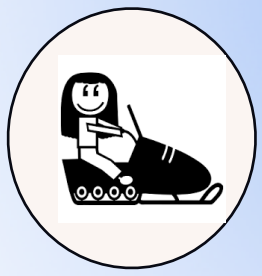


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## Top **5** things you need to know...RIGHT NOW...

*(Turn the pages for more details & the rest of the story)*

- \* Dan D. is still riding... last spotted in Southern Florida, headed South !!!
- \* The 2018 - 2019 season is officially over (? did it ever get started ?)
- \* Your membership has expired.. Time to re-up for 2020
- \* The NESS express got a top end rebuild.. (piston's & rings)
- \* Elections are over, and the "Mac" report shows no Russian collusion, we are however very suspicious they stole our winter !!!

# The NESS Express

## Snowmobile Club Newsletter



The NESS Express is a monthly newsletter for the members and landowners of the Northern Erie snow-seekers snowmobile club. We are a 400+ member, non-profit club responsible for 100+ miles of state-funded snowmobile trails located in the Erie, Niagara, and Genesee counties. We meet monthly at a pre-disclosed location. All members and interested parties are welcome to attend. For more information, or if you wish to contact us, [snoseekers.com](http://snoseekers.com), or (716)741-NESS or [snoseekers14001@gmail.com](mailto:snoseekers14001@gmail.com)

## Back in the saddle again...

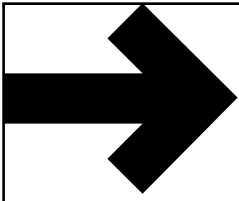
So.. Howdy.. Things may look a little different, well that's because Robyn is taking some MUCH..MUCH..MUCH deserved time off from writing the newsletter every month. I'm going to try my best to continue on with what she has been doing for years and years!! "Back in the saddle again" seemed appropriate, I wrote some of the very first NESS newsletters, and continued to be responsible for it for a few years after that. I have some new thoughts and ideas I hope to bring to the newsletter, if you have ideas for it, by all means please let me know. ~Ron Dawydko~



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# Next Meeting

## Thursday April 25th. 7:30pm

Grub is on us...ALL you have To do is Show up !!!

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Send me your coolest trail signs !!



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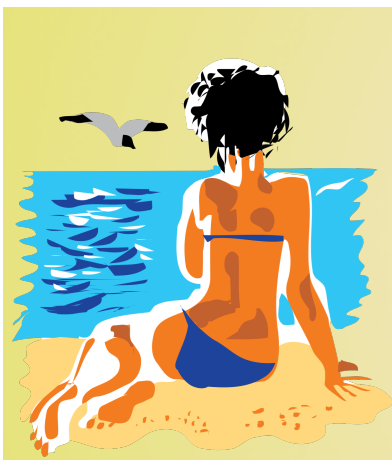
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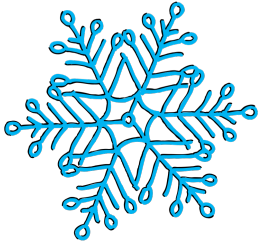
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TIME TO PUT THE SLEDS AWAY  
FOR THE SUMMER &  
DROP THE BOAT IN THE WATER !!!  
CHEERS TO THE OTHER SEASON  
SO MANY OF US LOOK  
FORWARD TO !!!



...Little Help Here...Please...

We have some old road signs that need to be cut (sheared) into small strips so they can be screwed onto trail stakes. If you have access to a metal shear, or know someone who could get this done, **contact Ron D. 622-8121**

Also, if anyone has any contacts or info on how or where we can get some more old road signs, please let me know.. we are starting to run low

We have a shoe box full of old club photos. Work sessions, bridge projects, Christmas parties, parade floats (..yes.. I said parade floats), even club trips. So many great memories, and reminders of how far we have come !!! ..And some very touching pictures of members who we have lost along the way..



## Blast From Your Past

If someone could spare some time to scan them, it would be nice to make them a part of our website, to share with everyone. We owe them all thanks, and they deserve recognition.

