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The Oregon Snowmobile Community Lost A Fierce Advocate of Snowmobiling. Peggy Spieger Has Passed Away.

Peggy served as OSSA Executive Director for over 30 years. She made contributions as a trail and program developer for Oregon making it one of the best in the nation. She always took your call no matter the day or time. She was also active with the American Council of Snowmobile Associations (ACSA), the International Association of Snowmobile Administrators (IASA), Western Chapter of Snowmobile Associations, as well as her local snowmobile club. She was a volunteer leader at the club, state, national, and international level. Peggy fought for the rights of snowmobilers to access Crater Lake National Park and the Newberry National Volcanic Monument. She played an instrumental role in the development of Kapka Sno-Park. Peggy worked with the Oregon Department of Transportation to administer grooming and trail maintenance of Oregon's snowmobile trails. She was the voice for Oregon snowmobiling in Washington D.C.

Peggy has received many awards. In 2020, she was inducted into the International Snowmobile Hall of Fame and received the Iron Dog Brigade Distinguished Service Award.

Our deepest sympathy and heartfelt thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Spieger family. Peggy will be missed by all that knew her.





Hello everyone! We have struggled with writing for a couple months now. We have lost valuable club members recently, and we are still grieving.

September 3, 2023 John Bastian, long time club member and past OSSA president went home to be the the Lord. We will miss his advice, knowledge and friendship deeply.

Then tragically, another shocking loss as our club President Tim Nodine, suffered a stroke at work and passed away on November 3, 2023.

Our small club has reeled from these tragic and untimely losses. Then with the weather and no snow, it has been hard to stay focused on winter sports. We had a winter kick-off event December 9th with some fun giveaway's and free burger bbq. We gained a few new members and had a great time visiting with folks and talking about the grooming and riding we will do once the weather cooperates. Our groomer operators spent the morning of the 9th changing oil and greasing our two Pri-noth's and getting them ready to roll come enough snow.

We know a few members have made it to a couple areas in search of snow, and found enough for the snow bikes but not enough to groom yet. Lots of sharks out there. Keep snow dancing and let's hope 2024 will come in better than 2023 went out. We still are meeting the first Monday of every month, usually at the Elks club at 6pm. Follow us on Facebook for updates under GCSC!!



Past OSSA President John Bastian and wife Lindy.



Tim Nodine



A few members found a skiff of snow to test out their new snowbikes on.



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Take-A-Friend Snowmobiling Week (See page 38 for details)

February 10-19, 2024 Take a Friend Snowmobiling, ISMA (International Snowmobile Manufacturers Association)-Information for snowmobilers: snowmobiling trails and safety; facts and trends.



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- * Trail Run Requires : 3 Trail Stations + any 4 Stations from Town
- * All Trail Participants must have a snowmobile license on their machine
- * Full Participant Rules available at Registration

REGISTRATION

Location : Sumpter School House

FRIDAY Feb 16th 6pm-8pm

SATURDAY 17th

Walk Abouts - 8-1:30pm

Trail Riders - 8-10am

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- ♦ **RUN STARTS 9:30AM**
*LAST HAND OUT AT 10:30AM
- ♣ **RETURN BY 2PM**
- ♥ **PRIZES AT 2:30PM**

