



HOG SQUEALS!



Monthly Newsletter of the Intermountain Chapter - Harley Owners Group #1255

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H.O.G. - 40TH ANNIVERSARY!

October, 2023

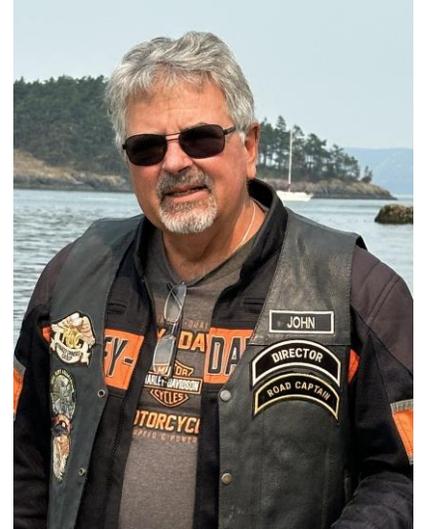
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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

John Tessin

Greetings to my fellow HOG members,

It's definitely fall in Idaho! The spectacular fall colors of the turning leaves goes hand in hand with the unpredictable weather of rain and cold followed by sunny days and hot temperatures. We witnessed this recently when we were forced to cancel our fall picnic due to adverse weather. Thanks to the many volunteers that were able to help with the last minute planning to make this another H.O.G. successful event. It was also nice to see so many of our members connected through social media and email to communicate cancellation and re-scheduling information.



As I mentioned, this is a great time to ride if the weather cooperates but it is difficult to plan too far in advance. We have Road Captains that are planning last minute fall rides that work around the changing weather. Stay tuned to social media and your email to take advantage of these rides.

Just a reminder that we will be accepting nominations at the October 27 General Meeting for the offices of Assistant Director, Secretary, and Treasurer. For someone to be placed on the ballot, the nominee must have been a member of the Chapter for a minimum of one year and willing to accept the duties of the office. Nominees will then be placed on a ballot with the current Chapter members voting for their choices at the Friendship Chapter potluck meeting on Friday, December 1.

The position of Assistant Director automatically transitions into the next year's Director position so it requires two years of service. All other positions within the Chapter Board are chosen by the Director. If you have any questions or have interest in serving in an appointed Board position, you can discuss it with the 2024 Director, Dave Kesner.

Our monthly meetings are held on the last Friday of every month at the Eagles Club on Overland. Plan on coming out for the social hour at 6:00 and attend the hour long meeting at 7:00 where you not only get to spend time with friends but you may win Harley gift cards and merchandise.

Stay cool or warm depending on where the Idaho fall takes you but always be safe, and I will see you on the road or at one of our events.

PRIMARY OFFICERS NOMINATIONS TO BE HELD IN OCTOBER

October is the month the Chapter holds nominations for Assistant Director, Treasurer, and Secretary for the next year. If you are interested in being nominated please attend the October meeting. At the December 1st "Friendsgiving" General Meeting we will vote for the four primary officers. The other Board positions are appointed by the incoming Chapter Director and the Sponsoring Dealer. If you have been an Intermountain Chapter member for at least one year and are interested in serving in one of those positions please contact John Tessin or David Kesner.

The following are excerpts from our Chapter By-Laws and provide descriptions of all board positions. If you have any questions about a position on the board, please contact any current board member. Full copy of the By-laws are available on the Chapter website/Members Only page.

ARTICLE V: BOARD OF DIRECTORS - Section 3.

In order to be eligible to be nominated/appointed to hold any of the offices referred to in Section 7 of this Article, a member:

- Shall be required to have been a member in continuous good standing in this organization for the twelve (12) calendar months immediately prior to election/appointment;
- Shall not hold an office or an administrative position in any similar motorcycle organization;
- Shall agree to observe, conform, and comply to all terms and provisions of these by-laws and the H.O.G. Chapter Charter where applicable, and all rules, regulations, practices, and lawful orders and decisions adopted and promulgated in the furtherance and administration of said by-laws and charter.

ARTICLE V: BOARD OF DIRECTORS - Section 7: Duties of Elected Officers:

A. CHAPTER DIRECTOR

- The Chapter Director shall be the chief executive officer of this organization and he or she shall have responsibility for the overall conduct of the organization's affairs. He or she shall be authorized to carry out his or her responsibilities personally or by deputy. He or she shall be responsible to ensure the chapter up holds and abides by the H.O.G. Chapter Charter and Chapter By-Laws.
- The Chapter Director shall receive reports from all representatives of this organization and shall make reports to the membership as appropriate. The Chapter Director shall have authority to employ such technical, administrative, and clerical assistance as shall be necessary for the affairs of this organization, subject to approval of the Board of Directors.

- The Chapter Director shall have the authority, when he or she deems necessary between meetings of the Board of Directors, to conduct a poll of the board by telephone, fax, and email or by mail.
- The Chapter Director shall convene a meeting of the Board of Directors at such times as it is deemed necessary for the purpose of conducting the business of the organization. The Chapter Director shall preside over all sessions of the Board of Directors as its Chairman. He or she shall also call a meeting of the board when requested to do so by any two members of the board.
- The Chapter Director shall conduct chapter meetings and be the principal spokesperson of this organization on all matters pertaining to this organization and its members in relation to H.O.G. However, the Chapter Director could assign these responsibilities to another member of the organization.
- In the event the Executive Committee determines the need for a bond, a bond in such sum as the Board of Director shall determine, or as required by law, to indemnify this organization against financial loss shall be secured.
- The Chapter Director shall insure that the affairs and business of Intermountain Chapter are properly upholding the H.O.G. Chapter Charter and H.O.G. operating policies.
- The Chapter Director shall insure that the provisions of all agreements are enforced and respected by all persons affected or bound thereby. All instances of non-compliance, which are not amicably adjusted, shall be reported to the Executive Committee of this organization.
- The Chapter Director shall have the authority to assign duties and responsibilities to members of Intermountain Chapter as necessary to further the interests of this organization.
- The Chapter Director shall keep the Sponsor of this organization informed on the activities of Intermountain Chapter and, with the Sponsor, ensure the chapter complies with all the corporate state annual filing requirements.
- The Chapter Director shall verify chapter expenditures and deposits by reviewing monthly bank statements either electronically on-line or by hard-copy.

