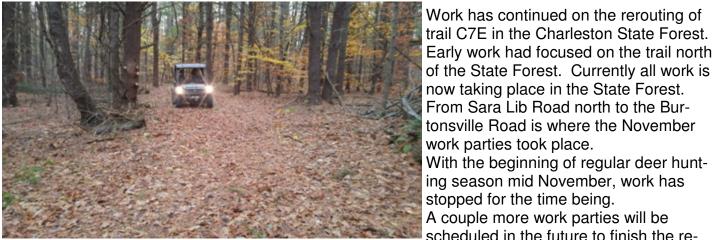




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C7E Charleston Work Continues

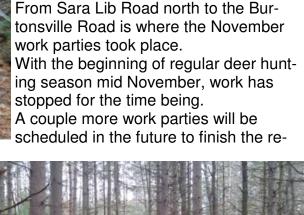


A section of C7E in the Charleston State Forest cleared and widened

route. Trail signing will be included in the final work parties.

A major thanks goes out to Tom Rulison, Laudy Hoyenga, and Gerry Lenseth for volunteering to help me when asked. Many hours and long days were needed to get the trail to where it is today. More than 9 miles of trail have been cleared, widened, and trimmed back.

It is hoped that the final work parties will come right after the close of hunting season and prior to



Work has continued on the rerouting of

Early work had focused on the trail north



The trail as it winds through a stand of pine.



Gerry Lenseth, Tom Rulison, and Laudy Hoyenga, take a break.

any major snowfalls. Please watch for any calls to join a work party as many hands make for quick work. Joel Church

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The Helderberg Mountain Brewing Company has become our latest sponsor, be sure to visit and taste their fine selection.

Feb 18th, 2018 – Winterfest at Lawson Lake. Looking for club members who would be willing to volunteer a snowmobile for use in the "take a person snowmobiling" event. Please contact President Chris Bukowski at 518-374-0786.

New sign posts have been painted orange (thanks to Mike Riek) and are at Tom Rulison and Chad Saddlemire houses if needed.

Any one who would wants to donate scrap metal to help support Hoyenga Racings two modified cars please let Laudy know at 518-868-2092.

Due to an error beyond control of the club, trail C7B in the Town of Florida will not be funded for the entire 3 mile length this season. It is unknown if the club will be required to groom and maintain the last mile of trail to the boundary with the Town of Florida club.

Club membership stands at 132 in mid November.

Super raffle tickets are available at the club meeting, please come to the meeting and pick up tickets to sell. This is our main fundraiser and we do need your help on this.

The yearly land owner letter was reviewed and will be sent out with insurance coverage certificates to the club's land owners.

Donnie Bauer will take over trail S-73 near the Maple Inn as trail boss. Welcome aboard Donnie!

Mohawk Valley GIS is closing down. This is sad news for the NYS snowmobiling public. If you have used or seen any of the products this company put forth, you know the sport will suffer at this loss. See page 3 for more info.

You may have noticed that the Trail Log section has been going of late. This is good news! More help on the trails. If you live near or want to take on the maintenance and grooming for a trail or section of one, please come to a club meeting and say so.







East Berne - Brian Buchardt - Saddle Brook Lane bridge has been worked on. Signage nearly complete on S-72 (Thacher Park) and C7B (Cole Hill Rd to Turner Rd Berne/Knox town line). Waiting for hunting season to end.

Sloansville - Laudy Hoyenga - Had to do a lot of trimming and small bridge & culvert -bridge installations. All trail signs are up on 7F and on trail to Charleston 4 Corners. Have created all new road crossing signs for the new 7E from Esperance Rd to Mill Pt. through the Charleston State Forest area. Any trail boss wanting signs let me know.

Mariaville - Jerry Schoening - Scott King has been moving dirt to a wet area on the Stanley Turnpike and a culvert pipe has been installed. Hopefully signs will go up this weekend. Mark Van Woert has put in Stop and Stop Ahead signs from Tidball Rd to Batter St.