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# Trails Report

By: Trail Coordinator  
Al Wolbert



Hi everyone,  
As the '18/'19 season has come to an end I want to thank all of the members, volunteers and land owners for another successful year. No, it wasn't as long as we had hoped for but we sure had some nice trails for the short time the snow was here. In total, the trails were open for 10 days this year so no it wasn't a total loss, but we'll sure hope for more next year. It's now time to remove all the trail signs and get everything back in shape for the off season. Trail captains please remember to submit your hours for trail removal. With a lean year like this, we'll need all the work hours to submit for the trail grant. We have a few projects in mind for the off season to improve the trails for next year. Mostly some bridge improvements and culverts and we will be discussing the timing of these at the next few meetings. Remember, just as much work happens in the off season as it does when the snow is on the ground so please feel free to stop by at our monthly meetings to see what's going on. Thanks again for everyone's help this year and pray for a big snow season next year !!

Al Wolbert  
NESS Trail Coordinator



## Missing In Action



This newsletter is an ongoing work in progress.. If you have an idea for something to include in it, or have any ideas, by all means please contact me, I'm shooting from the hip on this all, any thoughts or ideas would be greatly appreciated.

Ron: Cell / Txt: (716)622-8121

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## Home Movies

? Do you have video from time on NESS trails ? Well, we'd like to share it on our youtube channel. I'm building a youtube channel for the club to post up

quality, taseful and appropriate video footage from riding our trails. ..NOW.. this is going to be a 100% family friendly place to promote safe and responsible snowmobiling.. SO... Save

the "HOLD MY BEER...WATCH THIS" stuff for the Larry Enticer channel ..or. the next youth saftey course, in the "what not to do" section.

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## Editors Thoughts, Notes & Idea's

Ok, trails are all down, grass is green again, time to flip the sod pieces back into place that the snowplow guy scraped up on the corners of the driveway, pick up branches and twigs all that frigg'n wind blew down over the past 3 months. So, ya' 2019 NESS trails are done. We were dealt a pretty crappy season, we only had a handful of opportunities to drop what we were doing and go ride our trails, cause they were closed back down 24 hours later. Me personally, I logged zero miles on our trails this season. Every opportunity I had, when the trails were open, I jumped in one of the groomers.

All the miles I rode this year were outside WNY, we all know if your serious about riding, you own a trailer, and you use it frequently. I so, so, so look forward to riding our trails, and our adjacent clubs trails every year, but I also have gotten to a point where I consider it a bonus. This year seemed particularly painful though. Was it just me ? Or was WNY the only place that didn't get tons of snow, and have phenomenal trail conditons for 2+ full months. My sweet spot is Muskoka, Ontario. I've been riding there for 30+ years now, and I can honestly say in all those years I have never seen as much snow up there as I did this year ! I've never had such perfect trails, perfect lakes, day after day, and trip after trip. I've herd the same from folks who have had the chance to crack the throttle in U.P. Michigan, Quebec & Vermont. It's always a bummer when we don't get the cold and snow here, but seems like we were really robbed this year. As I look back in my mind, it seems to be, about one in five years are "really good" winters for us to ride NESS trails, and usually that means if we've got good trails, than our adjacent clubs have good trails. And when I say "really good" trails, I mean all the slop holes are froze up and the groomers can run consistently week after week and cover the whole trail system each week. When the trails are like that, and you can get home from work on a Wednesday, txt your buds, hop on your sled and

