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## Next Meeting Info:

Thursday Sept. 29th. @ 7:00pm

Our September general meeting is the official start to this riding season ! Make plans to join us at Marvin's 7675 Goodrich Rd., Clarence Center 14032

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Wings and fries are free for everyone attending.

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Monthly general meetings start this month, and will continue through April on the last Thursday of every month, with a 7pm start time. Directors meetings started last month, and will continue through May on the second Thursday of every month at 7pm also. All meetings are open to the public with info on location printed in this newsletter, or the monthly minutes from the previous meeting. Club meeting minutes are available in this newsletter, or online at [snoseekers.com](http://snoseekers.com) We hope to see you at our next meeting !!!

# The NESS Express

## Snowmobile Club Newsletter

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Ron Dawydko

The NESS Express is a monthly newsletter for the members and landowners of the Northern Erie sno-seekers snowmobile club. We are a 300+ member, non-profit club responsible for 120+ 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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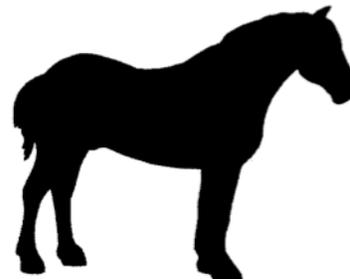
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## You asked, and we heard...



After quite a long string of meetings up in Niagara County at the Wolcottsville Inn, the directors decided to move the meetings back to Marvin's. We hope to see some new faces, and long time club members who haven't been able to make the drive up to Wolcottsville for the meetings. We hope to return to the Wolcottsville Inn for future meetings at some point down the road.



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- New Member
- Renewal
- Landowner (on trail, single only)

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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 waiver of claim.

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

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As we kick off our 2022 - 2023 season, I wanted to take a moment to thank our returning / renewing club members, and welcome our new members. We look forward to meeting you all. As secretary, I just wanted to take a moment to welcome you to NESS. We are always looking for feed back from our club members on how to make our

trails, and our club better. We are always just a few key strokes, or a phone call away. We still have many open positions in our committees, and would welcome some new faces and new ideas !!! Or just leave us a comment. [snoseekers@yahoo.com](mailto:snoseekers@yahoo.com) or (716)741-NESS or TxT: (716)622-8121



...I'm back at it again for another season. The September edition of the NESS Express marks the return to 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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# Landowners

Each and every year, we as a club reach out to 300+ landowners, in 3 counties to ask permission to install 120+ miles of our snowmobile trails. Without 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 a pledge we as snowmobilers take everytime we get on our sleds to ride. Our yearly landowner permission cards, with insurance information were sent out a few weeks ago. If you did not receive yours, or you know of a landowner who did not receive theirs, or you know of a NEW landowner on our trail system, please reach out to us so we can get in contact with them or make the appropriate changes. We look forward to seeing you all at our Christmas party and landowner appreciation party in early December.

**BIG EAST**  
**POWERSPORTS**  
**SHOW**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**SEPT 30 - OCT 2, 2022**  
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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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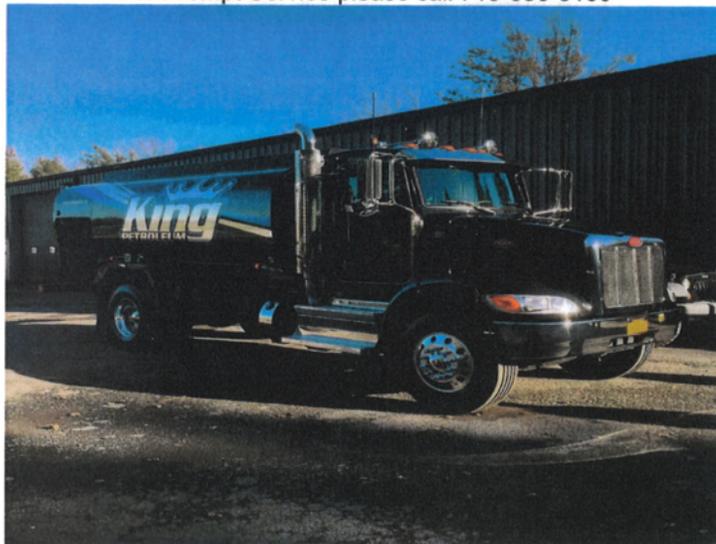


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*Andy Braunscheidel*



The Presidents Post

Hello everyone,

Well all to fast summer is coming to the end. With the weather starting to change and the temperatures starting to come down its time to start thinking about the upcoming snowmobile season. Lots of work to be done in the coming months to be ready for the trails to open. Hope to see some new and old faces at the upcoming meetings!

