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**NEXT BOARD/GENERAL MEETING IS ON June 25th AT  
Marvin's Bar and Grill in Clarence Center**

**June  
2009**

**Next Board/General Meeting: June 25th at  
Marvin's Bar and Grill in Clarence Center (corner  
of Goodrich Rd. and Delaware Rd.) at 7:00PM**

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Chairperson: Rich Wood 759-8528

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### *Trail Guides Committee:*

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### *Newsletter Committee:*

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Contact #542-2160

### *Website Committee:*

Chairperson: OPEN

### *Adopt-A-Highway Committee:*

Chairperson: Rick Weitz  
Contact #713-9018

## Club Headlines

- **Next Board/General Meeting: June 25th at 7:00PM at the Marvin's Bar and Grill (Corner of Goodrich Rd. and Delaware Rd.) in Clarence Center.**
- **Other Meetings:**
- **Board/General Meeting: July 30th at 7:00PM at the Marvin's Bar and Grill (Corner of Goodrich Rd. and Delaware Rd.) in Clarence Center.**

## Feelin' lucky?

We will now be having 50/50 draws at our general meetings. The proceeds will be used to support our club and trail system. You now have 1 more reason to come join us!

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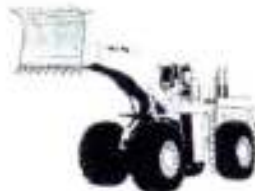
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## **RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM**

Please reach out to both U.S. Senators from New York and express your concern that the Recreational Trails Program(RTP) continues.

This important program has brought more than \$15 million in matching grants to fund trail projects and equipment in NYS alone.

The following website path has sample letters for use in contacting our senators:

<http://www.nysnowmobiler.com/news/214-rtp-grants-write-your-senator->

**President's Page****Another step forward**

Last month I talked about the off-season and some of the goals we have for the coming year. Remember that our main goal is to provide our members with the best possible riding experience we can. "The best trails in WNY" is not just a catchy phrase, rather a thought process to drive us forward.

About 4 years ago, we made a decision to purchase a new groomer. This process required a lot of research and financial creativity but we chose to do it so we could improve the trail system and help achieve that goal. Today, over 1 year *ahead of schedule*, I'm proud to say that we've just completed the loan on that unit! Through the hard work of our team, we optimized our limited resources and paid it off early! Again, this goes to show that we have some talented, hard working individuals that are all pulling in the same direction. I want to thank all the officers and board members who made that possible. Be sure to do the same the next time you see them!

Looking ahead we now have the opportunity to consider a second unit. The board has begun the research needed and has held additional meetings to fully understand all the pros, cons, and costs related to this venture (thanks goes to all who spent even more of their time) You may think that there's not many choices or options but I can assure you we must consider many things and map out a plan so we won't find ourselves with questions later. We'll keep everyone abreast of the progress as we move along.

Yes, summer's here but the club is hard at work drafting a plan to keep us moving forward. I hope all our members will join us by offering their help in any way they can. "The best trails in WNY" is in motion!

See you at the combined board/general meetings on the last Thurs of the month. See website for details.

See you on the 25th.

Eric

**Events needed to fill our newsletter calendar**

If you have an event you would like posted please send the info to [slandow@rochester.rr.com](mailto:slandow@rochester.rr.com). Deadline for submission is the 10th of each month.

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**Also, see more at [www.snoseekers.com](http://www.snoseekers.com)**



