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23 Officers complete Advanced Emergency Vehicle Operations training at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course *Fully-funded using Casino Training Funds*

LEXINGTON – 23 officers from 12 agencies completed advanced emergency vehicle operations training yesterday at the Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in Lexington, Ohio. Law enforcement officers from around the state were able to put their skills to the test at Mid-Ohio's premier 2.4 mile, 15-turn road race course.

Using law enforcement casino training funds, Ohio Department of Public Safety and the Ohio State Highway Patrol Emergency Vehicle Operations Instructors along with veteran race car drivers, designed the training to heighten the skill level of officers around the state to operate a patrol vehicle in the most efficient and safest manner possible. The six-hour training incorporated both classroom instruction and practical exercises.

“The leading cause of on-duty deaths of law enforcement officers nationally is automobile related traffic crashes,” said Director John Born, Ohio Department of Public Safety. Driving skills are perishable. This advanced training provides officers from across Ohio the opportunity to improve their skills.

Before these casino law enforcement training funds were available, it was the responsibility of the individual agencies to incur the cost of sending officers to advanced training opportunities like this.

Editor's Note: Below is a list of class attendees and their associated agency.

Cindy Ackison	Grove City Police Department
David Barnhart	Shelby Police Department
Ronald Brotherton	Sandusky Police Department
Chad Carson	Licking County Sheriff's Office
Jeremy Collier	Pickerington Police Department
Adam Cramer	Bucyrus Police Department
Don Dawson	Findlay Police Department
Trey Farabee	Fostoria Police Department
Cameron Greenawalt	Sandusky Police Department
Jenelle Hartman	Columbus Airport Authority
Daniel Loper	Licking County Sheriff's Office
Chris Martin	Licking County Sheriff's Office
Curtis McCune	Wadsworth Police Department
Erik Mohr	Sandusky Police Department
Casey Raver	Columbus Airport Authority
Matthew Sandella	Brunswick Hills Police Department



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Jonathan Steigerwald	Columbus Airport Authority
Jonathon Todhunter	Columbus Airport Authority
Michael Torres	Brunswick Hills Police Department
Jessica Veselica	Grove City Police Department
Richard Walker	Bucyrus Police Department
Duane Ward	Columbus Police Department

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