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The NESS Express

Snowmobile Club Newsletter

Created & Edited By:
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, or (716)741-NESS or snoseekers@yahoo.com

Next Meeting

Thursday January 26th. @ 7pm

MARVIN'S

Bar & Grill

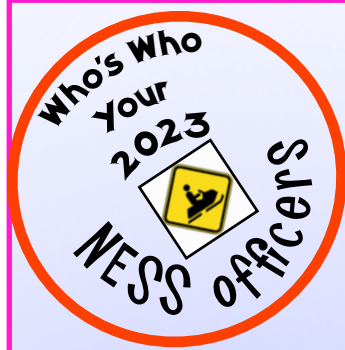
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Membership: Ron & Andrea
Groomer & Equipment: Ron
Trails & Landowners: Ron & Rich
Trail Guides: ~ NA~
Newsletter: Ron
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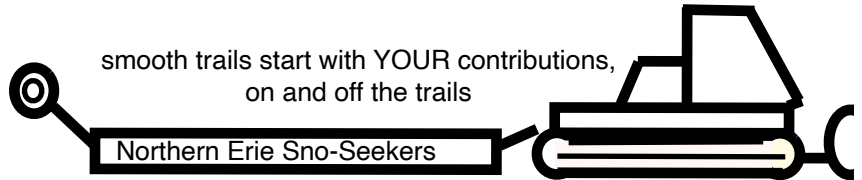
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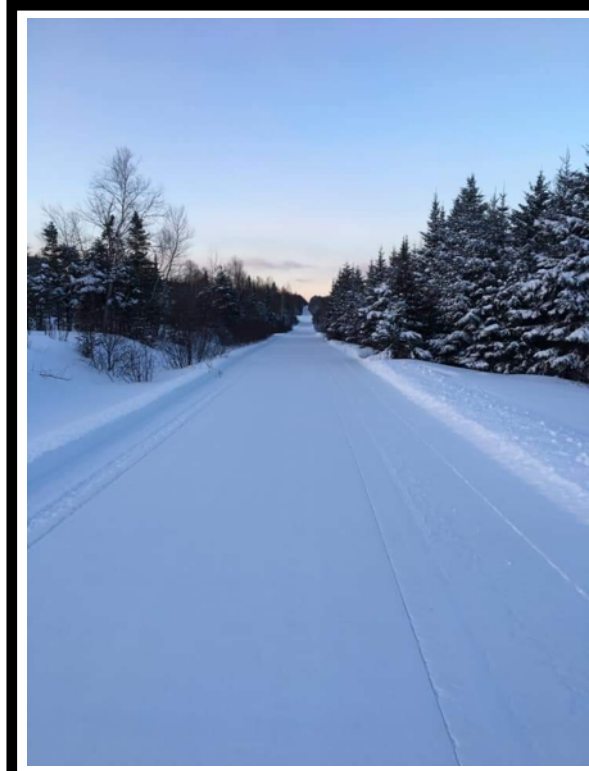
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YOUR REGISTRATION \$\$\$ GOING TO YOUR CLUB & YOUR TRAILS !!!



