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Tour de Frontier

Read along and take a virtual tour of the Frontier Sno Rider trails. With the current lack of riding snow, a look at the trails in snowier times will help take the sting out of not riding.



Downtown Duaneburg

Leave Duaneburg out behind the diner on the north side of Rt 7. S70 runs westbound across US Rt 20 and on to Mott Rd. You will come to the junction of C7B within a mile. Stay right to head for Mariaville. There are many homes located near the trail as you climb up the hill after crossing US Rt 20 again, so please be considerate

We start our journey at Jonathan's in Duaneburg. This is a good launch site as it is just off I-88 and up the hill a couple of miles from the Thruway. You will want a full tank before starting out as it will be a long way before the next fuel stop. There is a Stewart's across the street to handle your fueling.



Junction of S70 and C7B

when riding through.

Just before you reach Mariaville, you will enter the Featherstonhaugh State Forest. There is a lot of wildlife in this area, so be on the look out.

After crossing Batter St. you will come to an intersection, a local trail turns right and will take you into Mariaville. You can grab a bite to eat at the County Store.



Mariaville Country Store

Club Ride Postponed Due To NO SNOW!

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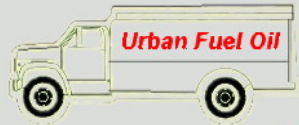
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19	20 President's Day	21	22 BOD Mtg TBA	23	24	25
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March 2012



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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11 Daylight Saving Time Begins	12	13	14 Club Mtg Maple Inn, East Berne. 7pm.	15	16	17 St. Pat- rick's Day
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Club News

The 70% grant funding from the Schoharie County Trail Fund will be the same allocation as last year. Due to the county forgetting to include the Trail Fund in the 2012 County Budget, the checks cannot be written until the Budget is revised at the next Board of Supervisors meeting on February 17.

A second Snowmobile Safety class was originally planned for February or March, but the Club is waiting to see if there is a demand for another class.

The Super raffle tickets have been selling well. If you would like to help the club and cannot donate time on the trail, this is another way to help out. Come to a club meeting to pick up tickets.

Board members Bob Meyer and Gerry Lenseth have volunteered to co-chair the club elections this year. If you are interested in running for office or a board position, please contact them. Elections are held in April.

Landowner permissions continue to come in for the local trail to Sloansville. Once all landowners are signed on, the trail will be submitted for grant funding next season. This should allow C7F to once again connect through Frontier from Cave Country to Town of Florida.

All club Skandic groomers now have electric/hydraulic actuators. These units operate much easier and quicker than the old units.

Three of the groomers are getting new seat covers and the 08' Skandic had a new battery installed.

The New Holland has new tracks installed.

Trail Log

East Berne - Trails need snow, a lot of it. Currently looking at 2 possible reroutes for S70 to Thacher Park. Work to be done before end of May.

Knox - A section of C7B near Rt 146 has been temporarily rerouted due to logging in the woods there. Use caution as trail comes down pipeline and crosses road. Obey the STOP signs and check for traffic.

Esperance/Sloansville - Be sure to stay on the marked trail in the village of Esperance. Do not ride on sidewalks and keep noise and speed to a minimum.

Duanesburg/Delanson - All trails are ready to go, just need snow. C7E has a new wider section up through Cooley Heights. This route is a much easier climb. Do not use the old steep trails! They are closed for good.

Burtonsville - Trails are ready, signs are up. C7E up through Charleston SF may have reroute, watch for signs to the changes.

Mariaville - Skyline culvert is all installed. Trails were open officially for 24 hours! Next kiosk to be installed at junction of C7B and local trail to Mariaville.

Help Your Club!

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Heading back out to C7B takes no time, stay right at the junction and ride west. The trail passes the Indian Lookout Country Club and then winds thru Mariaville Peat.



Mariaville Motorsports

After crossing Rt159 + Rt 30 you will come to Mariaville Motorsports off your right across Rt 30 from the trail. Stop in if you need sled parts or service for your ride. Parking is also available here for a nice starting point.

Now continuing on north along C7B you will climb a hill and then leave Frontier's trail system. This next area used to be maintained and part of



Junction of C7B and C7F

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Frontier, but to help out a new club starting up, this area was released to the Town of Florida club.

