



April 2014 Newsletter

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING:
Tuesday, April 22nd at 7:30 PM, Tillman Post
(9 Eckerson Avenue, Akron)

Member of the New York State Snowmobile Association and Erie County Federation of Snowmobile Clubs Non-profit groups dedicated to the safe and responsible use of snowmobiles





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Vice President: Bill Peronne
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Board Member: David Faron
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Board Member: Ray Somers
Board Member: Jeff Glassman

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Chairperson: Open

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Chairperson: Curt W.

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Chairperson: Curt W.

Newsletter Committee
Chairperson: Shannon L.

Website Committee
Chairperson: Robyn C.

Apparel Committee
Chairperson: Shannon L.

Safety/Education Committee
Chairperson: Al O.

Adopt-A-Hwy Committee
Chairperson: Rick W.

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Club Headlines

What's Going On With Our Club...

Next General Meeting: Tuesday, April 22nd at 7:30 PM at the Tillman Post, 9 Eckerson Ave. Akron, NY.

May Combo Board/General Meeting: Tuesday, May 20th at 7:30 PM at the Tillman Post. All are welcome!

June Combo Board/General Meeting: Tuesday, June 17th at 7:30 PM. Location TBD.

Apparel: We sell t-shirts, sweatshirts and caps!! See Page 13 for items and pricing. Call 741-NESS !!

NYSSA Educational Forum and Annual Meeting: April 25 to April 27, 2014 at the Rochester Convention Center.

Adopt-A-Highway: Sunday, May 4th at 9:00 AM. Meet at Niagara Label at the Corner of Hake and Rt. 93.

Fundraising: Fundraising ideas are needed. Stop into a meeting and let us know what ideas you have.

Wanted: People to fill open committee positions and/or serve on a committee. Stop in to volunteer a few hours a month.

Find us on the web at:
www.snoseekers.com

Find us on our Facebook page:
Northern Erie Sno-Seekers Snowmobile Club

Newsletter: We are e-mailing our newsletters each month. We are trying to manage our funds more efficiently due to cuts in State funding. Each member will receive all 12 months right at your computer!! If you do not have a computer... call 741-NESS to let us know that you would still like your 6 months mailed. We continue to put a lot of time and effort into our newsletters to keep you, as a member, informed and involved in what is going on with our club!!

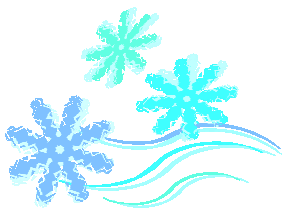


Website: We have a message board! So, please take a moment and register. Please email us on the "contact us" page if you have any questions. The photo gallery has some great pictures too!

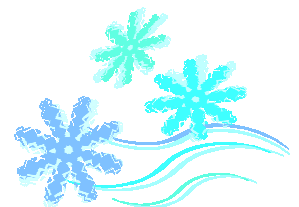
**President's Page**

Hello to all the Northern Erie Sno-Seekers members and landowners. For those of you who may not know me, let me introduce myself. My name is Al Wolbert and I have been with the Sno-Seekers since 1995. I have served as a past President, Board member, Trail Coordinator, and Treasurer. I'm very happy to be back as the President of this great organization. It's my sincere hope to take all the great parts of our club and continue to grow it and make it prosper. I would like to thank all of our volunteers who worked so hard this winter to put in and maintain all of our excellent trails. Thankfully, mother nature gave us a little bit of help this year by keeping everything nice and frozen and gave us just enough snow to have our trails open and groomed up for several weeks. I hope that everyone got out to enjoy them as much as possible. As always, I send a huge thank you to all of our landowners who graciously let us put these trails across their properties every year. Without them, we wouldn't be here. Remember everyone that just because the snow has melted and we are now in the off-season that the work of this and all snowmobile clubs continues throughout the whole year. I encourage you stop in at one of our meetings just to check things out and say hi. If you're a new member with us or an old friend your always welcome!

