



## COMMUNICATOR-JUNE 2020

### **Season Update**

Looks like we will be getting back to racing soon. SVRA has confirmed their intent to hold their event June 26-28 at Mid-Ohio. Details are still being worked out if this will be open to spectators or not. This will drive how we approach the event.

Currently, we DO NOT anticipate any more event postponements on the remaining LEC schedule. Porsche Club has rescheduled their event for August 15-16.

LEC is also returning to Nelson Ledges on July 12<sup>th</sup> in support of the SCCA NEOHIO Time Trials. We are excited to be back at the legendary track. Kurt Stevens is the chief for the event and would love to have lots of support for the day. You can register on Motorsportsreg.

The State of Ohio has recently lifted the closure of campgrounds. Mid-Ohio will be opening their campgrounds once they receive their permit to do so. For now, we CAN NOT place our campers in the campground until the permit is received by Mid-Ohio and any new protocols are given to us. We do anticipate the campground will be open and available to us by the time SVRA rolls around.

Mid-Ohio has given us their protocols for entry into the facility along with expectations. Details are found later in this issue of the Communicator.

As information about events, procedures and policies become available we will continue to post the information on Facebook and the LEC website along with email communications.

LEC is looking forward to having you all come out and join us during this season. We will need the help.

If you have any questions, please let us know.

### **SVRA w/ Trans-Am (June 26-28) Flag Chief: Jim Schell**

We finally get back to racing at Mid-Ohio, a lot later than planned, but what a good weekend to open our 2020 season with the rolling museum. This should be a good low-key weekend watching cars or yesteryear go around the track. Joining SVRA this year will be Trans-Am which always produced good racing. We will need plenty of help for this one. Unlike in the past, with Tran-Am racing, this event will count towards your SCCA license. You can register at: [www.motorsportreg.com/events/t-a-svra-vintage-grand-prix-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-756343](http://www.motorsportreg.com/events/t-a-svra-vintage-grand-prix-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-756343)

### **Formula Race Promotions (July 3-5) Flag Chief: Randy Alheit**

A full weekend of open racing invades Mid-Ohio as Formula 1600 & 2000 race along with Formula Ford, Formula V and Challenge Cup. This organization always puts on great racing action. This weekend is SCCA sanction and will count towards your license. Register today at: [www.motorsportreg.com/events/formula-promotions-f1000-f1600-f2000-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-083584](http://www.motorsportreg.com/events/formula-promotions-f1000-f1600-f2000-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-083584)

### **SCCA NEOHIO Time Trials @ Nelson Ledges (July 12) Flag Chief: Kurt Stevens**

LEC returns to Nelson Ledges in support of the SCCA Time Trials. It has been way to long for us to be away from the historic track. Hopefully, this will lead to having club racing back at Nelson's. This is a double weekend for LEC with AMA Vintage scheduled at Mid-Ohio. Please help support both tracks. Register at: [www.motorsportreg.com/events/scca-neohio-time-trial-f-c-nelson-ledges-lake-erie-communications-775019](http://www.motorsportreg.com/events/scca-neohio-time-trial-f-c-nelson-ledges-lake-erie-communications-775019)

### **AMA Vintage (July 10-12) Flag Chief: Ron Long**

The other vintage weekend of our season is the long time AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days. This is always a unique event with unique bikes running around Mid-Ohio. This weekend is always a challenge for us to staff and can use the help covering this one as well, since we have an event at Nelson Ledges on Sunday. Register at: [www.motorsportreg.com/events/ama-vintage-motorcycle-days-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-064007](http://www.motorsportreg.com/events/ama-vintage-motorcycle-days-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-064007)

### **SCCA OVR Super Tour (July 16-19) Flag Chief: Jim Schell**

The road to the Runoffs, stops at Mid-Ohio for the annual OVR Super Tour Majors event at Mid-Ohio. It is a later start to our SCCA season, but it finally arrives with great club racing action. OVR always puts on a great event for everyone involved, we hope to see you for this one. Register at: [www.motorsportreg.com/events/ama-vintage-motorcycle-days-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-064007](http://www.motorsportreg.com/events/ama-vintage-motorcycle-days-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-064007)

### **Training Opportunity**

NEOHIO will be hosting a SCCA Safety Training Day on July 11, 2020 at 9:00am at Nelson Ledges Raceway. This event will be held in conjunction with our Track Day Event. Sessions will be held on Flagging, Emergency Services, Pitts, Grid, and Club Race Tech. This will be a great way to get involved in the rebuilding of our Team at Nelson Ledges Raceway. If interested in participating, please contact the NEOHIO Club Race Chair at [fastlady1026@yahoo.com](mailto:fastlady1026@yahoo.com).

