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**NEXT GENERAL/COMBO MEETING:**

**Thursday, February 22, 2018 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  
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## Club Headlines

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

#### **FEBRUARY MEETING: CLUB OFFICER AND BOARD MEMBER NOMINATIONS**

##### February Combo Board/General Meeting:

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

#### **MARCH MEETING: CLUB OFFICER AND BOARD MEMBER ELECTIONS**

##### March Combo Board/General Meeting

THURSDAY, March 29 at 7:30 PM at  
Marvin's Bar & Grill, 7675 Goodrich 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!

February is here already, not much of a winter again, but we need to just look ahead. We just opened the trails for the third time this season; we can't seem to get more than a few days in a row. The club needs to keep moving ahead - there has been a lot of time and sweat to get to where we are at this point.

This month is nomination time for all our officer positions and four board members. We are always looking for new people and old ones to fill the positions. So come to the meeting and throw your hat in the ring.

As I was spending some quiet time in the groomer last month I was amazed at how many riders can't seem to stay on the trail. You guys and gals are here there and everywhere. Wide turns, no turns, near misses, some hits, some trees down, orange stakes up ended - wow!!! So let's pay a little more attention out there - we don't want anyone hurt.

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).

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## Combination Board/General Meeting Minutes

Date: January 25, 2018 - 7:30 pm

<b>Officers present:</b> President – Bill Peronne Vice President – Treasurer – Rich McNamara Secretary – Robyn Cierniak	Meeting called to order at 7:45 pm Meeting ended at 9:14 pm 16 present at meeting
<b>1. WELCOME:</b>	Welcome by Bill P.
<b>2. MEETING MINUTES</b>	December meeting minutes were discussed and accepted. Al W. made a motion to accept minutes. Motion was seconded by Harry S. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried.
<b>3. COMMITTEE:</b>	
a) LEGAL	No new info
b) EMERGENCY	No new info
c) MARKETING/ADVERTISING	1. Need to pick number for February Landowner Drawing # 1-217. #12 – Eugene Bihari was winner.
d) FUNDRAISING	Discussed City Books fundraiser.
e) SOCIAL/PR	1. Discussed Landowner Appreciation Christmas Party summary. 2. Discussed Club Bonfire at Kelkenberg's Akron Acres Farm.
f) MEMBERSHIP	Discussed club membership status. 426 members to date.
g) GROOMER/UTV EQUIPMENT	Discussed groomer status.
h) TRAIL/LANDOWNER	Discussed trail conditions.
i) TRAIL GUIDES	Rich M discussed status of trail maps.
j) NEWSLETTER	Discussed January newsletter - sent out US Mail and email.
k) WEBSITE/FACEBOOK	Discussed new NESS Instagram account, northerneriesnoseekers and new NESS Twitter account @NE_Snoseekers.
l) APPAREL	No new info
m) SAFETY/EDUCATION	No new info
n) ADOPT A HIGHWAY	No new info
<b>4. PRESIDENT REPORT</b>	Discussed looking into purchase of a new groomer.
<b>5. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT</b>	No new info
<b>6. TREASURER REPORT</b>	Discussed treasury report. Andy B. made a motion to accept treasury report. Motion was seconded by Jake A. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried. Al W. made a motion to pay current bills. Motion was seconded by Curt W. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried.
<b>7. SECRETARY REPORT</b>	Next Combination Board/General Membership Meeting scheduled for February 22, 2018 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>	

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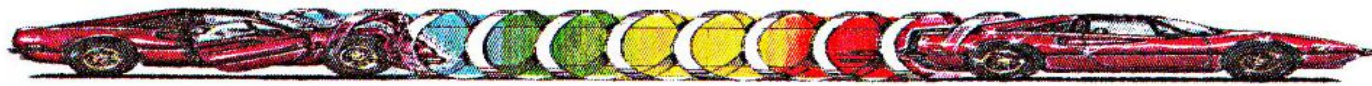
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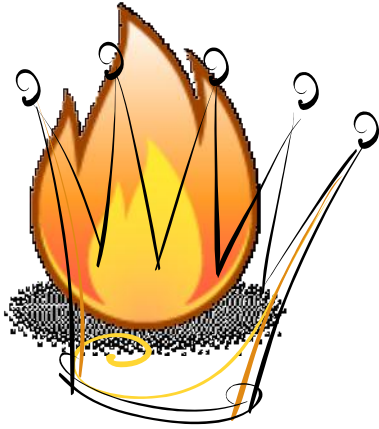
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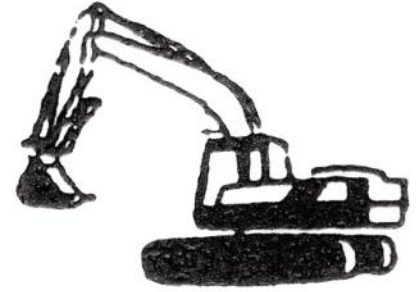
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