### A Few Upcoming Events

**\*\*Summer Camping Events**—See page 15 for more details.

**\*\*Membership Registration for the 2009/2010 season begins April 1, 2009!!**

### 2009-2010 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

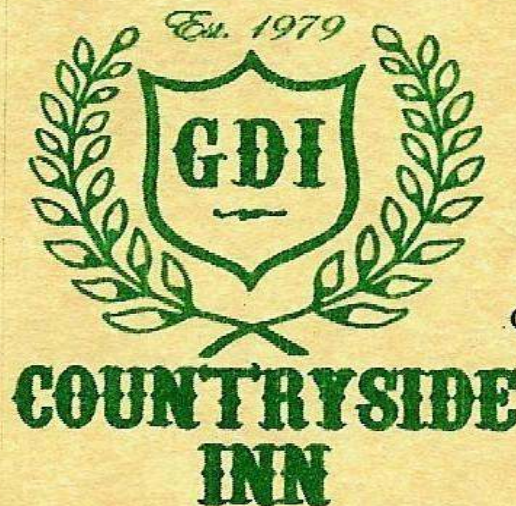
Membership applications are now available for the 2009-2010 season. Memberships run from April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010. Applications are available on Page 18 of the newsletter or drop by a meeting to sign up. For those who sign up between April 1st and August 1st, your name will be entered into a drawing to win a \$50 gift certificate. **DON'T WAIT—SIGN UP NOW.**

### 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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All other race participants are entered in a cash drawing for \$100.00

All clubs displaying Trail Groomers are entered in a cash drawing for \$100.00

\$10.00 admission fee  
Children under 12 free

Howard Community Day will also be on the 8<sup>th</sup>

5K walk/run - parade - Sterns Chicken BBQ 12:00 till - Kids Games - Hotdogs and Hamburgers  
sold all day at the Fire Hall

Please respond as soon as possible if you are interested in participating in the race and in what class.

## NESS CLUB APPAREL

Club apparel is in!! There are still some items available for sale. Orders are being accepted for the next shipment.

T-Shirt (Short Sleeve): S-XL \$10, XXL \$11, XXXL \$12

T-Shirt (Long Sleeve): S-XL \$13, XXL \$14, XXXL \$15

Sweatshirt—Hooded: S-XL \$30, XXL \$32, XXXL \$34

Baseball Cap: \$10

Winter Knit Cap: \$10





## Safety Corner

Below is the accident report for the 2008-2009 season for New York State, reported as of April 2009. To see the full 2008-2009 New York State OPRHP's Snowmobile Unit Season Report go to:

<http://nysparks.state.ny.us/snow/docs/SnowmobileSeasonReport.pdf>

| MONTH    | TOTAL | FATALITIES |
|----------|-------|------------|
| April    | 2     | 0          |
| June     | 1     | 0          |
| October  | 1     | 0          |
| November | 5     | 0          |
| December | 31    | 2          |
| January  | 166   | 5          |
| February | 99    | 6          |
| March    | 13    | 1          |
| TOTAL    | 318   | 14         |



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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.*

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# June 2009

| SUN   | MON | TUE   | WED | THU   | FRI  | SAT                          |
|---|-----|---|-----|---|--|------------------------------|
|   | 1   | 2   | 3   | 4<br>Thursday in the Square—An Evening with the Disco Bisquits                          | 5  | 6                            |
| 7<br>Clarence Grille Cruise Nights 5-9PM (every Sunday) | 8   | 9<br>Tuesday in the Park Concert Series Begins—Reverend Horton Heat | 10  | 11<br>Thursday in the Square—Robert Randolph & the Family Band with the Dana Fuchs Band | 12   | 13<br>Allentown Art Festival |
| 14<br>Allentown Art Festival                            | 15  | 16<br>Tuesday in the Park Concert Series — Blue Oyster Cult         | 17  | 18<br>Thursday in the Square—Better the Ezra with Tyrone Wells                          | 19   | 20                           |
| 21  | 22  | 23<br>Tuesday in the Park Concert Series — Blue Oyster Cult         | 24  | 25<br>Board/General Meeting 7:30 PM<br><br>Thursday in the Square—Los Lobos             | 26<br>Molson Canal Concert Series<br>Rusted Root | 27<br>Ride For Roswell       |
| 28  | 29  | 30<br>Tuesday in the Park Concert Series — Blue Rodeo               |     |   |  |                              |



