



**The Red Knights** International Firefighters Motorcycle club® is an organization composed exclusively of firefighters and their families with a worldwide affiliation dedicated to promoting motorcycle safety while enjoying the fellowship among firefighters who ride motorcycles.

Local Chapters sponsor various activities throughout the riding season, as well as the non-riding season, such as “poker runs”, dinner rides, tour rides, family style local and regional picnics, as well as other motorcycle club activities.

Any monies raised by local chapters usually sees a significant percentage donated to a hospital burn unit, or children’s aid functions, or directly aid a fellow firefighter who may have suffered the misfortune of being a victim of fire himself.

Newsletters and websites are published by local chapters, regions, and the international about past and upcoming events, meeting announcements, minutes of previous meeting, etc...

Membership is open to ALL firefighters, Past or Present, who has access to a motorcycle and holds a valid motorcycle endorsement on their license. Spouses, members’ children, and boy/girlfriends are welcome to join as Social Members.

At present, a minimum of seven (7) firefighters are required to charter a chapter.

Each year in August, The Red Knights has their international convention, hosted by a local chapter or association.

## Our Mission Statement;

TO PROMOTE MOTORCYCLE SAFETY

TO PROJECT A POSITIVE IMAGE OF MOTORCYCLING

TO ENJOY THE FRATERNITY OF FIREFIGHTERS

TO ENGAGE EXCLUSIVELY IN SOCIAL, CHARITABLE, AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES DIRECTED AT THE GENERAL UNDERSTANDING OF, COMPETENCY,

SPORTSMANSHIP AND PARTICIPATION IN THE SPORT OF MOTORCYCLING



## HISTORY OF THE RED KNIGHTS, (RKIFMC)

During the summer of 1982, several firefighters were visiting “Randy’s Cycle Shop” in Boylston, Massachusetts. The subject of motorcycle clubs came up in discussion. Soon they were all grousing about the fact that law enforcement people had a motorcycle club known as the Blue Knights, but there was no club for firefighters. After the tire kicking session, owner Randy Wilson suggested to Ed Wright, a firefighter from Northboro, MA, that he stop talking about the lack of a club and form one instead.

Recognizing a good idea when he heard one, Ed went home that afternoon and made some hand printed posters inviting firefighters from the area to meet and determine if there was enough interest to form a motorcycle club. On August 17<sup>th</sup> 1982, Fire Chief Jack Pierce allowed a small group of motorcycle enthusiasts to meet in Northboro Fire Headquarters to lay the ground work for the formation of a motorcycle club.

On October 19<sup>th</sup>, 1982, firefighters Colin Mackey, Bob Bourassa, Edward Wright, Roger Wentzell, David Hamilton, Bob Goulet, David Hunt, Jonathan Tripp, Don Parker, Norm Beausoleil and Chief Jon Pierce met again. There was interest in promoting the positive image of motorcycling while enjoying the camaraderie of other firefighters. It was decided then that this group would be known as the Red Knights Motorcycle Club®

News of this new club spread like a grass fire. In July of 1983, a second chapter was formed in Connecticut. In October of that year a second chapter was in Massachusetts was raised. Soon applications came in from such distant places as Nevada and Louisiana.

In 1984, the first club convention was held in Boylston, MA. Each year since, a convention has been held for all RED KNIGHTS.

In August of 1983 the founding members realized the organization was rapidly growing beyond their original expectations. To properly handle the growth, they elected a committee to serve as the National Board of Directors. With applications from Ontario and Saskatchewan Canada, the club became known as the ....

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“LOYAL TO OUR DUTY”  
Our International Memorial is in Boylston, Mass.



“Where it all began”



The International Flag of the Red Knights IFMC

As of January 2014, we are represented by nearly 10,000 members, in 18 Countries, on three Continents. We are proud of the Family, Social, Fraternal organization we are.

If you would like information on starting a chapter, please contact the International Executive Secretary,

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Or, apply online for a Member At Large (MAL) position at: **www.redknightsmc.com**

Or, contact your local group;

# The Red Knights

INVITES YOU TO JOIN US....

# Annual Conventions

# THE RED KNIGHTS

This is your invitation to support the exciting and growing sport of Firefighter Motorcycling, by joining the Red Knights as an active or past firefighter, or an employed Paramedic or EMT who works for a Fire Department, you will be involved with a friendly group of people, with one purpose in



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## Third Weekend in August unless otherwise notified

- 1984 Boylston, Massachusetts
- 1985 Boylston, Massachusetts
- 1986 Cromwell, Connecticut
- 1987 Boylston, Massachusetts
- 1988 Toronto, ONT, Canada
- 1989 Mentor, Ohio
- 1990 Waterville Valley, New Hampshire
- 1991 Leamington, ONT. Canada, ONT 6
- 1992 Worcester, Massachusetts
- 1993 Angola(Pokagon Park) Indiana, IN 7
- 1994 Belleville, ONT, Canada, ONT 7
- 1995 Columbus, Ohio, OH 5
- 1996 Leamington, ONT. Canada, ONT 6
- 1997 Marlborough, Massachusetts
- 1998 New York City
- 1999 Daytona, Florida (October)
- 2000 Indianapolis, Indiana, IN 1
- 2001 Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, MB 1
- 2002 Warwick, Rhode Island RI 1
- 2003 Montreal, QUE, Canada, QUE 3
- 2004 Edmonton, ALB, Canada, ALB 1
- 2005 Toronto, ONT, Canada, ONT 1
- 2006 New York City
- 2007 Boylston, Massachusetts, MA 1
- 2008 Sandusky, OH- OH Association
- 2009 Orlando, Florida FL 1
- 2010 Grand Island, NY- NY Association
- 2011 Ocean City, MD, MD 3
- 2012 Gettysburg, PA- PA Association
- 2013 Vermont- VT Association
- 2014 Prince Edward Island, PEI1
- 2015 Texas- TX Association
- 2016 Wisconsin- WI 5
- 2017 Syracuse, NY
- 2018 Pittsburgh, PA

## International Firefighters



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