



COMMUNICATOR-APRIL 2019-MID MONTH

Seminar

Thank you to everyone that came out to the seminar. We had 55 people attend the seminar. It was a full day of learning and hands on training. Classroom discussions were held on How to Be a Race Controller and Logger. The other topic was on Situational Awareness. Hands-On training was done on Fire Response, Car Approach, Roll-Over and Car Familiarization. During lunch, annual LEC awards were handed out to deserving recipients.

- Rookie of the Year: Steve Carroll
- Master of Disaster: Karie Garber
- Flagger of the Year: Phil Osborne
- Director's Choice: Bob Griffith
- Sam Oram Award: Tom Phillips

Thank you to Ron Log, Kurt Stevens, Tom Phillips, Mike Quaintance. Dave Howard, Doug Gall and Kevin Young for presenting topics during seminar. A special Thank You to Diane Tedeschi for your help in putting everything together again this year...it was a huge help.

Thank you to Adam Fisher, Bill Whitmore and Dave Schwall on allowing us to use the facility once again.

Registration Booth

We are bringing back the LEC Recruiting Tent in the manufacturers midway for 2019. We will be staffing the booth during the IMSA and IndyCar weekends this season. We are looking for volunteers to staff this booth. Would like volunteers to work at least a half of day talking to potential new members to become F&C workers.

We would provide you with a weekend pass along with a guest pass and provide you lunch for the days you work the booth.

If you are interested or know someone that would be interested, please contact Bill Armitage at lec@earthlink.net.

IMSA WeatherTech (May 3-5): Flag Chief Bill Armitage

IMSA WeatherTech series sports cars returns to Mid-Ohio May 3-5 for a full weekend of activity. If the first couple of races this season indicate how competitive the series has been, Mid-Ohio should produce another good one. The weekend will also feature the WeatherTech Championship with a 2 Hour 40 Minute race, Michelin Pilot Challenge with a Two Hour Race, Prototype Challenge with a 1 Hour 45 Minute Race and two 45 Minute Porsche GT-3 races.

The preliminary schedule shows lunch breaks every day along with a manageable schedule. Need all the help we can get....great way to shake off the winter's rust.

We are still running about 7-10 people short per day to cover the track. We are required to staff all the stations for this event.

LEC is planning on having a cook out one night. Come join us for a fun weekend of sports car racing at Mid-Ohio.

Register for the event at: www.motorsportreg.com/events/imsa-weather-tech-sportscar-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-970887

Morning meetings will be at 6:45 AM each day in the LEC campground. More information can be found on the website.

Mid-Ohio Region Porsche Club (May 18-19): Flag Chief Jim Schell

Mid-Ohio Region Porsche Club returns to Mid-Ohio for their annual HDPE and National Races. Porsche Club has always been a great supporter of LEC and we need to come out and help support their event. The schedule features three race groups on Saturday, with each group having two 30 minute races each. Sunday will feature 3 race groups again with one group having a 30 minute sprint race and the other two having a 70 minute Enduro. The HPDE Groups are split in two and are sandwiched around the race groups. The Race Groups are being operated through Porsche Club National and they require two people per station. We will need the help to cover the weekend.

Morning meetings will be at 7:15 in the LEC Area. More information can be found on the LEC Website. To register for the event go to: <http://www.lakeeriecommunications.org/2019-season-schedule.html>

Porsche Club will also be needing some additional help on Friday to cover the track. This will be a pay opportunity for you. For more information, please contact Bill Armitage at lec@earthlink.net.

NASA Regional (May 25-26)-Pay Day Opportunity: Contact Bill Armitage

With the NASA National Championships coming to Mid-Ohio this year, the car counts should be really good during the weekend. We are invited to the NASA party in the lower paddock Saturday night.

We are contracted to provide eight (8) flaggers each day. We will pay each worker \$100 per day plus \$10 per day per diem to cover lunch. The pay will be limited to the first eight flaggers that register for the event on Motorsportreg. If you must cancel, please make sure you notify us within 24 hours of the event. If you no call, no show; you will lose the opportunity for future pay days for six months. Register at <http://www.lakeeriecommunications.org/2019-season-schedule.html>

Race Control Training

LEC is making a move to train more people to work in Race Control as a logger and as a Race Control Communicator. This will eventually become a rotating position within our organization. For those interested in training for Race Control, please contact Bill Armitage at lec@earthlink.net

Training Radios

LEC has purchased four new LEC-owned radios and headsets to use for training purposes for those working with new workers to be able to listen on the net to their workers to be able to better coach them during the learning process. These radios will also be used by the chiefs and runners during the large spectator events when radios are in short supply.

Log Book

The LEC Log Books are coming back to better track how new workers are doing their training. We have changed the look and the design of the book to be able to better judge a new workers progress. We have added different sections as the new worker progresses through training. The training period is now a minimum of 12 days. We will have the new Log Books for new workers beginning at the IMSA weekend.

New LEC T-Shirts

New for this year LEC has created a seasonal T-Shirt for those that come and support an LEC event during 2019. These shirts were designed to tell our story on what we do in racing. We are planning on making this an annual item with a new design custom made for each season.



