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Turn the pages to get the rest of the story...

1.) Save the date, mark your calenders, hire a babysitter, the MUCH anticipated NESS Christmas party is just weeks away !!!

2.) If your in need of a voucher to register that sled... we can help... join up, and watch the magic happen !

3.) The boat is winterized, the Harley is parked, the race car is up on blocks... It's time to talk 2-stroke smoke !!!

THE NESS EXPRESS

Snowmobile Club Newsletter



The NESS Express is a monthly newsletter for the members and landowners of the Northern Erie sno-seekers snowmobile club We are a 400+ member, non- profit club responsible for 125+ 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, or (716)741-NESS or



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Club / Landowner Christmas Party



December 14th.

Dave L. & Kyle A. are the co-chairpersons for this years party. Many, many thanks to them! They can not do it alone !!! They need <u>YOUR</u> help. If you would like to help out in the club, but your not into trail work, here's a great way to contribute. We need folks to go out and spend club money to purchase items for gift baskets, wrap gift baskets, decorate the hall, address and mail invitations, tend bar and serve food, and the list goes on...

snoseekers14001@gmail.com or

Kyle: 622-0439

Dave: 697-9999







!! Attention !! Meeting Date Change Due To Thanksgiving

President: Andy Braunschei Vice President: Danny Dr Secretary: Ron Dawydko Watering Hole Treasurer: Rich McNam Sergeant of Arms: Jeff (Trail Coordinator: Al Wo VESS Groome Board Member: Jake Anderson, US' Grou Board Member: Kyle Anderson, US' Grou Board Member: Jake Kelkenberg **Board Member: Dave Linneborn Board Member: Matt Weber Board Member: Ron Watts**

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7:30PM

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Meeting



CLUB MEMBERS CHOW-DOWN FOR FREE

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2019 Landowner Appreciation Ghristmas Party

Saturday December 14th.

Doors open at 5pm (party starts at 4:59pm)

- * Admission for landowners +1 guest is free
- * Club members \$10 (kids 12 and under free)
- * Huge Chinese raffle gift baskets
- * 50 / 50 drawing raffle
- * Food & drinks included

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Landowners please RSVP to: snoseekers14001@gmail.com or (716)741-6377

The Northern Erie Sno-Seekers club members & officers would like to thank the landowners who make our snowmobile trails possible every year. Please be our guests for the evening at our annual Christmas party. It's a family oriented evening filled with good friends, great food, tons of raffle prizes, face painting and maybe even a visit from Santa himself !





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Trail Work Logs

Trail Captains & trail workers, please remember to keep track of your time spent out working on trails. We need to keep accurate logs of time spent out working on trails or groomers, or anything club related. This is SUPER important to have documented for the all important trail grant. ... It's SUPER easy... When you get done for the day marking trail, or whatever your doing, just shoot Rich a txt or fire off a email to him. Here's what you need to include: Start time - Finish time *Club members working in your group

* Location (approximate is ok)

* Equipment used, ATV's, Chainsaws, Shovels, Axe, Weed-Wacker, Tractor, Pickup truck, Skid-Steer, Excavator, Back-hoe, ect. Be as specific as you can be, this helps us score more \$\$\$ in the trail grant. Lastly, do it right away, right when you finish, or you'll forget ... trust me ... Rich's Contact Info, below & Left...





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Groomers #2 & #3 (the Bully's) have been in the shop up on blocks for over a month now, we've got extensive updates, maintenance & repairs to do on both of them. The Bully doctor was in town 2 weeks ago, and gave them their fall physical. We still have a few evenings / afternoons of work to get them ready for the snow. We still have groomer #1 (the BR-180) and all 3 drags to service before we can hit the trails with them. We are always looking for extra hands to swing wrenches, if you can help us, contact Ron 622-8121







How to repurpose those pumpkins

Last Meeting

Bonus points for everyone who showed up to last months meeting !!! If you weren't there, we had darn near a packed house if you were there you know how tasty the Marvin's wings are !!! We saw some new faces, and many faces we haven't seen in months. Always great to have a full house, with great interaction, and some new ideas to handle existing trail re-routes. We get a lot more problems solved faster when we have more club members at meetings.

...And we can't thank Marvin's enough for hosting our meetings there once a month !

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JUST 1500 FT EAST OF THE TRAIL AT ROUTE 5 & ROUTE 93!



