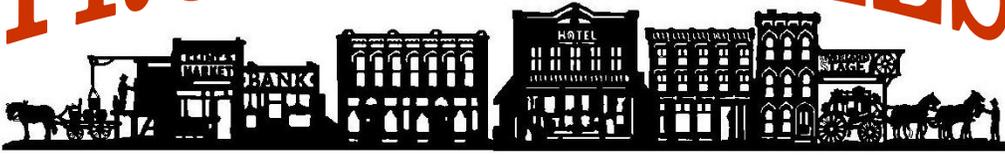
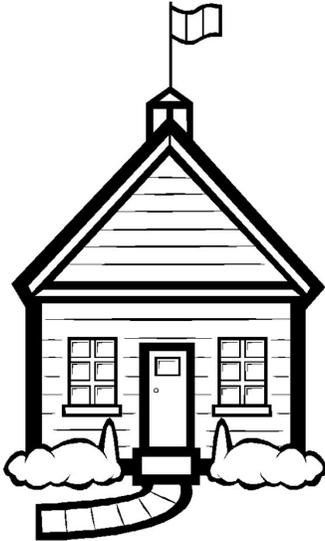


# FRONTIER TIMES



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## Back To School



It's that time of year again, kids heading back to school, cool mornings, leaves beginning to change, and snowmobile clubs awakening from summer time rest.

Class is being called for snowmobilers who want to have fun. If you like working outdoors, hiking through the woods, or simply wanting to help out, this is the time of year to sharpen your pencils, (read chainsaws), put on your thinking cap, (read hardhat), and pack a good lunch!

A number of projects are on the agenda for this fall. Bridges need re-decking, rerouting of trails, new bridge placements, and plenty of trail brushing and clearing.

Do not wait for the teacher (read Trail Boss) to call on you, throw up your hand and say "I'll help out!". At the end of the school year (read Snowmobile season), your grades will reflect nothing but A's (read smooth trails).

The first class (read club meeting) is being called this Wednesday in East Berne. Hope to see you there!

## Charleston Adventure Trail C7E Update

Earlier this summer Forester Jason Drobnack was promoted and has left the Stamford DEC office. Frontier had been working closely with Mr. Drobnack to continue improving trail C7E. While the trail did open last season, it was far from perfect. Those who rode it can attest to the rough conditions encountered. A number of bridges still need to be built. In places, culverts could also be used.



*Riders enjoying the trail.*



*C7E creek crossing in need of a bridge*

With early hunting season kicking off soon, it was hoped that the bridge work could be completed.

A new forester has taken over and has yet to meet with the Frontier Sno Riders. Unfortunately Frontier is not likely to get approval this season for any bridges even though this need was expressed this spring with Mr. Drobnack.

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# Trail Log



Knox ball park will need to have crusher run put in where trail goes, as area was worn down to dirt. \$450 crusher run with base layer approved.

Bombi back online, starter needs work, PB100 needs blade work, PB70 tires are back on, in good shape for next season. PB service to be done April 19 at Karl's. Skandic 08' has an oil line failure. Others are going into storage. Rich Gobel volunteering to build club a drag. Skandic 03' currently the oldest in fleet, still a good runner. New drag build cost \$1000.

Club looking to purchase a PTO stump grinder.

Website classified section to be looked into Grants- funding levels were met in each county. April is beginning of 2018-2019 funding year.

Trail Grant Received—30% to follow this fall.

Albany County	70%	\$5484.50	on 3/14/18
Montgomery County	70%	\$2803.50	on 3/21/18
Schenectady County	70%	\$4526.20	on 3/1/18
Schoharie County	70%	\$3315.20	on 2/2/18

Club will need a new grant officer as Melissa is stepping down.



## Northern Area

**Burtonsville/Charleston C7E** - John Scrima - John Scrima is moving south, but his son Josh will be staying on at the property. Trail near Conover Rd to be closed due to goose killed and livestock harried. Bridges to be built are being researched.

