valley Blue Mountain Snowmobile Club

## Pictures from Gary Olson & Kathy Reedy's group





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See upcoming events for a disclaimer

### Regular Monthly Meetings (subject to change)

The Club starts the potluck at 5:00 PM on the second Wednesday of each month at the Sumpter Community Center. Our meeting will start at 6:00 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.

- \* **Wednesday March 9, 2022**
- \* Wednesday April 13, 2022

Our Groomer has been out as much as possible with the snow conditions being what they are. We have a great base just could use a lot more snow. Hopefully by the time the Vintage Races in March start, we can have a great track ready. Should be great fun anyway. Make sure you have booked your room or where you are going to stay before no availability. Elkhorn will be open for breakfast on Saturday and Sunday from 7am to 11am closed for a hour to prepare for lunch then reopen at noon. The Nugget Coffee and Café will be open every day from 8:30am to 3pm. Great food and drinks at both place.

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Vintage Race

Vintage Race photos by Jim Smith

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**Myth #1:** You need a certain credit score. While mortgage programs do have credit score minimums, you'd be surprised at how low those go. With an FHA loan, you may be able to get financing with a score of 500. (Just know that your score may also affect the interest rate and terms of the loan.)

**Myth #2:** You should only buy during certain seasons or under certain market conditions. While competition may seem fierce lately, that doesn't mean you shouldn't buy a house. As long as you choose a home you can afford and one that will grow in value, it's still a smart long-term investment.

**Myth #3:** It's cheaper to rent than buy. Home prices have been rising lately, but rents have jumped significantly, too. Since homeownership allows you to build equity and wealth over time, it's important to crunch the numbers before assuming you're better off renting.

**Myth #4:** You should get a mortgage from your bank. Your bank should definitely be on the list, but don't limit your shopping to just them. Get quotes from several banks and lenders to ensure you get the best deal.

**Myth #5:** You should waive your inspection to win a bidding war. Waiving your right to an inspection might help you beat out other offers, but it can also come back to bite you. Inspections often reveal costly and even dangerous defects, and you'll want to know about these before deciding to buy.

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# Primoth



### Let's talk about drags:

All drags have cutting bars, processing bars, and a pan in the back to process the snow. In the right temperatures, the drag will create heat that sets up the finished product – the trail you ride on. If temperatures cooperate, you'll have a nice firm, flat surface. Anything below 20 degrees is optimal. Drags are designed to be pulled between 6-8mph. Anything faster than that, you aren't letting the drag operate as designed.

### When is the best time to groom a trail?

The clubs groom nightly when the temperatures drop and there's no traffic. It's also when you have the time to be out there and do the work.

### What are tips you can give to someone who wants to get into grooming trails?

1. Join a club.
2. Be an ACTIVE volunteer (volunteering is VERY important). You need to show the club that you are there to be a member, not just a driver.
3. Ride and train with an experienced grooming operator.
4. Obey the laws of the club.

### What would you say to riders to help them get the most out of a snowmobile season?

It all hinges on the responsibility of the snowmobiler to obey the club laws, signage and show appreciation for the landowners.

Stay in the trail, be responsible, don't drink & drive, and above all have fun! The ability for us to ride these trails is a privilege, so let's treat it like that.

It's a family sport full of volunteers. We all work together and it's vital that everyone respect and contribute to the sport through club membership, appreciation toward land owners, and participation in fundraising to keep it going strong for generations.





## MT. HOOD SNOWMOBILE CLUB

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Mt Hood Snowmobile Club President

## 2022 Club Calendar

Note: All dates subject to change

### March 6th Sunday Club Ride Skyline

### April 5th 6:30 (Tuesday night)

Club meeting Clackamas Community Club  
(Last meeting of the season)



# Sled Dog Races

By Sharon Nuckols

In Oregon, there are 4 scheduled dog sled races; Frog Lake, Eagle Cap Extreme, Diamond Lake and Bachelor Butte Dog Derby. The Frog Lake race held at the Frog Lake Sno Park on Mt. Hood was held on January 29th and 30th. We still had plenty of snow, the grooming was awesome thanks to the Mt. Hood Snowmobile club and the trails were fast. Eagle Cap Extreme was January 20-22. It is Oregon's only Iditarod qualifier. Sadly, the Diamond Lake race held at the Diamond Lake Resort had to be cancelled due to the lack of snow and trail conditions.

**We are doing our snow dances for the Bachelor Butte Dog Derby which will be held at Wanoga Sno Park on March 4-6.**



**Lots of**  
*Exciting Events*  
happening with  
our **Club in March!**

**We hope to see**  
our friends  
near and far attend  
and ride with us  
in the **Cascades!**

## THE BACHELOR BUTTE SLED DOG DERBY

**(March 4-6)**

Volunteers needed,

please contact  
Selina Witt at  
[pwittnberg@cs.com](mailto:pwittnberg@cs.com)  
to help!

