

# **Club Nominations Open**

**Election to take place in April.** Each executive position to be voted on by the members present at the April meeting. 2 trustee and 2 director positions will also be voted on. Nominations to be taken at the March meeting.

The terms for the executive positions run for one year. The board terms are for three years. Directors Casey LaClair and Chad Saddlemire, trustees Bob Meyer and Joel Church may face new challengers coming into this election cycle.

Current officers, President Gerry Lenseth, Vice President MaryAnn Nickloy, Secretary Sarah Bauer, and Treasurer Tammy Saddlemire have yet to express their intentions to run again. It is hoped each will remain at their post as they have done a great job.

All club members are encouraged to seek an active role in their club, either through voicing an opinion at club meetings, taking part in work parties, helping at club events, serving on a committee or running for office.



The club has 329 members, which is a great reflection of how well this club operates. This is even more remarkable in a season which saw only very limited use of the trails. Leadership and active members help swell the club membership. Please be sure to attend the March and April club meetings for the nominations and elections. Club membership has advantages. *Continued on page 4* 



## **NYSSA Forum Update**

Early registration for the NYSSA Forum is up now. Tom and Christine Rulison are going to attend. President Gerry Lenseth is going to book a few hotel rooms ahead of time, so the club has them if needed.

#### Forum Insider

Club members that attend the forum can sit in on different classes which cover how to sign trails properly, chainsaw safety, government activities, etc. There are plenty of things to see at the forum, many snowmobile vendors have displays, learn about snowmobile tours, innovative sled products, and see a vintage snowmobile show. Continued on page 3

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On February 8th some of the club trails opened for the first time this season. Trails in the northern area fully opened and trails in the central area opened with marginal conditions and limited grooming. Trails remained open until about February 22nd.

Membership climbed to 329 with the trails opening. If the southern area had opened, perhaps even folks more would have joined.

The 2008 Skandic groomer suffered an engine seizure the first day grooming. A replacement motor was bought and installed. Thanks go out to Skip Murrell for doing the hard work.

Please help your club by purchasing Super Raffle tickets. Half the money from the sale go to the club. It is an easy way to support your club and get a chance to win prizes.

The club website has been cleaned up to remove old trail conditions that were causing confusion.

Due to low snow conditions, Schoharie County is withholding the 70% grant funds until justifications are submitted.

Club By-laws are being reviewed and should be presented for voting shortly.

The Winterfest snowmobile ride was cancelled due to low snow conditions.

The club is looking for a member who is good with smart phone tech to be the trail condition app editor. If interested, please contact club using smart phone.

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#### **Northern Area**

**Burtonsville/Charleston C7E** - Scott Claus/Yancey Zimmer - A landowner had issues about off trail riding despite good signage. Yancy is working with him. The DEC 6 foot bridge in the state forest should be done by the end of the year.

**Mariaville C7B** - Mark VanWoeart - Groomers have been out. Thank you to Kyle Relation and Josh Nellis for grooming.

**Sloansville C7F** - Laudy Hoyenga - Trail grooming has been accomplished.

#### **Central Area**

**Esperance/Delanson C7E** - Tom Rulison - Marty Hebert's trail gates were opened by February 12.

**Duanesburg C7B/S70** - Dominick Friello - Tom took care of a downed tree. Sleds were riding on the airport and the people riding were spoken to about it.

**Wright C7B** - Joel Church - A few people were riding even though the trails are "red". It has been a challenging season with very little snowfall. Everyone wants to ride! Please respect our landowners property.

#### **Southern Area**

**Township S70** - Skip Murrell - The town may be putting in solar panels next year which could impact the trail.

Knox C7B - Orvil Bates - Not enough snow to ride.

**Maple Inn S73** - Donnie Bauer - Everything is all set, we just need some snow.

**East Berne C7B/S72** - Brian Buchardt - Culverts are in and done, one has to be fixed. A few mud holes need to be fixed on Elm Drive. The Turner Rd bridge will go in weather permitting.



