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- 4.) I wasn't holding it wide open
- 5.) The ice is plenty thick
- 6.) We'll wait for you at the next intersection
- 7.) My buddie drives the groomer, he said trails are open
- 8.) My registration sticker fell off because of the cold
- 9.) I don't need a trail map, I know the trails
- 10.) I'm to busy to help, besides I don't ride around here

THE NESS EXPRESS

Snowmobile Club Newsletter

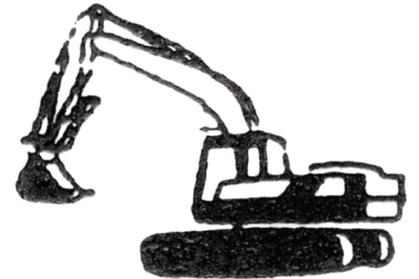


The NESS Express is a monthly newsletter for the members and landowners of the Northern Erie sno-seekers snowmobile club. We are a 400+ member, non-profit club responsible for 125+ miles of state funded snowmobile trails located in the Erie, Niagara, and Genesee counties. We meet monthly at a pre disclosed 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 [snoseekers14001@gmail](mailto:snoseekers14001@gmail.com)

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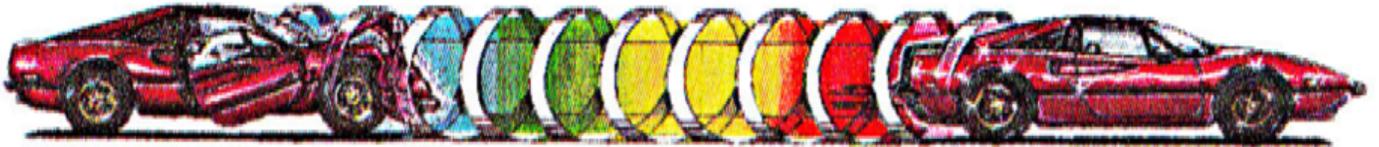
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Have you seen these two snowmobilers? They were last spotted on NESS trails, back in Feb. We've been looking for them for years, and years. They are spotted all over WNY, and rumored to have been in Northern snow covered climates all over North America. These are the notorious "Butt-Head" brothers, Loud & Obnoxious. They are responsible for; pissed off landowners, irate homeowners, upset motorists & furious fellow snowmobilers. Their actions behind the bars have caused trail closures everywhere they ride. They are easy to spot on the trails, but hard to catch. They only seem to ride with the throttle pinned to the handlebar, ski's hanging in the air, snow rooster tail flying high in the air behind. Their usual hours of operation are dusk to dawn, but have been reported out in the daylight as well. They don't belong to our club, and it's unknown if they belong to any other clubs. They ride out of control, outside the trail markers and all over the trail. With their "altered" aftermarket exhaust, they are usually heard long before they are ever seen. Their only recorded statement, in regards to the charges against them is; "We aint from your town or club, and we don't give a F\$#K about your trails, we're just passing through head'n South (or North) just look'n to rack up some miles, and hit a few bars. We do appreciate your flat smooth trails, we enjoy carving them up like cousin Clyde's Christmas ham." Some of you may have passed these guys out on the trails, our groomer operators have all reported seeing them. You may not have recognized them with their riding gear on, but the trail behind them gives them away every time. It's covered with "trail Closed" & "Follow Road To Trail" signs.

Our 120+ miles of NESS trails cover a WIDE range. We have everything from farmers fields, state wildlife refuge, town bikepaths to homeowner back yards. In the Western most portions of our trails, specifically in Clarence, we have pretty much run out of options to cross the roads due to residential housing. We have places where our trail is 30 feet from houses & garages, right across lawns and back yards. If we loose permission at some of these property's, it's all over folks. Just one landowner / homeowner saying NO, will close from that point all the way to the "Ship -n- Shore", we are all out of options for re-routes. On the asphalt bike path(s), we have to meet with the town boards & supervisor(s) on a yearly basis to ask for permission, and it all hinges on how things went last year. Our trail system sits in a very strategic spot in WNY. A whole lot of riders head out, and take our trail system to head South or East on their way in search of deeper snow, and many more miles. It's everyone's responsibility to help police our trails. If you come across riders acting in a irresponsible manner on our trails, take action. Get registration #'s, take pictures, get that information to the officers of the club. The State Police, County Sherrifs, DEC officers, and local law enforcement are all there to work with us to combat these problems. It all comes down to just one fact.

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Reward for any info on these 2 snowmobilers
Only known aliases "Loud" (left) & "Obnoxious" (right)

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Next Meeting



December 19th.

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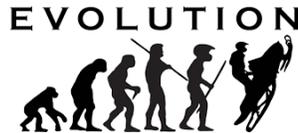
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NEW TRAIL

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 month's 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 great! We will discuss this at this month's meeting, but if no one wants to step up to the plate on this, it's not going to happen.



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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...

Trail Work Logs Contact Info

Rich:

Cell / TxT: 553-4819

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Big NESS Thanks To Curt for working on getting The "cub" UTV back up and running for The club, nothing breaks 'till 'ya need it, and first day out marking trail she blows a head gasket... UGH...