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Club News & Events

2023 - 2024 SEASON

Monthly OSSA CLUB REPORTS & PHOTOS

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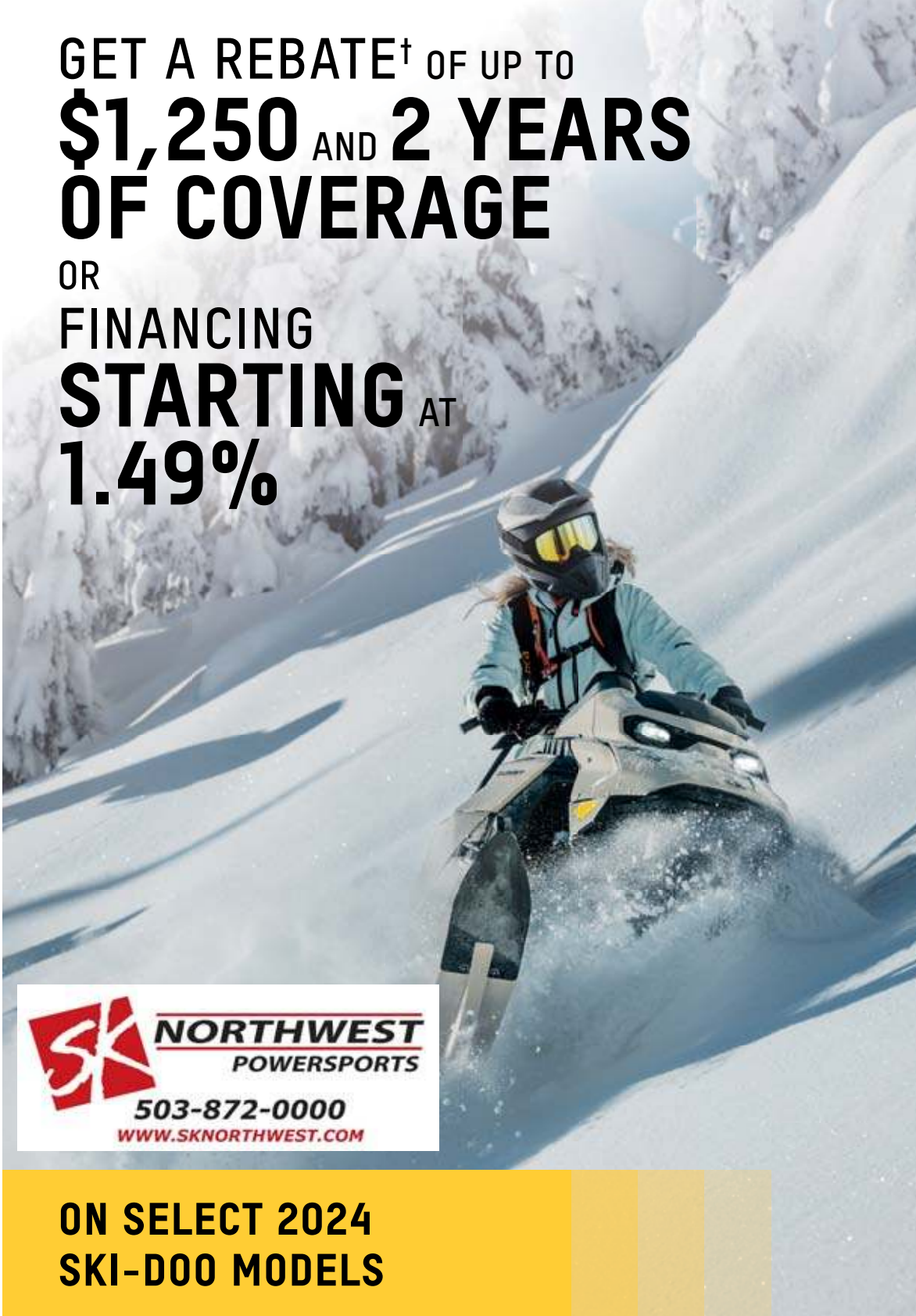
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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024





Hello Everyone!

Greg here from the Rogue Snowmobilers

It's that time this year again. Save the date February 17th – 2024 Mt. Bailey \$3000 Poker Run hosted by Diamond Lake Resort and Rogue Snowmobilers.

We are doing pre-registration online this year. For full event details, you can visit our site here to sign up or learn more about the event <https://roguesnowmobilers.com/winter-event-schedule/mt-bailey-3000-poker-run>

Event entry and first hand for each rider is \$15 – this is also your entry ticket into the door prizes at dinner. Additional hands for a rider are \$5 each, available after you purchase your first hand. You can purchase as many extra hands as you want.

Online pre-registration will be open until February 12th at 12PM. This is to allow our pre-registration crew time to prepare your registration packets, so they are ready for the event.

In-person pre-registration will be available at the lodge from 5:30PM – 7:30PM, Friday February 16th. You can also register the day of the event below at check in.

Check in Saturday, Feb 17th at 8:30AM at the activity center at Diamond Lake. Riders/safety meeting starts at 10AM with the full course opening at 10:15AM

Course will close for any new riders around noon, depending on traffic. Registration and last punch will open up at the lodge and will be open from 2:30PM – 4:30PM

Dinner will be upstairs in the Baily room at the lodge, with an Italian dinner served. You can pre-order your spot for dinner online this year as well to guarantee a spot.

The Mt. Bailey \$3,000 is Oregon's premier snowmobile event and one of the largest winter events throughout the state for the year. This is our club's primary fund raiser for the year and lets us operate throughout the year without donations. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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Greg Gulrich
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Date	Event	Location	Time
02/10/24 - Sat	Elk Lake Ride	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM
02/10/24 - Sat	Board Meeting/Dinner Gathering	Odell Lake Lodge	6:00/6:30 PM
02/25/24 - Sun	Candlelighter's Snow Day	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM
03/09/24 - Sat	Ladies Skills Day - All Men/Women/Children encouraged to attend	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM
03/09/24 - Sat	Board Meeting/Dinner Gathering	Odell Lake Lodge	6:00/6:30 PM
04/13/24 - Sat	Scavenger Hunt	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM
04/13/24 - Sat	General Meeting - Voting	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	2:00 PM
05/11/24 - Sat	Trail Work Party	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM
05/11/24 - Sat	Board Meeting/Dinner Gathering	Bigfoot Tavern - Crescent	6:00/6:30 PM
06/08/24 - Sat	Cowboy Dinner Tree Dirt Ride - RSVP Required	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM
07/13/24 - Sat	Diamond Lake Dirt Ride	Junction Sno-Park Warming Shelter	9:00 AM
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2/17/23	Open	
2/24/23	Ray Benson	TBD
2/29-3/3	Steve Duch	Halfway
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Instructor:
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Avalanche Rescue (Members Only)

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

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NOTE: Must be an OSSA member to register.

