



# May 2014 Newsletter

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Northern Erie Sno-Seekers PO Box 167 Akron, NY 14001 (716)741-NESS

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING:**  
Tuesday, May 20th at 7:30 PM, Tillman Post  
(9 Eckerson Avenue, Akron)

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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





## Club Headlines

### Club Officers

**President:** Al Wolbert  
**Vice President:** Bill Peronne  
**Secretary:** Robyn Cierniak  
**Treasurer:** Rich McNamara  
**Sergeant of Arms:** Jeff Wilson  
**Trail Coordinator:** Tim Naab  
**Board Member:** Kevin Gaik  
**Board Member:** David Faron  
**Board Member:** Shannon Landow  
**Board Member:** Matt Schroeder  
**Board Member:** Frank Schroeder  
**Board Member:** Ray Somers  
**Board Member:** Jeff Glassman

### Committees

**Legal Committee**  
Chairperson: Al W.

**Emergency Response Committee**  
Chairperson: Bill P.

**Marketing & Adv Committee**  
Chairperson: Open

**Fundraising Committee**  
Chairperson: Open

**Social/PR Committee**  
Chairperson: Frank S.

**Membership Committee**  
Chairperson: Rich M.

**Groomer/Equipment Comm.**  
Chairperson: Bill P.

**Trails/Landowners Comm.**  
Chairperson: Curt W.

**Trail Guides Committee**  
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.

**Sno-Phone: 741-NESS**

### What's Going On With Our Club...

**Next General Meeting:** Tuesday, May 20th at 7:30 PM at the Tillman Post, 9 Eckerson Ave. Akron, NY.

**June Combo Board/General Meeting:** Tuesday. June 17th at 7:30 PM at the Tillman Post, 9 Eckerson Ave. Akron, NY.

**July Combo Board/General Meeting:** Tuesday. July 15th at 7:30 PM at the Tillman Post, 9 Eckerson Ave. Akron, NY.

**Apparel:** We sell t-shirts, sweatshirts and caps!! See Page 12 for items and pricing. Call 741-NESS !!

**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](http://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**

Thanks again to everyone involved, from landowners to all of our club volunteers, for the great 2013/2014 season that we had. As we head into the summer months and snowmobiling gets put on the back burner for most people, please remember that the work of this and all snowmobile clubs continues all year including during the summer. Please keep tabs on what is going on with our club by visiting our Facebook page and our website. They will always be updated with the latest meeting dates, time and locations. I urge everyone to come out and attend some of our meetings to see just what is going on. A few years ago we had food and refreshments at our general meetings and I know a lot of people enjoyed that so we are bringing that back starting with this months meeting on May 20. So if you can, stop by to say hi and have yourself something to eat and drink.

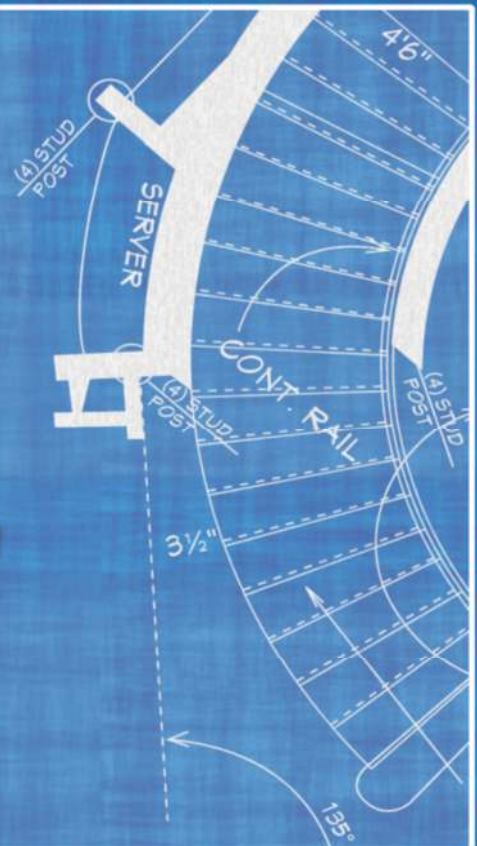
Hope to see you there.  
Al Wolbert

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## Combination Board/General Meeting Minutes