B. ASSISTANT CHAPTER DIRECTOR

- The Assistant Director shall assist the Sponsor and Chapter Director in upholding the H.O.G. Chapter Charter and Chapter By-Laws.
- In the absence of the Chapter Director at any regular or special meeting of the Intermountain Chapter, the Assistant Director shall perform the functions and duties of the Chapter Director, or as otherwise directed to do so by the Chapter Director.
- The Assistant Director shall have administrative responsibility over chapter events. He or she shall have the authority to assign duties and responsibilities to members of Intermountain Chapter relative to chapter events.

- The Assistant Director shall, with members of the Board of Directors, inform the membership of the chapter of H.O.G. programs and benefits.

C. SECRETARY

- The Secretary shall have the responsibility of taking minutes of all Intermountain Chapter meetings. He or she shall maintain copies of the minutes of all meetings and shall have custody of such minutes as part of the records of this organization.
- The Secretary shall be responsible for all correspondence on behalf of the chapter which includes chapter incorporation and maintaining a file of insurance and waiver forms for chapter activities.
- The Secretary shall be responsible for receiving and responding to original requests for charitable donations, receiving applications, and submitting them to the Board of Directors for review.

D. TREASURER

- All monies payable to Intermountain Chapter shall be turned over to the Treasurer, who shall prepare and dispense a proper receipt.
- The Treasurer shall make and keep a proper record of all such monies received and deposit within ten (10) working days, in the name of Intermountain Chapter in such bank(s) and depositories as the Executive Committee shall determine.
- The Treasurer shall at each Board of Directors meeting of the Intermountain Chapter, provide a detailed written financial report of the monies received and disbursed since his or her last report and provide a copy of the report to the sponsor. All officers and members shall have the right to review this document, by making a request through the Board of Directors.
- The Treasurer shall submit his or her books to the Executive Committee of Intermountain Chapter and Sponsoring Dealer for inspection upon request of the Executive Committee.
- The Treasurer shall keep a true and accurate record of all financial transactions of Intermountain Chapter.
- The Treasurer shall oversee preparation of chapter tax returns.
- Those seeking responsibilities of Treasurer shall have experience with general accounting practices and is encouraged to have knowledge of financial software.

CHAPTER MISSION STATEMENT



Our mission statement continues to be: RIDE AND HAVE FUN! We do our very best to live and breathe those prophetic words, but again we need everyone's help. Please let us know if you have questions, concerns, or suggestions pertaining to the chapter. Although High Desert Harley-Davidson (HDHD) allows Intermountain Chapter members to drop off club related correspondence and/or applications (with/without accompanying checks attached) at the HDHD HOG box located on the counter wall by the motor clothes, the dealership is not involved in the processing or tracking of these items. You can contact any board member or slip your comments into the appropriate box at the general membership meeting. We want to hear from you and will address your concern/issue promptly. We communicate a lot of updates and general information through email, our chapter hyperlink at <http://www.intermountainhog.com>, and [our Facebook page](#).

GENERAL MEETING

Friday, October 27, 2023

7pm

General Meetings are held the last Friday of each month (with a few exceptions), at the Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7025 Overland Road in Boise. We encourage everyone to come early to visit and take the opportunity to get to know other members. We love to have as many members show up as possible as it gives the chapter strength to see active participation, plus it keeps everyone in the know.

Don't forget to wear your chapter patch for a chance to win a special prize. There are door prizes, a 50/50 raffle, and lots of fun! Remember, we count on you as members to help us keep the Chapter interesting and fun.

BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

6pm

Board meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month (with a few exceptions), at 6pm. They last about an hour and as always, any chapter member can come and check out what goes on behind the scenes. No secret handshakes required! We meet at the Idaho Pizza Company, 5150 W. Overland Road, Boise.

BENEFITS OF BEING AN INTERMOUNTAIN HOG CHAPTER MEMBER

- Some of our members have spouses and/or significant others that have not joined as National HOG Associate Members and are not members of the Chapter. While they are certainly invited to participate in our rides, picnics, Riders in the Sky BBQ, After Christmas Party (ACCP), there is a financial benefit to join. Some of our events serve meals that are provided to members free of charge, or at a reduced cost. For each event guests pay typically \$15-\$40 (in the case of our annual ACCP party). The current annual cost of a National HOG Associate Member is \$59. Our chapter dues are currently \$20. So, for an annual total of \$79 – you not only join the best Chapter in the world – you save money too! The associate/passenger receives a \$30 credit to Harley Davidson.com or High Desert Harley-Davidson. You must go online to your associate/passenger account to retrieve the certificate.
- **MEET GREAT PEOPLE AND GO ON SOME INCREDIBLE RIDES!**
- **HDHD VIP REWARDS PROGRAM**
High Desert Harley-Davidson is excited about our VIP Rewards Program. This program is our way of rewarding you for choosing High Desert Harley-Davidson for all your Harley-Davidson needs. The VIP Rewards Program works in parts, motor clothes, and service departments (excluding specially priced items, taxes, on-line purchases, and certain service procedures including, but not limited to inspections, collision and warranty work). Please see store for details. VIP points are only honored at High Desert Harley-Davidson. As Intermountain Chapter H.O.G. members you receive 2 points for every \$1.00 you spend at High Desert Harley-Davidson. Veterans and First Responders are entitled to 3 points for every \$1.00 spent, but you must make your status known and enroll at the dealership to receive this benefit. You are able to track your points and print off your rewards certificates online by accessing your account at: <http://www.highdeserthd.com/loyalty-rewards>.
- **LIFE FLIGHT NETWORK**
IMCHOG members can join the Life Flight Network with a discounted group rate. The HOG membership application is below. If you choose to do your membership via the telephone, you must state that you are IMCHOG member to get the discounted group rate. For more information about the Life Flight Network use the following link:
<https://www.lifeflight.org>
- **TIME FOR NEW TIRES?**
Intermountain Chapter members receive free tire installation when you purchase your motorcycle tires through the **SERVICE DEPARTMENT**.
- **TIME FOR AN OIL CHANGE?**
Intermountain Chapter members receive a free synthetic oil upgrade when you schedule an oil change with the **SERVICE DEPARTMENT**.
- **NEED NEW PARTS?**
Talk to the guys in the SERVICE DEPARTMENT FIRST!

- **HOG RIDE 365**

Ride 365 includes Lifetime Recognition, Annual Recognition and an annual Chapter Challenge program that measures total chapter miles and average per-member miles. For the lifetime and annual programs, any H.O.G. member can participate. For the Chapter Challenge, if the member is listed as a chapter member in the H.O.G. system, their mileage readings will automatically be added to the chapter challenge. This should encourage our Intermountain H.O.G. members to focus on the reason we own H-D motorcycles—to ride them! Whether it's an afternoon get away or a transcontinental journey of a lifetime, every ride you take brings us closer together. If you aren't enrolled in the Lifetime mileage program, see your dealer to enroll. Be sure you include your National HOG member number. Click on this link or see the attached form for [RIDE 365 Form](#).

