



Ride Day Info



SPORTS RIDERS CLUB OF TASMANIA INC.

About Ride Days

Ride Days are all about having fun. Having the opportunity to ride without oncoming traffic and without any nasty surprises around the corner, riding as fast as you want to and not losing your licence, exploring your own and the bikes limits. All this in a safe environment and for minimal cost. Once you get on the track . . . you'll never want to leave!

SRCT Ride & Clinic Days are run in accordance with Motorcycling Australia's regulations. Ride and Clinic Days are not race meetings, they are an opportunity for riders to; hone their skills, bike knowledge and road craft; to exchange information; & to explore the potential of their motorcycles in a controlled environment.

How it works

In order to participate at a Ride Day/Clinic you will need to:

- Get yourself and your motorcycle to the track
- Be wearing appropriate clothing: Helmet, Gloves, Boots, Full-length trousers and a Protective jacket
- Join the SRCT, annual membership is \$60
- Get your Motorcycling Australia Recreational Licence. If you have a current motorcycle licence from any Australian State you only need to fill in the application form and pay the annual fee of \$80 or the one day fee of \$25.
- Sign Up, fill in and sign an indemnity form and pay the track fee of \$55

So your first Ride Day will cost about \$140 or \$195 all up, & other Ride Days will cost \$50 (+ \$25 if you need another one day licence).

Please note: all prices are subject to change without notice

On the day

Ride Days are run in sessions. Groups are determined by experience and machinery.

1. Novice - for riders new to the track and for riders who enjoy a slower pace.
2. Intermediate - for faster riders and sports orientated bikes.
3. Racers - for riders on track and race bikes.

Sessions are 15 minutes for each group and each group gets 5 or 6 in a day.

All new riders start in the Novice group. The first Novice group of the day is run with a pace bike, so everyone can sight the track and get a feel for it. There is no pressure to ride any faster than you want to. As riders gain track experience they may want to move up to the Intermediate group. To change groups, ask one of the Marshals.

A few simple rules

1. Always wear your helmet when riding, even in the pits.
2. No overtaking up the inside once in the braking area. This is for everyone's safety and means that if you get it wrong someone else won't be brought down too. Note: this rule does not apply to the racers session.
3. If you're slowing down to enter the pits, or for any other reason (ie. mechanical failure), raise your hand or stick your leg out to warn other riders.
4. Pit Exit - when you exit the pits look for traffic before you go onto the track, and keep to the outside of the white line (ie. stay to the outside of the track).

Who is in control

On Ride Days the track is marshalled from the start/finish line. Flags are used to let riders know what's happening. The flags are:

- Red - track closed: don't go out onto the track, or slow down, finish the lap you're on and return to the pits.
- Green - track open: the track is clear to use.
- Yellow - caution: slow down, there is a crash or problem on the track ...
 - look for: liquid or debris on track, or a slow vehicle on track.
- Black - slow down, finish the lap you're on and return to the pits, see the marshal.
- Checkered - session is finished: finish your lap and return to the pits.

Before you come to the track

We recommend that you check your bike over before you bring it to a Ride Day.

- Check for loose parts or bolts.
- Check the twist-grip - it should snap back when you let go of it, if not, lubricate it.
- Adjust slack out of levers.
- Check brake pad wear and fluid reservoir levels.
- Check chain tension and lubricate.
- Check tyre wear and pressures.
- Check for fluid leaks.

Before you get to ride

1. All bikes are scrutinised - that is they're checked over for basic control operations (ie. brakes, clutch, and throttle), any fluid leaks or loose bits. Note: if you have a rack with a high back (ie. Ventura), you will need to remove the upper section.
2. Remove the Tool Kit from under your seat.
3. Riders are briefed on the rules, flags and running of the day.

Other stuff you need to know

- You participate at your own risk.
- Your insurance is unlikely to cover an accident or injury incurred on track. Please check your policy.
- There is a trained First Aid person in attendance
- There is a Canteen open on the day.

Spectators

Spectators and family are welcome. Come into the pits and mingle with the riders, or watch from the hill - it's free. Please supervise children. Pets are not permitted.

Added bonus

As a member of the SRCT or TMCC

- You also get the benefit of a reduced fee for private practice at Baskerville or Symmons Plains - though exclusive track time is not guaranteed, you will save \$40. You are required to present your membership card to the caretaker to get the discount. The caretaker is also able to accept membership applications.
- SRCT members can also attend TMCC Ride Days at Symmons Plains for just the track fee, and vice versa (you still need a current MA licence).