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Notes from our President - Jenny Little

Hello Trailriders,

I hope everyone had an amazing Thanksgiving holiday! Hard to believe we are entering into the last month of 2023!

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of you for being avid supporters of the Topsham Trailriders ATV / Snowmobile club. Without our club members and our landowners, the club would not be in existence. The club continues to make great strides and it is because of all of your hard work and dedication that makes that happen. A shout out to the trail crew that volunteered more than 40 hours on our trails. You've certainly earned the \$200 gift certificate that the CMPS Trail Fund gives to the volunteers who have donated at least 40 hours to better the trails.

And finally, I would like to remind everyone that we will be hosting our annual TTR Christmas Holiday Party at the Fairground Café on Wednesday, December 13th at 6 pm. However, you are welcome to arrive before then if you would like to. We will once again be doing Yankee Swap during the party so if you would like to participate in the swap, please bring gift no more than \$20 to join in the fun.

Topsham Trailriders would like to take the opportunity to wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you on the trails!



TTR Christmas Social

We're having a party and you're invited! The club is having its annual Christmas party at 6:00 pm on December 13th at the **Topsham Fairground Cafe**. All are invited, we simply ask that you RSVP to this event so we can give the restaurant a heads up. Please feel free and arrive early!

The club will provide some door prizes to be raffled off. For fun we will be doing a Yankee swap. The Yankee swap cap will be \$20 so please don't spend your heating money on us!

Everyone is responsible for their own meal costs!
Come and enjoy a night on the town with family and friends!

It is important to thank those folks in our local community for all that they do. We had an opportunity to thank the Topsham Police Department and Topsham Fire Department for all that they do for the Topsham community but also surrounding communities! As a small token we brought the crew lunch from Jersey Mike's!

We would like to thank all of the folks who helped to make this happen our business sponsor Muddy River Farm Aquaponics and our club members!



November Social Night at Bolos in Brunswick



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EVENTS

ATVing/Snowmobiling

NOV 28TH TUESDAY REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING TO BE HELD AT THE TOPSHAM LIBRARY AT 25 FORESIDE ROAD

Dec 3rd — Possible Trail work Party see our Facebook for details!

Dec. 13th — We're having a party and you're invited! The club is having its annual Christmas party at 6:00 pm on December 13th at the **Topsham Fairground Cafe.**

Please read the Ride Coordinator article for more details!

DRIVE SAFELY ON TRAILS



The 2023 riding season has come to end and what a great one we had despite all of the rain. Don't worry though I've already put together the 2024 ride calendar with the help of We -ATV 207! I pooled together all of the feedback we've received over this past season and used it to help create the calendar. I really think a lot of folks will be very pleased and as always all are welcomed to ride with Topsham Trailriders. If you would like to help during one of these events, please feel free and contact myself, Michael Little, Ride Coordinator, for Topsham Trailriders at 207-522-3780.



We had a grand time grilling up a storm for **Veterans Day** at MOMS Topsham while collecting donations for House in the Woods.



Topsham Trailriders participated in the Trunk or Treat facilitated by the Parks and Recreation Department of Topsham. There may have been a chill in the air but seeing the smiles on the kids faces makes it all worth it. Thank you to the members who braced the elements! Hope everyone enjoyed their Halloween!



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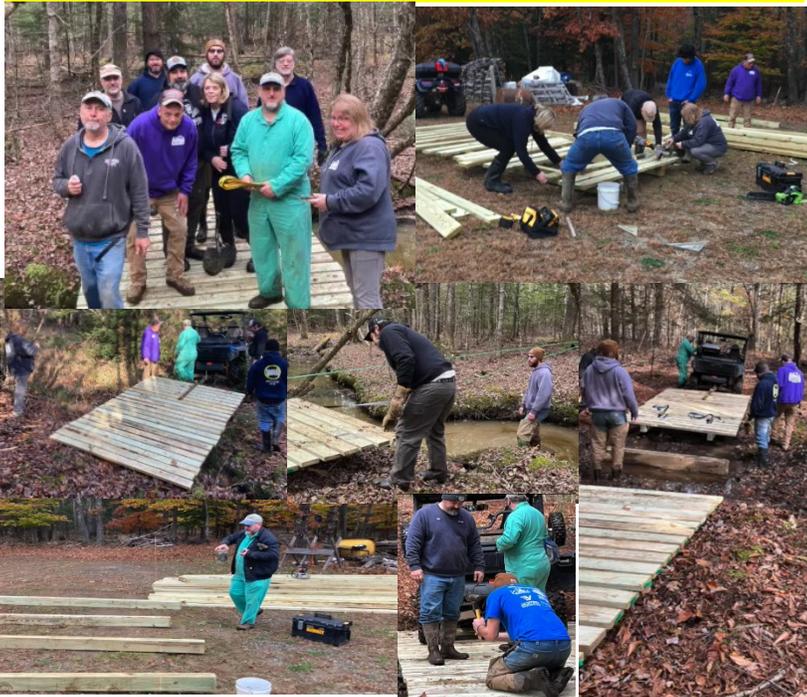
The trail entrance to the west side trails is closed until further notice, this means no access to the trails on the west side from or to the gas station due to landowner construction

The trails are very wet and soft so exercise caution while riding. The weather has been flip flopping between warm, cold and rain. The water levels on the trails are very high, frozen water holes might seem safe but the ice is less than an inch thick it might support the weight of a person but will not support the weight of an ATV or UTV. Some of these water holes are over 3 feet deep and can cause your machine to get stuck in the ice or flipped sideways. ATV season is fast coming to a close, and the trails will be closing to ATV's/UTV's and snowmobile season will begin after the first large snow fall. The trails will be closed to all ATV's/UTV's with the exception of tracked AT- V's/UTV's registered as snowmobiles for snowmobile season. I hope everyone enjoys their holiday season. We will be looking for people to help with trail setup and grooming this snowmobile season.

Hunting season is in full swing so remember to stay alert and wear orange when in the woods. Please leave all hunting setups alone as they are on private property and may belong to the landowner.

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 Land Owners happy. Please ride safe out there on or off our trails, fun is to be had without getting hurt. Enjoy the ride this fall and always respect the land to which you ride on and the landowners which allow us to ride.

Topsham Trailriders - November Trail Work East Side Party



Topsham Trailriders held their annual club elections. We would like to begin by thanking all of the nominees for the willingness to help the club. It is our honor to share with you the results of the elections:
Executive Board
President: Jenny Little
Vice President: Tim Williams
Secretary: Jessica Emmert
Treasurer: Tim Moody
Board of Directors:
Randy Bickford Michael Little
Richard Arsenault Noah Herrick
Don Curtis
Two longtime seasoned board members of Topsham Trailriders term ended. Rocky League and Ron Dumont your years of commitment & service to the club is to be commended. The club thanks you for your years of service and we hope that you will continue to be involved with the club. 2024 will officially kick off 25 years of TTR and we hope to make it another stellar year!

TTR Member Tip of the Month
Tip for November from : Cic & Bob Eberle
Join a great club like TTR so you can learn!
Don't forget your Goggles!

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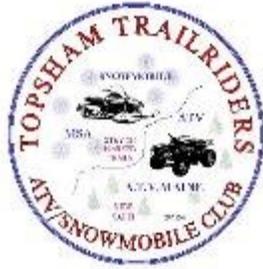
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The Board of Directors meet on the Last Monday of each month at 6:00 PM See our Facebook Page for Location!

******NOTICE******

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Our regular meeting this month is on **Tuesday November 28th** .
We will meet at the Topsham Library at 25 Foreside Road at 6:30pm