Trail Closed

Trail C4B from just North of Rte #20 (Broadway) in Alden, to Westwood Road will remain closed for this riding season. This section has been closed due to the loss of the Norfolk - Southern Rail Road crossing just South of Westwood Rd. a few years ago. Both the Marilla Snomob and NESS have worked diligently for years to get this crossing re-installed, and re-opened. This section of heavy traveled trail will however remain closed for this season. From the North side, you will find "Trail Closed Ahead" signs at Peters Corners, Intersection Erie 15, where C4B & S46B meet. From that intersection South, you will only be able to ride as far as GDI's Restaurant, a very popular sledder hot-spot, the trail after that will be closed. Club members & landowners have done a great deal of trail work in that area, including brushing & widening out that section, increased signage, along with adding a new trail captain for the area. We will continue to groom all the way to GDI's, and we hope you consider making that a destination for dinner or drinks, even though it's a dead end trail. On the South side, trail will be open on the North side of Rte #20 to access both Alden Lanes, and The Blackwater Tavern. We are well aware of the importance of both these establishments on the trail system, and will continue to keep the trail open. Beyond Alden Lanes however will be closed. With all that said, I'm very happy report that we are finally seeing some positive results from our efforts to get the RR crossing re-installed. It's NOT going to happen for this season, but in large part to club member Tom, we have a very good feeling about next year. This is an extremely sensitive area, and we have gone to great extremes to keeping trail access open to the businesses in the area. Please obey all signage, and refrain from reengaging around the closure. All "Off Trail Riding" is trespassing, and will only make things harder, or impossible to keep this trail open. Riding the shoulder of Sandridge Rd. is NOT an option!!! In the past 2 years, law enforcement has patrolled this area heavily, and has not been shy about writing numerous tickets!!! Please respect our landowners, and homeowners. For more details refer to the NYSSA interactive web map, or our own map at snoseekers.com


NYSSA Annual Forum

April 21-23 in Lake Placid Includes educational sessions, vintage sled show, "of" the year awards, Friday night social banquet. As always, NESS will buy your entry ticket to the weekend events. A great event and a great opportunity to mingle with snowmobilers from across the North East. Contact Ron for more details (716)622-8121

PARTY

If you joined us for our Christmas party & landowner appreciation dinner, you know how great it was. Molly was our chairperson for this years party. Molly just happens to be a professional event planner, some of our club members have already hired her for other events & weddings after getting a taste of her fine work at our club Christmas party. Once you enjoy a party or event, without all the hassle and headaches of planning it, you'll enjoy it on a whole new level. If you're making wedding plans, or any kind of event, Molly's your girl! Check her and her business out at:

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- * group gatherings*



Thank You

As 2022 winds down and we get ready to go “green” on trails (hopefully), We want to take a moment to thank the wives, girlfriends, sons, daughters & “significant others” who put up with a loved one, who for the last (3) months has been eating / sleeping / drinking NESS. For some of us as we head toward trails opening up, every spare moment and every weekend is consumed by snowmobile club projects and preparation. We have club members that spend the daylight hours on weekends and after work doing trail work, after hours doing groomer maintenance or sitting in front of a computer working for the club. And then when the snow starts to fall, there’s a handful of club members that are groomer operators, spending their evenings & nights flattening out the moguls and smoothing out the washouts for everyone’s riding enjoyment! Thank You for letting us do what we love to do!

Community Events & Happenings

Do you belong to another club that’s hosting an upcoming event? Is your fire company having an upcoming pancake breakfast? Do you know of a youth safety course coming up at a neighboring club? Are you a sled dealer or retailer that has an upcoming event or sale? The NESS Express is all about our community, and our sport !!! Always feel free to contact me with “what’s going on”. Ron (716)622-8121 or snoseekers@yahoo.com

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Top 10 Snowmobiler Lies:

- 1.) I know a short cut
- 2.) You have plenty of gas to get there
- 3.) The water is not that deep
- 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 buddy 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 too busy to help, besides I don’t ride around here



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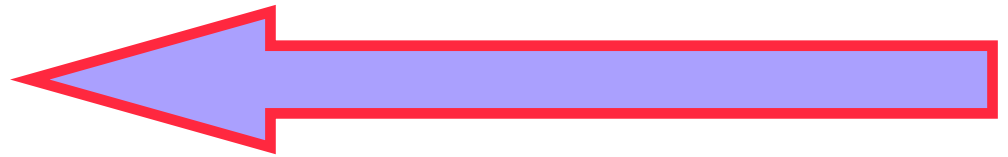
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Trail Captain Needed