# July 2009

| SUN  | MON | TUE   | WED  | THU  | FRI   | SAT  |
|--|-----|---|--|--|---|--|
|  |     |   | 1  | 2<br>Thursday in the Square—Zappa Plays Zappa  | 3<br>Molson Canal Concert Series<br>TBD                                   | 4  |
| 5  | 6   | 7<br>Tuesday in the Park Concert Series —<br>The Guess Who                    | 8  | 9<br>Thursday in the Square—Los Lonely Boys  | 10<br>Molson Canal Concert Series<br>The Cult<br><br>NESS Camping Weekend | 11<br>Taste of Buffalo<br><br>NESS Camping Weekend |
| 12<br>Taste of Buffalo<br><br>NESS Camping Weekend | 13  | 14<br>Tuesday in the Park Concert Series —<br>Grand Funk Railroad             | 15<br>Wednesdays on the Gorge—Big Bad Voodoo Daddy               | 16<br>Thursday in the Square—George Clinton & Parliament/Funkdelic                                 | 17<br>Molson Canal Concert Series<br>Kim Mitchell                         | 18   |
| 19<br>Canal Fest Begins<br>North Tonawanda         | 20  | 21<br>Tuesday in the Park Concert Series —<br>54-40                           | 22<br>Wednesdays on the Gorge—<br>Tinsley Ellis & The Nighthawks | 23<br>Thursday in the Square—Neko Case   | 24<br>Molson Canal Concert Series<br>Lita Ford                            | 25   |
| 26<br>Canal Fest Ends<br>North Tonawanda           | 27  | 28<br>Tuesday in the Park Concert Series —<br>Starship starring Mickey Thomas | 29<br>Wednesdays on the Gorge—The Trews                          | 30<br>Board/General Meeting 7:30 PM<br><br>Thursday in the Square—The Avett Brothers with Cornmeal | 31<br>Molson Canal Concert Series<br>Queensryche                          |  |



# August 2009

| SUN   | MON                    | TUE  | WED   | THU                                     | FRI   | SAT   |
|---|------------------------|--|---|---|---|---|
|   |                        |  |   |   |   | 1   |
| 2   | 3                      | 4 Tuesday in the Park Concert Series — Chris Isaak                                   | 5 Wednesdays on the Gorge— Railroad Earth   | 6                                       | 7 NESS Camping Weekend<br><br>Molson Canal Concert Series<br>Eddie Money      | 8 NESS Camping Weekend                        |
| 9 NESS Camping Weekend                        | 10                     | 11 Tuesday in the Park Concert Series — The Machine performs the music of Pink Floyd | 12 Wednesdays on the Gorge— Sloan<br><br>America's Fair                             | 13 America's Fair                       | 14 Molson Canal Concert Series<br>Charlie Daniel's Band<br><br>America's Fair | 15 America's Fair                             |
| 16 America's Fair                             | 17 America's Fair      | 18 Tuesday in the Park Concert Series — The Outlaws<br><br>America's Fair            | 19 Wednesdays on the Gorge— Celtic Night: Black 47 & Scythian<br><br>America's Fair | 20 America's Fair<br><br>America's Fair | 21 NESS Camping Weekend<br><br>America's Fair                                 | 22 NESS Camping Weekend<br><br>America's Fair |
| 23 NESS Camping Weekend<br><br>America's Fair | 24                     | 25 Tuesday in the Park Concert Series — Peter Frampton                               | 26 Wednesdays on the Gorge— Galactic  | 27 New York State Fair                  | 28 New York State Fair  | 29 New York State Fair                        |
| 30 New York State Fair                        | 31 New York State Fair |  |   |   |   |   |



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205 sites. Campsites cost anywhere from \$28.00 - \$34.00 per night depending on utilities and pull-thrus.

### **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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Date \_\_\_\_\_

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- Our general **meetings** are held at 7:30 PM on the last Thursday of each month. Please check our website for location but during the season, they're at **American Legion Tillman Post 9** Eckerson Road Akron, New York. It's located right on **C4C trail** (the bike path at Cedar Street) so you can come join us by sled! All ages are welcome! Bring a friend, too!
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