



RAUSCH CREEK TRAILRIDERS



Sweetheart Day @ the Office

Our Sweetheart Day is only a few weeks away! *Bring your thermos to fill up on complimentary hot cocoa and coffee at the office. It's a perfect reason to break that cabin fever for a few hours to ride our winter wonderland.*



February 16th



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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.

Need the Lockbox Combo for the gates?

Call the office at 570.682.1075 and leave the following info:

- **Member Number
- **Member Name
- **Campsite Address
- **E-mail Address

Winter Conditions



During the winter months, snow and icy conditions may temporarily prevent passage through some of the trails and camp roads. We cannot stress enough, it is icy everywhere. Be aware that driving on the camp roads and trails this weekend is at your own risk. 4-wheel drive is a must at this point. As of YET, we haven't closed down any roads.

Be Cautious

- *Debris from timbering are scattered across Trail 3. New run off ditches on trial 3 are very "square" and cannot be fixed until the thaw. **Cones have been put up to warn all riders.**
- *Trail 1 leaving the play area off Trail 3 (going towards the white cabin) is **CLOSED** due to extreme icy conditions.

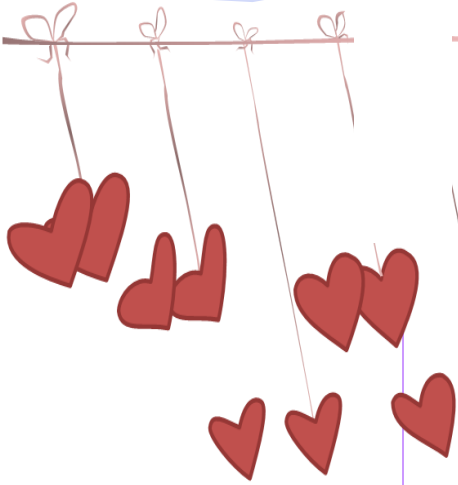


Weather FORECAST

Fri Cloudy 22° F | 5° F

Sat Mostly Cloudy 27° F | 15° F

Sun Mostly Cloudy 43° F | 34°



LOCAL TO DO'S

****Motorama** THE NATIONS LARGEST ALL INDOOR MOTORSPORTS EVENT FEATURING 1 MILLION SQ FEET OF EXHIBIT SPACE...It all goes down February 16th & 17th, 2019 in Harrisburg, Pa at the Farm Show Complex.

2019 Event Schedule

February 16 Sweetheart Day
(treats & free cocoa @ the office)

March 16 St Patty's Day Ride

April 20th Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup

May 4th Sarge's Group Ride

May 25th Members Only Poker Run

June 15th Treasure Hunt

July 6th Member Appreciation Day (FREE luncheon)

August 3rd Bonfire Bash

August 17th Rally in Bear Valley

August 31st Mud Ride

October 13th Observed Trials & Dual Sport

October 26th Trick or Treat

November 2nd Fall Foliage Ride

November 16th Turkey Feast

TIP OF THE DAY

Homemade Hot Cocoa

Hot-chocolate mix is a wintertime staple. A homemade version is delicious and natural -- containing only cocoa, sugar, and salt -- and especially economical compared with store-bought mixes.

Ingredients

3 1/2 cups sugar

2 1/4 cups cocoa

1 tablespoon table salt

Whole milk for serving

Directions

In a large bowl, combine sugar, cocoa, and salt, and whisk to combine well. Store the mixture in an airtight container. For individual servings, pour 1 cup whole milk into a microwave-safe mug, and microwave on high just until hot. Add 2 tablespoons of cocoa mix, and stir to dissolve. For a larger batch of cocoa, warm the milk in a saucepan set over medium-low heat, taking care not to let the milk boil; as it warms, stir in 2 tablespoons of mix for each cup of milk. Cook's Note: This mix will keep all winter if stored in an airtight container.



Baby it's Cold Outside

Some feel that once the cold weather hits, their riding days are done until it warms up again. Unfortunately, they're missing some of the best riding all year.

- There's no dust.
- There's no mud - the puddles are all frozen (and lots of fun!)
- The snow fills in the potholes and covers many of the rocks.
- There is nothing much more breathtaking than riding through the woods after a fresh snowfall.

Still skeptical? Yes, we know the temps are a VERY cold right now, but that doesn't have to stop you.

The technology for thermal fabrics and clothing has improved greatly over the years and you can dress very comfortably with minimal effort.

- Thermal underwear
- Insulated boots, socks, gloves and coats lined with Thinsulate
- Balaclava (head sock)

Additionally, a few minor tweaks to your machine and you'll be all set to ride.

- Grip warmers - Oh my, these babies keep your fingers nice and toasty warm, no matter what the temperature.
- Bark busters - not only prevent branches from cracking across your knuckles, but also act as a windbreak for your hands.

Now that you've taken care of the basics, get out there and enjoy the great outdoors!

