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The Mt Bailey \$3000 is Happening Feb 11th -12th at Diamond Lake Resort.

There is lots of new things happening at the event

Poker Run Courses

2 different courses for Snowmobile and Snowbikes
Both courses will start and end at Diamond Lake resort.

Snowmobiles

Will run down West Lake trail to Hamaker shelter and back up Fish Creek. There will be a few different areas for some play and climbs along the way and on course check points. Total course is roughly 45 miles.

Snowbikes

Start off with a motocross style track to try everyone's skill around the snowbike track, then out towards Horse Camp to Dog Prairie, this is known as "Heaven's Snowbike Playground". This will have several miles of hillside riding and lots of tree area to ride and play. The entire route will be within a snowbikes' fuel tank range. carry extra fuel for extra play. This course is setup specifically for snowbikes and minimizes as much straight trail riding as possible. There will be a snowbike checkpoint out at Heaven's Snowbike Playground.

Friday Feb. 11th - Tickets \$14 (include a beer/wine and popcorn)

Sled Shows Palooza, Friday Feb 11th at 7pm we'll have this years new movies from Thunderstruck, Boondockers and etc.

Saturday Feb. 12th - Mt Bailey \$3000 - Entry \$15 and additional hands are just \$5.00 - Most people will play 3 hands (Entry and 2 extra hands) You can play as many hands as you want.

We are also offering our Super Card for \$2, this card is your Wild Card that can be played with any of your hands to make your best 5 card hand. (High hand winners will likely have a super card).

There are is a Snowbike dedicated course, complete with a motocross track and Heaven's Snowbike Playground

Snowmobile course will have several sections for snowmobile riding at Hamaker Burn, Skookom Prairie and more.

Awards and dinner starting at 4:30pm

You can alos pre-purchase your trail lunch and get you dinner ticket (limited space for dinner - so reserve early)

Saturday Feb 12th Lunch and Dinner

We are offering a trail lunch meatball sandwich for \$11.00 and can be packed in your cooker for a hot meal along the way.

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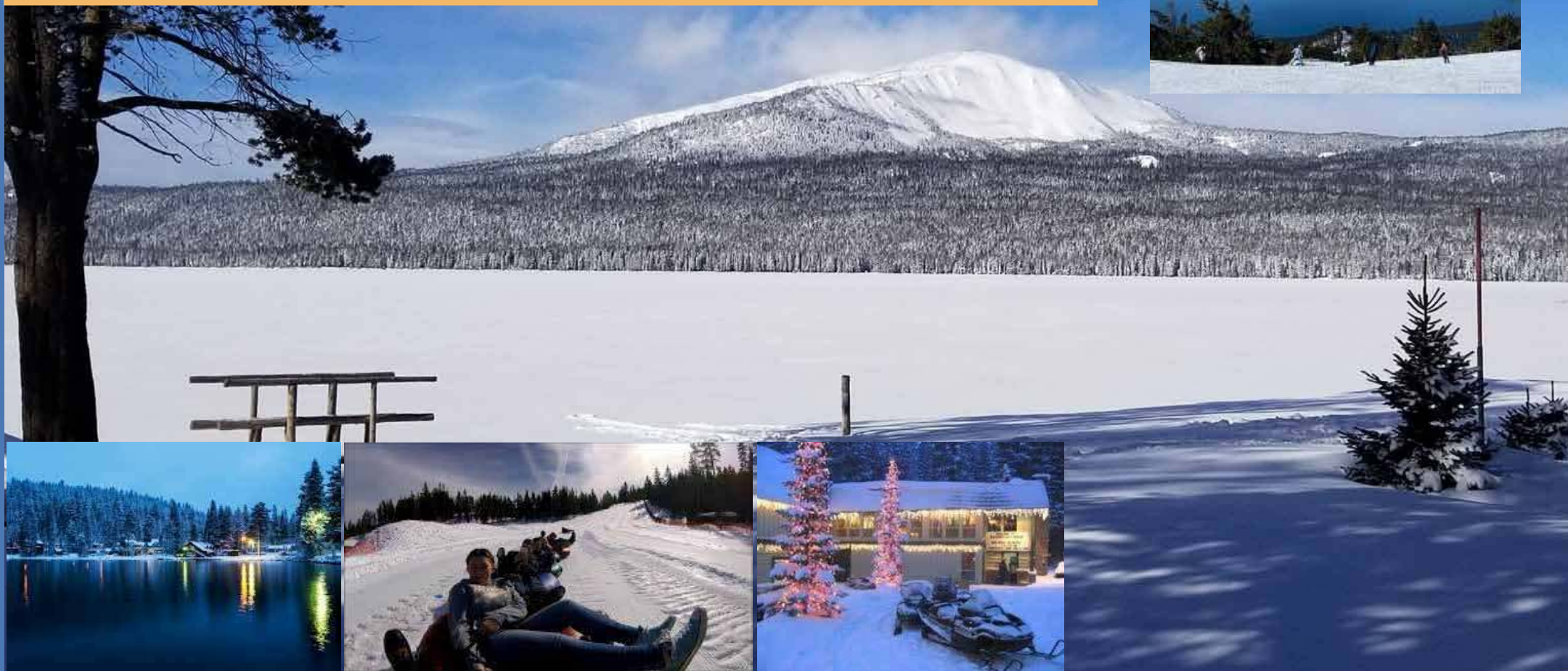


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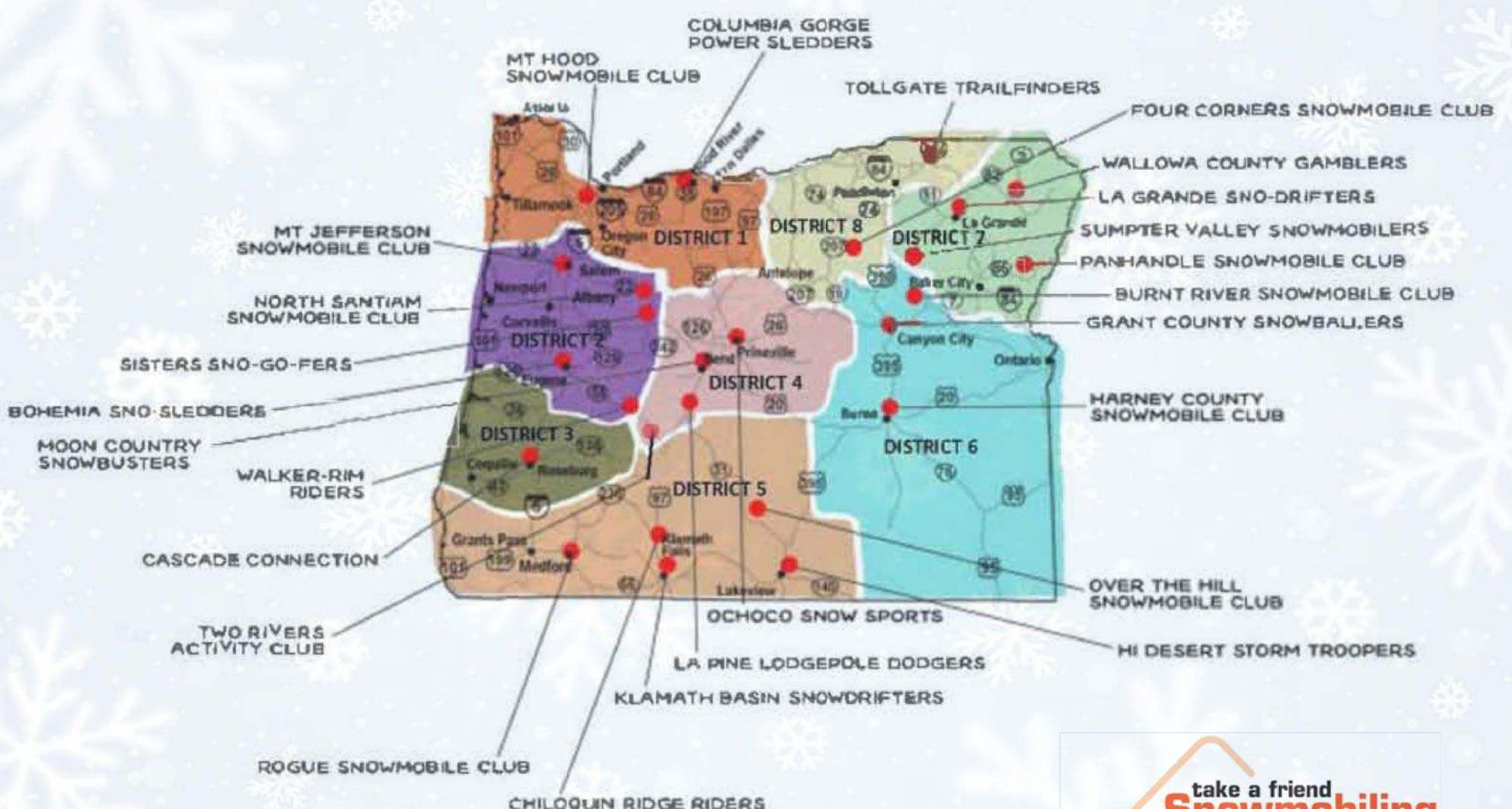
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- * Learning new areas to ride and familiarity with areas through joint rides.
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Are you prepared for an Avalanche ?

OUR NEXT LEVEL EXPERIENCE

by Jim Valentine, President of Ochoco Snow Sports”

ON DECEMBER 29TH, my son Layton Valentine, good friend Bryce Kamerdula, and I started our 3 day riding clinic in Alpine Wyoming with Dan Adams and the NXT LVL Riding Clinic crew. This clinic was going to teach us technical-mountain riding skills and avalanche training through simulated exercises. We were all excited about this opportunity to learn from Dan and his crew.

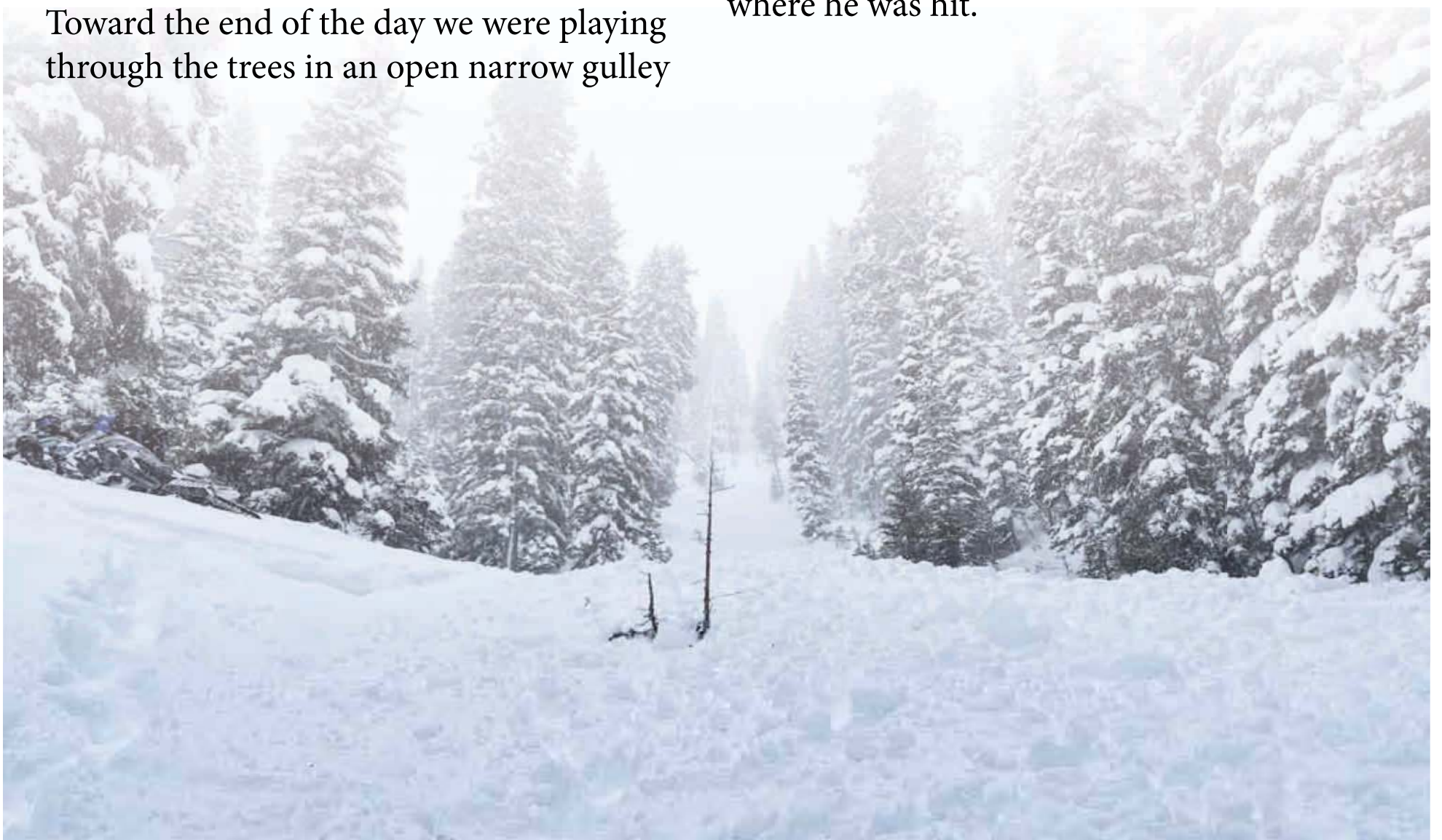
We started the day with almost 4 hours of avalanche awareness and gear checks making sure we were fully prepared to enter the backcountry on snowmobiles.

Throughout the day we discussed the avalanche danger and avoided several slopes that had great potential for avalanche.

