



2016 IT/SPEC*tacular Plus Information

Welcome to the Cincinnati Region's registration site for the 2016 IT/SPEC*tacular Plus weekend. Hopefully all the information you need for the event is contained here, but if not feel free to contact Jerry Cabe, the Race Chairman, at jerrycabe2@gmail.com.

This will be the 10th edition of the IT/SPEC*tacular, the region's main Club Race. The concept of the IT/SPEC*tacular was born in 2007 in an effort to address the potential of non-profitable events in the declining economy. The approach was to give grassroots racers a venue to race, while maintaining a potential for a positive profit. So the IT/SPEC*tacular was born in which the Improved Touring and the popular Spec classes were invited to a restricted double regional event that featured a three race format for crowning a champion in each class. This format was well received by the invited classes and the event was a success, allowing the region to continue to host events. As the economy improved and racers started coming back to events, the region expanded the event back to include all SCCA classes, and was re-badged as the IT/SPEC*tacular Plus. The 2016 edition of the IT/SPEC*tacular Plus promises to be a great event, and we hope you will join us in August at Mid-Ohio.

In addition to this being the 10th IT/SPEC*tacular, 2016 marks the 60th Anniversary of the



Cincinnati Region. Watch for some special celebrations by our region and members.

Note that none of the product/services referenced below are endorsed or guaranteed by the Cincinnati Region SCCA. They are provided as a source of information.

EVENT DATES

August 4, 2016 (Thursday) through August 7, 2016 (Sunday).

EVENT LOCATION

The Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course, 7721 Steam Corners Road, Lexington, OH 44904.

GETTING THERE

The facility is located in central Ohio just west of Interstate I-71. Note referenced distances are approximate. Please mind your speed so you don't contribute to the local economy. Also, watch for horse drawn buggies on the local roadways.

Via I-71 S
Exit I-71 at Exit 165 for OH-97 toward Bellville/Lexington
Turn right onto OH-97 W going 2.1 miles
Turn left onto Castor Road going 0.6 miles
Turn left onto E Main Street going 0.4 miles
Turn left onto Steam Corners Road going 2.5 miles
Turn right at Gate 3
Registration Building on left after turn

Via I-71 N
Exit 151 for OH-95 toward Mt. Gilead/Fredricktown
Turn left onto OH-95 W going 1.9 miles
Turn right onto Williamsport-Bloomington Road going 4.5 miles
Turn right onto US-42 N going 4.8 miles
Turn left onto OH-314 N going 4.0 miles
Turn right onto Steam Corners-Lexington Road going 1.4 miles
Turn left at Gate 3
Registration Building on left after turn

2016 SCHEDULE

August 5, 2016 – Friday PERFORMANCE DRIVING EXPERIENCE (PDX)

The Cincinnati Region is happy to again offer an SCCA sanctioned track day in conjunction with the IT/SPEC*taclular Plus weekend. Detailed information and schedule can be found in the PDX Supplemental Rules, but the fundamental event is an opportunity for those without any competition license to experience driving the Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in their own vehicle. Classroom sessions will give you the fundamentals, which will be augmented with on-track sessions for more detailed instruction. Experienced instructors will ride along and give you real-time instruction and feedback.

August 5, 2016 – Friday – DAYTIME TEST AND TUNE

Anticipating racers wanting to have some serious time for tweaking themselves and/or their car for the weekend races and/or the SCCA Championship Runoffs in September, we are making available a Daytime Test and Tune for Club Racers entered in the IT/SPEC*taclular Plus. All classes will be combined into one of four groups, and each group will have a 20-minute session in the morning, and a 20-minute session in the afternoon. This schedule will actually allow time for drivers to analyze data and make adjustments between sessions. Groups will be limited to the first 65 entries.

August 5, 2016 – Friday – MEET-N-GREET SOCIAL

The Cincinnati Region members would like to invite everyone in attendance (drivers, crew, guests, volunteer workers, track employees) to join us for some socializing courtesy of our event sponsors. Beverages and light snacks will be provided. Location and time will be posted at Registration. So once you get settled into your paddock, come have a cold one and do some bench racing with your friends. We will also be remembering Cincinnati Region members who have passed on in the past year with a memorial toast.

August 5, 2016 – Friday – TWILIGHT OPEN TEST AND TUNE

On Friday evening, The Mid-Ohio School will hold a Twilight Open Test and Tune typically from 5:00 PM until 8:30 PM. Information and registration are available on their website at www.midohio.com/school/courses. Note that this is not a Cincinnati Region or SCCA sanctioned event.

