

Ohio Ridge Riders Club Newsletter April 2021

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The April 2021 meeting was held on Thursday April 1, 2021 with 14 members present.

The 2020/21 season was one of the best we have had recently. Many compliments were received on the trail conditions this season. All the thumbs up we received from passing sleds are appreciated! All trails are officially closed now. Signage is being picked up and gates closed. The volunteer groomers groomed over 5,000 trail miles and spent over 700 hours doing grooming. Grooming started on December 18th and then took a break due to the Christmas warm up and rain event. Grooming re-started on January 8th and continued until March 14th. There was no January or February thaw to set things back. The above hours do not include signing, brushing, and bridge/culvert work. We cannot thank our volunteers enough for all the hours they dedicate to make our trail system great. Your level of dedication is nothing short of amazing.

The Club would also like to thank our landowner's that allow our trails to cross their land. Without their generosity, our trail system would not be possible. The club will soon be sending them a small token of our gratitude to them.

With the end of the snowmobiling season, the Club would like to remind our members that the snowmobile trails are not ATV/UTV trails. It is illegal to operate an ATV/UTV on the snowmobile trail unless you have permission from the landowner. Every year the Club receives complaints from landowners that ATV's/UTV's are using the snowmobile trail. This has resulted in a few landowners closing off their land and trails to us. Please respect our landowners and ride only on trails that you have permission to be on.

The club's Tucker Sno-Cat needs to have some body work done on the cab where it is starting to rust out.

This is a double walled cab. If you know of a body person that could do this type of work, please ask them to contact us to look at the machine. 315-826-7565 or mvwcjfg@yahoo.com

As it stands now, we are planning to have Snow Bash this year. Dates are September 18th and 19th. Hopefully COVID will not cause us to have to cancel again. The first Snow Bash planning meeting will be at the Ohio Rec Center at 6:30 PM on June 3rd. Future planning meetings will be set at that time. The meetings will also be advertised on the club's and Snow Bash Facebook pages. Please attend the meeting to assist with the event. As always, we need help to continue to make SnowBash a success. Some fresh people to assist the people that have been doing the event for 25+ years will guarantee Snow Bash's success well into the future. Please plan to attend. The Big Ticket drawing will be held at Snow Bash on Sunday. The COVID date for the drawing will be in January at the Poker Run.

SnowBash's Facebook Page can be found at:
<https://www.facebook.com/ohiosnowbash/>

Memberships have expired on March 31, 2021. Memberships for the 2021/22 season are now available at the NYSSA site at:
<https://membership.nysnowmobiler.com/clubs/735>

The next regular club meeting will be Thursday September 2, 2021 at 6:30 PM at the Ohio Recreation Hall, 140Nellis Road. SnowBash meetings will continue through the summer as stated above.

Follow the Club on Facebook at:
<https://www.facebook.com/OhioRidgeRiders/>

On behalf of all the officers of your club, we wish all our members a safe, healthy, and enjoyable summer. See you in September.

