

# Frontier Times



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## Trail Brushing

It is hard to believe that by late December snowmobiles may be gliding through what is now a densely overgrown and jungle-like terrain of the Frontier Sno Riders trail system. Just finding where the snowmobile trails are in the summer can be tough. Talk about leaving a small environmental footprint on the Earth!

The riding season is only a couple of months away and the leaves are starting to fall. Cool evenings and crisp days mean the snow is not far off. This is the time to hit the trail, without your snowmobile!



C7B near Westfall Road

Trails are in need of general brushing and clearing. All summer long the trees and bushes have been busy growing. Some trees have been blown down by strong storms. Small streams may have flooded over their banks and washed out snowmobile bridges.

This is what our trails are like right now. As you can see a lot of work must be done before anyone can ride the trails. With over 80 miles of trails, the Frontier

Sno Riders have some work to do.

Your part comes now, for the next bunch of weekends your Club will be looking for you to help open the trails. Try to make time to come and join one of the work parties.

All you need to do is pick up the phone and give one of the Trail Bosses a call. They will tell you when and where to meet them for the work party. The Trail Boss will tell you what you will need to bring, work boots, gloves, and safety glasses.

# Work Party

**Adopt A Highway**  
Please come join us for one of the events! Details on page 7.

If you own or have access to special equipment the Club could use on a work party, please let the Trail Boss know. Most equipment used on the trail can help our grant filing return more funds to the Club.

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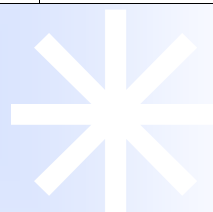
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# October 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Work Party Weekend
4 Adopt-A-Hwy Duaneburg 10am	5	6	7	8	9	10 Work Party Weekend
11 Adopt-A-Hwy East Berne 10am	12	13	14 Club Meeting Maple Inn 7pm	15	16	17 Work Party Weekend
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Work Party Weekend
25	26	27	28 Board Meeting TBD	29	30	31 Work Party Weekend

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8	9	10	11 Club Meeting Maple Inn 7pm	12	13	14 Work Party Weekend
15 Deadline for Ski-Doo \$10 program	16	17	18	19	20	21 Regular Deer Season opens
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## Club News

The Million Dollar Club Support Program by Ski-Doo is a simple way to help your club. Drop off a certificate at your local Ski-Doo dealership and your club will receive \$10 cash. A copy of the certificate may become available on the Club website. The program ends on November 15 2009, so hurry in and help your club get a quick \$10 cash. If all 350 Club members filled out the certificate, the Club would receive \$3500!!

The Club is still actively looking for someone to take over our grant writing position. We also need someone to take the open Fund raising chair. Both of these positions are very important within the Club. Your help would be greatly appreciated.



The Club recently purchased a Husqvarna model 323R Brushcutter. This piece of equipment will help clear trails quickly during work parties.

## Trail Log



The trail is now gated over in East Berne. Members have been working hard over the summer placing a number of gates to restrict illegal use of the trails.



Some parts of the trail will require a lot of work in the coming weeks. This area will need help in controlling drainage. Muddy ruts and standing water make for a rough trail.

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C7B Trail overgrown with weeds and windfall.

## Club Website

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The most important part of the work party are Club members and we really do need your help.

If you have a strong desire to help transform your trails into a sweet ride, then please call one of the trail bosses listed here.

Esperance: Tom Rulison 875-9229 cell 859-5390

Mariaville: Jerry Schoening 864-5576 cell 451-6412

Burtonsville: John Scrima 875-6078 cell 857-8639

Duanesburg: Rich Valleta 895-2425 cell 376-1826

Schoharie: Brian Sisson cell 657-1634

Knox: Ron Shultes 872-2526 cell 378-6134

Berne: Brian Buchardt 872-1878 cell 424-5539

Work parties are now taking place each weekend until hunting season starts. Now is the time to get the trails ready!

## Support Your Club — Merchandise Available

The Club is now selling baseball caps with the Club's logo on it. Two styles available: high-rise and lowrise. Both styles come in 4 colors; Black, Navy, Royal & Red. Each sells for \$12. Sweatshirts sell for \$20, knit caps (navy or black) sell for \$12. You can purchase these caps and sweatshirts at any regular club meeting.







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### 2009-2010 STEP Program kicks off

Dave Perkins announced at the September NYSSA Board Meeting that the Safe Trails Education Program Schedule has been set. NYSSA Members may view the schedule and access the sign up form by logging in at the website. The STEP materials are listed on the members-only member under Trail Programs > STEP Program. Ten STEP Signage classes have been scheduled from September through November, with nine more to be done.

These classes are for club trail workers to receive first hand information on signing trails according to state administrative guidelines.

AND, for snowmobilers that want to see safer trails and consistent trail signage statewide by volunteering to become a trained Safe Trail Advisor.

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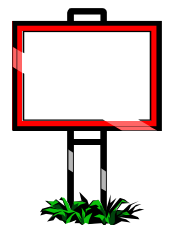
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### Knox Work Party

On September 20th a work party placed a new bridge near the village of Knox. Berne Trail Boss Brian Buchardt and Vice President Ron Shultes oversaw the installation of the bridge. Many club members working together made this happen. Decking the bridge is now on the to do list.



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# Adopt A Highway



**What to expect at an Adopt A Highway event**, things to bring, safety rules, and more.

**Picking:** Do not pick on pavement. Do not pick on median.

**Lifting:** Use your legs to lift. Do not use your back to lift.

**Hazardous Waste:** Do not touch medical waste! Notify NYS DOT ASAP!

**Protective Clothing:** Wear work shoes, long sleeves, long pants. Tuck pants into socks. Check skin for ticks.

**Be Visual:** You must wear: Hard hats, vests, and gloves. Hard hats and vests are provided, bring your own gloves.

**Footing:** Watch for tripping hazards, such as branches, holes, etc.

**Bags:** Pile orange litter bags off pavement, in grass, near each other if feasible.

**Recycling:** Batteries, tires, large pieces of metal, off to the side.

**On hand:** Drinking water, soap and water to wash with, first aid kit, bug spray.



## Dates and Times For the Adopt A Highway

**October 4 2009** Sunday 10am start, show up early for coffee and donuts. Duaneburg Mobilmart.

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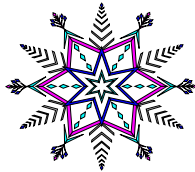
### Club Meeting Location Change!!

Oct 14th 2009  
Maple Inn, East Berne. 7pm.  
Hope you can make it.

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