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MONTHLY TTR SOCIAL NIGHT INFORMATION

104 MAIN PUBLIC HOUSE TTR OCTOBER

Join us for a meal at 104 Main Street 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

Notes from our President - Jenny Little

Hello Trailriders!

What a month it has been! September kept us busier than ever—in fact, the club managed to double-book ourselves this month and yet once again you all amazed me. Your generosity, flexibility, and willingness to step up for our community is inspiring. I can't thank you enough for everything you do to keep this club thriving.

It's hard to believe we're already at the end of September, which means it's nomination season for next year's board. During our upcoming club meeting on Monday, September 29th, we'll be taking nominations for the 2025-2026 board.

If you've ever thought about getting involved, now's the time! We're always looking for fresh perspectives and new ideas, and it's healthy for any organization to welcome different voices. The first step is simply to show up—so come join us, learn more, and consider taking on a role. Remember, elections will be held in October as we gear up for yet another exciting season.

Southern Maine Ride for a Cure – Saturday, October 18th

I'd be remiss if I didn't remind everyone about the most energizing event of the year! Whether you ride or not, everyone is welcome to join the celebration of this fifth anniversary milestone.

Registration: 8:30 AM
Ride Departs: 10:00 AM
Location: Pulling Ring at the Topsham Fairgrounds, 32 Community Way

This benefit event has something for everyone:

Watch the Tilt Master challenge (certain to be a crowd favorite!)
Enjoy face painting and other fun activities
Check out the pie contest—or better yet, enter it!

It's only $20 per machine, and the festivities will run all day long. So grab your family and friends, and come help us celebrate five amazing years of supporting this great cause.

I'm proud to be part of such a dedicated and enthusiastic club, and I look forward to seeing all of you—whether at the September 29 meeting, the upcoming elections, or out on the trails for the Ride for a Cure.

Thank you for making the Topsham Trailriders what we are today.

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EVENTS 2025

Notes from the Ride Coordinator

Mike Little

What a September it's been, TTR crew! We've just rolled back into town from a fantastic adventure up in Houlton and the County did not disappoint. From crisp fall views to miles of trails, it was the perfect way to wrap up another action-packed month.

But we're not slowing down yet—October is ready to roar!

Next Stop: Kingfield – Saturday, October 4th

We'll meet bright and early at 6:30 AM at the Topsham McDonald's before heading toward Kingfield. Our mid-day break will be near Solon, where you'll be able to grab lunch and fuel. If you'd rather play it safe, feel free to bring extra gas.

Rosie Gendron Ride In Lisbon– Sunday, October 12th

Mark your calendars for the third annual Rosie Gendron Ride as we explore the scenic Lisbon & Lisbon Falls area. We'll gather at 9 AM at the Left-Hand Clubhouse at the end of Wagg Road.

Ride for a Cure Benefit – Saturday, October 18th - Topsham

This one's close to our hearts. We'll roll out from the Pulling Ring at the Topsham Fairgrounds (32 Community Way) at 10 AM. This ride is so much more than just a trail day—come out and show your support for an incredible cause.

Thanks for another unforgettable month—let's keep the throttle open and the adventures coming!

We're already brainstorming our 2026 ride schedule, and we'd love your input. Got a trail you're dying to share? Ideas for new destinations? Reach out to Ride Coordinator Mike Little at 207-522-3780—your suggestions help make TTR the best riding family around.

Upcoming Events

October 4th -- **Out of Town Ride in Kingfield**– Leaving from Topsham McDonald's at 6:30 am

October 5th -- **Trail Work Party**– 8:00 am — West Side – Meet at the end of 68 Branch Road -- Topsham – Hauling out bridge

October 8th – **TTR Social Night** – 104 Main Public – Topsham at 6:00 pm

October 11th -- **Trail Work Party**– 8:00 am — East Side – Meet at our Park and Ride – Final Preparations for Ride for a Cure

October 12th -- **Out of Town Ride to Lisbon** – Leaving Left Hand Clubhouse located at the end of Wagg Road at 9 am

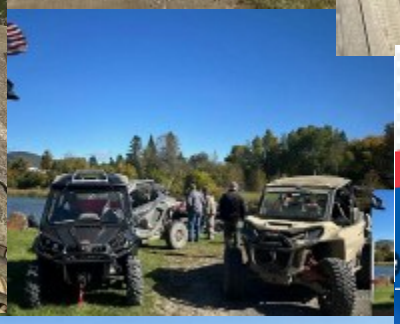
October 17th – **Setting up for the Ride for a Cure Event** – Topsham Fair -- Topsham