We are in need of a new trail captain for a section of trail on the Southern end of our trail system. This section of trail includes C4B from Rte #33 South, to the Dibble RR where it heads West to about 1 mile West of Sandridge Rd. It also includes S46B from Peters Corners Rd., and the intersection of C4B East to the county line. This is really a nice easy section of trail to mark and maintain, seeing how it's 90% abandon RR bed. For those not aware of just what a "Trail Captain" is responsible to do for the club, it's pretty straight forward. You set up, mark, and take down the trail signs and markers / stakes. You have a club UTV to use for all trail work, we supply you with everything you need to mark and sign your section of trail, we provide you a place to store the signs, and stakes in the off season if you need it. It only requires a morning or afternoon of your time in the fall to mark trail, and in the spring to take trail down. If you're concerned you've never marked trail before, don't let that scare you. We are here for all the help, assistance and guidance you may need. The best part of this trail is that it's already installed for the riding season, so, come spring you just take it down, and you will know exactly how to mark it next fall. We look forward to hearing from you !!! Contact Ron for further details (716)622-8121



Trail Party

Sunday January 22nd.
Noon - 3pm.

The annual Erie County Federation of Snowmobile Clubs "Ride In" will be held at its usual location, the Erie County reforestation project on Genesee Rd., on trail C4, close to intersection ERIE 17, in the town of East Concord. There will be free hot dogs & drinks, warming shelters will be open, and public restrooms will be open. This event is trail based, so if trails are not open, it will not be happening. It's a great opportunity for a family ride and destination. Limited trailer parking available.



Trail Pic's

WHEN YOUR OUT THERE DOING TRAIL WORK OR OUT FOR A RIDE, SNAP SOME SELFIES, TAKE SOME TRAIL SIDE PIC'S AND SHOOT THEM OFF TO ME. WE LOVE TO POST INFO AND PIC'S OF WHAT WE ARE ALL ABOUT. SNOSEEKERS@YAHOO.COM OR TXT (716)622-8121





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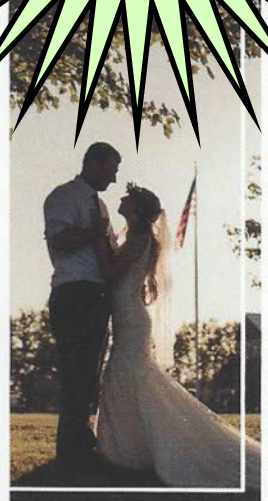
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Northern Erie Sno-Seekers

General Meeting Minutes


Date / Time / Location	Dec. 29th. 2022 @ Marvin's (7:30pm)
Welcome	* Andy
	~Andy unable to make meeting, Bill conducted the meeting
	~meeting called to order at 7:33pm
Last Meeting Minutes	* Motion to except
	~Bill made motion to except last months minutes, Ron 1st., Dave 2nd., all in favor, motion carried
Christmas Storm Info & Updates	* Movie Star Rich, local & NATIONAL news !!!!
	~Rich gave us update on what his activities were through the storm, where he went, what he did, the coverage by local and national news. lots of discussion on everything pertaining to the storm and the clubs role in providing emergency services.
	~Bill questioned if / how the club was insured and equipment was insured in emergency response situations
	~discussion on how these situations could be better organized / who should be in charge
	~Bill explained his thoughts on a written plan to be developed by the club in conjunction with local fire companies, to give details on how and where club would respond in future events.
	~Gary explained NYSSA's role in all this, also possible involvement of state wide politicians in after the storm discussion on future prepares to make things run smoother
	~for anyone unaware, the club provided 48+hours of service in groomers for emergency services, Rich was interviewed on local news, also interviewed on National news, pictures and video can be found on youtube if you search for sno-seekers & WNY storm 2022
NYSSA / SLEDNY	* Rich update
	* NYSSA super raffle tickets to sell ?
	~Rich has ordered super raffle tickets, should be seeing them shortly
	~NYSSA interactive web app is up and available for download
Erie County Federation	* Rich update
	~Federation meeting on Tuesday Jan 3, planned discussion on storm response from all other clubs in Erie County
	* Erie & Niagara county 3d. party trail fund audit ?
	~audit paperwork has been turned in, waiting further details
Niagara County Federation	* Rich update
	* Doug Washiera will be taking over as Niagara County federation president, and also taking over as NYSSA Niagara county delegate. THANK YOU DOUG !!!!

