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**NEXT GENERAL/COMBO MEETING:**

**Thursday, February 28, 2019 at 7:30 PM**

**Marvin's Bar & Grill 7675 Goodrich Rd, Clarence Center, NY 14032**

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## Club Headlines

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

***NOMINATIONS FOR CLUB OFFICERS AND THREE OPEN BOARD MEMBERS POSITIONS WILL BE HELD AT THE FEBRUARY MEETING***

#### **FEBRUARY Combo Board/General Meeting**

THURSDAY, February 28 at 7:30 PM at  
Marvin's Bar & Grill, 7675 Goodrich Road,  
Clarence Center, NY

#### **MARCH Combo Board/General Meeting**

THURSDAY, March 27 at 7:30 PM at  
Marvin's Bar & Grill, 7675 Goodrich Road,  
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#### **Club Officers**

**President:** Andrew Braunscheidel

**Vice President:** Danny Dressel

**Secretary:** Robyn Cierniak

**Treasurer:** Rich McNamara

**Sergeant of Arms:** Jeff Wilson

**Trail Coordinator:** Al Wolbert

**Board Member:** Jake Anderson

**Board Member:** Kyle Anderson

**Board Member:** Jake Jurek

**Board Member:** Jake Kelkenberg

**Board Member:** Sheri Rounds

**Board Member:** Ray Somers

**Board Member:** Ron Watts

#### **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 give a big thanks to everyone that offered their time and help in keeping our trails open and with minimum problems during the short "season" we had. With only a limited time of open trails they still were some of the best. I received many compliments from people out riding about the condition of our trail system. That being said, I want to give a huge thanks to all the groomer operators for putting in the time to keep the trails flat and the riders happy!

Think Snow!!

Andy

NESS would like to thank all those that helped with the last minute trail re-route and install on South Newstead Road, the culvert pipe install at Main and South Newstead and the new bridge work near Terry's Corners, especially:

Bill Peronne  
Rich McNamara  
Jake Kelkenberg and Family  
Eric Glassman  
TJ Trapper  
Jake Jurek  
Charlie Gibson  
Dave Wetzler  
Al Wolbert  
Danny Dressel

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Kyle Anderson  
Dave Linneborn  
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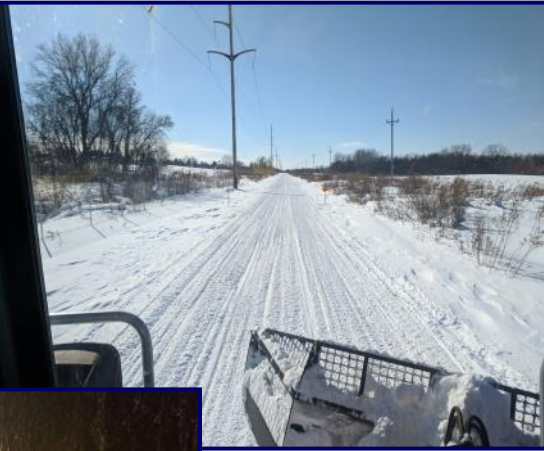


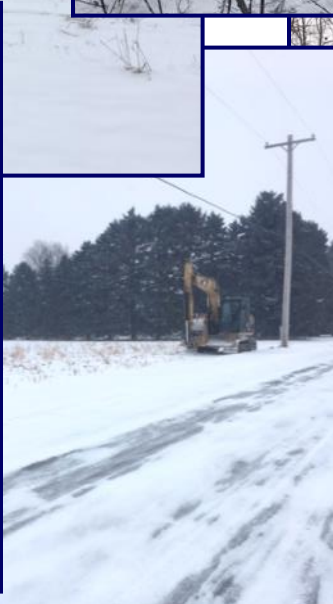
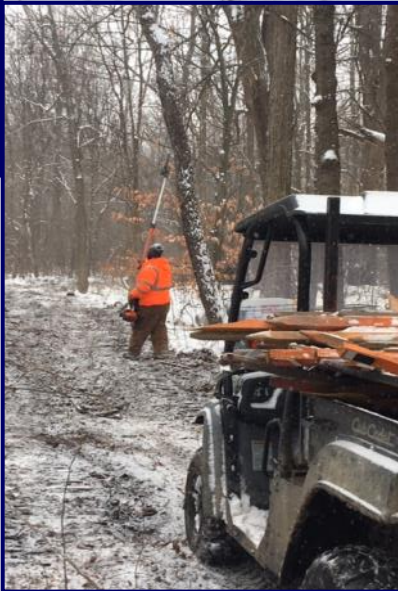
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## Combination Board/General Meeting Minutes

