

FRONTIER SNO RIDERS

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Trail Generosity

Most of Frontier's snowmobile trails are located on private property. Only through the good will of trail landowners do we have a place to enjoy our sport.

Getting from point A to point B would not happen without willing trail landowners. Riders would be stuck riding on their own or a friend's property.



*An example of how a snowmobile trail crosses many properties.
(not an actual trail shown)*

There is very little these trail landowners get in return besides knowing they are great neighbors. Most trail landowners do not even own snowmobiles. Free membership in the Frontier Sno Riders club is given to those trail landowners with snowmobiles to help get registered. All our trail landowners are covered by the state insurance policy offering them peace of mind.

Snowmobilers have a great responsibility to respect the property. We are guests of the trail landowner and we must conduct ourselves accordingly. Remember your actions on the trail can have consequences. As snowmobilers we must continually prove that we should be allowed on the trail. We are granted no right, only a privilege. Do not mess it up.



Frontier Sno Riders

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December 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5 Snowmobile Safety Class Knox Fire House
6	7	8	9 Club Meeting Township Tavern	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Winter Begins Check trails	22	23	24	25 Christmas	26
27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve		

January 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 New Year's Day	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 Club Meeting	14	15	16 Free for out of state sleds.
17 Free for out of state sleds.	18 Free for out of state MLK Jr Day	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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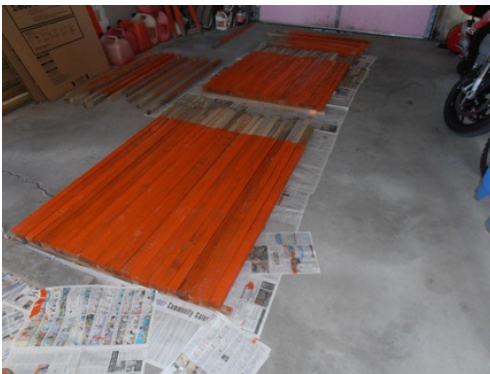
Club News

Laudy Hoyenga is building a drag for the Pisten Bully 70, which should be ready when the snow is.

Be sure to come to the Township Tavern for the club meeting on December 9, as pizza will be served!

If you missed out getting signed up for the safety class, please call Mike Riek to let him know. If there is enough demand, another class will be scheduled.

Notice the orange sign posts last year? The Club is painting all posts to meet state requirements.



A fresh batch of newly painted sign posts are drying. They will soon be out on the trail.

Trail Log

East Berne - Brian Buchardt - S72 widened, hills softened and 40' bridge near Joslyn School Rd installed.

Sloansville - Laudy Hoyenga -

Mariaville - Jerry Schoening - Most of C7B has been signed. A few stop ahead signs will be going up this weekend and the trail will be roped off behind the Kenfield residence at Rt 30 and Rt 159.

Burtonsville - John Scrima -

Knox/Wright - Ron Shultes - Trail signs in Wright are going up. Brushing and clearing continues.

Township - Skip Murrell - S70 has been widened, smoothed, and 3 culverts installed. Follow signage.

Esperance - Tom Rulison - Working on approval for reroute C7E- Rt 30 to Esperance Bridge around Hanaford. Two bridges will need to be built.

Duanesburg/Delanson - Aaron Nickloy - This weekend met with landowner and found a new route around his newly planted field next to Schoharie Turnpike. Opened up a section and cut through a hedge row. It is all signed. Also rerouted the trail between Schoharie Turnpike and the kiosk junction to go around another planted field. Follow the signs, it's easy. A new local trail on south side of Duanesburg Airport is in the woods. No sleds allowed on the runway or trail to Jonathan's will close. Please spread the word!



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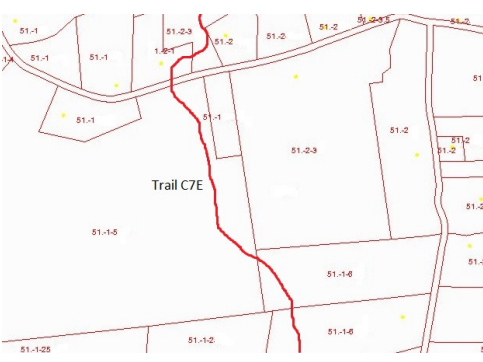
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Basic rules to follow when heading out on the trail include:

- Carry out whatever you carry in,
- keep noise to a minimum near homes,
- do not ride late at night,
- do not ride alone,
- ride within the speed limit,
- obey all trail signs,
- do not drink or take drugs and ride,
- stay on the marked trail,
- and be courteous to all people you meet on the trail,
- you never know when you will meet a trail landowner.



