

# SAFETY IS IN OUR NAME! FREEDOM IS IN OUR HEARTS!





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IF CAMPING, CALL (208) 653-2323 TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT PRIOR TO THE WEEKEND. ICMS CANNOT RESERVE THE CAMPGROUND.

ADMISSION INCLUDES BIKER TRASH BASH SATURDAY NIGHT (WEAR BIKER TRASH CLOTHES), RODEO, EVENT BUTTON, AND LIVE MUSIC BY JUPITER'S CHILD! BBQ DINNER WILL BE AVAILABLE.



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# I.C.M.S. Calendar of Events

# ICMS 2023

Fun Valley Run July 7-9, 2023

Friends Ride August 13, 2023

Friends Ride September 10, 2023

Fall Run October 8, 2023

Friends Ride October 15, 2023

Can Dance November 4, 2023

Dear Readers-Feel free to use any articles or items in The Two Wheel Advocate Idaho Coalition for Motorcycle Safety

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# WHO'S READY FOR PINE??? ICMS FUN VALLEY BIKER RUN!!!



It was a beautiful day for a ride!! A few of our members rode to Pine in June to place the new banner at the Bar/Restaurant. This will be placed every year to let people know the ICMS Rally is coming to Pine! Thank you to the owners Elle and Valarie who continue to support ICMS. If you haven't been to this Run, this will be a GREAT year!! The theme this year is Biker Trash Party. **Be sure to dress in your trashiest clothes** (biker, trailer park, red neck, white trash - no offense meant please) **and win a prize!!!** We are also honoring two of our members who have passed. Shane's Ride to Pine and Bill Blandin Biker Trash Party. Music from Jupiter's Child, Games, Food, Rodeo, Auction. It should be another epic year. We are always changing it up!

**HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE!!!** 

# Can You Text, Use Your Phone at a Red Light in Idaho? Here's What State Traffic Law says (From Idaho Statesman)

At least nine people are killed every day in car crashes involving a distracted driver, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Distracted driving can be anything from eating while driving to sending a text message. What happens if you get caught using your cell phone while you're stopped at a red light?

Here's what the Idaho state law says:

## **IDAHO LAW ON TEXTING AT RED LIGHT**

Idaho's laws on texting and driving are outlined in Title 49, Chapter 14 of the Idaho Statutes. The chapter states that aside from law enforcement officers and first responders reacting to an emergency, no person shall not operate a motor vehicle while using a mobile electronic device. This does not apply to the manufacturer-installed systems in the vehicle. A driver can use a wireless telephone or electronic device only if these three conditions are satisfied:

- 1. The telephone or device is hands-free, such as mounted on a vehicle's windshield like a GPS.
- 2. The driver deactivates or activates a feature or function on their device either by voice command or with a single swipe or tap.
- 3. The device assists in the movement of farm tractors or farm equipment.

## DOES THIS APPLY TO A DRIVER STOPPED AT A RED LIGHT?

The answer is YES!!!

Though the car is not moving, the vehicle is still being "operated." The law states that a cell phone or electronic device can be used only if it is not in the driver's hand. The Idaho statutes state that a car is not being operated only if the car is lawfully parked or has pulled off to the side of the road at a location where it is legal to do so and the car remains stationary.

## WHAT IF YOU GET CAUGHT TEXTING AT A RED LIGHT?

If you are pulled over for using your cell phone while driving, the Idaho statutes state that the following will happen:

- 1. A violation of this section is a base fine of \$75 for a first offense.
- 2. A second offense within three years of the first offense will result in a \$150 fine.
- 3. Each subsequent offense within a three-year period will result in a fine of \$300.

A court may suspend a driver's license for up to 90 days if a driver has three or more offenses within a three-year period.

Read more at: https://www.idahostatesman.com/news/local/traffic/article276497411.html#storylink=cpy

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# **ICMS MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS RALLY 2023**

This year's ICMS Motorcycle Awareness Rally was a great success and super fun!! We had approximately 300 motorcycles show up for the event. Lane Triplett and Sunshine Beer received awards for all they do in the community for motorcyclists. Thank you to ITD, Christian Motorcycle Association and all the others who showed up to volunteer and show support. Without you, ICMS could not continue to legislate motorcycle rights in our state. See you all next year!!









