



October 2014 Newsletter

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING:
Tuesday, October 21st at 7:30 PM, Tillman Post
(9 Eckerson Avenue, Akron)

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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, 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.

December Combo Board/General Meeting: Tuesday, December 16th at 7:30 PM at the Tillman Post, 9 Eckerson Ave. Akron, NY.

Apparel: We sell t-shirts, sweatshirts and caps!! See Page 17 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

Hi Everyone,

Just a few things as we inch closer to the upcoming season. Remember to renew your memberships as early as possible. It really helps the snowmobile clubs when you renew before December. Also remember that our Christmas party is coming up December and we can always use help in getting raffle gifts for that event. Anyone who has any ideas for a gift or would like to go out and see if you can get any donations of gifts or prizes please let us know.

Thanks,
Al Wolbert

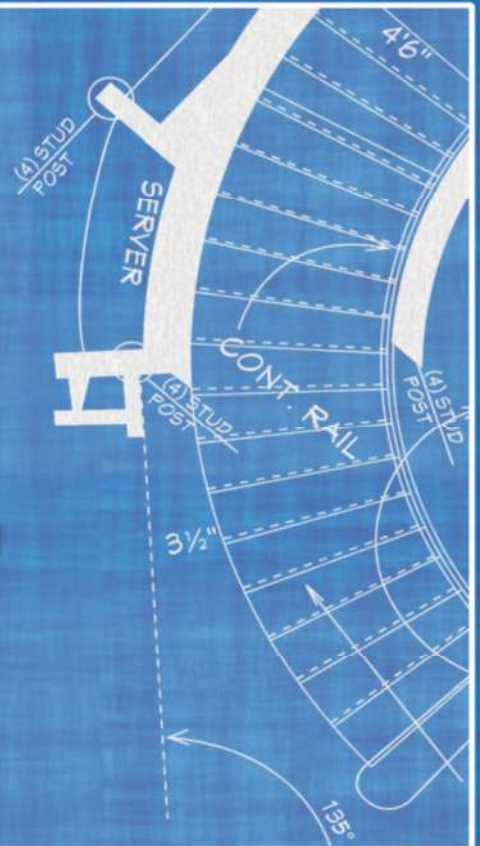


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NESS participates in the Adopt-A-Hwy Program for Akron, NY. Two times a year we pick up trash. From time to time we even find treasures. Our Fall clean up will be on Sunday, October 5th at 9:00 am. It takes about 2 hours to get the job done.



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

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Become a NESS sponsor— it's easy and very affordable. You can advertise in our newsletter (1/8 page, 1/4 page , 1/2 page or full page) or on our trail billboards (located at high traffic areas), trail directional signs, have a banner ad on our sponsor page linked to your website, or your own individual vinyl graphic signage on the trail. Please contact 741-NESS for more info.

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
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Combination Board/General Meeting Minutes

Date: September 16, 2014 - 7:30 pm

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| <p>Officers present: President – Al Wolbert Vice Preseident—Bill Peronne Treasurer – Rich McNamara Secretary – Robyn Cierniak</p> | <p>Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm Meeting ended at 9:05 pm 18 present at meeting</p> |
| <p>1. WELCOME:</p> | <p>Welcome by Al W.</p> |
| <p>2. MEETING MINUTES:</p> | <p>August Meeting Minutes were discussed and accepted. John G. made a motion to accept minutes. Motion was seconded by Tim N. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried.</p> |
| <p>3. COMMITTEE:</p> | |
| <p>LEGAL</p> | <p>No new info</p> |
| <p>EMERGENCY</p> | <p>No new info</p> |
| <p>MARKETING/ADVERTISING</p> | <p>Discussed CF Ross Rental Station advertising. September Landowner Drawing winner was Eugene Bihari. Robyn C. sent out a letter to the month’s winner. New number was picked for October Landowner Drawing #209. Winner is Janice Zirnheld.</p> |
| <p>FUNDRAISING</p> | <p>Enjoy the City Books fundraiser – 100 books have been received and were partially distributed to meeting attendees for sales.</p> |
| <p>SOCIAL/PR</p> | <p>Discussed Club display at Labor Day fair. Thank you to everyone who helped out working the tent to the weekend. Some membership renewals and a lot of interest in display. Discussed budget for this year’s Landowner Appreciation Christmas party. Bill P. made a motion for gift budget not to exceed \$1,300.00. Motion was seconded by Ray S. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried. Discussed attendance at Buck's Motorsports and Don George’s open house.</p> |
| <p>MEMBERSHIP</p> | <p>Discussed club membership status.</p> |
| <p>GROOMER/UTV EQUIPMENT</p> | <p>Discussed Ranger repair status. John G. made a motion to accept repair estimate presented at meeting. Motion was seconded by Jim D. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried.</p> |
| <p>TRAIL/LANDOWNER</p> | <p>Discussion on trail status for S. Newstead road near Thruway bridge. Discussion on request for gate on property. John G. made a motion to pay \$735.00 for gate installation by R&R Fencing as presented at meeting. Motion was seconded by Kevin G.. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried. Discussed Trail Work status. Set Trail Captain meeting for October 15, 2014, 7:30 pm at Bill Peronne’s shop at 6500 Draper Road in Akron.</p> |
| <p>TRAIL GUIDES</p> | <p>No new info</p> |
| <p>NEWSLETTER</p> | <p>October newsletter contributions due September 27, 2014 at noon. Discussed emailing and mailing newsletter schedule. September newsletter was emailed. October newsletter will be mailed and emailed. Thank you Shannon L. and Robyn C.</p> |



