



# Calvert County NEWS

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### **Third Annual Solomons Offshore Grand Prix Offers Fun for Entire Family**

**PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – Sept. 6, 2012** – Race fans and their families will have plenty to see and do at the third annual Solomons Offshore Grand Prix Sept. 14-16.

The race, held on the Patuxent River between the Gov. Thomas Johnson Memorial Bridge and the Chesapeake Bay, features high-speed power boats traveling up to 150 miles per hour on the water.

Close to 15,000 people are expected to attend the event, which is presented by Bayside Chevrolet. On Saturday, Sept. 15, race registration will be open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Solomons. Racers will test the course that day from 1 to 4 p.m.

The first race starts at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16; the second race is at 2 p.m. and third race is at 3 p.m. The awards ceremony begins at 6 p.m.

The Patuxent River will be closed to all traffic in the Solomons area from noon to 3 p.m. Sept. 15 and again from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 16. Boats will not be able to pass through the race area and a safety zone will be established on the north side of the Gov. Thomas Johnson Memorial Bridge, extending south of Solomons Island.

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During the Solomons Offshore Grand Prix, vendors will not be allowed to conduct sales on county property, including the Solomons Riverwalk and parking lot. Tents, canopies and signs are prohibited on the Riverwalk and the Solomons Pier and boat ramp will be closed throughout the weekend.

Parking for the event will be available at Glascock Field adjacent to the Gov. Thomas Johnson Memorial Bridge, with shuttle service available to the viewing areas. Parking will also be available Sunday at the Solomons Volunteer Fire Department.

For a complete listing of all race-related events, please visit <http://solomonsrace.com/contact.html>.

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