Contact Information

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Vandals and Thieves Hit Two OSSA Clubs Forest Shelters & Equipment Over Christmas/New Years Break

Moon Country Snowbusters & La Pine Lodgepole Dodgers Offer Reward.

We just received a donation from Meissner Ski Club for an additional \$500 to help with the damage done to the shelter.



BY BROOKE SNAVELY | CENTRAL OREGON DAILY NEWS
Wednesday, January 3rd 2024

Vandalism of a snow shelter and destruction of avalanche equipment is threatening the safety of Central Oregon back country enthusiasts. Two local non profits are offering rewards for information that lead to the arrest of the vandals who they describe as "bottom feeding maggots."

Sometime over Christmas break, vandals broke glass, scrawled graffiti, discharged fire extinguishers and stole firewood from the Wanoga Shelter in the Wanoga Sno-Park near Mt. Bachelor. Damages are estimated around \$1,000.

"We'd like to catch these guys," said Justin Goodman, president of Moon Country Snowbusters. "We really think having these dirty rotten scoundrels walking around doing this kind of stuff to something that's provided by us and take it advantage of it. Unfortunately everybody else is going to miss out on it. We're hoping to get the word out to figure out who's behind this."

Also over the break, someone vandalized an avalanche beacon check station near Paulina Lake. The culprit knocked down the recently installed station, removed a solar panel, a battery and a circuit board.

"Whether you are snowshoeing, skiing, snowmobiling, hiking, you will typically go out in the back country with a beacon on your body," said Keith Walls, vice-president of Moon Country Snowbusters. "Those are used if there's an avalanche so your friends who are with you can find you and get you out. Those checkers are put in place to make sure your beacon is working as it should."

The Moon Country Snowbusters and the La Pine Lodgepole Dodgers snowmobile clubs are offering a \$450 reward (up from \$250) for information that leads to recovery of the missing equipment, or the arrest of, as they put it on their Facebook post, "the low-life bottom feeding maggots responsible for vandalizing public property that is maintained by volunteers."

The missing equipment consists of an approximately 24-inch square photovoltaic panel, a battery similar to a motorcycle battery in size and a printed circuit board that would fit in the open box in the pictures below. They ask people to keep an eye out for ads on Facebook Marketplace and Craigslist for the items who may be trying to sell or trade them.

On the Wanoga vandalism, you can contact the groups on Facebook Messenger — [La Pine Lodgepole Dodgers](#) or [Moon Country Snowbusters](#) — with any information. For the avalanche equipment, you can contact them or the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office.

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Our Next general meetings are Febuary 3rd at 3:00 at the Wanoga Shelter and then also at Febuary 24th starting at 9:00 at the Wanogoa Shelter



Poker Run 2/24/24 starts at 9am

must return to Wanoga Shelter by 2pm Prizes at 2:30 pm

Spaghetti Cook-Off! Bring your best spaghetti or side dish (salad, garlic bread, veggie tray, etc) Mealstarts at 3PM; General Club Meeting to immediately follow at 3:30PM in the Wanoga Shelter.

Need Volunteers for this event!! Please message us to be added to our event volunteer list for 2/25/2023.

Camp out with us the whole weekend! Great company, great food, sledding, bonfires, and more! Bringthe family too! Won't be a day you want to miss! All rider abilities are welcome and we encourage kids to participate in the Poker Run too! A family-friendly event!!

PHOTOS FROM JANUARY 20th Poker Run !





Club News & Events

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

2023-2024 SNOWMOBILE SEASON

Regular Monthly Meetings (subject to change)

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

These are the dates for our next meetings.

- * **Thursday January 19, 2024**
- * Thursday February 15, 2024
- * Thursday March 21, 2024
- * Thursday April 18, 2024

We had 30 members attend our December meeting with the Christmas exchange. December seems to have our best turn out.

