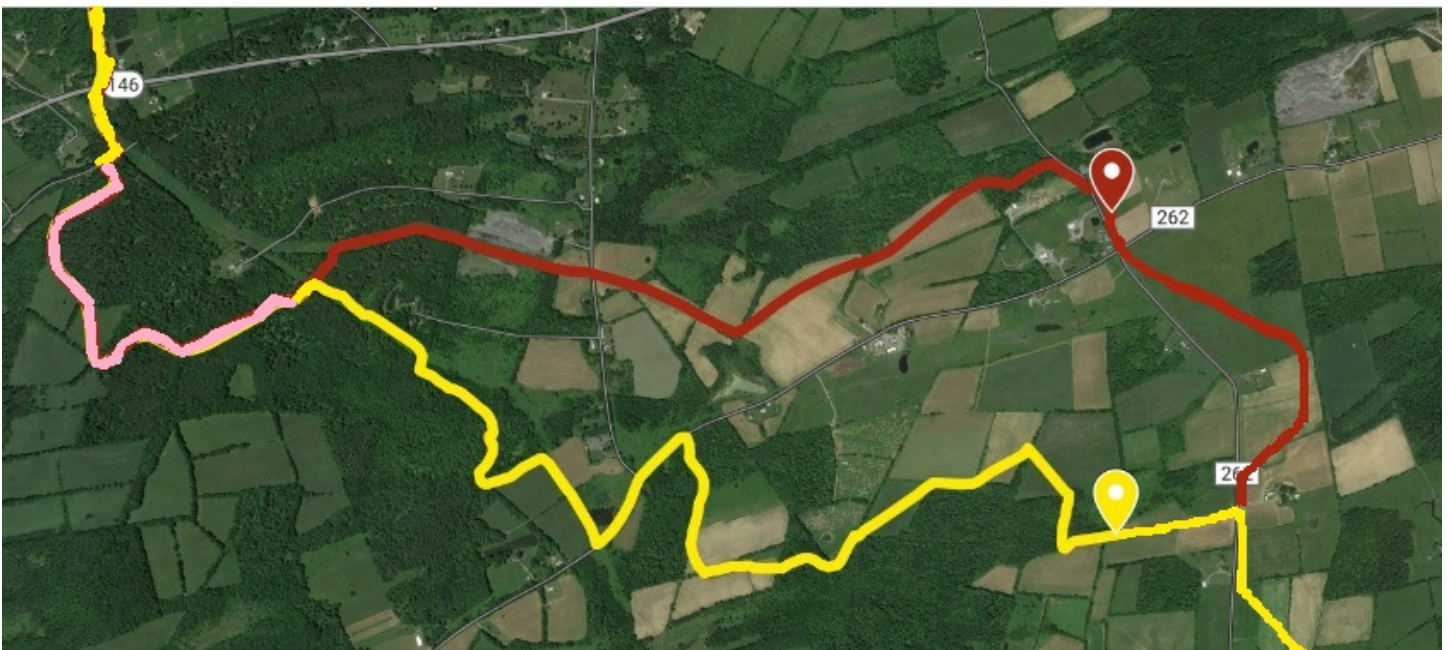


## C7B In Town of Wright Closed – Again

After many months of hard work to build a reroute, a landowner just beyond the newly rerouted section, informed me one week before the trails could open, that he was withdrawing his permission for the trail.

As with the previous lost section of trail, this property is located off Webster Road in the Town of Wright.



*The yellow line is the newly rerouted C7B, just recently completed. The dark red line is the old trail no longer in use. The pink line shows the section of C7B closed in late December. Original map by Matt Lord.*

A lot of time had been spent searching and visiting landowners over the spring and summer to find a route to bypass the Webster Road properties. A route was found and new landowners signed up. A number of work parties were completed to clear and brush brand new trail. Culverts were installed. Signs were put up. Some areas used old trail that needed only minor cleaning up.

Club members Karl Pritchard, Matt Lord, Tom Goodman, Gerry Lenseth, Brian Buchardt, Rob Howard, and I put in long hours and donated equipment to get this reroute completed.

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# What's Cooking?

# Trail Log



Club Membership stands at 285 as of 12-26-2022

Club Ride is scheduled for January 15th 2023, weather permitting. Finish at the Rulison's.

January Club meeting to be held at Back Barn Brewery, Rosa Villa will deliver food there if ordered.

Schoharie County snowmobile grant functions to be audited.

Christine Rulison is looking for a new person to learn the grant process. Contact her at 518-875-9229

## Secretary Position Open

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.

## Trail Boss Position Open

Town of Wright Trail Boss Joel Church is stepping down as he has moved out of the area. The Club is looking for an individual who can oversee the maintenance of C7B from the junction of C7E in Schenectady County south to Gage Road in Albany County. Contact President Gerry Lenseth at 518-330-7373.

2022-2023 MVSCI dues of \$40 per MEMBER CLUB due by 1/15/23. 3 motions were voted on and passed by member clubs, allowing for continuation of operations for another year.