CHAPTER MEMBERS – Go see Dennis Peck in the service department Tuesday through Saturday at High Desert HDHD to submit your mileage for the Ride 365 Chapter Challenge. He will record your odometer reading but even more importantly, perform a *free safety inspection* of your bike (*takes about 15 minutes*). This is a **Free-to-Intermountain Chapter Members** offer! Or you can text your VIN#, HOG member number, and name to Dennis at 208-547-3474.

Perks for Ride 365 Participants

The Harley Owners Group is turning 40 this year and in recognition of that milestone, they have added the following perks for members who participate in RIDE 365 Challenges and other HOG programs.

- **Dealership Check-In Challenge** – participants will now be rewarded for more achievement levels along their journey, with awards received for 10, 25, 50, 75, and 100 points for more check-ins.
 - 10-24 points: Ride 365 Dealership Check-In Challenge pin and patch
 - 25-49 points: Commemorative HOG 40 Anniversary banner
 - 50-74 points: \$50 Norscot gift certificate for exclusive HOG merchandise (HOG.com/members website) and a HOG Eagle wall medallion
 - 75-99 points: \$75 Norscot gift certificate
 - 100 points or more: \$100 Norscot gift certificate
 - First Place Overall Winner: \$2,000 Harley-Davidson Gift Card, 1st Place Plaque and recognition at the Harley-Davidson Museum
 - Second Place Overall: \$1500 Harley-Davidson Gift Card, 2nd Place Plaque and recognition at the Harley-Davidson Museum
 - Third Place Overall: \$1,000 Harley-Davidson Gift Card, 3rd Place Plaque and recognition at the Harley-Davidson Museum
 - For each prize level range, participants receive all prizes listed for that level in addition to all prizes for previous levels achieved
- **10 for '23 Challenge** – participants will receive a unique challenge coin for each location visited in addition to a poker chip



MEMBER ROD MITCHELL SHARED A PICTURE OF HIS 365 PINS

CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

Cheryl Brenenstahl, Membership Officer

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ALERT - National HOG Membership Dues Changes

As some of you have noticed, National HOG Membership for a full member has gone up to \$59, a \$10 increase over past years. Also, the Associate member now is called 'Passenger' and has gone up to \$59.

But here's the good news! Once the Associate signs up or renews they award the Associate/Passenger 3000 points which equals \$30. Then you go online to the Associates/Passenger HOG National account to retrieve a \$30 voucher to redeem either online at Harley Davidson or High Desert Harley-Davidson. **NOTE:** They will not send you a notification! Please allow them a few days to get it posted.

The good part is that the Associate still has all of the perks you had before like Ride 365 and Dealership Check Ins.

When renewing your IMCHOG membership please consider paying with a check. Whether you are leaving your membership renewal in the HDHD HOG box located on the counter wall by the motor clothes, or mailing it in, payment in cash does not guarantee that it will be received. If you pay by check and the payment is not recorded by the Treasurer, a stop-payment on the check is recommended. If you have any updates to your email address, home address, phone number, please email me at intmntmem@q.com. If you are not receiving emails, it could be that you've changed your email address and haven't let us know.

The cost of chapter membership renewals is \$20 per member. Print and complete the attached membership forms or download the Membership Enrollment Form and Information Sheet by clicking on this link or pasting it into your browser:

https://www.intermountainhog.com/files/ugd/1fd7bb_83d2c20aa3144d3f9dca36de64480d8d.pdf

In case you do not want to make a trip to HDHD, you may mail your completed membership renewal paperwork and check to:

**IMCHOG Membership
2310 E Cinema Dr.
Meridian, ID 83642**



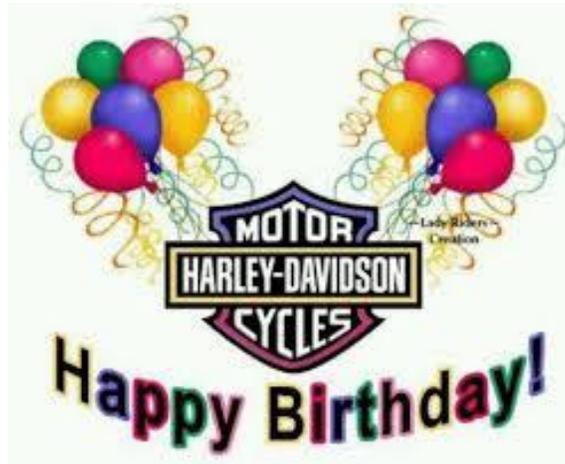
OCTOBER NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome the following new members to our chapter:

Gary Holm

Jessica Holm

William Tipton



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Anna Anderson

William Bevans

Carol Blair

Katherine Clarke

Elvan 'Chuck' Cox

Kathy da Rosa

Wayne Day

Cathy Donovan

Michael Dunlap

David Eberle

Lisa Gallin

Larry Grime

Gary Holm

Edward Jackman

Randy Johnson

David Kesner

Kathryn Lavala

Sam Linton

Paul Luck

Doug Mann

May Matlock

Steve 'Hook' Milton

Tina Peck

Ron Pursell

Misty Ritter

Dennis Seibel

Mindy Smith

Casey Steck

Joe Sweeley

Robert Wagner

Steve Webster

MERCHANDISE OFFICER

Beverly Tessin

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Name badges and HOG patches can be ordered at our monthly general meetings or by contacting me. The costs are:

Large Eagle HOG Patch (full color) - \$15

Small Eagle HOG Patch (full color)- \$5

Large Winged Skull Patch - \$15

Small Winged Skull Patch - \$5

Large HOG Eagle Silver Patch - \$15

Small HOG Eagle Silver Rocker - \$5

Large Silver Chapter Rocker - \$20

Small Silver Chapter Rocker - \$10

Small Gold Chapter Rocker - \$10

Large Gold Chapter Rocker - \$20

Individual name badges - \$



200-piece First Aid Kit - \$20



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Gayle Day, Activities Officer

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I want to thank all the volunteers for helping make this another great year. Our 'Free-Will' donation jar at the breakfasts and burger burns exceeded last year's donation to the wonderful folks at Meals on Wheels Metro Boise! A special check presentation will be made to them at our December 1st Friendsgiving Meeting/Dinner.

