

# 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](http://snoseekers.com), or (716)741-NESS or [snoseekers@yahoo.com](mailto:snoseekers@yahoo.com)



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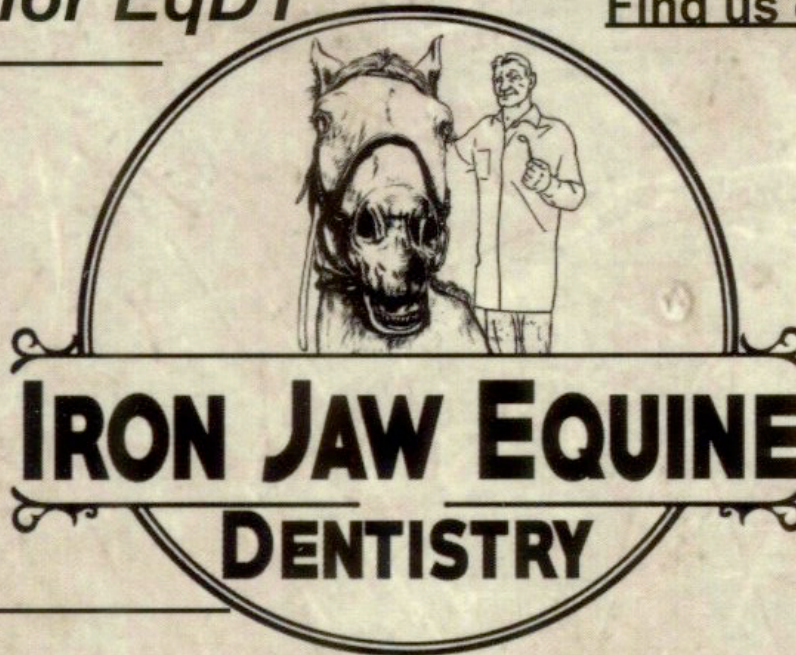
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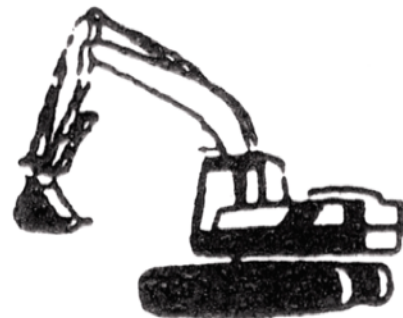


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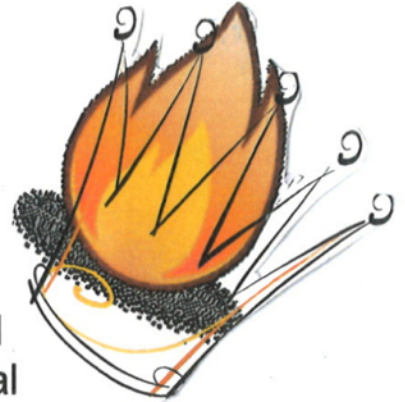
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New Member

Renewal

Landowner (on trail, single only)

SINGLE MEMBERSHIP \$30.00

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$35.00

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\*Trail defender is a NYS dedicated fund to protect and acquire trails through legal and political actions\*

### Mail To:

**Northern Erie Sno-Seekers**

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\*Monthly meetings are held the last Thursday of every month, locations vary, please contact us for details.

\*Membership includes a monthly copy of the "NESS Express" our club newsletter.

\*Membership acknowledges assumption of all risks associated with snowmobiling, it is also a release of liability, and waver of claim.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Northern Erie Sno-Seekers

## BOD Meeting Minutes

Date / Time / Location	April 29, 2021 @ "The Clam Shack"
<b>Welcome</b>	
	-Andy not present, 7:04pm start, Rich to run meeting
<b>Last Meeting Minutes</b>	Ron didn't get them transcribed, I need a different option for this, ideas ???
	-Ron will transcribe meeting minutes as meeting happens, in a much more abbreviated fashion, meetings will continue to be recorded in MP3 format and stored with official NESS documents
<b>NYSSA / SLEDNY</b>	~ Nothing new to report
<b>Erie County Federation</b>	*meeting is next week Tuesday, 7pm Eden VFW post **phase I trail grants due to be handed in at this meeting**
	-Ron & Rich plan to attend
<b>Niagara County Federation</b>	*meeting was last week, noting new to report
	-Rich & Ron attended, W/ Gary B. representing Shawnee Club
<b>Committees</b>	
<b>Vintage Show (Kevin)</b>	
	-Kevin not present, need to set date for 2022 show, Super Bowl falls on our usual date, need to decide if we are using radio station as sponsor for show again, ***need to have a dedicated committee meeting on vintage show to get some things sorted out***
<b>Membership (Andrea / Ron)</b>	* we have some officers or BOD members that are not members *
	-11 members currently, had 2 last year at this time
<b>Apparel (Andrea / Ron)</b>	Groomer operator hats have been ordered.
	-Every groomer operator from this past season will be getting a NESS groomer operator hat
	looking at having NESS T-Shirts made up for trail captains ??
	-Andrea to order up t-shirts for all the trail captains
	NESS HI-VIS vests for trail captains with logo on back ??
	-Round table discussion, flyer distributed for reference, color options discussed, Andrea to look into various colors, options prices. I- hi-vis vest for every trail captain, and few extras in each UTV under the seat for extra trail workers.