	~Gary explained what committees Doug will be sitting on in the NYSSA in his new position
Genesee County Federation	* Rich update
	~nothing new to report on
Committees	
UTV's & Equipment	* UTV's are both at Ron's, anyone who needs them, contact Ron
	* Bill update on UTV trailer ?
	~Bill explained the trailer purchase situation, no new information was available, not sure what we are going to do right now.
	~discussion on impact of storm on finishing marking trail, impact of hunting season extension on marking trail, conditions out on trails,
	~discussion on using groomers to mark trail
Groomers & Drags	
	* Jake A. or Kyle A. ? check groomer fuel tank at AL's in Niagara county ?
	~One of them will check that tank, and report back, they had not been to AL's in a few weeks
	* Groomer fuel tank for #3 is full
	~Ron reported tank was filled at the end of last season, by mistake, club yet to make reimbursement
	* Jake K. ? amount of fuel in groomer tank #2
	~tank full
	* #2 is at Rich's, will move back to Jake K's. now storm is over
	~will formulate a plan to trailer it back in a few days
	~Eric reported he saw a head light out on #2 when it was on national news
	~Rich reported #2 back up alarm would not shut off, he disconnected it
	~Also reported heated windshield wipers failed to keep ice / snow off , will check it out
	~Rich & Ron to calculate and log, fuel usage, hours & mileage on #2 for storm service
	* #3 is in shop got few things to finish up on it & service drag yet
	* #1 is all ready to go, need to service drag yet
	~when done, we will wait for snow, and groom up to Niagara county, and park it.
Vintage Show	* Kevin / Marcie update ?
	~explained beer, wine, hard cider sales will go
	~covered food trucks coming, general discussion on all events planned for day
	* Sno-booze-booze raffle tickets to sell
	~explained slo-booze sled, and offered tickets to anyone who can sell them
	* Need volunteers to sign up for help !!!!

	~ sign up sheet was passed around if you can help, we need HELP... contact Kevin to sign up for a time slot Kevin #(716)912-2607
Christmas Party / Landowner Dinner	* Paul / Molly final thoughts ? any unpaid bills ?
	~ general discussion on party, food, likes, dislikes, discussed costs, revenue brought in
	~ Paul informed there were no unpaid bills he was aware of
	~ discussion on shrinking prizes available for basket raffles
	~ Paul informed us that he felt we did NOT do a good job cleaning up the fire hall when we were done, we got our security deposit back, but he felt we need to do a better job in the future cleaning the hall upon leaving.
Trails	
Trail Coordinator Report	* Jake K. update
	~ Need to find a new trail captain to take over section of trail that includes the Dibble RR bed, East and West of Peters Corners area, nice easy section of trail, super simple to mark !!! it's abandon rail bed, can't get any easier to mark !! need someone to come forward to take on trail
	~ Need to install a gate on the Dibble RR, where we turn off and head South, as per landowner request, need excavator to set posts, and hang gate.
	~ Jake discussed trails, various topics, what was still needed to mark, plans he was aware of to get those sections marked
	* Trails CAN potentially OPEN Jan 2nd. PROVIDING ALL TRAILS ARE MARKED, AND CONDITIONS ALLOW.
	* Storm & hunting season extension has really screwed us in some sections of trail, unmarked, under water now.
	~ hunting season extension does not seem to be an option of going away, so we need to figure out how to deal with it.
	*Norfolk / Southern RR crossing is progressing, but that section of trail will remain closed for this season. Trail to GDI's is open, and will be groomed to there, beyond that trail is closed... DO NOT ATTEMPT TO RIDE ROADS TO GET AROUND !!!! Trail will be marked from Broadway RTE#20 going North to Alden lanes, and also Blackwater Tavern, trail closed from those points North. DO NOT RIDE ROADS TO GET AROUND, POLICE ENFORCED, AND WRITING TICKETS.
	~ Ron gave an update on this, gave further details
	* Trail S41E (Pizza Inn trail) trail detour up onto asphalt bike path, shared recreational path, behave on it !!! There will be other pedestrians & X-country skiers on it, this trail re-route / detour is a "trial" basis, if there are complains, the town will shut us off and that trail will have to close permanently !!!!
	~ AL (trail captain for this section) gave details on all this
	* Questions from the floor regarding trails ?
	~ no questions from the floor
Membership	* Rich update
	~ 260 members currently
Treasurer Report	* Rich's printed report