Did you know - Meals on Wheels Metro Boise delivers and serve more than 2,000 meals every weekday to seniors throughout Ada County, and 1,000 meals every weekend. They can always use more volunteers to deliver meals or cash donations to make it possible.

I look forward to working with you all next year. You can contact me through email or come see me at the general meeting!



CHAPTER PHOTOGRAPHER

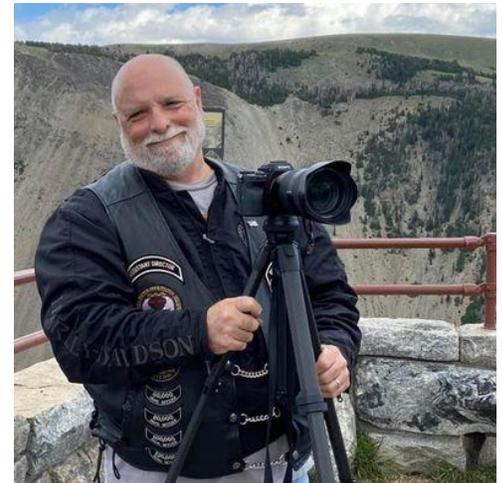
Jeff D'Agostino

jjdag@gmail.com



The official Chapter photo record can be found on our Flickr photo site. You can search and find your favorite images and download for your personal use, all free of charge. Check out the many photo albums here,

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/imchog/albums>



The Chapter also has a YouTube video channel. Both the photo website and YouTube channel can be accessed directly from the Chapter website: <https://www.intermountainhog.com/photos> If you want to be part of the official photographic record, please email your photos to jjdag@gmail.com. Please feel free to

contact us with questions at 818-636-1303 or 408-368-8833.

SAFETY OFFICER

Brett Allies

Intermountainhog.com

Group Riding - Response to an Emergency Vehicle Approaching from the Rear

Last year a question was posed to me by one of our members on what would be the correct response to an emergency vehicle with lights and siren activated approaching the rear of a group of bikes riding staggered as we do in our HOG group rides.



During one of our rides this year, The North Cascade Loop, the rear of the formation experienced this exact situation not once, but twice while riding on two lane roads with very little shoulder and considerable traffic going both ways so I thought it might be worth revisiting this topic.

Last year, not knowing the answer I asked two individuals (Will Stoy, Senior Instructor for HD L2R, former Meridian PD Motors Officer and Senior Law Enforcement Motorcycle Instructor the State of Idaho at POST) and (Brian Eichler, Manager and Instructor for HD L2R program at High Desert HD) for their input. The answer from both of these individuals were similar not only in context but in actions required.

As licensed drivers we should all know the law requires us to pull our vehicles as far to the right as possible, stop the vehicle or at least slow down when encountering an emergency vehicle with its safety equipment activated. As with most things in life the answers are not always black and white or simple. In this situation there could and probably will be different actions required depending on a number of variables.

If there are verbal (CB) communications from the rear of the formation (Sweep RC) to the front of the formation (Lead RC) and other CB equipped riders scattered throughout the formation it could be as simple as riding single file at a slower speed or pulling to the right and stopping if road, shoulder, and traffic conditions permit us to do so safely.

If there are no verbal (CB) communications from the rear to the front of the formation each motorcycle becomes its own entity and should respond accordingly to the current road, shoulder, and traffic conditions and do so safe in a manner. Hopefully we are all checking our rear view mirrors every 3 to 5 seconds as recommended by the MSF (Motorcycle Safety Foundation).

After the emergency vehicle has passed the rear of the formation, the Sweep RC now has the additional responsibility of gathering the group back together by never riding past another motorcycle in the group and allowing them to pull back on the road safely. In all

actuality it could require quite some time for the emergency vehicle to pass this formation so bikes and riders could be spread out for quite a distance.

When this scenario actually occurred this year the riders in the rear of the formation preformed these maneuvers exactly as this training segment suggested. I do not know if this bit of information had anything to do with the results but I would like to think so.

Ride safe, keep your head on a swivel, but most importantly “Have Fun!”

LEAD ROAD CAPTAIN

Cliff Lewis – Lead Road Captain

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Whatta ride! The year slipped by quickly as we put the miles on our Harley machines. Some impromptu rides are yet to be had as the days get shorter and the weather plays its fickle game of rain, wind and cold temperatures. There is no better time than right now to check and double check your Harleys readiness for the road.



While you look after the machine under you, don't forget to keep yourself safe also. Check your warm and wet riding gear. Being prepared for a sudden change of weather before you head out ahead of your ride can make quite a difference to your comfort and ability to focus on the road.

If the time is right for you and your preparing your beauty for its annual winter slumber, this is a good time to check with Dennis at High Desert for his list of winter preparations to help your Harley wake up refreshed in the spring for another year of fun on the road.

I hope you have enjoyed the wide variety of ride opportunities your road captains were able to provide this year. As we finish the year out, your road captains will meet over the winter and begin to plan for next year. Our chapter has seen its membership double and the challenges we face to provide a safe riding environment for all levels of rider experience is also challenging. Your road captains are tuned into you. Our goal is to provide a safe and enjoyable riding environment for all of our riders, no matter what their level of experience. But, it takes your support, awareness, and understanding of the wide variety our chapter members skill level.

Show your Harley some love and stay ahead of the road gremlins. See you on the road.

Ride on, Ride Safe!

An Intermountain HOG Chapter Ride Protocol Reminder

If you are joining a Chapter ride at a scheduled stopping point along the ride, there are a couple of pointers you should remember:

1. It is the rider or group of riders' responsibility to let the Lead Road Captain know **in advance** that you will be joining the ride along the route so they can pass this information along to the other road captains.
2. It is the rider or group of riders' responsibility to seek out the Lead Road Captain when the main group arrives. This is done so each individual can be signed in on the attendance roster as a ride participant for legal and insurance purposes before joining the ride.
3. Each rider must be briefed on the ride by the Lead Road Captain before joining the ride.
4. It is the responsibility of the rider or group of riders to join the main formation once it arrives and not to wait until the group is ready to depart from the stop. This makes mingling into the main group and setting up the stagger much easier.
5. Contacting the Lead Road Captain once the main group arrives assists in the tally of the bikes/trikes for our HOG ride records.

These issues primarily arises when the meeting point is a popular location where other riding groups gather to begin their rides. It is difficult for the Lead Road Captain to know who are the HOG Riders and who are from other organizations.

With these points in mind, the Lead Road Captain is assured everyone is signed in, accounted for, and ready to proceed for the remainder of the ride.

