



COMMUNICATOR-APRIL 2023

From the Executive Director

Hello everyone, hope you are all doing well. We had LEC'S kickoff to 2023 season with our annual seminar and was well attended. We had a few new people show up to take in what we do and hope they will join us in the future. We went over our usual topics CPR with Steve Carroll, Fire Safety with Dave Howard, Train the Trainer with Tom Phillips, SCCA happenings with Ed Arthur and Dan Hodge, Communications with Tari Hodge and Ron Long, and Flagging 101 with Kevin Young and Dylan Daugherty. I thank them very much for sharing their experience and knowledge with everyone. We gave away a few door prizes had a great lunch and had a good time.

In mentioning the Seminar I cannot THANK DIANE TEDESCHI enough for organizing I believe every aspect of the seminar to make it a success, She steps up every time we have something going on and seems to make things happen. We all thank you Diane for all you do.

We also handed out awards this year for 2022 Karie Garber received The Sam Oram Award for her Experience and Loyalty and being who she is. Art Spon received the Worker of the Year Award for being a committed LEC member, and John Freeland received Rookie of the Year. All the people that trained John could not have spoken more highly of John's ability to learn so quickly and apply it.

We are also working on an incentive program to reward flaggers for putting in their time at the track to support LEC's events. More on incentives to follow hopefully in next Communicator when we work out a few bugs.

Racing season is kicking off this month and hope to see many of you soon.

Randy Alheit

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Formula Race Promotions – April 28-30 – Flag Chief: Jonathan Palmer

The yearly visit of the open-wheel group. Formula Race Promotions always brings a great group of racers and cars. If open wheeled racing from F1600 up to Atlantics is your thing, this weekend is for you! The schedule is always very good, and the on-track action is fantastic. FRP are always appreciative of our work, so we hope to see several of you for our opening weekend.

Lunch is provided all three days, worker campground is open. FRP is sanctioned under SCCA Pro Racing, so is eligible for the SCCA Volunteer Incentive Program.

Still could use 12-14 more for all three days. Register on MotorsportReg:

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/formula-promotions-f1000-f1600-f2000-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-571109>

OVR Majors – May 12-13 – Flag Chief: Randy Alheit (Co-Chief: Dylan Daugherty)

Majors weekend is taking the place of the IMSA weekend this year, and is up against IndyCar on the IMS Road Course. Majors weekend brings a good car count and is our first SCCA Club weekend of the year. Come for one or both days if you can, and support our home region.

Camping available, lunch provided all weekend. Days will be countable for your SCCA Volunteer Incentive Program.

Need 14-16 more for each day. Register for the weekend on MotorsportReg: <https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/ovr-scca-majors-f-c-mid-ohio-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-641622>

Mid-Ohio Region Porsche Club of America – May 19-21 – Flag Chief: Dylan Daugherty

Mid-Ohio Region joins up again with the Northern New Jersey Region of the Porsche Club of America for the HPDE and Club Racing weekend at Mid-Ohio. MORPCA have long been supporters of LEC, and love the work we do.

Friday will once again be a paid day, Saturday and Sunday are volunteer days.

Sign up on MotorsportReg: <https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/porsche-club-mid-ohio-f-c-sports-car-course-lake-erie-communications-235150>

2023 Seminar Recap

It was no joke – Seminar had a great crowd and good discussions. Thanks to Ontario Event Center for catering lunch, the offerings were delicious. It was great to see everyone get involved in the discussions and welcome the newcomers.

Some photos of the day below!



Early in the day, Randy Alheit giving the yearly LEC Update and preview.



Kevin Young and Dylan Daugherty leading Flagging 101 with newcomers.



John Freeland walks back to his seat after receiving the Rookie of the Year award



Art Spon receiving the Worker of the Year Award.



Karie Garber was this year's recipient of the Sam Oram Award.

You'll be able to find more photos posted on our Facebook page.

SCCA Volunteer Incentive Program

During the discussion about SCCA changes at Seminar, several of you mentioned difficulties and no knowledge of this program. 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 over participation in the Pro weekends.

We are still finalizing details of the prize pool, and will have full information in the May or June Communicator.

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

6 points: Vintage Bikes

5 points: Porsche Club

4 points: FRP, SVRA

3 points: Cincy, OVR Regionals

2 points: Majors, NASCAR

1 point: IndyCar

0 points: ANY day you work that you receive payment for, or limited participation (Put-In-Bay)

2023 Event Schedule

April 21-23	NASA (PD)
April 28-30	FRP
May 13-14	OVR SCCA
May 19-21	PCA
May 26-28	NASA (PD)
June 23-25	SVRA
June 30-July 2	IndyCar
July 7-8	NASCAR
July 21-23	Vintage Motorcycle Days
July 29-30	Cincy SCCA
August 12-13	OVR SCCA
August 25-27	NASA (PD)
October 14-15	OVR SCCA

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 13-16: Shell Eco Challenge (Paid)

May 11-13: Indianapolis GP

June 14-18: SVRA w/TransAm

July 18-19: Porche Sprint Challenge Test (Paid)

July 26-27: David Murry Track Days (Paid)

July 28-29: IMSA Test (Paid)

August 1-2: SportsCar Test *TENTATIVE

August 4-6: Music City GP (Nashville, TN)

August 11-13: Brickyard GP (NASCAR/Indycar)

September 15-17: IMSA

October 4-8: SRO World Challenge/International GT 8 hour

October 20-22: Chris Griffis Test (Paid)

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

Michigan Turn Marshals

Dates	Event	Location
4/15	Fire Extinguisher Training & Seminar	Wayne County
4/22-4/23	WHRRI Open Track Day 1 & Open Track Day 2	Waterford Hills
4/29-4/30	New Flaggers & New Driver's School	Waterford Hills
5/6-5/7	WHRRI Race Weekend 1	Waterford Hills
5/17-5/20	Formula SAE (ICE)	MIS
5/27-5/28	DRSCCA/WHRRI Regional Race	Waterford Hills
6/2-6/4	Detroit Indycar Grand Prix	Detroit, MI
6/11	WHRRI Open Track Day 3	Waterford Hills
6/17-6/18	Western Michigan - Divisional	Grattan
6/24-6/25	WHRRI Race Weekend 3	Waterford Hills
7/8-7/9	WHRRI Open Track Days 4A & 4B	Waterford Hills
7/15-7/16	South Bend/Detroit - Majors	GingerMan
7/21-7/23	Vintage Race	Waterford Hills
7/29-7/30	WHRRI Race Weekend 4	Waterford Hills
8/13	WHRRI Open Track Day 5	Waterford Hills
8/19-8/20	Western Michigan - Majors	Grattan
8/26-8/27	WHRRI Race Weekend 5	Waterford Hills
9/10	WHRRI Open Track Day 6	Waterford Hills
.9/16	Empire Hill Climb	Empire, Mi
9/23-9/24	WHRRI Race Weekend 6	Waterford Hills
9/23-9/24	Detroit/South Bend - Divisional	GingerMan
9/30	WHRRI Open Track Day 7	Waterford Hills
10/11-10/14	Petit Le Mans	Road Atlanta
10/15	WHRRI Open Track Day 8	Waterford Hills

Mid-Ohio Track Waiver

No doubt you all are used to signing the track's waiver at registration or the guard shack. Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course is now switching to an online waiver. Each event will have it's own link, and as we collect them, they will be shared in the pre-race info on the website, as well as in pre-event email sent out by LEC and/or the event's Flag Chief.

Pre-Race Information

Remember to check the LEC website for Pre-Race Information. Events will be added as they near and can be updated with any new information that comes along.