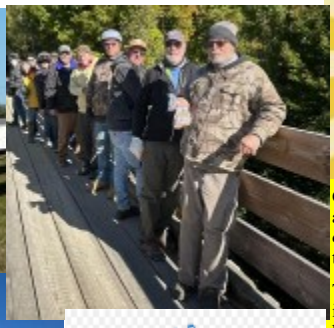
October 18th – **Ride for a Cure Event** – MAJOR TTR EVENT – ALL HANDS ON DECK! Topsham Fair

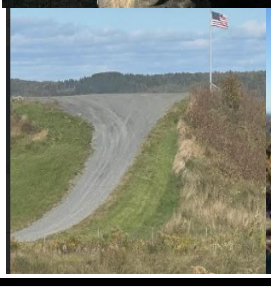
October 27th at 6:00 pm— **Pot Luck / Annual Club Meeting** – Exhibition Hall on the Topsham Fairgrounds

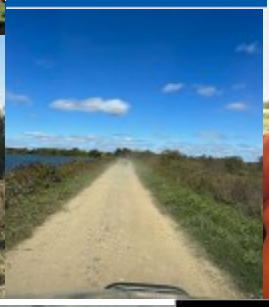
Please read the Ride Coordinator article for more details!

TTR CLUB ACTIVIES









Our annual meeting is scheduled for October 27th and it is when we elect officers/board members, discuss the future season, and any other important topics.

The club is always looking for new people to be involved so if you are interested in stepping up and helping the club please let any of the officers or board members know.

Everyone is invited to come at 6 pm with a dish for all to share. We will eat and socialize before our meeting which begins at 6:30pm.

Meeting location: This meeting will be held in the Exhibition Hall on the Topsham Fairgrounds.

All are welcome to join us!!

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Trailmaster Notes

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Tim Williams

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

We are quickly rolling toward the end of another fantastic riding season, it's time to celebrate what we've accomplished—and gear up for what's next!

Major Trail Upgrade Complete

This past month we tackled a significant repair on the Brigham Trail (west side), and the results speak for themselves. A huge shout-out to Bursey Enterprises of Topsham for once again teaming up with the club to get the job done. The improvements are already making a remarkable difference—not only on Brigham but also on Trail 1D. I can't wait for everyone to get out there and experience the smoother, safer ride for themselves.

Ride for a Cure – Saturday, October 18th

No time to rest, folks! The Ride for a Cure benefit ride is fast approaching and will take place on the east side of our trail system. This event is more than just a ride—it's a chance for our community to come together and support a worthy cause. Mark your calendar and don't miss it!

Upcoming Work Parties – Lend a Hand!

To get our trails in perfect shape before the big ride, we've scheduled a series of work parties:

- Saturday, September 27th – The Big One! – This is the work party you don't want to miss. We'll be hauling in gravel, using a tractor to load trailers and move material to key spots so the trail system is ready for the October 18 benefit ride.Sunday,
- October 5th – Meet at the east side park-and-ride (dirt lot at the entrance to Mt. Ararat High School, 68 Eagles Way). Arrive by 7:45 AM, ready to work at 8:00 AM.
- Saturday, October 11th – Likely again on the east side, same location and time.

All work parties are important, but September 27th is critical, so please come lend a hand if you can.

A heartfelt thank you to all our incredible volunteers—your energy and dedication keep our trails in top shape and our events running strong.

If you have any questions about these events or want to get involved, don't hesitate to reach out to me anytime.

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.

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

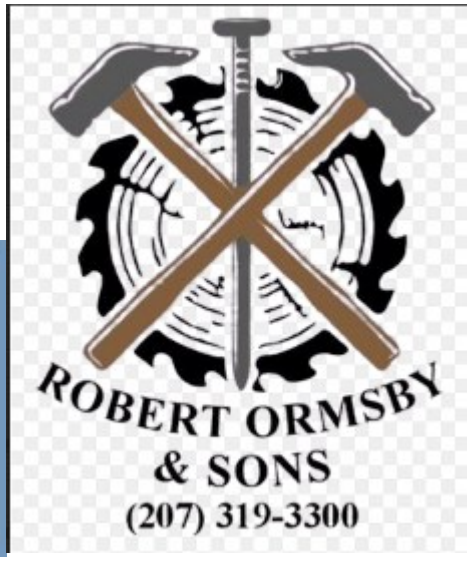
Please stay on established trails if not we could lose the use of the trails all together. Please use all marked bridges to cross wet, stream or marsh areas on the trails. Failure to do so will result in sections of the trail being CLOSED permanently by landowners.

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 **Monday, September 29th.**

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