Poker Run February 17th, 2024

We are adding the trail to our Poker Run this year. Entailing a combination (call it a hybrid) of both trail and walk-about. You can do the walk-about only if you wish. One of our long-time members has stepped up. He and his family are going to stand the 3 trail stations. The riders will be eligible for our normal \$3000 purse, but they will also be eligible for an additional purse of \$1000, divided 50%,30%,20%. Register Friday night or Saturday, however if you register for the trail, registration closes at 10am Saturday, if you register at 10am Saturday you will find it very difficult to complete your card. To be eligible for the trail purse the rider must have a **Snowmobile License on their machine** (cards will not be punched without a snowmobile license on their machine), ride to all 3 stations, and have their cards punched. The other 4 card draws are accomplished in town. A rider has the option to have their draws in town either **before or after** they ride the trail. A total of 7 draws will be accepted. Riders are responsible for getting their cards back to the schoolhouse (community center) by 2pm. It will probably take you between 2.5 to 3 hours to ride the trail. Manage your time carefully. Station times on the trail will be 8am to 1pm. Station times in town will be 8am to 1:30pm. You can register the night before, Friday Feb. 16th at schoolhouse (community center) from 6pm to 8pm (recommended for the trail) or Saturday 8am to 10am (trail) and 8am to 1:00pm (for the walk-about),

For the Trail Poker-run to continue it will take additional club members to volunteer. The walkabout Poker run is maned by non-members and members (who graciously support the club and are generally without sleds). So those of you can't or don't actively participate in the club step up, take your turn in the barrel and man a station one day out of the year.



Sumpter Valley Blue Mountain Snowmobile Club

There will be more guidance and information at registration.

Hope you can make it this year and have enough snow to do the trails stations.

Last year with the some of the proceeds, we donated \$2000 to SAR (Search and Rescue). This year we will be donating to Best Friends of Baker City and CASA (court appointed special advocates) for children. Both are a great cause. So please come and have some fun and bring the family.

Awards ceremony and raffle prizes will be at groomer shed at 6pm on Saturday Feb. 17th.

Groomer Report

It's been starting to snow little by little but still not enough to groom trails. Let's do the snow dance and get it coming down.

SPECIAL EVENTS

If all goes well and we have enough snow the "Oregon Vintage Snowmobile Racing Circuit" on facebook attentively are shooting for February 10th and 11th. It will all depend on snow conditions. Jake Bork will post when he has more information on it.

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



Mike Bogart Club President and Travis Ash Baker City (SAR) receiving our donation from Poker Run 2023

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- * Full Participant Rules available at Registration

REGISTRATION
Location : Sumpter School House
FRIDAY Feb16th 6pm-8pm
SATURDAY 17th
WalkABOUTs - 8-1:30pm
Trail Riders - 8-10am
Early Registration recommended for Trail Participants
Registration later than 9:30am Saturday will make it difficult to complete the run

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





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We have started to take membership dues starting September 1, 2023 and to those of you who would like to join the club during the 2023-2024 season, it's \$45.00 with \$35.00 going to OSSA and \$10.00 for club dues please contact me (Jane Leatherman) at svbmsc-secytreas@oulook.com or call me 208-739-3498 and I will get an application out to you. Also, you can go to the OSSA website and pay online to join our club and other clubs. **Thank You** for your support.

We really need participation from young and old. At stake are our rights to use public lands. Your dues help fund the lobbies that continue the fight to retain the use of public lands for snowmobilers, atv's or if you're just driving around in the woods.



Kathy Reedy up at the Argonaut Mine area in Sumpter.



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See page 38 for details





Gary Olson at Argonaut Mine area in Sumpter.

Memories from our Christmas celebration party



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

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OSSA Membership

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

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

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

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

Some attributes of club membership include :

