



COMMUNICATOR – FEBRUARY 2026

The Season is Nigh (Here already for several)

February is already almost done? March starts Sunday? Fast so far! I'm still discussing some contract related items with Mid-Ohio, but others are in process, and certain, so all event entries have been opened on our MSR. Links for each event that are confirmed and open for entries are on [our website's 2026 Season Calendar](#).

NOTE: MotoAmerica signup will exclusively be on the MotoAmerica MSR, which is linked on our schedule page.

Please share our schedule with fellow flaggers across the country, and anyone you know that might be the slightest bit curious at what we do, and want to give it a go.

For those who have already marshaled an event so far this season, hope you had a good time! Be safe no matter what specialty you work, we're all in this together, for the same end-goal.

2026 LEC Seminar/Safety Day

We are still planning the fine details of our Seminar for March 28, 2026, however the track safety services will not be doing a full simulation this year, citing concerns about mud hindering abilities to run scenarios.

We are still able to do some on-track activities, so some are being planned, and we will have some solid classroom training to make the day well worthy of attending. Situational Awareness will be presented by Tom Phillips, we will have our awards as usual, as well as food, incentive prizes, door prizes, and more!

LEC Award Nominations

The Board of Directors of Lake Erie Communications invites you to file some nominations for our yearly awards! Please use this [google form](#) to submit your nominations. We ask that you have nominations in by 11:59 pm on Saturday, March 14, 2026.

You can nominate for the Rookie of the Year, Worker of the year, and Sam Oram Award.

We will do Master of Disaster nomination and voting during lunch, it's always fun to do this one that way!

LEC 2026 Schedule

March 28	Seminar/Safety Day
April 17-19	NASA (PD)
April 24-26	Formula Race Promotions
May 15-17	OVR Majors/SCCA Hosier Super Tour
May 22-24	NASA (PD)
June 5-7	IMSA
June 12-14	SVRA
June 19-21	Dart Karts
July 3-5	Indycar
July 11-12	Cincy SCCA
July 24-26	Vintage Motorcycle Days
July 31-August 2	MotoAmerica
August 8-9	OVR Summer Sprints
August 21-23	NASA (PD)
September 16-17	Put-In-Bay
October 10-11	OVR Autumn Classic

Other Schedules Around the Region

Lake Erie Communications continues to strongly suggest travel around the region, and nation to not only support those regions and events, but also learn and share the skills with others.

Michigan Turn Marshals

4/18-4/19	OTD1 & OTD2	Waterford Hills
4/25-4/26	Driver's School & New Flagger Training	Waterford Hills
5/2-5/3	Race Weekend 1	Waterford Hills
5/13-5/16	Formula SAE IC	Michigan Int'l
5/23-5/24	DRSCCA/WHRRI #2 Regional Races	Waterford Hills
5/29-5/31	Detroit IndyCar Grand Prix	Detroit, MI
5/31	OTD3	Waterford Hills
6/14	OTD4	Waterford Hills
6/20-6/21	Western Michigan - Divisional	Grattan
6/27-6/28	Race Weekend 3	Waterford Hills
7/19	OTD5	Waterford Hills
7/24-7/26	WHRRI Vintage Race	Waterford Hills
8/1-8/2	Race Weekend 4	Waterford Hills
8/14-8/16	VSCDA AuGrattan Vintage Classic	Grattan
8/22-8/23	Western Michigan - Majors	Grattan
8/23	OTD6	Waterford Hills
8/29-8/30	Race Weekend 5	Waterford Hills
9/12	Empire Hill Climb	Wilco Road, Empire, MI
9/13	OTD7	Waterford Hills
9/26-9/27	Race Weekend 6	Waterford Hills
10/04	OTD8	Waterford Hills
10/18	OTD9	Waterford Hills

Visit <https://www.michiganturnmarshals.org> for more information on these events.

USAC Flag Marshals

Events marked in Green are pay days for marshals. All events are at Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

Date	Event	Link
April 1	Arrow McLaren IndyCar Test	Register
April 8-11	Shell Eco-Marathon	Register
April 15-16	USF Pro/MX-5 Test (Now a 2 Day Test)	Register
April 23	Andretti Global IndyCar Test	CANCELLED
May 7-9	Sonsio IndyCar Grand Prix	Register
June 10-12	IndyCar Test	Register
June 18-21	SVRA with Trans-Am and FR America	Register
August 24	Honda Sports Car Test	Register
August 26-27	David Murry Track Days #1	Register
August 29-30	David Murry Track Days #2	Register
September 1-2	Joel Miller Track Days	Register
September 18-20	IMSA Battle on the Bricks	Register
October 7-11	SRO World Challenge and International GT 8 Hour	Register
October 16-18	USF Pro and Indy NXT Test	Register

Contact imsflagchief@ix.netcom.com with questions or for more information.

SCCA Volunteer Incentive Program

A reminder that the SCCA's Volunteer Incentive Program allows you to self-report the days you have worked any specialty, and in turn, you earn credit towards your national membership renewal.

Tiers for credit:

4-5 days worked: \$15 credit

6-7 days worked: \$22 credit

8-11 days worked: \$30 credit

12+ days worked: \$45 credit, recognition in SportsCar, and a special VIP ID

To report your credit, login to your SCCA account at <https://my.scca.com>. On the **My Profile** page, there is a My VIP Days section. Click "Add VIP" to get to the entry form. Pick the event date, then select from the list of tracks and eligible events that populates based on the date you've selected. Choose the number of days you worked and what specialty you worked, then click "Save" to finish adding the days.

Your credits should automatically apply in the shopping cart if you renew your license online. If you run into trouble, contact the SCCA for assistance.

You must renew your license BEFORE it expires to receive the Credits. The credits ONLY apply to the national dues, not to the regional dues.

SCCA Road Racing sanctioned events are eligible, including SCCA Pro Racing (TransAm, FRP, FR/F4 to name a few).

LEC Worker Incentive Program

For days you work for LEC this year, you will earn points to a prize pool we'll have at the end of the season. Points vary by event, rewarding participation in all volunteer events, weighted more heavily to the club events than participation in the Pro weekends.

You will earn points for each day you work according to the following schedule:

6 points: Vintage Bikes

4 points: FRP, SVRA, Super Tour

3 points: Cincy, OVR Regionals, IMSA

2 points: MotoAmerica

1 point: IndyCar

0 points: ANY day you work that you receive payment for, or limited participation