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Hello Trailriders,

I hope everyone has their tickets for our Pig Roast and Ride Fundraiser on October 1st. We'll be getting together for a great ride, meal, and landowner event so check out our Facebook page and website for all the details! The weather is cooling down and people are riding more but remember hunting season is just around the corner so be aware of your surroundings and wear orange. It could help a hunter identify you if you take a walk away from your machine and that could save your life. Also, our elections are upon us! We will be nominating new officers and board members Monday September 26th at 6:30pm. Our meeting will be at the Topsham Fair Exhibition Hall. Next month is the election so if you want a say in the future of this club please come out and let your voice be heard.



Matt Abbott and Angela

As always, Ride safe!

Matt



The TTR Gang showed up for our sponsors Mom's Open House this past Saturday. We were able to get a few more memberships and sell more tickets for our Oct 1st Pig Roast! Thanks all that are making this a successful Event!



Our Social Night is held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm. This Month (October) 12th we'll be at one of our business sponsors 104 Main Public House, 104 Main Street in Topsham, Maine

Come and enjoy a night on the town with family and friends!



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EVENTS
ATV'ING/SNOWMOBILING
ADVENTURES THIS YEAR

- Oct 1st—TTR Ride and Pig Roast see add!
- Oct 5th - Over the Hill Meeting at MidCoast Pizza, Bath at 6:30pm
- Oct 12th- at 6pm our Social Night - 104 Main Public House,



24th - TTR Annual meeting at 6:30pm and Board meeting at 6pm —at the Topsham Fairground Exhibition Hall. Election of Officers!

Come and enjoy a night on the town with family and friends!

Mike Little our Trail Ride coordinator is posting on our Facebook page our next rides. Drive safely when the trails open.

**Topsham Trailriders ATV /
Snowmobile Club
Ride & Pig Roast Fundraiser**

October 1st

Ride: 2 pm Meal: 4 pm

54 Elm St Topsham Fairgrounds

Pre-Order Tickets before 9/16

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2022 AT 2 PM

Ride & Pig Roast Barbecue Club Fundraiser

Details

We have created multiple ways to purchase tickets for this event. Your options are:

1. Purchase them at any TTR club event.
2. Purchase them at any monthly club meeting.
3. Purchase them by clicking on the following link:
<https://forms.gle/wTH7AmH3aofF1cV8>

The menu will include some of our classics from our bean suppers such as beans, American chop suey, variety of pasta salads, hamburgers, hot dogs, drinks, desert and much more!

If you have any questions about the event please either message the TTR Facebook page.

Tickets will be collected at meal time.

All are welcomed to join us.

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Election of Officers. The officers of this organization shall be elected by the membership at the annual meeting (Oct. 26th, 2022) of this organization. From the nominees for each office, the one receiving the highest number of votes cast shall assume that office. If there is no more than one nominee for each office, the President may waive the requirement of formal balloting and directing the Secretary to cast one ballot for the nominee.



MIKE LITTLE OUR RIDE COORDINATOR HAD A BUSY MONTH OF SEPTEMBER DIRECTING SEVERAL MEMBERS ON OUR ATV RIDES ! THANKS MIKE PLEASE LOOK AT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR UPCOMING EVENTS!

2022 Nominations

President:
Jenny Little

Vice President
Devin Favreau

Secretary
Dee Blanchette

Treasurer
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Ron Dumont
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Xxxxxx - this spot needs to be filled



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All ATV trails in Topsham are open.

The trails are very wet and soft so exercise caution while riding.

Well fall has arrived the leaves are falling and the weather is getting colder and it's warm again, ATV season is coming to a close and it's time to start prepping for snowmobile season so get you're riding in now before Mother Nature blankets us in white and its SNOWMOBILE season again.

The trail routing between Middlesex Rd. and Bay Park Dr. has changed due to landowner requests so please pay attention to signs and stay on marked trail.

Hunting season starts this month so remember to **stay alert and wear orange when in the woods.**

Please stay off the trails during and just after heavy rains. This cuts down on the damage that has cost our club a lot of time and money to keep the Landowners happy. Please ride safe out there on or off our trails, fun is to be had without getting hurt. Enjoy the ride this summer and always respect the land to which you ride on and the landowners which allow us to ride.

Operating an ATV in wetlands, marshes, rivers, and streams is illegal in Maine.