Date: January 31, 2019 - 7:30 pm

<b>Officers present:</b> President – Andy Braunscheidel Vice President – Treasurer – Rich McNamara Secretary – Robyn Ciemiak	Meeting called to order at 7:40 pm Meeting ended at 9:00 pm 29 present at meeting
<b>1. WELCOME:</b>	Welcome by Andy B.
<b>2. MEETING MINUTES</b>	No December meeting minutes were distributed at meeting for review.
<b>3. COMMITTEE:</b>	
<b>a) LEGAL</b>	No new info
<b>b) EMERGENCY</b>	Dan Kowalik to attend next NESS meeting to discuss emergency coordination.
<b>c) MARKETING/ADVERTISING</b>	New number was picked for February Landowner Drawing. John Smith Jr. was winner. Robyn C. sent out a letter to the month's winner.
<b>d) FUNDRAISING</b>	No new info
<b>e) SOCIAL/PR</b>	Discussed potential club bonfire for February 16, 2019
<b>f) MEMBERSHIP</b>	Discussed club membership status. 386 members to date.
<b>g) GROOMER/UTV EQUIPMENT</b>	Discussed maintenance on groomers.
<b>h) TRAIL/LANDOWNER</b>	Discussed two major trail reroutes this year (near Main at S Newstead and Buckwheat at S Newstead). Discussed installation of culverts in several areas. Discussed culvert installation at 8850 Wolcott Road.
<b>i) TRAIL GUIDES</b>	No new info
<b>j) NEWSLETTER</b>	December/January combination newsletter sent out via email and USMail.
<b>k) WEBSITE/FACEBOOK</b>	Remember NESS Instagram account, northerneriesnoseekers and new NESS Twitter account @NE_Snoseekers.
<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. Ron W. made a motion to accept treasury report. Motion was seconded by Jim D. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried. Robyn C. made a motion to pay current bills. Motion was seconded by Al W. Voted unanimous – aye. Carried.
<b>7. SECRETARY REPORT</b>	Next meeting will be nominations for three (3) open Board Member positions and all Officers. Next Combination Board/General Membership Meeting scheduled for February 28, 2018 at Marvin's Bar & Grill located at 7675 Goodrich Rd, Clarence Center.
<b>8. OTHER</b>	NYSSA Forum held in Niagara Falls 4/26-4/28 this year.
<b>9. FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB</b>	





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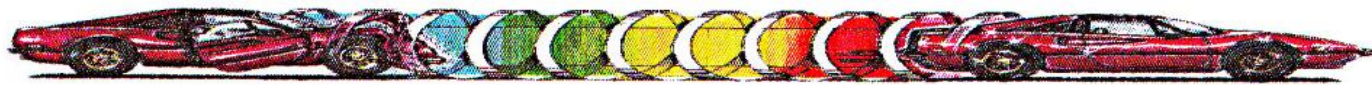
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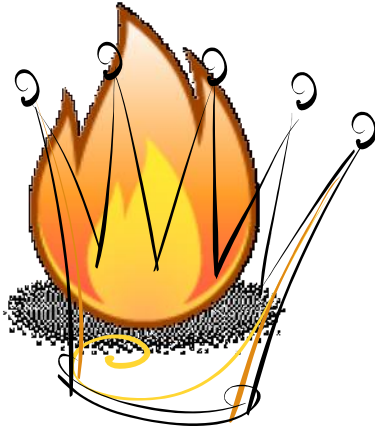
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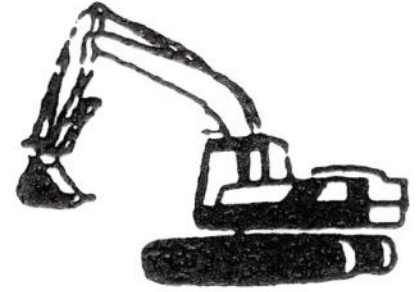
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