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NEXT GENERAL/COMBO MEETING:
Thursday, March 29, 2018 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



Club Headlines

What's Going On With Our Club...

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,
Clarence Center, NY

April Combo Board/General Meeting

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

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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

I would like to send my heartfelt condolences to the Clark family.

Jeff was a very special young man.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.

Bill Peronne

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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.

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Combination Board/General Meeting Minutes

Date: February 22, 2018 - 7:30 pm

| | |
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| Officers present: President – Bill Peronne Vice President – Treasurer – Rich McNamara Secretary – Robyn Cierniak | Meeting called to order at 7:45 pm Meeting ended at 9:19 pm 22 present at meeting |
| 1. WELCOME: | Welcome by Bill P. |
| 2. MEETING MINUTES | January meeting minutes were discussed and accepted. Al W. made a motion to accept minutes. Motion was seconded by Jake A. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried. |
| 3. COMMITTEE: | |
| a) LEGAL | No new info |
| b) EMERGENCY | No new info |
| c) MARKETING/ADVERTISING | Need to pick number for March Landowner Drawing # 1-217. #217 – Frank Zivis was winner. |
| d) FUNDRAISING | Discussed City Books fundraiser. |
| e) SOCIAL/PR | Discussed Club Bonfire at Kelkenberg's Akron Acres Farm. |
| f) MEMBERSHIP | Discussed club membership status. 436 members to date. |
| g) GROOMER/UTV EQUIPMENT | Discussed groomer status. 105.5 hours of grooming this season so far in Erie County. |
| h) TRAIL/LANDOWNER | Discussed trail conditions. Open 21 days this season. Need to order more signs. GPS of trails needs to be done by year 2020. Need to address bridges. |
| i) TRAIL GUIDES | Rich M discussed status of trail maps. |
| j) NEWSLETTER | Discussed February newsletter - sent out US Mail and email. \$1200 taken in for advertising for 2018 year. Newsletter costs +/- \$500 per month to mail. |
| 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 |
| 4. PRESIDENT REPORT | Discussed club participation and help needed to keep club functioning. |
| 5. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT | No new info |
| 6. TREASURER REPORT | Discussed treasury report. Rich P. made a motion to accept treasury report. Motion was seconded by Danny D. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried. Shannon L. made a motion to pay current bills. Motion was seconded by Ron W. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried. |
| 7. SECRETARY REPORT | Next Combination Board/General Membership Meeting scheduled for March 29, 2018 at Marvin's Bar & Grill located at 7675 Goodrich Rd, Clarence Center. |
| 8. OTHER | |
| 9. FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB | |



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10. 2018 NOMINATIONS

Nominations for Officers and Board Members:

President

- Curt Watts, Declined
- Robyn Cierniak, Accepted
- Andrew Braunscheidel, Accepted
- Shannon Landow, Declined

Vice President

- Jake Anderson, Declined
- Harry Rounds, Declined
- Sheri Rounds, Declined
- Chantel Dirschedl, Declined
- Danny Dressel, Accepted

Secretary

- Rich McNamara, Declined
- Taine Braunscheidel, Accepted
- Robyn Cierniak, Accepted

Treasurer

- Rich McNamara, Accepted

Sergeant at Arms

- Jeff Wilson, Accepted
- Andrew Braunscheidel, Declined

Trail Coordinator

- Al Wolbert, Accepted

Board Member(s) [Need to fill four seats]

- Jake Anderson, Accepted
- Jake Kelkenberg, Accepted
- Shannon Landow, Declined
- Jake Jurek, Accepted
- Kyle Anderson, Accepted
- Harry Rounds, Declined
- Sheri Rounds, Accepted
- Chantel Dirschedl, Declined
- Curt Watts, Declined
- Rich Pfetner, Declined
- Jeff Glassman, Accepted



In Memory of

Jeffrey "Jeff" C. Clark

East Amherst, New York

Dec 24, 1992 – Mar 9, 2018

Loving son of Paula (nee Badding) and Kenneth Clark; beloved brother of Adam Clark; cherished boyfriend of Libby Huntington. Also survived by aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Jeff had a love for life and for every season: boating, fishing, hunting, pit biking, camping, and snowmobiling. He will be missed by all who knew him!

Our NESS family has been lessened by one.

We want to let the Clark family just how saddened we were to hear of Jeff's passing. Jeff was a wonderful young man and his life was cut far too short.

He was a great addition to our club and he will be greatly missed.

Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends.

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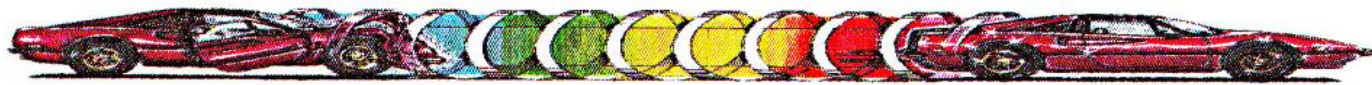
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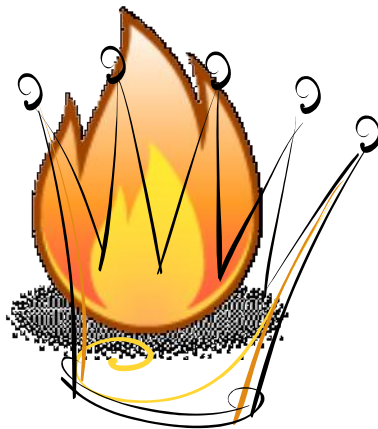
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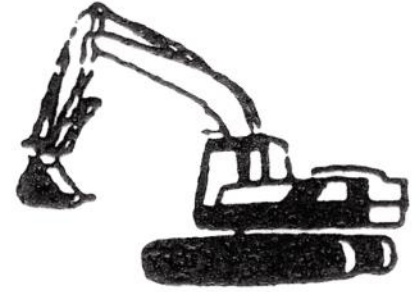
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