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# World Champion Dave McClure

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

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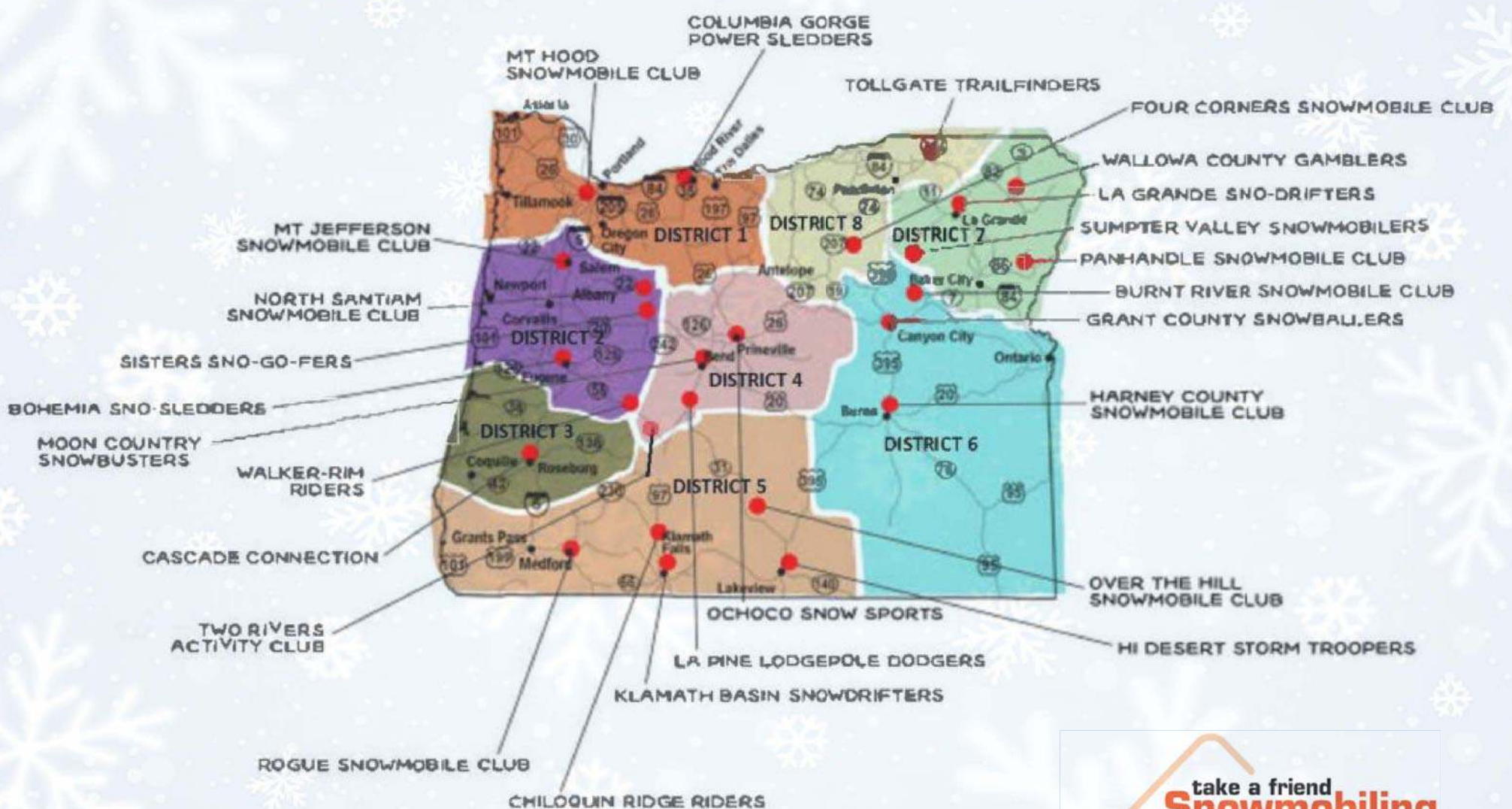
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Use this form to track your volunteer hours and miles. Please turn in the form monthly. You can mail to OSSA, PO Box 6255, Bend, OR 97708; email to [lmahoney@oregonsnow.org](mailto:lmahoney@oregonsnow.org); or fax to (458) 202-1193.

*Thank you so much for all that you do for snowmobiling!*

Sincerely,  
 Lisa Mahoney  
 Executive Director

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# VOLUNTEER

# Hello Snowmobilers!

Thanksgiving is a special time to reflect and express our gratitude for all that we have received along the way.

As I look back with heartfelt thanks, I also look forward to all the exciting events coming up. This year is the 50th Anniversary of OSSA. I hope you can join us in celebrating this wonderful event on January 13-15, 2022, at Diamond Lake Resort.