Toward the end of the day we were playing through the trees in an open narrow gully

path that had trees all around it and at the top of it which did not look threatening. We had played in this area for a few minutes and all of us were stopped in different locations in this drainage when Dan who was looking out spotted the avalanche way up above us and seen it coming down through the trees. Dan was quick to use the radio to inform everyone **AVALANCHE, AVALANCHE-DEPLOY YOUR BAGS!**

At that moment from my location I observed Layton's bag and one other bag deploy and a few seconds later he was facing the avalanche face on and a wall of snow 5-6' deep moving extremely fast hit Layton square in the chest with so much force it actually blew him out of the fall line of the avalanche and he ended up towards the side somehow 80 yards from where he was hit.



Key points from this event

1. The mountain does not care who you are!
2. Radio communication was key to early warning of avalanche and time to deploy avalanche backpacks.
3. Avalanche backpacks were key to no burial success of both riders.
4. Understanding how to use your gear is very important.
5. Riding with a group that has knowledge and proper gear is crucial.
6. Check your avalanche danger. We were in considerable avalanche danger, which we knew!
7. We are going to up our skills in Wilderness first aid because where we were in the backcountry there were no helicopters save us.
8. Communication devices such as Spot and satellite phone should be a must.



What happened next?

When the avalanche stopped Dan took control of the scene and provided the leadership to ensure everyone was accounted for and their well being as well as making sure the scene was safe from a 2nd wave.

In the end 2 riders were directly involved in the avalanche and the other 4 were on the side some in the wash of it. The proper use of avalanche airbags and radios absolutely saved lives on the mountain that day.

The rest of the trip: Day 2 consisted of avalanche training, and rescue. What we learned from this training was we really had no clue how to properly use our beacons and conduct a search and rescue properly. We all feel a lot more confident in this skill now.

Day 3: Bryce and myself continued riding and Layton got some experience working in the shop with his new buddy!

In closing, I've had some of the best experiences of my life snowmobiling as I'm sure all of you reading this can attest. We got our wake-up call to the potential risks associated with back country riding in December. Thanks to Dan and his crew at NXT LVL for making sure we were trained and I hope this story will motivate all of us to take avalanche preparedness **seriously**.

Best wishes and See ya on the Mtn.

- Jim Valentine



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

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

SNOWBIKE RACE (February 12):

The Moon Country Snowbusters Club is stoked to partner with the 2022 NASBA US Air Force Special Warfare National Snow Bike Series, presented by Pure Adrenalin Motorsports and Burnt River Farms, returns to Oregon with an all-new event on February 12 at the Wanoga Sno-Park, 15 miles south of Bend, as round three of the National Snowbike Series. It is one of only two snowbike races held

in Oregon. In addition of snowbike classes, the event will also feature snowmobile and UTV (4-wheeler) classes, as well as snowbike demo rides and as always, food and beverages on site. The race will be run on a twisty, jumpy, ¾ mile snow course located adjacent to the Wanoga Sno-Park and offers excellent spectator viewing, as well as plenty of nearby parking for both racers and spectators and food and beverages will be available. Practice will start at 9am, with racing starting at 10am. Admission is free to kids 12 and younger and \$10 for adults 13-Up. We look forward to seeing you there! This is just one of the many events we have planned for the season! Check out our Moon Country social media pages for up to date information! *Braap on!*

THE BACHELOR BUTTE DOG DERBY (March 4-6):

Volunteers needed, please contact Selina Witt at 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

(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 Mile Snopark, in Newberry Crater aka Paulina area, open to ladies and others (ie hubbys, brothers, sons etc) All information regarding this upcoming ride will be posted on the Cascades Ladies Ride Facebook page!

We wanted to introduce

Don Summers, our new Moon Country grooming chairman. We know a lot of you are interested in volunteering and wanted to put you in touch with him. He comes with an extensive background of equipment operation, maintenance/repair, and management.

He is an avid sledder and spends a lot of time on this trail system as well. He is excited for this opportunity and with some aggressive strategies he is hoping for vast improvements in the trail system in the near future for all backcountry users. If you have any grooming volunteer questions please feel free to reach out to Don at 541-508-9241

www.snowbikeseries.com (208) 573-4255

Facebook: NASBA National Championship Snow Bike Series





Get ready Central Oregon!! Moon Country is stoked to partner with NASBA! Mark your calendars now and tell your friends for February 12, 2022!! This is a brand-new event for the National Snowbike Series, and in addition to racing classes for snowbikes (dirt bikes with a ski in place of the front wheel, and a track in place of the rear wheel), there will also be classes for snowmobiles and UTV 4-wheelers! All the details are enclosed. We hope to see all of our Moon Country friends and family at the event!! More information to come as the date nears.

Let us know if you will be attending by clicking this link:

<https://fb.me/e/Q7jkh47D>

There will be food, drinks and a whole lot of fun!



This race is an equal opportunity event, and is authorized under special use permit from the Deschutes National Forest.

Round 3 2022 NASBA National Championship Snow Bike Series

WHERE: Wanoga Sno-Park Oregon (15 miles south of Bend, OR, west on Cascade Lakes Hwy 46, on the way to Mt. Bachelor Ski Resort, look for signs.)

Latitude: 43.98444 **Longitude:** -121.54107 **Elevation:** 5,500 feet

WHEN: Saturday, February 12, 2022 – Gates open at 8am, practice starts at 9am, racing at 10am. 4 wheelers will run last, after the snow bikes, with 4-wheeler registration going from noon to 3pm, practice at about 2:45 and racing at 3:15.

ONSITE FOOD: Yes! There will be food, beverages trackside all day.

SPECTATOR FEES: Ages 13-Up \$10, 12-Under Free. Get tickets online at:

<https://bignasty.redpodium.com/2022-bend-snowbike-tickets>

RACE ENTRY FEES: Pro Men \$75, Pro Women \$50, Trophy classes \$40, Kids \$30. (No license needed. Day of Race entries are \$10 more per class)



HOST HOTEL: Riverhouse on the Deschutes Motel – 3075 N. Hwy 97, Bend, OR 97703 (541) 639-3481 (mention snow bike race for special rate)

NEAREST AIRPORT: Redmond Municipal Airport (541) 504-3499

SOCIAL MEDIA/WEBSITE/ PHONE: www.snowbikeseries.com (208) 573-4255

Facebook: [NASBA National Championship Snowbike Series](https://www.facebook.com/NASBA-National-Championship-Snowbike-Series)

DETAILS: This is a brand-new race at a brand-new location. Track will be designed with input from national-caliber, local racer, Darren Mees and the event is supported by regional snowmobile club, the Moon Country Snowbusters. The race track will be about ¾ mile in length, with jumps, bumps and right and left hand turns. It is an excellent track for spectator viewing. There will be onsite snowbike demos, so bring a helmet.

ONLINE REGISTRATION: Closes 9pm on Friday, February 11, 2022

<https://bignasty.redpodium.com/2022-bend-snowbike-entry>

FINAL, ONSITE REGISTRATION, (\$10 more): Sat, February 12, 8am to 10am (up to 3pm for UTV)



Moon
Country
Event!!
Wanoga
Sno-Park
National
Snowbike,
Snowmobile
& UTV
Race!
Mark Your
Calendars!
2-12-22

GROOMER RESCUE A GRAND SUCCESS!