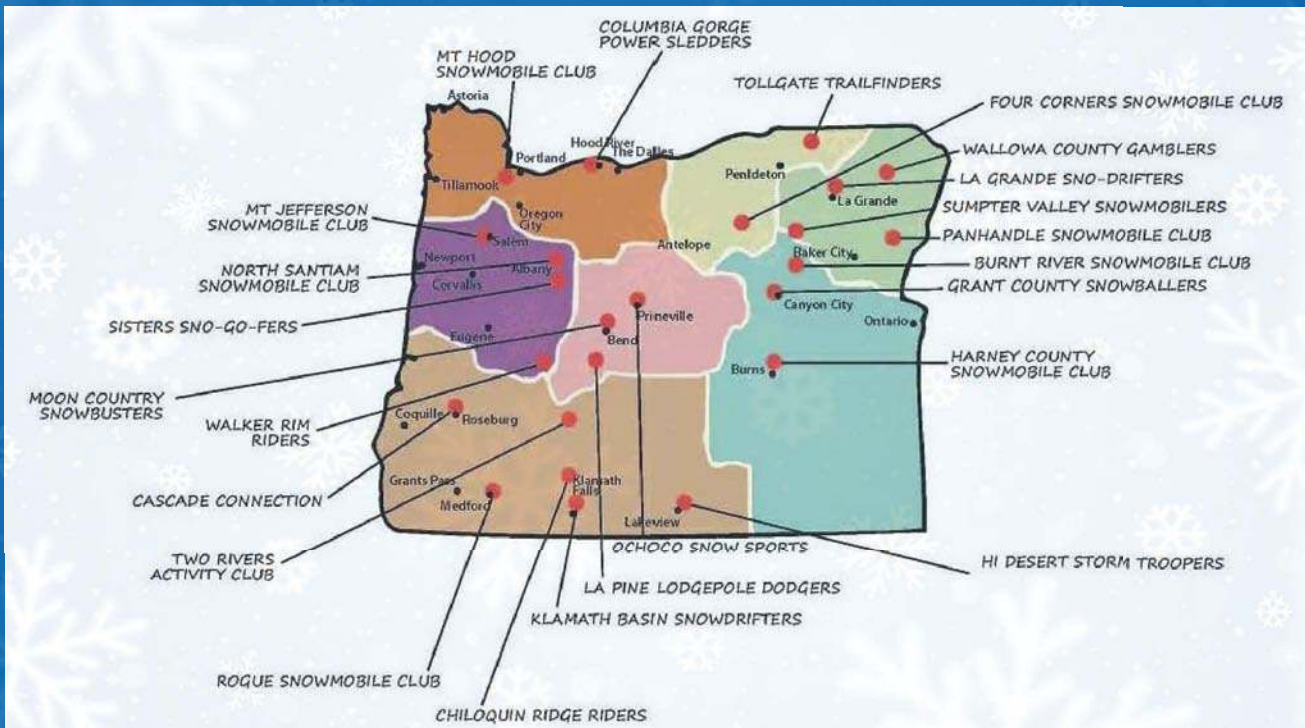
- * Cooperative enjoyment in club activities, rides and play days.
- * Assistance through club membership in formalizing legislation for snowmobiles.
- * Learning new areas to ride and familiarity with areas through joint rides.
- * Strength in state organization through local club organization and input.

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



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SNOWMOBILERS CARE ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT





February 10-19, 2024

The Take a Friend Snowmobiling campaign, which will be held February 10-19, 2024,

has been supported by the snowmobile community over the years. Snowmobile Clubs and Associations across North America have taken Military Personnel snowmobiling, coordinated Enlightenment rides with land managers, and often just have fun organizing snowmobile rides with friends and family. The trails and riding areas in many parts of North America are amazing and offer great opportunities to take friends snowmobiling.

The Take a Friend Snowmobiling rides highlight the “wow-factor” and the pure enjoyment that people have when they first ride a snowmobile. First-time snowmobilers can’t quit talking about how much fun the ride was. When you take a friend snowmobiling, remember this may very well be their first time on a snowmobile. Chances are that your normal ride would seem like a marathon to an uninitiated friend. Let your friend enjoy that first day of snowmobiling. Again, enjoy the ride, make it relatively short, make it simple, and remember that it is always a good idea to feed your guests.

The Take a Friend Snowmobiling campaign is also joined with the Safe Riders! Campaign. We have a 13-chapter Safe Riders video series that can be found on our website at: <http://www.snowmobile.org/snowmobile-videos.html>. The chapters are a great tool when introducing a friend to snowmobiling and will help make the ride more enjoyable for everyone.

You should also visit and “Like” our Facebook page before participating in a *Take a Friend Snowmobiling* event. Our Facebook page is www.Facebook.com/GoSnowmobiling. When looking at the page you will notice many snowmobilers sharing pictures and their experiences on the page. We have thousands of Friends who visit regularly and it is common for snowmobilers to send out informative posts that are forwarded to thousands of snowmobile enthusiasts worldwide. There is a short general survey on our Facebook page, so when you visit the page, consider answering a few simple survey questions. We are constantly surveying snowmobilers to see how we can better serve you and how we can help you enjoy your snowmobiling activity.

When you consider putting together a *Take a Friend Snowmobiling* ride, just remember that individuals who don’t own a snowmobile have a high interest in going snowmobiling. People that you know, who don’t snowmobile, want to snowmobile. They also want to go snowmobiling for the same reasons you do:

- a.) To enjoy the scenery.
- b.) To get outdoors to have fun with family and friends.
- c.) To go to unique places that they can’t reach any other way to see amazing sights.
- d.) To have fun in the winter outdoors and be able to go home tired and be ready for a good night’s sleep.

So please, go out and have fun, take a friend snowmobiling, and enjoy this wonderful winter. The link to the “**Take a Friend Snowmobiling Campaign Action Manual**” for ideas on putting together an event is: <https://www.snowmobile.org/docs/2024-take-a-friend-snowmobiling.pdf> **Please review it and share it with others.**



Trail Conditions/Grooming Reports

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

Be sure to always check avalanche conditions before you ride!



