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NEXT GENERAL/COMBO MEETING:

Thursday, November 17th at 7:30 PM, Marvin's Bar & Grill 7675 Goodrich Rd, Clarence Center, NY 14032

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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Club Officers

President: Al Wolbert
Vice President: -

Secretary: Robyn Cierniak
Treasurer: Rich McNamara
Sergeant of Arms: Jeff Wilson

Trail Coordinator:

Board Member: Dan Dressel

Board Member: Andrew Braunscheidel

Board Member: Ron Watts

Board Member: Jake Kelkenberg Board Member: Shannon Landow Board Member: Chantel Dirschedl Board Member: Jake Anderson

Committees

Legal CommitteeChairperson: Al W.

Emergency Response Committee

Chairperson: Open

Marketing & Adv Committee

Chairperson: Open

Fundraising Committee Chairperson: Open

Chairperson: Open

Social/PR Committee Chairperson: Frank S.

Membership Committee

Chairperson: Rich M.

Groomer/Equipment Committee

Chairperson: Dan D.

Trails/Landowners Committee

Chairperson: Open

Trail Guides Committee

Chairperson: Open

Newsletter Committee

Chairperson: Robyn C.

Website Committee

Chairperson: Robyn C.

Apparel Committee

Chairperson: Open

Safety/Education Committee

Chairperson: Open

Club Headlines

What's Going On With Our Club...

WE'VE CHANGED THE LOCATION OF OUR ANNUAL LANDOWNER APPRECIATION CHRISTMAS PARTY!!

(See page 5 for more information)

TRAIL CAPTAIN'S MEETING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10th at 7:30 PM at Marvin's Bar & Grill, 7675 Goodrich Road, Clarence Center, NY.

NOVEMBER Combo Board/General Meeting:

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17th at 7:30 PM at Marvin's Bar & Grill, 7675 Goodrich Road, Clarence Center, NY.

*THIS MEETING HAS BEEN MOVED UP ONE WEEK BECAUSE OF THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY**

December Combo Board/General Meeting:

THURSDAY, December 22nd at 7:30 PM at Marvin's Bar & Grill, 7675 Goodrich Road, Clarence Center, NY.

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

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!!

<u>Website:</u> 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,

Well we're getting down to crunch time for the upcoming season. To all of our trail captain's and volunteers that help with the trails I hope you could make or trail party/meeting on November 10TH at Marvin's. If you were unable to attend please contact us or come to November's general meeting as we have new signs that we need to get out there. It is now go time to start getting the trails ready. Please let us know if you see issues with your trails that need to be addressed. Bridge work, brush hogging, you name it. Also our Christmas party is right around the corner now. Please help us in collecting gifts for the auctions are the party. Remember this year's Christmas party's location has been moved to the Rapids Volunteer Fire Co. The party starts at 5pm on Saturday Dec 10th.

Thanks,
Al Wolbert
NESS PRESIDENT

ATTENTION LANDOWNERS!!

THAT TIME OF THE YEAR IS HERE!! TRAIL INSTALLATION WILL BE STARTING SOON!!

Please contact the trail coordinator, any officer, the Sno-Phone or leave a message on our website if any area of your property needs attention this coming summer and fall. We greatly appreciate the use of your land for our trails. Without your generosity, we wouldn't have these wonderful trails.

