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Mariaville - The Northern Outpost

The trail C7B climbs quickly as soon as you cross US Route 20 from Duaneburg heading north. Up on the hill you will find the village of Mariaville, the last outpost before descending into the Mohawk Valley.

The way is twisting, making a large switchback to keep the elevation change mostly gentle. There is a nice mix of fields and woods. For a stretch the trail follows a National Grid power line.



C7B road crossing in the State Forest.

Be sure to take it slow as you pass through the Featherstonhaugh State Forest, you may see wildlife or cross-country skiers on the trail.

The beaver dam at the end of Spook Hollow Rd is a sight to behold. The 8th wonder of the world.

Once up on top of the hill a number of small businesses located there will meet your riding needs. You can ride right

to them from the trail.

Just outside the village of Mariaville look for a junction and a local trail which will take you to the village. In the village overnight accommodations are available at the Mariaville Bed & Breakfast. Food can be purchased at the Lakeside Country Store Pizza & Deli. You can also unload and park at the Country Store.

As for fuel, there is none for sale up on the hill, so plan accordingly.



Frontier Sno Riders

Further along C7B you will find Mariaville Motorsports. Here you can buy oil, parts and get service for your snowmobile. There is plenty of truck and trailer parking for those who wish to begin their ride from here.

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September 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Club mtg Maple Inn, 7pm	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 First day of Fall	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

October 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 Club mtg location TBA 7pm	9	10	11
12	13 Columbus Day	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	



Club News

Club board member and trail boss Laudy Hoyenga is a racer in the Sportsman class at Glen Ridge Motorsports Park. Be sure to come out and support him in his final race on Friday September 12 at the Motorsports Park. Racing starts at 7pm.

Do you have young riders who will be ready to take the safety course this season? Watch for class dates and when to sign up, classes fill up fast.

Adopt A Highway cleanups will be taking place in the next month or two. This is a great way for the club to give back to the community. It is also a great way for you to lend a hand to the club. The more folks we get helping, the faster the job gets done.

It's never too early to start preparing for the approaching snowmobile season. From sled tune-up and prep to trail clearing, there is plenty to do. Please come to the next club meeting to find out more.

The RTP grant that the club is pursuing is moving ahead thanks to the hard work of Melissa Rafferty, Pres Chad Saddlemire, and the grant committee members.

Trail Log

East Berne - Brian Buchardt - Trail work from Thacher Park to Elm Drive East Berne on trail S-72 was done Sunday September 7.

Knox - Ron Shultes - No report

Sloansville - Laudy Hoyenga - Replaced bridge near Ragan Rd, C7F above Sloansville with new 8ft x 25ft. Also have done some bush hogging and trail rock removal with backhoe on trail C7F near Sloansville.

Duaneburg/Delanson - Rich Valletta - No report

Burtonsville - John Scrima - No report

Mariaville - Jerry Schoening - The entrance to the trail from M.M.S. is now clear of fallen trees taken down by the tornado earlier this summer. The repairs on the bridge at the end of spook hollow have been completed. That is all for now. Bush hogging and trail mowing will take place after the first frost and things stop growing.

Esperance - Tom Rulison - No report, just got married!



