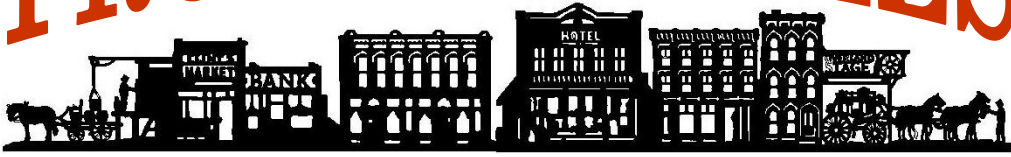


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Massive Trail Work Pays Off

Trail Grants by the numbers:

Thank you to all of our volunteers who worked so we could enjoy a well-maintained trail system throughout all four counties. This was a banner year for work, with several bridges rebuilt. Our volunteers work all year to maintain the trail system. These dedicated individuals do everything from tree trimming and brush hogging the trails to staking the routes, and maintaining the bridges.

Here are some of the highlights from the 2020-2021 season:

- 1315 Total volunteer hours
- 62 Volunteers
- 3028 miles of groomer usage
- 917 hours of groomer usage
- 24 volunteer groomers on 11 different groomers
- New GPS data taken- special thanks to Joel Church!



Our trail system is funded by registration fees, so please continue to register your sleds each year. Remind friends and family to do so, too. This is how we pay for the groomers, buy gas, replace worn signs, etc. We have to show enough work each year to be awarded the trail grant funds. This year, the amount of work entered far exceeded any in the last decade, to the tune of \$89K! No, we don't get awarded anywhere near that much in grants, but all of this work shows the dedication and commitment by our club members to provide a safe and enjoyable riding experience for all. *Submitted by Christine Rulison*



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Trail Log



Club Membership stands at **406** as of 4-1-2021



Members Take Groomer Class

On March 27 2021 six members of the club traveled to the Salisbury Ridgerunners clubhouse to attend the NYS groomer course.



VP Maryann Nickloy, Pres Gerry Lenseth, TB Yancey Zimmer, Brian Schoenherr, Zach Simeon, Joel Church all completed the course.

A tour of the Ridgerunners groomer barn was part of the day's activities.



The club likes to have each groomer operator complete this important course. If you are interested in helping the club groom, be sure and sign up for the next course.

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Northern Area

Burtonsville/Charleston C7E - Yancey Zimmer - Trails closed, groomers have been picked up.

Mariaville C7B - Mark VanWoeart - Gates closed, had a high amount of traffic this season.

Sloansville C7F - Laudy Hoyenga - Trails closed, trail to Stockyard looking to be funded next season.

Central Area

Esperance/Delanson C7E - Tom Rulison - Picking up signs and trash.

Duanesburg C7B/S70 - Dominick Friello - Groomers have been picked up. New trail section was cut going down to cattle pass. Trails to be widened for class A groomer use.

Wright C7B - Joel Church - New route thru Fred Martin's woods is planned for this summer. Route will straighten and widen the trail to help with grooming.

Southern Area

Township S70 - Skip Murrell - Gates have been closed. Trees may need to be removed.

Knox C7B - Orvil Bates - Old race track section of C7B was cut back a lot to allow greater width.

Maple Inn S73 - Don Bauer - Gates have been shut and trash was picked up.

East Berne C7B/S72 - Brian Buchardt - Gates are closed.

Adopt A Highway

April 17th Saturday, 9am at Stewart's in East Berne. Rain date is the 18th, Sunday. Please lend a hand if able.



2021 Club Elections

The Slate of Nominees

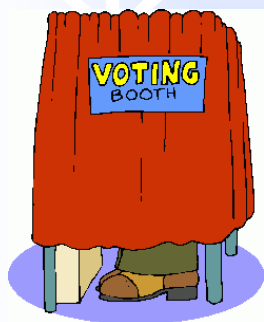
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| VicePresident | MaryAnn Nickloy (i) |
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| | Donnie Bauer (i) |
| | Christine Rulison |

Trustee '24 Tom Rulison
(i) is for the incumbent.

Secretary position required to attend monthly meetings to record minutes of meeting in Word document vault. Important club role in maintaining recording of board motions as presented and voted on. Assist in club communications and officer decisions.

Please, if you or someone you know would step up and volunteer to fill the Secretary position, it would really help our club.