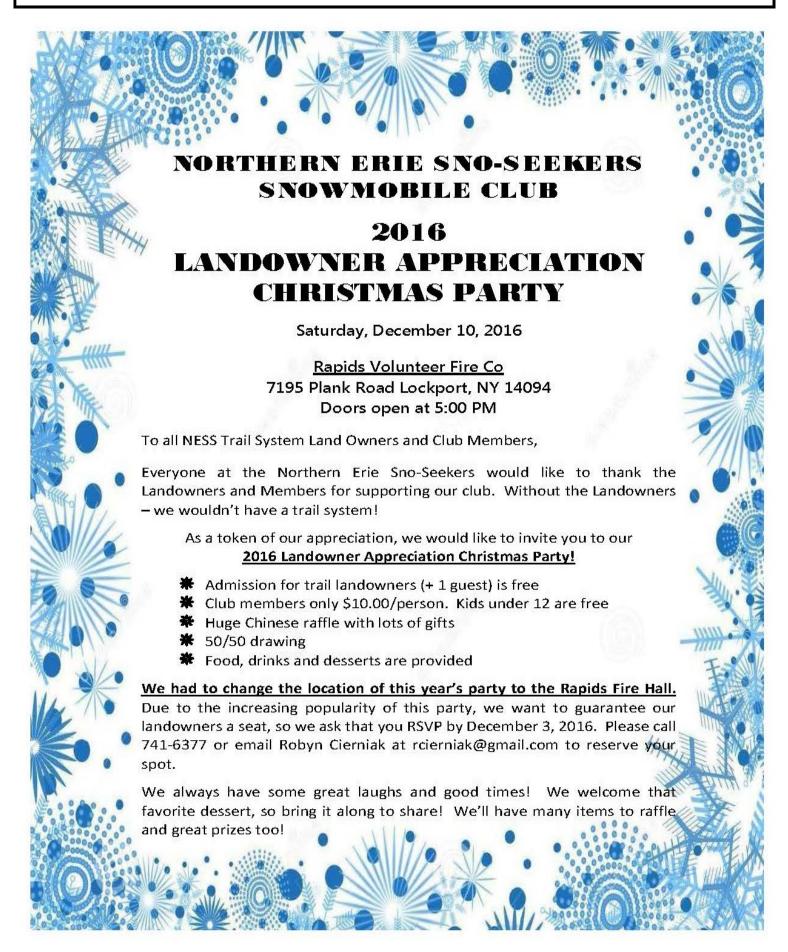
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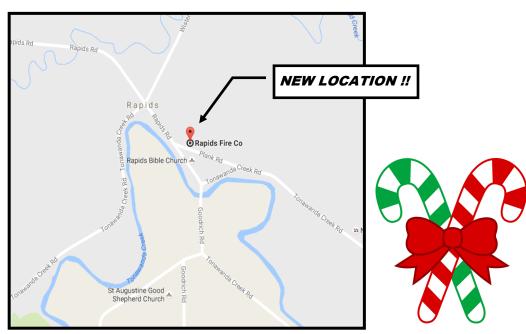
DON'T FORGET!!

WE'VE CHANGED THE LOCATION OF OUR ANNUAL LANDOWNER APPRECIATION CHRISTMAS PARTY!!

ON DECEMBER 10, 2016 THIS YEAR'S PARTY WILL BE HELD AT:

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AS A "THANK YOU" TO OUR LANDOWNERS, WE DRAW A NAME EACH MONTH FROM OUR LANDOWNER LIST FOR OUR LANDOWNER GIFT CARD RAFFLE!!

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Combination Board/General Meeting Minutes

Date: October 27, 2016 - 7:30 pm

Officers present:	Meeting called to order at 7:45 pm		
President – Al Wolbert	Meeting ended at 9:30pm		
Vice President –	21 present at meeting		
Treasurer – Rich McNamara			
Secretary – Robyn Cierniak 1. WELCOME:	Welcome by Al W.		
1. WELCOIVIE:	September meeting minutes were discussed and accepted. Curt W. made a motion to accept		
2. MEETING MINUTES	minutes. Motion was seconded by Shannon L. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried.		
3. COMMITTEE:			
a) LEGAL	No new info		
b) EMERGENCY	No new info		
c) MARKETING/ADVERTISING	October Landowner Drawing winner was Christian Kramer. Robyn C. sent out a letter to th month's winner. New number was picked for November Landowner Drawing. Winner is James Brauer.		
d) FUNDRAISING	Enjoy the City Books are available to sell for \$25 each. Bon-ton Community Days Coupon books are also available to sell for \$5 each. Contact Al W. or Sno-Phone for details.		
	Discussed Christmas party		
e) SOCIAL/PR	Discussed Don George's Open House		
f) MEMBERSHIP	114 members to date		
g) GROOMER/UTV EQUIPMENT	Discussed general preparation of all 3 groomers.		
	1. Discussed re-route in the Salt/Keller Road area.		
h) TRAIL/LANDOWNER	2. Discussed trail in Peter's Corners area		
	3. Discussed our need for brush hogging and cleaning in several areas.		
	4. Discussed turning trail worker meeting/party. Set date for November 10 th , 7:30 pm at		
	Marvin's Bar & Grill.		
	5. Discussed new trail signs that we ordered through NYSSA.		
	6. Discussed need to GPS trails by April 2017		
i) TRAIL GUIDES	New Trail Guides should be ready by Thanksgiving		
	October newsletter was mailed and emailed. November newsletter will be mailed and		
	emailed as well.		
j) NEWSLETTER	We mail 6 months of newsletters; Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb, March.		
	Robyn C. needs columns/sections submitted via email by first weekend in month to make		
	printing schedule.		
LA MERCITE/EACEROOV	Send pictures of applicable snowmobiling events for (possible) inclusion into our social media		
k) WEBSITE/FACEBOOK	accounts and newsletter. Send to rcierniak@gmail.com.		
I) APPAREL	No new info		
m) SAFETY/EDUCATION	No new info		
n) ADOPT A HIGHWAY	No new info		
1. PRESIDENT REPORT (AI W.)	Need to fill vacant positions. See above sections for discussion items.		
2. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT	None		
3. TREASURER REPORT (Rich M.)	Curt W. made a motion to accept treasury report. Motion was seconded by Rich P Voted		
	unanimous – aye. Carried.		
	Ron W. made a motion to pay current bills. Motion was seconded by Harry R Voted		
	unanimous – aye. Carried.		
	Next Combination Board/General Membership Meeting scheduled for November 17, 2016 at		
4. SECRETARY REPORT (Robyn C.)	Marvin's Bar & Grill located at 7675 Goodrich Rd, Clarence Center. Meeting date has been		
	moved up due to Thanksgiving Holiday		
5. OTHER	FED meetings –		
	Niagara County –		
	Genesee County –		
5. OTHER	defiesce county		
5. OTHER			
5. OTHER	Erie County – Erie County – Erie county fed. We need to remember the new 60 day window for reporting trail work. It's important to have our work logs in as soon as the work is done.		



