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Northwest Passage

Remote and winding are good descriptors for the corridor trail which runs north from the village of Esperance. Want to get away from it all? Try out this route.

Starting off in the village of Esperance, C7E shares two streets for a short distance. The trail then climbs and winds between houses and crosses another street. Finally reaching the fields above the village, climbing all the while, C7E converges with C7F running up from Sloansville.



View of the Adirondacks from north end of C7F.

C7F then takes over and delivers you 16 miles later to the Town of Florida trails above the Mohawk Valley.

You will pass through two state forests, Charleston and Lost Valley. Both forests provide many chances to glimpse wildlife. In the Lost Valley area you might spot some old ruins of homesteads long abandoned. Many trail

sections in the state forest are only as wide as the Skandic groomer. Use caution when riding the tight woods.

Services are not found outside Esperance until you reach the Meadowbrook Saloon just north of Frontier's border. You should plan your fuel stops carefully as the nearest fuel is at Sloansville or Esperance in the south. To the north you may find fuel at Amsterdam, but getting to it could be tough on a snowmobile.



A sign post in the village of Esperance on C7E.

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Frontier Sno Riders

February 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Club Meeting Elk's Lodge Esperance 7pm	12	13	14 Valentine's Day
15 Take A Friend Snowmo- biling, Lawson Lake Cnty Park	16 President's Day	17	18	19	20	21 Club Ride Meet at the Hill- view, noon.
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

March 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Daylight Saving Time Begins	9	10	11 Club Meeting	12	13	14
15	16	17 St Patrick's Day	18	19	20 First day of spring	21
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Club News

Take A Friend Snowmobiling - Lawson Lake County Park, in southern Albany County will host this event on Feb 15. If you know someone you think would enjoy snowmobiling, this is a great chance for them to see what it is all about.

Super Raffle tickets are on sale now, please come to a meeting to pick up tickets to sell. 50% of the sale price goes to the Club. This is a big fund raiser for the Club.

The Club sold the 2001 Skandic groomer sled for \$3000.

With the New Holland groomer working on C7E, the 2003 Skandic will move over to Burtonsville on C7F, this will be a boost for John Scrima.

500 more sign posts were ordered plus a new batch of signs. All posts will need to be painted bright orange. All volunteers welcome to lend a hand.

Groomer maintenance was completed on the New Holland, the Bombi has new hoses on the front blade and exhaust installed.

3 fuel tanks will help keep the big groomers operating, one located in E Berne, another at Karl's and a the third at Tom's.

State grant 70% funding checks coming soon, and just in time with grooming fully underway.

Schoharie and Albany Counties both need reps at NYSSA, are you interested? Let the Club know.

We currently have snow and the trails are open, please enjoy them and be careful out there!

Trail Log

East Berne - Brian Buchardt - Double staking of field markings has been worked on.

Knox + Wright - Ron Shultes - Adding a lot of signs to the trail system. Wood runners have been laid down on the bridges to prevent carbide/stud damage.

Sloansville - Laudy Hoyenga - More stakes for more signs to be added trail side.

Duanesburg/Delanson - Rich Valletta - A reroute had to be put in due to massive number of trees brought down by tornado damage between Weaver Rd and Schoharie Tpk.

Burtonsville - John Scrima - Lots of work still to do. A new landowner has volunteered to help work on the trails in the area.

Mariaville - Jerry Schoening - Signs 90% done, one section needs widening. Ride quietly and slowly as you pass behind the house on the corner of Rt159 and 30, otherwise this trail will close.

Esperance - Tom Rulison - Cooley Heights section has been widened and rerouted around a steep hill. Tiffany's Fuel is cut off from the trail system. C7E now follows the power lines. Please stay on the marked trail. Someone has cut their own trails east of the Stewarts in Esperance and is causing issues.

Gerry Lenseh, Ron Shultes, and Karl Pritchard at work on the Bombi 252 repairing the wheels.

Photo by Brian Buchardt.



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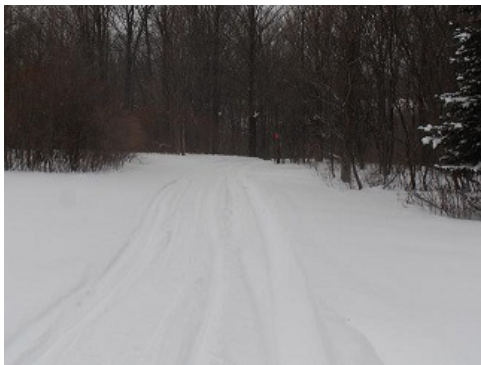
Northwest Passage



Choosing this route for your ride will reward you with mostly heavy forest environments and a long winding ride!
 Editor note: Each month will feature a different section of Frontier Sno Riders



