



**PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA  
NORTH COUNTRY REGION**

High Performance Driver Education  
At

**Lime Rock Park**

25 & 26 June 2018



***Information Package***

# **INFORMATION PACKAGE**

## **LRP 25/26 June**

**Latest information available at: [www.ncr-pca.org](http://www.ncr-pca.org)**

**Final Instructor assignments, car number assignments and work assignments will be available no later than Wednesday the 20th of June on the website.**

**Please print the information you need and bring it with you to the event. Limited copies will be available at the track.**

### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Plenty of lodging is available in the vicinity of Lime Rock Park. Great Barrington, MA is located 30 minutes north of the track and has many motels that offer lower rates than lodging closer to the track. Several options exist within 10 miles of the track in both Lakeville and Sharon. Visit: <http://www.limerock.com> for a list of hotels in the area. Camping is also available at Housatonic State Park.

### **MEALS**

The Concession Stand located in the main paddock area will be open by 7:30 am to 3:00 pm for hot food and until 4:00 pm for cold food. Several restaurants located in Lakeville and Sharon serves dinner if you arrive early enough on Sunday. A favorite stop on the way back to the Mass Pike is the Great Barrington Brewery.

### **TRAVEL INFORMATION**

Please obey the posted speed limits on all public roads. We wish to retain our good reputation with the track and local authorities. Please limit your fast driving to the track.

### **DIRECTIONS**

Lime Rock Park is located in the Berkshires of NW Connecticut. From New Hampshire take I-93 South to I-495 South toward Worcester. Take I-290 W to Sturbridge and pick up I-90 W and continue on until Exit 2. Bear right off-ramp to US-20 for 180' then to RT-102 W for 4.7mi. Take US-7 for 15.1mi to Route 7A for 3.1mi to US-7A for 0.34mi to Route 7 for 9.2mi to Route 112W. Go past the Track Office for 0.7mi to the main entrance, located on White Hollow Road.

# ***Special Announcements and Activities***

LRP maintains very strict control of noise levels and has a very active program for noise monitoring. Open exhausts are not permitted and anyone with a particularly loud car should make adjustments to limit noise levels. Monitoring is done from several locations with the meter set 50' from the center of the racing line.

**The limit is 88 dB. Two black flags and you are done for the day.  
This is a track rule not an NCR rule; please comply**

LRP has a very strict rule regarding 996 & 997 cabs. They must have either a fixed roll bar installed or must run with the factory hardtop. The rollover deployed bar is not considered by LRP adequate protection.

No Pets are allowed

We are responsible for any damage (holes, dents or depressions) that may occur to the asphalt in the paddock area. It is critical that anything that could damage the surface (jack stands, trailer tongues, awning / canopy posts, etc) be placed on something that protects the surface.

There are no garages at LRP so bring tarps or other waterproof materials to keep your 'stuff' dry in the event of rain.

As a reminder make sure that your NCR tech form is completed and signed by the servicing facility and has the approved PCA stamp. Those registrants showing up without properly completed forms run the risk of being sent home.

***There is no overnight security and no one can camp in the park***

## **Classroom Instruction**

**As part our program, Steve Schindler will be conducting mandatory classroom instruction for all run groups. Steve has worked hard to develop the curriculum for these sessions that will enhance the on track instruction by reinforcing the primary concepts associated with HPDE. Please refer to the track schedule for run group classroom times and prepare accordingly to attend these valuable sessions.**

## **Track Social**

**On Monday evening kick back and relax with your fellow drivers to share the day's stories and experiences at our Track Social! We'll supply the hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine, and soda to tide you over while enjoying the ever present socialization which includes the chance to rub elbows with the guy or gal that doesn't have rear view mirrors as well play the infamous game of Liars Lap Times!**

## Car Control/Skid Pad

Lee Carpentier will be hosting Car Control sessions both days on Lime Rock's well developed and highly rated skid pad and autocross facility. A no worries let it all hang out facility that allows you to explore the limits of your mettle as well your car. Who knows, you may enjoy driving your car looking out the passenger window rather than the windshield. This is an activity that is beneficial to all ability levels.

### **Skid Pad cars are provided**

The skid pad will use half hour blocks and be able to accommodate two drivers per half hour (using two cars/instructors). Drive time per half hour would be just over twenty minutes with a few minutes in reserve for discussion and people running late or just needing a few extra laps.

This program is first come first serve. Interested drivers should contact Lee at [Lee@advancemotorsports.racing](mailto:Lee@advancemotorsports.racing). To confirm your session prepayment will be required by check or through Paypal.

