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## **NEWSLETTER**

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**NEXT GENERAL/COMBO MEETING:**  
**Thursday, October 26th at 7:30 PM**  
**Marvin's Bar & Grill 7675 Goodrich Rd, Clarence Center, NY 14032**

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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

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

#### TRAIL CAPTAIN MEETING

THURSDAY, October 19th at 7:30 PM at  
Marvin's Bar & Grill, 7675 Goodrich Road,  
Clarence Center, NY

#### October Combo Board/General Meeting

THURSDAY, October 26th at 7:30 PM at  
Marvin's Bar & Grill, 7675 Goodrich Road,  
Clarence Center, NY

#### November Combo Board/General Meeting

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

#### LANDOWNER APPRECIATION CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 9th  
Doors Open at 5 PM  
Rapids Fire Hall, 7195 Plank Road,  
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#### Club Officers

**President:** Bill Peronne

**Vice President:** Paul Ast

**Secretary:** Robyn Cierniak

**Treasurer:** Rich McNamara

**Sergeant of Arms:** Jeff Wilson

**Trail Coordinator:** Al Wolbert

**Board Member:** Jake Kelkenberg

**Board Member:** Shannon Landow

**Board Member:** Chantel Dirschedl

**Board Member:** Jake Anderson

**Board Member:** Ron Watts

**Board Member:** Ray Somers

**Board Member:** Andrew Braunscheidel

#### Committees

##### **Legal Committee**

Chairperson: Al W.

##### **Emergency Response Committee**

Chairperson: Open

##### **Marketing & Adv Committee**

Chairperson: Open

##### **Fundraising Committee**

Chairperson: Open

##### **Social/PR Committee**

Chairperson: Frank S.

##### **Membership Committee**

Chairperson: Rich M.

##### **Groomer/Equipment Committee**

Chairperson: Open

##### **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

**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!

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## President's Page

Hello everyone,

I wasn't at the last meeting but was encouraged to hear a couple new faces were there. This is a busy time of the year and we need a lot of help getting ready for winter.

Our Landowner Appreciation Christmas Party is right around the corner and we need donation for the auction. We will let you know the drop off point after the next meeting. If you need any picked up you can call the Sno-Phone (741-NESS).

The trail captains meeting has been set for October 19th at Marvin's Bar & Grill in Clarence Center. If you are interested in helping, come join us and sign up with a trail captain to get your feet wet. Just a few thousand stakes to pound and a hundred miles of trails to sign and it all needs to be done in a few weekends.

The City Books are in - come to the next meeting and pickup a few to sell or call the club phone and we can get them to you.

Hope to see you at a meeting.

Bill

Please help us go green with our newsletter. If you would like to receive your monthly newsletter to your email inbox every month instead of through the US postal system please send us an email with your name and email address. You can also email us if you would like to update the email address that you receive your monthly newsletter at.

Our email address is [snoseekers@yahoo.com](mailto:snoseekers@yahoo.com).

**RESPECT THE LANDOWNERS**

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**STAY ON THE MARKED TRAILS!!!**



## Combination Board/General Meeting Minutes

Date: September 28, 2017 - 7:30 pm

<b>Officers present:</b> President – Vice President – Treasurer – Rich McNamara Secretary – Robyn Cierniak	Meeting called to order at 7:45 pm Meeting ended at 8:35 pm 14 present at meeting
<b>1. WELCOME:</b>	Welcome by Robyn C.
<b>2. MEETING MINUTES</b>	August meeting minutes were discussed and accepted. Jake K. made a motion to accept minutes. Motion was seconded by Andy B. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried.
<b>3. COMMITTEE:</b>	
<b>a) LEGAL</b>	No new info
<b>b) EMERGENCY</b>	No new info
<b>c) MARKETING/ADVERTISING</b>	1. Need to pick number for October Landowner Drawing # 1-217. #136 Kevin Railey was winner. 2. Need to formulate bills for newsletter advertisers. Al W. to contact advertisers.
<b>d) FUNDRAISING</b>	Discussed City Books fundraiser. Shannon L. has books to distribute.
<b>e) SOCIAL/PR</b>	Discussed Landowner Appreciation Christmas Party planning
<b>f) MEMBERSHIP</b>	Discussed club membership status. 58 members to date.
<b>g) GROOMER/UTV EQUIPMENT</b>	Discussed Groomer Coordinator position after Dan D resigned. Discussed having maintenance done by November 15 <sup>th</sup> to give us time to order parts etc if necessary. Discussed having groomer operator list ready by November meeting with new work logs.
<b>h) TRAIL/LANDOWNER</b>	1. Need all bridges checked as soon as possible due to last spring's high water. Bridge at Sescil farm needs repair. 2. Brush hogging should be started soon 3. Trail Captain's meeting October 19 <sup>th</sup> , 7:30 pm at Marvins Bar & Grill.
<b>i) TRAIL GUIDES</b>	
<b>j) NEWSLETTER</b>	Discussed newsletter printing.
<b>k) WEBSITE/FACEBOOK</b>	Discussed updating website. Robyn C. and Rich M. to get quotes to redo web design.
<b>l) APPAREL</b>	No new info
<b>m) SAFETY/EDUCATION</b>	No new info
<b>n) ADOPT A HIGHWAY</b>	No new info
<b>4. PRESIDENT REPORT</b>	None
<b>5. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT</b>	None
<b>6. TREASURER REPORT</b>	Discussed treasury report. Shannon L. made a motion to accept treasury report. Motion was seconded by Al W. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried. Andy B. made a motion to pay current bills. Motion was seconded by Jeff G. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried.
<b>7. SECRETARY REPORT</b>	Next Combination Board/General Membership Meeting scheduled for October 26, 2017 at Marvin's Bar & Grill located at 7675 Goodrich Rd, Clarence Center.
<b>8. OTHER</b>	
<b>9. FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB</b>	

**ATTENTION LANDOWNERS!!**

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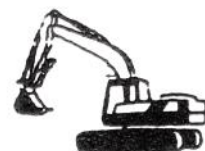
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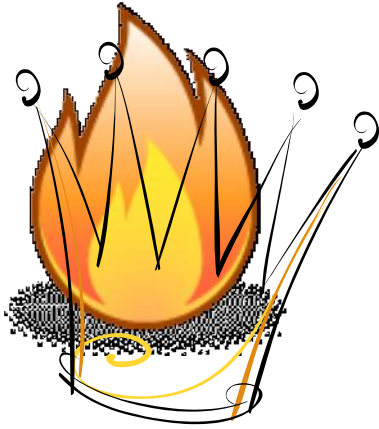
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