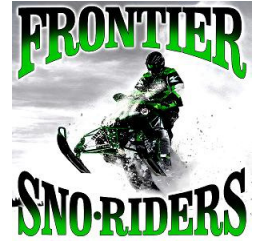
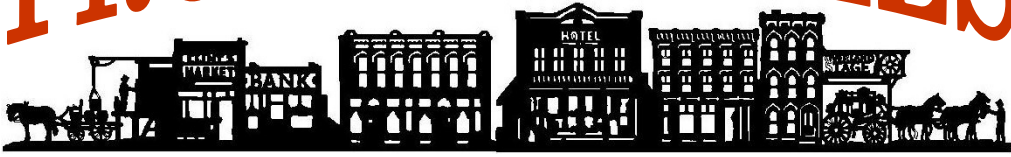


# FRONTIER TIMES



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## Grooming Has Begun On the Frontier

In late January, Frontier-land had received sufficient snowfall to begin grooming the club trails. This in turn allowed some of the trails to open. A brief warm-up quickly closed the trails, but the base held and new snow arrived Superbowl weekend, allowing the grooming to continue.

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At far left, grooming in Duanesburg, . Middle, Burtonsville. Right, Thacher Park. Photos by Trail Bosses Rob Kreitzer, Yancey Zimmer, Matt Lord.

## Club Ride 2025



*Club members enjoy themselves at the Back Barn.*

No snow? No problem, the Frontier Sno Riders Club Ride went ahead anyway. The Back Barn Brewery presented a nice place to meet. A taco food vendor served chili and tacos.

The Club covered the cost of the food. Only current club members and their guests were provided food tickets. Membership has it's advantages.

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## NYSSA Landowner Survey To Address Hunting Season

Landowner Survey committee at NYSSA has been formed to obtain survey data from private landowners of clubs primarily in the Southern Zone region regarding a proposed DEC extension of the current antlerless deer hunting and holiday hunt season. Committee re-

quested individual current club private landowner count as survey is in it's final stages and will be mailed to club landowners at NYSSA expense. Landowners are encouraged to participate in the survey, the future of snowmobiling may depend on it

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# Trail Log



Club Membership stands at 264 as of 2-9-2025

Reminder that all trail and grooming worklogs need to be submitted to Terry monthly.

Special thanks to Randy Stein in providing IT support for our new Treasurer's laptop and software.

Special thanks to MaryAnn N, Mike R and Kim Riek in conducting the December safety class.

Landowner insurance certificates and vouchers are printed for mailing. Landowner letter requires revision and mailing labels printed for distribution to landowners.

Chad Saddlemire has chaired the PB100 refresh project. Albany BOCES has requested Frontier provide a scholarship application for the students to apply for the three individual \$250 Frontier Scholarships for the work completed on the PB100. Chad and club educators have been requested to draft, submit and review the scholarship application process with Nancy Liddle at BOCES.

NYSSA raffle tickets are available for distribution to club members for fundraising - see Tammy Saddlemire.

Pres. Gerry Lenseth to open a discussion with Board of Trustees regarding club By Laws spending limits. Several items to be addressed including current requirement for \$500+ expenditures requiring Board approval - specifically pertaining to Officer of the organization. Recommending an increase to \$1,000 for Officer approved expenditures. Meal expense needs to be revisited with spike in retail food cost and tip expectations.

NYSSA support trailer has been reserved for Frontier use at the ACP Winterfest on February 22nd and Frontiers Vintage Event at Thacher Park on March 9th.

## Northern Area

**Burtonsville/Charleston C7E** - Yancey Zimmer - Northern section near Mill Point signed.

**Mariaville C7B** - Mark VanWoeart - Bridge steel is staged for gusseting. Existing bridge will require excavator for removal and i-beam install. Project postponed till postseason. Work between Lake Rd and Mary Rd entering the Florida trail system. Brushing, signing and widening trails.

**Sloansville C7F** - Chris Teahen - Reroute crossing Rt 30A and approach to Sloansville Mobil.

## Central Area

**Esperance/Delanson C7E** - Tyler Walters - Ready for snow and riding!

**Duanesburg C7B/S70** - Rob Kreitzer - Rob and crew signed to Rt 146. Elementary school needs to be roped off and signing required on Blessing property.

