



September 2014 Newsletter

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING:
Tuesday, September 16th 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





Club Headlines

Club Officers

President: Al Wolbert
Vice President: Bill Peronne
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Board Member: David Faron
Board Member: Shannon Landow
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Board Member: Frank Schroeder
Board Member: Ray Somers
Board Member: Jeff Glassman

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Chairperson: Open

Fundraising Committee
Chairperson: Open

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Membership Committee
Chairperson: Rich M.

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Chairperson: Bill P.

Trails/Landowners Comm.
Chairperson: Curt W.

Trail Guides Committee
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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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What's Going On With Our Club...

Next General Meeting: Tuesday, September 16th at 7:30 PM at the Tillman Post, 9 Eckerson Ave. Akron, NY.

October Combo Board/General Meeting: Tuesday, October 21st at 7:30 PM at the Tillman Post, 9 Eckerson Ave. Akron, NY.

November Combo Board/General Meeting: Tuesday, November 18th at 7:30 PM at the Tillman Post, 9 Eckerson Ave. Akron, NY.

Apparel: We sell t-shirts, sweatshirts and caps!! See Page 13 for items and pricing. Our stock of Short Sleeve T-shirts has been replenished. Get yours today! Call 741-NESS !!

Fundraising: 2015 "Save Around Buffalo" Coupon Books are in. If you would like to purchase one or sell a few for the club contact the Sno Phone at 741-NESS or stop into a meeting.

Safety Course: Tentative Date is December 6, 2014 at Swormville Fire Company. Check back for more information on how to register.

Adopt-A-Highway: Sunday, October 5th at 9:00. Meet at Niagara Label on the corner of Hake Rd. and Rt. 93. This is a great way for kids to fulfill their community service requirements at school.

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 and welcome to September!

We are now inching closer to the snowmobiling season and the work has started for once again putting in our trail system for the upcoming year. A lot of work gets done behind the scenes in preparation for the start of a new snowmobiling season. Agreements with towns and municipalities have to be submitted, permission from new landowners needs to be checked on and of course the never ending cycle of submitting for the trail grant. Also, work is being done on the social level. We just had a successful showing at the Clarence Center Labor Day Fair. I want to thank all the club volunteers who helped to staff our booth there. Also, we are in the planning stages for our annual Christmas party in December. We are looking for people who can go out and secure the auction gifts for us. So if you like shopping and spending the clubs money (seriously!), let us know and we will turn you loose buying gifts for the party. Hope to see you at the September meeting and remember to renew your membership!

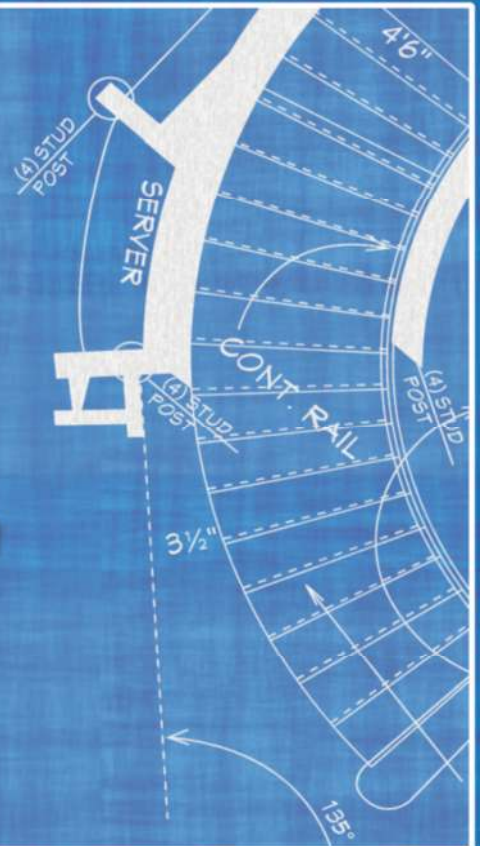
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Adopt-A-Highway Program

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 Fall clean up will be on Sunday, October 5th 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 September meeting or leave a message on the Sno-Phone (741- NESS/6377).