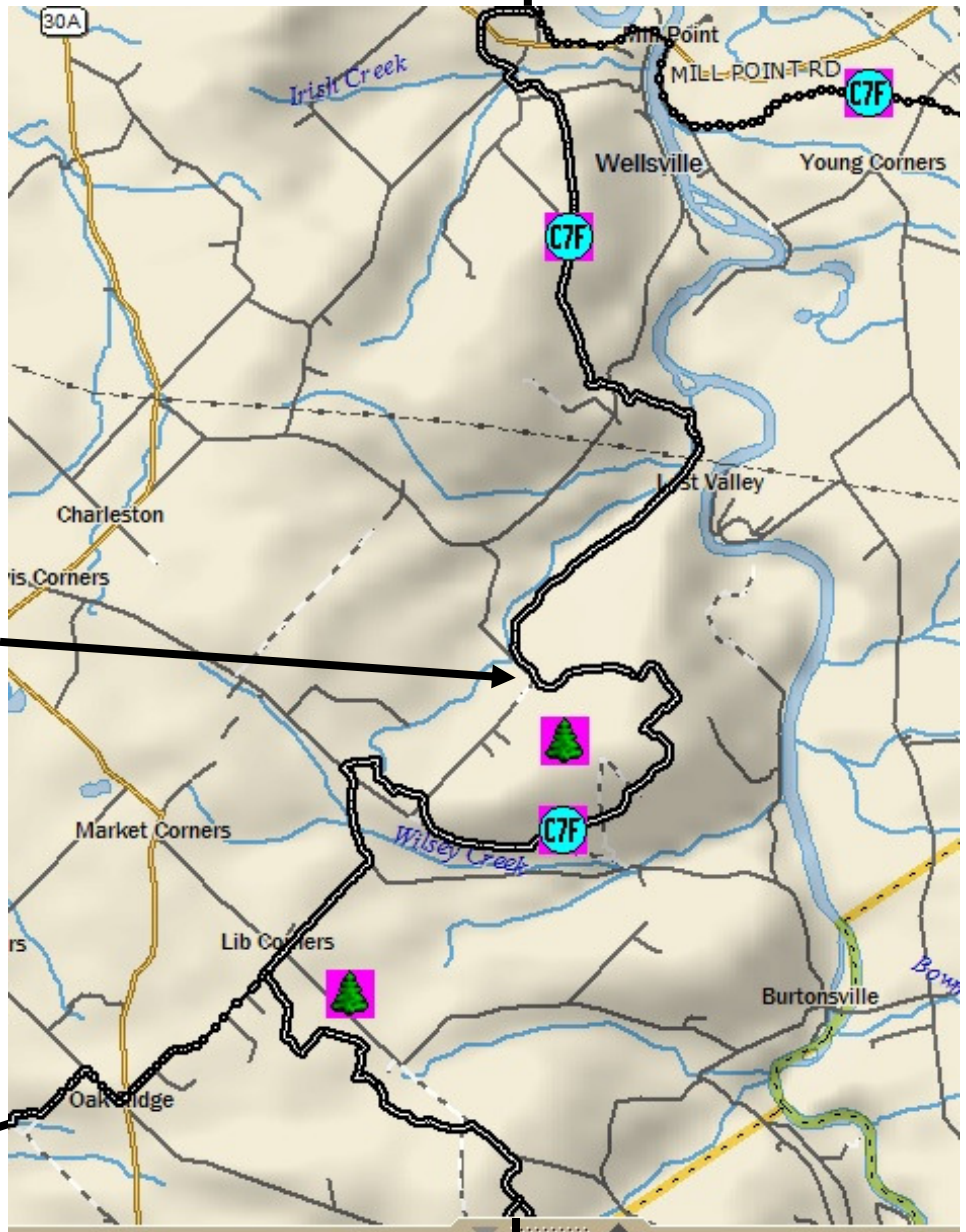
Trail C7F at the Goewey Rd crossing.



Trail C7F near Goewey Rd.



Local Trail heading toward The Stockyard Public House.



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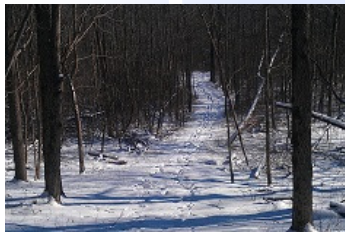
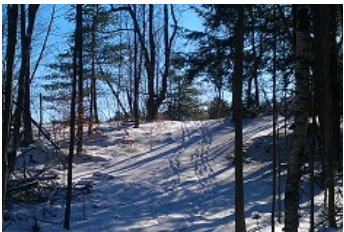
Trail Boss Pics



Trail C7E was rerouted and opened up at the top of Cooley Heights, a before shot at left.



The opening at the top.



The approach up the hill and looking down trail C7E.



To keep C7E open between Delanson and Esperance a reroute was made through a pasture which required installing a fence in the frozen ground. Tom Rullison, Jack Dowling, and Rich Valletta got the job done.



Fred Martin Jr installs a culvert on Trail C7B near Westfall Rd.

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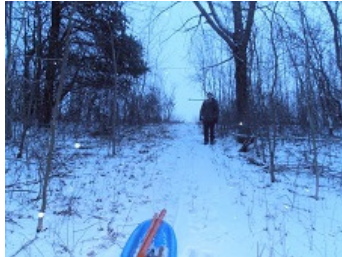
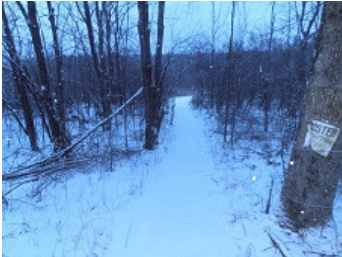


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Trail C7B was widened on the steep north side of the Panis Road crossing on January 6.



Christian Church drives a sign post into the frozen ground on C7B.

John Scrima paints a sign post orange on C7E on January 25.



The view of C7F looking down Sara Lib Road.



C7E in the village of Esperance as it winds around the homes there.




Trail Boss John Scrima at a highway crossing on C7F, January 25.




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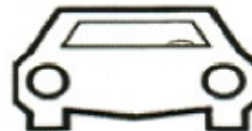
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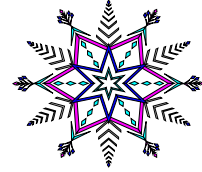
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