**Wright C7B - X- Seeking trail boss** - Matt L has drafted a proposed reroute for C7B that would require numerous landowners to provide approval. Danny P is reviewing local options and landowners will be approached to discuss proposal.

## Southern Area

**Township S70** - Skip Murrell - Completed recent reroute on Scrima property and signed trail.

**Knox C7B** - Barak Strock - Barak S, Zack S, Skip M and Justin B signed from Knox ball field to Gaige farm. Working on reroute between Knox ball field and town park to alleviate congestion. Signs installed in Knox Park to inform riders NOT to cross foot bridges - use culvert crossing only. Babbling Brook informational sign to be installed at junction of C7B and #465.

**Warner Lake S73** - Don Bauer -

**East Berne C7B/S72** - Brian Buchardt - No response from two landowners for routing off of Long Rd. Kiosk needs to be located at junction on Cole Hill flats.

**Thacher Park S72** - Matt Lord - Section requires a 10' replacement bridge to replace temporary pallets.







Club members inside the Back Barn Brewery.



Club Ride photos by Gerry Lenseth

## Help Wanted

### Secretary Position Open



Frontier Sno Riders are asking the membership for a volunteer to take on the Secretary office. Contact President Gerry Lenseth at 518-330-7373.

**Seeking** club volunteer to assume Wright Trail Boss responsibilities. North/South traffic corridor currently blocked. Contact Gerry Lenseth at 518-330-7373.

Looking for a club volunteer to take on advertisement revenue from business sponsors. Sponsors provide needed funds to the club through ads. Contact Joel Church at 315-384-4985 if interested in this highly rewarding position.

**Club seeking** a volunteer to design and maintain online store for Frontier merchandise and promotional material. Interested parties contact President Gerry Lenseth at 518-330-7373.

### Trail Marshal says...

Pay close attention to the NYSSA App to know when the trails on the Frontier go green. It is very important to stay off the trails when closed.

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# Equipment Barn



## Groomer Locations 2025

Charleston/Burtonsville  
*Skandic + CanAm 800*

Mariaville  
*Gator 825i*

Sloansville  
*Skandic*

Duanesburg/Wright  
*Gator 825i*

Esperance/Delanson  
*Jeep+ Skandic*

Knox/Township  
*PB070 + Skandic*

East Berne/Thacher Park  
*PB100 + Skandic*

Note: many locations will overlap coverage.

PB100 had Knox crew install tracks for seasonal operation. New wiper arms from Mohawk Industrial, Weatherguard aluminum diamond plated storage box and track adjustment tool were ordered and installed. Additional rear wiper arm ordered. Rear hydraulics were relocated and installed with proper bulkhead fittings for improved functionality. Rear snow flaps were fabricated and installed at no cost.

PB070 had several replacement items ordered from Mohawk Industrial. Rear hydraulic fittings were updated with proper fittings and orientation. Rear snow flaps have been fabricated and need to be installed at no cost.

1998 Jeep - Tyler installed auxiliary lighting and needs to replace the towing receiver for the drag.

2012 JD Gator front tracks received from Randall Implements and installed by Mark V. Rear drivers side track (replaced 2 years ago) has signs of interior surface rubber separation - contacting Mattracks directly regarding warranty coverage. Mark V recommends board consider complete track system replacement to Camso in off season and sell Mattracks.

2011 JD Gator - ready for season.

CanAm required new airbox from rodent infestation. Gerry Lenseth installed screening to prevent future issues.

Matt Lord installed three new batteries in both '18 sleds and '13. Both '18's required brake cylinder to be drained and fluid replaced. New skags will be installed on '08 and blown headlight issue needs to be traced for fault. '06 prepped. Miscellaneous maintenance parts ordered and installed.

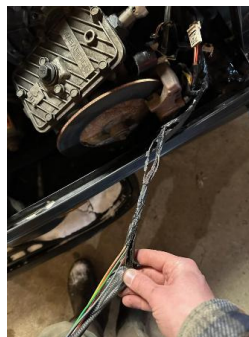
CanAm, three Skandics and one drag delivered for staging. Storage trailer works well for small equipment.