#### ( conituned from page 1 - Forum)

Saturday evening features dining and entertainment, a chance to talk with other clubs and find out what is happening in their area. Making connections that strengthen the sport are vital to the overall well being of the NYS trail system. Sunday features the annual meeting with clubs from all over New York State. Only voting delegates are allowed in to the meeting. Guards monitor the doors.

Roll call is taken with each club answering to their name. Some clubs bring large groups of members and some may only have one member present.

Important elections and other issues are voted on. Clubs are issued a number of delegates who vote based on the number of members in that club. Large clubs have more voting power. It is truly something to see how a large group of people can conduct a state snowmobile meeting. With hundreds of snowmobilers all seated in the same room, each with a chance to have their say on a topic, the business of NYSSA gets done.



Theresa Church at the NYSSA Forum in Rochester, 2015.





Vintage Snowmobile show at the NYSSA Forum.

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Please support your club and purchase Super Raffle tickets at the club meeting!



**Frontier Sno Riders** 

(conituned from page 1 - Nominations) FSR Membership,

Nominations are now open for **Willingness to Serve** for the 2020-2021 club year for the following elected positions:

Executive Committee (one year term) (current electees)

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Secretary

Board of Director (three year term)

Director (2023)

Director(2023)

Board of Trustee (three year term)

Trustee (2023)

Joel Church

Gerry Lenseth

Sarah Bauer

Casey LeClair

Chad Saddlemire

Mary Ann Nickloy

Tammy Saddlemire

Trustee (2023) Bob Meyer

Nominations are open to all members in good standing with the club and duties for each position are outlined in the Constitution which can be found at our website, <u>www.FrontierSno.com</u>.

Nominations will be open through the month of March and may be submitted to <u>member-ship@frontiersno.com</u> or <u>rcmeyer25@nycap.rr.com</u> prior to April 1<sup>st</sup>.

All nominees and incumbants will be confirmed at that time and ballots will be created for the election to be held at the April club meeting.





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### Club Meeting ! March 11 7pm Township Tavern Altamont

#### Trail Marshal says...

Be mindful of illegal activity you might see on the trail. Report it to the authorities. Take appropriate action to help those in distress. As always, respect the trail and the ride. We all want to come home safely.



( conituned from page 2 - What's Cooking)

Multiple locations were presented for the end of season banquet, such as Settles Hill, Canale's, and the BullsHead Inn in Cobleskill. Last year the banquet was held at Settles Hill. A location will be chosen at the March meeting. April 30 will be the date of the Banquet.

The possibility of a Club House partnership with Duanesburg Little League was brought up. Tom and Laudy are drafting ideas for it. The little league field have parking and electricity available there already. The Club is looking at funding the building through donations. However grants will be looked into as well. The proposed building could be used as a groomer storage facility as well with direct access to trail C7E. There's a lot to think about and more discussion to take place at the March meeting.

Laudy and Joel are looking at a possible trail going to Schoharie, coming down off Barton Hill Rd. Anyone living in this area is welcome to help.

New trail help: Zach in Duanesburg, Danny in Charleston, and Brian in Mariaville. Thank you Gentlemen for stepping up!

#### Club Folks **Club Officers** President Gerry Lenseth 872-9374 Vice Pres Mary Ann Nickloy 895-2595 Treasurer Tammy Saddlemire 872-2125 Sarah Bauer 414-4125 Secretary **Board of Board of** Trustees Directors Joel Church Casey LeClair Bob Meyer Chad Saddlemire Travis Costello Laudv Hovenga Ryan McCann Donnie Bauer Wes Ostrander Chris Bukowski

### **Trail Boss Contacts**

Karl Pritchard

Brian Buchardt	East Berne	872-1878
Donnie Bauer	Warner Lake	337-1985
Orvil Bates	Knox	872-1171
Skip Murrell	Township	867-1235
Joel Church	Wright	895-5451
Dominick Friello	Duanesburg	860-0736
Tom Rulison	Esperance	728-9551
Laudy Hoyenga	Sloansville	868-2092
Mark VanWoeart	Mariaville	376-0063
Scott Claus	Burtonsville	848-0524
Yancey Zimmer	Charleston	657-9588

### Support Staff

Michael Riek

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