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NIGHT INFORMATION

Notes from our President - Jenny Little

Hello Trailriders!

one ATV at a time.

The Topsham Trailriders officially kicked off the 2025 season on Saturday, June 7th, by participating in the Ken Snowdon Pittsfield to Greenville Memorial Ride. With 85 machines joining us, the turnout was incredible—and the weather couldn't have been better for such a large group.

The following weekend, we hosted our first in-town event of the year: a Diaper Drive Benefit Ride. Thanks to the generosity of our members and supporters, we raised over \$430 and collected 1,060 diapers to support families in our local community. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed!



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Looking ahead, we're excited to announce that Topsham Trailriders will be hosting a Ride for a Cure event on Saturday, October 18th. This cancer awareness ATV ride is dedicated to raising funds for cancer centers across Maine. Since its inception in 2020, Ride for a Cure has raised

over \$50,000 to support local cancer care, driven by the mission to conquer cancer in all colors,

We've been actively fundraising for this event since early 2025, and we'd love to include your name on our event T-shirt as a show of community and support. A \$50 donation secures your name on this unique keepsake. The deadline to be included on the shirt is August 1st, so don't

JULY SOCIAL NIGHT!

Join us for a pot luck social night at the home of our long time members Randy and Marcia Bickford 96 Summer Street Lisbon Falls.

They have kindly opened up their backyard and have offered to host TTR's July social night. It is important to note to everyone who is planning on attending that you will need to bring a dish ready to serve and share. Suggested food items include but not limited to: pizza, wings, kielbasa, salads, buffalo chicken dip, finger sandwiches, chili, and meatballs. We would like to provide our host with a headcount of how many that will be joining us so please mark if you are coming and what dish you will be bringing in an effort to prevent duplicates.

This event is weather dependent so as the event gets closer please check back for updates. 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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All proceeds from sponsorships and T-shirt sales will go directly to the Ride for a Cure initiative. If you'd like to be part of this meaningful cause,

please call 207-837-7328. We'd be thrilled to have your support!

Let's make this season one to remember. Stay safe, ride smart, and we'll see you out on the trails!









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TRAIL SEASON IS HERE – AND WE'RE OFF TO A FANTASTIC

Notes from our Ride Coordinator

Thank you to everyone who attended events that we held in June. We appreciate your support and your participation means a lot to the club. We are gearing up for busy month of July.

Our first ride scheduled for July is planned for Saturday, July 5th. Our original plan was to head to the Onawa Trestle but the access trail is still closed and unsure if it will open this year. So I've decided to still depart from Dover Foxcroft and head to Wildwoods Trailside Restaurant located in Brownville. If anyone is interested in following me up to Dover Foxcroft I will be leaving from the Topsham McDonalds

at 6:30 am! We are aiming to leaving from the Irving Gas Station in Dover Foxcroft at 8:30 am. Please either email topshamtrailriders@gmail.com or update your status

on Facebook as attending so we can notify the restaurant ahead of time. This is always a great ride that covers all sorts

We will once again be participating in the Moxie Day parade on Saturday, July 12 th. The parade is scheduled to begin at 10 am but I anticipate we will need to be there much earlier than that. Final details about this event will be emailed out so be sure to check your inbox. A reminder to participate in this event you must be a member of Topsham Trailriders for insurance purposes.

Following the Moxie Day parade, we are optimistic that we will be able to host a night ride on the West side of our Trail system. Given the portion of trail we no longer have access to we are going to get a little creative for this event. The date of the event is Saturday, July 19 th. Registration for this event begins at 5:00 pm and the ride will depart at 6:00 pm. The cost to join us for this event is \$10.00 per person and we will have pizza, door prizes, and oodles of

And our final adventure for the month is scheduled for Friday, July 25 th till Sunday, July 27th when we head to New Hampshire. We do not currently have any official plans to ride the Friday when we arrive but never say never! Please do not forget that this adventure does require a New Hampshire registration and motel if you plan on staying overnight. If you have not started this and need help how you can get this completed in time, please contact Jenny Little.

