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# **COMMUNICATOR-AUGUST 2021**

# SVRA/SCCA NE Ohio/IndyCar Thank you

Thank you everyone that help make of these events successful. The worker turnout was very good, and we had many complements from each group that we worked with both from race officials and even some drivers....WELL DONE!!! Your flag chiefs Kevin Young, Matt Moritz and Randy Alheit send their thanks for your tireless work and participation. We cannot continue to do this with out all of your support....again THANK YOU for the support at these three events.

# **IndyCar Race Control Thank You**

Thank you everyone that help support the Honda 200 at Mid-Ohio a huge success. It was great to see fans back at such a classic American road course over the Fourth of July and be treated with some good racing and a sideshow "wrestling" match.

Your work all weekend was excellent. The flagging or lack of flagging in many cases was what we expected to occur. The communications were particularly good and could get a feel for exactly what was occurring when you told us especially when the cameras were on lock down. All the Race Directors thank you for your hard work all weekend and adjusting to what was needed.

Thank you for making the adjustments in our change with the blue flagging procedures. Thus far the drivers have liked the changes made, which has made the blue flags more consistent and more meaningful to them and have been paying more attention to them and I thank you for doing that.

A Special Thank You to Matt Moritz who filled in for me on Friday for all the sessions. I hear you took it easy on him and did not work him over to much. But seriously, the feedback I received was he did a very good job and was a pleasure to work with.

Another Special Thank You to Kevin Young and his team make sure that you all were well supported all weekend to make sure any issues or needs were taken care of. He worked very hard to make sure the details were covered as best as they could.

Personally, it was great to be home again. I miss working with all of you on a regular basis and spending time with you before, during, and after on-track activities. It is an honor to call all of you my friends and consider everyone my extended family...Thank You for all the support shown as I continue on this new and crazy adventure.

Thanks,

Bill Armitage
Marshals Communicator
NTT IndyCar Series

#### **Pre-Race Information**

The LEC website contains all the information you will need for upcoming race events. The Pre-Race area contains events schedules, meeting and registration times along with other valuable information prior to your arrival at the track.

# SCCA Cincinnati Double Regional (July 31-August 1) Flag Chief: Kurt Stevens

The annual Todd Cholmondeley IT-SPECtacular Double Regional will be here before you know it. This is always a fun event and a great way to remember Todd for all his hard work he did for this race and also for LEC. This should be a good weekend with good car counts and Cincinnati brings the party to the LEC campground. Still early, but the worker count is better but still would like to another 5-6 flaggers but if you are thinking about coming register today at: <a href="https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/scca-regional-cincinnati-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-084631">https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/scca-regional-cincinnati-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-084631</a>

# Mid-Ohio Region Porsche Club (August 14-15) Flag Chief: Matt Moritz

The annual stop for Mid-Ohio Region PCA is coming up and we are need of about another 10-12 flaggers. This year in addition to the PCA running two National Races, the BMW Club will also be having a race group as well. In the past the weekend usually had mostly HPDE sessions with Race Groups. This year there will be three race groups with mostly racing all weekend with HPDE mixed in. MORPCA has taken great care of LEC over the years, and we need to make sure we support this event. We have been working on some projects over the past couple years and hope to see results soon that will benefit LEC. MORPCA will also be looking for additional help for Friday, and there will be a cash incentive, we have not been told how much it will be but, in the past, it has been well worth the time to help. If you can help out with this event, be a day or two, we would love to have the help. You can register at:

https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/porsche-club-mid-ohio-f-c-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-376755

# NASA (August 27-29) Flag Chief: Randy Alheit

The last 2021 NASA event at Mid-Ohio. This is a 2 ½ day event with help needed for the afternoon enduro and a full weekend of NASA racing. This is a pay event for flaggers \$50.00 for Friday and \$110.00 per day Saturday and Sunday. Limit space is available with four spots currently left for Friday and 2 spots left each day for Saturday and Sunday. Register at: <a href="https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/nasa-blind-madness-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-274430">https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/nasa-blind-madness-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-274430</a>