**Club Meeting**  
**December 11 7 pm**  
**The Back Barn Brewery**  
**Delanson**

### Northern Area

**Burtonsville/Charleston C7E** - Yancey Zimmer - Signs are up, need downed tree check.

**Mariaville C7B** - Mark VanWoeart - Working on signing up new landowners. Doing trail work at night during the holiday hunt. Use extreme caution through Mariaville Materials this trail is extremely rough. Mark is looking for someone to takeover as trail boss.

**Sloansville C7F** - Laudy Hoyenga - Trails all ready.

### Central Area

**Esperance/Delanson C7E** - Tom Rulison - Slight reroute near Gage Rd. Back Barn trail is cut open.

**Duanesburg C7B/S70** - Casey LeClair - Ash Lane has been closed to snowmobiles and no reroute has been found to Mariaville.

**Wright C7B** - Joel Church - Some signs are up but more need to be done. Closure of C7B south of Rt 146 will stop all traffic between Knox and Duanesburg.

### Southern Area

**Township S70** - Skip Murrell - Last snow storm downed several tree and large areas of saplings. I've only gotten through a few miles with much more to go. With thaw and winds this week, trails are likely blocked again.

**Knox C7B** - Zach Simeon - Turner Rd reroute complete. Signs 95% up.

**Maple Inn S73** - Don Bauer -

**East Berne C7B/S72** - Brian Buchardt - Club working with Thacher Park. New trail to be cut, separate snowmobiles from skiers. Possible agreement to be signed, may allow for grant funding.



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Due to the extended hunting season, and knowing this landowner hunts his property, I was waiting until the end of the season to reach out to him to begin brushing and clearing. I had no reason to believe his property would be closed to the club.

After talking with the landowner, he felt the club had not done enough to stop folks from riding his property when the trail closed.

In the past two years I had placed snow fence across the pipeline above Rt 146 to keep riders from continuing up the pipeline to his home. However since the trail had closed from Rt 146 to Doctor Rd, I had not seen the need to fence off the pipeline.

This turned out to be a mistake. Even though the landowner on Webster Rd who closed his property had placed barricades across the trail and I left the gate locked in the woods at the Rt 146 end, folks were still riding through this area.

The club spread the word through all forms of communication it has about the trail closure. The club Face Book page, the newsletter, the NYSSA online web map, and the club website all clearly noted the trail closure.

Yet somehow folks still rode the closed trail anyway. No barricade, no locked gate, and no notification could stop them from riding.

I checked on numerous occasions last season

to see what kind of traffic was riding. I did see one track ride around the barricade on Webster Road. Over on the Rt 146 end there was more activity, a trail closed sign had been ridden over. I reposted the sign and was told it had been ridden over again.

Clearly someone in the local area was not heeding the trail closed situation.

Blame can be given to this person or persons for helping close this trail down. These people have proved they do not care about snowmobiling. They are not snowmobilers, they are criminals. I believe they will continue to be criminals.

I am sad the landowner gave up on the club. I tried my best to keep this trail open. The landowner offered that I try to contact other landowners further down the hill to the west for permission to route the trail. He did say that there were new owners and they might be willing. However there is no easy way to connect back to Rt 146. With the season now underway, finding a new reroute seems well out of the question.

The majority of the snowmobiling public followed the rules. A very small group have ruined it for all.

The landowner saw nothing by letting us continue to use his property. It was so much more to the club than nothing and now it is gone.