**CONVENTION SIGN UP LINK:** <https://oregonsnowmobileassociation.growth-zoneapp.com/ap/Events/Register/4pVq5XXr?mode=Attendee>

Clubs have planned rides, poker runs, and parties for the 2021-2022 season. I encourage everyone to show your support and join your local snowmobile club. To find a club near you, go to <https://oregonsnow.org/clubs/>.

I hope you all have a Happy Thanksgiving.

Think Snow!

Lisa Mahoney, OSSA Executive Director



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## **The Mt Bailey \$3000 is happening Feb 11th and Feb 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 also 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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## 2021-2022

### Klamath Basin Snowdrifters

#### Schedule of Events

##### November 2021

Tuesday, 11/9/21: General meeting @ 6 p.m. – TBA

##### December 2021

Tuesday, 12/14/21: Christmas party @ 6 p.m. – Luther Square Event Center

Saturday, 12/18/21: Club Ride & Chili Feed @ 9 a.m. – Great Meadow Snopark

##### January 2022

Tuesday, 1/11/22: General meeting @ 6 p.m. – TBA

Tuesday – Saturday, 1/11/22 – 1/15/22: OSSA Convention – Diamond Lake

Saturday, 1/29/22: Club Ride @ 9 a.m. & Steak Feed @ 3 p.m. – 4 Corners Snopark

##### February 2022

Tuesday, 2/8/22: General Meeting @ 6 p.m. – TBA

Saturday, 2/12/22: Club Ride & Radar Run with CRR @ 9 a.m. – Annie Creek Snopark



##### 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

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## 2021-2022 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\*\*

December 31st – New Year's Eve Ride at Ray Benson Sno Park and Fireworks at Hoodoo

January 1st - New Year's Day Ride at Ray Benson Sno Park

January 8th – Wounded Warrior Ride at Ray Benson Sno Park

January 11-15 – OSSA's 50th Convention at Diamond Lake, OR

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](http://www.mtjefferson.org)) for any changes to the schedule.

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Hello everyone! Greg here from the Rogue Snowmobilers again,

We are full steam ahead on our plans for the year. You can see our full list of events coming up here <https://roguesnowmobilers.com/event-schedule/winter-event-schedule/>

Our October work party at Thousand Springs was a success & we managed to fill both of our woodsheds in record timing. We had a great turnout with about 30 people showing up to help support the club. Our wonderful club cooks also treated us to some pulled pork late in the afternoon.

A great last-minute addition to our schedule this year was an avalanche education class scheduled for November 9<sup>th</sup> @ 6PM with Jackson County. We look forward to this free additional training Jackson County put together for locals in the area looking to explore the backcountry in the winter. Details for this event are on our website & Facebook pages.

After that, the next upcoming event will be at the Rogue Regency on November 16<sup>th</sup>. This is our annual snowmobile safety class meeting. We expect to have a handful of kids show up this year to receive their safety endorsement. We will be meeting at the meeting room at the Rogue Regency at 6PM. Please contact Dennis Jordan if you are interested in attending.

For our upcoming December events, we have our first ride scheduled for December 11<sup>th</sup>, our annual Christmas Tree Ride @ Thousand Springs Snow Park. Hopefully the weather will be good, and we can take our sleds out on their break-in rides this year. The rest of December is pretty light for us due to weather. Southern Oregon usually doesn't start getting decent snowpack until the first week in January. We do have a series of no host events going from December 26<sup>th</sup> – January 2<sup>nd</sup> where the location is TBD depending on snow conditions. More info to come soon on FB.

All our other ducks are in a row for kicking off the season! We are just waiting on snow.



# Maps can be so helpful, right?

The sport of snowmobiling has a lot of important components to it, other than having trails of course. There's your sled, your gear, your helmet and a host of other items that are all important when on the trails.

Out of all these items the ole map is one of best tools we have had for decades. Local riders know their trails and don't need a map, but most trail traffic is made up of riders that are not 'locals'. As such they need this tool to know where they are going and find their way. For many years now clubs, associations and agencies printed an annual map of the trails and it was either given away as a benefit of being a member of an organization, as a public service or sold to help raise some funds for trail maintenance.