	~printed treasurers report was distributed
	* Motion to except treasurer report
	~Bill asked for a motion to except report as printed, Trenton 1st., Kevin 2nd., all in favor motion carried
New Bills	* Rich
	~Rich listed new bills to be paid
	~Bill had question on bills to be paid vs. bills listed in treasurers report, this was clarified & explained , no further questions on new bills
	* Motion to pay new bills
	~Rich asked for a motion to pay new bills, Eric 1st., Jeff 2nd., all in favor, motion carried
New Business	
	~Ron informed club now has a “mass” texting service. club is able to send out texts to all subscribers with important information, trail opens trail closes type of stuff. to sign up, visit website, or email snoseekers@yahoo.com
Open Floor / “for the good of the club”	~noting
** Next Meeting Info **	* General Meeting Jan 26th. @ Marvin’s
	~BOD meeting will be held at 7pm same date & location as general meeting, 1/2 hour before general meeting
Close Meeting / Meeting Adjured	~Bill made a motion to close meeting at 9:34pm, Jake 1st., Nathan 2nd., all in favor motion carried
Directors In Attendance	
President: Andy	
Vice President: Bill	X
Secretary: Ron	X
Treasurer: Rich	X
Sergeant of Arms: Jeff	X
Trail Coordinator: Jake K.	X
BOD: Jake A.	X
BOD: Kyle A.	X
BOD: Dave	X
BOD: Jake J.	
BOD: Nathan	x
BOD: Paul	X
BOD: Luke	X

These printed documents are official record of proceedings at the stated meeting, they have been audio recorded and transcribed by the secretary and respectfully submitted for public record by:



Ronald T. Dawydko
Secretary NESS

Northern Erie Sno-Seekers

Membership Application or Renewal

2022-2023 Season



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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: _____

NESS is a 100% volunteer, 501(C)3 not-for-profit organization, that relies on member support to make our club a success. Everyone has something they can contribute, and any assistance is greatly appreciated. Please don't just JOIN.... instead CONTRIBUTE, to keep our club awesome!

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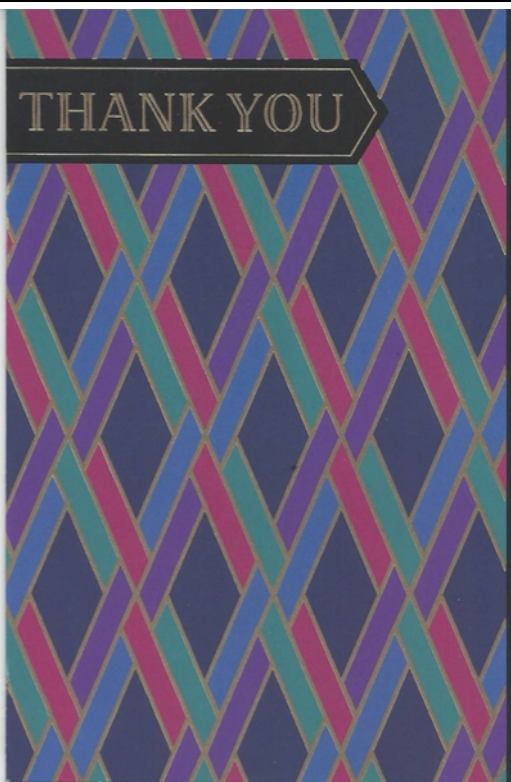
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Emergency Storm Response