The Bachelor Butte Dog Derby  
is a trophy dog sled race

held on the first weekend of  
March at the Wanoga Sno-Park  
outside of Bend, OR.

The event consists of  
25 miles per day  
with seven – thirteen dogs.

The event has something for  
everyone

## LADIES GROUP RIDE

Check out the “Cascades  
Ladies Ride” Facebook  
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Avalanche Training: [www.nwac.us](http://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/safety-training/](http://www.oregonsnow.org/contact/safety-training/) 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).



## Backcountry must have items:

Shovel, Avalanche Probe, Avalanche Beacon, Avalanche Backpack



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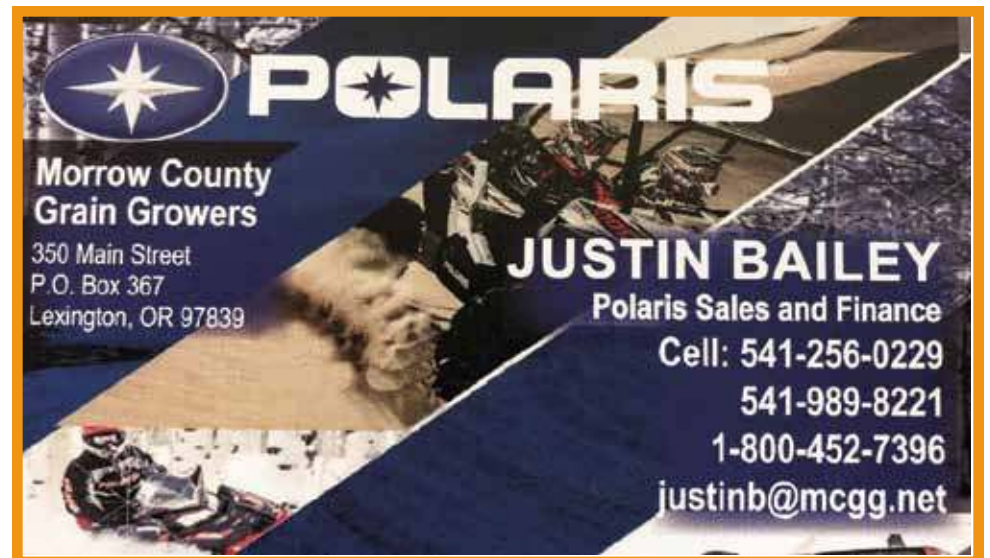
## We Asked and You Responded!

A couple of weeks ago we requested your assistance -- we needed you to write your Congressman if they were on the Natural Resource Committee. And if your Congressman was not on that committee, we asked that you write the Congressman from Idaho that does sit on the Committee.

Well you did what we asked! The hearing that was scheduled for next week has been cancelled! That does not mean we are in the clear, at least not yet! But they clearly heard from us and we'll keep you advised when/if the hearing is re-scheduled.

As a refresher, this was for the Northern Rockies Ecosystem Protection Act, HR 1755, introduced by Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney (D-NY). This would prohibit any new road construction or reconstruction or timber harvest in Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington and Wyoming without an act of Congress.

*Nice job snowmobilers!!*



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## HRI 755 Opposition

# We Must Speak Up To Be Heard

From: Ken Makinson  
Sent: Thursday, February 10, 2022 2:07 PM  
To: Matthew R. Keenan

Subject: HRI 755 Opposition

Mr. Matthew,

I would appreciate you taking opposition to HRI 755 and prevent any lands from being taken from multi-use citizens in all affected states, specifically in Oregon where myself, my family and friends enjoy accessing our public lands for a variety of recreational uses. Below are a few arguments against land closures:

**1.** Citizens in the affected states enjoy going into our public lands for recreation, to include but not limited to: Snowmobiling, motorcycle riding, ATV and UTV riding, hiking, boating, camping, hunting, fishing, etc. It would be a great disservice to these citizens to be prevented from using our lands.

**2.** Increased fire danger and smoke (air) pollution when citizens are not allowed access to public lands to extinguish wildland fires. Just look at the recent years wildland fires that have created tremendous volumes of smoke that has spread across numerous states causing health hazards for millions of citizens. Closing public lands would prevent access to even manage wildland under brush and over growth that contributes to horrid wildland fires devastation and pollutants.

**3.** Public lands should be managed by citizens in those areas who understand their local environmental issues. Not by government officials from out of the area who don't understand the specific environmental issues and do not realize the negative impacts caused by remote decision making.