#### SCCA Ohio Valley Double Regional (September 4-5) Flag Chief: Kurt Stevens

Hard to believe we are starting to talk about events in the Fall, which means our season will be rapidly coming to a close. The 1st of two OVR Regional races is occurring over Labor Day weekend. As always, OVR puts on a great event and does a great job supporting workers. The car count is expected to be very good. While this is far off doesn't hurt to be thinking about the weekend. Register at:

https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/scca-regional-ohio-valley-f-c-mid-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-294796

### Road To Indy (October 1-3) Flag Chief: Randy Alheit

We will need a lot of help for this one. This is the season finale for the Road to Indy group running a standalone event to cap off their 2021 season. Champions will be crowned in USF2000, IndyPro 2000 and Indy Lights during the weekend with a season that has been highly competitive thus far. This weekend is up against Championship weekend of the Runoffs at Indianapolis and we really need a strong turnout for this weekend since it is under IndyCar sanction and will expect all stations to be open. We are getting this one out there now so if you are not planning on going to the Runoffs or only working early in the week, if you can make plans to come to Mid-Ohio to support this weekend it would be appreciated. Register at: <a href="https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/road-to-indy-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-216730">https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/road-to-indy-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-216730</a>

### **2021 Event Schedule**

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July 31-Aug 1 SCCA Cincinnati Double Regional (MidO)-Kurt Stevens

August 14-15 Porsche Club (MidO)-Matt Moritz
August 27-29 NASA (MidO) (PD)-Randy Alheit

Sept. 4-5 SCCA OVR Double Regional (MidO)-Kurt Stevens
Sept. 22-23 Put-in-Bay Road Race Reunion (PIB Airport)-Kevin Young

October 1-3 Road to Indy (MidO)-Randy Alheit
October 16-17 SCCA OVR Double Regional (MidO)-Kurt Stevens
October 30-31 SCCA MVR Regional (NL)-Brad Morris
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# **Badges:**

If you need a new LEC ID badge, send the following information to <a href="lec@earthlink.net">lec@earthlink.net</a>:

- 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

# 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, 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

Date	Event
August 13-15	Brickyard GP (IndyCar/NASCAR)
August 31-September 1	SRO Test
September 10-12	Porsche Festival
September 14-17	Porsche Experience
October 13-17	SRO World Challenge/International GT 8 Hour
October 29-31	Road to Indy Test

Contact Bill Armitage at <a href="mailto:imsflagchief@ix.netcom.com">imsflagchief@ix.netcom.com</a> for registration and event information

# Michigan Turn Marshals

Start date	Event	Location
3/6/2021	Great Lakes Division Spring Training	Zoom
4/24/2021	New Flagger Training / Driver's School	Waterford Hills Road Racing
5/1/2021	Race Weekend 1	Waterford Hills Road Racing
5/7/2021	Formula SAE @ MIS (5/7,8)	Michigan International Speedway
5/15/2021	DET/SBR GingerMan Regional	GingerMan Raceway
5/29/2021	Race Weekend 2 / SCCA Regional	Waterford Hills Road Racing
6/12/2021	Detroit Belle Isle IndyCar Grand Prix	Belle Isle Park
6/5/2021	Detroit Belle Isle IMSA Race	Belle Isle Park
6/19/2021	SCCA Double Regional (WMR)	Grattan Raceway
6/26/2021	Race Weekend 3	Waterford Hills Road Racing
7/24/2021	DET/SBR Major at GingerMan	GingerMan Raceway
7/23/2021	Vintage Race Weekend	Waterford Hills Road Racing
7/31/2021	Race Weekend 4	Waterford Hills Road Racing
8/21/2021	SCCA Major (WMR)	Grattan Raceway
8/28/2021	Race Weekend 5	Waterford Hills Road Racing
9/18/2021	Empire Hill Climb Revival	Empire, Michigan
9/25/2021	Race Weekend 6	Waterford Hills Road Racing