Burtonsville - Jeremy Stoliker - New trail is continuing to be cleared through the Charleston State forest. New signage will be required for the new length of trail.

Knox - Ron Shultes - Trails have been widened and will be signed within the next few weeks. A bridge has been installed within the Knox town park.

Wright - Joel Church - Signing to be finished up from Westfall to Chadwick Rd. Brushing completed.

Township - Skip Murrell - Just finished signs and remove a couple large downed trees

Esperance/Delanson - Tom Rulison - Brush hogging has been completed. Signs are up in Delanson, Ash Lane and at Weaver Rd. The Delanson trails still need trimming and widening is needed in some areas.

Duanesburg- Aaron Nickloy - The trail through the Duanesburg Airport will remain in the same location this year as last. MaryAnn Nickloy, with help from East Berne, moved the kiosk and widened 2 hedge rows on C7B and helped her sign from Chadwick to Schoharie Turnpike. Signing still needs doing from Schoharie TPK to Weaver and from Rt 7 to Rt 20 through Scott's Printing.

Warner Lake - Donnie Bauer - S73 trail, with his helper Alex Gibitz hauled some fill in and graded the Rt443 approach. Signage nearly complete.



Trail Marshal says...

Now is the time to prepare, don't wait for the snow. Get your sled serviced, join the club, register and check your insurance. Early snow is here, only a matter of time until the trails could open. Stay off the ponds and lakes, the ice is not safe.





Mohawk Valley GIS Closing

Hello Everyone,

I'm assuming by now most everyone knows that I have been dealing with some health issues that necessitate shutting down the Mohawk Valley GIS business completely, and that includes the NYSnowmobileWebmap project as well.

Thank you to all of you who reached out with cards, emails, prayers and healing thoughts.

It has been an incredible 8 years, creating and running this project. Thank you to all who believed in me that first year. Thank you to all the early paying customers who kept this alive. Thank you to my current and past staff, for all your ideas and hard work. I'm exhausted just thinking about this. Thank you to NYSSA, the clubs, the riders, the sponsors and dare I say, Mother Nature.

I will recover from this, but it will take many months. Because of that, I will make no final decisions on my personal future or the future of the NYSnowmobileWebmap project until next Spring 2018. Let's all see what kind of winter we have this year first, and let me completely recover as well. Thanks.

It has been a real pleasure getting to know many of you, and really seeing how much volunteer effort is needed for a totally successful statewide snowmobile program. For those of you that are passionate about the sport and have given your time year after year, a big thank you from us you have helped us to deliver a product much sought after and appreciated.

In closing please keep us all in your thoughts and prayers, as Dave, John, Cathy and myself all move forward to new jobs or the great "Unknown", and for complete healing for me.

Let it snow.

Linda

Linda Rockwood, owner, and the team at Mohawk Valley GIS

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Rt 443 road crossing of S-73, trail to Maple Inn on the Lake. Donnie Bauer and Alex Gibitz work on the



Duanesbura Elem School corridor is now in place. thanks to Rich Valletta.



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Joel Church clipping brush from the trail.



Gerry Lenseth brush cutting the trail open.



Tom Rulison rolls a small stone out of the way.



Laudy Hoyenga and Gerry Lenseth hard at work.



UTV's help move the equipment through the woods.



Laudy, Tom, and Gerry remove a tree from the path.



Gerry and Laudy set logs in a stream crossing.



Gerry cuts a stump close to the ground.

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The beaver have been busy near the Burtonsville Road.



Tom and Laudy remove limbs and logs from C7E.



Trail entrance at a road crossing.

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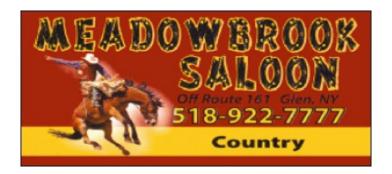




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