

<u> Hodag Sno-News</u>

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Trail News/Groomers:

All lakes and river are marked. Groomers have been out panning and packing. Waiting on some "White Gold"!! Trails are in poor condition. Groomers will not be going out until we get more snow.



It has been a very difficult decision on whether to open trails or not.

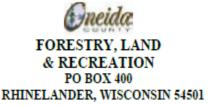
Original decision to open was based on many factors

- Minimize complaints from landowners from snowmobilers going around gates, fences in closed condition
- o Being ready for snow. Eliminate 48hr delay when snow does come for opening

Changed decision after further discussion

- Snow level was lower than first thought
- o Forecast was not favorable
- o A few clubs received complaints from landowners about opening

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Public Service Announcement

DATE: January 8, 2021

TO: News Media (And Other Interested Persons)

FROM: Oneida County Forestry Department

RE: Oneida County Snowmobile Trails WILL NOT OPEN

Upon further consideration and evaluation of trail conditions, the Oneida County Snowmobile Council has made the decision to keep the Oneida County Funded Snowmobile Trail System closed until further notice. The Oneida County snowmobile trails will not be opening at this time.

The Oneida County Snowmobile Council apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused, but believes this is the right decision.

The Oneida County snowmobile trail opening will be determined and announced at a later date.

Contact Information:

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<u>Coming Events/Meetings/Fundraisers:</u>

Next Membership Meeting will be held at the clubhouse on January 19th at 6:30pm.

Memberships:

Current membership is at 219 members right now. This compares to a total of 235 at the end of last season. We also have 54 members from last year who have not yet renewed. We are expecting a flurry (no pun intended) of last-minute renewals once our trails open. Please remember that it does take a bit!

<u>Snow News/Misc.:</u>

Members can still be out with sleds / wheelers / UTV's and brush trails. Some of our trails could still use brushing. Also, picking up brush from tractor brushing efforts. Let us take the opportunity to continue to make our trails the best, safest ever. Send worksheets into Dick E. upon completion. Be mindful of the landowners and trails!

Here is an ancient Indian snow dance that I found on Snowmobile World. If enough of us do it, maybe we will get lucky! Please send pics if you complete this!!

- Step 1. Take a single ice cube from the freezer and place it on the ground outside.
- Step 2. Put on shorts and a tank top.
- Step 3. Find a bottle of alcohol that is at least **40 proof.
- Step 4. While dancing like an Indian around the ice cube chant the following words...

Hiya Neda Colda Flaka!

Meya Neda Colda Flaka!

Lotsa Lotsa Colda Flaka!

Now take ten large drinks of alcohol. If more than one person is helping then they all must drink as not to enrage the Gods.

Repeat this no less than 5 times.

Please feel free to share anything you would like to see in the newsletter. Pictures, experiences on the trails, family rides, etc. We would love to hear from you!

A HUGE thank you to all our map ad sponsors, landowners and members!

"It's amazing the number of great people in your life that you wouldn't have ever met if it wasn't for snowmobiling"

unknown author