Trail Boss Joel Church

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### Groomer Locations 2022

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Mariaville  
*Gator 825i*

Sloansville  
*Jeep*

Duanesburg/Wright  
*Gator 825i + Skandic*

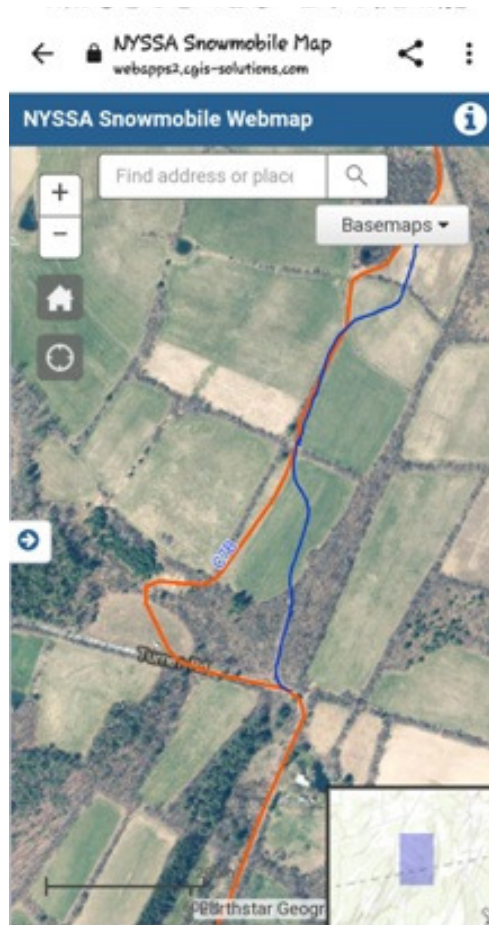
Esperance/Delanson  
*Pisten Bully 70*

Knox/Township  
*Pisten Bully 100*

East Berne/Thacher  
Park  
*Skandics (2)*

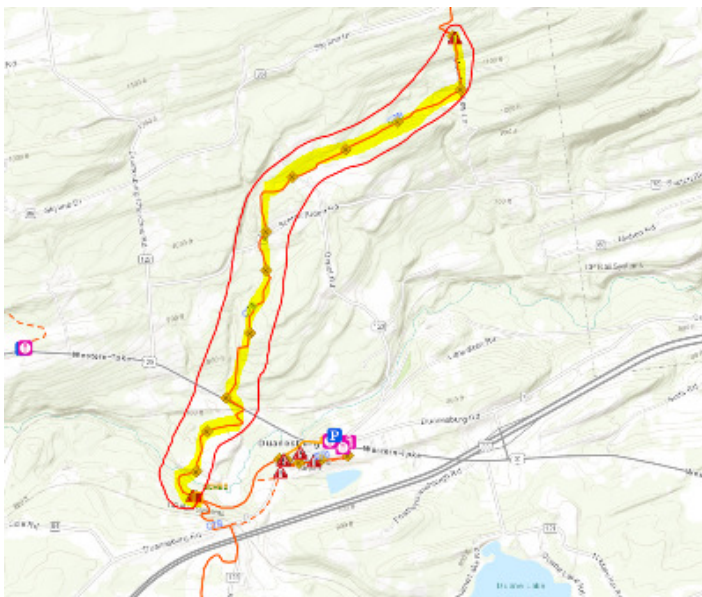
Note: many locations will overlap coverage.

## East Berne - Knox C7B Reroute



Trail C7B now turns off Turner Road at a new point. This will save some road side riding. The blue line is the new route. Thanks given to a new landowner for allowing access. Map by Zach Simeon.

## Duanesburg C7B Closed to Mariaville



From the junction with S70 in Duanesburg up to Mountain View Lane, C7B was closed due to Ash Lane no longer allowing snowmobile traffic. A new route was found and a bridge was built in December. Then one of the landowners changed his mind and denied permission. Map by Matt Lord.

## Duanesburg Parking



Photo taken at Duanesburg in December. Not sure why this truck and snowmobile trailer are parked here? Lots of snow and no where to go. Snowmobile trails were not open in December. Do not ride the trails until they are open.

Photo from Face Book.





Landowner had to plow up a snow pile across trail C7B near the Schoharie Tpk to stop people who were riding in December. The trails are not open in December.



December Club meeting at The Landing On 20, Duanesburg. Were you there?

### Trail Marshal says...

You are your own marshal, you control your actions. If you ride where you should not, you will lose that trail.



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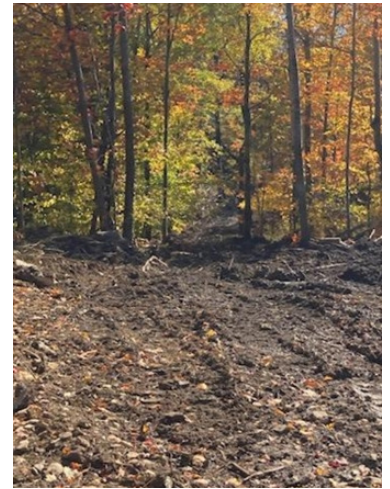
## Trail Boss Pics - Wright



Club President Gerry Lenseth and club member Tom Goodman helped Trail Boss Joel Church sign and fence the Blue Heron Airport at Benninger Rd.



## Trail Boss Pics - Mariaville



Photos by Trail Boss Mark VanWoeart



## Trail Boss Pics - Mariaville continued



*Doing trail work at night during the holiday hunt. Before and after photos by Trail Boss Mark VanWoeart.*



## Trail Boss Pics - East Berne



*Early snow at the Thacher Park boundary, icy and flooded S72, tree down due high winds after the thaw near old Maple Inn.*

*Photos by Trail Boss Brian Buchardt*







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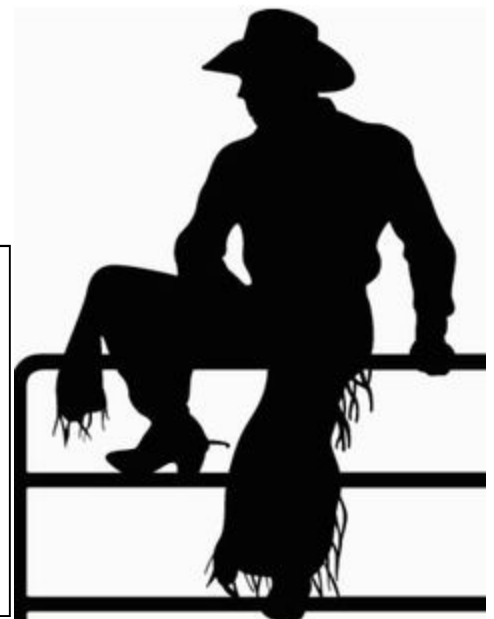
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