Wanted: Club Secretary

Frontier Sno Riders are actively seeking someone to take the position of club secretary. This person needs to be able to attend club meetings, take club minutes and post them online for review. An agenda will need to be prepared for each month's meeting. While the hours may be long, there is no pay. Benefits are few, but if you own a snowmobile, club membership is covered. (Note: Need not own or ride a snowmobile for the office.) With the club buoyed by new memberships, there should be no shortage of candidates for the office. Please come to the club meeting on Wednesday April 14th to apply in person. The club really needs you!

Season Wrap Up

As we close out the 20-21 season, just want to say thank you to all our officers, board members, trail bosses, groomers and additional volunteers that have worked hard this year to make our club a success at providing a great riding experience for our membership.

There is so much effort from individuals year round with their time and talent providing GPS data, grant submission, training, communication, mechanical and engineering skills, landowner relations, transportation and storage, bridge building, equipment and trail maintenance, grooming, business skills and so much more.

As a club member, you may only see the benefits of this effort when the trails are open for your riding enjoyment. But take time to thank those that make this all happen for you and plan to help the club out in the future where you are able. Until the snow flies again, enjoy the warmer months and stay safe.

Frontier President Gerry Lenseth

Club Meeting !

Knox Town Hall

Wed April 14

7:00pm

Trail Marshal says...

Remember to coordinate with the landowner before conducting any trail work. Keeping the landowners informed of what is going on is paramount to great trail stewardship. Work together and work smart!

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Equipment Boss Tom Rulison collects the Skandic groomers and drags from the Duaneburg staging area.



Groomer Locations 2021

Charleston/Burtonsville
Skandics (2)

Mariaville
Gator and Skandic

Sloansville
Jeep

Duanesburg/Wright
Skandics (2)

Esperance/Delanson
Pisten Bully 70

Knox/Township
Pisten Bully 100

East Berne/Thacher
Park
Bombi and Skandic

Note: many locations will overlap coverage.



April 3 2021 the club completed the sale of the 1976 Bombi to a club in Maine.

Left-top Trail Boss Brian Buchardt stands next to the Bombi. Brian put in many hours grooming with this machine.

Right-top Karl Pritchard checks the loading of the spare set of tracks.



Below, all loaded up and ready for travel, the Bombi leaves Frontier.



New Trail Map In Works

Hello all,

Looks like we have all the clubs onboard for a new trail map for Schoharie County.

I would like to make a suggestion to include some of the clubs around Schoharie County. I know Sharon and Frontier have trails going into neighboring counties.

We will need to come up with a list of businesses we would like to feature on the map and ask to donate to the cost of the map.

As for the Map design. We can do it however we want. From size, color etc... I think a nice pocket folding size is a great idea. Also with the business we can use a number system to label them along the trail or where they are located on the map. Freeman Maps can do large laminated maps for Club House, trail kiosks, or even if a business wants to display like at a gas station.

Anyone have any suggestions or thoughts? I'm open to ideas. Feel free to reach out to me.

An all clubs meeting in April or May will be planned.

Thanks,
Steven Carr
President Cave
Country Riders
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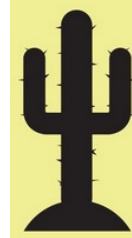


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Trail Boss Pics - Knox



Left- Trail Boss Joel Church clips limbs on C7B near West Rd in Knox. (the old race track section, for those that remember way back when)



President Gerry Lenseth coordinated a work party of 3 on March 6.



This section of trail needed a lot of work cutting back the brush to help get the big groomer through.



Work included chainsawing trees and pole-saw on high reach limbs.



Trail Boss Brian Buchardt cuts a dead pine tree along C7B.

The work was completed and will allow a much easier passage for snowmobiles and groomers.



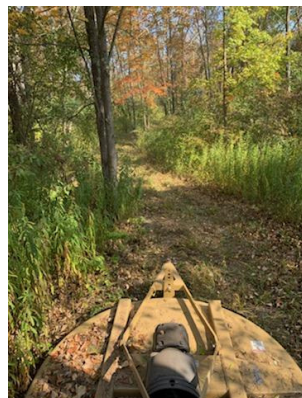
Trail Work *Continued from page 1*



Trail work in it's many forms, with many folks pitching in to create a super ride!



Trails are worked on all four seasons. Spring time sign removal and trash pickup, summer saw bridge building and drag construction, fall is brushing and clearing of trails, and winter is signing and grooming time.



All of these photos are from this past season. Plans are underway for another busy season.

Join in on the projects and see for yourself how much fun we are having!



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