



RAUSCH CREEK TRAILRIDERS



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We want to extend a huge thank-you to all our members and guests who made Labor Day weekend a success! The campground was full, the trails were buzzing, and the community spirit was strong. Your respect for the rules and each other helped keep things safe and enjoyable for everyone—especially our younger riders.

Let's keep that energy rolling into fall!

Fall Riding Season Begins

Cooler temps and crisp mornings are on the horizon—perfect conditions for trail riding. Here's what to expect this month:

- Less dust, more traction
- Time to break out the flannels and hoodies
- Ideal weather for longer rides and trail maintenance

September 20th Regular Group Ride scheduled
Stay tuned for more info on fall events and ride challenges!

HUNTING SEASON RIDING RESTRICTIONS

As we enter hunting season, please be aware of **riding restrictions** in place to ensure safety and respect for all land users:

RCTR Riding Restrictions

2025–2026 Season | Due to Hunting Activity

General Riding Restrictions

- No Riding Before 9:00 AM October 4, 2025 - January 19, 2026
- No Riding Before 9:00 AM on Sundays October 5 - December 7, 2025

Specific Day Restrictions

No Riding Until NOON:

- Saturday, October 4, 2025 — Deer (Archery)
- Saturday, October 18, 2025 — Black Bear & Deer

No Riding ALL DAY:

- Thursday, October 23, 2025 — Deer (Junior/Senior)
- Monday, November 24, 2025 — Black Bear
- Saturday, November 29, 2025 — Deer (Buck)
- Saturday, December 13, 2025 — Deer (Buck)



These dates are posted at the office and at all campground gates. Please plan your rides accordingly and help us maintain a safe environment for everyone.

Fall/Winter Office Hours

Even though the weather's still holding onto summer vibes, our **Fall/Winter office hours** are now in effect at Rausch Creek Trailriders: **Mon-Thursday 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM**
Friday-Sunday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

We know it doesn't feel like fall just yet—but the calendar says it's time to shift gears. Please plan your rides and check-ins accordingly, especially with hunting season restrictions starting to roll in.

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**RIDING OR
NON-RIDING ALL
GUESTS MUST BE
SIGNED IN UPON
ARRIVAL! THE GUEST
WAIVER IS ON THE
OUTSIDE OFFICE WALL
24/7.**

WEATHER FORECAST

Fri Partly Cloudy

81° F | 63° F

Sat Scattered T-Storms

73° F | 46° F

Sun Sunny

72° F | 47° F

***Need the Lockbox
Combo for the gates?***

Call the office at 570.682.1075
and give the following info:

****Member Number**

****Member Name**

****Campsite Address**

Under 12 adult supervision... We need to address a growing concern: **children under 12 riding unsupervised in the campground.**

This is not just a rule—it's a safety requirement. The campground is **not a riding area**, and kids **12 and under must be under direct adult supervision at all times.** That means no solo rides, no joyriding near campsites, and no exceptions. What happened? Did certain people forget how to read? I know I personally put it in the newsletter and an email as a reminder. We ask all parents and guardians to take this seriously. These rules are in place to protect your children and your fellow members.



MUD RIDE RECAP

DRY WEATHER, DUSTY TRAILS

Mother Nature had other plans last weekend—despite the name, the Mud Ride turned into more of a Dust Dash. With dry conditions across the property, riders found only a few pockets of mud, mostly tucked into shaded low spots and creek beds and of course the infamous slate wall area.

TRAIL HIGHLIGHTS

Most trails were dry and fast, with dust clouds trailing behind every rig. Riders pivoted to enjoy the technical terrain and rock features instead of the usual bogs. Dust masks and goggles were a must—visibility dropped fast in the convoy lines. Recovery gear wasn't needed, but hydration and tire checks were key. Riders appreciated the chance to explore alternate trails and enjoy the mostly dry grip.

"Not the muddiest ride we've had, but still a great day to be out with the crew." — RCTR Member

Thanks to everyone who came out and adapted to the conditions with a great attitude. We'll keep an eye on the forecast and hope for a little more moisture next time!



TIP OF THE DAY

Homemade Laundry Detergent



Author: Karrie

Ingredients

- 1 Box of Super Washing Soda 3 lb. 7 oz.
- 1 Box of Borax 4 lbs 12 oz. size
- 1 Box of Pure Baking Soda 4 lb.
- 3 bars of Fels-Naptha 5.5 oz. or you could also use Ivory or Zote soap
- 1 container of Oxy-Clean 1.3 lb (\$3.86)
- *optional: Purex Crystals 28 oz. for scent (or you could use Downy un-stoppables)

Instructions

Finely grate the Fels-Naptha. Mix all the ingredients together and store in container of your choice. Use only 1-2 Tablespoons of detergent per load.

Recipe by Happy Money Saver

Homemade Laundry Detergent – costs about \$20.27 to make – can last a whole year or even longer (504 loads)

LOCAL TO DOS

*Every Friday afternoon and evening,
Crossroads Farmer's Market, Route 25
between Gratz and Berrysburg*

****The Gratz Fair: agricultural & horticultural exhibits, queen contest, harness racing, carnival, entertainment—
September 14-20**

****Craft Fair @ Hegins Park—
September 20**

****Sept 6-7 Schwartz's Farms
Opening Weekend Crafters & Vendors; Good Spring Road
Hegins**

****Saturday Bands @ Valley
View Park 7pm**

2025 Event Schedule

**OCTOBER 11
HALLOWEEN BASH**

**OCTOBER 12
RORR DUAL SPORT**

**OCTOBER 26
RORR HARD ENDURO**

**NOVEMBER 1
FALL FOLIAGE RIDE**

**NOVEMBER 15
TURKEY FEAST**