**Mariaville C7B** - Jerry Schoening - Signs to come down yet. Rt159 Rd edge culvert needs retaining wall.

**Sloansville C7F** - Laudy Hoyenga - All secure for the summer season.

## Central Area

**Esperance/Delanson C7E** - Tom Rulison - Area needs a lot of help, re-route is needed. New deck is needed on bridge behind Esperance Auto off of Rt20. Cooley Heights area needs some trees removed. Community Center had some issues with snow being pulled onto their driveway.

**Duanesburg C7B** - Aaron Nickloy - Ash Lane was tore up when sleds did not stay on trail. Town may close road to sleds. Airport reports sleds were riding off trail on the runway. **Wright C7B** - Joel Church - Still have signs to pull down.

## Southern Area

**Township S70** - Skip Murrell - PB100 groo

**Knox C7B** - Open - Softball bridge needs new deck, may be good location for the Carver frame there.

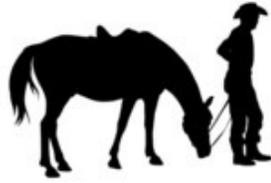
**Maple Inn S73** - Donnie Bauer - Gates are closed, signs to be pulled yet.

**East Berne C7B/S72** - Brian Buchardt - Gates are closed, signs to be pulled yet. Turner Rd bridge to be rebuilt.



## Trail Marshal says...

Always gain permission from the landowner before going out on the property to do trail work. Explain what you plan to do and when. This alerts the landowner so they do not think someone is trespassing. It also allows the landowner a chance to express any concerns and expectations they have. Always remember we are guests on private property, show respect.



## Top Funding Position Open

Your club really needs you this season. We are currently seeking a grants writer, as Melissa has moved out of the area and can no longer take on this job task.

An email was sent out this summer in hopes of finding a volunteer to be the grants writer. As of this writing, no one has responded.

Please take a moment to consider accepting this very important club function. Giving to this sport can be very rewarding. Just look at this past season, trails were open until very late March!

It remains to be seen what will happen if no one steps up. Without a grants writer, no funding will come from the state trail maintenance fund. The club will be relying on membership dues and super raffle ticket sales for trail grooming and maintenance. These funds will not go far.

Please come to a club meeting or contact any club officer or board member if you or someone you know would volunteer as the grant writer.

The future of the Frontier Sno Riders needs people like you.

*(continued from page 1 - Charleston Adventure Trail)*

Instead work will focus on installing a bridge over Irish Creek at the very north end of C7E.

There will also be adventure hikes to brush and clear the trail of new growth and fallen limbs. If you would like to participate in the State Forest hikes, you will need to sign up before hand. Please contact Joel Church at [cato79@peoplepc.com](mailto:cato79@peoplepc.com).

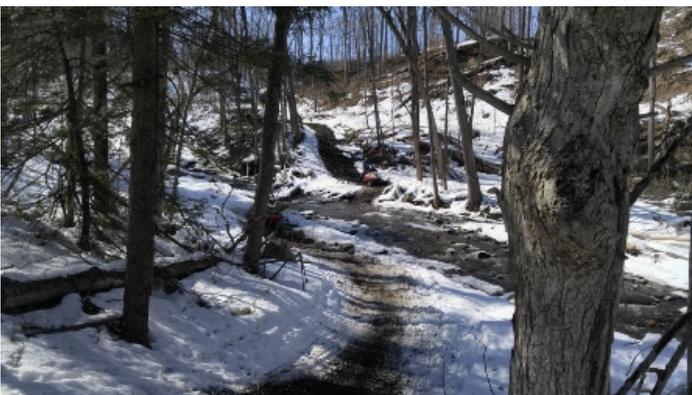


## Trail Boss Wanted

Have you seen or know the whereabouts of an individual capable of overseeing the tasks and responsibilities of being a trail boss?

The area to be covered extends from the Knox/E Berne town line to the Schoharie County line. Trail C7B is in need of a trail boss.

Must know how to clear and brush trail. Operate trail grooming equipment when snow conditions allow. Late night/early mornings are common hours for work. Reward of many thanks are paid at close of season. Report sightings of prospective trail boss to any Frontier officer or board member.



*C7E crossing Irish Creek, new bridge to be built here.*



*Future location for a badly needed culvert tube.*



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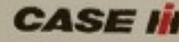
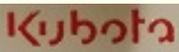
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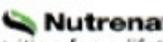
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