Gerry Lenseth met with landowner John Cochran to obtain approval to utilize inside PB070 groomer staging along S72. Frontier will pay a nominal fee to facilitate select operator access for groomer. Invoice will be obtained to apply toward Albany county grant funding.

Frontier ordered 551 trail marking signs from Voss Signs at \$1,072.75 as requested from trail bosses. Signs have been distributed for posting. Club expense will be applied to individual county grant funding.

Special thanks to Matt Lord for assisting in small groomer fleet prep and delivery. Appreciate all trail bosses taking responsibility for maintenance and minor repairs of grooming fleet.

Small fire on the 2006 Scandic wiped out the AC power wiring harness for headlights and taillights. New wires spliced in and electric is repaired. Some seals in gearbox took damage and will need to be repaired. Ice in the Brake caliper is the likely culprit and will be addressed.



Photos by Matt Lord





# President's Scouting Report



**All Frontier Sno-riders are to refer to and monitor the NYSSA Interactive Webmap (free on your device or laptop) <https://nyssa.evtrails.com/#> for current trail open/close status, reroutes, cautions and public information throughout the season.**

Frontier Sno-Riders trails are finally coming alive with snowmobile traffic after almost two years of closure. Always check the NYSSA Webmap for the status of your Frontier trail riding as reported by our local trail bosses.

**Respect our landowners who graciously provide you with the opportunity to ride your sleds on their property!**

Snow coverage may be at a minimum in many areas at times – so ride conservatively to extend the opportunity for everyone to enjoy.

**Groomers will be operating at various times throughout our trails – always yield to the groomers and thank them for their volunteer time and effort.**

Enjoy the riding season safely, support our local establishments and always monitor the trail status.

Gerry Lenseth  
President, Frontier Sno-Riders

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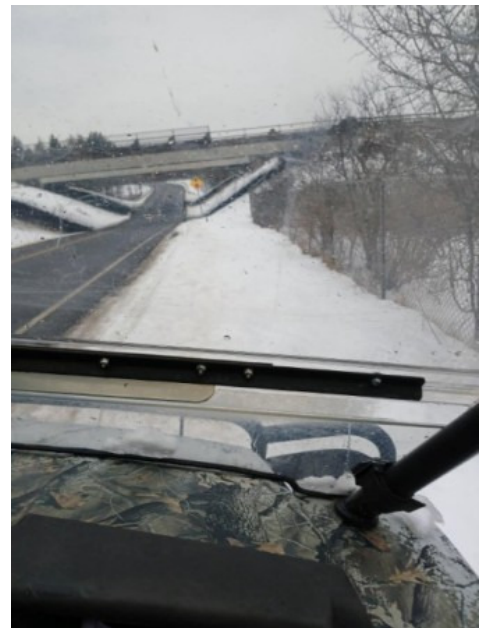


# Trail Boss Pics - Duanesburg



Tyler went out and checked trail C7B. He cleaned up a couple trees that had come down recently.

*Photos by Trail Boss Tyler Walters*



Got some panning done with the 2011 Gator reported Rob.

*Photos by Trail Boss Rob Kreitzer*

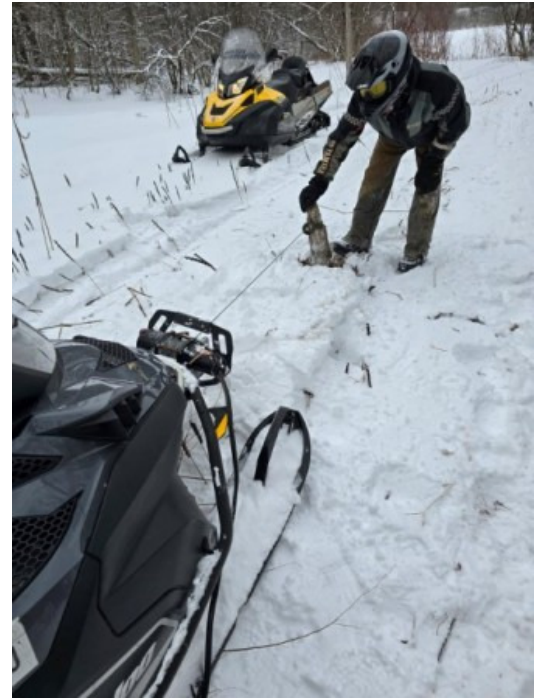
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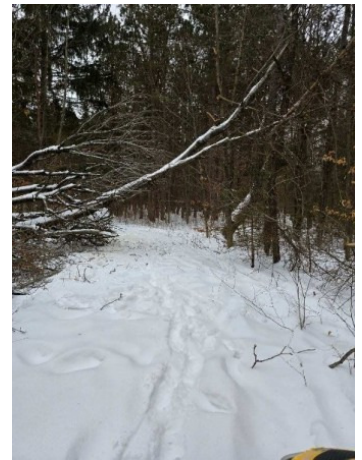




