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## MONTHLY TTR SOCIAL NIGHT INFORMATION



Join us for a meal at Buffalo Wild Wings in Topsham! Please mark if you are coming so we can give the restaurant an accurate count.

We do our socials on the second Wednesday of the month. All are welcome to come and enjoy a good meal and good conversation



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## Notes from our President - Jenny Little

Hello Trailriders!

Sometimes the best ideas come from the simplest of conversations. When Ride for a Cure President Brandy Marchetti and I began talking about the organization's upcoming fifth anniversary, the thought of holding a 5 th year birthday celebration ride came up. Jenny brought the idea to the TTR board—and the answer was a resounding yes.

On Saturday, **October 18, 2025**, that idea becomes reality. The East Side of the TTR trail system will be filled with riders, families, and supporters coming together not just for the thrill of the ride, but for something much deeper: hope, strength, and community.

Folks, this event isn't just about raising money. It's about honoring every survivor, remembering those we've lost, and showing the families still fighting that we stand beside them. We warmly invite cancer survivors to join us—whether to ride, to connect, or simply to let us celebrate you.

Ride for a Cure supports multiple beneficiaries across Maine, and every dollar raised stays right here in the state to help neighbors, friends, and loved ones facing the toughest of battles.

Everyone is welcome—whether you ride with us, stop in to make a donation, or simply come out to stand in solidarity. For those who can't attend, contributions are still deeply appreciated and will go directly to the cause.

And yes, because no celebration is complete without it—there will be cake.

On October 18, 2025, we ride for hope, for strength, for healing, and for five years of making a difference. If you have any questions in how to make a donation, please contact me.

Otherwise, I hope to see you at the event.



## Mud Runs at the Topsham Fair Topsham Fair !



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### Notes from the Ride Coordinator

**E** August was another jam-packed month for TTR! Even with the busy schedule around the Topsham Fair, we still managed to squeeze in plenty of fun on the trails—and we're not slowing down as we head into September.

### Here's a quick look at what's coming up:

#### August 30th – West Paris

A more technical ride—pack a bag lunch!

We'll be leaving Topsham McDonald's at 7:00 AM for anyone who would like to follow Mike up.

#### September 6th – Baldwin

Another great day ride—pack a lunch for this one, too.

We'll be leaving Topsham McDonald's at 7:00 AM for anyone who would like to follow Mike up.

#### September 13th – Western Maine Toy Run (Farmington)

Always a special event—we're excited to see its return this year.

#### September 19th–22nd – Houlton Overnight Ride

A full weekend of riding and fun—don't miss it!

For additional details on any of these rides, please check out our Facebook events or feel free to contact me directly.

**T** Let's keep the momentum rolling into fall—it's going to be a great month on the trails!

**T** As a reminder, all of our 2025 ATV events and trail work parties have been posted on our Facebook page so please check them out for additional details. And finally, it would help the club out tremendously if everyone updated their Facebook status as going to not going to allow us to plan for these events. As always if you would like to help during any of these events please contact me, Michael Little, Ride Coordinator, for Topsham Trailriders at 207-522-3780.



Mike Little

### Upcoming Events

August 26<sup>th</sup> — **Tuesday Night Trail Work Party** — 5:00pm — West Side — Meeting at our West Side Park and Ride

August 30<sup>th</sup> -- **Out of Town Ride to West Paris** — Leaving from Topsham McDonald's at 7 am

September 2nd — **Tuesday Night Trail Work Party** — 5:00pm — East Side — Meet at the Park and Ride

September 6th -- **Out of Town Ride in Baldwin** — Leaving from Topsham McDonald's at 7:00 am

September 10<sup>th</sup> — **TTR Social Night** — Buffalo Wild Wings — Topsham at 6:00 pm

September 13<sup>th</sup> -- **Out of Town Ride to Farmington** — Leaving from Topsham McDonald's at 7 am

September 13<sup>th</sup> — **MOMS Topsham Open House** — Topsham Fair Mall -- Topsham

September 19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> – **Out of Town Weekend Trip to Houlton** — Check Facebook event for details.

September 21<sup>st</sup> – **Road Side Clean-Up** – 8:00 am — West Side Park and Ride

September 27<sup>th</sup> -- **Big Trail Work Party** — 8:00 am — East Side — Meeting at the Park and Ride — Hauling Gravel

September 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm— **Monthly Club Meeting** — Exhibition Hall on the Topsham Fairgrounds

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### Photos from the Hailey's Wind Tower ride!



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First and foremost, I'd like to once again extend a sincere thank you to all of our volunteers who continue to dedicate their time and energy to maintaining our trail system. Without your hard work, our club simply couldn't function at the level it does today.

As many of you know, earlier this season we lost access to a portion of trail leaving from the West side park-and-ride due to a landowner developing their property. While we fully respect and understand their decision, this change means we need to pursue a reroute. Documentation has been submitted and we are awaiting approval. A general inspection was recently completed, giving us an idea of the scope of work, and we're actively working on securing funding. This project will be a major undertaking, and once we have more details, we will share them with you. At that time, we will need as many helping hands as possible to make the reroute a reality.

In the meantime, our trail crew will also be focusing energy on preparing the East Side of our system for the upcoming Ride for a Cure cancer benefit ride on Saturday, October 18th. To get ready, we will be placing additional gravel and stone in areas that need reinforcement to withstand the high volume of traffic expected that day.

To accomplish this, we'll be holding a work party on Saturday, September 27 at 8:00 AM, meeting at the Eastside park-and-ride. If there are any changes to this plan, Jenny or I will send out an update via email.

Thank you again for your support, your time, and your commitment to the trails we all enjoy. Together, we'll keep moving forward.

Below contains pertinent information that everyone should be aware of when our trails do open.

#### Miscellaneous Information from the Trail Master

All of our 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. Landowner's 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 land owners' property. Individuals damaging or abusing their property will result in the loss of all trails for everyone. And remember that trucks and cars are not allowed on any ATV/Snowmobile trails in the State of Maine without landowner permission.

And remember if a Landowner wishes to limit the use of their property either for a short window of time or for an extended of time, they have the right to do so. Any club in the state cannot do what they do without the support of their landowners. So please help us help you by respecting our landowners.

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



Photos from some of this month's trail work!

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

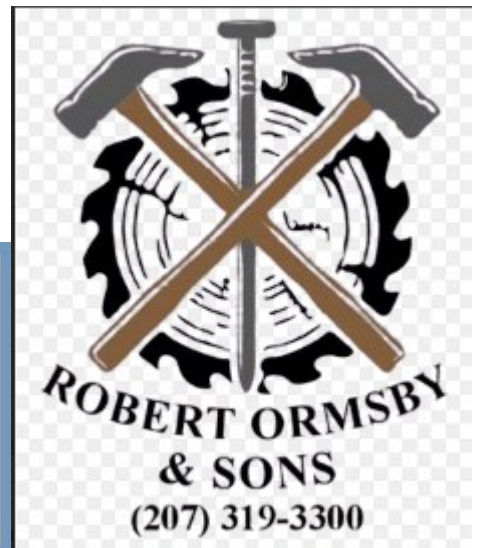
Please stay on established trails if not we could lose the use of the trails all together. Please use all marked bridges to cross wet, stream or marsh areas on the trails. Failure to do so will result in sections of the trail being CLOSED permanently by landowners.

**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.**

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

**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.**





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Our next regular meeting is scheduled for **September Monday, 29th.**

*At the Topsham Fairground in the Exhibition Hall 54 Elm St, Topsham Maine at 6:30pm*