*THANK YOU to ALL who participated and
GAVE of your resources and time to help!*



roguesnowmobilers.com



Hello Everyone!

Greg here from the Rogue Snowmobilers,

The weather has been quite nice to us for the past few weeks down here in Southern Oregon. We have had two major snow events come through in the past few weeks giving us rare "champagne powder" events. The snow for at least a week was bottomless powder & we enjoyed the snow coming over our handlebars :D

At the OSSA 50th State Convention up at Diamond Lake Resort, the Rogue club lead a few guided rides during the week. We were excited to partner with our other fellow district 5 sister clubs to help put this event on.

A big thanks goes out to Gary Olson from the Roseburg club & Tim over at Timberland Logging to help us recover our snowcat during New Years.

Our snowcat slid off one of our trails on 12/28 into a hole that made it difficult to recover. I'm happy to report no one got hurt during this incident.

After a failed attempt on Wednesday 12/29 with a winch to recover the cat, Gary graciously brought over **Roseburg's PB400** to help pull ours out of Cooks Hole. We gathered up some additional supplies and tried to pull the cat out again on New Years Day. Sadly, we ended up breaking most of the recovery equipment (cables, chains, straps etc.) & needed to grab some bigger "beefier" equipment.

Tim from Timberland Logging stepped up big time and met us at the parking lot at Thousand Springs on Sunday, 1/2 at about 9:30AM. A group of about 10 people all set off that morning after Tim brought up 250 feet of 5/8" cable. Many of the Rogue members were pleased to see our rigging setup the days prior wasn't wasted. We were doing it right; we just learned our rescue equipment was not up for the job.

After hooking up the bigger equipment in the same manor we did prior, it took a total of 37 seconds to pull our cat out with Roseburg's PB400.

Here's a few of the Rogue members that dedicated over 10 hours each to getting the snowcat out: Dennis, Dave, Carl, Greg, Bob, Hayden, Joey, Suzanne, Mark D.

We're happy to report that our cat was un-damaged during the incident, Roseburg's cat has been returned to them for them to keep running, & our cat is fully operational once again.

Please visit our website for our up-to-date event schedule. Things can change from time to time.
<https://roguesnowmobilers.com/>

Thank you & see you on the snow soon!

Greg Gulrich
Vice President, Rogue Snowmobilers
541-621-1814



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MT. HOOD SNOWMOBILE CLUB

TJ Reilly • 503-804-2075 sdas88@aol.com
Mt Hood Snowmobile Club President



We have had an amazing amount of snow so far this year. With the snow has come a lot of downed trees. Our volunteers have been working hard to keep the trails groomed and clear of trees.

On Sunday January 2nd we had a beginners club ride. We introduced new members to our trail system and also gave them some riding and safety tips. **Everyone had a great time!**

2022 Club Calendar

Note: All dates subject to change

February 1st 6:30 (Tuesday night)

Club meeting Clackamas Community Club

Feb 5th Saturday

Club Ride with Chris Larsen

Feb 6th Sunday

Wounded Warrior Ride & Club BBQ

Feb 24-28

Club Trip out of town (ride 25-27 Fri - Sun) Location TBA

March 1st 6:30 (Tuesday night)

Club meeting Clackamas Community Club

March 6th Sunday

Club Ride Skyline

April 5th 6:30 (Tuesday night)

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





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.



Well we are in full winter here in Wallowa County, snow storms, wind storms with bluebird days are limited. We have been working hard to keep trails cleared but the trees just keep falling. We repaired windows in Salt Creek Cabins shelter and cleaned it out for winter use. We are actively grooming trails and of course taking time to play on the snow as well. Our annual Poker run is just around the corner, with a \$3500 purse. Donations are rolling and looking forward to seeing everyone and having some good ole fashioned family fun. We are also excited to host a kids play day again March 5th with a kids ride the following day March 6th. BRING the kiddos for some games and prizes and then stay to have them learn some skills with some great "guys" with mad skills.



Sumpter Valley Blue Mountain Snowmobile Club

SUMPTER ANNUAL POKER RUN

IT'S A WALK ABOUT!

FEBRUARY 19 2022
8am-2pm

\$3,000 IN CASH & PRIZES

50-50 RAFFLE

Poker Cards must be turned in to the School House by 2pm Saturday

MEMBER ONLY CASH PRIZE

REGISTER
At the School House
Corner of Mill & High St
FRIDAY THE 18TH 6PM-8PM
SATURDAY 19TH 8AM-12PM

Awards Ceremony Saturday 6pm at the Groomers Shed

Here's a few pictures from our Christmas party/meeting



Christmas Party



Elaine Livran



Jim Moore



Gail Moore



RaNae Cameron



Vicki Christensen



Lila Young



Sumpter Valley Blue Mountain SC News by Jane Leatherman

Sumpter Valley Blue Mountain Snowmobile Club

Find us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/sumptersnowmobileclub) (<https://www.facebook.com/sumptersnowmobileclub>)

See upcoming events for a disclaimer

UPCOMING EVENTS 2021-2022 SNOWMOBILE SEASON

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

We had 19 members attend our December/Christmas exchange meeting. Not as many as we have had in the past but everyone had fun getting out enjoying the evening and exchanging gifts.

The snow has finally started to come down in Sumpter. But not enough snow by our 1st Vintage Race on January 8th. They need at least 2 weeks prior to race to prepare the track properly.

Poker Run will be February 19th, 2022. We will have raffle prizes this year and an awards ceremony. There will be 22 places for cash prizes brokedown to:

- First Place: \$800
- Second Place: \$500
- Third Place: \$300
- Forth Place: \$200
- Fifth Place: \$100
- 10- \$75
- 7- \$50

Total Payout of \$3000

SUMPTER VINTAGE OVAL RACE ACTION! March 12-13

SPECIAL EVENTS

👉 **Poker Run February 19, 2022**

👉 **Vintage Race March 12 & 13, 2022**

Lodging Information for Vintage Races

RV's could go to **Sumpter RV Park** 503-403-9253 just coming into town and **Sumpter Gold Rush RV Park** 541-510-2090 up Cracker Creek.

Lodging at The Sumpter Stockade 541-894-2360 Ryan and Laramie Shanks and **The Depot Inn** 541-894-2522 Jeff and Daisy Garber



Vintage Race

Vintage Race photos by Jim Smith

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



Snowmobile 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/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



[//www.snowmobilers.org/events-for-snowmobilers.aspx](http://www.snowmobilers.org/events-for-snowmobilers.aspx)



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Information Sheet on Take a Friend Snowmobiling Campaign

Dear Snowmobile Clubs and Associations,

The members of the International Snowmobile Manufacturers Association (Arctic Cat, Bombardier Recreational Products, Polaris, and Yamaha) join the organized snowmobile community in announcing the **Take a Friend Snowmobiling** Campaign for 2022. State and provincial snowmobile association members of the American Council of Snowmobile Association (ACSA) and the Canadian Council of Snowmobile Organizations (CCSO) are encouraged to sponsor **Take a Friend Snowmobiling** activities throughout their states and provinces. Events can be held any time between December 1, 2021 and March 31, 2022 with special emphasis on events during **Take a Friend Snowmobiling** Week which will be February 12-21, 2022.

