

HOW YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS HELP NAMI HELP MONTANANS

Thanks to the generosity of the participants and donors involved in the Trans-Montana Charity Ride, NAMI Montana and its affiliates are able to provide a variety of services to fellow Montanans living with mental illness. All monies collected directly benefit individuals and their families through the provision of free education and support classes in communities across Montana. Additionally, NAMI Montana plays a critical leadership role in ensuring that state-level mental health efforts are developed and sustained in ways that truly impact communities.

Examples of NAMI Montana's efforts include:

- Advocating for adult crisis services that help support community crisis centers across the state.
- Launching a multi-year effort that successfully funded children's mental health crisis services in communities across Montana.
- Initiating the development of the Center for Mental Health Research and Recovery at Montana State University to bring cutting edge diagnostic and treatment techniques to Big Sky country.
- Facilitating dialogue between the Montana Veterans Administration ("Montana VA"), policy makers, and community mental health providers to ensure that the Montana VA maintains insurance reimbursement rates at a level that will avoid stranding hundreds of Montana Veterans in need of mental health services.

NAMI Montana has affiliate offices in: Billings, the Bitterroot Valley, Bozeman, Helena, Kalispell, the Mission Valley, and Missoula.

See our Website at:
www.namimt.org

PRIZES & AUCTION

Help support us by buying Raffle Tickets for many great prizes!

See the Link on our Website!

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
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2017 13th Street S.W.
Great Falls, MT 59404

For more details, schedule and pictures from past rides, check out our website at:
www.trans-montana.org

"A SNOWMOBILE RIDE THROUGH BIG SKY COUNTRY"

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TRANS-MONTANA
Snowmobile Charity Ride

Feb 1-7, 2024

Proceeds to benefit the
Montana chapter of
the National Alliance
on Mental Illness



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RULES

Rules for riders with the intention of riding the entire ride (or more than 2 days):

1. Paid registration fee, signed registration form, and minimum pledges collected.
2. Persons under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or guardian rider and have written permission from an adult companion snowmobile rider.
3. Snowmobiles must be in excellent running condition.
4. A rider must wear a helmet, complete snowmobile clothes and boots.
5. Riders must have the following avalanche gear: transceiver, probe, and shovel. If you do not have these items, let us know and we will arrange to have them available for you..
6. **NO drugs or alcoholic beverages are allowed on the trail.**
7. Riders must be experienced in all terrain.
8. All machines must be licensed with valid MT Trail Pass.
9. All riders must have an extra drive belt, tow rope, flashlight, cigarette lighter or matches, emergency space blanket, first aid kit, extra food rations, gloves and a TETHER.
10. All riders will comply with ride leaders instructions.
11. Riders must attend daily safety and information briefings.
12. This is not a race! Snowmobiles must be operated in a safe and courteous manner at all times.
13. We will try to start rides by 9:00 am and finish by 4:00 pm, so we can get to the next town.
14. Riders might want to carry extra fuel for any emergencies.
15. Littering or destructive behavior will not be tolerated.
16. An agenda and lodging itinerary is posted online. Lodging facilities have extended special discounts to our group and block reservations have been set aside for the Trans-Montana riders. Riders are responsible for making their own reservations.
17. All participants will be responsible to collect their pledges and forward those funds to:

TransMontana Charity Ride
2017 13th Street S.W.
Great Falls, MT 59404

Rules for riders with the intention of riding 2 or less days:

1. Paid registration fee and signed registration form.
2. Rules 2-16 above apply to all riders.

You are encouraged to seek pledges or donations, but it is not required. We appreciate your efforts to help raise more!

FEES & REGISTRATION

Fees Required for Full Time Riders:

1. \$75 REGISTRATION with your application due Dec 20th.
 2. \$500 in pledges or donations (please submit by Jan 15).
- NOTE:** Estimated costs: Lodging \$800; Meals \$2-300; Snowmobile Fuel/Oil: \$2-300; Vehicle Fuel \$3-500

Fees Required for Day Riders (Up to 2 days):

1. \$50 / day registration fee. No Shirt, Hat while available.
2. Riders wishing to ride more than 2 days are considered Full Time Riders (see rules above).
3. You may purchase Hats or Shirts separately. Call Mark for price and to check availability.



Schedule for This Year's Ride:

- Meet in Georgetown Lake on January 31.
- Riders Pre-Ride Meet n Greet Meeting 5PM
- Day 1: Skalkaho Ridge w/Bitterroot Ridge Runners
- Day 2: Georgetown Lake Area w/Anaconda SC
- Drive to Butte after riding in Georgetown Lake
- Day 3: Ride Butte Area with either Mining City Trailriders OR The Jackpine Savages from Wise River
- MSA Awards Banquet @ Copper King Convention Ctr
- TransMontana Silent/Live Auction
- Day 4: (Sunday) Travel Day to West Yellowstone, no scheduled riding
- Days 5-7: Ride various areas in/near West Yellowstone such as: Taylor Fork/Carrot Basin, West Fork, Island Park, Mt. Jefferson, etc.
- Day 7: Rider Awards Banquet in the evening with the West Yellowstone Chamber of Commerce.
- Day 8: Head home or stay for more riding!

WHAT IS THE THE MONTANA SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION?

The Montana Snowmobile Association is dedicated to the promotion of snowmobiling and the preservation of the environment. Their objective is to stimulate and advance the general welfare and safety of snowmobiling, by joining the collective voice of Montana snowmobilers for the proper recreational uses of snowmobiles on the land, develop a fraternal spirit among snowmobilers and other winter sports enthusiasts, and perform all desirable and lawful functions for the successful operation of the Association in general public interest. For more information, go to:

www.snowmobilemt.org

How to Take Part in This Year's Ride:

- This year we are using an electronic sign-up form online (no paper need to fill out a paper form)!
- Go to the [Rider Sign Up Page](#).
- Scroll down to the sign-up form, fill in your information (one for each rider), and click submit at the bottom!
- Pay the fees either by sending a check or paying online.
- Collect or pay your donations.
- Questions: Call (406) 407-0301

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