Trail Work

Call / TxT: Trail
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Trails officially open (weather permitting) VERY SOON... If our trails aren't signed & marked, THEY WON'T OPEN. At this time, best guess is 2/3 of our trail system is marked and ready to open. We passed around a sign up sheet at the November meeting asking for help, we had 1 person sign up. We have 2 key areas where we really need some folks to step up and help out.

#1.) Niagara County, there are a lot of miles, and just a couple trail captains, and they NEED HELP. Much of the help we need up there is putting up stop & stop ahead signs at road crossings, and resupplying stakes for the guys on UTV's marking trail. That can be done from the comfort of your pick up truck !!!

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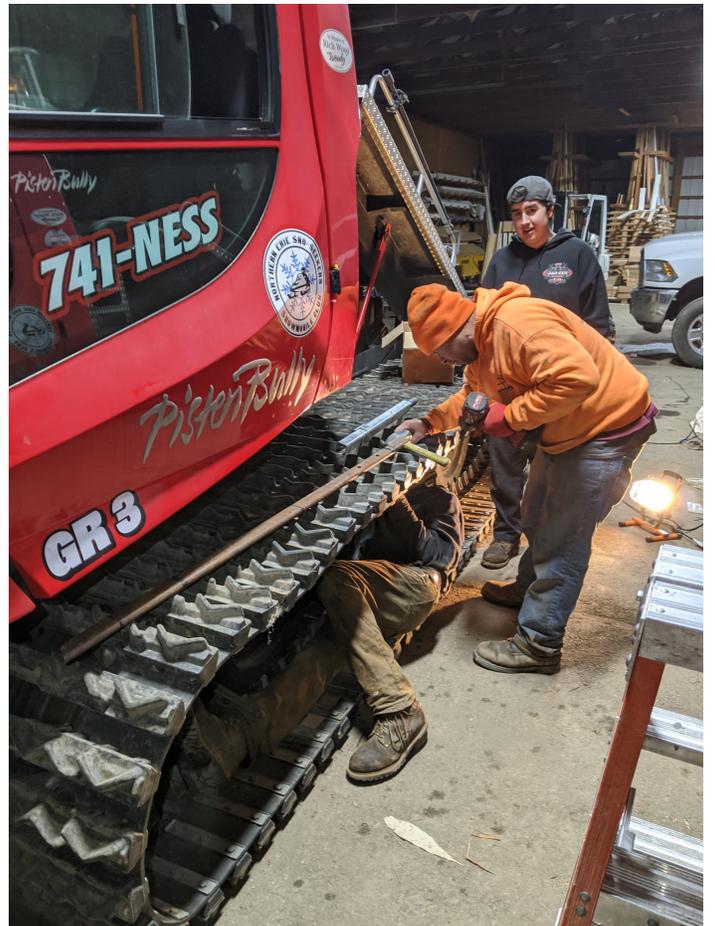
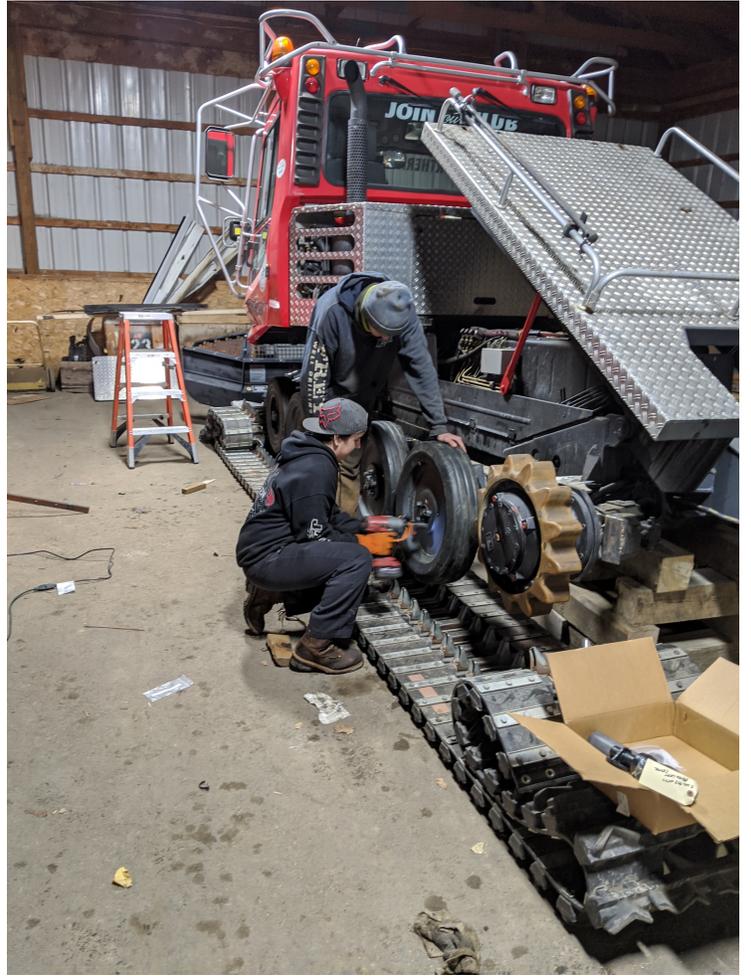
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Vice President: Dan D.	X
Secretary: Ron D.	X
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Sergeant of Arms: Jeff G.	
Trail Coordinator: Al W.	X
B.O.D.: Jake A.	X
B.O.D.: Kyle A.	X
B.O.D.: Jake J.	
B.O.D.: Jake K.	
B.O.D.: Dave L.	X
B.O.D.: Matt W.	
B.O.D.: Ron W.	