The campaign was created to support all snowmobile associations of ACSA and CCSO and their clubs to enhance and expand their partnership with local Chambers of Commerce, Visitor and Convention Bureaus, snowmobile dealers, and other businesses related to the snowmobiling community. The benefits for your state association could mean such things as more trail signs, groomers, and enhancements for trails in your state, with the biggest benefit of all ~ introducing your non-snowmobiling friends to your favorite winter activity. All clubs are encouraged to participate in the campaign and partner with local media, radio stations, television stations, etc in promoting your **Take a Friend Snowmobiling** event and your club activities.

Extensive research has shown that a vast majority of non-snowmobilers who live in the snow-belt are very interested in snowmobiling. When asked to rate their interest on a scale of 1 to 10 (10 being the highest level of interest) non-snowmobilers rate their interest at 9!

Research has also shown us that most individuals that live in the snow-belt see snowmobiling as a great way to:

- a. Enjoy the scenery
- b. Get outdoors and have fun with family and friends
- c. Go to unique places and see amazing sights
- d. Have fun in the winter outdoors and be able to go home tired and ready for a good night's sleep.

The **Take a Friend Snowmobiling** campaign is promoted by the manufacturers who encourage all snowmobilers to take their non-snowmobiling friends out snowmobiling to enjoy the winter.

We hope your club and association will participate in a **Take a Friend Snowmobiling** event. Talk with neighboring clubs to participate as well. Let your association office know about your plans. The events should increase the profile of your club and attract new support and members.

If you would like additional information, please visit www.gosnowmobiling.org web site.

We invite you to post your event photos and videos highlighting your ride activities on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/GoSnowmobiling . Share your fun.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you and your friends out on the trails. THINK SNOW!!!

Sincerely,

Ed Klim

Ed Klim
President ISMA



Finally, winter has come back to the Ochoco's! As with many clubs in the Blue Mountains, we've went from a 5" base in early December to 30+" in one storm. Our members will once again enjoy the world class scenery and riding experiences that our mountains provide us. There's nothing like riding to the top of Mt. Pisgah on a clear day to tell each other how great we are. The warming shelters at Indian Prairie and Walton Lake are full of firewood so bring your family out and enjoy the winter with the rest of us!





It was also great to see the Gresham crew back at our Walton Lake Snow Park with their motorhomes and sleds for New Years! New Year's Day saw our parking lot at its maximum capacity which just reminds us to get to up the hill early if you want a place to park.

Our Grooming Crew continues to set the bar high! Richard Colman and Sam Shawe our grooming chairman and their crew keep our trails in great shape even through all the hostile conditions we had over the holidays. Oh, and heal up from those knee surgery's Richard we need you back in the saddle next year.

The road to Walton Lake Snow Park is always a challenge, especially from the Ahalt Creek junction to the park. Be prepared with chains, recovery equipment, and MRE's as it could be a long day if you get jacked-up on your ascent to the park. We recommend going to the Divide Snow Park on HWY 26 just east of the Bandit Spring Rest Area as a counter measure to Walton. The trails are groomed to Walton Snow Park from there.

Next club events:

January 29th: Club Ride, sponsored by the members, with a chili feed pot luck planned for either Indian Prairie Warming Shelter or Walton Lake Snow Park. Check our FACEBOOK page for updates and fake news...

January 30th: Walton Lake Snow Park tentatively scheduled avalanche training working with our transceivers and gear practicing techniques! Time to be determined so watch our Facebook page for more info and more fake news...

Be well everyone,

Jack Thumb





We got a good amount of snow in December and the PistenBully has been out 8 times now. Fuel consumption has been really poor (about ½ a mile per gallon) due to the deep snow. The fuel consumption does improve dramatically once we get on trails that have already been groomed. This will make for a great base of snow, and now we just need to see more snow on top of it.

We would like to get a huge thank you out to Andre Ducharme, who has volunteered to keep the Bombardier groomer at his house. Andre's driveway is right at the end of the snowmobile trail south of Hyatt Lake. From there we can access Howard Prairie, which we hope will happen in the next 1-2 weeks. Andre has been running the groomer and also got all of the pre-season maintenance completed. Thank you, Andre!

We are very pleased to report that with the help of the OSSA, our groomer shed doors have now been replaced with insulated doors that fit properly. This is keeping the building much warmer. President Riblett and OSSA president Dennis Jordan were able to meet with a property owner to gain access to groom the Hyatt Lake area. The OSSA purchased 10 signs, and with the help of the BLM, will be putting the signs up on both sides of the trail as it passes through the private property to remind riders to stay on the trail. We will also be putting up snow poles along the ½ mile section of trail, and we will plan a work party in the spring to walk the trail to ensure that no trash was left on the property. Please be respectful and stay on the trail through this area, as we do not want to lose access to these trails.

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 98 paid memberships as of January 10th. If you have not already renewed your membership, please do so. You can renew online through the OSSA (oregonsnow.org), or you can stop by Dave's Motorsports and pay Monica directly.

Riders from the Klamath Basin Snowdrifters and the Chiloquin Ridge Riders will be working together to guide rides on Thursday, January 13th at the OSSA convention. We hear they are expecting close to 70 riders that day, and the plan is to break into smaller groups and head in different directions. All of the riders will meet back at Claude Lewis Snopark for food provided by Diamond Lake Resort. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to be ride leaders and sweepers.

Our next club ride is the Steak Feed on Saturday, January 29th at Annie Creek Snopark. We will meet at the snopark at 9 a.m. and start riding shortly after. We will plan to have all riders back to the snopark at 3 p.m. for a steak dinner. The club will be providing the meal, which is free to club members. Non-club members can purchase a meal for \$15 per person as long as there are steaks left. We need to get a head count to Monica by Thursday, January 20th so that she can order steaks from Howard's Meat Center. Please make sure you register for this event through Growthzone to make sure you have a steak waiting for you.

Our next club meeting will be Tuesday, February 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) 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





Baker County Sheriff's Office

Report Submitted by
The La Grande Sno Drifters

PRESS RELEASE:

WASHINGTON SNOWMOBILERS RESCUED NEAR FISH LAKE

On December 26th, 2021 at approximately 5:28 p.m., Sheriff Ash received a call from Brandon Christensen out of Washington State who said that he reached out to the Wallowa Avalanche Center regarding lost snowmobilers and was given his number. He told Sheriff Ash that a group of his friends had been snowmobiling and were lost in the Fish Lake Area. The lost subjects sent the caller a map with their coordinates using cellular devices. These coordinates showed the subjects to be in the Catherine Creek Area.