Other Training Opportunities

Michigan Turn Marshals, Waterford Hill and SCCA Detroit Region will be holding their new Flagger School at Waterford Hills during the Drivers School on April 28-29, 2019. If you can't make the LEC seminar to begin training, the school by MTM is very good alternative and will help get you started learning the F&C craft. For more information or to register go to: <https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/mtm-new-flagger-training-waterford-hills-michigan-turn-marshals-190255>

Badges:

We are making new badges, if you would like one you can send the following information to lec@earthlink.net:

1. Name
2. Year Joined LEC (Guess if not sure)
3. Emergency Contact Name
4. Emergency Contact Number
5. Emergency Contact Relation
6. Your Picture for the badge

2019 Schedule

May 3-5	IMSA
May 18-19	Porsche Club
May 25-26	NASA Regional
May 31-June 2	SCCA OVR Super Tour Majors
June 8-9	American Rallycross #1
June 21-23	SVRA
June 28-30	Formula Race Promotions
July 5-7	AMA Vintage
July 13-14	SCCA OVR Double Regional
July 26-28	IndyCar
August 3-4	SCCA Cincinnati Double Regional
August 9-10	NASCAR X'FINITY
August 24-25	NASA Regional
Sept. 20-22	NASA National Championships
Sept 25-26	Put-In-Bay Road Race Reunion
October 5-6	American Rallycross #2
October 26-27	SCCA OVR Double Regional

Race Weekend Schedules Around the Region:

Travelling to other venues around the region is highly encouraged by LEC. This gives members the opportunity to experience other venues, organizations and regions on how they operate F&C and make new friends and contacts. Several new ideas for LEC have come about from experiencing other venues. Below are the schedules for events at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, VIR, Grattan, Gingerman and Waterford Hills. Please consider travelling to other tracks in the region. This is the best way to thank those that come to Mid-Ohio and support our events.

Indianapolis Motor Speedway

May 9-11	IndyCar Indianapolis Grand Prix
June 13-16	McLaren Driving Experience
July 5-7	USAC Karting-Battle at the Brickyard
July 13-14	Champcar (formerly known as Chumpcar)-Twin 10 Hour Enduro
July 25-28	Ferrari Challenge
July 31-Aug 4	SVRA w/ Trans-Am
August 9-11	Mid-Ohio Region Porsche Club
August 17-18	Tom Kelly Driving Experience (TENTATIVE)

Contact Bill Armitage at imsflagchief@ix.netcom.com for more information. To register for IMS events go to <https://usacracing.redpodium.com/2019-usac-flag-marshall-registration>

Contact Ben Tyler at btyler4@yahoo.com for registration and event information.

Michigan Turn Marshals

Michigan Turn Marshals 2019 Events Schedule

MTM Event	Dates	Event	Venue / Location	Region / Group	F&C Contact
	Mar 30 – 31	F&C and Safety Training	I.M.S.		
	Apr 6	LEC Seminar & Safety Day	Mid-Ohio	LEC	Bill Armitage
√	Apr 13 – 14	Open Track Day (OTD)	Waterford Hills	WHRRI	Chip Bliem
	Apr 20 – 21				
√	Apr 27 – 28	Drivers/Flagging School	Waterford Hills	SCCA_DET, WHRRI	John Lisiecki
√	May 3 – 5	Driver's School & Race	GingerMan	VSCDA	
√	May 4 – 5	Race Weekend #1	Waterford Hills	WHRRI	Chip Bliem
√	May 8 – 11	Formula SAE ®	M.I.S.	SAE Intl, SCCA_DET	Cindy Wisner
√	May 18 – 19	SCCA Majors	GingerMan	SCCA_SBR/DET	John Lisiecki
√	May 25 – 26	Race Weekend #2	Waterford Hills	WHRRI	Chip Bliem
√	May 31 – Jun 2	Detroit Grand Prix	Belle Isle	IndyCar,IMSA,TA,Trucks	John Lisiecki
√	Jun 9	OTD	Waterford Hills	WHRRI	Chip Bliem
	Jun 15 – 16				
	Jun 22 – 23	Longest Day of the Year	GingerMan	NASA_Great Lakes	
√	Jun 22 – 23	SCCA Double Regional	Grattan	SCCA_WMR	Karen Crider
√	Jun 23	OTD	Waterford Hills	WHRRI	Chip Bliem
√	Jun 29 – 30	Race Weekend #3	Waterford Hills	WHRRI	Chip Bliem
	Jun 29 – 30	The Cure for Gingervitis	GingerMan	24 Hours of LeMons	
	Jul 6 – 7				
√	Jul 14	OTD	Waterford Hills	WHRRI	Chip Bliem
√	Jul 20 – 21	SCCA Double Regional	GingerMan	SCCA_SBR/DET	John Lisiecki
√	Jul 26 – 28	Vintage Weekend	Waterford Hills	WHRRI	Chip Bliem
	Jul 27 – 28	Time Trial Nat'l Tour	GingerMan	SCCA	
√	Aug 3 – 4	Race Weekend #4	Waterford Hills	WHRRI	Chip Bliem
√	Aug 10 – 11	SCCA Majors	Grattan	SCCA_WMR	Karen Crider
√	Aug 16 – 18	Vintage Weekend	Grattan	VSCDA	
	Aug 24 – 25	ChumpCar Endurance	GingerMan	ChumpCar	
√	Aug 25	OTD	Waterford Hills	WHRRI	Chip Bliem
√	Aug 31 – Sep 1	Race Weekend #5	Waterford Hills	WHRRI	Chip Bliem
	Sep 7 – 8				
	Sep 14	Empire Hill Climb	Empire		
√	Sep 22	OTD	Waterford Hills	WHRRI	Chip Bliem
√	Sep 28 – 29	Race Weekend #6	Waterford Hills	WHRRI	Chip Bliem
	Oct 5 – 6				
	Oct 8 – 13	Natl Championship Runoffs	V.I.R.	SCCA	
	Oct 12 – 13	Where the Elite Meet to Cheat	GingerMan	24 Hours of LeMons	
√	Oct 13	OTD	Waterford Hills	WHRRI	Chip Bliem