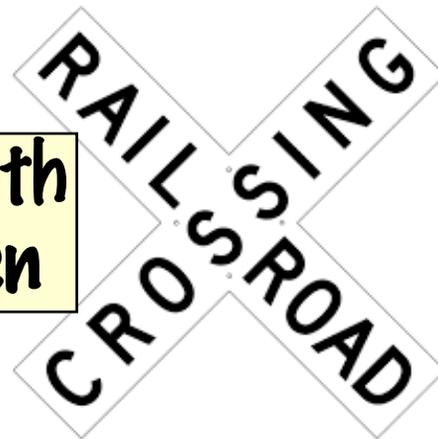


# Support



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## C4B South To Alden



Most of you are aware of the section of C4B that has been closed for years now, due to the Norfolk Southern railroad crossing issue. For those not up to speed on what the problem is, it's a simple one. There was a crossing to access farmers fields, and that's where the trail has crossed for as long as I've been riding sleds (...and I'm an old fart). 4+ years ago now, the railroad came through and replaced the ties, and fixed the stone under the ties. When they did that they took out the wood beams and embankment that created the safe crossing. Because no one requested that it be reinstalled, they never put it back in. As most of you know, this is not our trail, never the less, we have worked hard helping Marilla Sno-Mob to get this trail re-installed, seeing how it is a crucial link to the southern tier. As of this year, Marilla has given us this section of trail between Westwood and Broadway (Rte#20). That means it's totally up to us to get that trail re-routed, or the crossing re-installed if we don't want to ride East all the way to Darien to head South. There are options available to get this trail re-installed, but WE NEED HELP. There are a few of us who have spent countless hours on many occasions writing letters, calling elected officials having meetings with landowners, and various other activities to try to get the crossing re-installed. We need some new help, new blood, new ideas. It's an important section of trail that we all want to see re-opened.

Please contact Ron, Rich or Jake K. to help us out in this area. TxT or Call Ron for more information (716)622-8121



# Northern Erie Sno-Seekers

## BOD Meeting Minutes

Date / Time / Location	Aug. 25, 2022 @ Marvin's (7:00pm)
Welcome	* Andy ~ Andy brought the meeting to order at 7:21pm
Last Meeting Minutes	* Andy, motion to except as printed ~ Andy made a motion to except the meeting minutes as printed, Jake A. 1st., Kyle 2nd., all in favor, motion carried
NYSSA / SLEDNY	~ Rich reported there was no new information that he could think of
Erie County Federation	* Rich update / report ~ Rich reported that the trail grants for this year had been submitted to all 3 county federations, and there were no issues. He also reported that Genesee county federation was going to be having a meeting coming up, and they were looking for someone to take over the treasurer position. Rich reminded everyone that the federation meetings are open to anyone who wishes to attend, and he would provide transportation to those meetings
Old Business	~ Jake A. Returned a check made out to him, for the Dadswell's gift certificate from Wolcottville inn, Rich will purchase a gift certificate from Marvin's to give to Dadswell's
<b>Committees</b>	
UTV's & Equipment (Ron)	* #1 at Jake K's, #2 at BTS ?? is this correct ?? ~ this is correct * UTV's do they need service work ? ~ Discussion of the UTV's, they are all in good working order as far as anyone knows, they do require service and oil change and lube before fall trail work starts. The Anderson's offered to service UTV #2. We need someone to service UTV #1
Groomers & Drags (Ron)	* When do groomers need be out of Don Georges ? ~ October the groomers need to be taken out of storage there * Do we need to order any service parts for piston bully's ? ~ Discussed and Ron will order Hyd oil filters, all other service parts can be sourced local * Need to pull wheels off all 3 drags and re-pack bearings ~ Drag #2 also needs to have some welding done on bottom of rails, it's wore thin ~ discussion on where to work on drag #2 and Luke A. Offered to weld up drag, but needs a welder, as his is to large to move Need to talk to Jake K. About working on it in his shop * known groomer repair issues to be addressed: #3 groomer, bent front blade, bent front brush guard, dirt seal on rear cylinder on drag #2 drag rails need to be welded up #1 groomer driver seat needs suspension repaired / replaced, throttle control dial needs to be replaced ~ discussed the known issues, parts will be ordered, other issues need to be evaluated and addressed when groomers get moved out of summer storage
Groomer House	* any updates ?