**4.** Economic devastation to local economies for those who work in our public lands and those supporting businesses. Oregon and other states have already been hit hard economically when the timber industry was scaled back in the 1980's and 90's. The negative impacts have continued to present. The negative economic impact can be directly tied back to the negative environmental impacts. The federal government has responded to significant wildland fires of the past by saying funding would be provided to the western states to thin trees and remove underbrush for preventing large wildland fires. I have seen some of this activity, but I assure you the funding has not been enough to keep up with the naturally renewing tree growth and certainly not for the fast growing underbrush that fuel such significant fires.

I challenge the HRI 755 committee to visit Oregon's Hwy 138 East of Glide to Diamond Lake. Or, Hwy 126 East of Springfield to see first hand the negative impact these fires had on human life and the environmental devastation caused. It would be easy to understand how horrific such fires would be if access to public lands were not available.

Sincerely,

Ken Makinson  
Two Rivers Activity Club Vice President

Dear Ken,

I wanted to let you know that **after lots of outreach, opposition, and concern about H.R. 1755, the Democrats on the Natural Resource Committee have pulled the bill for a hearing before the National Parks, Forests, and Federal Lands Subcommittee.** As you may remember, H.R. 1755 would designate 23 million acres of inventoried roadless areas as part of the Wilderness Preservation System in 5 Western States (Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Oregon & Washington). To put this amount of land into perspective, that's about the same size as Kentucky, Indiana, or Maine!

Thanks to you – we have stopped H.R. 1755 for now. There is still the possibility that this bill will go before the National Parks, Forests, and Federal Lands Subcommittee in March or April. We will be sure to update you through whatever means possible about any possible action related to H.R. 1755 in the future. Thank you again for being vigilant in the fight against more land lockouts! We must keep access, beneficial use, and multiple-use the predominant feature for Federal Lands in the Western United States.

Appreciate all you do. And, if Two Rivers Activity Club would like to have their comments inserted into the record if this bill comes up again, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Matthew R. Keenan  
Legislative Assistant  
Ranking Member, Russ Fulcher (ID-01)  
National Parks, Forests, and Federal Lands Subcommittee

# Public Area Needs To Open

Eric Page

North Santiam Snowmobile Club

“On January 12, 2022, the Willamette National Forest withdrew its decision memo for its 2020 Fire Roadside Danger Tree Reduction Project. This decision to withdraw came following legal challenges posed by four environmental groups against the project. The purpose of the project was to provide access and improve safety along forest system roads within the fire burned areas on the forest and reopen these roads as quickly as possible for public and administrative use. These areas will remain closed to the public until safety concerns are addressed.”

US Forest Service

North Santiam Snowmobile Club (NSSC), in cooperation with Oregon State Snowmobile Association (OSSA), as well as the US Forest Service and law enforcement has successfully operated an all-volunteer snowmobiling/grooming club that has participated in everything from trail maintenance, parking area construction, and warming hut construction.

As NSSC, we have also participated in maintenance including providing garbage service, firewood supply, and more through the decades to provide safe recreation for all that use it including snowshoers, cross-country skiers, hikers, and more. The 2020 wildfires raged through the area and left substantial amounts of burned standing trees. Our area as well as others has been closed since the fires. This has resulted in increased traffic through the areas that are still open and loss of revenue to the surrounding communities who benefit financially from those traveling to destinations such as ours.

The North Santiam Snowmobile Club would like to express our gratitude to the Mt. Jefferson Snowmobile Club out of Ray Benson Sno-Park. This club is also a volunteer only group that is dedicated to keeping forest areas open for all its users. They provide us with a cat shelter where we can store our cat groomer. They have welcomed us with open arms as we have gone through this time. The Oregon State Snowmobile Association is willing to contribute assets to assist in getting the area open again.

Please voice your concerns and support for getting these public areas open once again for all to enjoy as they were before the 2020 fires. You can show your support by contacting Senator Ron Wyden's office [Email Ron](#) | [Contact](#) | [U.S. Senator Ron Wyden of Oregon \(senate.gov\)](#), Congressman Kurt Schrader's office [Voice Your Opinion](#) | [Congressman Kurt Schrader \(house.gov\)](#), OSSA [info@oregonsnow.org](mailto:info@oregonsnow.org), and the US Forest Service.

## North Santiam Snowmobile Club





## 30 x 30 Program

The Biden administration unveiled its “America the Beautiful” program last spring, (often called 30x30) which aims to set aside 30 percent of the nation’s lands and waters in a natural state by 2030, in order to address climate change and preserve biodiversity.

A group of Senate Democrats is urging the Biden administration to accelerate progress on its conservation pledge by granting provisional wilderness designations to public lands.

