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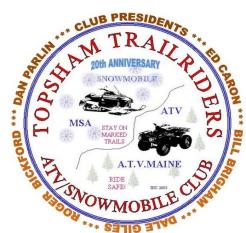
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We had our third Bean Supper and it was a success I would say! Thanks go out to all the volunteers who make this important event possible.

We will be looking to expand trails on the West Side of land on Dave Anderson's property. He has giving us permission to do this project. We will need lots of help with it! Dave has been a long time supporter from the very start of the club serving as Trailmaster for many years. Please thank him for his support over the years if you see him!

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Dan & Linda Parlin

Lots of upcoming events for our club and many other clubs.

I'll try to post in the Newsletter and on our Facebook Page as they come closer in the coming months so please get involved with your club activities! We are starting to plan our 20th Anniversary gathering please see our poster!

There is plenty of snow up north but at this writing I think we are just about done in our town!

Have a very good Spring and make sure the trails are open and marked open! If you see the Red Signs "Closed Trails" please respect the landowners so we can keep the trails open that we still have!

Last up - a reminder that DUES are due April 30th of each year they will not be going up this year!

ALSO DON'T FORGET THE SPORTSMAN SHOW AT THE AUGUSTA CIVIC CENTER MAR 29-31!

Thanks and have a Safe Easter!

Dan Parlin

TTR President

WE ARE ON THE WEB WWW.TOPSHAMTRAILRIDERS.COM

Our Social Night is held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm. This Month (Apr) 10th will be held at the Topsham Fairground Café' Inc. at 49 Topsham Fair Mall Road Topsham. Come and enjoy a night on the town with family and friends!

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Trailmaster's Notes



Trailmaster Charlie Parkinson 207-319-5142

RESPECT

LANDOWNERS

STAY ON MARKED

TRAIL

USE OF THIS TRAIL

IS A PRIVILEGE **NOT A RIGHT**

ALL TRAILS IN TOPSHAM ARE CLOSED FOR MUD SEASON.

THE TRAILS ARE EXPECTED TO REOPEN MID MAY - JUNE WEATHER AND TRAIL CONDITIONS PERMITTING. THERE IS NO SET DATE FOR THE TRAILS TO OPEN. MANY FACTORS AFFECT THE TRAILS OPENING DATE WEATHER, TRAIL DAMAGE, AND MOST IMPORTANT THE LAND OWNER.

THE USE OF ATV'S ON A CLOSED TRAIL DURING MUD SEASON IS CONSIDERED FELONY TRESPASSING

If you see **anyone** on the trails or getting ready to head out on the trails, please inform them the trails are closed till they dry up. I will remove all the signs and chains as soon as they are ready for use. We will have some working weekends over the next month so if you can spare some time please give me a call. The trails are drying up slowly, the frost heaves are settling down and the snow is all gone. The east side of town has some erosion.



Asst Trailmaster Tim Doyle 207-837-0225

If the trails are posted as closed and the entry way is blocked then the trails are closed to all motorized vehicles period. Going around or through the barriers and riding the trails anyway is felony trespassing and jeopardizes the use of all trails, all individuals caught doing so can deal with the Game Wardens.

The Trails are going to need a lot of work in order to prepare them for the opening of the season this year. We will start doing trail work on the weekends; weather permitting. All are welcome and encouraged to help the trail maintenance crew prep for opening day. We will have some working weekends over the next 2 months so if you can spare some time please give me a call

- 1. Make sure your registration is up to date. Properly attach your Registration stickers.
- 2. Check your helmet. Invest in a new one if it's damaged by any dents or cracks.
- 3. Give your ATV a twice-over. Check that all equipment, including brakes, lights, engine, and tires are in good condition and functioning properly.
- 4. Familiarize yourself with local regulations and bylaws regarding ATV usage.
- 5. Get your emergency kit ready to go, including any or all of the following: blanket, snacks/food, waterproof matches, a whistle, insect repellant and sunblock, a flashlight, spare fuel, tea or coffee, water/water purification tablets, duct tape, signal mirror, tool kit, first aid supplies, rope, flares, spare keys, a sharp knife, and/or
- 6. If your children want to ride, ensure they have completed the ATV safety course. If you haven't ridden before or could just use a re-fresher, do the same. Don't let your children use adult-sized ATVs.
- 7. Consider taking a first aid course. It doesn't hurt to be prepared.
- 8. Get yourself in the mindset for a great riding season. Have fun! 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
- 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.



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FROM OUR BY-LAWS

Dues. The annual dues for members shall be Thirty Five dollars (\$35.00) per year for single, family, or dealer membership, payable on or before the Thirtieth (30th) day of April in each year. The annual dues for Business members shall be One Hundred dollars (\$100.00) per year, payable on or before the Thirtieth (30th) day of April in each year. Membership year consists of April 30st to the last day of April each year.

As of Jan 1st 2016 The Club, Club Officers, and all business Members will belong to MSA as well as ATV Maine. Any member who chooses to can also belong to MSA at a

ATVING/SNOWMOBILING ADVENTURES THIS YEAR THE TOPSHAM TRAILRIDERS CLUB WILL TRY TO SUPPORT!

MAR 25TH TTR REGULAR MEETING 7PM

MARCH 29-31 AUGUSTA CIVIC CENTER—SPORTSMAN SHOW APRIL 13TH ATV MAINE ANNUAL MEETING-JEFF'S CATERING-**BREWER**

APRIL 15TH—TTR BOARD MEETING

APRIL 29TH—REGULAR CLUB MEETING

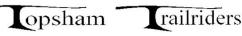
APRIL 27TH MSA MAINE ANNUAL MEETING-JEFF'S CATERING-**BREWER**

JUN 9TH AT 8 AM RIDE AND SOCIAL FOR UNITED TRAIL VOLUNTEERS

JULY 27TH TTR 20TH ANV CELEBRATION SEPT 21ST FEED YOUR NEIGHBOR ATV RIDE

If you have events you want our club to get involved in, please send us a with the date and info on the event!!

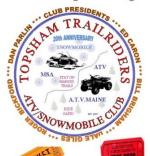
We are planning for next year's events now!



Saturday JULY 27 , 2019 - 11AM Dave's Training Site!

Rain Date Sunday July 28th















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The Board of Directors meet on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7PM at the Topsham Fair Grounds



****NOTICE****

This Newsletter is the official publication of the Topsham Trailriders ATV /Snowmobile Club Inc. 2003. WE MEET AT 7PM ON THE FOURTH MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE TOPSHAM FAIR EXHIBITION HALL OFF ELM STREET IN TOPSHAM, MAINE.

THE MEMBERSHIP FEE FOR A FAMILY/INDIVIDUAL IS \$35.00 A YEAR. THAT IN-CLUDES A MEMBERSHIP TO A.T.V. MAINE, AND FOR \$5 MORE YOU CAN ALSO BE-LONG TO MSA(MAINE SNOW-MOBILE ASSOCIATION).

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The next Regular meeting will be March, 25th 2019 the **LAST** Monday of each month at Topsham Fair Grounds Exhibition Hall at 7:00pm