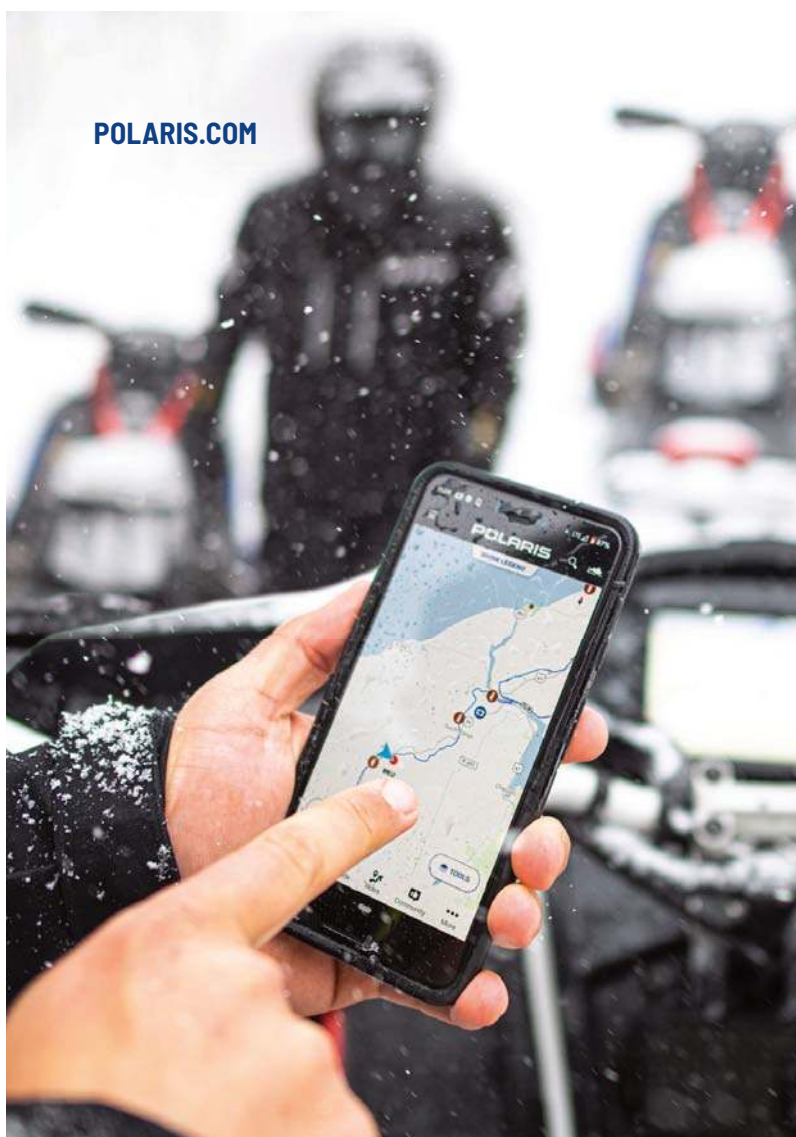
Over the years these maps have evolved from regular paper with hand-drawn features and marker drawn lines to being printed on Tyvek with GPS located trails. Often these maps have business ads on one side to identify where to find food, fuel, lodging or repair services when riding. Maps are usually made in the fall to be ready for the upcoming riding season, which means they are printed a month or more before the trails open. This leaves a lot of time for trail locations to change before, or even during, the season. That often means that we are giving away, or selling, a map that has some incorrect information on it. Nature of the beast; it's been happening for years and years (and we always add the statement that the map was accurate as of the date of printing). But it was the best we could do at the time.

But what happens when riders are using outdated maps or trying to follow a line that doesn't exist anymore? Riders will be on trails that are not open for their use. They may ride into an active logging job, or through a valuable field, or even through the backyard of a new house. All can lead to some upset landowners, additional closed trails, or someone getting injured. Riders take responsibility for their own safety when riding, as they should. But we need to be doing what we can to make sure the riders have the best information we can provide them. Trail signage is one major way, but constantly updating maps is the other. I know, the last thing the few key volunteers for the clubs have is more time to update a map! I get it.

Times have changed. There is still a need, in my opinion, for there to be a paper map for riders to reference for planning or in emergencies in the woods. However, there is now a host of digital map options out there and riders today (and the rest of society) are finding their phones as their new tool and the digital Apps a true trail need. Many State Associations are now creating their own Apps. Those are typically great if you ride in that state only. They don't cost much but are limited in the geography they cover. Others have more area, but sometime less than 100% of trail information. Do some homework.

Digital maps are the next evolution in trail maps. If managed correctly they can help keep trail data updated; often on a daily basis. Did the proposed timber operation start a month early and the trail has been closed or rerouted? Upload the info. Did a landowner decide (for reasons that are theirs) to close a trail, or move it? Make the change on the map. Is the trail closed for 8 weeks for some reason? Or closed Dec/Jan but opening later? Temporarily show it as closed. This is a modern tool that can be used very well if clubs choose to do so. Help raise some funds for grooming or a new bridge by having your business ads on the digital map. This directs riders to your local business supporters, and their ad revenue helps keep the trails maintained, in the same way it is done with the paper maps today and yesterday. We are embracing new technology (ok, maybe not embracing but absolutely using) in groomers, and with club memberships and registrations sold on-line. Time to start using a valuable tool that can help protect all our landowners in the process. Update the trails when needed, not next season. These can be very easy to use tools. As easy as dropping an email or text to someone when there is a change or doing the edit yourself. If you have questions, feel free to ask.