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

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

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





Several of our club members enjoyed our first snow on Sunday January 7th



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On Monday January 8th we finally had enough snow to start grooming. Our volunteers spent 11 hours on the trails that day.





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WE ARE SO THANKFUL FOR OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Klamath Basin Snowdrifters



Always wear protective gear to stay safe

Volunteer hours and miles Are Vital to OSSA

What is a snowmobile club volunteer ?

By Lisa Mahoney, OSSA Executive Director

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

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

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

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

[CLICK HERE FOR VOLUNTEER FORM](#)

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

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL THAT YOU DO FOR SNOWMOBILING!





Well snow has finally fallen here in Wallowa county. We had just enough to hold our annual poker run, but temperatures dropped to -19. Pick ups gelled up, sleds would not start, pulled machines into groomershed to try to start. Too cold to even think about taking your gloves off to take pictures. But as always a fun day on the mountain for those who were able to attend. Thanks to all the volunteers who make it happen from wood getting, grooming, stop help, card makers and sign placer. The storm is still dropping snow so hopefully we build a base and the real riding can begin.





Dustin James



Up The Imnaha River at Indian Crossing January 14th



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Your Membership Matters!

It's been said that there is strength in numbers. This has never been more true than when it comes to protecting your right to enjoy the snow.

Did you know that many of our members belong to several clubs. I am personally a member of 4 different clubs. I join every club in every area that I ride just to say "Thank you" to our volunteers.

Snowmobile club memberships for an entire year cost less than a single ski lift ticket for one day!

Join you local club today. You can join just to say "Thank you", or you can join to meet new friends.



TJ Reilly
OSSA Vice President





NEWS FROM THE PANHANDLE SNOWMOBILE CLUB

NEWS FROM THE PANHANDLE SNOWMOBILE CLUB

Well, we are like most of the state—low on snow. Get out and do your snow Dances! The groomers are ready and waiting.

In December, we helped decorate the town for Christmas. The “stars” went up and the tree was cut and decorated. Halfway had it’s first Christmas parade, which ended with the tree lighting and Santa for the kids. It was lots of fun and we hope it’s bigger and better next year. I have included a few pictures.

The club also enjoyed a Christmas dinner at Sara’s Richland Café. We had a great prime rib dinner, a gift exchange and sold three hands of cards. Three lucky people won \$52 each. I have included a video from the dinner.

We know that we will have snow for our Poker Run on February 18th. It seems to snow right before the event. So make your reservations and plan to attend. There will be Breakfast burritos available at the Lion’s Hall in the morning. They will be all wrapped up ready for your hotpots or eat at the Lions. In the evening, the Grange will have soup/chili & cornbread available while we conduct the raffle and hand out Poker Hand Prizes.

Places to stay include: Halfway Motel & RV, Pine Valley Lodge, Cornucopia Lodge, Hitchin’ Post in Richland, many AirB&Bs (check them out). Also, Mamaste (not on AB&B) has rooms and a couple RV spots that are in town. Contact them at mamaste225@gmail.com. Wild Bill’s will be open for breakfast Sat & Sun along with our new food truck, Cow Camp

We do have a Facebook page: Panhandle Snowmobile Club. Current conditions can be found there.

Happy New Year to all of you and the Halfway area is looking forward to seeing you in 2024.

Submitted by Mary Herold, Sec.





FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

International Snowmobile Manufacturers Association Names Jaret Smith President

Ed Klim Retiring after more than 25 years of service

(Jan. 5, 2024) – The International Snowmobile Manufacturers Association (ISMA), today announced that Ed will retire from his position as President in 2024. Jaret will serve as President, effective January 15, 2024.

“In my time serving on the ISMA Board of Directors, I’ve had the privilege to work with Ed as he led the organization and helped cultivate and grow the Snowmobile industry,” said Troy Halvorson, Arctic Cat, ISMA BOD Member. “His passion for the industry and advancing the sport has had an immeasurable impact and we are deeply grateful for his years of distinguished service.”

Ed began his tenure with ISMA in 1995 and has made significant contributions to the Snowmobile industry in the last 28 years including establishing “Safe Riders” safety program and training and working with Snowmobile enthusiasts to keep Yellowstone National Park open to snowmobiling. Ed will work closely with Jaret during this transition period.

“Jaret brings with him a wealth of Snowmobile industry experience in fostering strong relationships with industry partners to promote the sport, and we are excited to have him continue those efforts as President of the organization,” said Halvorson.

Jaret joins ISMA with more than 10 years of snowmobile industry experience, most recently with Yamaha, where he served as Manager of the North American Snowmobile Division. Prior to that, he spent three years at a powersports dealership driving growth and modernization. Smith has also served as Board Director at ISMA and previously contributed to the ISMA Statistics Committee, Technical Standards Committee (SSCC & SAE) and the ISMA Communications Committee. Jaret brings with him a life-long passion for snowmobiling, logging more than 2,500 miles annually across the U.S. and Canada.








