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# **COMMUNICATOR-DECEMBER 2020**

## Thank you

Thank you to everyone that participated in the 2020 season. All of our partners were very pleased with our work all season despite all of the craziness and restrictions that were placed on us to even have a 2020 season.

### **Checkered Flag**

Over the past month we have lost two of our members.

Carl Lefevre was an active LEC member in the 1980's through the 2000's. He mainly worked rope tow in his big purple Dodge Ram that you couldn't miss. He passed away on November 7.

Jack Altman passed away on November 19<sup>th</sup>. He was a continually active member since 2008. He was always there to lend a hand whenever it was needed. You always knew Jack when he made a call on the net.

LEC sends out thoughts and prayers to both Carl and Jack's family.

### 2021 Season

We are beginning our planning for the 2021 season. Our tentative schedule is set for both Mid-Ohio and Nelson Ledges. It is a front-loaded schedule with all our major Pro-Events finished by early July. We will be reaching out to our partners around the first of the year to see about retaining LEC for F&C.

The LEC Board met on December 7<sup>th</sup> to discuss the season plans. Currently we will be planning our season around the current COVID-19 Guidelines we have been operating under since we have gone back racing in 2020. We anticipate the schedule will not change much during the season but possibly could add events if the pandemic forces races, particularly Pro events to be moved around.

Mid-Ohio has advised us that they will also be operating under their current COVID-19 protocols at the beginning of the 2021 season.

We are hopeful as the vaccines become more available that restrictions that we currently operate under at the beginning of the 2021 season will be relaxed as move through the season and we can get back to normal operations.

During the board meeting the existing board and executive director will remain in place for the 2021 season.

#### **Save The Date-LEC Seminar**

The annual LEC Seminar is set for Saturday March 27, 2021 at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course. The date is firm, however depending on how the pandemic plays out over the next few month will determine if we will be able to hold the seminar. Plans for the day are currently being developed. As it currently stands, we will have access to the track for the seminar. Registration will open at the beginning of February.

# **2021 Tentative Schedule**

Here is the tentative 2021 schedule for LEC based on previously contracted events in 2020. The dates bolded are confirmed. We plan on opening registration for confirmed events mid/late January.

March 27 April 24-25	LEC Seminar (MidO) NASA (MidO)
•	Formula Race Promotions (MidO)
May 14-16	IMSA (MidO)
May 21-23	SCCA OVR Majors (MidO)
May 28-30	NASA (MidO)
June 4-5	NASCAR X'Finity (MidO)
June 11-13	SCCA NEO Rest. Regional 24 Hour Enduro (NL)
June 25-27	SVRA (MidO)
July 2-4	IndyCar (MidO)
July 10-11	TBA (NL)
July 23-25	Vintage Motorcycle Days (MidO)
July 31-Aug 1	SCCA Cincinnati Double Regional (MidO)
August 14-15	TBA (MidO)
August 27-29	NASA (MidO)
Sept. 4-5	TBA (MidO)
Sept. 22-23	Put-in-Bay Road Race Reunion (PIB Airport)
October 1-3	TBA (MidO)
October 16-17	TBA (MidO)
October 30-31	TBA (NL)

# **Other Training Opportunities**

Flag and Safety Training will be available at Indianapolis Motor Speedway on April 10-11, 2021. Training will be along side the IMS Track Rescue Team. We will have more information in the coming weeks.

# 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

2021 Schedule Coming Soon

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

Michigan Turn Marshals
2021 Schedule Coming Soon

## **Badges:**

If you need a new LEC ID badge, send the following information to <a href="mailto: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