Please stay on established trails if not we could lose the use of the trails all together. Please use Marked Bridges to cross WET, STREAM or Marsh areas on the trails. Failure to do so will result in sections of the trail being CLOSED permanently by landowners.

Permission required. A person may not operate an ATV on the land of another without the written permission of the landowner or lessee. Permission is presumed on designated state approved

ATV trails or in areas open to ATVs by landowner policy. A landowner may limit the use of a designated state-approved ATV trail on that landowner's property through agreements with the State or an ATV club to address environmental, public safety or management concerns. Written permission of the landowner or lessee is required on cropland or pastureland or in an orchard. As used in this subsection, "cropland" means acreage in tillage rotation, land being cropped and land in bush fruits, and "pastureland" means acreage devoted to the production of forage plants used for animal production.

Dirt bikes and UTV's over 65" wide are not allowed on CMP Property period.

This is a CMP rule that the club has no control over. The following trails are on CMP property #1B, RACE TRACK, #1C, and #4 from RT.196 to RT.24. Any dirt bike or UTV over 65" caught on these trails will be charged with criminal trespass.

Landowners have the right to stipulate what can and cannot be operated on the trails that use their property. If these stipulations are not followed the club will lose the use of that landowner's property. Individuals damaging or abusing their property will result in the loss of all trails for everyone.

The Speed limit is 5 MPH on the Trail behind noria shell, this is to help the trail stabilize due to soft soil.

The Speed limit is 15 MPH in the power line behind the shop on rte. 196, if this speed limit is not followed the trail will be closed permanently.

The Speed limit in residential areas like Bay Park and Topsham Crossing is 15MPH to help keep dust and noise to a minimum.

THINK AND DRIVE

1. Make sure your registration is up to date. Properly attach your Registration stickers.
2. Check your helmet. Invest in a new one if it's damaged by any dents or cracks.
3. Give your ATV a twice-over. Check that all equipment, including brakes, lights, engine, and tires are in good condition and functioning properly.
4. Familiarize yourself with local regulations and bylaws regarding ATV usage.
5. Get your emergency kit ready to go, including any or all of the following: blanket, snacks/food, waterproof matches, a whistle, insect repellent and sunblock, a flashlight, spare fuel, tea or coffee, water/water purification tablets, duct tape, signal mirror, tool kit, first aid supplies, rope, flares, spare keys, a sharp knife, and/or compass.
6. If your children want to ride, ensure they have completed the ATV safety course. If you haven't ridden before or could just use a re-fresher, do the same. Don't let your children use adult-sized ATVs.
7. Consider taking a first aid course. It doesn't hurt to be prepared.
8. Get yourself in the mindset for a great riding season. Have fun!

All ATV trails are operated on privately owned land, individuals damaging or abusing their property will result in the loss of all ATV trails for everyone.

TRUCKS AND CARS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON ATV/SNOWMOBILE TRAILS IN THE STATE OF MAINE WITHOUT LANDOWNER PERMISSION.

RESPECT LANDOWNER'S - STAY ON MARKED TRAILS AND ONLY MARKED TRAILS AND OBEY ALL POSTED SIGNS. USE IS A PRIVILEGE, NOT A RIGHT. RIDE AT OWN RISK.

While riding please wear proper protective equipment and keep speeds at a safe level. Ride Smart, Ride Safe, Ride Sober.

Again, if you're out on the trail please bring a pair of clippers or even a small saw to help cut back the new growth from the summer. Every snip helps.

Golden Rules for Safe ATV Operation

1. Always wear a helmet and other protective gear.
2. Never ride on public roads – another vehicle could hit you.
3. Never ride under the influence of alcohol or other drugs.
4. Never carry a passenger on a single-rider vehicle.
5. Ride an ATV that's right for your age. The CPSC age/size guidelines are:

Age 6 and older	Under 70cc
Age 12 and older	70cc – 90cc
Age 16 and older	Over 90cc
6. Supervise riders younger than 16; ATVs are not toys.
7. Ride only on designated trails and at a safe speed.
8. Take an ATV Rider Course; to enroll call toll free (800) 887-2887.



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Our regular meetings will be the **LAST** Monday of each month.

This month at the Topsham Fairgrounds Exhibition Hall, Elm Street Topsham at 6:30pm