

Klondike Snowmobile Association February 2025 News

Welcome to the Klondike Snowmobile Association's February 2025 news update! For all the latest Yukon snowmobiling news, events, trail conditions, safety tips, and more, please check out our website at http://ksa.yk.ca, like us on Facebook, and follow us on X.

International Take A Friend Snowmobiling Week

February 8th through 17th 2025 is International Take A Friend Snowmobiling Week! Do you know someone who might be interested in snowmobiling? Surveys show that many people are interested in snowmobiling but just aren't sure how to get started.

This week is a perfect opportunity for all snowmobilers to invite their family, friends, neighbors and co-workers out for a snowmobile ride to show them what it's all about! The steps are easy:

- 1: Dust off any extra riding gear you may have around and get your sleds up and running.
- 2: Invite your friends, family, neighbors and co-workers out for a ride.
- 3: Show them how to safely operate a snowmobile and offer some tips for beginners.
- 4: Go for a ride and show them what snowmobiling is all about.
- 5: After the ride ask how they liked it and offer some guidance on how to get out snowmobiling more in the future.

Head out on our own schedule, or join us for our annual Take A Friend Group Ride on Sunday...



K.S.A. Annual Take A Friend Ride

Our annual Take a Friend Snowmobiling group ride is this Sunday, 09 February 2025! Anyone and everyone is welcome to attend, and the route will be suitable for snowmobiles of all types.

- Ride starts and finishes at the Copper Haul Trail / Fish Lake Road staging area.
- 10:00 am departure from the staging area, please show up as early as you need to and be ready to ride at 10. We plan to be back at the staging area before 18:00.

- We will stick to easy trails and routes so riders of all ages and skill levels are welcome to come.
- Klondike Snowmobile Association volunteers will lead the way, however all participants will be responsible for their own snowmobiles, gear, fuel and snacks.
- Helmets and safe riding is mandatory for all K.S.A. rides.
- We will be stopping for a short break at several points of interest so packing some snacks and a light lunch is recommended.
- This event is free to attend and all are welcome to come, bring your friends!
- Please contact us any time if you have any questions.
- Ride is weather dependent and may be postponed on the morning of the ride if the weather is not suitable for a group ride. Please check our website and social media on the morning of the ride for confirmation.
- Dates and details of this ride and all our upcoming rides and events are on our website at https://ksa.yk.ca/coming-events!



DPSAY Race on the Dawson Overland Trail

Dog Powered Sports Association of the Yukon (DPSAY) are hosting a new race for dog and human powered sports on the Dawson Overland Trail, from Takhini

Crossing to Braeburn and return on February 22nd and 23rd 2025.

They are kindly asking trail users not involved in the race to avoid the area on these dates if possible. Thank you!



Trail Etiquette

Most trails in the Yukon are considered "multi-use", so a little bit of trail etiquette will go a long way towards making the trails safe and enjoyable for everyone.

The Klondike Snowmobile Association would like to kindly remind all trail users to follow some basic trail etiquette...

- When parking at staging areas always double check you aren't blocking any trails or driveways
- Ride safe, ride sober
- Stick to the right side of the trail as much as possible
- Travel at reasonable speeds for the trail and conditions
- Obey any signage and posted speed limits

- Avoid riding on private property or areas closed to snowmobiling
- Ride single file and only pass when it's safe to do so
- Slow down and move over when encountering other trail users
- Pull over and shut off your machines when a dog team is passing
- Leave tracks not trash
- Respect the land, the wildlife, and the other trail users
- Offer assistance to anyone stuck, lost or in distress
- Avoid creating ruts or mounds in the trail
- Never operate wheeled vehicles on the trails during the snow season
- Report trail conditions after each ride so we can pass along current information to other trail users



Volunteers Are Needed!

Volunteering with the Klondike Snowmobile Association is a great way to get outside, meet some snowmobiling friends, learn new skills, and give back to your community!

There's more to our association than just trail grooming. We're currently looking for volunteers to help with:

- Organizing events and rides

- Writing trail and destination articles for our website
- Brushing, clearing and litter pickup on the multi-use trails
- Maintaining equipment and infrastructure

And more! For more information or to get started please check out our volunteer page at https://ksa.yk.ca/.



Share Your Picture Perfect Snowmobiling Moments!

The Klondike Snowmobile Association's photo gallery is open for all members to contribute to. Send your best shots by e-mail to klonsnow@gmail.com or share them with us on Facebook. Be sure to include a brief description of when, where and how your great shot came to be.

Browse hundreds of great Yukon snowmobiling shots any time on our website at https://ksa.yk.ca/photo-gallery/.



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