	~ no new information available
<b>Trails</b>	
Trail Coordinator Report (Jake K.)	* Jake K.
	~ <b>Jake was not present at the meeting</b>
	* Trail re-route in Niagara Co. at Riddle Rd., at Lacey's old bridge
	* Pizza Inn trail, at bike path (Bill )
	~ <b>Bill brought us up to speed on what he has become aware of in regards to the bike path area of this trail, directly South of Keller Rd., where there is a sub-division going in, that has major effect on our trail through there, big retention pond has been created, and drainage associated with this, and also roadway, and various other construction related stuff that has that trail shut off right now. Bill has had discussions with Rich, and Rich has stopped and talked to workers at job site, also has spoke with town in regards to drainage ditch, there appears there MIGHT be a possibility to move / re-route the trail, but it's going to be questionable. More discussion will be needed with the owner, town, and others in regards to keeping this trail open for this season.</b>
	* Culvert install, re-route S. Newstead, on Sescil's pasture
	* Norfolk Southern re-route
	~ <b>This our biggest problem, has been for years now, there is no simple or easy fix here.... This is our trail now, and we are responsible to get it re-installed, and connected to Marrilla. We need help here.... There has been a handful of our club members who have spent hours and hours over 2 years working on sending letters, getting landowner permission, taking with elected officials and we still don't have a way to get across the tracks !!!! We need a re-route and a new place to cross the tracks.... We need club members that live in the area to help us find a solution. WE ALL want to see this trail get re-opened, it's a heavy traveled trail. We need to be working on the solution right now, if we wait until December, it's not going to happen. Please, help us out here.</b>
	* Brushing needed bad Niagara Co. Terry's Corners VFC
	~ <b>we can't get the groomers through this section, due to overgrown brush, limbs, eat., we need club members to help us out up there to trim back the brush so we can groom that trail !!!</b>
	~ <b>we are looking for a trail captain to take over a section of this trail up in Niagara County. Please contact us if you can take over a section of this trail</b>
	* Gas line C4B between Howe Rd. & Bike path, drainage ?? (Nathan)
	* Other issues ??
	~ <b>discussed all these issues, some we didn't get any answers to, most tabled to our next meeting.</b>
Membership (Rich)	* Rich
	~ <b>Rich reported 50+ members, on par of previous years at this time</b>
Treasurer Report (Rich)	* Rich's printed report
	~ <b>Rich handed out a printed detailed report</b>
	* Motion to except treasurer report
	~ <b>Ron made a motion to except the report as printed, Andy 1st., Kyle 2nd., motion carried</b>
<b>New Bills</b>	* Rich
	~ <b>Rich listed the new bills to be paid</b>
	* Motion to pay new bills        2
	~ <b>Andy made a motion to pay the new bills, Kyle 1st., Luke 2nd., all in favor motion carried</b>

	~ Andy made a motion to close the meeting, Nathan 1st., Jake A., 2nd., motion carried
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<b>Ron</b>	<b>Newsletter</b>
<b>Ron</b>	<b>Website</b>
	<b>Safety / Education</b>
<b>Paul &amp; Molly</b>	<b>Christmas Party / Landowner Appreciation</b>
<b>Kevin</b>	<b>Vintage Show</b>

<b>Officer Attendance at Meeting</b>	
<b>President: Andy</b>	X
<b>Vice President: Bill</b>	X
<b>Secretary: Ron</b>	X
<b>Treasurer: Rich</b>	X
<b>Trail Coordinator: Jake K.</b>	
<b>Sergeant at Arms: Jeff</b>	
<b>BOD: Jake A.</b>	X
<b>BOD: Kyle</b>	X
<b>BOD: Luke</b>	X
<b>BOD: Jake J.</b>	
<b>BOD: Nathan</b>	X
<b>BOD: Dave</b>	
<b>BOD: Paul</b>	



# Trail Captains & Club Volunteers

**NESS  
Trail  
Work Logs**

Any trail work done **MUST** be reported to Rich so it can be logged and added into this years trail grant. Super, super important here folks !!! Keep track of your time, start to finish, your location (cross roads are fine), what you were doing (ie: brush clearing, signing, bridge construction, trail inspection), what you used (ie:ATV, UTV, pickup truck & trailer, screw gun, chain saw, limb saw, lumber, screws, marking paint) work crew / club members. Take it from a 20+ year veteren, before you leave the work sight, get out your phone, and text or email Rich with the details. If you wait, you will forget details, or forget all together.

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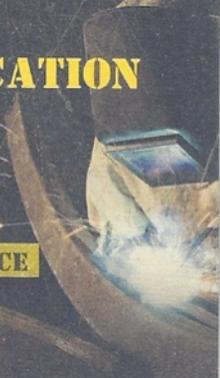


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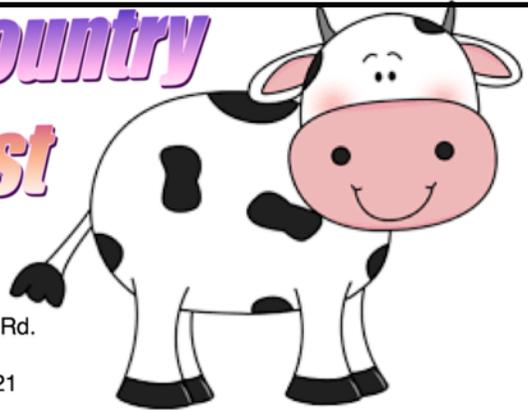
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