## Black Dog Ride 1 DAYER



## RIDER SAFETY BRIEFING

Safety is paramount! As part of our duty of care to all participants, this message must be read out prior to the Ride commencing. Please add anything you feel is necessary which relates specifically to your Ride.

As a participant in this Black Dog Ride, you automatically become one of the Black Dog Ride family. This concept is important to all of us as riders.

We all look after one another both on and off the road. The reputation of Black Dog Ride as a responsible motorcycling event is also of extreme value to us.

Please always ride in a manner that ensures we maintain this reputation and at no time behave in such a way that may bring the Black Dog Ride or your local area into disrepute.

- 1. Please ride safely and obey the Rules of the Road at all times.
- 2. Ride in a staggered formation except on narrow roads where you should follow in Indian or single file.
- 3. Leave a safe distance to the bike in front. Look ahead to see what's happening in the group which might impact on you. Check your mirrors regularly.
- **4.** Don't exceed the speed limit to catch bikes ahead of you. If you lose sight or the group in front there will be directional signs or corner markers to indicate where to turn.
- 5. Overtaking is discouraged unless the bike in front is travelling slower than the main group. Overtake safely and with consideration for the other riders. Do not overtake on corners or double white lines.
- **6.** At the rear of the rider group there will be a Tail End Charlie. Please keep yourself between the Ride Leader and the TEC.
- **7.** Behind the TEC will be a support vehicle. Please signal them if you need assistance by waving your arms above your head or give them a thumb's up if you're ok.
- **8.** Less experienced riders should ride at the rear of the group in front of the Tail End Charlie.

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- **9.** If, whilst on the ride, you see an injured rider, please stop *only if it is safe to do so* and offer first aid *if you can*. The Ride Safety Vehicle will not be far away. If you see other riders with the injured rider, <u>please keep riding</u> to ensure there's no bottleneck on the road, risking riders safety.
- **10.** Black Dog Ride believes there is no safe or right time to drink and drive/ride. At the end of the ride, please ensure your safety and that of your fellow road users by sticking to celebratory soft drinks until you've safely reached your home.
- **11.** Most importantly, enjoy the ride and have fun but please not to the detriment of your fellow riders or other road users.

## **LOCAL SAFETY ITEMS** (some examples given)

- These are popular roads with weekend traffic, caravans, 4 wheel drives, cyclists and
  motorcyclists. Please be aware of oncoming vehicles and slow moving traffic. Between \*\*\*
  and \*\*\* the roads have a narrow seal and wide gravel shoulders, please stay in single file.
- Intersection \*\*\*\*\*\*\* has had recent roadwork and there is a 200m unsealed section to be aware of.
- We have allowed lots of time at the end point the ride for the slower riders to catch up. No one needs to race. The first leg will leave from \*\*\*\*\*at 10am and the second leg will leave from \*\*\*\* at 1pm with all riders as a group.
- There will be photographers along the route and they will be wearing Hi Vis vests. Be aware of these and other people that may be near the roadsides. There may be places where the ride will be intentionally slowed to allow us to regroup. The photographers will be taking pictures which will be made available to Black Dog Ride, all riders and the volunteers. If you do not wish to be photographed please decline politely.
- If riders drop out to for any reason and wave the TEC on you'll need to either catch up or make your own way to the next or final stop point, which is \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*. If you want to drop out you can still attend the fundraising event at the end.

## ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS?