

# 2017 Palmetto Police Motorcycle Skills Challenge

12TH ANNIVERSARY

APRIL 5TH THROUGH APRIL 8TH





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# Phone Numbers

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## EVENT

### CONTACTS

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Beach Cove Hotel		888-974-0756
Hospitality/Food	Hannah Hall	704-577-3761
Rules / Training Pad / Courses	L.Cpl. Chris Shick	843-385-3466

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## AGENCY

### CONTACTS

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Myrtle Beach P.D.	Sgt. Jim Allen	843-385-1610
Horry County P.D.	Cpl. Jeffrey Todd	843-446-4058

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# Host Hotel

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Beach Cove Resort  
4800 South Ocean Blvd  
North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29582  
Tel: +1-843-918-9000

[www.beachcove.com](http://www.beachcove.com)

# Charity information

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The Palmetto Police Motorcycle Skills Challenge event is dedicated to providing a safe training opportunity to the emergency personnel who attend while benefiting selected charities. This year's selected charity is:

## **Camp Happy Days**

Since 1982, over 1,500 children have taken part in Camp Happy Days comprehensive programs and 278 families have benefited from our family assistance program. It is through great guidance and leadership from professionals, our partnership with Hospitals across South Carolina and other cancer organizations that our programs stand above. From programs that offer respite from a child's day-to-day worries of cancer to those that strengthen family bonds and provide financial support, each of our programs are designed to help improve the emotional, physical, and psychological health of children and families affected by pediatric cancer.



[www.camphappydays.org](http://www.camphappydays.org)

# Event Itinerary

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\*Subject to change\*

## Wednesday April 5<sup>th</sup> - Registration Night

- 12:00 PM ..... Track Open for Practice / Registration open on track
- 6:00 PM..... Track Closed

## Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup> - Practice & Hospitality

- 7:00 AM- 6:00 PM ..... Registration at the track / open practice.
- 7:00 AM ..... Breakfast donated by Bojangles/Krispy Kreme
- 8:30 AM ..... Riders Meeting
- 11:00 AM-12:00 PM ..... Lunch provided by Dickies BBQ.
- 3:00 PM..... Last Man Standing Competition
- 7:00 PM..... Hospitality Night at 710 Bowling” (more info on page 10)

## Friday April 7<sup>th</sup> – Practice, Competition & Hospitality

- 7:00 AM- 12:00 PM ..... Track OPEN for practice (uniforms optional for practice)

- 7:00 AM- 9:00 AM** ..... Breakfast donated by  
Eggs Up Grille Dunkin  
Donuts
- 11:00 AM-12:00 PM** ..... Lunch provided by  
Gino’s Pizza
- 11:00 AM** ..... Judges Meeting
- 12:00 PM- 5:30 PM** ..... Precision Course &  
Challenge Ride  
(uniforms mandatory),
- 6:30 PM –UNTIL** ..... Dinner donated by Wild  
Wing Cafe (more info  
on page 13)

**Saturday April 8<sup>th</sup> - Competition & Awards Banquet**

- 7:00 AM** ..... Breakfast - McDonalds
- 8:00 AM** ..... Opening Ceremony at  
track (Uniforms  
Mandatory)
- 8:30 AM** ..... Riders/ Judges Meeting
- 9:00 AM** ..... Timed Course,  
Individual Slow Ride,  
Partner Tether Ride  
and Team Slow Ride &  
Partner Challenge Ride
- 11:00 AM-12:00 PM** ..... Lunch donated by  
McAlister’s Deli
- 6:30 PM- 9:30 PM** ..... Banquet at The Original  
Benjamins (more info  
on page 14)



# Raffles & Prizes

There will be two raffle opportunities for this event of which a portion of the proceeds will be donated to charity. Raffle tickets may be purchased beginning at the registration night on Wednesday 04-06-16.

**\$5.00 Raffles** –Sample prizes: Pens, Hats, Cups, Shirts, various gift certificates, Gift certificate for a Super Seer helmet, handcuffs and many other items.

Sample prizes:

 <p><b>Stalker XS</b> Est. Value \$1900</p>	 <p><b>Guitar</b></p>	 <p><b>Motolights</b> Est. value \$ 420</p>
 <p><b>LTI</b> <b>Truespeed S Lidar</b> Est. value \$ 850</p>	 <p><b>Heritage Arms</b> <b>.22 caliber</b> Est. value \$200</p>	<p><b>Plus many more!!!</b></p>

# “710 Bowling” - Hospitality Night (Thursday)

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On Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017, hospitality night will be hosted at 710 Bowling in North Myrtle Beach. A five minute ride from the host hotel, it offers bowling, cornhole, ping pong and billiards.