Hello Everyone,

Andy Braunscheidel

Finally some flakes in the forecast ! Soon enough, hopefully we will be out enjoying some time on the trails, but until that point we have lots of work to do getting everything dialed in. So like always please ask how you can help. I would also like to give everyone a huge thank you that has helped with getting the groomers serviced and hopefully ready to make our trails great. Hope to see everyone at this months meeting, remember it's a week early ! ~Andy~

Big NESS thanks going out to Bill Perone for offering up the use of his skid steer mounted brush~hog... And big NESS thanks to Rich McNamara for mounting that bad boy up on the front of his skid steer...Aaaa... A marriage made for NESS trails!



This duo coming to a over-grown trail near you !

Respect our landowners stay on marked trails



More NESS thanks going out to Kyle Anderson, and all the Anderson's over at BTS Trucking & King Oil for moving the big Komatsu dozer for some trail re-routes.

Some favors are bigger than others... And that one weighs in at 18+ Ton If you see one of these guys at the meeting, say thanks, and buy them a sarsaparilla !

Genesee SnoPackers 8am November 30th. @ Snopackers HQ, South Pearl St. Oakfield (sorry this is all the info I could get on this course) Call for further info: (585)297-3835

Shawnee Sno-Chiefs December 7th. @ Shawnee Fire Hall (full day course lunch included)

January 20 & 21, 4:30 - 9pm (2 day course) MUST RSVP to Rodger (716)731-2174

YOUTH SAFETY COURSES



As of right now we have 4 culverts to install. We need to purchase culverts & asphalt millings or stone to backfill. We need big trailers to haul barrels on the bike path, equipment trailers to move groomers & drags when it's time. If you can help us out in anyway, please contact us.

...And when your out there, snap some pic's, shoot some video, sketch me a scene or send up some smoke signals... I'll be sure to make you famous in next months NESS Express !!!



Many Thanks To: Herman

... for spending a good part of his day on the Rte #93 clean up, he was the lone gunman on that project, those of us who have done that in the past know what a job it is ! ...Keep them wheels turning Herman !



A local, Clarence establishment, Aj's Bar & Grill has asked us if it would be possible to install a marked trail to their business. This was brought up at last months meeting. After some discussion and mapping out, we came to the conclusion that even though Aj's is located just outside the hollow in Clarence, on Rte #5 there are only a couple landowners and farmers to contact, and we could get a trail right to them. No bridges or culverts that we can see or know of to install. The only problem is we need a trail captain to take on this section of NEW trail. It's going to be a little work the first year, but we won't hang you out to dry by yourself. It's all open fields, with a few stop signs ! To make this happen, we are going to need someone to step up to be the trail captain for this new trail. If someone comes forward, it will be a great ! We will discuss this at this months meeting, but if no one wants to step up to the plate on this, it's not going to happen.

Northern Erie Sno-Seekers

Combination Board & General Meeting Minutes

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE	
President: Andy B.	
Vice President: Dan D.	
Secretary: Ron D.	х
Treasurer: Rich M.	х
Sergeant of Arms: Jeff G.	
Trail Coordinator: Al W.	х
B.O.D.: Jake A.	х
B.O.D.: Kyle A.	х
B.O.D.: Jake J.	х
B.O.D.: Jake K.	
B.O.D.: Dave L.	x
B.O.D.: Matt W.	х
B.O.D.: Ron W.	

Total Club Members	22
Present	JZ

Date / Time / Location:	Oct 24, 2019 7:30pm Marvin's
Trail Guides	Rich M. reported the art work is being finished up, and any advertisers that want to get in should make contact with him
Newsletter	Ron D. reminded everyone that the sponsors in the newsletter have made a dollar commitment to support our club try to remember the establishments that have made a commitment to support our club, and support our sponsors.
Apparal	We have (3) new club logos to choose from for new designs for apparel. We will have all 3 logos on display at the christmas party, and voting will be conducted, and a decision will be made on which one will be picked
Safety	Jeff G. was not present at the meeting to give us an update on the status of our youth safety course our surrounding clubs have posted their dates and times
Adopt A Highway	nothing new to report we are legally not able to conduct a clean up on the adopt -a- highway with out taking a course and being certified by NYS
Vintage Sled	~Nothing to report
President Report	Andy B. was not able to make it to the meeting
Vice President Report	VP was not present for meeting
Treasurer Report	Rich M. went over report in detail, line by line. Ron D. asked for a motion to except the treasure report as printed, Patrick M. made a motion to except, Kyle A.2nd., all in favor motion was carried Rich went over current bills due to pay, he asked for a motion to pay bills, Dave made a motion to pay bills, Dave L.2nd, all in favor, motion carried. Rich reported that the NYSSA mega super raffle tickets will be printed up very soon for distribution to clubs who wish to sell them Sandy G. reported on her collections in the groomer house donations boxes she has set out at various locations. Some discussion on this, questions on the future of this.
Secretary Report	Ron D. thanked those in attendance for taking the time to come to the meeting
Other	Keith D. made club aware of the probability of farmers crops being out very late this year, probably extending into late December, due to the late spring. He asked everyone to be mindful of this when out marking trails, and to be sure crops are off before you go out marking trails. This may be a factor in when trails open !!! If your out marking trail and have a question on weather or not there is still a crop there to be harvested, please contact Ron D. or Al W.
For the Good Of The Club	
Next Meeting	Next meeting falls on Thanksgiving, Ron D. asked for a motion to move meeting to the week earlier, Kyle A.2nd., all were in favor, motion carried ***NEXT MEETING WILL BE NOVEMBER 21 HERE AT MARVIN'S *****
Meeting Closure	Ron D. asked for a motion to close the meeting if there was no more business, so we can get to eat'n them awesome looking wings !!!! Dave L. made a motion to close the meeting, Dave L. 2nd., all in favor, meeting adjourned time to chow down!!!
Entered In & Recorded By:	Ron Dawydko (secretary)

