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# SNOWMOBILING

Snowmobilers will find cool sledding and a warm welcome from Grant County Snowballers.

**T**he club grooms and maintains trails – more than 860 miles of them in the local mountains – for all levels of experience. The scenery and variety make Grant County one of the premiere destinations for snowmobilers. Club volunteers also cut firewood for the snow shelter at Huddleston Snowpark, which is a hub for many popular trails. There is ample parking for RVs and trailers; a Sno-Park Pass is required for parking.

The club also participates in poker runs and other activities, and organizes the Seneca Winter Classic snowmobile races, usually held in February.

The group meets at 7 p.m., the first Monday of each month, November-April, at the Outpost Restaurant in John Day, and visitors are always welcome.

#### More information:

Visit [www.grantcountysnowballers.com](http://www.grantcountysnowballers.com)

## DIXIE ROPE TOW AND SNOW PLAY AREA

Dixie Rope Tow–Family fun in the snow. Whether you like to ski, sled or just toss a snowball, the Dixie Rope Tow and Snow Play area fits the bill for winter fun in Grant County.

The tow operation, run by the Rapp family and volunteers, is available for all sorts of family-oriented snow fun. Strap on the downhill skis, snowboards or snowshoes – or check out the cross country ski trails and groomed snowmobile routes.

There's a warming cabin, and lighted night skiing can be arranged.

**Location:** Dixie Summit, 9 miles northeast of Prairie City on Hwy. 26.

**Rates:** \$75 for a family season pass; \$35 for a single season pass; \$5 day ticket or rent the area for the day for a party, just \$75.

State Sno-Park permits required for parking. Call before you go. The season depends on the snow conditions, so check with Gary Rapp, 541-820-3694, and he'll get the rope running.