CHAPTER RELEASE FORM FOR MINORS AND MINOR'S ASSUMPTION OF RISK INFORMATION

Clarification – National H.O.G. requires a minor's parent or guardian to sign a **Chapter Release Form for Minors EVERYTIME THEY RIDE**, and if they are over 12 years old, the minor must sign a **Minor's Assumption Form EVERYTIME THEY RIDE**. This applies if the minor is a Chapter member or not.

The term "guardian" has been clarified to mean "legal guardian". Legal guardianship can only be assigned by a court, such as the family court, according to state laws.

If you're bringing a minor to one of our chapter rides, and you are not the parent or guardian of the minor, you must present a "Chapter Event Release Form for Minors" signed by the parent or guardian to the Lead Road Captain. Forms can be found on our website, www.intermountainhog.com, hit the "H.O.G. Riders" tab at the top. From there go to "Chapter Group Rides" then scroll down to "Road Captain Resources" where you will find the form or use the link below.

Chapter Release Form for Minors and Minor's Assumption of Risk Forms

https://www.intermountainhog.com/files/ugd/1fd7bb_91106e10f15546b58056bb8f84fafd61.pdf

POST RIDE / EVENT REPORTS

HIGHWAY 78 RIDE

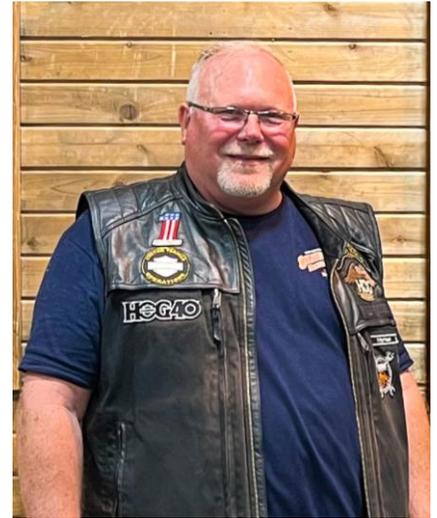
Michael Anderson, Lead Road Captain

Sunday, September 24, 2023

The Hwy 78 ride started off with clear skies and 19-bikes & 16-trikes. This was the last scheduled ride on the calendar this year and people showed up to RIDE!!

I led the group out Highway 95 toward Marsing, where we took a short break at the Chevron Station. After the break, we got on Highway 78 in Marsing and followed that into Grandview. We turned onto Main Street in Grandview.

I had asked Shannon to lead the group from this point. This was a tribute to her and a follow member that is no longer with us. Shannon took us to Black Sands Resort where they had been waiting for the group's arrival. They treated us well and had tables all set up. It was a great ride and lunch. Thank you to all that came out for the ride.



WILD HOG WEDNESDAY RIDE TO NEW PLYMOUTH PAT'S ROCKER RIDE

***Pat Doolittle, Lead Road Captain
Wednesday, October 4, 2023***

Per Jeff D'Agostino on FB post following the ride:

[Patrick Doolittle](#) Congratulations on completing your Rocker Ride today! What a beautiful day to ride to New Plymouth and have lunch at the Double Diamond Bar and Grill. Thank you Pat, Chuck and Richard for leading everyone safely to the destination spot.



CHAPTER FALL PICNIC

Mason Clarke, Lead Road Captain

Sunday, October 8, 2023

Sixty one riders showed up on 23 bikes and 17 trikes for what turned out to be a historic ride. First of all, the ride was rescheduled from the previous week when Boise received record rainfall for the first day of October. Then, a week later, some local news agencies reported that the final high temperature for the day of the picnic matched a record for heat on the same day way back in 1910. Funny how this chapter just keeps making history.



As our members gathered for the ride to Mountain Home, talk of the surprisingly beautiful weather dominated the conversations. The ride was uneventful and our members were safely delivered to Carl Miller Park where a hot chicken meal was waiting, thanks to some additional volunteers. Apparently we all overindulged a bit since the games that were set up got very little use after eating. Most folks seemed more interested in getting home for a nap.



Thanks to my supporting Road Captains Katherine Clarke, Chuck Cox, Patrick Doolittle, David Kesner, and John Tessin. Additional thanks goes out to the volunteers Bob Anderson, Art and Cheryl Brenenstahl, Gayle Day, Cliff and Joanna Lewis, Bev Tessin, Matt Oswald, and our ever-present photographers Anna Anderson and Jeff D'Agostino. Hopefully I didn't miss anyone.



LOWMAN LOOP RIDE

Jeff D'Agostino, Lead Road Captain
Sunday, October 15, 2023

We could not pass up a chance to take advantage of the beautiful October fall weather. Blue skies, moderate temps, simply means we've got to take a ride. The fall colors were displayed throughout the ride route. Absolutely gorgeous colors.

We had an incredible turnout for the Lowman loop ride.

This was a short notice ride, and I am stunned that we had 57 members, and five guests show up for the ride. There were 28 bikes and 20 trikes. A very impressive group when we rolled into town!

The ride headed out at 10am towards Horseshoe Bend for the obligatory stop at the Chevron station. From there we headed over to Banks Idaho and then to our second rest stop at the Danskin Station boat launch. From there we headed into Idaho city where the ride ended.

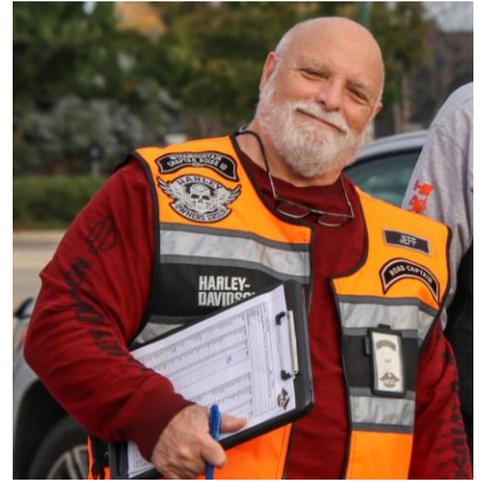


The road from Lowman to Idaho City was recently paved and absolutely smooth as silk. Hopefully those that did not attend the ride, will get a chance to ride it before winter. It was difficult to make lunch reservation in the area, due to the very large size of our group.

Plus there was another ride scheduled to arrive in the area shortly after us. Some riders ended up going into Boise for lunch, while others went to Trudy's. Two other small groups went to the Clear Creek Lodge.

Thank you to my road captains, mid's Bill Dike and Bob Anderson and sweep David Kesner. Of course, no ride is complete without my partner in crime, Anna Anderson behind the lens. We even managed to get a group picture at our second stop.