**Address:** 1105 Hwy 17 S,  
North Myrtle Beach SC 29582

**Web:** [www.710bowling.com](http://www.710bowling.com)

**Attire:** Casual

**Food:** TBD

**Beverages:** Adult beverages (Beer) and non-alcoholic drinks provided

**Raffles:** Many of the \$1.00 raffles will be awarded this evening.

**Entertainment:** Cornhole tournament & Music (more info on page 11)

# Cornhole Tournament

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On Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017, competitors may participate in a cornhole tournament. Entry fee of \$20 per team, reentry within first bracket also \$20. Winners will take home a set of Motor Wing Corn Hole Boards!!



## Rules of Cornhole

1. The boards should be placed on a flat surface 27 feet apart (front to front). Two teams of two people, termed partners, shall play. Partners shall stand at opposite cornhole boxes on the same side, from the perspective of a third person, and face each other, so there is no advantage given to one team.
2. Each cornhole team shall have 4 bags of one color.
3. All 8 cornhole bags begin at one end.
4. One of the partners on the team who has honors shall begin play by throwing a cornhole bag at the opposite cornhole box.

5. A cornhole player may throw from anywhere behind the front of the cornhole box they are throwing from.
6. Game continues by alternating throws between the two opponent players until all 8 cornhole bags have been thrown.
7. If a cornhole bag hits the ground then bounces up onto the board, that bag shall be taken off the playing surface.
8. The next round starts when the other cornhole player on the team, which has honors, throws their first cornhole bag.
9. Scoring: 1- point for a Woodie (on the board); 3- points for a Cornhole (in the hole). If any part of a bag is hanging off the board and touches the ground, it is considered a dirty bag and must be removed from the board. If a bag hits the ground and goes on the board, it is considered a dirty bag and must be removed from the board. The cornhole game continues until one team reaches 21 or more points.

Losing Teams in the first bracket may re-enter and compete with other losing teams prior to the tournament moving to the second bracket.

# Wild Wing Cafe – Hospitality Night (Friday)

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On Friday April 7th, 2017, dinner will be provided at Wild Wing Cafe, a short drive or walk from the host hotel.

**Address:** 4706 S Hwy 17, North Myrtle Beach SC  
29582

**Web:** <http://www.nachohippo.com/>

**Attire:** Casual

**Food:** Dinner Provided

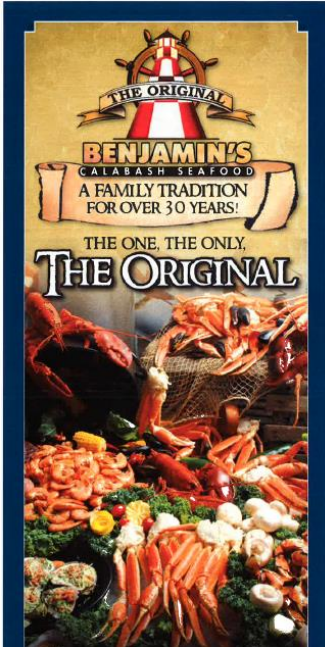
**Beverages:** Cash bar

**Raffles:** None

**Entertainment:** Music

# Original Benjamins Seafood Buffett (Saturday)

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On Saturday April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 1830 the awards banquet will be hosted at the Original Benjamins Seafood Buffett. All you can eat seafood! Your registration fee includes one ticket to the banquet. Additional tickets can be purchased for \$30 each during registration or at the competition.

**Address:** 9593 N. Kings  
Hwy, Myrtle Beach  
SC 29572

**Web:** [www.originalbenjamins.com](http://www.originalbenjamins.com)

**Attire:** Casual

**Food:** Seafood Buffet

**Beverages:** Cash Bar and non-alcoholic drinks provided

**Raffles:** Remaining \$1.00 raffles, \$10.00 raffles awarded.

# Music Selections

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Competition participants may select a music track to be played during their (or another competitors) timed run for \$5.00. Any individual may override the first music selection for \$10.00 for each change of selection from previous. A portion of the proceeds will be given to charity.

Example:

	Song 1 - \$5.00	Song 2 - \$10.00	Song 3 - \$10.00	Song 4 - \$10.00
Officer 1 name				
Officer 2 name				
Officer 3 name				

# Competition Courses

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A police motorcycle rodeo is a way to showcase the skills of law enforcement motorcycle riders. These skills are put to the test through a series of performance under pressure events. It takes a great deal of practice to be able to handle the shear weight and size of the motorcycle. The basic idea of police motorcycle training is to make the motorcycle itself work to its maximum potential. A simple philosophy of motor officers is if you hit or rub a cone in training you have just struck a pedestrian. A rodeo is made up of several events that help to determine the overall best riders. These riders are ranked in a final overall category. The best overall rider earns the title of Mr. Rodeo. The best team consisting of four members earns the title of best overall team.

