

Riding with Jane

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They say there's an age that you can't teach dogs tricks but I'm here to tell you its amazing how many young and old people are learning new tricks by going to AZ Precision Motorcycle Drill Team's Skill

Enhancement Course. I considered myself a good rider but I knew there was more out there that I needed to know, so I decided to take this course that I had heard so many nice things about.

The course is centered on learning evasive actions and using the friction zone. Boy, I thought I knew my friction zone, but I never really knew my friction zone till it was drilled it into me. Using the friction zone gives more control at slower speeds. Did you know that using the right amount of pressure on the clutch, break and accelerator keeps your bike in an upright position? It's one of those things you know but don't realize that you know. You know?

The first night I came home with a whole new respect for my bike and my ability. Wow, I did things that I only thought I could do but never would have actually done. Blonde logic? Probably, but take the course and you will fully understand. Each class has 4 different obstacle courses, each course teaching just a little bit different scenario of what might occur in every day riding. Could be from maneuvering thru a parking lot to avoid being rear-ended.

The instructors are the members of the AZ Precision Motorcycle Drill Team. Have you seen them perform? You should, you will then appreciate the knowledge they pass on to the students. I would like to thank Jim, Allen, Gary S., Charley, Gary D., Jerry & Dennis for their time and knowledge. They are the best! Visit <http://www.azdrillteam.org> to see the schedule of events and download your registration form. If you are interested in joining the team, male or female, please contact them; they are always looking for new members.

Ride safe, have fun.
Jane