Follow C7B until you reach the junction with C7F. There is a kiosk located here on top of the hill. Bare left on to C7F and ride down into the valley of the Schoharie Creek.

The trail crosses the Mill Point bridge then runs up to another junction. If you turn right and go less than a mile you will come to the Meadowbrook Tavern. This is another good spot to refuel your appetite.



The Meadowbrook

Turning back south you will pickup C7E and re-enter the Frontier area upon crossing Rt 161. Shortly the trail climbs a steep hill and runs along the western ridge above the Schoharie Creek. This section of trail is the most remote part of Frontier passing through the Lost Valley and Charleston State Forests.

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2012 Super Raffle Tickets

are now on sale. Please come to a club meeting and pick up yours. They are easy to sell and half the proceeds go to the Club.

- 1st Prize Choice of 2012 Polaris Rush 600 or 2012 Ski-Doo MXZ600 or 2012 Arctic Cat F570
 - 2nd Prize Choice of 2 remaining snowmobiles
 - 3rd Prize Remaining snowmobile
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 - 6th Prize \$1000 In-stock groomer track parts
 - 7th Prize 1 Day Professional Adirondack Guide
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Charleston S.F. bridge

After traveling a number of miles, you will come upon an intersection for a local trail heading west to Charleston Four Corners. Staying on C7E you will come out of the woods into a field and then see another intersection. Turning right on this local trail will take you down to Sloansville. There is a Mobilmart there with food and fuel available. If you were to continue west from Sloansville, you would be leaving Frontier and entering Cave Country on C7F.

Now then, heading back up to C7E take a right to head to Esperance. The trail winds its way downhill through the out skirts of the village then quickly crosses the Schoharie Creek on the US Rt



Looking south from above Sloansville

20 bridge. On the east side you will find a Stewart's Shop and the Hillview Tavern. Good food and fuel will keep you going.



Looking up Cooley Heights

Riding east on C7E to Delanson you will cross US Rt 20 twice before coming down Cooley Heights into the village. Here you will cross the railroad tracks and then climb the twisty trail up to Rt 7 by the Duanesburg Elementary school.

Just under a mile and you will reach the junction with C7B. This is a good place to check the kiosk and see where we have ridden.



Junction of C7B and C7E

(To be continued next month, the southern side)

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NYSSA NEWS

Thurman Connection trails in Warren Co.

I just received word that the Thurman Connection club has lost the previously approved trail system connection to Warrensburg. A sad loss to that ADK community, for sure. Anyone planning a ride in that area needs to make alternate plans to gain access between Speculator and Lake George.

ADK snowmobile lawsuit dismissed

Good news. No response yet if the Adk Council will appeal. See link below for more info;

<http://www.uticaod.com/news/x498808031/NY-court-rejects-lawsuit-against-snowmobile-plan>

Jim Rolf
Statewide Trails Coordinator
New York State Snowmobile Assoc.



Club Membership Down Statewide

It's not news to anyone that membership in the Clubs is suffering this season due to the lack of snow across the state. As a result, registrations are also down, affecting the Snowmobile Trail Fund.

Big News: DMV has just rolled out online snowmobile registration for out-of-state registrants only. This is a test, so that eventually all sleds may be registered online! (NOT YET -- some day). This info is from the NYS DMV website: "NYS Registration for Out-of-State Snowmobile: For non-residents of NYS with snowmobiles registered in their home states to apply for a NYS snowmobile registration which is required to operate the snowmobile in NYS. A temporary NYS registration is issued at the end of the transaction for immediate operation of the snowmobile in NYS. The transaction is not available to NYS residents. <http://www.dmv.ny.gov/OOSNO/default.html> "

Anne O'Dell
NYSSA General Manager



Pink Ribbon Riders Snow Run 2012

The Pink Ribbon Riders Snow Run 2012 is being held February 10 and 11, 2012 in Old Forge, and as you know, Pink Ribbon Riders is one of NYSSA's "Charities of Choice".

We are asking the help of a few people this year if anyone has connections to bakeries or places that sell baked goods..

We are in hopes that if we reach out to a few people and each person can get one or two items donated that they bring with them to the NY event.... we can cover our desert..

Please keep us posted if you can help on this or if you have a lead we can try.. thank you!

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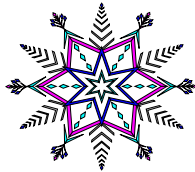
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