In a letter to Interior Secretary Deb Haaland, Senator Dick Durbin (D-IL) and 6 other Democrats called on the Bureau of Land Management to update its inventories of public lands to find and set aside areas with “wilderness characteristics.” [Letter included next page.](#)

“Protecting Wilderness Study Areas (WSA) would be a significant step to mitigate climate change and reach the administration’s 30 x 30 goal,” the Senators wrote.

Only Congress can release lands from a WSA, opening them to other purposes like mining, or permanently restrict use as a wilderness.

## Rural Outdoor Investment Act

Senators Michael Bennet (D-CO.) and Charles Schumer (D-NY) introduced legislation this morning to promote economic growth in rural communities through investment in outdoor recreation.

The Rural Outdoor Investment Act would authorize \$50 million a year in recreation and economic development funding, including \$30 million from the Economic Development Administration for improvements to trails, trailheads and other infrastructure.

One path forward for the bill would be the EDA reauthorization process underway in the Environment and Public Works Committee.

## Conservation Task Force

A new partnership between the Biden administration and Western state governors was formed this week to ease tensions between federal and state officials on a range of conservation policies, including wildfires and drought.

The Interior and Agriculture departments unveiled the “Task Force on Collaborative Conservation” in conjunction with the Western Governors’ Association.

The task force aims to address “natural resource management challenges and improve environmental outcomes for communities across the West.”

The task force will focus on issues like wildlife corridors, wildfire and drought response, and forest and rangeland restoration. The group will also contribute to the Biden administration’s efforts to create a database to track progress on its conservation pledge, the America the Beautiful program.





## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

January 21, 2022

The Honorable Debra Haaland  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of the Interior  
1849 C St., NW – 6156  
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Secretary Haaland:

We encourage you to use your authority under the Federal Land Policy Management Act (FLPMA) to provide protections for lands that demonstrate wilderness characteristics as Wilderness Study Areas. Protecting public lands in an undeveloped and natural state has significant positive impacts on our environment and climate.

We are grateful that the administration has prioritized protecting our public lands, and are appreciative of your efforts to restore the Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monuments.

Our remote lands are overlooked sometimes in conversations about addressing the climate crisis, but their contributions will be crucial. Public lands not only support complex ecosystems, but also can sequester carbon and make areas more resilient to the impacts of climate change.

Under FLPMA, the Department of Interior has the authority to update inventories of the resources it manages—including areas that qualify for wilderness designation as well as areas of critical environmental concern (ACECs). Under section 202 of FLPMA, once such inventories have been completed, the Department may then move to administratively protect lands as new Wilderness Study Areas, managing them in a wilderness-like state that would help meet standards set forth by President Biden's goal to protect 30 percent of lands and waters by 2030 (30 x 30).

More than 29 million acres of public lands are in need of protection. For years, DOI has not utilized its ability to protect these lands, leaving places like the Vermillion Basin in Colorado, Granite Range in Nevada, the Bodie Hills in California, Hatch Canyon in Utah, Otero Mesa in New Mexico, and the Owyhee Canyonlands in Oregon without proper protection for their unique resources. Without proper protections, these lands face many threats that could jeopardize wilderness-quality values the Bureau of Land Management stated these lands have.

FLPMA directs the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to give priority to the designation and protection of ACECs. These are places where special management attention is required to protect and prevent irreparable damage to important historic, cultural, or scenic values, fish and wildlife resources or other natural systems or processes. For decades, this designation has gone largely unrealized, with inconsistent identification, designation, and management. If fully embraced, ACECs can preserve and protect historical and cultural resources and sites as well as promote public access and enjoyment of the open air, outdoor areas and historic resources of the nation.

Though there are currently more than 1,000 designated ACECs encompassing almost 20 million acres across the western states (including Alaska), the BLM does not have minimum management standards for these areas. BLM also does not routinely prioritize the designation of new ACECs in its land use plans. We strongly encourage the BLM to promulgate regulations to fulfill Congress's intent that ACECs be designations with a clear set of management prescriptions.


Protecting Wilderness Study Areas would be a significant step to mitigate climate change and reach the administration's 30 x 30 goal. We support your commitment to addressing climate change, and strongly encourage your protection of public lands to help meet that goal.

Sincerely,

  
Richard J. Durbin  
United States Senator

  
Patty Murray  
United States Senator

  
Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senator

  
Tammy Duckworth  
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United States Senator



## Legislative and VIP Rides

Taking decision makers out riding is one of the most important things we can do for snowmobiling. So often the people that make decisions that impact snowmobiling have not had the opportunity to see what snowmobiling is all about.