Hopefully we'll have a few more rides before winter sets in. Thank you!



UPCOMING INTERMOUNTAIN CHAPTER MEETINGS/EVENTS

(Always refer to the Chapter website, www.intermountainhog.com for the most current information.)

Date	Meeting/Event Title	Meeting Location	Meet Time	Contact
10/27/2023	General Meeting	Eagles Lodge	7pm	John Tessin
10/28/2023	LOH Halloween Co-Ed Bunco Potluck & Costume Contest	Mill District Clubhouse, 4057 S Mill Site Ave, Boise	4pm	Linda Potts
11/7/2023	Board Meeting	Idaho Pizza	6pm	John Tessin
11/24 – 12/24/2023	HDHD Gift Wrapping Event	High Desert Harley-Davidson	Assorted Times	Shannon Weston
12/1/2023	Friendsgiving General Meeting	Eagles Lodge	6:30pm	John Tessin
12/5/2023	Board Meeting	Idaho Pizza	6pm	John Tessin

LOH CO-ED BUNCO POTLUCK & HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28

Linda Potts, Ladies of Harley Officer

Antoinette Peters

Sherrie Pursell

Meet at the Mill District Clubhouse, 4057 S Mill Site Ave, Boise (Harris Ranch area)
4pm – 9pm



RSVPs must be made by Sunday, October 22nd so we can be sure to have enough tables, chairs, and game supplies for everyone. [Email Linda Potts at pottsl@slhs.org](mailto:pottsl@slhs.org) or text 208-869-9297.

BYOB (bring your own beverage) and a potluck-type meal to share. See list below to determine the type of food to bring (according to your last name):

A – D: Side Dish/Salad **E – R:** Meat or entrée **S – Z:** Dessert

Don't worry if you don't know how to play Bunco or haven't played in a while – we will teach you! The game is fast moving and a lot of fun.

Information for the Party

- **Ante:** \$5 per person to play Bunco (cash only please)
- **Prizes:** Depends upon the total number of guests that attend. Prize money will be split - Most Buncos; Most Wins; Most Losses; and Last Bunco.
- **Halloween Costume Contest:** 1st & 2nd place winners will be chosen by ballot and announced at the end of the evening

HIGH DESERT HD GIFT WRAPPING***Shannon Weston, Coordinator******November 24 to December 24, 2023***

It is that time of year again! We need volunteers who want to hang out at HDHD and wrap customer gifts during the Christmas season. This is a fundraiser for the Chapter that helps to support rides/events such as the After Christmas Christmas Party, picnics, etc.

An email will be sent November 1st to sign up for the date(s)/time(s) you want but here is a sneak preview of the schedule. If you don't want to wait to sign up, send me an email at shannonweston3@gmail.com and I will put you down!

<i>DATE</i>	<i>HOURS</i>	<i># OF SLOTS</i>
Saturday, Nov 25	10am - 2pm	1
	2pm - 6pm	3
Sunday, Nov 26	2pm - 5pm	3
Saturday, Dec 2	10am - 2pm	2
	2pm - 6pm	2
Sunday, Dec 3	11am - 2pm	3
	2pm - 5pm	3
Friday, Dec 8	3pm - 6pm	1
Saturday, Dec 9	10am - 2pm	1
	2pm - 6pm	2
Sunday, Dec 10	11am - 2pm	3
Saturday, Dec 16 (Pictures w/Santa)	10am - 2pm	2
	2pm - 6pm	3
Sunday, Dec 17	11am - 2pm	2
Monday, Dec 18	10am - 2pm	3
	2pm - 6pm	3
Tuesday, Dec 19	10am - 2pm	2
	2pm - 6pm	3
Wednesday, Dec 20	10am - 2pm	3
	2pm - 6pm	3
Thursday, Dec 21	10am - 2pm	3
	2pm - 6pm	3



CHAPTER'S AFTER CHRISTMAS CHRISTMAS PARTY!

January 13, 2024

Don't miss the fun!

Sign up forms on the Chapter website - www.intermountainhog.com

There are a total of three pages you need to download/complete and bring the General Meeting or drop in the HOG box at High Desert HD by the lounge area.

Special thanks to Katherine Clarke for the great poster!

Hippies & HARLEYS
 INTERMOUNTAIN HOG CHAPTER
 2024 After-Christmas Christmas Party

Saturday
January 13th, 2024
 Nampa Civic Center
 311 3rd St S, Nampa

\$40 per HOG Member
 \$50 per non-member
 Purchase Tickets by December 31st*

*Early Bird Prize Drawing for PAID Registrations by November 29th

Social 4 pm
 Seating 5 pm
 Dinner 6 pm
 Live Music 7 pm

Photo Booth
 Door Prizes 50/50

Dressing-up 70's style *OPTIONAL*
 Best Western Plus NCC block rooms available through December 1st, 2023

STRAIGHTAWAY

UPCOMING RIDE CALENDAR

(Always refer to the Chapter website, www.intermountainhog.com for the most current information.)

Date	Name of Ride	Meeting Location	Meet Time	KSU	LEAD
11/4/2023	Boise Veterans Parade	Majestic Theater Parking Lot	8am	8:30am	Katherine Clarke
12/2/2023	Boise Holiday Parade	Majestic Theater Parking Lot	8am	8:30am	Shannon Weston
1/1/2024	Frozen Butt Ride	TBD	TBD	TBD	Cliff Lewis

UPCOMING RIDE DESCRIPTIONS

BOISE VETERANS PARADE
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4
70TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE KOREAN WAR
ARMISTICE

Katherine Clarke, Lead Road Captain

Meet at 8am; KSU 8:30am

Majestic Theater Parking Lot



This year the theme for the parade is The 70th Anniversary of the Korean War Armistice. Read more about the parade and its theme at <https://www.idahoveteransparade.org>.

This parade not only represents all Veterans, it represents all of us. We all play a part in protecting the freedoms our Country represents. Come out and show your support!

More information will be available about the route soon. For now, SAVE THE DATE! Saturday, November 4th leaving from the Majestic.

As a retired Air Force Senior Master Sergeant previously stationed in Korea, well after the Korean War, the year's theme is a special one for me. Hope to see you on November 4th.

DECEMBER 2**BOISE HOLIDAY PARADE*****“WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO ME”*****Shannon Weston, Lead Road Captain**

Meet at 8am; KSU 8:30am

Majestic Theater Parking Lot



It is time to start planning! The theme this year is “What Christmas Means to Me” so get those ideas rolling on ways to decorate your bike and yourselves! Remember – no Santa suits please – there is only one Santa and he arrives at the end of the parade!