At approximately 5:43 p.m., Baker County Sheriff's Office Dispatch received an SOS alert from a **Garmin satellite device**. Garmin representatives relayed information that several snowmobilers, including one with a medical condition, were lost. Coordinates from the device were in the Fish Lake Area near Halfway. It was determined this was the same group the caller contacted Sheriff Ash about. Brandon had intermittent phone contact with one of the lost members and they were directed to stop and wait for help to arrive.

Sheriff Ash contacted Duane Miles with the **Panhandle Snowmobile Club** for assistance and responded to Halfway. Family members of the lost subjects, who were from Washington State, relayed there were five snowmobilers that were lost. The lost individuals were approximately 1.5 miles west of Fish Lake.

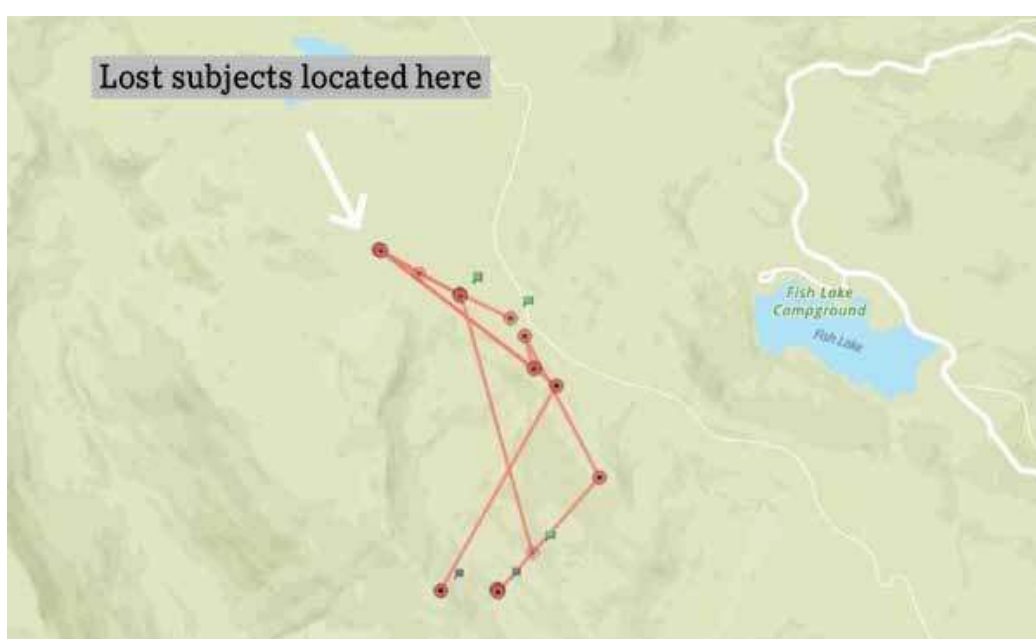
At approximately 9:10 p.m., members of the **Panhandle Snowmobile Club** located the subjects, identified as: John Rasmussen (Kennewick, WA), Alan Townsend (Burbank, WA), Mike Kelly (Burbank, WA), Steve Paget (Burbank, WA), and Jon Mecham (Kennewick, WA). All were cold and tired, but in good condition. The group had become lost when darkness, fog, wind and snow moved into the area and covered their tracks. They were unable to use GPS to locate the trail and could not find their way back to the Clear Creek Sno-Park. The group was located approximately 9 miles from Clear Creek Sno-Park.

The Baker County Sheriff's Office
would like to thank

the following members of the **Panhandle Snowmobile Club** for their response:

**Dusty Traw, Ray Denig, Kyle Bennett, Josh Sevier, Kyle Dennis, Chad Delcurto,
Tucker Gulick, Kelly Grisham, Shane Denig.**

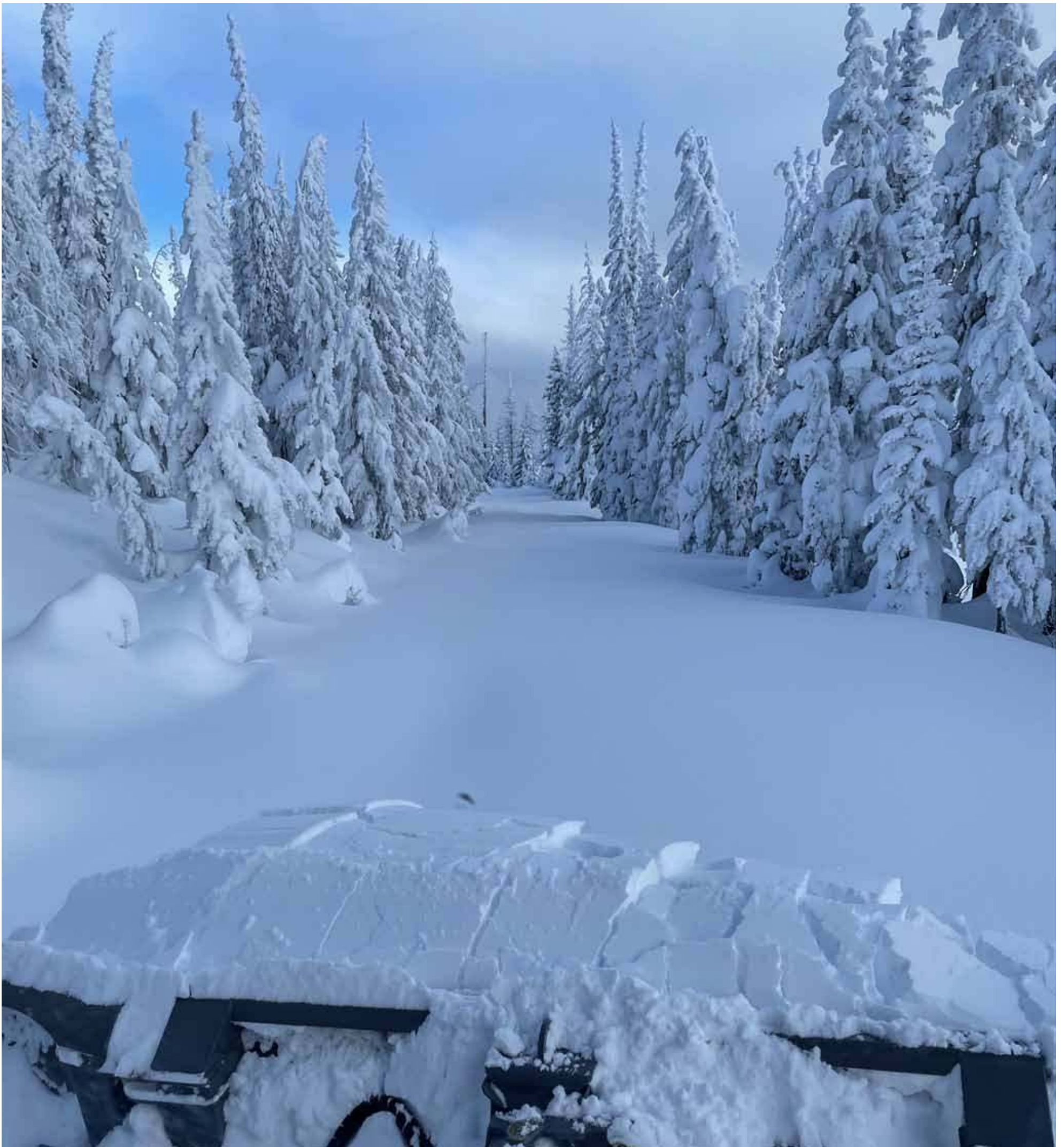
Even the most experienced recreationists may find themselves in a situation where they need assistance. If you are an outdoor enthusiast, [we encourage you to carry a satellite safety device](#). In this particular rescue, the cellular phone coordinates showed the subjects to be in the Catherine Creek area. **Had the subjects not been carrying a satellite device, they would not have been rescued that evening** as searchers would have responded to the wrong location. These devices are extremely helpful for first responders and may ultimately save your life.



