



COMMUNICATOR – MAY 2025

2025 Season Off to a Solid Start

A big thank you to everyone who worked the Formula Race Promotions (FRP) weekend at Mid-Ohio April 25-27! Flag work and radio calls were excellent ALL weekend, and you braved the weather conditions very well. I think we managed to get all the seasons in this weekend!

Mid-Ohio and FRP also thank you for your work, great job by all. FRP had a solid car count, and the racing was great each day. If you're an open wheel fan, make a note to play this weekend next year!

Doug Rigel Update

We found out recently that longtime LEC Member Doug Rigel has been in a nursing home in Mansfield since July 2024. He has some severe medical issues since early 2024, and is not in good health overall.

He does love to have visitors, so if you want to see Doug, this would be a good time to do it. He was a fantastic worker with LEC, excelling at every position he held. He enjoyed his time with the club, and also raced himself in his younger years.

He is in Room 106 at Liberty Nursing Center, 535 Lexington Ave, Mansfield, OH 44907, his cell phone number is 419-961-5299.

He has amassed a big collection of posters from the years of racing, and his wife Joyce has donated them to LEC. We will be giving these posters away at our events this season, per the Rigel's wishes.

Lake Erie Communications Whistle Box

We need anyone who knows the whereabouts of the Whistle Box to contact Jonathan Palmer at jpalmerjp@gmail.com.

Per Diem For Lunches Update for 2025

With the increased concession stand costs at Mid-Ohio, the per diem for lunch for NASA weekends (and extended to other weekends we elect to use the concession stand) will be \$13.

Upcoming Events

OVR Majors / Hoosier Super Tour May 16-18 – Flag Chief Dylan Daugherty 419-544-2799 dylanlecdaugherty@gmail.com

Our second event of the year is the Hoosier Super Tour and OVR Majors, over 200 entries just a week out. OVR will have their Saturday dinner at the Turn 1 pavillion, and is providing lunches all three days. A worker dinner will be provided Friday evening, also.

We are getting there on Saturday and Sunday numbers, Friday we could still use 8-10 more. With station and staffing requests for this event, we do need to try to get 26-30 signed up per day. Please try to sign up before Sunday 11 May, so OVR can prepare food and gift counts.

You MUST visit registration at Gate 3 when it is open to sign in – if you do not have an SCCA Membership, we will cover the weekend membership for you. The region and national needs an accurate number at registration for the records – they will say we had the number that visited registration.

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/ovr-scca-hoosier-super-tour-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-560250>

NASA May 23-25

NASA's Race to Remember weekend will be our first pay weekend of the year, as usual we will pay 8 workers per day. NASA Great Lakes always appreciates our work on these weekends, and although they are tough days, we appreciate you coming to help.

Reminder that you are Waitlisted on signing up, we will be in touch with those who are approved to work this event. You will be paid \$100 for the Saturday and/or Sunday, with a \$13 per diem for lunch. Friday is \$50 for the half day.

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/nasa-race-to-remember-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-745852>

IMSA June 6-8 – Flag Chief Dylan Daugherty 419-544-2799 dylanlecdaugherty@gmail.com

The IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge, along with VP Racing Challenge, MX-5 Cup, and USF Juniors make their visit for the first spectator weekend of 2025. We will need every station open for this event, and good worker counts a week or two before the event.

LEC will have lunches each day. The schedule looks to be pretty good each day, so come and help for a day or two or three if you can. We need to submit our worker list to the track 10 days in advance, so please sign up if you have any thought you might make it – it's vastly easier to remove you from the list than it is to add you at the last minute!

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/imsa-michelin-pilot-challenge-4-hour-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-755117>

Dart Kart June 13-15

Dart Kart Club has reached out to us asking for workers for their weekend in June. This will be a pay day, expect full details in the coming days.

SVRA/TA/F4/FR/IGT June 20-22 – Flag Chief Jonathan Palmer 740-323-6475 jpalmerjp@gmail.com

The 44th visit by SVRA to Mid-Ohio is on the summer solstice weekend once again! The mix of old and new cars, young and old talent, a great weekend to see a bit of everything. No ARCA this year, I'm told! This event needs lots of help – if there's enough workers, we can work in some breaks for workers to visit the paddock or midway during the weekend if they're interested. We must open ALL stations for FR and F4, so would like to have 28-32 each day for this.

Lunches and Friday and Saturday dinners provided by LEC, along with the usual liquids. Come on out and support LEC and see the past, present, and future of motorsports!

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/t-a-svra-vintage-grand-prix-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-646909>

IndyCar July 4-6 – Flag Chief Jonathan Palmer 740-323-6475

Our biggest event of the year, the Honda Indy 200. Last year was the debut of the hybrid system, this year, will the run of little incidents keep up to and through us or stop before or with Mid-Ohio? We see a lot of workers from neighboring regions, would love to have as many as possible again this year.