Have fun with your creativeness! You do not have to decorate your bike prior to going down to the parade. There will be plenty of time to decorate in the staging area.

PLAN EARLY!***NORTH MEETS SOUTH RALLY 2024******JOHN TESSIN, LEAD ROAD CAPTAIN******JUNE 13-16, 2024***

I will be leading a Chapter ride to the North Meets South Rally in Medford, Oregon on June 13.

As we get into 2024, I will be providing more details on how we will be traveling to the Rally. The hotel information has already been sent out and many of you have reserved rooms for this event. The Rally registration will open the first week of November. Since this Rally historically sells out, I would suggest registering as early as possible if you are planning on attending.



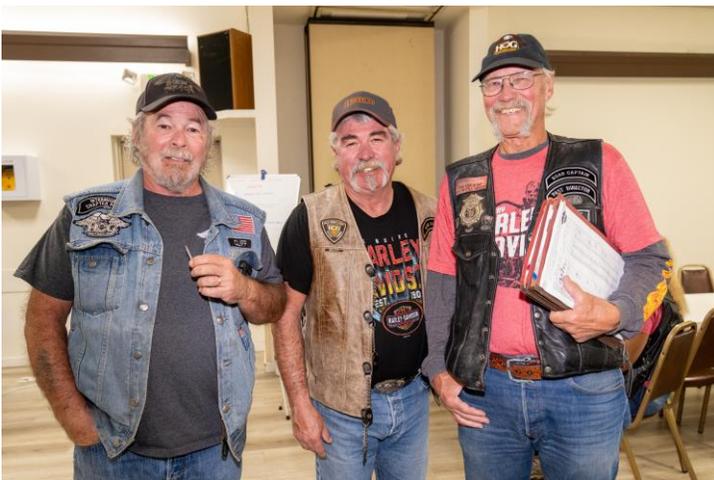
The North Meets South information can be found at northmeetsouth.info.

OH, WHAT FUN WE HAVE! Visit the Chapter Flickr page to view thousands of event photos! - <https://www.flickr.com/photos/imchog/albums/with/72177720311429954>

Saturday, September 23 – HOG Cooks Breakfast



Friday, September 29 – General Meeting





2023 Intermountain Chapter Harley Owners Group Board

Sponsor - [High Desert Harley-Davidson](#)
Sponsor/Chapter Liaison – Dennis Peck
Director – John Tessin
Assistant Director – David Kesner
Treasurer – Greg Renn
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Assistant Photographer – Anna Anderson
Safety Officer – Brett Allies
Webmaster – Katherine Clarke
Member at Large – Jamie Allies
Member at Large – Bob Anderson
Member at Large – Kathy Anderson
Member at Large – Michael Anderson
Member at Large – Bob Potts
Member at Large – Herb Weston





We try to be as accurate as possible and the information above is correct at the time of publication. However, events sometimes change due to unforeseen circumstances, so please check the **Chapter** and **Dealership** event calendars often for the latest on what's happening!

Chapter event calendar: <https://www.intermountainhog.com/see-what-s-up>

Dealership event calendar: <https://www.highdeserthd.com/events>

If you have suggestions or comments about the newsletter, or if you have something to submit for inclusion in a future newsletter, please email them to our editor at:
shannonweston3@gmail.com

So long for now and see you on the road... and as always...

***Ride Safe, Ride Often,
& Have Fun***



CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT FORM AND RELEASE

Chapter Name: INTERMOUNTAIN CHAPTER – HARLEY OWNERS GROUP #1255

Member Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone: _____ Member Nat'l H.O.G. Number: _____

Expiration Date of National H.O.G.® Membership: _____

I have read the *H.O.G.® Chapter Charter* and hereby agree to abide by it as a member of this Dealer sponsored Chapter.

I recognize that while this Chapter is chartered with H.O.G., it remains a separate, independent entity solely responsible for its actions.

THIS IS A RELEASE, READ BEFORE SIGNING

I agree that the Sponsoring Dealer, Harley Owners Group® (H.O.G.®), Harley-Davidson, Inc., Harley-Davidson Motor Company, my Chapter and their respective officers, directors, employees and agents (hereinafter, the “**RELEASED PARTIES**”) shall not be liable or responsible for injury to me (including paralysis or death) or damage to my property occurring during any H.O.G.® or H.O.G.®

Chapter activities and resulting from acts or omissions occurring during the performance of the duties of the Released Parties, even where the damage or injury is caused by negligence (except willful neglect). I understand and agree that all H.O.G.® members and their guests participate voluntarily and at their own risk in all H.O.G.® activities and I assume all risks of injury and damage arising out of the conduct of such activities. I release and hold the “**RELEASED PARTIES**” harmless from any injury or loss to my person or property which may result from my participation in H.O.G. activities and EVENT(S). I

UNDERSTAND THAT THIS MEANS THAT I AGREE NOT TO SUE THE “**RELEASED PARTIES**” FOR ANY INJURY OR RESULTING DAMAGE TO MYSELF OR MY PROPERTY ARISING FROM, OR IN CONNECTION WITH, THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR CHAPTER DUTIES IN SPONSORING, PLANNING OR CONDUCTING SAID EVENT(S).

WAIVER OF RIGHTS UNDER STATE STATUTES

I further agree to waive all benefits flowing from any state statute which would negate or limit the scope of this Release and Indemnification Agreement including, but not limited to, Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which provides:

“A general release does not extend to the claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known to him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor.”

By signing this Release, I certify that I have read this Release and fully understand it and that I am not relying on any statements or representations made by the “**RELEASED PARTIES**”.

Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR CHAPTER



High Desert Harley-Davidson® Intermountain H.O.G.®

Member Information Sheet

Membership Information

Welcome to our Chapter! You MUST have an "active" National Harley Owners Group® (H.O.G.) membership to become of member of the chapter. If you need to become a National H.O.G.® member, go to www.harley-davidson.com and click on "OWNERS." That will take you to the area to join. Have your VIN readily available when you log in to join. Once a member, you will receive your National H.O.G.® membership number.

Local chapter dues expire December 31st each year. Dues paid by new members joining the chapter on or after the 15th of October are good through the following year.