As many of you are aware, during the recent storm, NESS deployed it's groomers and club members on snowmobiles for emergency services. The following is one of a few thank you letters, emails, text messages, and phone calls we have received since the storm. Our club, along with many other clubs of WNY provided groomers, snowmobiles & UTV's for emergency assistance, both locally and in the city of Buffalo, both during the storm, and after. NESS was flooded with emails, text messages & phone calls asking for help from numerous agencies, as well as private individuals. If you were at our last months meeting, you got the complete run-down on everything storm related. For those not there.... Rich is our rock star !!! Rich logged 70+ hours in groomer #2 burning 100's of gallons of diesel fuel, and racking up 200+ miles of rescue missions. His

travels found him in Newstead, Clarence, down town Buffalo, and city hospitals, to name some locations. At one point he had 700+ text messages asking for his assistance. Rich was interviewed by multiple local TV stations, more than once. His story went viral, and wound up on NBC nightly news. When that happened we quickly had requests for interviews from the BBC in London, New York Times and a couple other international news networks. This is not the first time NESS has responded to help our surrounding community in times of emergency. Both Bill and Rich spent many hours working with the NYS Troopers in our groomers on the NYS thruway back in 2014. As a part of NESS, everyone should be very proud of the assistance our club was able to provide. I'm not sure just how many of our club members were out on snowmobiles providing assistance, but I do know we had snowmobilers out there. Andy has already been contacted by local fire companies to set up meetings to further refine, and define a better chain of command to do a more efficient job dispatching us in times of emergencies. Our Erie County Federation has already begun to set up meetings with Erie County Emergency Response, to share what we all learned, and how to improve for future storms. ...A GREAT BIG NESS THANK YOU to everyone, everywhere who answered the call for help !!! ...And... Rich.... we couldn't be more proud of you !!!



her phone charged. I last spoke with her at 11:00 Friday night, she said she would try to sleep. The storm hadn't let up and no help had come. I spent a long sleepless night just praying she would be safe. Those prayers were answered at 6:47 am Sat. morning in a text reading "we r in a building". There are no words to describe my relief. Our thanks to you for risking your own safety during the worst of this storm to help those stranded & get them to a shelter. We realize our daughter was very lucky and learned as time went on, that sadly there were many

who did not get rescued in time. We are forever grateful for all you did. Sincerely, Gaye + Chris heartline Plaid

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1/3/23 To Northern Erie Snow Seekers, We would like to thank the person or people who helped in the rescue of stranded motorists on Rt. 5 near Clarence and taking them to the Faith Fellowship Church early in the morning on Dec. 24th, during the blizzard. Our daughter + her dog were among those stranded. She was trying to get to our house in Canandaigua on Friday before things got bad, but couldn't make it. Her Dad left here at 1:00pm Friday to try + reach her. He got to Batavia, but couldn't go on. Thankfully he followed a truck into a truck stop + spent the night. Our daughter still had close to a full tank of gas + kept

Loud & Obnoxious

Have you seen these two snowmobilers? They were last spotted on NESS trails, late last season. 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 ain't from your town or club, and we don't give a rip 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.

*** WANTED ***



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

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 properties, 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 manor on our trails, take action. Get registration #'s, take pictures, get that information to the officers of the club. The State Police, County Sheriffs, 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.

It's Your Trail to Loose



Groomer #3 in Brucker's woods trail

...You may think with the trails all installed, and snow falling, we are "good to go" for the greatest season, we all love so much... To keep those 120+ miles of NESS trails smooth and enjoyable, we need to feed our 3 class-A groomers !!! A pretty typical or standard groomer run is 8 hours. When conditions get good, and all 3 groomers are running each groomer will run a 8 hour shift, 3 - 4 times a week. Each time we send those groomers out on a run they combined will burn 110-170 gal. of diesel fuel !!! Depending on how long our season lasts, our fuel costs get VERY serious VERY fast... Please consider making a groomer fuel donation !!! We accept physical diesel fuel donations, and cash donations to purchase fuel to keep the tracks turning.