August 6, 2016 – Saturday – IT/SPEC*taclular Plus CLUB RACING

Saturday starts with a 20-minute qualifying session for each of seven groups. Grid spots for the qualifying session will be determined by each entry's registration date/time, so register early. We operate on a "no schedule" schedule starting at 8:00 AM and rotate through each group with a short clean-up period between each session. Listen to the PA announcements for your group. The qualifying will be followed with our first race of the weekend for each group. Race 1 will be a 14 lap race with Grid positions determined by the morning qualifying times. We anticipate running Group 1's Race 1 before lunch. Listen to PA announcements for your call to Grid.

August 6, 2016 – Saturday – WORKER/OFFICIAL SOCIAL DINNER

In an effort to contain costs associated with catering at Mid-Ohio, the Cincinnati Region will not be hosting a Saturday Social/Dinner as in the past. Lake Erie Communications will be hosting a

dinner in the LEC Camping area for all volunteer workers and officials. Worker gifts/donations from the drivers and sponsors will be awarded at this event.

August 7, 2016 – Sunday – IT/SPEC*acular Plus CLUB RACING

Club Racing continues with two races for each of the seven groups. Race 2 will be a 9-lap race run in the morning. Grid positions will be determined by the best lap time run in Saturday's Race 1. Race 3 will be a 12-lap race. Grid positions will be set by participant's finishing position in the Sunday Race 2. We anticipate running Group 1's Race 3 before lunch. Again, listen to PA announcements for your call to Grid.

EVENT CHAMPIONSHIP AND TROPHIES

For each class, the top three finishers will be awarded an IT/SPEC*acular Plus Gold, Silver, or Bronze Medal for each of the three races. Participants will be awarded points for finishing position in each of the three races. The top three in points for each class will also receive an overall Championship Trophy after Race 3.

REGISTRATION

On-line MotorsportReg.com at www.motorsportreg.com/? for PDX registration or www.motorsportreg.com/? for Club Race/Daytime-T&T/Garage registration. Payments can be made with credit card or by check (mailed to Cincinnati Region SCCA, 682 Yorkhaven Road, Cincinnati, OH 45246-1427). Note payment must be received for registration to be accepted.

Registrations by mail are also accepted. Entry forms can be downloaded from the Cincinnati Region website (www.cincyscca.com) and on MotorsportReg.com and mailed with payment by check to the Treasurer. Mail requiring a signature for delivery will delay the process and is strongly discouraged.

Christy Graham
682 Yorkhaven Road
Cincinnati, OH 45246-1427

TRACK CONFIGURATION

All sessions for this event will run the 2.258 Pro Course configuration in a clockwise direction. Club Race Starts/Re-starts/Finishes will be at the Start Stand located on the front stretch. See Track Map.

TRACK MAP

Track Map

Paddock

Paddock will utilize both paved and un-paved locations. Paved areas include the Lower Paved Paddock (with garages), Middle Paved Paddock, and possibly the Upper Paved Paddock. Un-paved areas are located to the South of the Paved Paddocks.

GARAGE RENTAL

A limited number of garages will be available to rent. There are single-door garages (Numbers 2-6, and 21-28) and two-door garages (Number 9- 20). Garages can be rented at the time you

register by specifying the type of garage and preference of number. Maximum rental period is from Thursday (August 4) at 6:00 PM until Sunday (August 7) at 5:00 PM.

FUEL/AIR/WATER

Track fuel (??? Octane) is available on-site at the fuel pumps located at the East side of the Middle Paddock. Pumps are self-serve by credit card at all times. Compressed air and water is located at the fuel pumps. Compressed air and water is also available throughout the rented garages.

TIRE/WHEEL SERVICE

On-site tire support is planned by Stupid Fast Tires and will generally be available 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Vendors will be located between the Lower and Middle Paved Paddocks.

AUTO PARTS

On-site support for your Racer needs will be provided by Continental Motorsport Services at their store located in the Middle Paved Paddock. Advance orders can be made by contacting Continental through their website at www.continentalmotorsport.com or 888-459-4588. Normal hours of operation are ??? Local nationwide auto part stores are ???

LOCAL STORAGE

The Cincinnati Region anticipates that there may be some entries at the IT/SPEC*taclular Plus that are also planning to attend the SCCA Runoffs at Mid-Ohio in September. If there are individuals/teams that have tow rigs that they would like to leave in the area between the IT/SPEC*taclular Plus and the Runoffs, a list of potential storage sites is provided. Note that the Region is not endorsing or certifying the availability or security of any of these sites. They are storage facilities some of our members use or have used in the past. All storage arrangements are between you and the storage facility.