Alan Wolbert
President NESS



THANK YOU
RANDY WIDOWKA
(President 2013-2104)





Combination Board/General Meeting Minutes Summary

Date: March 27, 2014

Officers Present: President: Randy Wdowdka Vice President: Bill Perrone Treasurer: Al Wolbert Secretary: Robyn Cierniak	Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm Meeting ended at 8:40 pm 25 present at meeting
1. WELCOME:	Welcome by R. Wdowka.
2. COMMITTEE:	
LEGAL	No new info
EMERGENCY	No new info
MARKETING/ADVERTISING	February Landowner Drawing winner was Alberta Baker. Robyn C. sent out a letter to this month's winner. New number was picked for March Landowner Drawing #113 – Gary Menzel. Robyn C. will mail letter to winner.
FUNDRAISING	NYSSA Super Raffle Tickets are still available but sales need to be finalized ASAP. Any new ideas for fundraising are welcome.
SOCIAL/PR	No new info
MEMBERSHIP	Membership Committee Chairperson is needed for the upcoming season. Rick J. to end position March 31 st . Thank you to Rick J. for all his hard work. We have 579 members as of 3/25/14.
GROOMER/UTV EQUIPMENT	Both UTV's and trailers are ready to go. Call Bill P/Curt W. to reserve them for any trail work. Bill P. provided a report on equipment/groomer status. Groomer storage was discussed. Locations to be the same as last year.
TRAIL/LANDOWNER	Curt W. gave report. Curt W. needs to know exactly how many hours of work is put into any and all trail work for inclusion into Phasing/Grant money process. Compiling paperwork for the Phase 3 grant process. Deadline is fast approaching. Trail tear down was discussed.
TRAIL GUIDES	Trail Guides are available.
NEWSLETTER	April newsletter contributions due April 12, 2014 at noon. March newsletter was both mailed and emailed as per member requests. April newsletter will only be emailed as requested. Thank you Shannon L. and Robyn C.
WEBSITE/FACEBOOK	Facebook and website info has been frequently updated. New pics added as available. Website Trail Report, Facebook, and Club Message Board saw a lot of media traffic this past season. The NESS Facebook account has been very active with comments/questions/issues posted. Send pictures of applicable snowmobiling events for (possible) inclusion into our social media accounts and newsletter. Send to rcierniak@gmail.com .

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Combination Board/General Meeting Minutes Summary Continued

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APPAREL	Shannon L. is receiving quotes for printing new merchandise items. Apparel stock needs is fairly depleted.
SAFETY/EDUCATION	No report.
ADOPT A HIGHWAY	Spring pickup date has been changed to Sunday, May 4, 2014.
Break & 50/50	No 50/50 drawing was held.
3. PRESIDENT REPORT (Randy)	NYSSA Annual Forum to be held April 25 th , 26 th and 27 th in Rochester. Club participation at this event was discussed.
4. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT (Bill P)	No report.
5. TREASURER REPORT (Al)	Treasury report given by Al W. Dave F. made a motion to accept report. Motion was seconded by Curt W. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried. Bills to be paid: Dave F. made a motion to pay bills. Motion was seconded by Dan D. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried.
6. SECRETARY REPORT (Robyn)	Next General Meeting date to be discussed at a Board Meeting scheduled for April 3, 2014. Possible change of meeting dates to Tuesdays.
7. OTHER	FED meetings – Niagara County – No report. Genesee County – No report. Erie County – Randy W. gave report on meeting.
8. FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB	Swormville Vol Fire Co to hold a Chicken BBQ on April 6, 2014 11:30 am until sold out.
9. NOMINATIONS	Elections were held for the following un-opposed positions by having the Club Secretary cast one vote: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Trail Coordinator, Sergeant at Arms, Four (4) Open Board Positions Results of the elections: President – Al Wolbert. Vice President – Bill Peronne. Secretary – Robyn Ciermiak. Treasurer – vacant Trail Coordinator – vacant Sergeant at Arms – Jeff Wilson Board Positions: – Ray Somers – Kevin Gaik – Jeff Glassman – Matt Schroeder



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FROM THE TRAIL COORDINATOR SIDE

Trail teardown should be well underway. If you need the UTV or Ranger please contact Bill Peronne or Curt Watts to reserve a time slot. Please submit all hours and equipment used to Curt as soon as possible. He will be working with the new trail coordinator to get all of the necessary paperwork submitted.

A welcome to Tim Naab as the new Trail Coordinator for the 2014-2105 season. Please help him out as he transitions into this position.

Finally, THANK YOU, to Curt Watts for serving as Trail Coordinator this last season!