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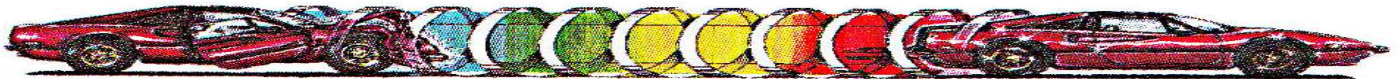
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Facebook page: [Northern Erie Sno-Seekers Snowmobile Club](#)

Our meetings have been changed to the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

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Combination Board/General Meeting Minutes

Date: August 19, 2014 - 7:30 pm

Officers present: President – Excused Vice Preseident—Bill Peronne Treasurer – Rich McNamara Secretary – Robyn Cierniak	Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm Meeting ended at 9:08 pm 18 present at meeting
1. WELCOME:	Welcome by B Peronne.
2. MEETING MINUTES:	July Meeting Minutes were discussed. Groomer loan payment was discussed.
3. COMMITTEE:	
LEGAL	No new info
EMERGENCY	No new info
MARKETING/ADVERTISING	Discussed CF Ross Rental Station advertising. August Landowner Drawing winner was Kevin Harpst. Robyn C. sent out a letter to this month’s winner. New number was picked for September Landowner Drawing #12 . Winner is Eugene Bihari.
FUNDRAISING	Enjoy the City Books fundraiser – 100 books have been received and were partially distributed to meeting attendees for sales.
SOCIAL/PR	Discussed Labor Day Fair setup and volunteer for weekend,
MEMBERSHIP	Discussion on membership and outside sales access. Please remember to re-new memberships. State system is now working.
GROOMER/UTV EQUIPMENT	Discussed Ranger repair status.
TRAIL/LANDOWNER	Discussion on trail status for S. Newstead road near Thruway bridge. Discussion on request for gate on property. Phase 2 paperwork submitted. Formal agreements for Akron and Newstead need to be submitted. Bike path sealing was done in Akron near bridge. Thanks to Dan D for handling this for us. Discussion on cutting small access trail for landowner Demblewski family to trail near Genesee St.
TRAIL GUIDES	No new info
NEWSLETTER	September newsletter contributions due September 6, 2014 at noon. Discussion on emailing and mailing newsletter schedule. August newsletter was emailed. September newsletter will be emailed. October newsletter will be sent via USMail and email as well. Thank you Shannon L. and Robyn C.
WEBSITE/FACEBOOK	Facebook and website info was discussed. 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 (cont. from page 10)

APPAREL	New apparel items were received.
SAFETY/EDUCATION	Tentative date for safety course set for December 6, 2014 at Swornville Fire Co. More discussion planned for later in year. Al & Camille O. to coordinate.
ADOPT A HIGHWAY	Fall cleanup scheduled for October 5, 2014 at 9am. Meet at Candy Apple Café in Akron at 8am. Sandy G. to coordinate contacting volunteers.
Break & 50/50	No 50/50 drawing was held.
4. PRESIDENT REPORT (Randy)	No report.
5. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT (Bill P)	Discussion on trail status. Tim N. needs to start notifying trail captains of upcoming work/duties.
6. TREASURER REPORT (Al)	Treasury report. Robyn C. made a motion to accept Treasury Report. Motion was seconded by Kevin G. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried. Discussion on NYSSA Super Raffle fundraiser donation. John G. made motion to send \$250 to NYSSA for donation. Motion was seconded by Tim N. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried.
7. SECRETARY REPORT (Robyn)	Next General Meeting scheduled for September 16, 2014 at Akron Tillman Post. Meeting dates changed to third Tuesdays of the month. Other locations to hold meetings were discussed and are open for consideration.
8. OTHER	FED meetings – Niagara County – No meeting. Genesee County – No meeting until September. Erie County – Rich M. attended meeting and submitted Phase 2 paperwork. Thank you to Rich M.
9. FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB	No new items.

THANK YOU...

- *Ross's Grand Rental Station for supplying us a tent and chairs for the Clarence Center Volunteer Fireman Labor Day Picnic.
- *Buck's Motorsports and Don George's Sports Center for loaning us sleds to display in our tent.
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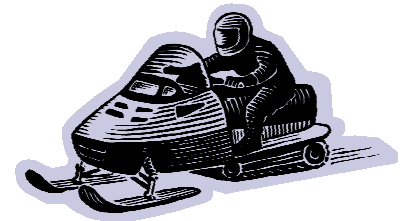


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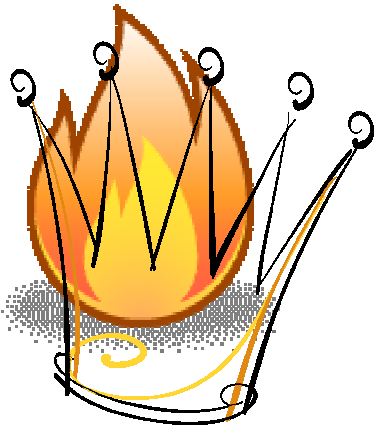
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Signature _____

Date _____



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- Our general meetings are held at 7:30 PM on the third Tuesday 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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