They hear stories -- both good and bad -- but they do not see what we see from the seat of our sled, they do not hear about all of the volunteers that spend so many hours on the trails, they do not see or experience the winter beauty that we all love.

When the plans all come together (which includes proper snow and covid conditions!), many rides like this take place. Last week both Pennsylvania and Minnesota hosted rides for the VIPS. A couple of weeks ago, Wisconsin held a riding meeting and invited the Congressman to attend the dinner, where he addressed the group.

Not only do events like this give the decision makers the opportunity to interact with the snowmobilers -- it also gives the local media content! They love being invited to these events, from newspaper to radio to television.



Look at Pennsylvania Secretary Adams smiling - that's what snowmobiling is all about!



Local Media attending the Pennsylvania event



In Pennsylvania....

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We are pleased that several members of our club were able to attend the 50th annual OSSA Convention that was held at Diamond Lake Resort last month. At least 12 club members attended the banquet, and several others were there to help out guiding rides. We are very excited that the Klamath Basin Snowdrifters were selected as the Snowmobile Club of the Year. We are very honored to receive this award.

Our club president, Dan Riblett, was selected as the OSSA Snowmobiler of the Year and was presented with the award at the OSSA Convention in January. We are so thankful for all of the time and energy that Dan puts into our club. If someone is looking for what kind of a person a great snowmobiler should be, they could certainly use Dan as a role model.

Mike DeSmit was awarded the OSSA Recreationalist of the Year award at the 2022 OSSA convention. Mike has been a pleasure to work with and has helped our club out on numerous occasions over the years. Mike was especially helpful during all of the planning meetings we had leading up to us hosting the 2021 OSSA Convention. Mike was able to attend our annual steak feed & club ride on January 29th, where we were able to honor him for this award in front of several club members who were not able to attend the OSSA Convention this year. Thank you very much Mike. We really appreciate all of your efforts to promote snowmobiling in southern Oregon.

We are very pleased to report that our club reached 107 family memberships by the end of the season last year. We are continuing to see progress with 102 paid memberships as of February 8th. If you have not already renewed your membership, please do so. You can renew online through the OSSA ([oregonsnow.org](http://oregonsnow.org)), or you can stop by Dave's Motorsports and pay Monica directly.



We made a change to our annual steak feed & club ride this year, moving it from Medicine Lake to Annie Creek, and making it a joint event with the Chiloquin Ridge Riders. There is a great warming hut and a nice sledding hill at the Annie Creek Snopark, which made it a great spot to eat a warm steak & baked potato dinner. The Chiloquin Ridge Riders had the trails groomed and in excellent shape for the ride. We would like to thank Monica Miller for organizing the steak feed, and to thank Bill Kennedy, Dan Riblett, & Clif McMillan for cooking the steaks. A huge thank you also needs to go out to Black Bear Diner for donating and cooking all of the baked potatoes. It was an excellent meal!

Unfortunately, our next club ride that was scheduled to be a joint ride and radar run with the Chiloquin Ridge Riders on February 19th has been cancelled due to the lack of fresh snow. I was really looking forward to the Chiloquin Ridge Riders bringing back their annual radar run, but mother nature is not cooperating with us right now.

Our next club meeting will be Tuesday, March 8th. We will meet at 6 p.m. for dinner, and the meeting will start at 7 p.m. We will update everyone via email and Facebook once we secure a location.

Please keep an eye on our website ([www.kbsnowdrifters.org](http://www.kbsnowdrifters.org)) and our Facebook page for the most updated information on club events, pictures, and the grooming report.