La Grande Sno Drifters Snowmobile Club

We wanted like to brag about our sister Snowmobile Club, The Panhandle Snowmobile Club.

This is a great story and showed how the Baker County Sheriff utilized OSSA's Halfway, Oregon club, The Panhandle Snowmobile Club. Such a wonderful relationship between the grooming program with that club, District 7 Membership Director Duane Miles and the Sheriff's Dept.



Snow pole at Fish Lake

Grooming to Twin Lakes

NEWS FROM THE PANHANDLE SNOWMOBILE CLUB



Panhandle Snowmobile Club
48090 Cornucopia Hwy
Halfway, OR 97834

YEA! The snow is piling up. We had a lot of fine fluffy snow, but now it's a much wetter snow. Please be careful up on the mountains. Three weeks ago there was 7 feet at the Fish Lake marker. I haven't had a report, but know it must be close to 9 ft. now. The groomers are working hard.

I would like to commend the following members for their successful efforts to locate a group of lost snowmobilers up past Fish Lake and lead them out safely: Dusty Traw, Ray Denig, Kyle Bennett, Josh Sevier, Kyle Dennis, Chad Delcurto, Tucker Gulick, Kelly Grisham and Shane Denig. Great job guys!

Our annual Poker Run is just over six weeks away. We hope you all can join us for our Poker Run and Raffle on February 20th. Get your reservations at the Motel, Lodges and ABNBs. You must have a SnoPark Permit. You can buy online or if you just want a one-day or three day check the Oregon DMV. If you can't get a 1-3 day, let us know and we will try to have some available for purchase. The Halfway Motel usually has them, but runs out sometimes so please reach out ahead of time. We have to go to Baker City to buy them.

Check our Facebook page:
Panhandle Snowmobile Club. It is up and running.

The Club Schedule:

Feb 8 meeting: potluck at 6:30 and meeting at 7 pm

FEBRUARY 20: ANNUAL POKER RUN/RAFFLE

Mar 8 meeting: potluck at 6:30 and meeting at 7 pm

April 12 meeting: potluck at 6:30 and meeting at 7 pm

Submitted by Mary Herold, Sec./Treasurer

All our meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month and start with a potluck at 6:30 pm and the meeting at 7 pm.



The snow has arrived and like most everywhere else we have lots of it.

The pictures are of Paulina Creek and from the top of Paulina Peak. The views from Paulina Peak are amazing but definitely should be experienced in person. Thank you to Terance & Melanie Hamrick for the pictures.

Groomers have been out keeping up with the snow and keeping the trails groomed for our riding pleasure. Please when you see the groomers out working stop and thank them for their hard work. All groomers volunteer their time to keep the trails groomed.

Lodgepole Dodgers will be having its annual Poker Run on Saturday Feb. 5, 2022 8am – 2pm. This event will be held at the Paulina Lake 10 mile sno-park warming shelter. This is always a fun event. Come join us and get a chance to win some cash or prizes. If you are traveling from out of the area for the event, the La Pine Best Western Newberry Station is offering a special rate for snowmobilers. January - March the Best Western will be offering a single room rate of \$85 plus tax per night any night of the week.

The Trans-Montana snowmobile charity ride is February 5-11, 2022. This ride goes from one end of Montana to the other. Proceeds from this ride go to benefit the Montana chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness. Lodgepole Dodgers member Adam Lochmann will be attending this ride and representing Lodgepole Dodgers.

Lodgepole Dodgers next general meeting will be January 25, 2022 7pm at the La Pine Moose Lodge. Our next scheduled club ride is Saturday January 22, 2022 10am. If anyone would like to join us on our ride we meet in front of the warming shelter at Paulina Lake 10 mile sno-park.

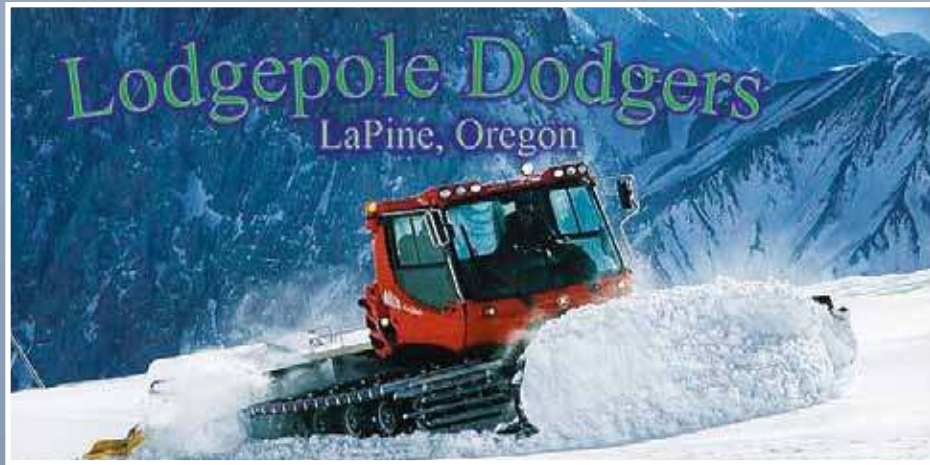


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La Pine Lodgepole Dodgers 2022 Calendar of Events

Saturday February 5, 2022
Poke Run @ Paulina Lake 8am-2pm

Saturday February 19, 2022
Club Ride @ Crescent Lake 10am
(crescent lake to diamond lake)

Tuesday February 22, 2022
General Meeting @ La Pine Moose Lodge 7pm

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.*





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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!

Feb 3rd - Regular meeting

Feb 12th - Family ride

Feb 26th - Club ride

March 4th - Poker Run
dinner set up/meeting

March 5th - Annual Poker Run

March 12th - Family ride

April 1st - Regular meeting
-election officers

April 9th - End of season BBQ and
play day at Anthony Lakes.

Groomers are needed and so appreciated. We are also still looking for donations for our annual Poker Run March 5th, if you have something you would like to donate for the raffle or silent auction please call Amber 541-786-4412.

Our website is up to date!

www.LaGrandeSnoDrifters.com, if you have pictures that you would like to share please email them to lgsnodrifters@gmail.com and we can put them on the website for everyone to see!