Combination Board/General Meeting Minutes Summary Continued (cont. from page 12)

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| 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. |
| APPAREL | New apparel items were received. |
| SAFETY/EDUCATION | Tentative date for safety course set for December 6, 2014 at Swormville 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 (Al) | Discussed during items above |
| 5. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT (Bill P) | Discussed during items above |
| 6. TREASURER REPORT (Rich M.) | Treasury report. Jeff W. made a motion to accept Treasury Report. Motion was seconded by Shannon L. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried. |
| 7. SECRETARY REPORT (Robyn) | Next General Meeting scheduled for October 21, 2014 at Akron Tillman Post. Meeting dates are 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. Erie County – No report. |
| 9. FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB | None |

“SAVE AROUND BUFFALO” Coupon Books

The 2015 “Save Around Buffalo” coupons books are in. If you would like to buy or sell some, stop into a meeting or call the sno-phone (741-NESS). Cost is only \$20 for lots of great discounts and savings on restaurants, clothing stores, family entertainment, and services. The book pays for itself in a couple of uses.



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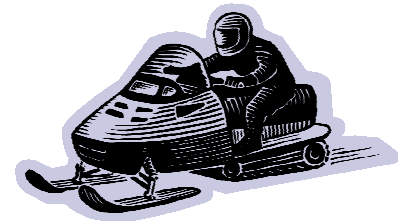


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**LANDOWNER APPRECIATION
CHRISTMAS PARTY**

December 13, 2014 at 5 P.M.

Newstead Fire Hall

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Akron, NY 14001

To all Landowner and Members,

Everyone at the Northern Erie Sno-Seekers would like to thank you for supporting our club. As a token of our appreciation, we would like to invite you to our Landowner Appreciation Christmas Party!

- Admission for trail landowners (+ 1 guest) is free
- Club members only \$10.00/person. Kids under 12 are free
- Huge Chinese raffle with lots of gifts
- 50/50 drawing
- Food, drinks and desserts are provided

We want to guarantee all of our landowners a seat and due to the increasing popularity of this party, we ask that you RSVP by December 6, 2014.

Please call 864-3224 or email Robyn Cierniak at rcierniak@gmail.com to reserve your spot.

Donations for our Chinese raffle are always appreciated. Please call the SNO-PHONE (741-6377) to arrange a pick up or drop off of donations.

HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE!!

**TRAIL CAPTAIN MEETING**

There will be a trail Captain Meeting on Wednesday, October 15th at 7:30 pm. The meeting will be held at Bill Peronne's shop—6500 Draper Road, Akron.

SNOWMOBILE SAFETY COURSE

Our annual safety course is tentatively scheduled for December 6th at the Swormville Fire Company. Check back next month on details for registering.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP 2014-2105

It's time to renew your memberships before the snowmobile season starts. You have a few options for renewing or joining our club: log into www.nysnowmobiler.com and click "join a club online", by filling out the membership form in this newsletter and mailing to us, or stop into a meeting and fill out a membership application.

LANDOWNER APPRECIATION/CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our annual club landowner appreciation/club Christmas party is on Saturday, December 13th starting at 5 PM at the Newstead Firehall. We are looking for donations and/or help in getting donation for the club. If you would like to make a donation or help out, please contact the Sno-Phone at 741-NESS (6377) or stop into a meeting.

ATTENTION LANDOWNERS

Please contact the trail coordinator, any officer, or leave a message on our website if any area of your property needs attention this year. We will try to address any issues during trail install. We greatly appreciate the use of your land for our trails.

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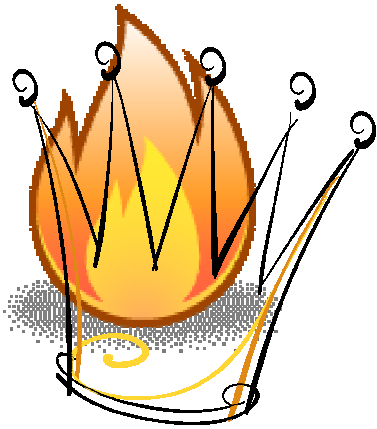
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- NEW MEMBER
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- FAMILY \$ 30.00 (Incl. spouse & all children 17 & under) _____
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How do you want to join in on the fun? Would you like to join a committee?

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Signature _____

Date _____



[Northern Erie Sno-Seekers, Inc.®](#) (NESS) was established in 1973 and has been promoting the safe and responsible use of snowmobiles ever since. We are a 100% volunteer, 501 (c) 3 not-for-profit organization serving 3 counties and the communities of: **Clarence, Newstead, Amherst, Akron, Alden, Lancaster, Pembroke, Lockport, Gasport, Royalton and Hartland.**

- 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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