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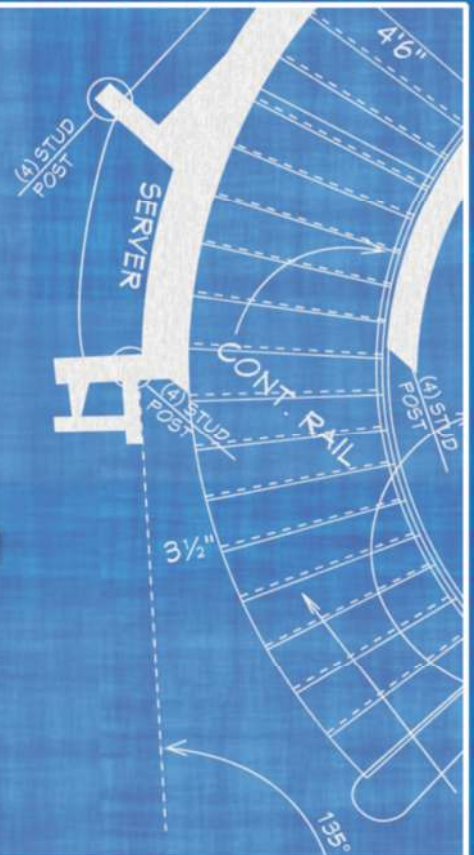
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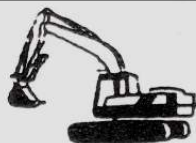
March: Gary Menzel



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Blue hooded sweatshirt	S-M-L-XL	XXL-XXXL	\$ 32 / \$ 34
Blue baseball cap	one size fits most		\$ 12
Blue knit cap	one size fits most		\$ 12
Blue skull cap	one size fits most		\$ 12

Adult: Ladies



Pink short sleeve t-shirt	S-M-L-XL	\$ 12
Pink baseball cap	one size fits most	\$ 12
Pink fleece hat	one size fits most	\$ 12

Kids:

Blue short sleeve t-shirt	S-M-L	\$ 10
Blue long sleeve sweatshirt	S-M-L	\$ 12



Other items:

Drawstring bag 15"X18"	navy blue	\$ 8
Long sleeve nylon wind breaker	navy blue	\$ 25

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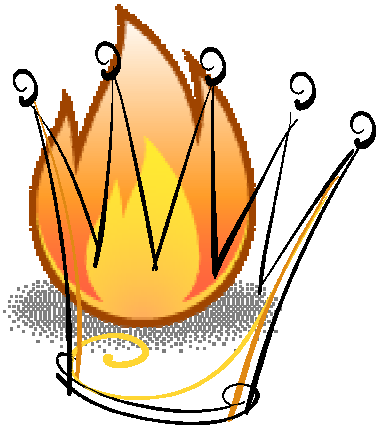
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Board Meeting Minutes

Date: April 3, 2014

Officers present: President – Al Wolbert Vice President – Bill Peronne Treasurer – Secretary – Robyn Cierniak	Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm Meeting ended at 8:30 pm
APPOINTMENT OF CLUB TREASURER	Discussion on appointment of Rich McNamara as Club Treasurer. Motion made by Bill P. to appoint Rich McNamara as Club Treasurer and Club Membership Chairman. Motion was seconded by Robyn C. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried.
APPOINTMENT OF CLUB TRAIL COORDINATOR:	Discussion on appointment of Tim Naab as Club Trail Coordinator. Motion made by Al W. to appoint Tim Naab as Club Trail Coordinator. Motion was seconded by Kevin G. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried.
CHANGE GENERAL MEETING DATE	Discussion on changing the General/Board meeting dates to Tuesdays instead of Thursdays.
MARILLA SNO-MOB DISCUSSION	Discussion on trail status on a section of trail that links the NESS trail system to the Marilla Sno-Mob trail system.
GROOMER LOAN	Discussion on potential advance payments on the groomer loan to reduce interest and pay down loan quicker.
FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB	Ideas are needed for club events

Adopt-A-Highway Program

NESS participates in the Adopt-A-Hwy Program for Akron, NY. Two times a year we pick up trash. From time to time we even find treasures. Our Spring clean up will be on Sunday, May 4th at 9:00 am. It takes about 2 hours to get the job done.



We meet at Niagara Label near the corner of Rt. 93 and Hake Rd. If you would like to help—stop into the April meeting or leave a message on the Sno-Phone (741- NESS/6377).

Come on out and join in on the fun!

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APRIL 2014- MARCH 2015

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<input type="checkbox"/> Marketing/Advertising	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter
<input type="checkbox"/> Trail/Landowner	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Guides	<input type="checkbox"/> Apparel
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Signature _____

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 in Akron) so you can come join us by sled! All ages are welcome! Bring a friend, too!
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