

The NESS Express

Snowmobile Club Newsletter

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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 snoseekers@yahoo.com



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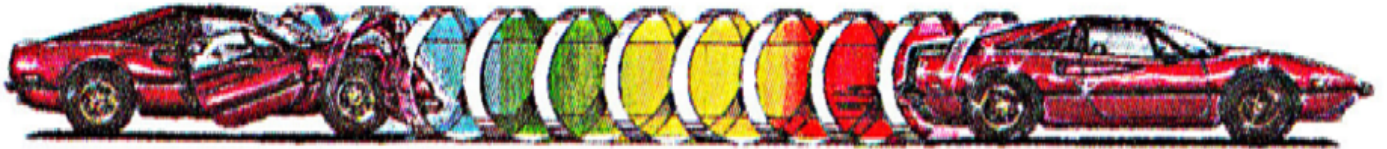
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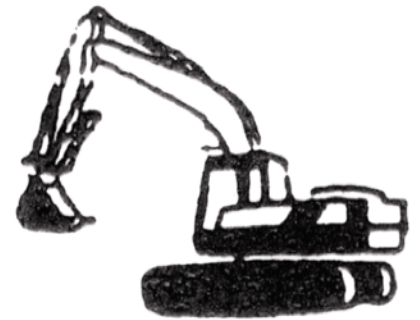
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...I'm back at it again for another season. The September edition of the NESS Express marks the return to the "printed" version of our monthly newsletter. With a circulation of 500+, consider helping our club defer the cost of publication & mailing by becoming a sponsor. You'll find rate quotes buried somewhere in this issue, and contact info to get the snow-ball rolling !!! ~Ron~

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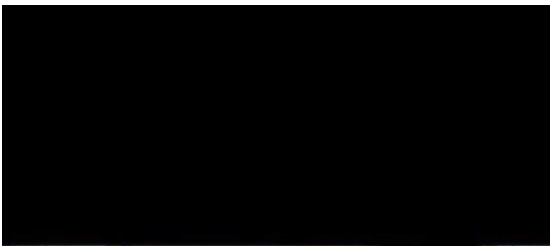
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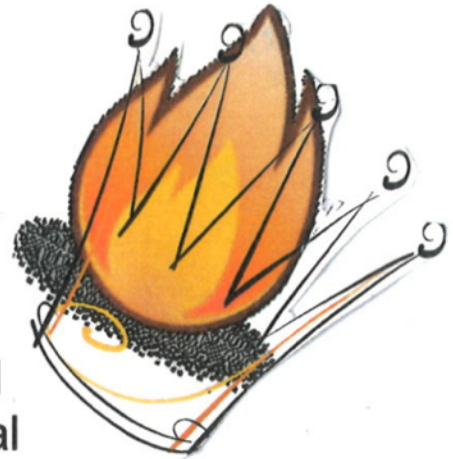
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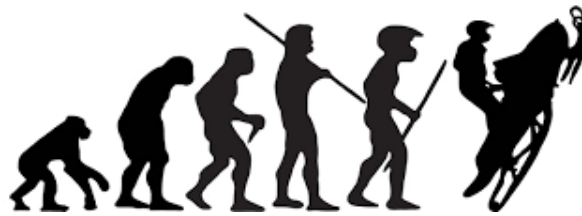
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NESS Christmas party Covid casualty



We held off as long as we could, hoping, hoping, hoping... The reality is we just don't think it's a wise or safe choice to hold our annual Christmas landowner appreciation party.

We are working on other options in place of the Christmas party, we need input and ideas from our club members ! The only option we have come up with so far is a drive through chicken bbq for our landowners to enjoy. Help us out with some suggestions !!!

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2020 has been hard on us all... It's been especially hard on a good number of our sponsors of this esteemed publication, the bars & restaurants. Please keep them in mind as we continue to work our way through this crazy year. They have all worked very hard to reopen, and make things as safe as possible, and have put the utmost effort into your safety.



Landowners

Each and every year, we as a club reach out to 300+ landowners, in 3 counties to ask permission to install 123 miles of our snowmobile trails. With out our landowners there would be NO trails... simple... We often get caught up in many other aspects of this club, and take for granted our landowners. There are two parts that make up the back bone of this club, our members, and our landowners. Without those two ingredients we are dead in the water !