LEC will have lunches and liquids all days, and dinner Friday and Saturday nights.

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/honda-indy-200-indycar-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-265273>

Todd Cholmondeley IT/SPEC*tacular July 12-13– Flag Chief Dylan Daugherty 419-544-2799 dylanlecdougherty@gmail.com

Come for Indycar, can you stay another week and come play with the wonderful CincySCCA Double Regional? Cincy region always takes care of the workers and puts a great on-track show on. And the thousands of Jello Shots that await you after Saturday's activities in the LEC campground for the worker party!

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/scca-regional-cincinnati-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-128408>

LEC 2025 Schedule

May 16-18	OVR Majors / SCCA Hoosier Super Tour
May 23-25	NASA (Pay Day)
June 6-8	IMSA
June 20-22	SVRA
July 4-6	IndyCar
July 12-13	Cincy Double Regional
July 25-27	Vintage Motorcycle Days
August 9-10	OVR Double Regional
August 15-17	MotoAmerica
August 22-24	NASA (Pay Day)
September 17-18	Put-in-Bay
October 11-12	OVR Double Regional

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

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.

Nelson Ledges Race Course

May 10	Mom's Need Speed Too Time Attack
June 28-29	NEO Stars & Stripes (TT and Enduro)
July 26-27	MVR The Christmas in July Regional
Sept 13-14	NEO Divisional
Oct 25-26	NEO

If you have any questions or wish to volunteer at Nelson, please contact Kurt Stevens – flagchair@neohioscca.com

Indianapolis Motor Speedway

May 31-June 1	Joel Miller Track Days
June 12-15	SVRA
June 25-29	Ferrari Challenge
July 14-15	Honda Sportscar Test
August 16-17	David Murry Track Days
August 23-24	Joel Miller Track Days
September 6-7	David Murry Track Days
September 13-14	IndyCar Test
September 18-21	IMSA 6 Hour
October 15-19	SRO International GT 8 Hour
October 25-27	Andersen Promotion Chris Griffis Test and Indy NXT Test

Green highlight indicates Pay Day Event

Contact Bill Armitage (imsflagchief@ix.netcom.com) for more information.

Michigan Turn Marshals

DATE	WHRRRI	REGIONALS	MAJORS	PRO & OTHER EVENTS
Feb 28 - March 2	Autorama@Cobo			Spring Training @Ft Wayne (3/2)
April 5-6				
April 12-13	OTD 1 (4/12) & 2 (4/13)			
April 19-20				
April 26-27	Driver's School on Track			New Flaggers@WHRRRI
May 3-4	Race #1			
May 10-11	OTD 3 (5/18)			FSAE (5/14-17)
May 14-17				FSAE (5/14-17)
May 17-18			OVR-M @ MO	
May 24-25 (Memorial Day)	Race #2	DET @ WHRRRI		
May 31-June 1				Indycar DGP (5/30-6/1)
June 7-8				
June 14-15 (Father's Day)		WMR-D @ GRA		
June 21-22	OTD 4 (6/22)			
June 28-29	Race #3			
July 5-6				Indycar @ MO (7/4-6)
July 12-13		CINCI-D @ MO		
July 19-20	OTD 5 (7/20)			
July 26-27	Vintage Race (7/25-27)			
August 2-3	Race #4			
August 9-10		OVR-D @ MO		
August 16-17				
August 23-24	OTD 6 (8/24)		WMR - M @ GRA	
August 30-31	Race #5			
Sept 6-7				
Sept 13-14	Volunteers Appreciation (9/13)	NEO-D @ NL		Empire Hill Climb (9/13)
	OTD 7 (9/14)			
Sept 20-21				
Sept 27-28	Race #6			
Sept. 29-10/5				Runoffs @ RAM (9/29-10/5)
Oct 4-5	OTD 8 (10/5)			
Oct 8-11				Petit Le Mans @ RAT (10/8-11)
Oct 11-12		OVR-D @ MO		
Oct 18-19				
Oct 25-26		NEO-R @ NL		

Key

T=Tentative	R=Restricted	D=Double	C=Champ Series Event	**
GM=GingerMan	GRA=Grattan	MIS=Mich Int'l Speedway	MO=Mid Ohio	NL=Nelson Ledges
IMS=Indy Speedway	WAT=Waterford Hills	IND= Indianapolis Speedway	RAT=Road Atlanta	RAM=Road America
CINCY=Cincinnati Region	DET=Detroit Region	INR=Indiana Northwest Region	NeO=North Eastern Ohio Region	OVR=Ohio Valley Region
	SBR=South Bend	VIR=Virginia In'tl.	WMR=Western Mich	