The Precision Runs will consist of the following courses in the following order:

1. Eight Ball
2. Bleeding Ulcer
3. Cajun Craze
4. The Plug
5. The Harley

The Timed Runs will consist of the following courses in the following order:

1. Santa Rosa
2. Sea Shell
3. Red Stick
4. French Quarter
5. Influenza

The Challenge Run will consist of an unannounced, unknown exercise to be disclosed at the time of the event.



# Competition Rules

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**Eligibility** - Competition is open to all sworn Law Enforcement or Emergency Officers who are authorized to ride a police / working motorcycle through their department.

**Rules Committee** - A Rules Committee will be established to settle all disputes that may arise during the competition. The Rules committee will be comprised of five members. All disputes submitted to the Rules Committee will be discussed and a decision rendered. Majority rules. During any given dispute, no one on the Committee will be from the agency involved in the dispute. A representative from the agency involved may be involved in any discussions leading up to a vote, but may not cast a vote to resolve the dispute.

**General Rules** - Riders must compete on a police motorcycle of at least 1000 cc's that is equipped in the normal deployment configuration as delivered from the factory. This would include lights, saddlebag rails, and engine guards (AKA "crash bars") Riders must compete wearing the appropriate uniform normally worn on duty.

All riders must wear a helmet, properly fastened while on the courses, including practice. During the competition if a competitor experiences a kick stand spring malfunction or any type of mechanical failure that creates any type of safety hazard 5 minutes will be allowed to correct the problem. After the problem is corrected the competitor will be given a rerun but all penalties will count for both runs. No competitors will remove or secure kickstands prior to competing.

**Points Assessment (Timed Run)** - Points will be added as 1 second per point to the overall time and will be assessed as follows:

- 2 Point - Wheel crosses an established boundary line
- 1 Points - Touch a cone

- 3 Points - Knock down a cone
- 5 Points - Put a foot down
- 10 Points - Drop the motorcycle
- DQ - Failure to complete an exercise or follow the path of travel
- DQ - Run out of a pattern (When both wheels cross the imaginary line between the center points of two adjacent cones where the motorcycle would not normally exit the pattern)

A maximum of 20 penalty points is allowed per run. Riders exceeding 20 points are not qualified to advance. Bonus points will be awarded for each penalty free run by deducting 5 points from the overall time. An additional 5 points will be awarded for two penalty free runs, for a maximum of 15 bonus points. Riders will be required to make one precision and one timed run through each set of 5 courses. The time from each run, after bonus/penalty assessments, will be added together for a final overall time. Should any two riders in awarded positions have a tie score, the tie will be broken by a second timed run.

**Awards** - Awards will be given to a minimum of five per division/per class for the main competition and the slow ride. The actual number of awards is dependent upon the number of riders in each division/class. Three awards will be provided for the Challenge Ride. Other awards may be given at the discretion of the Rodeo Committee.

**Divisions** - There will be three divisions with three classes per division as follows:

- Division 1 - With Faring
- Division 2 - Without Faring
- Division 3 - All other motorcycles meeting the defined criteria

Each division will have a Novice, Intermediate, and Expert class. A Novice is defined as someone who has never competed in a motorcycle competition, such as a rodeo, safety trials, or Law

Enforcement Olympics. If a rider has competed in 3 or more events/or has placed in a competition he/she must move up to the next class. If a rider has competed in 3 or more Expert class events, but has not placed, he/she may compete in the Intermediate class during this competition.

**Challenge Ride** - The Fun Run will consist of an undisclosed course to be set up the day of the competition to test various riding skills.

**Team Competition** – To be considered for the overall team competition, any agency with greater than four competitors must declare a four member team roster that can not be changed after the start of the competition except for exigent circumstances and approval by the Board. Teams with fewer than four competitors may seek other participants to form a four member team. The team with the lowest cumulative score will be declared the winner.

Example:

- Agency with 6 participants must declare a roster of 4 team members. The remaining 2 participants may seek other individuals to form another team.
- Agency with 8 participants must declare two 4 member teams.

**Partner Ride** - Two team members will compete on a 3 course circuit decided by drawing during the competition. Time will start upon the first motorcycle moving. Time will stop upon the last motorcycle exiting the last gate. Penalties will be assessed the same as the main events. The top three teams will receive awards.

