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

LEXINGTON – 26 officers from 10 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.

Rashuan Amey	Defiance Police Department
Joshua Bayer	Allen County Sheriff’s Office
Casey Bly	Ontario Police Department
Frank Bowen	Columbus Airport Authority
Nick Burke	Allen County Sheriff’s Office
Scott Comisford	Columbus Airport Authority
Jason Day	Ontario Police Department
Alan Edwards	Mansfield Police Department
Shane Gess	Mansfield Police Department
William Gish	Columbus Airport Authority
Tommy Hill	Ontario Police Department
Mark Janowiecki Jr.	Defiance Police Department
Bradley Kalb	Ontario Police Department
Todd Kinley	University Heights Police Department
Dave Knepper	Columbus Airport Authority
Scott Lake	Ontario Police Department



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Joe Phillips	Newark Police Department
Paul Robbins	Cridersville Police Department
Roddy Roose	Ontario Police Department
Charles Roub	Sherwood Police Department
Douglas Seman	Mansfield Police Department
Jack Shay	Mansfield Police Department
Keith Swisher	Sherwood Police Department
Ronee Swisher	Mansfield Police Department
Howard Thomas	Ontario Police Department

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Note: Photos of the officers at training are available upon request. To request photos, please e-mail wwwohp@dps.state.oh.us.

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