

# **Trail C7B Missing Link Found**

A vital section of trail C7B had been closed during last season, cutting the Frontier Sno Riders club in half. That situation has changed. The trail is once again to be whole thanks to landowner generosity.

Much effort had been made to locate a suitable reroute with little hope. Closure of a small patch of property had a huge impact on the club and area businesses.

When the property closed to snowmobile traffic due to trespass by other vehicles, north was cutoff from south in the Frontier trail system. Trail Boss Joel Church and President Gerry Lenseth met with numerous landowners and hiked miles of fields and woods trying to find a route. With the help of Board members Karl Pritchard and Matt Lord, seeking out land-



Club Pres Gerry Lenseth and Board member Matt Lord scout new route in late February.

owners, a new route has been secured.

New to the club landowners have agreed to allow snowmobiles on their property. This permission is why we have a trail to ride. We all need to remember if we want our trail, we need to be sure to respect the land-owner. It is their property and we are guests. We must do our part to keep the trail open.

Area businesses were negatively impacted this past season by the closure. Jonathan's, Maple On the Lake, and On The Hill all saw fewer than normal snowmobile customers due to the closure.

Many club members enjoy taking a day trip across the Frontier trails, but not being able to connect to their favorite destinations forced an alternate plan.



### Snowmobiling Community Loses NYSSA Representative Frank DiCaprio

Frank passed away on March 13 2022. Frank was a regular face at many Frontier Sno Rider club meetings. He attended the monthly NYSSA meetings as the representative for Montgomery/ Schenectady Counties. Frank in turn would give the NYSSA report during the Frontier club meeting and take questions. His devotion to the snowmobile community will be hard to replace. Frontier extends their sympathies to his family, he will be missed.

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Club Membership stands at 1 as of 8-31-2022

# Guess What? Your Club Needs a Secretary

# Frontier Sno Riders are asking the membership for a volunteer to take on the Secretary office. The club Secretary is an important officer and is needed to record the business of the club at meetings. If you or someone you know can attend most meetings, please volunteer. Contact President Gerry Lenseth at 518-330-7373.

A reroute of C7B in Mariaville may be needed as torn up area is still in very rough shape.

Reports indicate the Trail Conditions App worked well this past season. Frontier kept updates throughout.

As of April, the 70% Montgomery County grant funding was yet to be received by the club. The 30% grant funds should be starting to come in this fall.

On The Hill, formerly Township Tavern, is closed and for sale. The owner passed away earlier this year.

Riders are cautioned not to use the Duanesburg Airport or the cutoff road by the Duanesburg Post Office. It will be closed down if riders continue to use the post office cut through road.



Galway club setup for trail clearing. Neat deal for trimming back brush. Just stand clear!







#### Northern Area

**Burtonsville/Charleston C7E** - Yancey Zimmer -Two culverts were gone and one had 4 foot drop off. We will need a work party with equipment to repair/ replace Mill Point/Irish Creek bridge. Need 3 long poles to extend bridge.

**Mariaville C7B** - Mark VanWoeart - Trails will be brush hogged in the next week or so. Looking to set up a work party mid September. Anyone who wants to help in Mariaville with trail maintenance please contact me

**Sloansville C7F** - Laudy Hoyenga/Brian Schoenherr - Stockyard trail and most of 7F all bush hogged and trimmed and bridges repaired.

#### **Central Area**

Esperance/Delanson C7E - Tom Rulison -

**Duanesburg C7B/S70** - Casey LeClair - Need work in Scott's pit road, washed out . Trees down along the way . Ash Lane needs trail widened and small bridge repaired towards Scotch Ridge Rd. New/old trail that brings us to Rt20 at the diner, needs to be brush hogged right into Scott's pit road.

**Wright C7B** - Joel Church - Work parties planned for a couple of weekends mid-September on rerouted section of C7B.

#### **Southern Area**

**Township S70** - Skip Murrell - Township trail is in good shape. But it looks like On The Hill/Township Tavern itself is closed, has been for sale.