**Individual Slow Ride** - This competition will be open to all participating riders and will not be separated by Division or Class. Times starts when the front axle crosses the start line, and ends when:

- Riders rear axle crosses the finish line
- The motorcycle crosses any boundary line or touches an obstacle

- The rider puts a foot down
- The rider drops the motorcycle
- Ties will be resolved by a second run between tied riders.

**Team Slow Ride** - The object of this competition is for all team riders to complete the course as slowly as possible without putting a foot down, dropping the motorcycle, leaving the course, or hitting an obstacle. This will be a relay competition and will be conducted as follows:

- Riders #1 and #3 will start at one end, while riders #2 and #4 start at the opposite end.
- On the judge's command, rider #1 will lift his/her foot and travel the course as slowly as possible.
- At each end of the course, will be a two-foot transfer box. All rider exchanges will take place within the transfer box.
- When rider # 1's front wheel enters the transfer box, rider # 2 must raise his/her foot and enter the transfer box with his/her front wheel inside the transfer box before rider # 1's front axle crosses the exit line. Rider # 2 then proceeds to the opposite end of the course, and completes a transfer with rider # 3.
- During the transfer process, when the entering rider's wheel enters the box, and he/she becomes the active rider.
- Riders # 3 and # 4 proceed as listed in 4 and 5 above. The judge will STOP and RECORD the time for the TEAM when:
  - Rider #4's rear axle crosses the finish line
  - The active rider puts a foot down
  - The active rider crosses a boundary or puts a foot down
  - The transferring rider fails to enter the transfer box on time
  - The active rider drops the motorcycle.
- A team may consist of any four riders, regardless of agency, and a rider may compete in this event without having competed in any other event. In the event of a tie, one rider

from each tied team will do an individual slow ride to determine the winner.

**Judging** - The Rodeo Committee duties will consist of:

- Official Score Keeper
- Supervise Judges
- Mediate Scoring Disputes

If any rider disagrees with his/her score, he/she must notify the Rodeo Committee immediately. If the dispute cannot be settled by the Rodeo Committee, the dispute will be referred to the Rules Committee for disposition. The decision of the Rules Committee is final.

**Conduct** - All persons involved in the competition will be expected to maintain professional conduct. Anyone who displays or engages in unprofessional conduct, as determined by the Rodeo Committee, may be warned, disqualified, or ejected from the competition.

**Mr. Rodeo (Overall Champion Scoring)** - The individual rankings by division (Novice/Expert) and class (Division 1 or 2 / Other) will apply to determine the winners of those divisions/classes. The individual results from all classes and divisions will be blended to form one overall ranking list that will be used to determine the overall individual champion and team scores.

The overall champion will be determined by using the following formula:

Main Course Individual Competition Results	50%
Slow Ride Individual Competition Results	25%
Challenge Results	<u>25%</u>
	100%

The competitor with the lowest score, using the following method will make the determination of overall champion:

**Main Course Individual Competition Results** - The competitor will be assigned a score equal to the value of his/her ranking in the Competition. (e.g. 1st place equals 1 point, 2nd place equals 2 points and so on)

**Slow Ride Individual Competition Results** - The competitor will be assigned a score equal to the value of his/her ranking in the Competition. (e.g. 1st place equals 1 point, 2nd place equals 2 points and so on)

**Challenge Course Results** - The competitor will be assigned a score equal to the value of his/her ranking in the Competition. (e.g. 1st place equals 1 point, 2nd place equals 2 points and so on)

Example:

Competitor A received competition results of :

Main score 3rd place = 3 points  
Slow score 5th place = 5 points  
Challenge 2nd place = 2 points

Competitor B received competition results of :

Main score 1st place = 1 points  
Slow score 11th place = 11 points  
Challenge 3rd place = 3 points

Competitor A

Main 3 x 50% = 1.50points  
Slow 5 x 25% = 1.25points  
Challenge 2 x 25% = 0.50points  
Total 3.25points

Competitor B

Main 1 x 50 % = 0.50 points  
Slow 11 X 25% = 2.75 points  
Challenge 3 x 25% = 0.75 points  
Total 4.00 points

Ties for placing positions (1st through 3rd) in the overall championship will be broken by the championship being awarded to the competitor with the highest ranking/placing in the Main Competition. In the event of a Main course tie (Non-placing position such as 4th place) the competitor with the highest ranking in the Slow Ride will be awarded the championship. Ties for non-placing positions will not be subject to the tie break formula.

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