Checks should be made out to "IMCHOG." Returned Check Fee of \$17 will be charged for any insufficient fund checks. Return the *Chapter Membership Enrollment Form*, this *Member Information* sheet, and your check in our HOG box near the lounge at High Desert Harley-Davidson, 2310 E. Cinema Drive. Meridian, ID 83642. Or mail to:

**HOG Membership Officer
2310 E Cinema Drive
Meridian, ID 83642**

Additional Information:

Name: _____

Spouse/Significant Other Name: _____

Member of the Intermountain Chapter before? No Yes Since: _____

Your Birth Month: _____

What you ride: _____

Image Release:

Photographing, filming, recording and videotaping of activities can occur at chapter events. By entering a HOG event area, you irrevocably grant permission to the Harley-Davidson Motor Company and its agents to photograph, film, record and/or videotape you and use (and authorize the use of) your name, image, likeness, voice and/or biographical or other information in any and all media now known or hereinafter developed in perpetuity for any and all purposes.

By signing, I certify that I have read this Image Release and fully understand it.

Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

Spouse Signature: _____ Date: _____

Information is used only for internal purposes of the Intermountain H.O.G.® Chapter and will not be shared with any other entity.

VIP: _____	Paid: _____
HOG: _____	Ck No. _____
Treasurer Rec'd _____	



H.O.G. Mileage Form



RIDER NAME: _____ HOG # (W/Country Code): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip or Postal Code: _____

Passenger NAME: _____ HOG # (W/Country Code): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip or Postal Code: _____

IMPORTANT NOTE: Each Harley-Davidson motorcycle must be enrolled prior to accumulating miles in the program.

FILL OUT THIS SECTION TO: ENROLL (Start new in the Mileage Program)
OR
ADD additional bike(s) to the program



VIN: _____ Starting Miles: _____
VIN: _____ Starting Miles: _____

FILL OUT THIS SECTION TO: REPORT MILEAGE for enrolled bike(s)
OR
REPORT MILEAGE for bike(s) sold or traded

VIN: _____ Current Odo: _____ MILES
VIN: _____ Current Odo: _____ MILES
VIN: _____ Current Odo: _____ MILES

(AN ENTRY SHOULD BE MADE IN BOTH SECTIONS ABOVE TO REPORT A VEHICLE TRADE)

DEALER'S ENDORSEMENT REQUIRED:

Dealer Name: HIGH DESERT HARLEY-DAVIDSON Dealer #: 1255
Dealer Signature: _____ Date: _____

(I hereby certify that the information on this form is correct)



Intermountain Harley Group MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT DISCOUNT

Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether this enrollment form is for a new or existing membership:

New Member Existing/Renewing Member - Member ID#: _____

MEMBER INFORMATION

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Spouse/Domestic Partner: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

List Additional Eligible Household Members:

Includes any of the following family members living in the same household: dependents claimed on your tax return, disabled family members, and/or family members who are 65 years or older living in the same household.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Relationship: _____

_____	_____
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CHOOSE A DISCOUNTED MEMBERSHIP OPTION:

- 1 Year Air - \$65 Lifetime Air Membership - \$1,100
- 2 Year Air - \$120 Lifetime Air Payment Plan – \$275/year for 4 consecutive
- years 5 Year Air - \$300
- Optional:* Tax Deductible Donation: _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

- Check (payable to Life Flight Network Foundation)
- Credit or Debit (Visa, M/Card, AmEx, Discover): Amount \$ _____
- Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: / _____ Security Code: _____
- Billing Address: _____ Zip: _____

hereby authorize Life Flight Network to charge the amount indicated above.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PLEASE RETURN TO LIFE FLIGHT NETWORK MEMBERSHIP OFFICE:

PO Box 3841 • Portland, OR 97208-3841 • Phone (800) 982-9299 • Fax (503) 217-1413

This application is valid through 12/31/2023. Please contact the Membership Office for an updated application if this form is expired. Membership benefits take effect upon receipt of completed application and payment. Life Flight Network transports patients based on medical need, not membership status. Medicaid beneficiaries should not apply for membership. Life Flight Network operates under its own FAA Part 135 Air Carrier Certificate.

Office use only:

DISCOUNT: HOG GROUP GROUP: _____ TRACK CODE: _____

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

By becoming a Life Flight Network Member, you agree to the terms stated below.

A Life Flight Network Membership relieves you from liability for out-of-pocket costs of emergent, medically necessary transports completed and billed by Life Flight Network. Your membership is not an insurance policy but secondary to insurance carriers and health care cost sharing programs. All available insurances will be billed first including health, auto, workers compensation and third-party insurance. Life Flight Network will accept payment from insurance carriers and other third party payers as payment in full.

Membership benefits are available for those eligible household members listed on the member record at the time of transport if the transport is an emergent, medically necessary transport to the closest, most appropriate facility, performed by Life Flight Network, its contracted agents, or reciprocal partners, subject to the reciprocal program's rules.

Membership benefits are extended to the primary member, his/her spouse or domestic partner and dependents claimed on their income tax return. Dependents must be added to the member record within 30 days of birth or adoption. Elderly (age 65+) and disabled family members living in the same household are also covered. Life Flight Network may require documentation or other verification of membership eligibility.

Emergency medical transports are based on medical need, not membership status. Medical need can only be determined by a physician, EMS provider, hospital or another qualified third-party recognized by Medicare, and is in all cases subject to the final determination of the health insurance carrier, if any.

Non-emergent transports are not eligible for Life Flight Network membership benefits.

Availability of service cannot be guaranteed due to weather conditions, maintenance, commitment to another transport, out-of-service equipment, and other reasons.

New and lapsed membership benefits take effect upon receipt of a completed enrollment with payment.

Membership fees are non-refundable, non-transferable and are not tax-deductible. Life Flight Network may cease selling and servicing memberships should any governmental body, now or in the future, determine memberships can no longer be offered within their jurisdiction. No refunds will be made for any memberships already purchased.

I transfer directly to Life Flight Network my rights to insurance payments due to me for services provided by Life Flight Network. Such payments shall not exceed Life Flight Network's regular charges. Denial of a claim by an insurance provider must be received by Life Flight Network in writing. Membership benefits do not extend to transports deemed not medically necessary or when insurers deny payments due to coordination of benefit issues. Per government regulations, individuals covered by Medicaid are not eligible for Life Flight Network membership and should not apply.

I specifically release and waive any and all rights, claims or causes of action against Life Flight Network and its employees and agents with respect to my Life Flight Network Membership.

The Membership Program may be canceled at any time for any reason, including financial feasibility and governmental regulation of such programs. Terms and conditions are subject to change. For current terms see www.lifeflight.org

LIFE FLIGHT NETWORK LOCATIONS