# ICMS Motorcycle Awareness Rally 2023 cont.











**Expiration Date** 

# It's time you did something more to protect your rights! Join and Support Motorcycle Riders Foundation! **REGISTER, VOTE, AND RIDE!**

<ul> <li>□ Annual Individual Membership \$35</li> <li>□ Annual Joint Membership \$60</li> <li>□ Annual Sustaining Membership \$100</li> <li>□ Annual Industry Council Membership \$100</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>3-Year Individual Membership \$95</li> <li>3-Year Joint Membership \$140</li> <li>Sustaining Membership Club \$100</li> <li>Freedom Fighter Donation \$10 \$25 \$</li> </ul>	
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# Want to Volunteer?

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We would love to see more volunteers at ICMS events. If you would like to volunteer for any ICMS event, please contact the Volunteers Officer, Amber Sheffield, at:

amberpressley81@gmail.com or any ICMS Board Member. "It takes a Village," they say!



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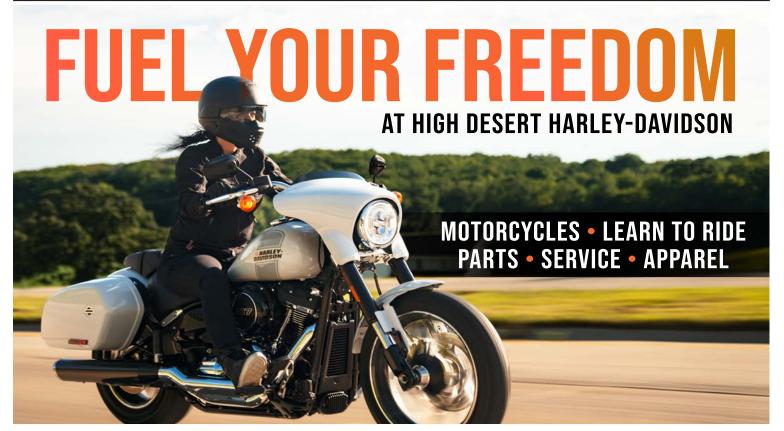


# I PROMISE HONEY THIS IS NIX LAST BIKE

# Said No Husband Ever!!







# WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

We at ICMS are thankful and enjoy working with so many great organizations in Idaho. We would like to hear from you! If you have information about your organization you would like to share with us (by writing an article for the newsletter), we would love it!! We appreciate all the support from our motorcycle community and sharing information about your organization is a great way to say THANK YOU. The next deadline is September 12, 2023. We look forward to learning and sharing information about your organization.





# THE ISSUE IS FREEDOM OF CHOICE



If they made a law that we couldn't wear helmets – we'd fight that too.

The issue is Freedom of Choice.
Idaho still has Freedom of Choice.
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# Let Those Who Ride Decide – State #33

On June 1st, Nebraska governor Jim Pillen signed into law a motorcycle helmet modification bill, which allows riders to choose if they wear a helmet. Congratulations to the motorcyclists in Nebraska, ABATE of Nebraska and all the groups in Nebraska who for years fought to have helmet choice in the Cornhusker State.

Nebraska State Senator Ben Hansen originally introduced the language, which was included in a larger transportation bill that passed the legislature at the end of May. Effective January 1, 2024, an individual age 21 and older, who has completed a certified motorcycle safety course may now choose whether or not to wear a helmet, provided the rider uses protective eye equipment.

In 2020, Missouri passed a helmet choice bill leaving Nebraska as the sole state in the Midwest that required all riders to wear a helmet. With this new law, Nebraska now joins its neighboring states and becomes the 33rd state allowing helmet choice.

For 34 years riders in Nebraska have sought the freedom to decide whether to wear a helmet. This victory is a testament to the handiwork, determination and passion of all those involved. The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) has long championed the belief that "those who ride should decide."

