



COMMUNICATOR-JANUARY 2020

A Message From Bill Armitage: Leadership Structure Changes:

My motorsports journey began in 2000 when I joined LEC. Over the years I have grown into different leadership roles within LEC as well as other venues and organizations which has opened more opportunities within the motorsport's community. I owe a lot of my success to the values and training LEC has taught me over the years. My journey in motorsports has unexpectedly blossomed over the past two months and has provided me with two opportunities to expand my career in the motorsports industry. I have accepted roles with both IMSA and SRO America (World Challenge) to be a part of each organization's Race Control staff for the 2020 season.

These opportunities will force me to change my involvement with LEC. The LEC board met and discussed my situation. The LEC board has collectively decided and I agreed with that I remain on as Executive Director of LEC for the 2020 season with the agreement to revisit my leadership involvement at the end of the 2020 season. During the 2020 season I will be mentoring board members as future Executive Directors to prepare the individual that chooses to step into my role when it is decided upon for me to step away.

With my involvement in the two series along with my other interests at other venues and events, my time at Mid-Ohio as a part of the 2020 LEC season will be very limited. Effective immediately management of LEC events and day to day business will be handled by the following

- Mid-Ohio Pro-Event Coordinator: Kevin Young
- Club Event Coordinator: Jim Schell
- Seminar/Training Coordinator: Ron Long
- Day to Day Business Operations: Bill Armitage

In addition to the changes listed above, Flag Chief's will be solely responsible for their event in conjunction with their Coordinator. The responsibilities include recruiting and communicating with marshals along with planning any events within their race weekend. The coordinator will also assist in planning and executing events. We will be having a meeting with all LEC Flag Chief's in the coming weeks to decide the events they wish to lead along with laying the groundwork for their responsibilities for events.

While this is the board's desire currently, we will be discussing the leadership changes during the seminar to see how the membership feels about the direction in leadership and LEC's future.

In the end, I want what is best for LEC, the members and our partners. I owe a lot to LEC and want to make sure the organization continues to grow and prosper for many years to come.

If you have questions or concerns, feel free to contact me.

Thanks,

Bill

Save The Date-LEC Seminar

The annual LEC Seminar is set for Saturday April 4th, 2019 at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course. Plans for the day are currently being developed. Registration is currently open at www.motorsportreg.com/events/lake-erie-communications-seminar-safety-day-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-477881

2020 Schedule

Here is the tentative 2020 schedule for LEC. As events become confirmed for LEC, we will open registration,

April 4	LEC Seminar
April 18-19	NASA
May 1-3	IMSA
May 16-17	Porsche Club
May 23-24	NASA
May 29-30	NASCAR X'Finity
June 26-28	SVRA w/ Trans-Am
July 3-5	Formula Race Promotions
July 10-12	AMA Vintage
July 17-19	SCCA OVR Majors
August 7-9	SCCA Cincinnati Double Regional
August 14-15	IndyCar
August 29-30	NASA
September 5-6	SCCA OVR Double Regional
October 17-18	SCCA OVR Double Regional

Other Training Opportunities

Flag and Safety Training will be available at Indianapolis Motor Speedway on April 25-26, 2020. 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

April 8 Andretti Road Course Test (April 9: Rain Date)

April 16-19 Ferrari Challenge

April 25-26 IMS Training

May 7-9 IndyCar Indianapolis GP

June 12-14 McLaren Driving Experience

June 17-21 SVRA w/ Trans Am

July 24-26 USAC Karting

July TBD

August 7-9 Porsche Club

August 14-16 Brickyard Driving Experience (Tom Kelly)

August 21-23 MotoAmerica

Sept 12-13 ChampCar

Sept 30-Oct 4 World Challenge and International GT 8 Hour

October 10-11 Chin Track Days

October 16-18 Brickyard Driving Experience (Tom Kelly)

October 24-25 Road to Indy Test

Contact Bill Armitage at imsflagchief@ix.netcom.com for registration and event information

Michigan Turn Marshals

2020 Schedule Coming Soon

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