Simon Kirby will be available for on track coaching sessions.

## Early Trailer Drop-off

On Sunday LRP is hosting the Scottish Highlands Games and in previous years has not allowed for early trailer drop-off during this event. However, LRP has graciously agreed to allow for trailer drop-off on Sunday afternoon between 3:00 and 6:00 PM. If you choose to take advantage of this please be expeditious in unloading and above all else **do not make any loud noise by revving you motors or otherwise**. We want to be able to do this again!

## ***Driver Education Pre- Event Preparation***

### ***TECH INSPECTION:***

Please use the new Tech form that is available on the NCR website. The tech inspection form must be completed before your arrival at the track within two (2) weeks prior to the event.

**You will be required to present this form during the morning on-site Tech Inspection.**

North Country Region recommends the tech inspectors listed on our website at

<http://www.ncr-pca.org/index.php/club-activities/driver-education>

Or any Northeast Region approved inspector on their website at

<http://www.porschenet.com> .

Participants from other regions may use their own regionally approved inspection facilities, but please provide the **North Country Region** tech form for them to complete.

Tech inspection forms must bear the signature and stamp of an approved NCR, NER or out of region inspector, **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

### ***SAFETY:***

1. **SNELL 2010 (M, K or SA)** or newer helmets are mandatory.
2. **Fire extinguishers** are not mandatory but are highly recommended by the DE Team. If using a fire extinguisher it must be **ABC or BC rated**, at least 2.5 LB capacity and **mounted metal to metal within the driver's reach.**
3. Open Cars must be equipped with a roll bar meeting the following specifications: (i) the roll bar must be of sufficient height to ensure that the top of the driver's helmet sits below the line from the top of the roll bar to the top of the windshield (commonly referred to as the "broomstick test") and; (ii) the roll bar must be fixed and visible at all times when the vehicle is on the track.
4. Open cars must have adequate roll bars (see above) and tops must be closed and latched. Sunroofs must be closed and latched when you are on the track. Occupants in open cars must wear arm restraints.
5. Imitation Fuchs alloys are banned at events within Zone 1.
6. Similar restraint systems must be utilized for both driver and passenger.
7. Only an instructor or their student may be a passenger in a car.

Please read the DE Regulations on our website at <http://www.ncr-pca.org/index.php/club-activities/driver-education>

In particular, note the following:

***R-Compound Tires in Green and Yellow run groups:*** Will not be allowed unless the car is OEM fitted or is a co-driven car where the primary driver is in an advanced run group, or an instructor. Any exceptions must be approved by the Chief Instructor

***Restraint Systems:*** We will strictly be enforcing PCA guidelines for restraint systems.

In summary, the rule mandates that if you have harnesses, you must have a seat that comes from the manufacturer with the capability to, at the very least, accept the shoulder harness and the sub belt. You cannot modify any seat to accommodate either the shoulder harness or the sub-belt. The seat does not have to have holes in the bolsters for the lap belts. The seat back can be hinged. The seat back must have an integrated headrest.

The harnesses must be either FIA or SFI approved. If the harnesses are more than five years old, they must be replaced. Remember that dating systems are different for FIA and SFI. SFI harnesses must be replaced five years from the date of manufacture as shown on the harnesses. FIA harnesses expire on December 31 of the expiration year noted on the harnesses. Harnesses must be secured to either a roll bar or an approved harness truss such as the Brey Kraus. You don't have to have a roll bar, but it is recommended. You still must have equal restraints for both seats.

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**Important notice!**

**Please be advised that starting in 2019 PCA will require all drivers using harnesses to also use a HANS device.**

# ***Day of the Event Preparation***

- 1. START TIME:** The track will open at 7:00 AM for participants.
- 2. TRACK ENTRY:** When you arrive at the track you will be required to sign a PCA INSURANCE LIABILITY RELEASE (Waiver) and the LRP track waiver at the front gate. Once the waivers are signed, proceed to the paddock area where you will check-in with Registration and prepare for the on-site tech inspection.

Registration will be from 7:00 to 8:00 AM at the base of the Tower (in the paddock area).

**Everyone must check-in at Registration prior to the drivers meeting.  
Bring your PCA card and drivers license to registration.**

Hold onto your pre-tech inspection form until you go through the tech line.

- 3. CAR NUMBERS:** Your assigned car number must be displayed on both sides of your car in numbers at least 4" tall. You cannot deviate from your assigned number.
- 4. TECH INSPECTION (On-Site):** A final tech inspection of your car will be performed at the track and must be completed before your car is permitted to run (all days).