We can't thank our landowners enough, and we don't thank them often enough ! As we get ready to start work on installing this years trails, I just wanted to take a moment to say thanks. On behalf of all our club members, I want to let you know that we appreciate you granting us permission to cross your land every year. I also want you to know that when we are riding on your land, we treat it as if it was our own. We respect the wildlife we encounter, pick up any trash we find and when the snow melts we do our best to return it to the condition we found it. Leave no trace, is pledge we as snowmobilers take everytime we get on our sleds to ride.





Big, Big, news from the internet side of things !!! The ancient, archaic, BC dated Sno-Seekers website is getting a complete overhaul. We're not just talking a "freshen-up" here for the upcoming season, NO, NO, I'm not talking piston & rings, with a new "trail can". This is more like, take the sled over to Jan-Cen, drop it off with a credit card number, and tell John you don't want to be the last sled off the lake anymore. YUP, the website is going under a total overhaul. We have been working for the last few months with Mike, from MJ Marketing to build a whole new web experience !!! I sincerely hope none of you are going to miss the "chat" rooms on the old website, cause they are history. We are still a few weeks away from the finished product, but I can tell you from what I've seen so far, it's going to be awesome, and complete interactivity with all other forms of social media. Many, many thanks to Mike, and MJ Marketing for going above and beyond what's normally expected from a web hosting company !



Trails don't just suddenly appear overnight in late fall. A handful of club volunteers & trail captains bust their butts, and take hours of their time to install them ! Just a few hours of your time, on a weekend, or a evening makes a huge difference. It's a great way to get out of the house, and be a part of one of WNY's largest trail systems covering 3 counties. Contact us to see how and where you can help.

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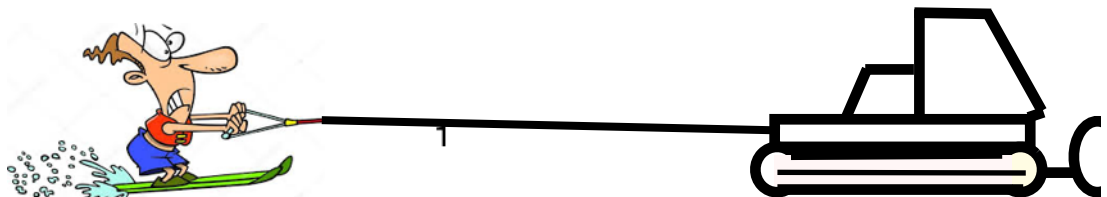
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Board Meeting Minutes

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

Total Club Members Present	11
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Date / Time / Location:	Aug 29th., 2020 @ Rich M. Office on Roll Rd. (7:00pm)
Welcome & Introduction	Andy brought meeting to order at 7:20pm
Previous months meeting minutes	Those in attendance were handed out copies of last months meeting minutes, along with the agenda for this meeting. Andy . made a motion to except last months meeting minutes, Jake K. 1st., 2nd. by Jeff G., motion carried
NYSSA / SLEDNY	Rich updated us on current events, there was a vote on a by-laws change, to change the calendar year start and stop, to make bookkeeping more efficient, and easier., Rich discussed this at the last ECFOSC (Erie County Federation of Snowmobile Clubs) meeting with the other club officers, it was decided that it was a good idea, all officers decided to return to their clubs and recommend to vote yes, to make the amendment. Rich asked for a motion to make our club vote yes to the prescribed amendment to the NYSSA by-laws. Ron D., made a motion to vote yes, Andy1st., Jake J., 2nd., all in favor, motion carried. Rich advised, the super raffle prizes were being put together for the NYSSA, in the past we have donated \$\$ prize money for the raffle, Rich made a motion to do the same as previous years, and keep donation the same. Andy 1st., Ron 2nd., all in favor, motion carried. NYSSA presented the clubs with it's 2020-2021 budget, Rich advised us that they at the ECFOSC digested it, and looked it over, and found it's the same budget from 2019-2020, and NYSSA advised they kept the same budget numbers for the proposed new budget 2020-2021. Rich advised us the common thought at the ECFOSC was the budget looked good, and to vote yes to adopt the proposed budget for this year. Rich asked if anyone had any questions or would like to see a copy of the budget, than made a motion to vote yes on the proposed budget, Andy 1st., Al 2nd., all in favor, motion carried. Rich advised that as of last moth, ECFOSC meetings started back up, and they are now meeting in Eden, and they have elected a new president. They now meet on the first Tuesday of the month. If anyone would like to attend on behalf of the club, they are welcome to do so, contact Rich.
Committee(s)	
Christmas party	Dave & Kyle are working on canceling and notifying effecting parties. Discussion on replacement ideas & options. Skipping it all together, and just sending out a flyer explaining what's going on to landowners. Drive through chicken BBQ was discussed again. Many many options discussed, Dave and Kyle are going to check into options from providers, and figure out a place to hold it. They will report back next meeting.
Newsletter	Ron asked when we should go back to sending out printed version. It was decided to send out Sept. newsletter via snail mail. Officers decided to send out a newsletter to anyone who was a member in the past 2 years, and then decide how we will proceed next month.
Website & Social Media	Ron reported that MJ marketing had started to work on the new updated website. Discussions on what the new website should have. Ron explained how there will be cross interaction between the website, and social media.
General Meeting(s)	Andy reported that as things currently stand, there is no way we could find a place to host us, and it was decided that it would be in our members best interest to not gather for a general meeting at this time. It was decided we would continue to monitor things, and when possible start general meetings back up again when the officers feel it's safe
Membership	Rich reported we are at 32 members, last year at this time, we were at 46
Club Equipment Coordinator	Andy reported the club is still looking for someone to take this chairperson position, to be responsible for keeping tract of where "stuff" is, and where it needs to go.
Groomers & Drags	Ron reported the locations of all 3 Discussed fall maintenance for the groomers & drags Other than oil changes, they are ready to roll
Membership	Rich M. advised us that memberships are all due, 14 currently. We had 21 this time last year.