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## SNOWMOBILE CLUB

## 2021/2022 Club Calendar

Note: All dates subject to change

### November 29th Sunday

No host pray for snow potluck at Skyline



### Dec 1st – Dec 30th

Brushing on weekdays if no snow. Contact Chris Larsen

### December 7th 6:30 (Tuesday night)

Club meeting Clackamas Community Club

### December 26 Sunday

Club Ride Skyline (intro to new riders) TJ



### January 4th 6:30 (Tuesday night)

Club meeting Clackamas Community Club

### January 8th

Mt Jefferson Snowmobile Club Wounded Warrior Ride

### January 11 – 15 (Tues-Sat)

OSSA Convention at Diamond Lake



### January 23 Sunday

Poker Run (Kirk & Ryan)

### 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)

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## Avalanche Awareness Class by Mike Duffy

Sponsored by Skidoo and Hosted by Pro Caliber Vancouver

Mike Duffy is the owner of Avalanche1 who provides avalanche education for mountain riders and is based out of Colorado. This class we attended is offered once a year and is hosted by Skidoo and they try to rotate with the Skidoo dealers. This is the first class back since the shut down and was well attend with close to a hundred snowmobilers. We had Wyatt Duch, Don Johnson, Bob Elliot, and Kelly Fough out of the Mt Jefferson Club. We also connected up with Tony Eichler from our local North Santiam Club and a new member our search and rescue team. Out of the large crowd I had a chance to connect with Luke Youngberg who will be putting on our Avalanche Awareness class at the OSSA convention this year and John Gardner.

The response from the crowd was very positive and well received and appreciated. For a lot of the folks this was very much an eye opener as to how easy it is to get yourself and friends in life threatening situation This was a first step for a lot of the folks towards their journey in getting Avalanche trained. Mike did mention that we were 50% less likely to get in an Avalanche situation if we had a female in our group. That stirred a lot of comments from the crowd which was well received from the females in the group.

I would like to thank General Manager Travis and Miles Muller the parts manager for providing the Avalanche gear and enough Pizza to feed everyone.

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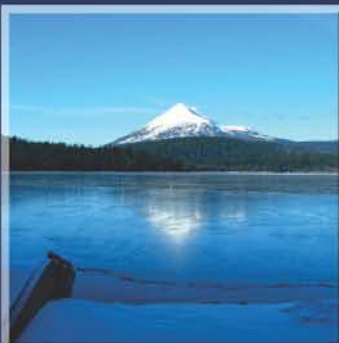
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## OSSA is excited to share that we have teamed up with Jeff Hamblen from Elevated Backcountry and Northwest Avalanche Center to bring you AIARE Avalanche Rescue Training course

**This course is a private offering and ONLY available to OSSA members attending the Convention**

**If you are interested in signing up - you'll sign up with this link:** <https://oregonsnowmobileassociation.growthzoneapp.com/ap/Events/Register/9p92ODkP?mode=Attendee>  
**and then we will send you a link to Elevated Backcountry to fill out your AIARE required info and pay the course fee of \$200.**

### Course Descriptions

AIARE Avalanche Rescue is a one-day stand alone field course that is intended to be retaken on a regular basis in order to keep abreast of best practices in rescue techniques and gear. New participants will learn the basics of companion rescue, while returning participants will expand their skill set with advanced topics and realistic scenario practice to help improve their skills. Each participant will have the opportunity to receive professional coaching on their rescue skills, and will receive a rescue card acknowledging the completion date.

AIARE Avalanche Rescue is a prerequisite for the AIARE 2 and Pro 1 courses.

AIARE recommends that all backcountry travelers keep their skills current by taking an Avalanche Rescue course and receiving a rescue card at least every other year.

### Who Should Take this Course?

The Avalanche Rescue Course is a one-day course aimed both at new and experienced recreational backcountry travelers and aspiring avalanche professionals.

### Student Learning Outcomes

At the end of the Avalanche Rescue course the student should be able to: Describe what to do if they or a member of their party is caught in an avalanche. Identify and be able to use gear necessary for avalanche rescue. Set up a realistic scenario in order to practice an avalanche rescue response. Improve their response skills and times during and after the course with feedback from instructors and peers.

Develop a plan for continuing practice. All students will have the opportunity to get feedback from an instructor on their rescue skills and timed practice in a realistic scenario. Students who have previously taken an AIARE 1 or an Avalanche Rescue Course will find value in having a professional help them set up realistic scenarios, practice skills in a realistic setting, receive feedback from an instructor, keep up with current best practices, and have an opportunity to practice advanced rescue skills.





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 November 10, 2021**
- \* Wednesday December 8, 2021
- \* Wednesday January 12, 2022
- \* Wednesday February 9, 2022
- \* Wednesday March 9, 2022
- \* Wednesday April 13, 2022

We had our first meeting On October 13<sup>th</sup>. I thought it was a pretty great turn out for our first meeting of the season of 22 members. At the meeting, we had a long time member resign from our Directors, Eldon Doser, and the club nominated Tim Cameron. Thanks Eldon for your past support.

