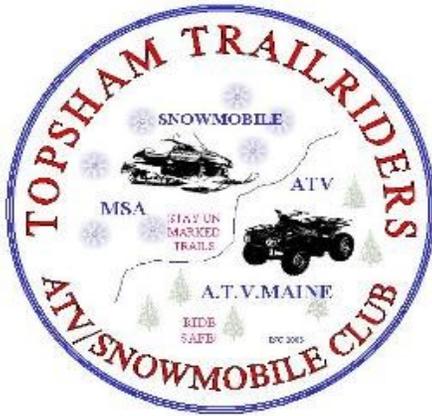


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Welcome to October 2023

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Notes from our President - Jenny Little

Hello Trailriders,

Hard to believe we are arriving to the end of the 2023 ATV season! We've made the best of this season despite all of the challenges we've faced.

We will be hosting our last in-town club ride on Sunday, October 29th provided that trails conditions allow it. This event is our annual food drive event for the local food pantry. Registration for this event will begin at 9:15 am with the ride leaving at 10 am. I am optimistic that we will be able to host this event on our West Side but I would advise checking the Facebook event or on our website for additional details about this event as we are still finalizing things.



As the temperatures begin to cool and the ATV riding season is nearing the end it also means that snowmobile prep season is at our door steps. We do have a couple of snowmobile projects that we will be scheduling early in the season so please check our Facebook and website for updates. If the snowmobile trail conditions allow we may attempt to schedule a trail work party so I reaching out and calling all our snowmobile members – we would appreciate your help!

During our September monthly meeting, nominations were accepted for all officer and board positions. As a reminder, we will be holding our Annual Meeting on Monday, October 30th where we will be conducting our elections of officers and board of directors. If you like what Topsham Trailriders has been doing or would like a say in the future please join us. The meeting will be held in the Exhibition Hall on Topsham Fairgrounds beginning at 6:30 pm. I hope to see many of you there!

Hope see you on the trails!

Jenny



Our Social Night is held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm. This month our Social night is being held on October 11th. We will dining at Pat's Pizza located at 112 Pleasant Street in Brunswick.

Join us for a meal at Pat's Pizza! Please mark our Facebook event if you are coming so we can give the restaurant an accurate count.

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



September Social Night at 104 Main Public House



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EVENTS

ATVing/Snowmobiling

Oct 11th – TTR’s Social Night at the Pat’s Pizza at 112 Pleasant Street, at 6 pm

Oct 14th — Pulpit Trail Blazah’s Fall Foliage ride

Oct 15th — In-town Trail Work party

Oct. 29th — In-Town Annual Food Drive Benefit Ride provided that trail conditions allow on the West side.

Oct. 30th — TTR Monthly Meeting at 6:30 pm with the Board meeting at 6 pm. A reminder that the meeting is being held at the Topsham Fair Exhibition Hall. This is our Annual Election night for our Club!

Oct. 31st—TTR will be celebrating Halloween by participating in the Trunk or Treat event put on by the Topsham Parks & Recreation.



Please read the Ride Coordinator article for more details!

DRIVE SAFELY ON TRAILS

Notes from the Ride Coordinator

We have arrived to fall riding! We are preparing to end the end of ATV season with a bang.

As I write this article Turner ATV club announced that they will not be hosting a Halloween Night ride this year. Since our event scheduled for Saturday, October 7th was scheduled to head to Turner we are currently evaluating about either changing the timing and location of the event or may be canceling it. I would advise checking our Facebook page or website for more information about this event.

Our next out of town event is scheduled for Saturday, October 14th when we head to Waterford to participate in the Pulpit Trail Blazah’s Fall Foliage ride. We will be leaving from the Topsham McDonalds at 6:30 am. Updates for event will be posted on both our website and Facebook event.

We will also be hosting another in-town trail work party on Sunday, October 15th beginning at 9 am. Charlie has not yet determined which side of our trail system we will be work on for this work party so please check on our website and/or the Facebook event for additional details.

Our final 2023 in-town club ride is scheduled for Sunday, October 29th when we host our annual Food Drive Benefit Ride provided that trail conditions allow. The cost is \$10 per person and all proceeds for this event will be donated to the local food bank. I am hopeful that we will be able to host the last ride of the season on our West side but the location will be announced soon. Please continue checking our Facebook and website pages for updates about the location.

As a reminder, all of our 2023 ATV events and trail work parties have been posted on our Facebook page and website so please check them out. 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

Some Photos from TTR Activities this Past Month!



TOPSHAM TRAILRIDERS & WE-ATV 207 PARTICIPATED IN THE 2023 CMPS EVENT

Join Us For
Topsham Trailriders ATV/Snowmobile 2nd Annual

Ride & BBQ FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH
RIDE: 10:00 AM. MEAL: 12:00 PM

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The trails seem to be holding up reasonably well this year except for the Brigham trail with all the heavy rain we've had this summer and people not giving it time to dry out before riding. Please lay off the gas on the trails, wet areas will only get worse the more people try to power through them so use 4-wheel drive and slow and steady power. The construction on the west side trail 1C and 1D is complete, they put in 250 yards of 5" stone to strengthen and fix areas of the trail that needed repair.

Fall has arrived! The leaves are changing colors and soon will begin falling and the weather is getting colder which only means ATV season is coming to a close. We will soon start prepping for snowmobile season so continue to check back for upcoming snowmobile trail work parties! We will do our best to get as much in now before Mother Nature blankets us in white and before snowmobile season really starts.

We would appreciate it if you would please stay off the trails during and the day after any heavy rains. This cuts down on the damage that will cost our club a lot of time and money to keep the Landowners' happy. Please ride safe out there on or off our trails, fun is to be had without getting hurt. Enjoy the ride this summer and always respect the land to which you ride on and the landowners which allow us to ride.

Golden Rules for Safe ATV Operation

1. Always wear a helmet and other protective gear.
2. Never ride on public roads – another vehicle could hit you.
3. Never ride under the influence of alcohol or other drugs.
4. Never carry a passenger on a single-rider vehicle.
5. Ride an ATV that's right for your age. The CPSC age/size guidelines are:

Age 6 and older	Under 70cc
Age 12 and older	70cc – 90cc
Age 16 and older	Over 90cc
6. Supervise riders younger than 16; ATVs are not toys.
7. Ride only on designated trails and at a safe speed.
8. Take an ATV Rider Course; to enroll call toll free (800) 887-2887.



**TTR
ROAD
SIDE
CLEAN
UP**

Topsham Trailriders - Rightway Trail Mats Installation Trailwork Party 9/10



TTR Member Tip of the Month for October Newsletter

Exciting news! Beginning this month we are adding a new section to our newsletter. This section is designed for members to help others in our community. During our recent meetings we've pooled together tips from members and we will begin posting the tips next month.

In an effort, to reach those folks who are not able to attend our meetings we would like to invite you to remit either an ATV or Snowmobile tip to fo@topshamtrailriders.com. Members are encouraged to remit a tip before Sunday, October 15th to be entered into our TTR Swag giveaway.

Jenny

Tip for October from Mike Little:

Tow Strap, Air Compressor, Tire Plugs, Tool Bag, Flashlight, Valve Stems, Cotter Pins, Tape, Zip Ties, are all important items to carry with your Machine!



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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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Topsham Trailriders

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We meet at the Topsham Fairground Exhibition hall at 6:30pm