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Combination Board & General Meeting Minutes

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Trails & Landowners	Dave reported he is in the process of cutting up 500 stakes for the clubs needs. Rich reported the the bridge project is moving forward up in Niagara County. It was reported that it was under construction already. The club member / Trail Captain for that section is taken the bull by the horns on this project ! Al reported there doesn't appear to be any serious issues on the Dibble Rail Road, some minor brushing may be needed but nothing serious. Discussion on NYS thruway issues, permit & re-route were all discussed. Jake A. inquired about extending our Northern Niagara Co. trail East, to get to the "Chop-Shop" ((quick vote concluded it's the best pizza in 4 counties)) Jake is going to do some scouting out to see options on this and report back.
Power Line Project	Ron & Rich brought everyone up to speed. Ron distributed maps in regards to this issue, a LOT of discussion on this issue, re-routes talked about. Ron and Rich will continue to work with the power company and contractor on this issue. There is a lot going on here, to much to explain and type out !!! We will probably need some special signs to handle this.
Brushing	We will work on brush hogging trails when time allows
Gromer House	Rich brought us up to speed, discussed soccer fields location. Discussed funding this project. Rich is going to talk with the supervisor in Clarence, and get his input, find out what our building options would be if we built on town property.
President Report	~nothing~
Vice President Report	~nothing~
Secretary Report	~nothing~
Treasurer Report	Rich M. presented everyone in attendance with a printed copy of the treasurers report. Rich asked for a motion to except treasurers report as printed. Andy made a motion to except, Jake J. 1st., Jeff G. 2nd., all in favor, motion carried.
Other	~nothing~
For the Good Of The Club	~nothing~
Next Meeting	Next meeting will be held at Rich's office again, we will keep it as a BOD meeting only, any club members wishing to attend can do so, as long as you adhere to the NYS rules and regulations regarding meetings in Covid times., Meeting will be Sept. 24th., 7pm
Meeting Closure	Andy asked if there was any business that we missed, and then asked for a motion to close the meeting, Jake K.. made the motion, Dave L. 1st, Ron 2nd., all in favor, meeting closed
Entered In & Recorded By:	<i>Ron Dawydko</i> (secretary)



The NESS Express is a "work in progress", I always encourage input on new ideas and thoughts on what would make this newsletter a better experience. With the current Covid situation, and our limited ability to gather for meetings, and other restrictions. The newsletter, social media & website are going to be more important than ever to stay in touch & up to speed on what's going on, and what needs to be done as fall grows closer. Be sure to connect with us on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram. ...And by all means, if you have an idea, or would like to contribute to the NESS Express, let me know !!!
~Ron~

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- 3) Take time to get out on that boat or bike and enjoy this amazing late summer sun !!!
- 4) Get ready..Cause... WINTER IS COMING...