About ISMA

The International Snowmobile Manufacturers Association (ISMA) was established in 1995 and is an organization representing the four snowmobile manufacturers. ISMA coordinates committees within the industry to handle concerns such as snowmobile safety, the promotion of the lifestyle activity of snowmobiling, keeping accurate statistics, reporting the growth of the industry and the positive economic impact of snowmobiling throughout the world. ISMA maintains strong partnerships with the [Canadian Council of Snowmobile Organizations \(CCSO/CCOM\)](#) and the [American Council of Snowmobile Associations \(ACSA\)](#).

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Right Turn		Left arm raised at shoulder height, elbow bent, and forearm vertical with palm of hand flat.
Left Turn		Left arm extended straight out from shoulder and pointing in the direction of the turn.
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Slowing		Left arm extended out and down from the side of the body with a downward flapping motion of hand to signal warning or caution.
Oncoming Sleds		Left arm raised at shoulder height, elbow bent and forearm vertical, wrist bent, move arm from left to right over head, pointing to right side of trail.
Sleds Following		Arm raised, elbow bent with thumb pointing backward in hitch-hiking motion move arm forward to backward over your shoulder.
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Snowmobiling Quick Facts

There are four major manufacturers that build snowmobiles. They are: Arctic Cat – Headquartered in Thief River Falls, MN; BRP – Headquartered in Valcourt, Quebec; Polaris Industries – Headquartered in Medina, MN; and Yamaha Motor Corporation – Headquartered in Ontario, Canada.

In 2023 there were 124,769 snowmobiles sold worldwide; 53,553 were sold in the U.S. and 48,252 were sold in Canada.

There are 1.26 million registered snowmobiles in the US and over 601,000 registered snowmobiles in Canada.

The Economic Impact of Snowmobiling

- United States—\$26 Billion annually
Canada—\$9.3 billion annually
Europe—\$4 billion annually
- Over 100,000 full-time jobs are generated by the snowmobile industry in North America. Those jobs are involved in manufacturing, dealerships and tourism related businesses.

Snowmobiler Profile

- The average age of a snowmobiler is 54 years old.
- The average snowmobiler spends \$2,500 each year on snowmobile-related recreation.
- 50% of snowmobilers trailer their snowmobiles to ride. 50% snowmobile from their primary residence or have a vacation home where they keep and use their snowmobiles.
- Snowmobilers are caring neighbors, they raised over \$3 million for charity annually.
- There are 3,000+ snowmobile clubs worldwide, involved in trail grooming, charity fund raising, & family activities.
- There are over 42 registered non-profit associations representing snowmobilers in the US, Canada, Europe.
- Snowmobiling is great exercise bringing people outdoors interacting with nature and each other. It is an invigorating sport, great for stress release and good mental health.

Snowmobile Use

The use of snowmobiles in National Parks is regulated by federal Law Enforcement. Snowmobiling occurs on roads groomed and marked for snowmobiling, the same roadways used by recreational vehicles, cars, trucks and busses. Snowmobiles are NOT used as off road vehicles in National Parks such as Yellowstone, Rocky Mountain and Grand Teton.

On US National Forest Land, most of the trails used by snowmobiles are on groomed roads used by summer recreationists. There are also secondary and seasonal roads within the forests used by snowmobilers. These roads are groomed and marked by volunteers who work closely with the local U.S. Forest Service staff in maintaining and managing those areas.

The manufacturers have always been actively involved in promoting safe riding behavior while snowmobiling. Over one million safety related brochures and decals, and hundreds of thousands of posters and safety DVDs have been distributed free of charge to snowmobile enthusiasts throughout the world. Safety trainers, enforcement officers, Chambers of Commerce, etc. use safety materials provided by the manufacturers through the **Safe Riders! You make snowmobiling safe™ safety campaign.**



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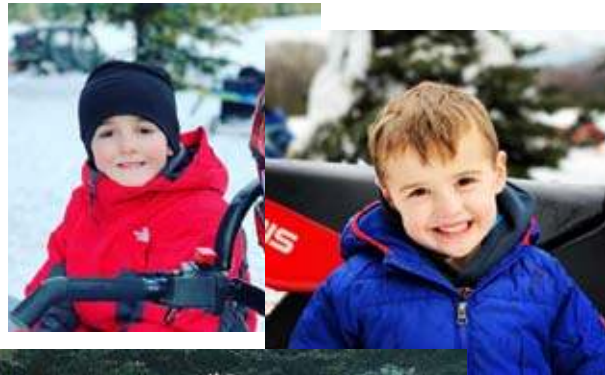


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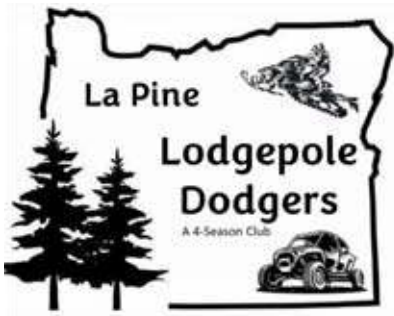
Visit snowmobileinfo.org for safe riding information.



