

# **Frontier Online Store Limited Opening**

A webpage will open shortly to offer apparel featuring the Frontier Sno Riders logo. Club funds raised from the sales will go to grooming and maintenance of the trails.

Items to purchase will include tee-shirts, sweat shirts, and knit caps.

The online store will open only for two weeks, so be sure to place your order quickly. With Christmas fast approaching, Frontier Sno Rider apparel makes a great gift for your favorite rider.



Watch club website, Face Book page, Remind, and email alert for a link to the **Online Store.** 

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Equipment Barn

## Current Items In Club Stock

(not being offered in On-line Store)



Supply is limited, so be sure to buy what you want at the club meeting before they are gone. New design will look different.



Current Club Membership stands at 171 as of 10-30-2020

Skip Murrell worked with Tom Rulison and got the tracks on the Gator. It handles the track great and steers easier than thought.

Since putting the tracks on they have used it to sign some of the Knox trails and believe to have ironed out any issues (and it did have a couple small ones). Believe now it should be good for snow.

8 club members turned out for the E Berne Adopt A Highway cleanup on Nov 7. The cleanup was rescheduled from prior weekend due to snow!



Looks like Trail Boss Brian Buchardt is testing out Club Pres Gerry Lenseth's new Polaris at Griffin Motorsports!



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#### **Northern Area**

Burtonsville/Charleston C7E - Scott Claus/Yancey Zimmer -

Mariaville C7B - Mark VanWoeart -

**Sloansville C7F** - Laudy Hoyenga - Will be two or three weeks before I start sign work.

#### **Central Area**

**Esperance/Delanson C7E** - Tom Rulison - Cooley Heights area was logged off, so watch for different looking section of trail C7E.

Duanesburg C7B/S70 - Dominick Friello -

Wright C7B - Joel Church - Fill was placed on approaches to the Rt146 bridge.

#### **Southern Area**

**Township S70** - Skip Murrell - Today (10-31) we signed the Township trail and used the Gator. It worked good with no issues.

**Knox C7B** - Orvil Bates - Signed some of the Knox trails.

Maple Inn S73 - Don Bauer -

**East Berne C7B/S72** - Brian Buchardt - Starting road crossing signs in 2 to 3 weeks.



# THACHER PARK NORTHWEST CONNECTION BEING CONSIDERED

The Club has an interest in revisiting private landowner permission as well as DEC approval to reopen and connect trail S71 to the northwest end of the Thacher Park snowmobile trail at Old Stage Rd which would allow for a completed loop from S72 on the southeast end of Thacher Park.

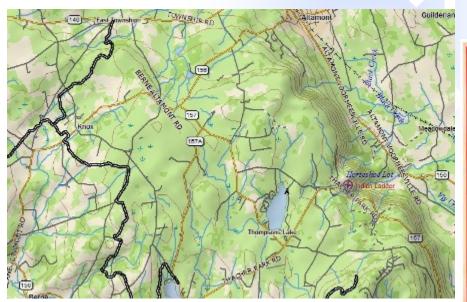
Skip Murrell mentioned last week that he has a concept for a proposed trail route. Club Pres Gerry Lenseth will reach out to DEC Wildlife Management to determine what will be required for approval in the Margaret Burke Wildlife Management Area if possible. Based on that response we will know if we should pursue private landowner approval.

This proposed trail would make a nice loop through Thacher Park. If you would like to help or know the landowners in this area, please reach out to either Skip or Gerry.





Views from Thacher Park are impressive!



Proposed area for connector trail running from the northwest end of Thacher Park back to the west to hook up near the old Highlands.



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Karl Pritchard looks on as the PB100 is readied for service.





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Blades on the brush hog used on C7E in Delanson.

## 2020-21 Trail Funding

Since May of 2020, there has been a State Division of Budget (DOB) directive that all local assistance grants will be subjected to a 20% hold back. This directive from DOB has upset all entities which receive local assistance from NY state.

From the time this directive was issued, NYSSA, its Government Affairs Committee, and Park Strategies (our lobbyist) have been in contact with DOB regarding grants which support the maintenance of the trail system. In relation to the 30% payments which are in the process of being paid now, we were able to successfully point out to DOB that the funding comes from a dedicated account which is solely funded by the registrations paid by snowmobilers and that this fund has ample revenue to support the program. In the end the 30% submissions were paid in full.



No decision has been made on the 70% funding which is schedule to go out in December. As December approaches, Parks will prepare the state aid calculations that will determine what each sponsor and club will receive. NYSSA will make the case that the trail fund has sufficient revenue in it to support the entire 2020-21 program and that fully funding the program will jump start the winter economy.

As every other outdoor recreational activity has seen an increase in participation, NYSSA anticipates greater interest in snowmobiling within the state as participants will look for staycations and travel to Canada is likely to be restricted. It is important that our trail infrastructure be well maintained so that our trails are as safe as they can be to support the increase in use.

Considering that clubs have very limited ability to raise money at club fundraisers, the only avenue they can turn to is the state assistance they receive from snowmobile registrations. NYSSA has been successful with the 30%, and we will do our very best to be successful with protecting this year's funding.

In the interim join your club! And if you can join a second one! No matter what, the clubs need your help this year and every year.

Rosanne Warner NYSSA President

(story reprint from NYSSA website)

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## Club Meeting ! Jonathan's Wed November 11 7pm

#### Trail Marshal says...

If you ride in other areas besides Frontier, please join the clubs. All clubs across the state have been very restricted on fund raising due to Covid-19. Funding is needed to keep the trails sweet.

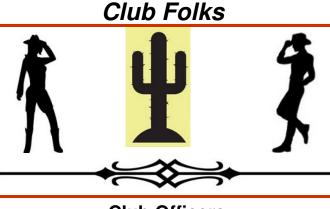






East Berne, Rt 443 Adopt A Highway volunteers: Skip Murrell, Ryan Vadney, Kyle Dente, Tyler Vadney, Mariellen Vadney, Joel Vadney, and Joel Church. Photo by Club Pres Gerry Lenseth.

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# Trail Boss Pics—Delanson



*Trail C7E above Cooley Heights has been logged off, so watch for a changed landscape. Photos by Tom Rulison.* 







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The wheels come off and the tracks go on. Thanks go out to Skip Murrell and Tom Rulison for preparing the Gator.





Have tracks will travel just about anywhere!

#### Groomer Locations 2021

2 Skandics—Charleston/Burtonsville Gator and Skandic-Mariaville Jeep-Sloansville 2 Skandics-Duanesburg/Wright PB70-Esperance/Delanson PB100-Knox/Township Bombi and Skandic-East Berne/Thacher Park Note: many locations will overlap coverage.



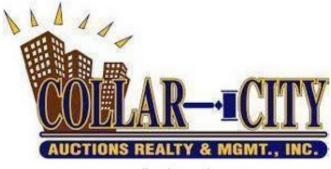


Trail Boss' Orvil Bates and Skip Murrell took the Gator out to post signs in Knox on early snow!

Photos by Tom Rulison and Skip Murrell.

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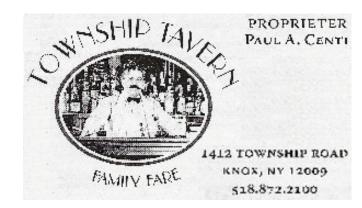
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