Ohio Ridge Riders Club Newsletter April 2022

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The April 2022 meeting was held on Thursday April 7, 2022 with 10 members present.

The 2021/22 season will not go down as a great one. The groomer operators did the best they could with the marginal snow conditions this season. Even so, we received many compliments and thumbs up. Signage is being picked up and gates closed. Thank you to everyone that helped maintain the trails this season. The groomer operators, bridge builders, sign posters, trail cutters, and equipment repairers. Without all these volunteers, the trails would not be possible.

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.

The Club was saddened to learn of the passing of life member, Board of Director member, and past President Carl Irwin. Carl passed on March 19th at his home. Carl spent countless hours grooming and repairing the groomers. Carl was also the Director for Snow Bash for over twenty years. Carl was responsible for many of the improvements to the track and facility over the years. Under Carl's leadership, Snow Bash grew to what it is today. The Club sends our deepest condolences to Carl's family.

Carl's family requested that memorial donations be made to the club. To date over \$1,000.00 has been received. We thank everyone for their generous donations.

The club also received a very generous donation from landowner Thomas Finn. Thank you Mr. Finn for the donation and for allowing the trail on your property.

2022 large raffle tickets are now available. Last year's sold out prior to Snow Bash, so get yours early. If you would like to purchase one or more, please send a check made out to ORRC for \$100.00 each to:

ORRC Secretary 138 Kelley Road Ohio, NY 13324 Your ticket stub will be mailed back to you. Tickets also available on our Facebook page with Venmo.

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.

Snow Bash 2022 is will be on September 17 & 18 this year. The first Snow Bash planning meeting will be at the Ohio Rec Center at 6:30 PM on June 2nd. 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.

Snow Bash's Facebook Page can be found at: https://www.facebook.com/ohiosnowbash/

Memberships have expired on March 31, 2022. Memberships for the 2022/23 season are now available at the NYSSA site at: https://membership.nysnowmobiler.com/clubs/735

The next regular club meeting will be Thursday September 1, 2022 at 6:30 PM at the Ohio Recreation Hall, 140 Nellis Road.

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.