**The tech line will be open from 7:15 AM (or as soon as we can get set up) to 8:10 AM.**

Before you get into line, please prepare your car for the on-site inspection process by checking to make sure your lug nuts are tight, affixing your assigned car number and removing all loose items (water bottles, cell phones, radar detectors, etc.) from the interior and trunks. Also, make sure to bring your signed tech inspection form, your helmet and if appropriate your letter certifying that you have dealt with the wheel center lock recall.

**If you or your car, are not prepared for the on-site inspection, you will be rejected and must go to the back of the line for a re-inspection.**

If you arrive late, your car will be inspected at the convenience of the tech team.

- 5. DRIVER MEETING:** **ALL participants** must attend the drivers meeting. Refer to the daily schedule for start times.
- 6. WORKER ASSIGNMENTS:** Our events rely on participants to work critical functions to keep the event safe and fun. Individuals will be assigned to carry out some limited work assignment at a specified time during the event. Please refer to the schedule for your work assignment times. Worker assignments will also be posted in the control area.

**ALL WORKERS MUST REPORT TO THEIR DESIGNATED ASSIGNMENTS ON TIME.  
FAILURE TO SHOW UP FOR A WORK ASSIGNMENT WILL RESULT IN A LOSS OF TRACK  
TIME FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS**

7. **INSTRUCTORS:** Driver education procedures require that an instructor be permitted to drive the student's car in those run groups that need instruction. If you are driving with an instructor, you must be comfortable with the instructor's driving and teaching techniques. If you are not comfortable with your instructor, you may request that another be assigned to you.
8. **PASSENGERS:** Passengers are not permitted in any car at any time except for instructors, or a student in an instructor's car.
9. **CLOTHING:** Appropriate clothing must be worn for driving. (long sleeve shirts and long pants). **No shorts or short sleeve shirts** will be permitted. Slacks should not interfere with foot movement. Protective driving gloves are recommended. Suitable shoes, such as sneakers, should be worn. No sandals, wedges, high heels nor loose shoes will be allowed. 100% cotton or Nomex materials are recommended.
10. **STAGING:** The staging area is located on Pit Lane. Staging is to the left side next to the front straight wall. Use your time in staging to make final adjustments to helmets, seats, seat belts and mirrors
11. **RUN GROUPS:** Participants are placed in run groups on the basis of their driving experience. If you have any questions about your assignment, please raise them at the chief instructor.
12. **TWO SPIN RULE:** Any driver who leaves the track, spins or is not in control of his / her car will be black flagged and must return to the pit lane.

**If you receive two black flags during the event, you will be ejected.**

13. **ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT:** Anyone deemed to be unsafe and discourteous will be ejected from the event. Safety is our primary concern throughout the course of the event. This is NOT a time event and it is NOT practice for racing.
14. **ALCOHOL AND DRUGS:** **No alcoholic beverages** may be consumed by any person during the driving schedule (7.00 AM to ~5:00 PM). The use of drugs is strictly prohibited.
15. **RISK OF DAMAGE:** Participants assume all risk of damage to their cars and to the track facilities during the event.
16. **VOLUNTEERS:** This is a volunteer event and your DE Team thanks you for your participation. However, anyone late or absent for his / her assigned duties may be expelled.
17. **LIME ROCK SPECIFIC RULES:**
  - Paddock speed limit is 5 mph and is directional, please watch for pedestrians.
  - Persons under 18 years of age are not permitted in the hot pits or at corner stations.



- No sitting on the Pit wall while cars are on the track.
- All roadways must be kept clear in the paddock so emergency vehicles can move freely.
- Cars exceeding the allowable noise level will be black flagged and must make necessary modifications before returning to the track. If you are blacked flagged for a second time, you are finished for the day.
- Alcoholic beverages are permitted in the paddocks and pits fifteen (15) minutes after on-track activity has ceased for the day.
- Fluid wastes must be placed in approved LRP disposal containers and NEVER on the ground.
- Gas pumps are open all day and are credit card only. Traffic flow is bi-directional and not more than 5 mph.
- LRP provides safe areas which may be used in the event of a mechanical failure preventing a driver from safely getting back to the pits. Safe areas are designated by large green cones. Look for these areas during your warm up laps.