Rt 62 Storage
Utica, OH 43080
Info@62storage.com
740-892-3962

Gerdes Turf Farm
Xenia, OH 45385
Turffarms@aol.com
937-705-0986

Sunbury Storage
Sunbury, OH 43074
www.sunburystorage.com
john@sunburystorage.com
740-965-6667

Great Value Storage
Mansfield, OH 44907
www.greatvaluestorage.com
419-434-9411

Ontario Secure Storage
Ontario, OH 44903
419-982-2290

LOCAL EATERIES

The Mid-Ohio Concession Stand located in the Lower Paved Paddock will be open for services (food, beverages, ice) on Friday (10:00-2:00), Saturday (?-?), and Sunday (?-?). There are numerous local fast-food and restaurants available in the surrounding communities. Some options:

Lexington
Mansfield
Ontario

Again, the Cincinnati Region does not endorse or validate the edibility of any establishment listed here.

LOCAL HOTEL/MOTEL

Lexington
Mansfield
Ontario

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

The local communities can provide places of worship for almost any religious preference. Check local services for listings and times. Additionally, Nancy Schillace of Race Care Ministry will be providing non-denominational services at the track. Watch/listen for announcements for time and location.

STAYING AT THE TRACK

Camping will be permitted on Thursday through Saturday nights only. The camping area is limited to the paddock for drivers/crew and Lake Erie Communications Camping for volunteer workers. Motor home, 5-wheel, camper trailers and other "self-contained units" may be assessed a \$30 weekend camping fee by Mid-Ohio. This does not apply to volunteer workers. All other forms of camping are free. Mid-Ohio has a self-serve dump station available by checking in at the Maintenance Building.

TRACK RULES

Just some of Mid-Ohio Rules you should be aware of in order for everyone to have a pleasant/safe visit to the facility. See Event Supplemental Rules for complete rules.

1. No pets allowed on the facility property at any time.
2. Everyone on-site must sign the SCCA or Mid-Ohio Waiver.
3. Bicycles, skates, Razors, scooters, hover-boards, and skateboards (with or w/o motor) are prohibited by Mid-Ohio.
4. 16 and 17 year old drivers are required to contact Tammi Griffith (Mid-Ohio) at tgriffith@midohio.com or 800-643-6446 X-3007 for copies of Mid-Ohio's Minor Waiver (this is in addition to the SCCA Minor Waiver). These must be obtained well in advance & require a Notary Public's signature. The completed Mid-Ohio waiver and information must be returned to Mid-Ohio prior to the event per the Mid-Ohio policy. Mid-Ohio does not allow 15 year old drivers.
5. Paddock speed limit is 10 MPH. Anyone operating ANY motorized vehicle on the track property must have a valid driver's license (any state).

6. Fuel spillage on any paved area of the facility is forbidden and may result in a black flag and liability for repairs if instructions from any officials are not obeyed promptly. Jack stand bases must be supported so as to avoid pavement indentations.
7. No unmuffled engines may be operated between 7 PM and 7 AM unless traveling to or from Tech.
8. Minimum age in the pits is 18 years. Sleeved shirts, long pants, and closed shoes are required in the pits. Credentials must be clearly visible at all times.
9. The infield will be OPEN to spectators. No trash is permitted; everything you carry in must be carried out. (GRANDSTANDS CLOSED)
10. Sale of any products on Mid-Ohio property is strictly prohibited without prior written permission from Mid-Ohio.
11. Please use the provided receptacles for trash, oil, and other fluids. Do not leave any tires at the track, except with tire vendors.
12. You will be required to vacate the premises by 6:30 PM Sunday. If later, you will be billed for the cost of Security.
13. Aerial remotely-controlled vehicles are not permitted without prior written permission from Mid-Ohio.

VOLUNTEER WORKERS

It takes the efforts of over a hundred volunteer workers to put on this type of event. These dedicated individuals give a lot toward allowing everyone to enjoy our hobby. Please be kind to the volunteers and officials in all interactions. A "Thank You" is always appreciated. Monetary donations can also be made to the worker fund during registration. All donations will be recognized and distributed to workers at their Saturday Social/Dinner.

PHOTOGRAPHY SERVICES

On-site photography is provided by Cincinnati Region member Jeff Loewe. Jeff routinely shoots vehicle action on course, and the occasional off-track antics, and posts them on his website at www.jlofoto.net a couple weeks after the event. Jeff sells digital and print copies through his website. Special photography services can be arranged by contacting Jeff through the website.

SCCA TRACK RECORDS

PDX SUPPLEMENTAL RULES

CLUB RACE SUPPLEMENTAL RULES

SILENT AUCTION SUPPORTING ALS

We remember one of our long-time Cincinnati Region members and flagger, Judy Cowie, who passed from the debilitating effects of ALS (a.k.a. Lou Gehrig's disease) in 2009. Judy's husband and flagging partner, Bob Cowie collects donations and proceeds from a silent auction held over the weekend and provides them **to the research of (ALS) Lou Gehrig's disease in memory of Judy Cowie**. All proceeds go to ALS Association Central & Southern Ohio. Bob generally has a wide variety of motorsport memorabilia and other items. Stop by Garage Number 1 in the Lower Paddock to participate.