Jim Sheller is wanting to step down from groomer chairman and start training Wes Christensen to take his place. John Young made the motion to nominate Wes, Lynne Applegate 2<sup>nd</sup> and all agreed.

Poker Run is coming up fast February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022. We are going to go back to the raffle prizes this year at everyone's request and could really use the help to collect the prizes. Our November meeting, Jane will be handing out the list to the members that have helped in the past and will have the list of places we could use the help on. If we can get more members to help, it makes it a lot easier on the ones that already have a list. Hope to see you at the meeting.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

This Season our Poker Run will be on Feb. 19, 2022. We are hoping to have a couple Vintage Races this season with Grant County Snowballers putting it on with our clubs support. Dates will be announced later. They are shooting for January and March.





## WAC SELECTS OSSA MEMBERS AS AMBASSADORS

This story comes from Wallowa Avalanche Center on Facebook

[www.facebook.com/wallowaavalanchecenter/](http://www.facebook.com/wallowaavalanchecenter/)

The WAC has selected a group of individuals who ride snowmobiles and snowbikes to become part of a Motorized Ambassador Program. All of these individuals have completed an AIARE Level 1 Motorized specific avalanche course with the WAC. This group has shown dedication and leadership to not only increase their education and understanding of avalanches but encourage others to seek professional education. We're proud to announce Linda Hill Batterton, Jamie Dunn, LC James and Mandy James as the four women ambassadors. The men who were selected include Kevin Cassidy, Darin Helman, Cody James, Dustin James, Gary Olson and Brandon Christensen. This crew will be working with WAC Director Victor McNeil this winter to increase education and safety amongst the motorized community. Feel free to use them as mentors or valuable resources to increase your education and understanding of avalanches and safety.

### Five of these individuals are members of OSSA

#### Wallowa County Gamblers

LC James  
Mandy James  
Dustin James  
Cody James

#### Tollgate Trailfinders

Brandon Christensen

## Snowmobile Safety

For more safety tips go to: [www.snowmobile-ed.com](http://www.snowmobile-ed.com)  
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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# February 11 - 12, 2022



### Walker Rim Riders 2021 / 2022 Season Schedule

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

**Saturday, January 1st** - Crater Lake Ride. Meet @ Junction Snow Park at 8 AM for the annual Crater Lake Ride.

**Saturday, January 8th** - Waldo Lake Ride / Board Meeting. Meet at Waldo Lake Snow Park at 8 AM. Board meeting to follow at 6:30 PM @ Crescent Lake Fire Hall.

**Tuesday, January 11th - Sunday, January 15th** - Annual OSSA convention held at Diamond Lake this year. Always a good idea to register early if attending.

**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

**Sunday, February 27th** - 2022 Annual Candlelighters event. A day in the snow 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!

**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.

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)



**SAVE THE DATE**  
**for our annual**  
**Poker Run,**  
**January 15th**  
**Let the snow fly!!!**

I know some of us have already begun to see that white magic on the mountains. We sure are. We want to get you our list of events for this season so you can mark your calendars. Our annual Poker Run is January 15th out of Salt Creek Summit Sno Park. Hands will be sold on the mountain in the Community Building, \$5/hand.

You will enjoy the beautiful scenic loop and return right back to the sno park. After your ride you can hang around for raffle drawing, hand winners and please bring up some yummy dinner treats. We will have a BBQ fired up, so just bring your meat and we'll get you cooking. J Club will provide some chips and a dessert or two, you bring the rest. Can't wait to see you there.

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.

*Enjoy your Holidays  
and see you on the snow.*

KLAMATH BASIN



SNOWDRIFTERS

## Klamath Basin Snow Drifters Snowmobile Club

We are finally starting to see moisture in our area, and some of it has been snow. This has opened up the forest so that we can do some trail maintenance before the snow gets too deep. Thank you to Rob Purdy and Larry and Mike Redd for leading the 20 volunteers to clear the Resort Trail and the trail to the top of Pelican Butte.

We also had a successful work party led by Bill Kennedy to detrack the PistenBully. They did find a few broken parts that have been replaced and a few others that will be replaced when the new parts arrive. The PistenBully should be ready to go very soon.

We have a special thank you to Hap Brown for taking his dozer to widen the trail through Rock Creek. This will allow us to ride the trail that connects the Great Meadow Snopark to Annie Creek Snopark. We are very excited about this, as this is a trail that has not been able to be groomed in several years. Hap is also planning on taking his dozer through Dwight's Flight to widen it, which will allow it to be groomed sooner in the year rather than waiting until there is 4 feet of snow on the ground. Thank you Hap for all of your hard work!

We have a couple of schedule changes for this year. We decided that we will be moving the steak feed & club ride from 4 Corners Snopark to Annie Creek snopark this year and it will be a joint event with the Chiloquin Ridge Riders. Our other joint event with the Chiloquin Ridge Riders is the club ride and radar run. The date for it has been moved from February 12th to February 19th so that it does not conflict with the Mt. Bailey 3000 Poker Run.

