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Notes from our President - Jenny Little

Hello Trailriders, Is it safe to say that winter might have arrived in the Topsham area? Sadly, the answer is not quite yet! I have to believe that February will turn winter around for us! I am certain that there are a lot of outdoor enthusiast that would be very excited to see ice and snow just as we would be. When the snow does arrive and it will rest assured TTR is ready to go! Please continue to check our website and Facebook page for trail updates. However, despite the minimal snow that we've received we are certainly making the best of the winter season. We held an out-of-town snowmobile day trip in late January and quite possibly might do another trip in late February if folks are interested. We are looking forward to the upcoming Ski-Joring event being held at the Topsham Fair on Saturday, February 11th. If you have not already purchased your Tickets please visit the www.topshamfair.net to get them. We will be there to help during the event but most importantly cheering on the percipients! Let's continue to wish for snow but as always be safe! See you on the trails!



China Rose Restaurant



Our Social Night is held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm. This Month February 8th we'll be at China Rose Restaurant on 42 Bath Road, Brunswick. Come and enjoy a night on the town with family and friends!



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EVENTS

Atvng/Snowmobiling Adventures

Jan 30th - TTR Monthly Meeting at 6:30 pm with the Board meeting at 6 pm. A reminder that this month the meeting is being held in the St. John's Church basement (Located on Pleasant St) in Brunswick

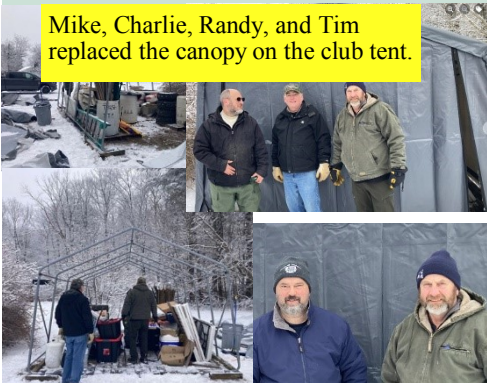
Feb 8th - Our Social Night is being held in February 8th at 6pm at Chine Rose Restaurant

Feb 27th - TTR Monthly Meeting at 6:30 pm with the Board meeting at 6 pm. A reminder that this month the meeting is being held in the St. John's Church basement (Located on Pleasant St) in Brunswick

Mike Little our Ride Coordinator is posting on our Facebook page our next rides.

DRIVE SAFELY ON TRAILS

Mike, Charlie, Randy, and Tim replaced the canopy on the club tent.



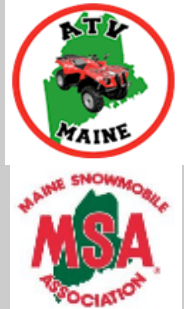
Topsham Trailriders is looking to streamline some of our current processes and one of which includes how we send out our fantastic newsletter. Effective immediately, if you are currently receiving our newsletter in the mail and would like to begin receiving it electronically instead please remit an email from the email address that you would like to have the newsletter sent to, to the following email:

info@topshamtrailriders.com.

Winter is here folks well almost here! Excited that TTR will be able to hold their scheduled out of town snowmobile event on January 28th. If things go well perhaps we will plan another snowmobile later on in February! Stay tuned! As a reminder, our ATV events and trail work parties have been posted on our Facebook page so please check them out. Remember to make your hotel reservations early if you plan on joining us during any of the overnight trips! 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



TTR PARTICIPATES IN THE SKI JORING RACES

Topsham Trailriders will be assisting during the Ski-Joring Races being held on Saturday, February 11th at Topsham Fairgrounds. Contact us if you're interested in helping out.

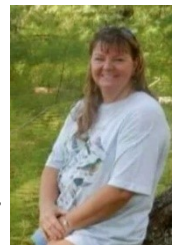
SOME TOPSHAM TRAILRIDERS EXECUTIVE BOARD



DEVIN FAVREAU. Devin is the current Vice President of Topsham Trailriders and also an active business sponsor of TTR. Last year Devin served on our Board of Directors and was very involved with quite a few of the trail maintenance projects. In January of 2021, Devin started his business Vertical Excavation. With Devin and his team we've been able to make some headway on the trail system and we cannot thank him enough for all of his time and knowledge that he brings to Topsham Trailriders.

Devin TTR appreciates your support and commitment to TTR and we look forward to working with you this year and hopefully many years to come!

Dee Blanchette. Dee is our current Secretary and she has committed herself to this position whole heartedly. Dee is fairly new to both ATving and Topsham Trailriders but when you meet her you would not know that because she is quickly becoming one of the regulars! Since joining the club Dee has brought her tractor to help with trail work parties, volunteered during numerous trail work parties, helped during the Trick or Trunk event with the Town of Topsham, and most recently with the Christmas event in Bath!



Dee your enthusiasm and energy is refreshing to have around! We appreciate both your willingness to help but more importantly your willingness to learn about the ATV community!

TTR appreciates all that you do and we look forward to working with you.

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

It's SNOWMOBILE season again. The trails will open to snowmobiles once all cattle fences and gates have been opened, all trail obstructions have been removed, and the trails are properly signed. There will be some changes this season to trail #1A on the West side of town is CLOSED since the properties have been sold to new owners so to get around this there is a new trail that connects to trail #1C in the powerlines to Trail #2A before Bradley Pond. Please pay attention to signs noting the changes. A reminder that snowmobiles are not allowed on Trail #1B because it is an ATV only trail. If you have not looked at the trail map you should do so before riding to ensure that you are riding on the correct trails this season. We have many water crossings and we do our best to keep an eye on them for your safety so if you see a sign that reads thin ice, or trail closed please stay off. If you notice something that you think is not safe, please let myself or the board now 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 SNOWMOBILES.

RESPECT LANDOWNERS - STAY ON MARKED TRAILS AND OBEY ALL POSTED SIGNS. USE IS A PRIVILEGE, 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.



Mike & Charlie putting the tracks on the Rhino for winter!

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

All snowmobile trails are operated on privately owned land. 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 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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