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<b>UTV's &amp; Equipment (Ron)</b>	get the UTV's to Anderson's for service, or to Ron's so they can be measured up for NESS decals and stickers
	-club UTV's will be dropped off at Anderson's for service, and deep clean, Luke to weld up the tail gate on one trailer After that to Ron's for NESS decals
<b>Supplies (Ron)</b>	Joe Coffta donated (2) I-beams to the club, has semi trailer if we want it
	-Ron will thank Joe for his contribution, will measure up to decide where to use them
<b>Texting program to send out group text messages to club members (Ron)</b>	do we want something like this ??
	-Rich reported using a program like this few years ago, worked very well, going to see if he can find the program again, or app on his phone. Ron will look into current other programs or apps that may be used and price info
<b>Groomer Barn (Rich)</b>	
	-Rich discussed his meeting with Town of Clarence Supervisor & the Clarence Town board. many options discussed, nothing definite at this time, just continued discussions
<b>NESS Memorial (Rich)</b>	
	-Rich reported noting new to report on this topic
<b>Groomers &amp; Drags (Ron)</b>	~ Nothing to report
<b>Trails</b>	Jake K. anything to report ?
<b>Norfolk - Southern crossing (Rich)</b>	
	-Rich reported correspondence with state politicians & also Norfolk Southern on this issue earlier this week. Letters from landowners on both sides were submitted by Ron and Rich from the two landowners requesting the crossing be reinstalled.
<b>Marrilla Trail acquisition (Rich)</b>	
	-Rich reported that he was notified Marilla club voted it down, and they were not interested in handing over the section of trail we had discussed previously. There is great deal of confusion on this issue, as NESS was told it was going to be given to us at the meeting held at the landowners house last month. Round table discussion on this, more questions than answers.

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Bike path barrels (Dave)	are we looking into new barrels ? or go with what we have ?
	-Dave is looking into options, Jake A. has a connection and will check on possibilities for barrel rental for the winter season. Round table discussion on cones vs. barrels
Sescil's fence & culvert (Jake K.)	
	-Jake K. spoke with landowner, and is working out a deal to put in a culvert and help repair the fence damaged over the winter.
Trail head signboards	do we want to update these this year ? **need a chairperson for this**
	-Paul to chair this committee Ron will work to get new GPS data onto a map background and work with Paul. Relocation of some map boards discussed, additional map boards discussed at key intersections.
Mc Donalds Culvert	Ron, have call into DEC on this, waiting for reply, and GPS data to get to them **Need a chairperson on this topic **
	-Ron will report back when he meets with DEC on this issue
Culvert / bridge conversion behind Ron's (Ron)	The culverts need to be replaced with a very large culvert or put in a bridge there
	-Jake K. to check at local pipe yards for damaged culvert pipe for this. Ron will check with DEC on size requirements and options for us.
* NEW * welcome sign boards (Ron)	?? update the "welcome to our trails signs" ??
	-Ron will work on this, design a new welcome sign, and also a "thank you" sign when you leave our trail system. Locations for these signs were discussed ** looking for an additional chair person to help on this please **
Trail Marker Stakes (Ron)	Dave, when you can make us up 300
	-Ron can pick up the stakes when ever Dave gets them done, should be in a month or so
Trail Signs	-Dave reported he was in need of some new signs to replace some worn out ones on his trail Ron reported that our big sign order will go into VOSS in July, and prior to that we need to inventory what we have, and put an order together.
Treasurer Report (Rich)	
	-Rich gave printed treasure report, with projected budget for this season.
Other	

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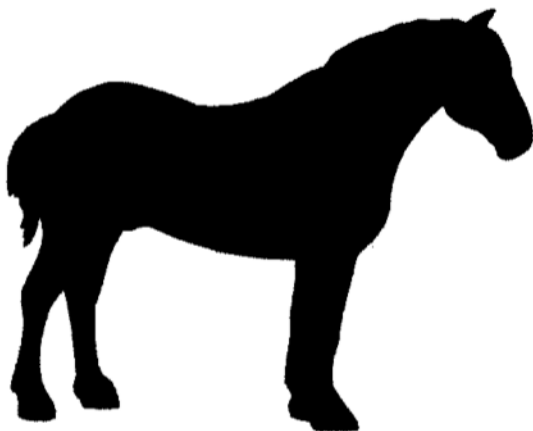
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Officers	Roll Call
Andy Braunscheidel	
Jake Jurek	
Ron Dawydko	X
Rich McNamara	X
Jake Kelkenberg	X
Jeff Glassman	X
Jake Anderson	X
Kyle Anderson	
Dave Linneborn	X
Kevin Gaik	
Earl Schmidt	X
Paul Winkowski	X
Luke Anderson	X



## Your Membership Has Expired !!!

*Just a reminder, memberships run from April 1st. - March 31st. Soooo unless you have already renewed, don't put it off, and stay up to date, and renew today !!! \*\*\*Gentle reminder, if your an officer or BOD member of NESS, you'll need to keep current with your membership to be eligible to vote, and enjoy officer benefits.\*\*\**



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