Thank you for your support,

Thomas Bentley  
Vice President KBSD

## Klamath Basin Snowdrifters Schedule of Events

### March 2022

**Saturday, 3/5/22: District 5 Playday @ 9 a.m. – Great Meadow Snopark**

**Tuesday, 3/8/22: General Meeting @ 6 p.m. – TBA**

**Saturday, 3/12/22: Club Ride – TBA**

### April 2022

**Tuesday, 4/12/22: General Meeting @ 6 p.m. – TBA**

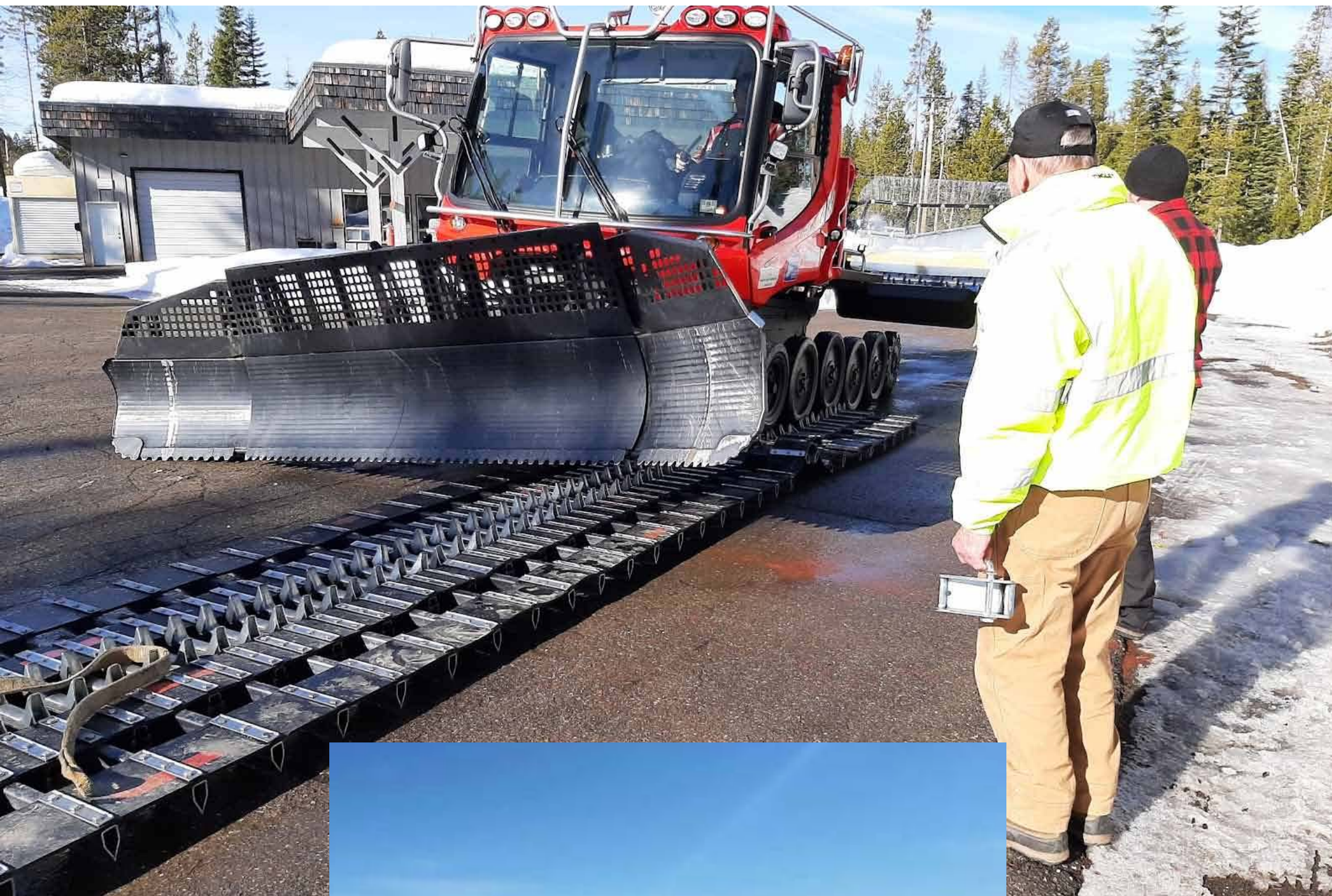
**Saturday, 4/23/22: End of Year Banquet @ 5 p.m. – Trapper's Inn**



CC Riders launched our new Logo at the convention with our new sweatshirts and stickers for our vehicles and trailers. Everyone enjoyed the rides and lunch on Kelsey Mountain, as well as the rides to Crater Lake and Bailey. Thanks to all the leaders for the rides, and to Ken for the great lunch.



We also took the chance to get some repairs done while Collin and the crew were up for Pisten Bully. The track on the groomer was starting to lose some bolts, so they got that done. Thanks guys.



We were thankful to have such a good snow fall before the convention. It made the convention a great success. But since the convention, the warm days and freezing nights are making grooming difficult.

We all are hoping for more snow and the good health to keep riding the rest of the winter.

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We are also going to be hosting a **kids RIDE DAY March 6th out of Salt Creek Summit Sno Park**, fun for all levels of kiddos. **KIDS PLAY DAY March 13th is on again**, snowmobile games and prizes for the kiddos always a good time for the kids and parents alike. Hopefully you have gotten your sleds out, or at least uncovered them, cuz the season is upon us.



