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

LEXINGTON – 25 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.

Chris Alten	Amherst Police Department
Neil Assenheimer	Bucyrus Police Department
Jeffery Banker	Wyoming Police Department
Jeromie Barnhart	Ontario Police Department
John Bartolucci	Ontario Police Department
Tim Bell	Hillsboro Police Department
Brian Berigan	Wyoming Police Department
Richard BeVier	Ontario Police Department
Nathan Brumley	Lancaster Police Department
Brain Butler	Hillsboro Police Department
Bruce Clayton	Allen County Sheriff's Office
Scott Davis	Bucyrus Police Department
Eric Daniels	Hillsboro Police Department
Gregory Ford	Ontario Police Department
Rocky Helton	Oxford Township Police Department
Adam Henry	Ontario Police Department



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Julia Huff	Oxford Township Police Department
Carl Nolder	St. Clair Township
Nelson Kilgore	Mansfield Police Department
Cory Lee	Allen County Sheriff's Office
Berniece Malone	Ontario Police Department
Matthew Markley	Wadsworth Police Department
Rusty Riegler	Oxford Township Police Department
Chad Webster	Norwood Police Department
Brian Williams	Ontario Police Department

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