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## **Until Next Season!**

## **March 2009**

**Next General Meeting:** March 26th at the  
American Legion Tillman Post in Akron at 7:30PM  
**Next Board Meeting:** April 9th at the  
American Legion Tillman Post in Akron at 7:00PM

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**President:** Eric Glassman 741-4334  
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**Secretary:** Scott Trapp  
**Treasurer:** Rich McNamara 741-4819  
**Trail Coord.:** Al Wolbert  
**Board Member:** Curt Watts  
**Board Member:** Bill Peronne  
**Board Member:** Frank Schroeder  
**Board Member:** Dale Dunkelberger  
**Board Member:** Jeff Glassman  
**Board Member:** Kevin Kruschke  
**Board Member:** Dave Witmer

## Committees

### *PR/Marketing & Advertising Committee*

Chairperson: OPEN

### *Social Committee:*

Chairperson: Scott Trapp

### *Membership Committee:*

Chairperson: OPEN

### *Groomer/Equipment Committee:*

Chairperson: Rich Wood 759-8528

### *Trails/ Landowners Committee:*

Al Wolbert/Mike Oliver

### *Safety/Education Committee:*

Chairperson: OPEN

### *Trail Guides Committee:*

Chairperson: OPEN

### *Newsletter/Website Committee:*

Chairperson: Shannon Landow  
Contact #542-2160

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## Club Headlines

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- **Next Board Meeting: April 9th** at 7:00PM at the American Legion Tillman Post at 9 Eckerson Avenue in the Village of Akron. On the Trail – Obey Signs.
- **Other Meetings:**
  - **General Meeting: April 30th 7:30PM** at the American Legion Tillman Post at 9 Eckerson Avenue in the Village of Akron.

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## Committees in Need of Volunteers

### Administration

#### **Board members –**

Attend the board meetings (once a month) and as a group decide on club issues and what is best for the club.

#### **Officers –**

Officer positions each require more dedication than a board member. If you're a leader or enjoy overlooking others, an officer position is for you.

#### **Legal –**

Help with legal club issues. From our non-profit status to possible legal action against the club.

### Membership/PR

#### **Advertising/Trail Guides –**

We all shop there or stop in for a bite to eat.

We need ads from local businesses in our newsletter and trail guide.

#### **Website –**

Help keep it updated and moderate what is on it.

### Social

#### **Fund raising –**

Raffles, parties, booth at events. Just a few ideas. We get money from NYS, but sometimes it isn't enough.

#### **Events-**

Help let the members know of things happening in the sport and community.

#### **Club activities-**

Christmas party, club rides, summer party. Just a few things we need to improve. Lets get together as a club.

### Trails

#### **Landowners –**

Answer our landowners questions and help with their problems. Let's keep them happy and always thank them for allowing us to use their property.

#### **Trail captains –**

Take care of and pride in a 3 or 4 mile stretch of trail.

Maybe an area near your home. Get your buddies to help.

#### **Grooming/Equipment –**

Things break and need maintenance.

From the groomer and drag to a chainsaw. We have a lot of stuff to fix.

Or, Turn on the tunes, up the heat, and head out. Remember, late evening is the best time and we'll train you to drive.

### Training

#### **Safety courses –**

Help the young and old ride safe. Set up and organize safety courses and discussions at meetings.

#### **Emergency response –**

Help the community or a rider in trouble. Sometimes only a sled can get the job done and you know the area well.

**President's Page**

## The season has just begun!

Last month I talked about one of the best riding seasons we've had in awhile. I hope you took the many opportunities we had to get out and enjoy it! Now that spring is here, we need to think about some other club necessities so that we can look forward to *another* great year!

March is the month we look ahead and elect our officers for the year. The board seats are 2-year term while the remaining are for 1-year. I know a lot of you are thinking "its not for me" but I challenge you to think different. I too was "new" some years ago and was hesitant about volunteering for anything except for a trail installation or something similar. As I became more involved, I realized that we're all in this for a common goal (sound familiar?) and its really not that hard! We've got a great bunch of members who also want to help and would never want anyone to struggle so we all pitch in to help each other. It really does work when we share it! No experience is necessary and the training is free!