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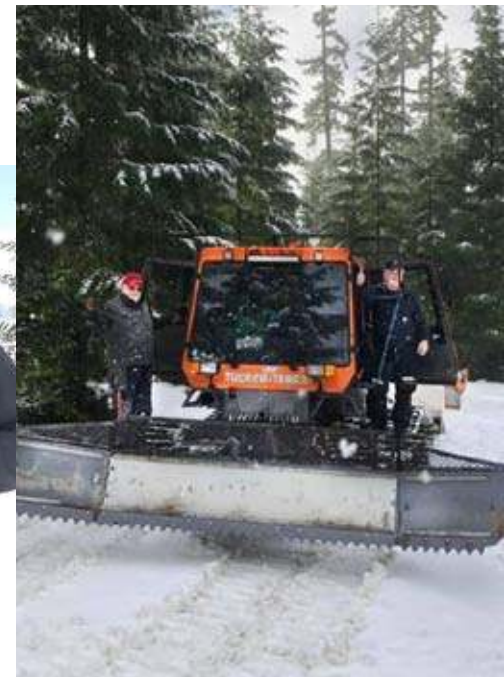




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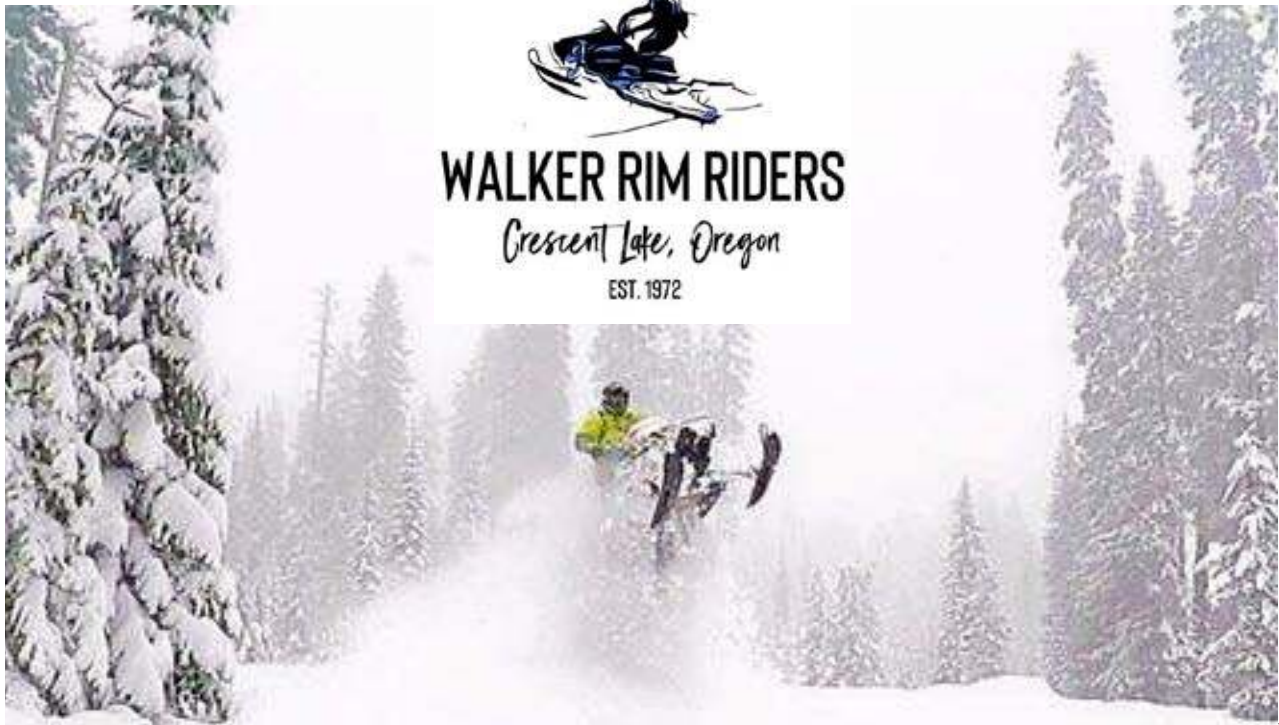
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Oregon State Snowmobile Association

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

Our Mission

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

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