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Our Social Night is held on the second Wednesday of each month at

6:00pm. This Month (January) 11th we'll be at Buffalo Wild Wings in Topsham, Maine

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



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Notes from our President - Jenny Little

Hello Trailriders,

I hope everyone had an amazing holiday season! This past December we held our 15th annual Christmas social at the Fairground Café. We would like to thank them for hosting our event and a grand time was had by all of the folks who attended.



As we approach the beginning of 2023, I am happy to share that Topsham Trailriders is setting up for another stellar year. We will continue to work on improving our current trail systems along with offering many opportunities to ride with us around the great state of Maine. One component that helps to create our continued success is the help we receive from our business sponsors year after year. In 2022, we introduced the chance of having our business sponsors logos' added to our club tshirt. We are once again presenting our business sponsors with that same opportunity however this year we do have a somewhat firm deadline of February 1st to ensure shirts are ready for the kickoff of the 2023 ATV season. If you are currently a business sponsor or would like to become a TTR business sponsor and would like to be included on this year's tshirt please contact <u>info@topshamtrailriders.com</u> and we would be happy to assist you.

To end I would also like to share that Topsham Trailriders is coordinating an out of town snowmobile event on Saturday, January 28th. Our ride coordinator will be updating the Facebook event when he finds a decent location to ride in.

See you on the trails!







Trailmaster's Notes



Trailmaster Charlie Parkinson 207-319-5142

All Trails are CLOSED to ATV's/UTV's for snowmobile season. The only exception is ATV's/UTV's outfitted with snow tracks and registered as a snowmobile.

ALL RIDERS ARE REQUIRED TO STAY 25 FEET AWAY FROM ALL POWER POLES AND GUIDE WIRES.

It's SNOWMOBILE season again. The Trails will be open to snowmobiles once all cattle fences and gates have been opened, all trail obstructions have been removed, and the trails properly signed. There will Be some changes this season trail #1A on the west side of town is CLOSED as properties have sold to new owners, to get around this there is a new trail that connects trail #1C in the powerline to trail #2B before Bradley pond. Please pay attention to signs for the changes. Snowmobiles are not allowed on Trail #1B this is an ATV only trail. If

you have not looked at the trail map you need to so that you ride on the correct trails this season. We have many water crossing and we try to keep an eye on them for your safety. If you see a sign that says thin ice, or trail closed, please stay off. If you see something that you think is not safe please let myself or Dan know ASAP.

THE ATHLETIC FIELDS, PARKING LOTS, AND SCHOOL GROUNDS OF MT ARARAT HIGH SCHOOL ARE OFF LIMITS TO SNOWMOBILES. THE TOWER AREA AND TOWER ROAD ARE ALSO OFF LIMITS TO SNOWMO-BILES.

RESPECT LANDOWNERS - STAY ON MARKED TRAILS AND OBEY ALL POSTED SIGNS. USE IS A PRIVI-LEGE, NOT A RIGHT. RIDE AT OWN RISK.

The only authorized parking lot to use on the east side is across from the bus garage for loading and unloading. Without property owners consent there would be no trails for people to ride. Take the extra time now to look over your sleds and make sure they are ready for some fun in the snow without the headache of being stuck out in the winter wonderland walking when you should be riding.

ALL ICE/WATER CROSSINGS ARE RIDE AT YOUR OWN RISK.

All snowmobile trails are operated on privately owned land. 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 snowmobile club will lose the use of that

landowner's property. Individuals damaging or abusing their property will result in the loss of all snowmobile trails for everyone.

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.

Access between the East and West side of town is not possible anymore due to the trail being closed by the landowner several years ago.

Access to and from Lisbon falls on trail #1C is not possible anymore due to a closed gate on the ward rd.

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





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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!



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Jan 30th - TTR monthly meeting at 6:30pm and Board meeting at 6pm —<u>*This month*</u> *it's at the St John's Church basement, Pleasant Street in Brunswick at 6:30pm*