## 18. EVENT CHECK LIST:

### Mandatory:

- PCA membership card
- Driver's license
- Completed Tech Form
- Car Numbers (or a means of applying car numbers such as tape or shoe white)
- Course map

### Useful:

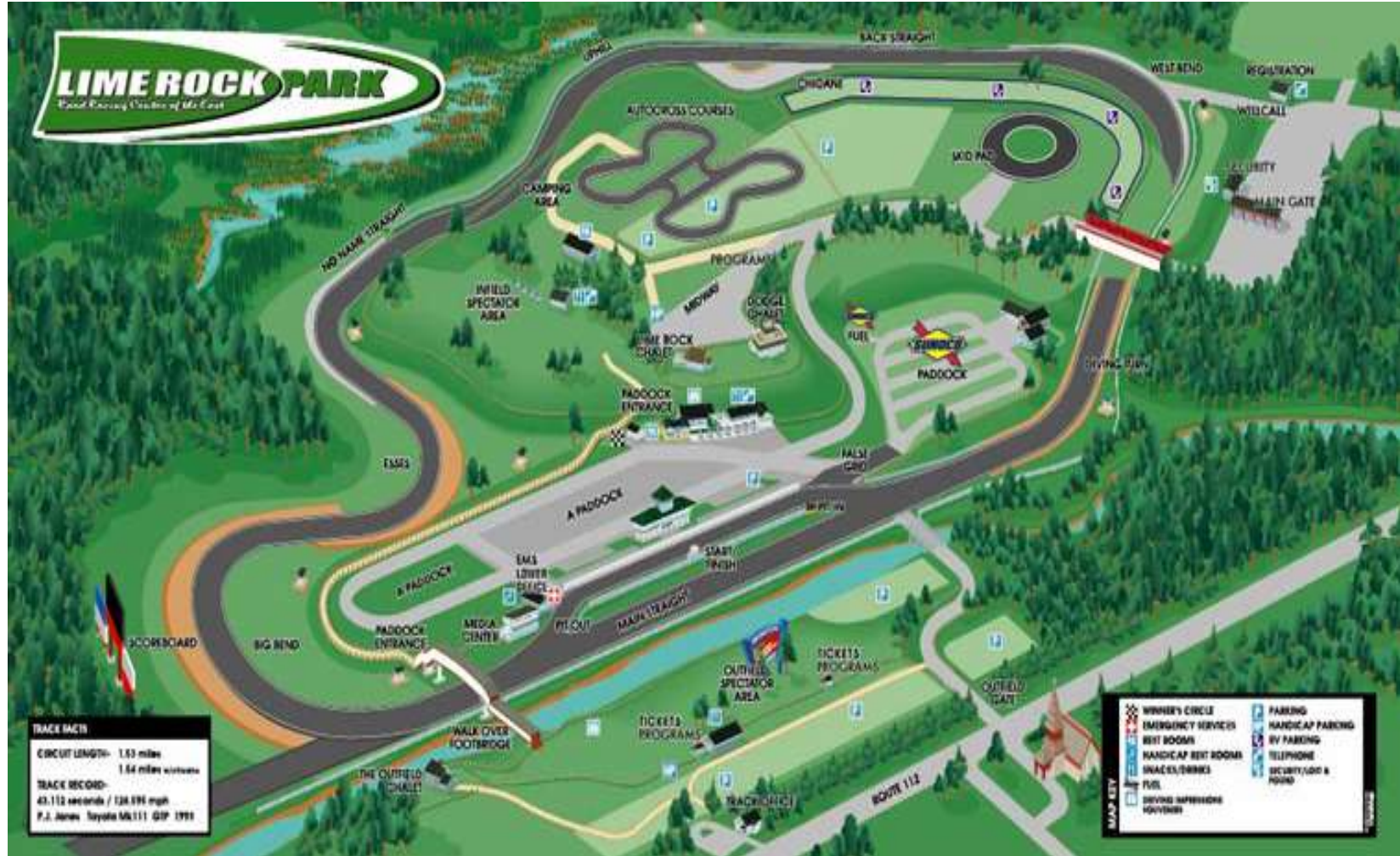
- Umbrella
- Plastic tarp (or bags to contain your stuff including floor mats and any loose items)
- Tire pressure gauge
- Air compressor
- Rain gear
- Sunglasses
- Warm clothing (you never know in New England)
- Spare brake pads if yours are less than ½ their original thickness
- Spare oil

### Bring or Buy:

- Water
- Sandwiches or Snacks
- Water (can't get enough!)
- Sun Screen
- Insect Repellent (you are in New England)

**BE SAFE & HAVE FUN!!!!**

**Pat Maloney**  
**North Country Region - PCA**  
**Driver Education Chair**



Passing Zones: Front Straight  
 Straight after Big Bend  
 No Name Straight  
 Back Straight