We thank those members who have been attending the meetings and look forward to seeing the rest of you at our upcoming meetings and activities.

2021-2022 Club Events/Rides

MT JEFFERSON



*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**

February 18-23 – Club Trip at Togwotee, WY

February 12th – Valentines Club Ride at Ray Benson Sno Park

February 19th – Club Ride at Ray Benson Sno Park

February 26th – Club Ride at Paulina Lake

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) for any changes to the schedule.

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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?

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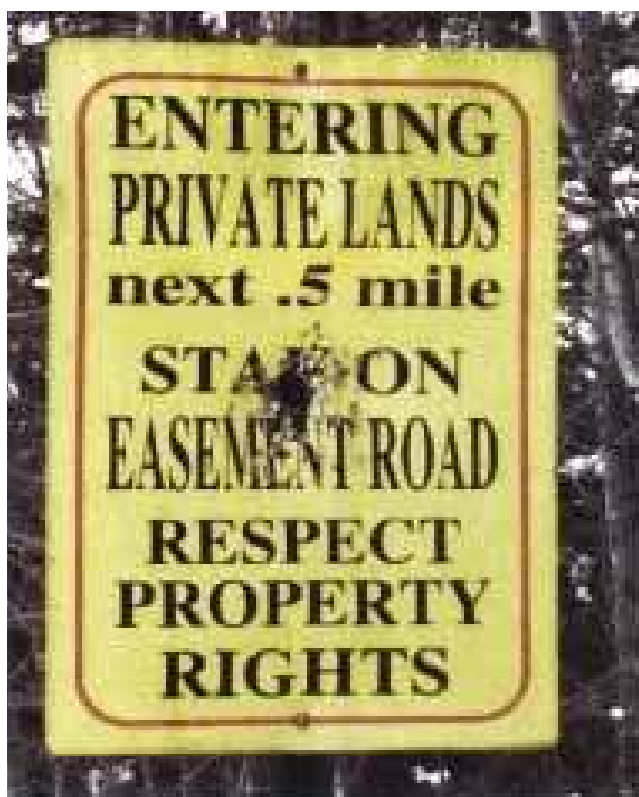
Below is a list of current state approved snowmobile safety trainers.

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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Randy James	Enterprise	541-426-3854	
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Snowmobiling's #1 Enemy

Ask most anyone involved with the creation and maintenance of snowmobile trails on private land and they will tell you the biggest threat to our interconnected trail system is trespassing. Snowmobile riders, more and more each year, venture off the groomed path in places where it is strictly forbidden. Like, illegal. Those who create the trails simply do not understand why there is such disregard, such disrespect, and such a casual attitude towards protecting and preserving what we have worked so hard to create over the past 50 years. It escapes common sense and logic.

I've been working on this issue for several years now. Thought it would be an easy subject to tackle, but it is much bigger of an issue than I first thought. It is actually a study of human behavior. There are so many reasons we have those who ignore the rules, like trespassing. Kind of like risk assessment behavior, there are so many rationales. Some don't know it is illegal. Some know but don't care. Some know but don't think it matters. Some figure there are no consequences. Some believe they are entitled. It is all over the map.

An alarming number of snowmobilers just do not see the problem. They truly believe what they are doing is a victimless crime, and therefore not a "real" problem. At least until they come back and find that trail is permanently closed. Some are locals, some are tourists. Some are young, some are old. Some are on trail sleds, some are on backcountry sleds. While we might be able to make some generalizations about those most likely to be offenders, it is not as clear cut as you might think or want it to be. One thing is for sure – fresh, untracked snow is too great of a temptation from some people to resist. Like the comedian Flip Wilson used to proclaim, "The Devil made me do it!" is about the only justification that makes sense. An inability to resist temptation. This alone should scare the hell out of us as a user group, as it paints a bleak future, indeed.

Snowmobiling's #1 Enemy

People like to ride their sleds in fresh, untracked snow, I get that. We all like doing that. But doing it in sight of the groomed trail is not the place to do so! Taking your sled off into the fresh snow needs to be done away from the groomed trail system, but if you don't know how to get there or find that opportunity then we have a problem.

There is no silver bullet when it comes to a solution. Trails get closed and re-routed when the land owner finally gets fed up with people ignoring their wishes, trampling their crops and disrupting their livestock. The reason is actually irrelevant, as it is up to the good will of the land owner to let us route a trail on their land. If we can't appreciate what they offer, then we can go to hell. Maybe if more of the offending riders had to stand there and listen to the landowner throw us off their land then they'd start to understand. We beg and plead for one more chance, one more time, but they've been snookered once too many already and we are told to pull the signs, shut the gates and go elsewhere. Trails that have been in place since the 1970s are being closed. Fact. Just had one less than a mile from where I live. I will never again ride that section. If I could catch the hooligan that screwed this up I would love to have a few words with them.

What are we to do, give up? Of course not. We can do many things, but each action will only affect a portion of the root offenders. More signs will help some, but not all. More map data will help some, but not all. More education will help some, but not all. More consequences will help some, but not all.

First we need to make everyone aware of what actions are legal and not legal. (education)

Next we need to provide accurate data on what locations are legal and not legal. (signs, maps and screen data)

Then we need to have consequences for violation. No consequences, no change. (enforcement)

Often times it comes down to riders being lazy. They are too lazy to figure out where to go and how to get there. They just see the fresh open space next to the trail with no tracks and want to be "that guy". Doesn't matter if there are "Stay on Trail" signs, it's like they don't read English. Since we know they do, we can only conclude it is simple ignorance or entitlement.

Personally I believe the most damaging is the entitlement attitude, they do not respect the concept of private ownership and property rights. Public or private, does not matter to them. They truly believe they are entitled to use it all, like it should all be under common

ownership, or communism. Maybe this is the scariest part of all.

Some riders think we, the industry, the trail clubs, the state, should show them where backcountry riding can be done and how to get there. Just hand it to them on a silver platter. This also plays into the lazy argument, they are too lazy to study maps and learn the laws, too lazy to do some exploring and find their own little stash back in the woods. Anyone who rides out west knows this is part of the thrill, finding the little meadows and play areas that nobody else has been back into yet. Trust me, it isn't right next to the groomed trail!

Bottom line, there is no single solution to the problem, simply due to the multiple causes and attitudes. Some do not know any better. Some know, but do not believe the risk is great enough. Some know, but do not care. And, some believe it does not apply to them, that they are above the law, above the need to respect others. This is not a problem with snowmobilers, but with society as a whole, and that is a completely different problem.

Kevin Beilke

Editor – SnowTech Magazine

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-Stay on the Trail! -If you Don't know - Don't Go.



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

Saturday, February, 12th - Elk Lake Ride / Board Meeting. Meet @ Junction Snow Park at 8 AM for the annual Elk Lake Ride. Board meeting to follow @ 6:30 PM @ the Crescent Lake Fire Hall

hosted by Walker Rim Riders. Volunteers will be needed!

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

2022 Season Schedule

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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