

## TIPS FOR RIDERS

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- **Make yourself visible.** Choose riding gear that increases your visibility in traffic in addition to providing protection in the event of a crash. Use bright colors and retro-reflective strips or decals, especially at night.
- **Ride so you are seen.** There is no one safe place to ride. Use lane positioning to be seen. Ride with your headlight on and consider using a modulating headlight.
- **Give yourself space and time to react.** Allow space for emergency braking or for avoiding a crash. Make your lane moves gradually.
- **Signal your intentions.** Signal before changing lanes. Avoid weaving between lanes. Flash your brake light when you are slowing down and before stopping.
- **Be courteous and respect other road users.** Being courteous, non-aggressive and cooperative can go a long way in reducing crashes.

*Great thanks to Gold Wing Road Riders Association, ABATE, Ride Like a Pro MD, Calvert County Public Schools, CSM, Patuxent River Base Safety, Motovation Cycles, Hydrogen-Tek and all the riders, clubs, and businesses that worked so hard in planning this event. Additional thanks to Red Knights, All-American Harley Davidson, Serge Performance Cycles, Abell's Tavern, Toot's Bar, Hole in the Wall Tavern, and Dew Drop In.*

## TIPS FOR DRIVERS

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- **Respect the motorcyclist.** Motorcycles are vehicles with the same privileges as any vehicle on the roadway. Give the motorcyclist a full lane of travel.
- **Look for motorcycles.** Motorcycles are smaller profile vehicles that are harder to see and whose speeds are more difficult to estimate. Look for motorcycles at intersections, especially before making a left turn. Check your blind spots frequently and before changing lanes. Always signal your intentions.
- **Allow plenty of space.** Traffic, weather and road conditions require the motorcyclists to react and maneuver differently. Allow enough room for the motorcyclist to maneuver and enough time for you to adjust.
- **Be courteous and respectful.** Being courteous, non-aggressive and cooperative can go a long way in reducing crashes.

### **Calvert County Traffic Safety Council**

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## Southern Maryland Motorcycle Safety Rally

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**Patuxent High School**  
12485 Southern Connector  
Blvd, Lusby MD

*April 10, 2011*

(Rain Date April 17, 2011)

## Demonstrations – Skills Event Area

12:15 p.m.; 1 p.m.; 2:30 p.m.

Ride Like a Pro Maryland, College of Southern Maryland, and other advanced riders will demo skills which riders should practice and enhance to improve skills and ability to increase safety on the roads.

## Practice – Skills Event Area

12:30 p.m. to 1 p.m.

1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

2:45 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.

## Challenge – Skills Event Area

3:15 p.m. to 4 p.m.

You must sign waiver and adhere to all requirements to participate in the practice and challenge. Registration can be completed at the booth near the course demonstration area next to motorcycle parking. Advanced riders/educators are on site to assist.

## Motorcycle Class/Training

**Information** – College of Southern Maryland Booth

## Drawing for a FREE Motorcycle

**Training Class** – All American Harley-Davidson Booth

**MVA Motorcycle Handbooks, Maps, other regional materials for rides, businesses** – Main Booth/CSM Booth

**FREE Mechanical Checks** – stop by either booth below to check availability to have a quick mechanical check

- **Motovation Cycles**
- **Serge Performance Cycles**

## Pre-Trip Mechanical Discussions:

**Serge Performance Cycles Booth:**  
12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.

**Motovation Cycles Booth:**  
2:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

## On-Site Poker Run/Door Prizes – ABATE Booth

**1<sup>st</sup> Poker Run** – 12 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. – all hands must be turned back into the **ABATE Booth** by 1:55 p.m.; winning hand announced at 2 p.m.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Poker Run** – 2 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. – all hands must be turned back into the **ABATE Booth** by 3:55 p.m.; winning hand will be announced at 4 p.m.

**Door Prizes** – Pick up your door prize ticket at the **ABATE Booth**. Drawings at 1:15 p.m.; 2 p.m.; 2:45 p.m.; 3:15 p.m.; 4 p.m.

**For Door Prizes and Poker Run - Must be present to win.**

**Special Guest – Julian (Jody) Groves**  
Retired Prince George's County Police Officer, with over 1,000,000 miles on motorcycles; one of the early Motorcycle Safety Instructors in Maryland; registered to participate in Guts and Glory Rally (charity for Shriners Hospital and 3 veteran organizations) May 15, 2011, which begins in California, routed to touch all 48 continental states and ending in Maine just 11 days later; Iron Butt certified.

## Other Participants include:

Red Knights  
Blue Knights  
Rider Insurance  
Tammy Gladstone – State Farm Insurance  
CMA (Southern Messengers)  
Ride Like a Pro Maryland  
Blue Knights  
Venom Aquagraphics  
Signs by Shorty  
Calvert County Sheriff's Office  
Dairyland Insurance  
SNELL Foundation  
Gold Wing Road Rider's Association MD I  
Solomon's Volunteer Fire and Rescue

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## OTHER INFO

**Restrooms** – Field House – ask anyone with a badge for directions.

**Food** – Sunshines Catering has food and drinks for sale.