meet up at the Uni-Mart on Rte #5 and head to the Log Cabin for dinner. After some grub, it's only 7:30 so, you pull the cords and head for The Ship & Shore, empty the kidneys and head for home. You park the sled, post to FB as you walk in the back door and it's only 9:30. Your sled is still as shiny and clean as the day you bought it, and your body doesn't feel like you went 3 full rounds with Mike Tyson. This is what keeps my gas tank from going all the way to empty as far as voluntering to help out the club. I will take those odds, 1 in 5, because when it's good, it's so damn good it makes up for those other 4 years !!! In order for the "good" years to happen, there is more than just physical time and labor that has to be put in year after year. There has to be a commitment to responsibility and ethics in regards to our landowners. The only reason the club is able to have trails to ride on, is the permission of our landowners. We have to always remember, no matter good or bad season, we have to respect the land we ride on. If we don't it will be gone next year. The fire storm seems to grow bigger every year regarding when we open the trails or close the trails. Tempers flare, and questions fly... The Sno-Mob is open, The Snow-Packers are open.. Why aren't we ??? This summer, look around, take note of what your riding on when there is snow on the ground and trails are up. There's a good chance your riding on Town and Village owned asphalt bike path, farmer's fields & crops and homeowners lawns !!! There's only a few inches of snow providing protection to all that. We are all guests on our landowners property, it's our responsibility to treat it with respect. I hope everyone had the chance to enjoy trails outside of WNY, heck, their still grooming in Cochrane & Timmins Ontario !!!

~~~KEEP YOUR STICK ON THE ICE~~~



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*47 years of service to our community & our members...*

HEY

GET OFF YOUR PHONE & OUT OF THE HOUSE... DO SOMETHING CONSTRUCTIVE THIS WEEKEND !!

...Listen up high schoolers... Do you need community service hours to wear the robe and the funky hat with the cool tassle ?? Well, keep in mind NESS can help you out. Consider contacting us to schedule time to qualify for community service hours. We are entering into our "quiet" season (if there is such a thing), but get in touch, and get on the list so when we do have projects over the summer and into the early fall you can knock off some of those pesky community service hours. \*\* Caution \*\* WI-FI not included... Hit us up at [snoseekers14001@gmail](mailto:snoseekers14001@gmail.com) & follow us on FB, instagram or on the twitter NE\_Snoseekers

STAY ON  
TRAIL  
OR STAY  
HOME



*Hi Everyone,*

*Hope everyone had a great riding season and was able to enjoy the little bit of riding we could get in! But with all the fun comes some time for work, and getting the trails taken down. So if anyone can lend a hand please ask how you can help! I would also like to thank everyone who has taken new board member positions for the club and I hope this year is just as good as the last.*

*Thanks,  
Andy Braunscheidel*

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**...We lost a dear friend & neighbor...**

The club and I lost a dear friend, neighbor & landowner last month. Dick "Coach" Beyer, best known as "The Destroyer". Coach passed away March 7th. So much has already been written and said about what a great and special man he was, there's no way I can add anything that hasn't already been said. Such a great man that touched so, so many lives in his 88 years all over the world. Coach was such a part of our community, from sports programs at Akron schools, to most recently Destroyer Park Golf, he was a great man and a great friend. In the past few years, if you happened to find yourself on Sand Hill road, on a summer's day, you were bound to see coach parked on the side of the road in his John Deer Gator, waving to anyone who passed by, and glad to say hi to anyone who took the time to stop. At a time when famous names, titles & faces are so often associated with wrong doing, morally questionable behavior and inexcusable actions, coach was the opposite of all that. I've known coach since he built his house on Sand Hill road when I was a teenager and he's been a landowner on our trail system since day one.  
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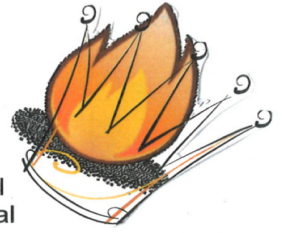
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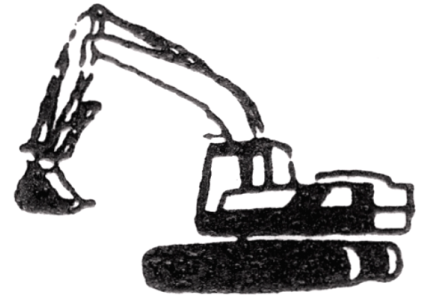
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