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Sheriff Increases Traffic Patrols for 25th Annual Biketoberfest – ‘Look Twice, Save a Life’

The 25th Anniversary of Biketoberfest, an annual motorcycle rally hosted in Daytona Beach, begins this Thursday through Sunday, October 19-22, and is expected to draw more than 100,000 visitors. Many visitors pass through Flagler County and stop at events along A1A or US1 and SR 100. Special motorcycle-themed events and concerts are scheduled from St. Augustine through New Smyrna Beach.



“With the fun and festivities planned, there will be a large increase in the number of motorcyclists on our roads,” Sheriff Rick Staly said. “To keep it a safe and celebratory weekend, all drivers need to be aware of the increased traffic and watch for bikers before changing lanes or driving through intersections. Looking twice could save a life.”

The Flagler County Sheriff’s Office will have increased patrols countywide with a focus on A1A and US1. The DUI patrol unit will also be in effect Thursday through Sunday. Signboards will be displayed alerting drivers of high-traffic areas.

“We are happy to have the visitors and we want them to enjoy the events and have fun,” Sheriff Staly said. “What we don’t want is traffic accidents and fatalities. We have already seen increased traffic in our county and had one motorcycle accident over the weekend resulting in a trauma alert taken to the hospital. That is what we’re hoping to avoid. Slow down and if you’re going to drink, don’t drive.”

For more information on Biketoberfest 2017, visit the official website: www.Biketoberfest.org.

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