## **LEC Safety Measures**

The following are the protocols developed by Lake Erie Communications for events we staff. These protocols were developed from recommendations by SCCA and USAC. Mid-Ohio has also published their protocols which we must follow. While these protocols are stringent, these are put in place due to the many unknowns still out there with this pandemic and we want everyone that comes to the track to be safe as possible and still have a good time trying to get away from all the craziness we are experiencing. We will be monitoring protocols as we approach each event and will communicate any changes that may occur for each event. Hopefully as the season progresses, some of these protocols will be relaxed. As always, we will follow the recommendations of sanctioning bodies, facilities, local and state authorities. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding.

### **General Guidelines:**

- If you are not feeling well prior to coming to the track. Please stay home!!!!
- Workers must provide their own PPE/Masks.
- NO LEC provided food or cookouts. The LEC grill can be used, but you must provide your own food and utensils. You will be required to clean the grill after use. Lunches will still be provided; the delivery method is still being discussed.
- NO community coolers permitted in the LEC area.

### **Mid-Ohio Guidelines:**

- Prior to arrival, for each event, you must fill out the Medical Risk Screening Sheet and bring to Mid-Ohio to be collected. This form will be emailed to workers prior to each event and can be found in the events Pre-Race info section on the website. A copy of the form is at the end of the Communicator.
- Temperatures will be taken each time you enter the facility during the event. If you have a fever (100.4 or higher), you will not be permitted to enter the facility.
- Masks will be mandatory while on Mid-Ohio grounds.
- No guests will be permitted for events. Only workers scheduled to work events will be permitted.
- If you become ill while on-site, contact the flag chief immediately and leave the facility.

### **Flag Stations:**

- NO community coolers will be provided by LEC for stations. Workers must provide their own coolers. LEC will provide water and Gatorade and will be available in the morning and lunch to take out of the package and delivered to station upon request. No other beverages will be provided. It is strongly encouraged to bring your own beverages for the weekend.
- Upon being procured, all stations will have wipes and/or disinfectants to wipe down flag sticks, packets, radios and other equipment. It is recommended that each worker bring their own cleaning supplies.

- An attempt will be made to keep the same station crew together throughout the event. Every effort to keep those travelling together or same family members to be assigned together. Stations will rotate daily, but crew assignments will not.
- For club races, each person should drive to station in their own vehicle. For spectator events, we are working with Mid-Ohio on a plan to drive to station.
- Depending on the size of the group and if distancing can be followed, morning meetings may be held at Station on the radio. This information will be communicated via website, email and Facebook prior to the event. If meetings are held at stations, Station assignments will be emailed and posted at registration and on the website. Equipment and gear will be delivered to each station.
- We will try to limit the number of workers at each station. We will open more stations to help keep the worker numbers down on station.
- When possible, keep distancing on station.
- It will be encouraged to designate a Communicator for the day to reduce passing the radio around. If not, each time the radio is transferred to a new person, the radio, headset and microphone will need to be cleaned.

#### **Race Control:**

- Masks will be required in Race Control.
- Only working personnel will be permitted in Race Control. If you are on break, you must leave the room.
- Race Control personnel should bring their own writing utensils.
- When rotating after sessions, wipe down work area, radio, headsets, copiers and other equipment in your workspace.

In addition, we are looking at a handwashing station for the LEC area for the season.

These safety measures are subject to change. We will fall in line with the requirements that may be set forth by Mid-Ohio, local and state officials. Current information can be found on our website at <http://www.lakeeriecommunications.org/covid-19-info.html>

## 2020 Schedule

Here is the 2020 LEC Schedule as it currently stands. All events are now open for registration.  
(PD): LEC Pay Days

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 IndyCar (NEW DATE)

August 15-16 Porsche Club (NEW DATE)

August 28-30 NASA (PD)

September 5-6 SCCA OVR Double Regional

Sept. 25-27 IMSA (NEW DATE)

October 17-18 SCCA OVR Double Regional

TBA NASCAR X'FINITY

August SCCA Cincinnati Double Regional (CANCELLED)

2020 Flag Chief's-Lake Erie Communications (1/31/2020)

Event	Flag Chief	Email	Phone
NASA (All Three)	Randy Alheit	alheitrandy@elyriaschools.org	440-309-8127
IMSA	Kevin Young	kryoung4196242422@gmail.com	419-624-2422
Porsche Club	Kurt Stevens	kurtpstevens@yahoo.com	216-287-9014
NASCAR	Matt Moritz	superfast3@live.com	614-886-3424
SVRA	Jim Schell	jimschell2@yahoo.com	330-807-4883
FRP	Randy Alheit	alheitrandy@elyriaschools.org	440-309-8127
AMA Vintage	Ron Long	ra.long@fuse.net	513-680-0174
SCCA Majors	Jim Schell	jimschell2@yahoo.com	330-807-4883
SCCA Cincinnati	Kurt Stevens	kurtpstevens@yahoo.com	216-287-9014
IndyCar	Kevin Young	kryoung4196242422@gmail.com	419-624-2422
SCCA OVR-Sept.	Kurt Stevens	kurtpstevens@yahoo.com	216-287-9014
SCCA OVR Oct.	Jim Schell	jimschell2@yahoo.com	330-807-4883