**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 ?**

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

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***The OSSA Safety Program***

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

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Randy James	Enterprise	541-426-3854	
Dennis Jordan	Eagle Point	541-826-6326	Djordan@oregonsnow.org
Lyle Klenski	John Day	541-620-1324	
David Miller	Klamath Falls	541-884-2423	DavesATVrepair@gmail.com
Glenn Shirek	Roseburg	541-673-3787	
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## 2022 Calendar of Events

**Saturday March 5, 2022**

Club Ride @ Three Creek Lake Road (Sisters) 10am

**Saturday March 19, 2022**

Club Ride @ Paulina Lake 10am

**Tuesday March 22, 2022**

General Meeting @ La Pine Moose Lodge 7pm

\*All rides are subject to change.

We will also be having club rides every Tuesday @ Paulina Lake

\*Please follow Lodgepole Dodgers Snowmobile Club on Facebook for any updates.

\*You do not need to be a member to attend a general meeting or a club ride.

MT JEFFERSON



## 2022 Club Events/Rides

\*Club Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of every month from September-April at 7:00pm at Pietro's Pizza,

1637 Hawthorne Ave NE, Salem, OR 97301\*\*

**March 11-14**

Club Trip, location TBD

**March 26th**

Club Playday at Ray Benson Sno Park

**Jun-Aug TBD**

Annual Summer Picnic, exact Date and Location TBD

Note: Be sure to check Facebook or MJSC Website ([www.mtjefferson.org](http://www.mtjefferson.org)) for any changes to the schedule.





## Grant County Snowballers

Hello from beautiful Grant County! We have close to 400 miles of trails groomed at this time, even with the limited snowfall. We started out really good for snow, and then the month of January has been a bit of a disappointment.

We still have enough to play, but early mornings will find most of the trails pretty icy. We are very appreciative of the many hours our volunteers put into the grooming, and trail and equipment maintenance!!!

We are looking forward to holding our vintage oval races March 12-13th in Sumpter, Oregon (snow pending). Keep up with what's going on here and groomed trail maps on our Facebook page, GCSC. Happy trails!





## Breathing Problems From Wildfires

**Survivors from the Santiam Canyon Oregon wildfire** who have had breathing problems since the 2020 Labor Day wildfires are eligible to have expenses related to medical treatment for their conditions reimbursed by the federal government, according to FEMA.

## Oregon Parks Forever Has Planted Over 500,000 Trees

It's been a devastating two years for Oregon's forests—2020 saw historic wildfires that tore through thousands of acres, and then last year's record-setting heat wave killed numerous trees in the Coast Range.

Despite those losses, the state is making significant progress when it comes to restoring its woodlands. The statewide nonprofit Oregon Parks Forever recently announced it has been able to fund the planting of 553,000 trees.

## BLM Staffing Up in DC

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is planning to hire hundreds of employees this year to fill vacant positions and beef up staffing, in part to address the loss of numerous staffers who departed because of the Trump-era relocation of BLM's national headquarters to Colorado.

President Biden's fiscal 2022 budget includes money to "hire an additional 600 staff members in addition to filling our current vacancies" said Mike Nedd, BLM's deputy director of operations." This included hiring 67 more human resources employees to help with the hiring push across the bureau.

"We heard you when you said we consistently have to do too much with too little, and so did the administration" said Nedd.



## La Grande Sno Drifters Snowmobile Club



# HELLO OREGON SNOWMOBILERS!

We wanted to share with you some important dates for this season so you can join us for meetings, on the snow, and for activities that will be happening!

**March 4th**

Poker Run dinner set up/meeting

**March 5th**

Annual Poker Run

**March 12th**

Family ride

**April 1st**

Regular meeting -election of officers

**April 9th**

End of season BBQ and play day at Anthony Lakes.



Please stay tuned to our Facebook page for the most up to date information. Rides and events will be added as snow permits!

[www.walkerrimriders.com](http://www.walkerrimriders.com)

### 2022 Season Schedule

**Sunday, March 6th** - Annual Crescent Lake Challenge Ski Race - Hosted by Sport Hill Athletics. Volunteers will be needed!

**Friday, March 11th - Sunday, March 13th** - 1st Annual Vintage Snowmobile Event - Hosted by the Walker Rim Riders. Poker Runs and Show & Shines. Food and hospitality provided by Odell Lake Resort. More to come later. Volunteers will be needed!

**Saturday, March 19th** - Chemult / Miller Lake Ride snow permitting. updates to follow as the season progresses.

**Saturday, April 9th** - Board Meeting at the Crescent Lake Fire Hall @ 6:30 PM.

**Saturday, May 14th** - Board Meeting at the Crescent Lake Fire Hall @ 6:30 PM.

**Saturday, June 11th** - Board Meeting at the Crescent Lake Fire Hall @ 6:30 PM.

**Saturday, July 9th** - Board Meeting at the Crescent Lake Fire Hall @ 6:30 PM.

**Saturday, August 13th** - Annual General Membership meeting and picnic. Location and details to be determined.

**Monday, September 5th** - Annual Crescent Lake Pancake Breakfast. Held at the Crescent Lake Fire Hall. Breakfast feed for the whole community! Proceeds benefit Walker Rim Riders snowmobile club.