Yes, the (second) season has just begun. I challenge you to stand up, raise your hand, give it a shot and help us keep the "best trails in WNY"! Its time to elect some new members, get the to-do lists out, and continue to raise the bar for all to enjoy.

See you on the 26<sup>th</sup>! Even if it is just to cast your vote!

Eric

Watch the website for spring work sessions or call the  
Snow Phone to lend a hand.  
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### *Classifieds*

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### A Few Upcoming Events

**\*\*Summer Camping Events**—See page 16 for more details.

**\*\*NYSSA Super Raffle** is underway. See page 11 for more details. There are 62 great prizes. Get your ticket today!

**\*\*BIKE PATH WORK SESSION**— Sunday, March 29th at 9:00 AM. Help is needed to transport barrels back to their storage location.

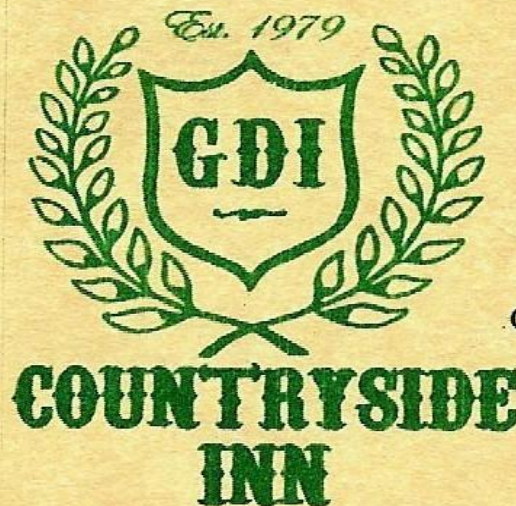
**\*\* 2010 Manufacturer's Sneak Peak**—Sunday, March 29th from 4 PM to 9 PM. Cost is free. Held at the Buffalo Niagara Convention Center. See more details at [www.snowsneakpeek.com](http://www.snowsneakpeek.com)

### Attention Members and Landowners Our newsletter has gone electronic.

Members and landowners will need to make sure the Northern Erie Sno-Seekers has your current email address. Call the Snow Phone at 741-NESS if you need to make changes.

No email address? Call an officer and let them know so arrangements can be made to get the newsletter to you.

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## **Safety Corner**

As we transition out of one season into the next—it warrants a reminder to watch out for motorcyclists and bicyclists. We have had several months off from having to share the roads with our two-wheeled friends—take that extra moment to look twice before changing lanes, going through an intersection or making that turn.

## **2010 Manufacturer's Sneak Peek**

Sunday, March 29th from 4 PM to 9 PM.

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Held at the Buffalo Niagara Convention Center.

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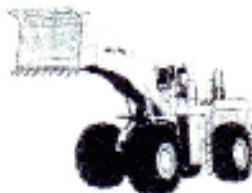
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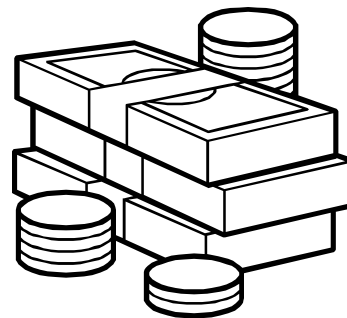


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### ***Attention Landowners Let Us Know!!!***

Please contact the trail coordinator, any officer, or leave a message at 741-6377 if any area of your property needs attention this year. We greatly appreciate the use of your land for our trails and will do what we can to keep the ATV's and trespassers off.

If you have any concerns or recommendations on how to keep ATV's off your property, let us know. We can address trouble spots while removing the snowmobile trails.

