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COMMUNICATOR-JUNE 2021

Checkered Flag

LEC member Mike Harwood passed away suddenly on May 13th. He was a great flagger always there to lend a hand when we needed it most. He was a fun person to be around and all-around good guy. Mike will be missed. LEC donated \$50.00 in Mike's name to the American Diabetes Association. LEC sends out our condolences to Mike's wife Deanna and the rest of his family.

Formula Race Promotions and IMSA Thank You

Thank you to everyone that help make each of these events very successful. The numbers each weekend were very good and both series were very pleased with our work.

Thank you from IMSA

Hello.

Thank you for being a part of what was a fun and exciting weekend of IMSA racing at a classic road course like Mid-Ohio. The competition in a three race groups was close and competitive. We hope you enjoyed the perfect weather conditions and hard IMSA racing.

As many of you know, Mid-Ohio is my home track and it felt great to be back home again surrounded by many familiar face and friends. It was great to have some home cooking. The work demonstrated all weekend was top notch and could not asked for anything more. There were several times you would make calls and we review them, and the Race Director asked who was complaining thinking it was from a team but turns out it was from you on the ground. When the Race Directors heard it was from you, they would just smile and nod with approval.

A special THANK YOU goes out to Matt Moritz and his team to make sure you were all supported and well taken care of. He put in a lot of time and effort to make the weekend run smoothly.

IMSA sends our condolences to Mike Harwood's family and friends, it is never easy to lose one of your own, but you went out and honored Mike properly.

IMSA is about to get into the meat of our season and hope you will consider joining us for another event somewhere around the country. The next events coming up for IMSA is sharing the weekend with IndyCar at Belle Isle in Detroit and then back-to-back weekends at Watkins Glen with the first being the 6 Hours at The Glen and the following week with our standard-length race format.

Again, THANK YOU for your continued support of IMSA and look forward to seeing many of you later in 2021.

Thanks,

Bill Armitage

IMSA Marshal Communicator

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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.

24 Hour Enduro @ Nelsons

Sad to report that the 24 Hour event at Nelson Ledges scheduled for June 11-13 has been canceled. The hope is to bring it back in 2022 with the recent announcement by the SCCA and their endurance series.

NASA (May 28-30) Flag Chief: Randy Alheit

This one we are currently fully staffed for Saturday and Sunday but would like one more person for Friday afternoon to help cover the 4 hour Enduro. It is a pay day of \$50.00 for the afternoon. If you can help, please register at: www.motorsportreg.com/events/nasa-race-to-remember-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-723698

NASCAR X'Finity (June 4-5) Flag Chief Matt Moritz

NASCAR is returning to Mid-Ohio with X'Finity series for this Friday Saturday event. ARCA will be a support series for the weekend. Should be an entertaining weekend of racing (especially if it rains). This is an easy weekend of flagging but have the best seat in the house for the beating and banging of NASCAR. This event will be here before we know it and we are still short in coverage but looking much better. We are still about 7-10 workers short to properly cover. If you can help with this one Register at: www.motorsportreg.com/events/nascar-xfinity-mid-ohio-200-f-c-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-083043

SVRA w/ Trans-Am (June 25-27) Flag Chief: Kevin Young

The cars from the past return to Mid-Ohio with our annual visit from SVRA. This year joining SVRA will be Trans-Am. Should be a fun and fairly laid-back weekend of vintage racing. To register for SVRA go to: <https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/t-a-svra-vintage-grand-prix-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-044590>

IndyCar (July 2-4) Flag Chief: Kevin Young

The annual stop by IndyCar along with all three rungs of the Road to Indy ladder will be returning to Mid-Ohio Fourth of July weekend. This race weekend may turn in to an IndyCar doubleheader weekend with the cancellation of Toronto. We always need a lot of help for this one. Hope to see you there. To register go to: <https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/honda-indy-200-indycar-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-971203>

IMSA WeatherTech at Watkins Glen

IMSA will be running two events on consecutive weeks at Watkins Glen June 24-27 (this is the 6 Hour Weekend) and July 1-2 (Thursday/Friday and in conjunction of the SCCA Glen Region July Sprints) and our friends at RSI are looking for help covering both these weekends. This is a great opportunity to check out a classic track. There are two big events at Mid-Ohio these two weekends, but if you are close to Watkins Glen they would certainly appreciate the help. If you are interested, you can register at <https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/imsa-sahlen-s-six-hours-of-glen-rsi-workers-watkins-international-race-services-264489> for the 6 Hour and <https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/imsa-scca-glen-regional-rsi-workers-watkins-international-race-services-832120> for the Mosport Sprint Race make-up.

2021 COVID-19 Update

As the State of Ohio opens up more and relaxing mandates. Current Mid-Ohio guidelines are to be wearing a mask when on property, When registering a temperature check will be performed at the front gate and verbal COVID questions will be asked. If you pass, you will be given a wristband for the weekend and will not have to go back through the check if you leave the property.

2021 Event Schedule

May 28-30	NASA (MidO) (PD)- Randy Alheit
June 4-5	NASCAR X'Finity (MidO)- Matt Moritz
June 11-13	SCCA NEO Rest. Regional 24 Hour Enduro (NL)- CANCELED
June 25-27	SVRA (MidO)- Kevin Young
July 2-4	IndyCar (MidO)- Kevin Young
July 10-11	SCCA NEO Regional (NL)- Randy Alheit
July 23-25	Vintage Motorcycle Days (MidO)- Ron Long
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

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
July 14-18	Ferrari Challenge
July 19-22	Ferrari Driving School
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 imsflagchief@ix.netcom.com 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

Formula E

Formula E is coming back to Brooklyn, NY for a doubleheader weekend July 10-11. This was a late announcement confirming their return to the NYC area. SCCA Pro is supporting this event once again and is looking for marshals to help cover the corners for the event. Hotel rooms will be provided at no cost, based on double occupancy, plus transportation to and from the circuit. If you are interested in attending, register at: <https://www.motorsportreg.com/index.cfm/event/event.status/uidEvent/DC5929DE-B392-EB1C-323780EA84014CAD>

Badges:

If you need a new LEC ID badge, 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
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