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Adult: Ladies



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Kids:

Blue short sleeve t-shirt M-L-XL \$ 10

Other items:

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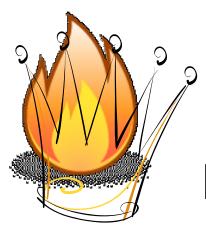
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YES NO Email Monthly Newsletter: EMAIL				
All memberships are from Apr 1 to Mar 31 to coincide with NYSSA vouchers. \$5 of this fee is for membership to NYSSA who will donate .25¢ to the NYS Snowmobile PAC. Note: If you do not want to donate this .25¢, check here If you are already a member of NYSSA (through another club) deduct \$5 from the amount below and write the club name and voucher ID# here "SNOWMOBILERS RESPECT LANDOWNERS - STAY ON THE TRAIL" RENEWAL				
□ LANDOWNER (ON TRAIL) If you are interested in promoting				
 SINGLE \$30.00 FAMILY \$35.00 (Incl. spouse & 	your bu		ness we offer many forms sing. You may choose in our newsletter, along	
GROOMER HOUSE FUND \$ OTHER DONATION \$		the trail and on our website. Please call us or visit our website for more information.		
UPGRADE YOUR MEMBERSHIP TO BE A PART OF THE NYSSA TRAIL DEFENDER FOR AN ADDTIONAL \$ 20.00 - SEE BACK FOR MORE DETAILS				
Please remember, we are a 100% volunteer , 501(c)3, not-for-profit organization that relies on member support to make our club a success. Everyone has something they can contribute and any assistance (no matter how big or small) is greatly appreciated. Please check any area(s) where you can help us say: "The Best Trails in WNY!"				
How do you want to join in on the fun? Would you like to join a committee?				
 □ Officer/Board member □ Marketing/Advertising □ Trail/Landowner □ Groomer/UTV/Equipment □ Safety/Education 	□ Website□ Membership□ Trail Guides□ Legal□ Social/Public Relation	ations	 □ Adopt - A - Hwy □ Newsletter □ Apparel □ Emergency Response □ Fundraising 	
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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 last Thursday of each month. Please check our website for location but during the season, they're at Marvin's Bar and Grill at 7675 Goodrich Road in Clarence Center so you can come join us by sled! All ages are welcome! Bring a friend, too!
- We spend over 4000 hours/year conducting the activities needed for

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- We have over 700 members of all ages who share the same passion and enjoy making snowmobiling such a wonderful sport!
- We have two groomers; one we purchased in 2005 and another in 2009. These help us maintain over 100 miles of trail right in your neighborhood!
- Our trail system is possibly only through the generous support of over 200 private landowners. We respect them by staying on the marked trails! Follow the signs - not always the tracks!
- We provide NYS approved Safety Courses for both kids and adults.
- The Trail Defender upgrade membership helps NYSSA fund grant programs and legal services for member clubs.
- Come join us and visit our website at: www.snoseekers.com

Membership in this club entitles you to NYS Snowmobile Registration fee of \$45 on each snowmobile registered to the name and address. A voucher will be issued upon club membership payment. You may register on-line at www.nyssnowassoc.org (be sure to choose NESS as the club), bring this application to the monthly meeting or mail it to the above address.

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