We decided that we are willing to be in charge of one day of guided rides and a meal as part of the 2022 OSSA Convention at Diamond Lake. We will do this together with the Chiloquin Ridge Riders. Dan and Jacob will contact Dennis Jordan to find out more details on the convention so that we can make our plans.

We are very pleased to report that our club reached 107 family memberships by the end of the season last year. We are off to a great start this season with 69 paid memberships as of November 9th. 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.

Our next event will be our Christmas party. This will be held on Tuesday, December 14th at the Luther Square Event Center. We are checking with Melissa's Country Kitchen to see if she can cater the event. We will meet at 6 p.m. and we are asking all of our club members to bring an unwrapped toy to donate to Toys for Tots. This was a huge success last year, and we hope to have a repeat event this year.

Our first club ride of the year is scheduled for Saturday, December 18th. Riders will meet at the Great Meadow Snopark at 9 a.m. and will return to the groomer shed at 3 p.m. for a chili feed with Dan's beans. We will post updates on snow conditions on Facebook and via email as we get closer to the date.

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



### 2021-2022

## Klamath Basin Snowdrifters

### Schedule of Events

#### December 2021

Tuesday, 12/14/21: Christmas party @ 6 p.m. – Luther Square Event Center

Saturday, 12/18/21: Club Ride @ 9 a.m. & Chili Feed @ 3 p.m. – Great Meadow Snopark

#### January 2022

Tuesday, 1/11/22: General meeting @ 6 p.m. – TBA

Tuesday – Saturday, 1/11/22 – 1/15/22: OSSA Convention – Diamond Lake

Saturday, 1/29/22: Club Ride @ 9 a.m. & Steak Feed @ 3 p.m. – Annie Creek Snopark

#### February 2022

Tuesday, 2/8/22: General Meeting @ 6 p.m. – TBA

Saturday, 2/19/22: Club Ride & Radar Run with CRR @ 9 a.m. – Annie Creek Snopark

#### 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



Clearing Resort Trail



Detracking the groomer



As the snow has started to fly up on the Santiam pass, we all are very anxious to get winter started and head out for that coveted first ride of the season. This year we are also welcoming many new Officers to the board. I would like to personally thank past president Maria Sammons for the 3 years of exceptional work she put in to keep the Mt Jefferson Snowmobile Club going strong through the COVID year. You did a wonderful job supporting us all, and we can't thank you enough.

Our Club has a strong relationship with the Search and Rescue organizations in the surrounding counties, providing assistance on snowmobiles to help track down and locate people if they get lost in the area. As we are starting to see a record number of people every weekend at Ray Benson Sno Park, the need for Rescue assistance has never been

more needed, and we are actively seeking new members to join our SAR team. If you are interested, please contact us to get involved.

Along with many other exciting things we have planned for the upcoming winter, we are on track to host our annual Wounded Warrior Project Ride this January on the Santiam Pass. Every year, we host ten of our Nations finest service men and women to come out for a day of snowmobiling. It is a tremendous amount of work to put it all together, but seeing the smiles on their faces at the end of the day is priceless. Volunteers are always needed for events like this, so please don't hesitate to reach out if you would like to get involved. We hope to see you all out on the mountain this year, and remember...

**WHEN IN DOUBT, THROTTLE OUT!!!!**



OREGON STATE SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION  
YOUTH SNOWMOBILER OF THE YEAR  
NOMINATION FORM

Eligibility requirements must include:

Youth snowmobilers, ages 12-18, who are deeply committed to organized snowmobiling and are involved in organized snowmobiling that strive to make the sport even more enjoyable in the future.

Nominations may be made by individuals, snowmobile organizations or by the nominee.

All nominations are to be presented in the format of this form and by the prescribed application date.

Supporting documents, pictures, testimonials, etc. should be presented as an attachment.

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Age/Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Club affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

How many years has the youth snowmobiler been involved in organized snowmobiling?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please explain the participation in club and state association activities and events:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

How did the youth become involved in organized snowmobiling?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

How does the nominee promote involvement from other youth in organized snowmobiling?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What suggestions does the nominee have for getting the younger generation to become more involved in organized snowmobiling?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



OREGON STATE SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION  
SNOWMOBILE FAMILY OF THE YEAR  
NOMINATION FORM

Eligibility requirements must include:

Snowmobilers who are deeply committed to organized snowmobiling and are involved in organized snowmobiling that strive to make the sport even more enjoyable in the future.

Nomination may be made by individuals, snowmobile organizations or by the nominee.

All nominations must include responses to all topics address in this form.

All nominations are to be presented in the format of this form and by the prescribed application date.

Supporting documents, pictures, testimonials, etc. should be presented as an attachment.