Total Club Members Present	14
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Date / Time / Location:	November 21, 2019 7:30pm Marvin's
Welcome & Introduction	Andy called the meeting to order at 7:43pm, and welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the crowd for coming.
Previous months meeting minutes	Andy asked for a motion to except last months minutes as printed. Jake A. made a motion, Ron D. 2nd, all in favor, motion carried
Committee(s)	
Legal	nothing new to report
Emergency	nothing new to report
Marketing &	landowner #24 was chosen for this months visa gift card, alternate #67 was chosen also
Fundraising	nothing new to report
Social & Public Relations	monitor the webpage for upcoming events, dates, meetings **TRAILS OPENING & CLOSINGS**
Christmas party	A good deal of discussion from various officers, regarding this, Ron passed around a sign up sheet for help with the Christmas party, as well as help with some other key areas as the season quickly approaches. Dave and Kyle updated us on their progress. General discussion on various topics all around the Christmas party (to much to type). Budget was discussed & agreed upon. All gifts for gift baskets are to be dropped off at King Oil / BTS on Transit Rd. 7871 Transit Rd., East Amherst.
Membership	currently 141 members, last year at this time was 160
Groomer & Equipment	Ron & Dave reported on progress on all 3 groomers, currently waiting on parts to be shipped out for #3, hyd cylinders rebuilt on #2, and fluids changed on #1 Both Ron & Dave are also responsible for some other club activities and trail re-routes, so they have have had limited time to devote to the groomers. Al advised that earlier in the day while marking the Clarence Pizza Company trail the Cub UTV blew a head gasket. ((UGH)) Al will get it over to Curt's repair shop, and Curt will take a look at it, and evaluate the situation. Rental UTV's were discussed, to replace the Cub UTV until we get it back up and running. A good deal of discussion by everyone in attendance on this issue, as to renting vs. buying a replacement.
Trails & Landowners	Al brought us up to speed on current status of marking, signing, trail work. (this was a lengthy discussion to put it mildly) to much to type and list out here, there are still many questions regarding some re-routes in various parts of the trails, it doesn't look like any of these will result in trail closures, but the re-routes are still in the works at this time. Bike path barrels and marking was discussed, date to mark it was discussed, procedure was discussed, sign up sheet was passed around. Dave reported on the status of the 500 stakes he's cut up for us. Joe Coffta had contacted Ron in regards to the trail that comes out right next to his house on Salt Rd. He had a few issues last year with sleds way out of control coming through, he asked that do what ever we need to get the sleds slowed down and off the throttle. There are still a couple culverts to be installed, and backfilled, Jeff B. & Brian B. are going to work on taking care of them. Bill P. advised us of the possibility of a new trail to AJ's in Clarence. discussed possibilities there, and the need for a NEW trail captain to take responsibility for this trail if we install it.
Trail Guides	Rich reported that the trail guides will be available late December
Newsletter	always looking for new sponsors !!!
Apparel	Ron will put up the new club logos on FB for a poll vote, and the winner will be chosen, Andy will have new apparel will be available at the Christmas party !!!



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Safety	nothing new to report
Adopt A Highway	many many thanks to the club member who took it upon themselves to collect up all the recyclables on our section of the road !!
Vintage Sled	nothing new to report
President Report	Andy reminded everyone of the tasks ahead of us, and the short amount of time to get them done, he asked for continued support, and hoped some new blood would come forward to help out
Vice President Report	Dan thanked everyone for coming to the meeting, and looks forward to the upcoming trails opening
Treasurer Report	Rich handed out a detailed treasurers report, and went over it in detail line by line, he also handed out a list of bills to be paid. Dan D. made a motion to except the the treasure report, Kyle A. 2nd, all in favor, motion carried. On bills to be paid, Rich made a motion to pay bills, Ron D., 2nd., all in favor, motion carried.
Secretary Report	Ron had nothing new to report or add
Other	Bill P. asked the status of the clubs responsibility to GPS the trails this year. We discussed this in length, and Rich will have everything in place to take care of this once trails open.
For the Good Of The Club	nothing
Next Meeting	Next meeting falls on the day after Christmas, it was discussed and decided to move the December meeting to December 19.
Meeting Closure	Andy asked for a motion to close the meeting, Ron 2nd, all in favor, motion carried, meeting closed ((see ya' next month))
Entered In & Recorded By:	<i>Ron Dawydko</i> (secretary)





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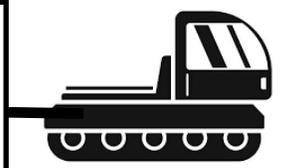
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