T If you have any questions these events, please do not hesitate in reaching out to either myself or the club. 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-R



Upcoming Events

July 1st — Tuesday Night Trail Work Party — 5:00pm — West Side

July 5th -- Out of Town Ride to Brownville - Leaving from

July 8th — Tuesday Night Trail Work Party — 5:00pm — West Side – Meet at 439 Lewiston Road – Park behind the building

July 9th — TTR Monthly Social Night – 6 pm – Randy and Marcia Bickfords' Home – 96 Summer St in Lisbon – It is a Pot

July 12th – TTR Rides in the Moxie Day Parade – Lisbon Additional Information will be emailed!

July 13th — HUGE TTR Trail Work Party — Brigham Trail — All hands on deck for this work party! Meet at the end of 168 Branch Road in Topsham — 8 am

July 15th — Tuesday Night Trail Work Party — 5:00pm — West Side – Meet at the end of 168 Branch Road in Topsham

July $19^{th}-$ In-Town TTR West Side Night Ride $-5:\!00~pm$ Check Facebook for updates / details about this event will be emailed out.

July 22nd — **Tuesday Night Trail Work Party** — 5:00pm — Meet at 439 Lewiston Road – Park behind the building

July $25^{th}-27^{th}$ — Out of Town Weekend Trip to New Hampshire — Check Facebook event for details.

July 28^{th} at 6:30~pm— Monthly Club Meeting – Exhibition Hall on the Topsham Fairgrounds

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A reminder that Topsham Trailriders is still collecting bottles for our future clubhouse! There are a few easy ways to get your bottles added to our search. From the comfort of your home you can easily transfer a portion of your Clynk account balance to Topsham Trailriders! We've





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Trailmaster Notes

Trail Season Is Here – And We're Off to a Fantastic Start!



The ATV season has officially kicked off, and we're already seeing the results of an amazing community effort. A huge THANK YOU goes out to all the dedicated volunteers who have helped prepare our trails. So far this season, you've logged over 150 hours of trail work—an incredible achievement!

From clearing debris and repairing damage to improving trail conditions, your hard work ensures that our trail system remains safe, enjoyable, and accessible for everyone. We truly couldn't do it without you!

Tim Williams We're

Assistant Trailmasters: Sam Bulmer (West Side) Isaac Ruehl (East Side) Brad Hoskins (East Side) James Belanger (Winter)

TTR Secures Municipal Grant to Boost Trail Improvements

We're excited to share that TTR is once again utilizing a municipal grant to help us accomplish even more this season. This funding is a vital resource that allows us to maintain and enhance our trail system for all riders.

A portion of these funds has been designated specifically for repairs to the Brigham Trail. The magnitude of work needed on this trail is significant and will require all hands on deck. While we haven't finalized the exact dates for our portion of the work, please keep an eye on your inboxes—we'll be send-

ing out details soon about upcoming Brigham Trail work parties. Your help will be essential in making this project a success!



IT'S THAT TIME OF THE YEAR AGAIN – TIME TO REGISTER YOUR MACHINES!

As we ride into the season, don't forget—ATV registration is required. All ATVs must display registration numbers clearly on both the front and rear of the vehicle. These come in the form of stickers issued by the state of Maine.

Registrations are valid for one year starting July 1st. If you register between May 1st and June 30th, your registration is valid from the date of issue until June 30th of the following year.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Operating an ATV without visible registration numbers in the designated areas is not permitted. Make sure your stickers are in place and clearly visible to stay compliant and safe. Don't wait—register your machine today and ride with confidence all season long!

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. 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 RAILS AND OBEY

ALL POSTED SIGNS. USE IS A PRIVILEGE, NOT A RIGHT.

RIDE AT OWN RISK.



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The Board of Directors meet on the Last Monday of each month at 6:00 PM See our Facebook Page for Location!



****NOTICE****

This Newsletter is the official publication of the Topsham Trailriders ATV/Snowmobile Club Inc. 2003. WE MEET AT 6:30 PM OF EACH MONTH SEE OUR FACE-BOOK PAGE FOR THE LOCATION OF OUR NEXT MEETING!

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