Family name and address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The family is a member of what snowmobile club(s): \_\_\_\_\_

How many years has the family been active in organized snowmobiling? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe leadership positions each family member holds or has held in a club, region, state, or national association. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please explain how the family participates in club and state association activities and events:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

How does the family promote club membership?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Describe any special projects the family currently participates in.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please submit completed form to:  
Oregon State Snowmobile Association  
PO Box 6255  
Bend, OR 97708  
OR

Email completed form to:  
[Lmahoney@oregonsnow.org](mailto:Lmahoney@oregonsnow.org)

All forms must be received by December 15, 2021.

The winner will be announced at the OSSA 2022 Convention at Diamond Lake, Oregon on January 15, 2022.

## Grant County Snowballers



Hello All!

Our club had our monthly meeting November 1 at John Day Polaris. Next meeting will be on December 6th, same place at 6pm: all are welcome to attend! Not much exciting happening here yet, but a big thank you to all who have submitted their membership renewals!!! They are still slowly trickling in, and we are grateful for each and every one of you who support OSSA and our club!

We are having a trail maintenance day on Saturday, November 13, widening access to and from our new cat shed location near Parrish Cabin.

We have been getting some much needed rain finally! Some small snow accumulation at the very highest elevations. We are happy with any moisture after this hot and dry summer. Hoping for more snow by the end of this month and going into December!

Meanwhile we will be getting groomers ready to hit the trails, and hope you all are getting your sleds ready as well! Get out and enjoy some time in the great outdoors with family and friends this month of Thanksgiving!



**EAT.  
SLEEP.  
BRAAP.  
REPEAT.**





## NEWS FROM THE PANHANDLE SNOWMOBILE CLUB

Finally, there is some snow up high. We will hope for a good snow year.

The guys are still working on reconfiguring the fuel tank on the Cat. When done, it should be easier and safer to add fuel.

We had ten hardy members plus 2 youngins pick up Hwy 86 between Halfway and Richland in October. We got it done and had a nice lunch at the Shorthorn in Richland. We were very disappointed to see cans along the road two hours later.

We also had a group on 4X4 and side-by-sides ride out of the snow park, past Schneider Meadows and up to the play area. We pick up mostly beer cans and also cleared some downed trees and low hanging trees off the road. The winds have brought down a large number of trees. It was a nice day and fun to be out.

Remember to get your memberships in. You can get them to me at the address below. \$55 family includes OSSA and \$20 club dues if you already belong to OSSA through another club. I think the GrowthZone system is working pretty good.

We are in the process of changing our Facebook page, so if it doesn't come up try searching for it again.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone this winter.

Mary Herold, Sec/Treasurer  
Panhandle Snowmobile Club  
48090 Cornucopia Hwy  
Halfway, OR 97834

Our Calendar so far looks like this:

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.

\*December 14—meeting & potluck

\*January 11—meeting & potluck

\*February 8—meeting & potluck

\*FEBRUARY 20—**ANNUAL POKER RUN**  
get your reservations!

\*March 8—meeting & potluck

\*April 12—meeting & potluck

We will let everyone know as different activities come up.

Enjoy the fall and we are looking forward to seeing everyone this winter in Halfway.





**The Lodgepole Dodgers** had their annual fall camp out September 24-26 at Paulina Lake 10 mile sno-park. On Saturday we had a couple of work parties. The men put an oil sealer on the warming shelter and the ladies picked up trash along the road from Paulina Lake Lodge to the sno-park. Thank you to all the members who showed up to help. On Sunday we had our first general meeting at the warming shelter. Was nice to finally be able to have a meeting. Other projects we have done since the camp out is clear some trees around the grooming shed and also had brush cleared on trail 80 for the first time in many years. This year we also did new trail maps for Paulina Lake. Would like to thank the following members for all their hard work, Gary & Haysel Pankey, Tom Chesnut, Dennis & Kathy Wallan, Michele Kogler and Roger Ellis. Thank you to the following for volunteering their time to groom the trails for this upcoming season, Bob Keller, Dennis Wallan, Jack Reynolds, Chuck Ehlert and Tom Chesnut. If you see them out grooming please stop and thank them for their time. Thank you to Bob & Laurel Hutton and Rusty Hoar for putting up our trail signs.

**We are planning our Annual Poker Run for Saturday February 5, 2022 at Paulina Lake 10 mile sno-park. It's a fun event and hope to see some of you there. Check out our calendar of events and feel free to join us on one or more of our scheduled rides!**

### Lodgepole Dodgers Snowmobile Club 2021-22 Calendar of Events

**Tuesday October 26, 2021**

General Meeting @ La Pine Moose Lodge 7pm

**Saturday November 27, 2021**

Club Ride @ Paulina Lake 10am

**Tuesday November 30, 2021**

General Meeting @ La Pine Moose Lodge 7pm

**Tuesday December 14, 2021**

General Meeting @ La Pine Moose Lodge 7pm

**Saturday December 18, 2021**

Club Ride @ Paulina Lake 10am

**Saturday January 8, 2022**

Club Ride @ Walton Lake 10am

**Saturday January 22, 2022**

Club Ride @ Paulina Lake 10am

**Tuesday January 25, 2022**

General Meeting @ La Pine Moose Lodge 7pm

**Saturday February 5, 2022**

Poker Run @ Paulina Lake 8am-2pm

**Saturday February 19, 2022**

Club Ride @ Crescent Lake 10am

**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 10am.

\*Please follow Lodgepole Dodgers Snowmobile Club Facebook page for any changes or updates.