### Pre-Event Contact

Club Race Coordinator	Jim Schell	jimschell2@yahoo.com	330-807-4883
MO Spectator Coordinator	Kevin Young	kryoung4196242422@gmail.com	419-624-2422
Executive Director	Bill Armitage	<a href="mailto:lec@earthlink.net">lec@earthlink.net</a>	502-550-6033

## **Badges:**

If you would like one you can send the following information to [lec@earthlink.net](mailto: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

## **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*

June 12-14 McLaren Driving Experience (CANCELLED)

June 17-21 SVRA w/ Trans Am (POSTPONED)

July 2-4 IndyCar GP/NASCAR X'Finity (NEW DATE)

July 22-26 Ferrari Challenge (NEW DATE)

July 31-Aug 2 USAC Karting Battle at the Brickyard (NEW DATE)

August 7-9 Porsche Club (POSTPONED)

TBA Brickyard Driving Experience (Tom Kelly) (POSTPONED)

Sept 12-13 ChampCar Twin 10 Hour Enduro

Sept 30-Oct 4 World Challenge and International GT 8 Hour w/ IndyCar GP (2<sup>nd</sup> Race)

October 9-11 MotoAmerica (NEW DATE)

TBA Chin Track Days (POSTPONED)

October 16-18 Brickyard Driving Experience (Tom Kelly) (POSTPONED)

October 24-25 Road to Indy Test (POSTPONED)

Contact Bill Armitage at [imsflagchief@ix.netcom.com](mailto:imsflagchief@ix.netcom.com) for registration and event information



Michigan Turn Marshals ([www.michiganturnmarshals.org](http://www.michiganturnmarshals.org))

Date	WHRRRI	REGIONALS	MAJORS	PDX or SCCA PRO EVENTS or OTHER EVENTS
March 7				Spring Training (Ft. Wayne)
April 4-5				
April 11-12		( Easter (4/12) )		
April 18-19	OTD1 & OTD2	Driver's School Classroom 4/18		
April 25-26	Driver's School			New Flagger Training @ WAT
May 2-3	Race Weekend 1			IMSA @ MO
May 9-10	OTD3 (5/9)	( Mother's Day (5/10) )		Formula SAE @ MIS (5/8,9)
May 16-17			DET/SBR @ GM	
May 23-24	Race Weekend 2	( Memorial Weekend )		
May 29-31				Detroit Belle Isle GP (5/29,30,31) NASCAR @ MO
June 6-7		NeO @ NL ?		
June 13-14	OTD4 (6/14)			
June 20-21		WMR @ GRA	Jun 21 (Father's Day)	
June 27-28	Race Weekend 3	DET @ WAT		SVRA @ MO
July 4-5	OTD5 (7/5)	July 4th		
July 11-12				Adv Worker Training @ WAT (7/11) AMA VMD @ MO
July 18-19			OVR @ MO	
July 25-26	Vintage Race	SBR/INR @ GM		
August 1-2	Race Weekend 4			
August 8-9		CINCY @ MO		
August 15-16		Dream Cruise		INDYCAR @ MO
August 22-23	OTD6 (8/23)		WMR @ GRA	
August 29-30	Race Weekend 5			
September 5-6		OVR @ MO	( Labor Day )	
September 12-13	OTD7 (9/13)			
September 19-20				NASA Champ @ MO

Date	WHRRRI	REGIONALS	MAJORS	PDX or SCCA PRO EVENTS or OTHER EVENTS
September 26-27	Race Weekend 6			
October 3-4				ARX @ MO
October 10-11	OTD 8 (10/11)			10/5-11 RunOffs @ RA
October 17-18		OVR @ MO		
October 24-25				
Oct 31 - Nov 1		Weekend Holiday		

Key  
 GM-GingerMan      GRA-Grattan      MIS-Mich Int'l Speedway      MO-Mid Ohio      NL-Nelson Ledges  
 WAT-Waterford Hills  
 CINCY=Cincinnati Region      DET-Detroit Region      INR-Indiana Northwest Region      NeO-North Eastern Ohio Region      OVR-Ohio Valley Region  
 SBR-South Bend Region      WMR-Western Mich Region

**2020 Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course & The Mid-Ohio School  
COVID-19 Medical Risk Assessment Screening  
And Waiver and Release of Liability Agreement**

COVID-19 has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization, is extremely contagious and can be deadly. Federal, state, and local governments and health agencies recommend and, in some cases, require social distancing, use of nose/mouth coverings, frequent hand washing/sanitization, use of gloves, limitation of group sizes, and other actions to reduce the possibility of spreading the virus. Green Savoree Mid-Ohio, LLC d/b/a the Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course and the Mid-Ohio School (“GSMO”) has put in place preventative measures, including the following screening questions, in an effort to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Your honest completion of the following questions is important to help GSMO take precautionary measures to reduce the possibility of spreading COVID-19.