*Thanks again for all of your support, without your generosity, we wouldn't have these wonderful trails.*

### **Thank You!!!!**

**American Legion L.L. Tillman Post No. 900**

For accommodating us for our  
Board Meetings and General Meetings

9 Eckerson Ave. in Akron  
(that's were Rte 93 and the bike path meet).

Remember, we are open and on the trail. Ride in and have a  
drink and get warm.

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# April 2009

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5 Chicken BBQ 11:30 to 3:00 PM Swormsville Fire- hall Sponsored by the Ladies Auxil- lary	6	7	8	9 Board meeting 7:00 PM Tillman Post, Akron	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 April Board of Director's and Annual Meeting Liverpool, NY	18 April Board of Director's and Annual Meeting Liverpool, NY
19 April Board of Director's and Annual Meeting Liverpool, NY	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 General Meeting 7:30 PM Tillman Post, Akron		



# May 2009

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Board meeting 7:00 PM Tillman Post, Ak- ron	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 General Meeting 7:30 PM Tillman Post, Ak- ron	29	30
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Our club has tickets for the 2009 NYSSA Super Raffle. If you would like to sell or buy tickets contact the Snow Phone at 741-NESS or stop in at a meeting.

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**Northern Erie County Sno-Seekers, Inc.  
General Meeting 02/26/09  
Tillman Post, Akron NY 7:30 pm**

**Officers present**

Eric Glassman – President  
Scott Trapp - Secretary  
Rich McNamara - Treasurer

Meeting called to order at 7:44pm

**Meeting Overview**

Agenda  
50/50  
Break and pizza  
Trail Report  
Treasury Report

Review last meeting minutes. Voted and accepted.

**Old/New Business:**

- April 1<sup>st</sup>. memberships are due.
- Membership – 728 members
- Dan Dressell Jr. won the safety picture contest
- Family day ride update – Scott Trapp
- Summer camping weekend. Three possible locations and dates. Check website and call Sandy G.
- NYSSA super raffle are available.
- April 17-19 NYSSA Forum in Syracuse NY.
- Trail guides are done need help distributing. Call snow phone to help.
- ECSS Apparel. T-shirts, hats, sweat shirts, and long sleeve shirts. Placing order 2/27/09.
- Adopt a highway-Still need a volunteer.

**Break, 50/50, food: 8:30pm**

**9:15 meeting started.**



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**Elections nominations;****\*Board members**

Sandy G. nominated Dave Dunkelberger, Kurt Watts, Randy Wdowka, Rick Weitz, and Dave Witmer.

**\*President**

Dan Dressel nominated Eric Glassman

**\*Vice President**

Jeff Glassman nominated Dan Dressel

**\*Treasurer**

Dan Dressel nominated Rich McNamara

**\*Trail Cordinator**

Jeff Glassman nominated Al Wolbert

**\*Secretary**

Bev Schroeder nominated Scott Trapp

**Motion to accept**

Dale Dunkelberger 1<sup>st</sup>.

Dave Farron 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Trail Capt. Report:**

-3/29/09 bike path tear down. 9am Barnum rd.

-Complimentary trail Inspection. Scored well on trail markers, stop signs, intersection, and curve ahead signs.

**Treasury Report**

Rich McNamara gave update.

Next Board meeting: March 9<sup>th</sup>. Tillman Post

Next General meeting March 26th. Tillman Post.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Trapp



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### **Week #2 Aug 7th-9, 2009 Fri-Sun**

Golden Hill StatePark 1-800-456-2267 (Reserve America)

Wilson NY www.reserveamerica.com

This campground has some sites with water and electric, and some tent sites. They also have a room for rent in a light house, which you can tour. They also have awesome sunsets over lake Ontario.

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### **Week #3 Aug 21st - 23rd, 2009. Fri-Sun**

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- Officer/Board member
- Advertising Committee
- Trails/Landowner Committee
- Groomer/Equipment Committee
- Newsletter/Website Committee
- Emergency Response Team
- Safety/Education Committee

- PR/Marketing Committee
- Membership Committee
- Social Committee
- Fund Raising Committee
- Trail Guides
- Legal Advisor
- Club Historian
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

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