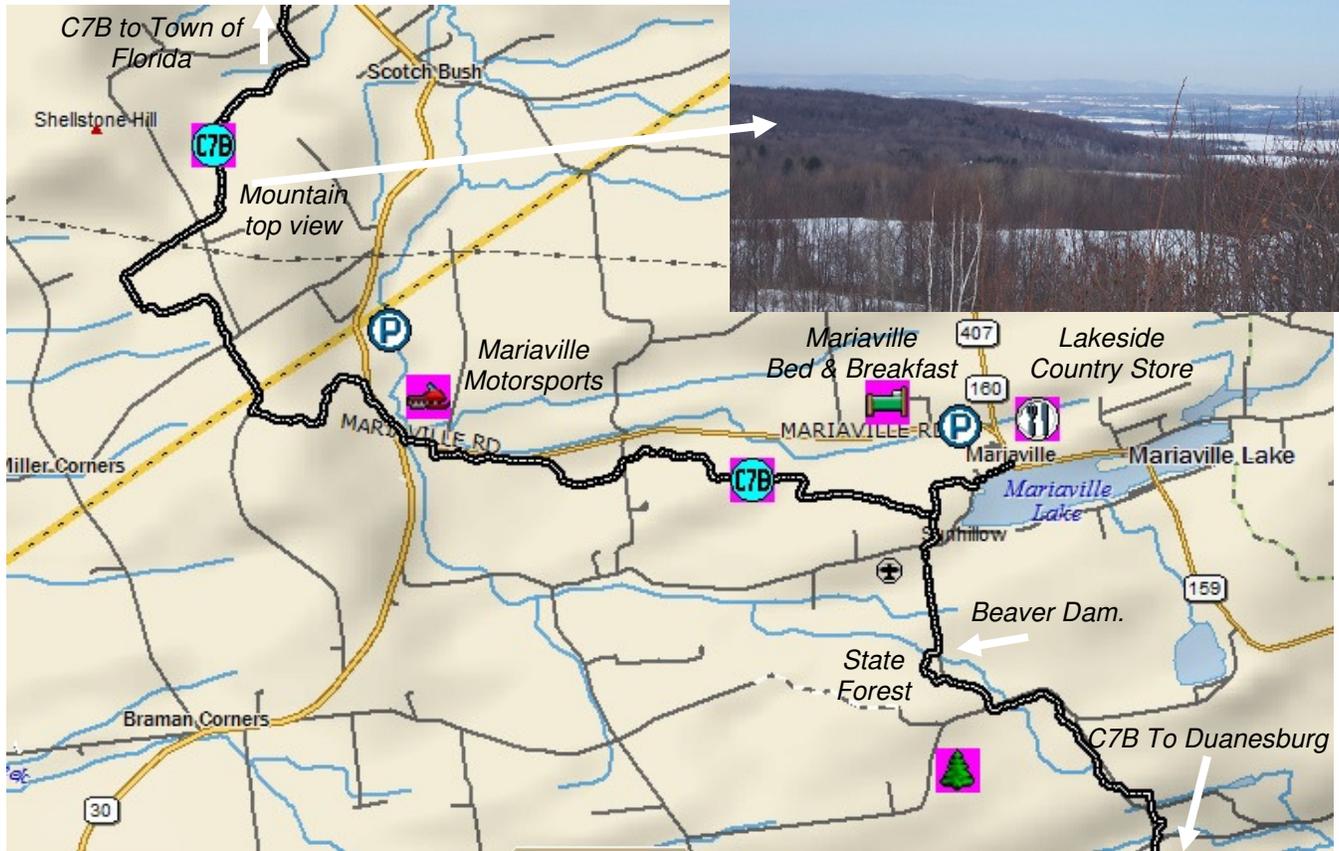
The work crew for trail S-72 near Thacher Park:

- Karl Pritchard
- Brian Buchardt
- John Crammond
- Gerry Lenseth
- PJ Stempel .



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Mariaville, the Northern Outpost.



From Mariaville Motorsports the trail makes a final climb through the woods on a section called the Stanley Turnpike, named for landowner Stanley Samiltulski.

At the crest the trail opens to a great view. The Mohawk valley stretches east to west before you. Moving on you will find an aggressive hill to descend on the north side to challenge most riders.

Descending into the valley below you will enter the Town of Florida trails. Here you can pick up the bike path trail or cross the Mohawk River for points north.

Riding to Mariaville makes a great destination, or even a great starting point!

Editor note: Each month will feature a different section of Frontier Sno Riders trails.



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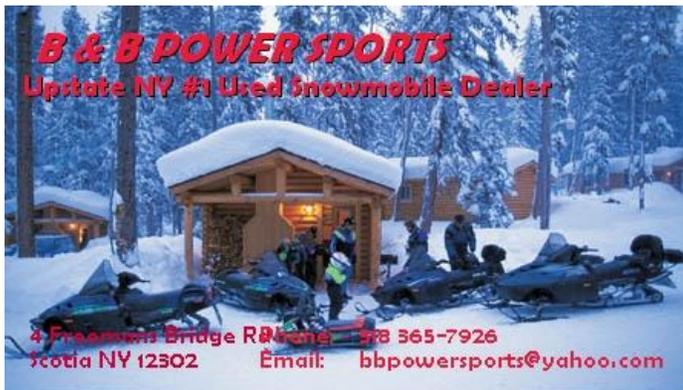
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Snowmobile registration renewals have been sent out state wide, it seems even earlier than last year. While this is still summer time, it is hard to think about snowmobiling right now. Your club needs you to however.

The hope of all snowmobile clubs in NYS is that every owner will register their snowmobile before November 30. The date determines what the trail fund grant will be for the season. Those registrations made after November 30 will not be counted toward the determination of how much money will be released for trail maintenance.

The trail fund is the main source for putting fuel in the groomers and repairing them when they break down. Money from registrations goes into the trail fund.

Typically many people wait to register until they think they will actually be able to ride. Unfortunately the snow does not become rider friendly until January.

So even if there is a lot of snow this coming winter, if most wait to register, then there is a great chance that clubs will run out of funds for grooming before the snow melts.

So if you want smooth groomed trails, be sure to register today, do not wait until there is snow on the ground. Keep positive, hope for a snowy winter and register early.



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1. Would you like to find and meet people to go riding with at a club meeting?
2. Have you attended a club meeting this year?
3. Do you ride Frontier trails?



At left the old bridge on C7F near Ragan Rd.

Below is the new bridge, 8' by 25', built and installed by Laudy Hoyenga and his crew.

NYSSA News

You may now login and obtain a 2014-15 Voucher.

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**Club Meeting
September 10
Maple Inn, E. Berne. 7pm.**

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