*Date: April 22, 2014*

<b>Officers present:</b> President – Al Wolbert Vice President – Bill Peronne Treasurer – Rich McNamara Secretary – Robyn Cierniak	Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm Meeting ended at 8:40 pm 17 present at meeting
<b>1. WELCOME:</b>	Welcome by Al Wolbert.
<b>2. MEETING MINUTES:</b>	March Meeting Minutes were accepted. Jeff W. made a motion to accept minutes. Motion was seconded by Shannon L. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried.
<b>3. COMMITTEE:</b>	
<b>LEGAL</b>	No new info
<b>EMERGENCY</b>	No new info
<b>MARKETING/ADVERTISING</b>	April Landowner Drawing winner was Gary Menzel. Robyn C. sent out a letter to this month’s winner. New number was picked for May Landowner Drawing #48 – Dave Deyoung. Robyn C. will mail letter to winner. Advertising Chairperson position is open. Volunteers needed.
<b>FUNDRAISING</b>	Any new ideas for fundraising are welcome.
<b>SOCIAL/PR</b>	Summer picnic planning was discussed. Possible dates considered.
<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>	Membership Committee Chairperson is Rich McNamara. All memberships expired on April 1, 2014.
<b>GROOMER/UTV EQUIPMENT</b>	Bill P. provided a report on equipment/groomer status. Groomer storage was discussed. Locations to be the same as last year. Assistant Groomer Coordinator position was discussed.
<b>TRAIL/LANDOWNER</b>	Curt W. gave report on trail/landowner status and trail tear down status. Paperwork for the Phase 3 grant process was discussed. Trail tear down was discussed.
<b>TRAIL GUIDES</b>	No new info
<b>NEWSLETTER</b>	May newsletter contributions due May 10, 2014 at noon. April newsletter was emailed as per member requests. May newsletter will only be emailed as requested. Thank you Shannon L. and Robyn C.
<b>WEBSITE/FACEBOOK</b>	Facebook and website info was discussed. New pics added as available. Send pictures of applicable snowmobiling events for (possible) inclusion into our social media accounts and newsletter. Send to <a href="mailto:rcierniak@gmail.com">rcierniak@gmail.com</a> .

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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. More information to be discussed at May meeting.
SAFETY/EDUCATION	No report.
ADOPT A HIGHWAY	Spring pickup date is Sunday, May 4, 2014 at 9am.
Break & 50/50	No 50/50 drawing was held.
4. PRESIDENT REPORT (Randy)	Appointment of Tim Naab as Trail Coordinator and Rich McNamara as Treasurer was discussed.
5. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT (Bill P)	Performance between Club officers, Board Members and general body was discussed. Bill P. felt everyone worked together very well.
6. TREASURER REPORT (Al)	No treasury report. Rich M. was unavailable for meeting.
7. SECRETARY REPORT (Robyn)	Next General Meeting scheduled for May 20, 2014 at Akron Tillman Post. Meeting dates changed to third Tuesdays of the month. June and July meeting dates are booked at the Tillman Post. Other locations to hold meetings were discussed and are open for consideration.
8. OTHER	FED meetings – Niagara County – No report. Genesee County – No report. Erie County – Al W. read report emailed from Randy W. who attended the meeting. Erie Fed Picnic scheduled for 7/13/14 at Chestnut Ridge Park.
9. FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB	Providing food (pizza) at General Club meetings was discussed. Plan to start providing food starting at May meeting.



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## NESS MAY MEETING

**When: Tuesday, May 20th**

**Time: 7:30 PM**

**Where: Tillman Post, 9 Eckerson Avenue, Akron**



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
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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



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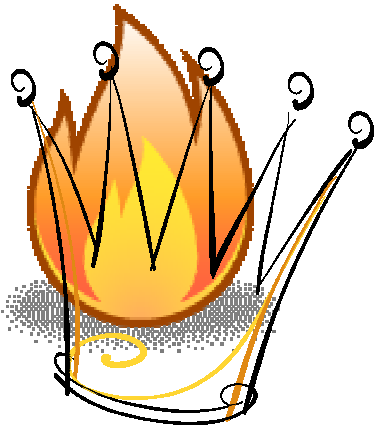
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