When hearing the news, MRF President, Kirk "Hardtail" Willard said, "Grass roots activism at its finest, it is encouraging to see that there are still politicians and bureaucrats in this great country of ours that bend to common sense and the will of the people. Given the nanny state of our society today, it is an outstanding achievement by ABATE of Nebraska and other involved motorcyclists in earning their freedom of choice."

This message from "Rouge," State Coordinator for ABATE of Nebraska, Todd C. Miller should inspire us all. "It is hard to explain what this bill means to me. I was mentored and encouraged by so many. I am turning 60 and had the privilege to ride in this state prior to the mandatory helmet law enacted in 1989. Over the years, I have lost many friends, colleagues, brothers and freedom fighters who were on the frontlines of this fight. It is hard to encourage a group of young riders that have never ridden free in Nebraska, for us, that was anyone under the age of 50! So, in honor of all of those we have lost, I am very proud to say the next generation of riders will know what

## Let Those Who Ride Decide - cont.

it means to ride free in this state. I pray they make memories, enjoy the ride here in Nebraska and become emboldened with the same desire I, and so many others, had to defend our rights in the years to come. We all know the fight is NOT over.





I would like to Honor my Board of Directors/State Officers both past and present for sticking with the plan... and making it happen. My legislative officers over the years who helped keep us focused and get us there one step at a time, including Charles Thomas, Scott Lucey, Gary Neeman and my current Legislative Representative Randy Geer. Last and certainly not least, my wife and State Membership Secretary, Sheri Miller for all the late nights, weekends, and continued support.

My list of outstanding contributors also includes Rick Backer, Jimmy Wray, Jodi Wessel, and Duane 'Drano' Goff, all of whom are no longer with us …"

# **Congratulations Nebraska!**

Ride Safe and Ride Free!

## **About Motorcycle Riders Foundation**

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) provides leadership at the federal level for states' motorcyclists' rights organizations as well as motorcycle clubs and individual riders. The MRF is chiefly concerned with issues at the national and international levels that impact the freedom and safety of American street motorcyclists. The MRF is committed to being a national advocate for the advancement of motorcycling and its associated lifestyle and works in conjunction with its partners to help educate elected officials and policymakers in Washington and beyond.

# **AN INVITATION TO JOIN ICMS**

At a time when our democratic process stands ready to strip us, as motorcyclists and citizens, of our rights to ride free and unencumbered, ICMS offers all motorcyclists the opportunity to join together and fight back. Whether the issue is mandatory helmet use, discrimination against "lifestyle" choice or our safety on Idaho's roads, ICMS is prepared to mobilize its strengths in the direction of best defense... and one of ICMS's greatest strengths is its MEMBERSHIP. ICMS believes the direction of best defense is through Education. From educating its membership on the latest legislative battle, educating the legislators themselves on "the other half of the story;" to making motorists more aware of motorcyclists on our highways to training riders to ride safe.

Joining ICMS is making a commitment to defend your freedom with active involvement and financial support. As an ICMS member, you have the opportunity to attend monthly Board Meetings, Runs, Rallies, and a host of other Events throughout the state. The most active members are involved by joining committees, holding office, manning telephones, writing articles for the newsletter or doing any one of the million-and-one things that have to be done. ICMS members tend not to be passive, work well together and even more, PLAY WELL TOGETHER!

# **ICMS Membership Form**

General Subscriber Fees: \$25.00/year per person-\$35.00/year per couple

Club/Group Affiliation

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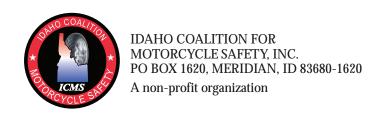


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All Motorcycle Kiders are invited to attend ICMS Board meetings on the 1st Monday of every Month (except holidays) and add your voice to ICMS. We meet at Casa Mexico, 10332 W. Fairview Ave., Boise, Idaho. Please check in this Newsletter, Facebook and idahobikerrights.com for those dates. We look forward to seeing all of you!!