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Welcome to the June 2010 Edition of "On the Move"

Northern Virginia HOV Lanes – A Significant Time Saver

We all know that one of the key benefits of riding K&K to the Washington, DC metro area is the use of HOV lanes. What you may not know is exactly how much time you are actually gaining by using these lanes. According to the Virginia Department of Transportation on the I-95/395 HOV lanes you can expect a 27 minute commute compared to a 58 minute commute on regular lanes. On I-66 the HOV commute is 41 minutes compared to 69 minutes on regular lanes. Finally on the Dulles Toll Road you can expect a 39 minute HOV commute vs. 56 minutes in regular lanes. These numbers show that by choosing to vanpool you are saving a significant amount of time.

Information taken from: <http://www.virginiadot.org/travel/hov-default.asp#nova>

New Virginia Speeding Fines Effective July 1, 2010

A new VA tax law will go into affect July 1, 2010. This new law will only apply to Virginia Residents and violations under this law are costly and can accumulate swiftly.

In short, 10-15 mph over the posted speed limit is now \$3,500 (after a new points tax that was introduced) in the state of Virginia. Here is the link:
<http://www.thenewspaper.com/news/18/1818.asp>

Led by state Delegate David B. Albo (R-Springfield), lawmakers slipped a driver responsibility tax into a larger transportation funding bill signed by Governor Tim Kaine (D) in April. Albo, a senior partner in the Albo & Oblon,

LLP traffic law firm, can expect to see a significant increase in business as motorists seek to protect their wallet from traffic tickets that come with assessments of up to \$3000 in addition to an annual point tax that tops out at \$700 a year for as long as the points remain.

Driving as little as 15 MPH over the limit on an interstate highway now brings six license demerit points, a fine of up to \$2500, up to one year in jail, and a new mandatory \$1050 tax.



The law also imposes an additional annual fee of up to \$100 if a prior conviction leaves the motorist with a balance of eight demerit points, plus \$75 for each additional point (up to \$700 a year). The conviction in this example remains on the record for five years.

Other six-point convictions include "failing to give a proper signal," "passing a school bus" or "driving with an obstructed view." The same \$1050 assessment applies, but the conviction remains on the record for eleven years.

Although the amount of the tax can add up quickly, the law forbids judges from reducing or suspending it in any way. The tax applies only to Virginia residents, so that out-of-state motorists only need to pay the regular ticket amount. For more information concerning this new law visit: <http://www.thenewspaper.com/rlc/docs/2007/va-drivertax.pdf>

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K&K Safety Corner Summer Driving Hazards

The summer is almost here and there are new hazards we need to be aware of:

Give Kids a Break – School's out in about 2 more weeks. That means more kids out on the streets and more teen drivers on the road. When traveling near residential areas be mindful of little ones that may be playing in or near the road. Also, remember to be patient with teen/new drivers. Many are easily distracted and don't have the experience to always respond quickly to adverse situations.

Give Road Repair Crews a Break - In the summer crews are out repairing busy highways and streets. Remember to approach work zones cautiously. Also, when driving in a work zone expect the unexpected. Travel lanes may be altered.



You may also have to stop or reduce your speed. Pay close attention to signs and crew signals to safely navigate through these areas. In addition, speeding in these areas is extremely dangerous and does not allow you enough time to properly react to an unexpected situation.

Information taken from: <http://www.kold.com/Global/story.asp?s=3901660>

K&K Connection May/June Birthdays

We would like to wish the following riders a happy birthday!

Deneen Bundick
Janet Walker
Shelley Austin
Shakina Gilmore
Ashley Nelson

John DeJong
Teresa Young
Rolandus Branch
Angela Williams

*If we missed your birthday please send an email to owilliams@ridek2k.com.

Welcome To K&K Connections

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all new riders who have joined the K&K family in the month of May. We are so glad you have decided to commute with us!