Tax map and snowmobile trail,
 (not actual trail C7E)

If you like riding your snowmobile on Frontier trails, the trail landowner is your best friend, even if you have never met him or her. Trail generosity has been given to you, please follow the rules

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El Nino Roars

While every media outlet seems to soundly pull the plug on this season's winter, many snowmobilers hold on to hope for cold and snow.

What else are we to do when faced with the fact that a strong El Nino is trying to influence our weather? Snowmobilers will seek out forecasts that give some chance of a descent winter. The Farmer's Almanac is calling for snow and cold, more than average. Another forecaster tracks Siberian snowfall in October to predict our winter here in the northeast. Far to the southern polar region we find that summer ice extent is the largest on record.

The Enso Index which measures the El Nino strength indicates this winter might look a lot like the 1972-73 winter. Take note that the 2 winters previous, 1970-71 and 1971-72 were very cold and snowy, not unlike 2013-14 and 2014-15! This could be a repeat pattern.

Looking back at 1972-73 and the strongest El Nino year, 1997-98, the northeastern coastal cities had many storms, only it was too warm for snow. Frontier land faired better with above average snowfall but multiple thaws as well.

There are many factors shaping our winter, we can only hope that enough cold and snow falls to provide great riding.

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NYSSA NEWS

**Governor Cuomo Announces
Winter Tourism Promotion**

The weekend of January 16-18, 2016 (Martin Luther King Jr. Weekend) will be a free snowmobiling weekend to encourage out-of-state and Canadian snowmobile enthusiasts to sled in New York State. State registration fees will be waived for properly registered and insured out-of-state snowmobiling enthusiasts wishing to explore New York's 10,500 miles of snowmobile trails.

Join Where You Ride

Another way you can help improve the trails you like to ride is to join the club in that area.

You often see donation boxes at local businesses for grooming. Joining the club is just like putting money in the donation box. That money you spend on club membership goes toward the grooming of trails just like the money in the donation box! Besides you also get to say you are a member of that club.

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Vintage Sled Show

The New York State Snowmobile Association (NYSSA) will be holding its 7th Annual Vintage Snowmobile Show during the 2016 SLEDNY Educational Forum, April 29 and 30, 2016. This year's show will be held completely inside the Lake Placid Conference Center, and we have set aside a larger area!

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Trail Boss Pics



The 'before' pic of the re-route of C7B just south of Schoharie Turnpike.



The 'after' shot. MaryAnn Nickloy clears away high weeds with a brush cutter.



Trail C7B now climbs up thru a hedgerow and into a field before crossing the Turnpike.



The freshly brush hogged C7B near the reroute section.

All photos by J Church

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New beams on their way to East Berne.



New decking goes on the bridge.



*Bridge complete!
Brian Buchardt and crew got it done.
40' long, located near Joslyn School Rd.*



Matt Harper installs a Stop Ahead sign near lower Shellstone Rd.



Signing C7B at the northern limit of Frontier's trails, lower end of Shellstone Rd.



Brush hogging C7B between North Rd and Mariaville Peat.




C7B now enjoys a wider turn between fields near Ostrander Rd.



Installing signs on C7B.






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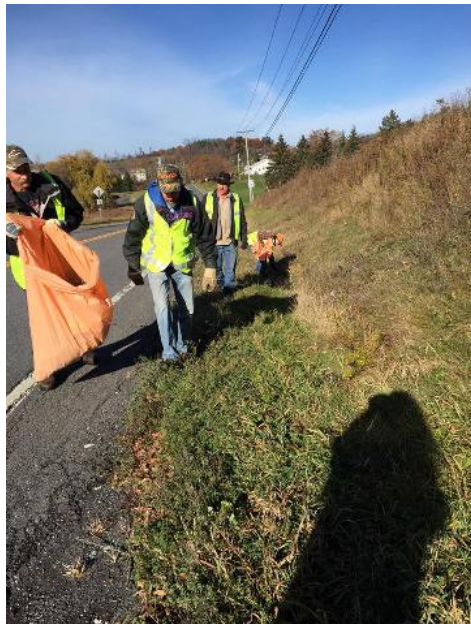
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East Berne Adopt A Hwy Clean-up Halloween Version

Frontier Sno Riders put on yellow costumes, not for trick or treat, but to stand out. Gerry Lenseth counted 15 members helping clean-up the Hwy.



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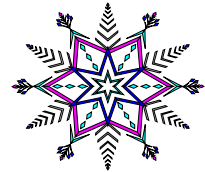
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