\*You do not have to be a member to attend our rides or to come to a general meeting.

## La Grande Sno Drifters Snowmobile Club



## Hello Oregon Snowmobilers!

Welcome to the beginning of the season, I see snow in the forecast! Please get your dues in as soon as possible, an email has been sent to you so that you can pay those via online, if you did not get that email reach out to us! Just a reminder that our club meetings are the first Thursday of each month at 1502 Washington Ave in La Grande, it is important that you make those to be an active voice in the La Grande Sno Drifters. We are wanting to update our club logo, please bring your ideas to the meeting or send by email! Our Last Chance Poker Run is March 5th, 2022, with the ride up Catherine Creek and the dinner being held at the Stockshow grounds in Union. We would like to send off our poster ASAP to be printed, if your business would

like to be a poster sponsor please contact Lonni Haggerty for more information (541)-910-0626, if you would like to make a donation for a silent auction or raffle donation please contact Krista Ray (541)-215-3783. Every little bit of help to make this successful is very appreciated, and we are thankful for everything!

If you have any questions about a meeting or upcoming event please reach out to me anytime,

Amber Schlegel

Club Vice President

(541)-786-4412

## COLUMBIA GORGE POWER SLEDDERS

For those of you who could not make it to our first meeting, the elections were held. Voted in as our new President is Craig Martin, Vice President is Charles Rogers, the election for the Secretary/Treasurer position was put on hold until the November 9th meeting.

Note: Please do not forget to submit your membership dues for the 2021-2022 snowmobile season. There are several ways you can still sub-

mit payments, however the preference for OSSA and our club is to submit them directly on the OSSA website through the Growth Zone payment process.

We want to thank you all for supporting the great sport of snowmobiling! Even if you are unable to attend meetings and club events your memberships are greatly needed and appreciated.

Another side Note: It is time to turn in and submit your Volunteer hours, please see the upcoming information on where to email or mail your volunteer hours with an attached volunteer sheet attachment.





Join OSSA and Diamond Lake Resort for OSSA's 50th Anniversary Convention Jan 11th to Jan 15th, 2022.



For this year's event there are lots and lots of happenings, Details and signups here. We need you to sign up for the various activities you wish to attend. The activities and happenings have been grouped into 4 different event tracks

- Evening Socials - Wednesday to Saturday
- Guided Rides - Tuesday to Saturday
- Avalanche Training class - Thursday Jan 13th
- Club Workshops - Wednesday to Friday

### [Evening Socials Track](#)

Beginning Wednesday Jan 12th - there will be beers, movies, pizza and more beer - Each night has a separate evening function (Tuesday night is dark)

### [Guided Rides Track](#)

Each day of the convention there will be guided rides, hosted by the 4 clubs from Southern Oregon. Each day will feature a different part of the mountain, with planned guided rides on Friday and Saturday into Crater Lake Park.

[Backcountry skill clinics are sold out](#)

### [Avalanche Training - Thursday Jan 13th Limited Availability](#)

OSSA has teamed up with Jeff Hambelton from Elevated Backcountry and Northwest Avalanche center to offer you an AIARE Avalanche Rescue Course. This is the first course you need before training in AIARE 1 or AIARE 2 classes.

### [Club Workshops Track](#)

There are 3 days of workshops focused on training and club operations. Our ***Club communication*** workshop will feature training in GrowthZone for email communications and club event management. this workshop would be great for the ***Club President, Secretary or anyone else that works on events and club communications.***

***Club Finance***, we work with you to setup your club finance reporting. This workshop will help your club Treasury deliver reporting and processes to manage the club finances and taxes. Most clubs have substantial funds in the bank. this workshop will get your club setup for a little more reporting with better visibility as to how the clubs is spending the money and track the income and expenses compared with previous season. ***This is a must attend for club Treasurers***

***Partnering with the Forest Service***, we will have a guest presenter from the Forest Service to share best practices for your club to get your projects from the planning board to shovel ready projects eligible for Forest Service grants and approval. ***Great for those members in the club that deal with Trail Maintenance and working with the Forest Service in your area.***

## **OSSA ONLINE REGISTRATION LINKS FOR CONVENTION**

### [Evening Socials](#)

<https://oregonsnowmobileassociation.growthzoneapp.com/ap/Events/Register/4pVq5XXr?mode=Attendee>

### [Avalanche Rescue Course](#)

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