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Welcome & Introduction	Andy B. was unable to make the meeting In his absence Ron D. & Rich M.presided over the meeting Ron D. welcomed everyone to the meeting, he asked for a motion to start the meeting. Jake J made the motion, Kyle A.2nd, all in favor, motion carried
Previous months meeting minutes	Ron D. asked for a motion to except last months meetings minutes as printed Jake A. made a motion to except, Matt W.2nd, all in favor, motion carried
Committee(s)	
Legal	nothing new to report
Emergency	nothing new to report
Marketing & Advertising	Landowner #71 was chosen for our monthly gift card, with alternate landowner #52 chosen as well.
Fundraising	nothing new to report
Social & Public Relations	Ron D. asked the status of the plaque, but Dan D. was not present to report tabled till next meeting
Christmas party	Ron D. Asked for an update from Christmas party co-chairs Dave L. & Kyle A. Dave L. reported. Dave L. reported things are on tract, and invitations will be going out to landowner soon. Rich M. reminded everyone that Dave L & Kyle A. were brand new to running the part this year, and they can use any and all help they can get. There are many areas to provide assistance. A good deal of time was spent discussing the party. possible large ticket items for the landowner raffle were discussed, many good ideas we're presented Billy P. made us aware of some new landowners that need to be added, and make sure they are invited to the party
Membership	As of the meeting membership at 104 last year at this time was 95
Groomer & Equipment	Ron D. asked status of purchasing winch for the front of the UTV ranger. Kyle A. reported he had the price quote for what we needed and it was below the voted and approved Kyle A. will purchase the winch and attachment plate, and install it on the UTV Ron D. reported on the work session conducted on groomers $#2 \& #3$ and the visit from the Piston Bully service tec. Dave L. spent the whole day with the Piston Bully tec servicing the groomers Numerous work sessions have been conducted on the groomers since that time, much has been accomplished, few more sessions are needed to Finnish up with $#2 \& #3$ to get them finished up, and then we will need to get $#1$ in and begin pre-season prep on that one. Dave L. reported that the plans to re-build drag $#3$ has been postponed due to time constraints Ron D. reported that Kyle A. we able to move the fuel tank for groomer $#3$ to its new location
Trails & Landowners	Al W. reported on various issues. he also reported on the trail captains meeting held earlier in the month. Many issues were discussedIt's the October meeting, much, much time was spent discussing many trails and re-routes We have some re-routes that are going to require culverts installations, and bulldozer work, we will need any help we can get installing culverts and backfill, and issues such as moving equipment. Rich M. plans to man his skid steer with Billy P.'s brush hog on front to tackle grown in sections of trails Ron D. reported talks with Le over at the Wolcottsville inn (a new sponsor to the newsletter) we hope to work with Lee and the trail captain for that section of trail to get a trail re-established there, it will require some road riding, but a destination well worth a few miles on the road Bill P. talked about the owner of the bar on the corner of Strickler Rd. & Main st. speaking to him about installing a trail up their restaurant and bar. Discussion on this, seems very able to get done, would be a nice way to add a business that want's to support the club from the heart of Clarence this trail would on have 3 landowners and one is already on our landowner list. We need a trail captain to step up and take this trail so we can make it happen this year. Call Al W. 510-4171



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