# Trail Boss Pics - Burtonsville



Someone cut it off for us, but the bridge will need some love. She's still sturdy though!



Trail Bosses Yancey Zimmer and Chris Teahen taking care of C7E.

Before and after....tree clearing.

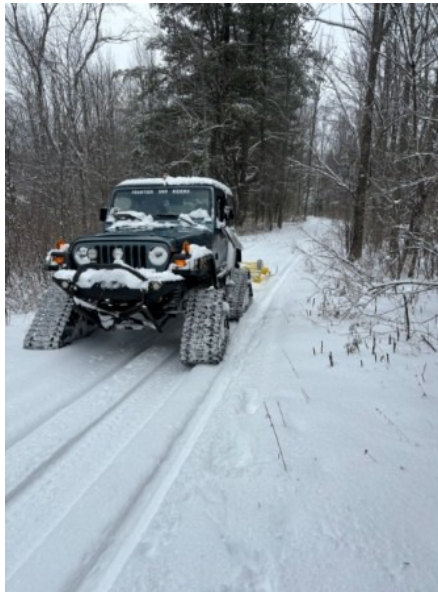




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Night time grooming in Thacher Park, photos by Trail Boss Matt Lord.



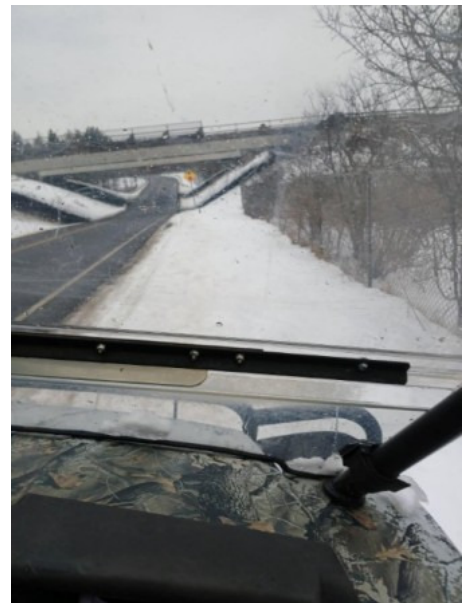
At right, Trail Boss' Matt Lord and Brian Buchardt groom S72 in East Berne.

Trail Boss Tyler Walters grooming C7E in Esperance.



On left, Trail Boss Yancey Zimmer gets into some deep snow up on C7E in Burtonsville.

On right, Trail Boss Rob Kreitzer takes the 2011 Gator under Interstate 88.







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## Trail Boss Pics - Knox



Trail Boss Skip Murrell, Rob Howard, and two passing riders cut open fallen tree on C7B near Knox ball park.

## Trail Boss Pics - East Berne



Albany County Parks has requested Frontier to facilitate the "Take a Friend Snowmobiling" event at Lawson's Lake on Saturday, February 22nd from 10am to 4pm if sufficient snow allows for the event to occur.



Trail Bosses Brian Buchardt and Matt Lord on S72 and in Thacher Park.





# Renegade Report

This report comes from East Berne. Riders riding in limited snow cover gets the trail closed in freshly seeded fields.

Fortunately trail C7B was able to be re-routed. It is very difficult to remove, without breaking, and pound back into the frozen ground sign posts.

Trail Boss Matt Lord uses a powered chisel to bore a hole in the frozen ground.

Photos by Trail Boss Brian Buchardt.

*In an on-going effort to support our landowners, we will post photos of people incorrectly operating snowmobiles on the Frontier.*

*Our landowners are due respect and we will endeavor to educate the misinformed when they stumble.*



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