- Have you traveled outside of Ohio within the past 14 days?  
 YES       NO
  
- Have you come into close contact (within 6 feet) in the past 14 days with someone who has, in the past 14 days, returned from travel to an area that is under a Level 2, 3, or 4 Travel Advisory based on COVID-19, according to the U.S. State Department? Including: China, Italy, Iran, and most countries in Europe  
 YES       NO
  
- Have you come into close contact (within 6 feet) in the past 14 days with someone who has been diagnosed with COVID – 19?  
 YES       NO
  
- Have you had a fever (greater than 100.4 F or 38.0 C) in the past 14 days?  
 YES       NO
  
- Have you had a cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, sore throat, headache, chills, repeated shaking from the chills, extreme fatigue, muscle pain, numbness in your hands or feet, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea or loss of taste and smell in the past 14 days?  
 YES       NO
  
- Are you a first responder, healthcare worker, or employee of a long-term facility? (Nursing home or Rehabilitation & Correctional facility)  
 YES       NO



GSMO cannot guarantee that you will not come in contact with or become infected with COVID-19 while on GSMO's premises. In consideration of you being permitted to participate in events at and/or being permitted to enter any part of the premises owned and/or operated by GSMO, you acknowledge, represent and agree that you, on behalf yourself and your personal representatives, spouse, children, heirs, next-of-kin, and assigns (collectively "Releasors") represent, warrant, and agree as follows:

You have truthfully answered the questions set forth above and have read, and understand this COVID-19 Medical Risk Assessment Screening and Release and Waiver of Liability Agreement (the "Release")

1. You are fully aware of and voluntarily assume all risks, known and unknown, suspected and unsuspected relating to; (a) Covid-19; (b) the possibility that you may be exposed to and/or contract COVID-19 as a result of being present at GSMO's premises and as a result, may become seriously ill, may die, and/or may expose others (including but not limited to family members, friends and coworkers) to COVID-19 who may become seriously ill, may die, and/or who in-turn may expose others to COVID-19 or other diseases (collectively "Risks").
2. You, individually and on behalf of the other Releasors hereby release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue GSMO, its parent company, affiliates, sponsors, suppliers and their respective owners, officers, directors, agents, contractors, instructors and employees (collectively "Releasees") from all liability to you, and/or any of the Releasors, for any and all known and unknown, suspected and unsuspected, loss, damage, liability, costs, expense, and any claim or demands therefore on account of injury, illness, disability and/or death to you and/or any of the other Releasors arising out of or related to; (a) COVID-19; (b) your presence on GSMO's premises; (c) you and/or the other Releasors being exposed to and/or contracting COVID-19 as a result of you being present at GSMO's premises; (d) the Risks; (e) the failure of Releasees to make, follow, and/or enforce rules, guidelines, orders, and/or regulations relating to COVID-19; and/or (f) any act or omission of the Releasees whether caused by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise (collectively "Claims").
3. You agree to assume full responsibility for, and agree to indemnify, defend, and hold Releasees harmless from and against any and all, demands, liabilities, litigation, damages, losses, costs and expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees) arising out of or in connection with: (a) any breach or alleged breach by you or any Releasor of any provision of this Release; (b) any act or omission of you and/or any Releasor; (v) any and all Claims brought and/or alleged by you and/or any of the other Releasors; (vi) any bodily injury, personal injury, illness, and/or death suffered by you and/or any Releasor; and (vii) any and all Claims, whether caused by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise (including, but not limited to, claims of loss of consortium by your spouse and/or any of the other Releasors).

You agree that this Release extends to all acts of negligence by the Releasees and is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the laws of the state of Ohio and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect. This Release shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio and all litigation relating to this Release and/or Claims shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the state of Ohio and county in which Mid-Ohio's premises is located. In the event of any conflict between the Release and any other agreement, statement, and/or documents, this Release shall control. This Release is irrevocable and applies to all events and to all times and dates you are on GSMO's premises.

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Affiliation (Club, Team, Series, Company etc.)

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Printed name

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Address

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Signature

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