

Frontier Sno Riders

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## Club Ride!



Club Ride getting under way at Jonathan's.



Rally point at Blue Heron Airport.



First arrivals at the Maple Inn, East Berne.



Many snowmobiles joined in the ride.



Near perfect weather for riding!



Everyone now went inside....

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# February 2009

## Schedule of Events

- Feb 7 Vermont Endurance Ride - 24 hours. Woodford, VT
- Feb 11 Club Meeting Esperance, 7pm Elks Lodge.
- Feb 18 Club Meeting, 7pm Berne, Maple Inn
- Feb 25 Board Meeting, 7pm TBD.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Vermont Border to Border Marathon
8	9	10	11 Club meeting Esperance	12	13	14 Valentine's Day
15	16 President's Day	17	18 Club meeting Berne	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Board meeting	26	27	28

# March 2009

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- Mar 11 Club Meeting - Esperance, 7pm Elk's Club.
- Mar 18 Club Meeting, 7pm Maple Inn, Berne.
- Mar 25 Board Meeting, 7pm TBD.

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## Club News

### NYSSA Raffle

There are still no tickets to sell. NYSSA is having a hard time getting prizes donated for the raffle this year. This raffle is usually the Clubs big fundraiser for the year. At this point the Club is still well in the black so grooming will continue as long as there is snow. If there is no raffle this year, the Club may look at doing some other kind of fundrasier.

**Safety and Education** On January 10th the Club hosted another Snowmobile Safety Course. It was taught by Mike Vincent. 45 kids and 8 adults took and passed the course! NYS Troopers were on hand to answer questions about snowmobile law enforcement. Tom Rulison(Club Pres) and his wife Sue helped make the class a success.

**Big Thanks** The Club members voted at the January meeting to give Mike Vincent \$150 for teaching such a large class that was supposed to only have about 25 students.

**Club Membership** The current total Club membership is now over 310!! Well over 210 members have signed up online saving valuable time.

**Be Sure Your Voice Is Heard!** Attend one of the two monthly Club meetings.

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## Trail Log

**Mariaville** All trails are well groomed, signed, and in good shape. A new battery, tail light, and studs will be installed on the groomer sled.

**Ride Quiet** Please ride quietly by homes, if not, we stand a good chance of losing trails. Throttle down when you see homes ahead.

**Delanson** The trail C7E heading north out of the village has a steep hill in the woods. It is very icy, use caution. If you do not have studs, you may not be able to climb the hill. A bypass trail is being looked at.

**Duanesburg** A detour is in place near Rt20 and the railroad crossing to avoid a washed out bridge. Look for signs to take you up Ash Lane.

**Berne** The Rt 146 water problem has been corrected and a new culvert tube installed with bridge. Thanks go out to Brian and Gerry! Watch out for a plowed field on trail C7B, at the current snow level it is passable just use caution and ride slowly.

**Esperance** The trails C7E and C7F are open all the way north to Rt 161. Watch for detours along the way and follow the signs.

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Club members enjoy hot wings and pizza!



The groomer sleds saw extra duty before the ride.



Riders from up north prepare to head back toward home.



Trails held up well considering all the traffic they saw over the weekend.

Congratulations go out to all the winners of the door prizes and the 50/50 winner! More than 40 members took part in the Club ride!



Jonathan's sponsored an end of ride pizza party for those riding north from East Berne. Here Tom R., Brian S., and Randy S. enjoy pizza at Jonathan's in Duanesburg.

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### NYSSA News

#### NOMINATIONS FOR NYSSA AWARDS

Application forms for the 2008-2009 NYSSA Awards, presented each year at the Annual Meeting and Forum, are also in the members-only section. Deadline for submission is March 1, 2009.

These Awards include Snowmobiler of the Year, Snowmobile Family of the Year, Groomer Operator of the Year, Club of the Year, Dealership of the Year and the President's Award.

#### SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!

##### NYSSA Scholarships:

Each year, NYSSA awards two \$500 scholarships:

Norris Brusoe NYSSA Scholarship

Joan Vriessen NYSSA Scholarship

Only members of NYS Snowmobile Clubs will be eligible for the Norris Brusoe and for the Joan Vriessen Scholarships.

##### Northeast Chapter ISC Scholarships:

The top 5 NYSSA applications will be sent to the NEC Scholarship Committee where they will compete against applications from Northeastern United States and Canadian Provinces. Scholarship Applications for both the 2009 Northeast Chapter (NEC) Scholarships (deadline April 1, 2009) and The 2009 NYSSA Scholarships (deadline March 1, 2009) are available on the NYSSA website in the "members only" section. Please see the Scholarships page after you login.

### Support Your Club — Merchandise Available

The Club is now selling baseball caps with the Club's logo on it. Two styles available: high-rise and lowrise. Both styles come in 4 colors; Black, Navy, Royal & Red. Each sells for \$12. Sweatshirts sell for \$20, knit caps (navy or black) sell for \$12.



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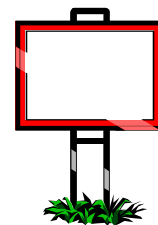
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## Out On The Trail

Here are some pics of your Club members handiwork and out working the trails of the Frontier Sno Riders.

From the top left - trail signs, information on location and distance left to go at Pannis Rd.

Top right - Mike D. out grooming C7B in the Berne area.

At left - Brian B. Trail Boss, cleaning up ice covered and hanging limbs along the trail in Knox.



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## Club Youth Group In Action: Frontier Trail Stewards

On January 18th and 19th, two members of the Trail Stewards sold hot chocolate on trail C7B south of Westfall Road. The boys, Matt and Christian, braved the cold wind and served the hot beverage to snowmobilers on the trail. Business was brisk on Sunday, but fell off on Monday. On Sunday, one group of Frontier members stopped on their way up north to the Oxbow Inn on Oxbow Lake near Speculator! (see story next month?)

The boys made up signs like the one below and posted them down the trail from the stand. The early warning helped prepare the riders for the coming pit stop. If conditions permit, the boys may repeat this enterprise over the season.

If you are interested in helping out with the Trail Stewards or would like more information, please come to a Club meeting or email the newsletter editor, Joel Church at [cato79@peoplepc.com](mailto:cato79@peoplepc.com)



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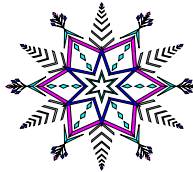
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If you see a problem on the trail, fix it or let a trail boss know about it. Tree limbs can be removed easily and quickly.

See a spot on the trail that needs a sign? Let a trail boss know and he will get you a sign to put up. It is that easy.

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