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# Bend Stepped Up To Host National Snowbike Race

Round 3, February 12 – Bend, Oregon



## NASBA Pure Adrenaline Motorsports National Championship Snow Bike Series

by Ron Dillon, Photos by Jenna Wessel

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Redmond's Darrin Mees, (#9) who is a top-five in the world snowbike racer, won the men's pro class, but he had to work to get it done. Here, he dices with Northern Idaho pro Cory Kelley (#27)

Round three of the 2022 NASBA (North American Snow Bike Association) Pure Adrenaline Motorsports National Championship Snow Bike Series, ran on a fun, fast. Spectator-friendly, 3/4 mile track at Wanoga Sno-Park, near Bend, Oregon.

This was the first of two National Snowbike Series events slated to be held in the Cascades in 2022, (the other, set for March 12, has run for five years at Diamond Lake). Local snowmobile club, the Moon Country Snow Busters, teamed up with series promoter Ron Dillon, and the Bend/Fort Rock Ranger District to make this event fly; and 50 racers and 300 spectators were treated to a sunny, calm, and surprisingly warm day in the snow, just down the hill from the Mt. Bachelor Ski Resort.

Snowbikes are the original stars of the show, and over 30 of them turned out to wow the crowd with wild racing action, egged on by pro wrestling announcer and DJ Mike Hill. Although there were plenty of crashes, snow is much more forgiving than dirt and rocks, and only one injury (a dislocated shoulder) was reported all day. Young Idaho racer River Rogers has been on a tear as of late, and is currently leading the pro men's series points, so there was much anticipation when the pro men lined up to do battle, since super-fast Darrin Mees was also in attendance. This was Mees first snowbike race since he shattered his heel in a motocross accident two years ago, and there was a question as to whether he still had his legendary speed. Rogers won the first moto and looked to be on his way to getting the job done, but Mees came back to take the second moto and the overall. Pro riders were hauling the mail, cutting a number of 43 second laps on the 3/4 mile track.

Defending Women's National Snowbike Champion, Northern Idaho's Jamey Parks, once again won both of the women's races, but she had to earn it, as Boise's Ryan Evans, pushed her harder than ever. Ryan is getting really fast. And the likable husband and wife duo of Jason and Tina Weis, from Hamilton, Montana, both had great days, with Jason taking home another win in the packed 40+ senior class (and getting a hard-earned third in the 450 trophy class), and wife Tina wining the Trophy Women's class as she often does.



**Snowmobiles are becoming a bigger and bigger part of the series, with classes for both short and long tracks, as well as boys and girls on much smaller sleds. Also of note was the incredible generosity of Bend-based Three Creeks Powersports, who put up an extra \$3,000 in prize money, making this the richest snowbike race held in years.**

The day of racing ended with the eagerly-awaited UTV (4-wheelers) taking to the line, and like just about every race in the series, the crowd was treated to several crashes when Reed Young hammered his machine when he landed a crazy sky jump, and Mo Wylie actually, somehow, managed to land a 360 front flip and keep going, (it was later confirmed that the landing bent his frame, totaling his machine).

Round 4 of the 2022 Pure Adrenaline Motorsports National Championship Snow Bike Series was held at the legendary Fossil Bowl Raceway, near Clarkia, Idaho on February 26.

**The fifth and final round of the series returns to the Cascades at Diamond Lake on March 12**



Partners for the Bend race were: Pure Adrenaline Motorsports, Three Creeks Powersports, US Air Force Special Warfare, Pro Caliber, Cascade Motorsports, Idaho Custom Arms, Rockwell Time, Rale Snowbikes, M9 Suspension, and Cascade Snowbikes. Special thanks to The Moon Country Snow Busters, Donnie Summers, Darrin Mees, Melanie West, Mrs. Sikes, Jeff Razzler, and the US Forest Service.



Mark Sharley Photography (253) 228-7765 Bend Snowbike Race.



Flip photos, by Mark Sharley Photography (253) 228-7765 of Moe Wylie from O'Brien, Oregon at Bend Snowbike Race.



*La Grande Sno- Drifters Annual*  
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**March 5th, 2022**

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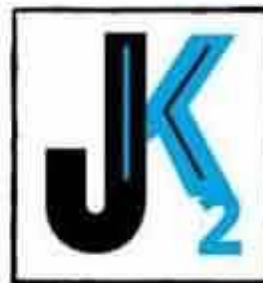
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