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Road Rally: Drive the path to cure MS

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Fundraisers always need to be changed up if a charity desires to attract new supporters. Mel's Support Squad is doing just that with their Path to Cure MS Road Rally being held on September 12, 2015.

This is the group's first road rally fundraiser and they are very optimistic about its success. When Dennis Martin, owner of Martin Moto, was approached to be a sponsor, there was no hesitation of becoming the event sponsor. Dennis Martin agreed that Pottstown/Boyertown area is the perfect place for a road rally. People in this area love for others to see their motorcycles and automobiles. They love food and a good time.

What a better way than to combine everything into one event that will bring people together of all ages and backgrounds who want to show off their transportation and raise money for a good cause: Multiple Sclerosis.

Mel's Support Squad, a 501(c)(3) organization is hoping to attract a little bit of every street legal vehicle: motorcycles, pick-up trucks, SUV's, sports cars, classic cars and even everyday family cars. Beginning at the Hillside Aquatic Club, 134 West Moyer Road, Pottstown; participants will be provided encrypted questions/answers while navigating approximately 30 miles of the scenic and sometimes a few compacted dirt roads of Boyertown, Bally and Bechtelsville all in route to the final destination for a fabulous pig roast and refreshments. Should you wish to partake in adult beverages, a cash bar will be available.

All drivers must be at least 18 years of age, possess a valid driver's license and have proof of current insurance which must be presented the morning of registration. Vehicle registration will not be accepted as identification. Participants should have at least one driver and 1 passenger so that the driver can concentrate on the road and the participant can look for the clues. Please bring a clip board, pen or pencil and a digital camera.

This event is not a timed speed event. Reckless driving will not be tolerated. The route has been laid out in advance and test-driven at the posted speed limits. All times from beginning to end shall be recorded and turned in at the end of the race. This rally will take participants to certain locations by encrypted clues. Once the clue has been answered, the participants shall record their answer and drive to the next location until they reach the end destination. The team coming closest to the pre-determined completion time and answering the most questions correctly will be crowned the 2015 Path to Cure MS Road Rally winner.

Sponsorships are still needed as are donations for raffle prizes. Cost is \$35 per vehicle if pre-registered by August 31st and \$55 after August 31 (including race day.) All proceeds go to the Greater Delaware Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. All cancellations with less than 48 hours' notice will be non-refundable.

If you would like to be a sponsor or a participant, all forms can be found at <http://melssupportsquads.com/events>. Should you have any questions, please contact Cathie at 610-724-4456 or Gailynne at 484-948-8148.

Let's take this journey together to "create a world free of MS!"

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