

# Wishin' for Fishin'

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Memorial Motorcycle Ride & Event

It's that time of year again & we are reaching out to you regarding the upcoming 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Wishing for Fishing Memorial Ride & Event that will take place on July 8, 2023, at L/A Harley Davidson in Lewiston, Me.

Wishing for Fishing is a community event that was started in 2021, in memory of our son, Nicholas Gage Marin. Nicholas loved to fish, he loved the outdoors, and he loved motorcycles!

Growing up, each year, there always seemed to be a question from Nicholas about who was going to purchase his fishing license? This seemed silly to us as he got older and could surely afford a simple fishing license, however, there was always something else he needed like gas, clothes, food, entertainment, etc. that would, in any young adults' eyes, take precedent over a fishing license, not understanding that fishing alone could keep him entertained and fed for his entire life!

With all of that combined, Wishing for Fishing was born!

The focus of this event is to give children under 16 right here in Maine a LIFETIME Fishing License and get them outside!

Since 2021, Wishing for Fishing Memorial Ride and Event is extremely grateful to have raised just under \$8000 between raffles, cash donations & individuals and local businesses who sponsored full lifetime fishing licenses. We will forever be extremely grateful for those who stepped up with us to make it possible to put a smile on almost 40 children's faces as we gave away LIFETIME Fishing Licenses!

HOW AMAZING IS THAT!! Those children can fish for their ENTIRE lives and NEVER have to worry about who is going to buy their license! Those kids will be grandparents, taking their grandkids fishing for the first time and will still never have to worry about that license! These kids can essentially be entertained and fed for their entire lives from a single event that we and many generous donors made happen! It's pretty spectacular and our goal is to keep it moving & to be able to give as many kids this right as we are able to with the help of such kind people and businesses like yourself!

We will have an organized motorcycle ride from L/A Harley along with an afternoon of music, food, raffles, 50/50 and fun! This is a single day event; all drawings take place at approx. 2:00pm.

What we are humbly asking from you, or your company is a non-perishable raffle item and/or a sponsorship of a child's Maine LIFETIME Fishing License. Currently the state of Maine charges \$300 for a lifetime license for children ages 5-16 and \$150 for lifetime license for children under 5 years of age.

All licenses, raffles, etc. will be drawn at approx. 2:00pm on the day of the event. Your donation and/or sponsorship will be highlighted & recognized on the day of the event as well as on the Facebook event page which is posted year-round!

How can you help make this year even more successful than last?  
That's EASY & below are multiple ways you and your business could help:

- Full Sponsorship of a Maine Lifetime Fishing License; available at (2) levels:
  - Children under 5 years of age - \$150 Sponsorship
  - Children aged 5-16 - \$300 Sponsorship
- Any cash donation towards the total giveaway of Maine Lifetime Fishing Licenses
  - Donation of an item or service for the raffle table.

We will start making in person visits to local businesses in April, if you'd like you can mail your check/donation to:

Michael & Monica Marin  
C/O Wishing for Fishing  
PO Box 22  
Sabattus, Me 04280

We sincerely appreciate your consideration in this matter & look forward to visiting soon!

Sincerely,

Michael & Monica Marin  
&  
United Bikers of Maine  
Androscoggin County



207-240-2184