Knox C7B - Zach Simeon -

**Maple Inn S73** - Don Bauer - plan on brush hogging and tree trimming this month for Maple and Berne area.

**East Berne C7B/S72** - Brian Buchardt - Pat Stempel has started brush hogging S-72.

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#### From the East—Albany/Utica Area

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#### From the North—Watertown Area

Take I-81 South into Syracuse to Exit 22. Follow Bear Street (Route 298) to I-690 West.

#### From the South—Binghamton/Cortland Area

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#### From the New York City/Downstate Area

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More than anything, the Big East Powersports Show lets participants kick-start their love of snowmobiling in a fun, festive and informative atmosphere. From shopping for riding gear to picking up trail maps, talking to industry experts to running into friends from your local snowmobile club and enjoying a beverage, this is the show that sets the mood for the upcoming winter fun season and lets you mentally transition from summer and fall to winter. And for 2022, with the expanded space and multiple new activities and attractions, there are more reasons to come than ever before.

Visit https://www.bigeastpowersportsshow.com/ purchase-tickets/



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*Continued from page 1* It is so important that snowmobilers realize just how fragile the trail system is. Our landowners are our friends. Please respect their property, say hello if you see them while out riding, they won't bite!

## Trail Routing

The new route trail C7B will take, avoids Webster Road altogether. Signage will guide you through the woods and fields to familiar sections of the trail.



The yellow line shows the new route in Wright.

There is one stretch of paved road the trail follows, but it is very short.

Please realize this rerouted section is brand new in some spots and will require adjustment as the need arises.

#### Club Meeting September 14 7 pm The Stockyard



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Groomer Locations 2022 Charleston/Burtonsville Skandics (2) Mariaville Gator 825i Sloansville Jeep Duanesburg/Wright Gator 825i + Skandic Esperance/Delanson Pisten Bully 70 Knox/Township Pisten Bully 100 East Berne/Thacher Park Skandics (2) Note: many locations will overlap coverage.

Spending time going through the 2011 Gator track system. A lot of age and water has gone through it. Greasing and installing new bearings and installed new wheels. Will be like new by the by the season. The 2012 gator, need to order a rubber track that ripped in half and everything else seems to be checking out all right. I have 3 of the 4 tracks done and installed over 60 new bearings and repacked the rest. Report by Skip Murrell.

**2012 Gator Update** The 2012 JD Gator unfortunately had a track tear completely across the track in late spring when they were removed for the season. We are not really sure what caused it, Skip reached out to Mattracks with pictures. It is possible they were over tensioned prior to us purchasing the

machine. A quote for one replacement rear track from Mattracks is \$993.30 plus shipping.







## Want To Help?

To sign up for Work Party notifications, please visit <u>https://www.remind.com/join/workpa</u>

#### Trail Marshal

**Says...** this is a great time of the season to get involved with trail work. Work parties will be going strong all through September.



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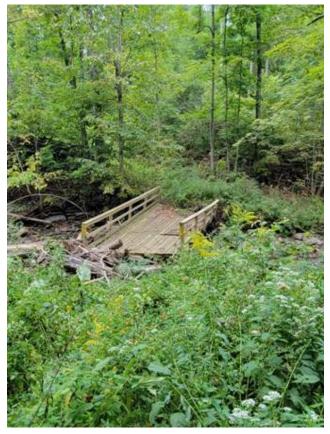
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## Trail Boss Pics - Charleston and Mill Pt





The Irish Creek bridge in Mill Point on trail C7E was heavily damaged by high water. A work party is being planned to address this problem. Photos by Trail Boss Yancey Zimmer.

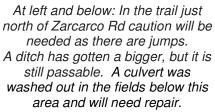




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## Trail Boss Pics - Wright



Trail C7B was brushed and cleared on the north side of Panis Road.



Above and at right, before ...





...and after the clearing.







A new section of trail C7B was opened north of Middle Road by Trail Boss Joel Church, Brian Buchardt, and Tom Goodman.

## Adopt A Highway East Berne - May 2022



Stephanie and Matt Lord, Tyler, Ryan, Joel, and Mel Vadney, Grace Seager, Kyle Dente, Gerry Lenseth, Kayla and Rob Howard and family,

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