



**President's Note . . .**

Hello everyone!

The start of the 2006 season is just around the corner. It is going to be short season, but it is not going to short of fun and excitement.

Earl Finck is the new F&C Chief. Marty Laux is the new chief of Start/Finish. Jim Maerten has been appointed as Assistant Chief of Fire/Rescue, Terry Lush has been appointed the Infield Fire Chief, and Dave Cole has been appointed the Pit Fire Captain.

During the off season the Board of Directors decided to create a new specialty—Recruitment and Retention. Yvonne Lush will be the Chief of the new specialty.

WGI is finally moving forward with the construction of a new tower. Also, Start/Finish will be moved down track closer to Turn One.

MSS is scheduled for April 29th and 30th at the track. There will be camping permitted on Friday and Saturday night.

The 2006 schedule is posted on the web. Your chief has a copy, and there is one included in this newsletter, so check it out and start planning so we can make this another successful year. Let's go racing!

Mark



**Mark your Calendar**

**RSI Monthly Membership Meeting**

The first membership meeting of 2006 will be held on Saturday, March 25th, at 10:00 a.m. at the New York State Fire Academy in Montour Falls. We look forward to seeing you.

**Open up Your Camper Weekend**

April 21st and 22nd. The campground will be open Saturday night, too. Pictures for photo ID's will be taken from 3pm to 4pm on Saturday, April 21st.

**MSS**

MSS will be held on April 29th and 30th at WGI. Registration begins at 8am. This year there will be more hands-on training and less classroom training.

It is critical that all members attend. See you there!

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## **News you can use . . .**

- Rosters of RSI workers for each spectator event must be submitted to WGI for registration 2 weeks prior to the event. This makes it even more important for members to communicate with their Chiefs of Specialty early about the events they will be available to work. (This applies to spectator events such as IRL, Porsche Clash, HSR, SCCA, NASCAR, and Vintage.) This is another reason to get your renewals in ASAP.

- As you know from an announcement made in 2005, RSI is named in a lawsuit concerning a child who was injured at the track in 2002. RSI's lawyer, Bill Friedlander of Friedlander & Friedlander, has told us that RSI members have no obligation to speak with the Plaintiffs' attorney, Jacob Welch, his representatives, or anyone else concerning this litigation. If you are contacted by Attorney Jacob Welch or anyone else concerning this litigation, please let the Board know and if you have further questions, you may contact Mr. Friedlander at 607-565-8155. Keep in mind that RSI is billed for any time Mr. Friedlander spends on the case.

- As you can see by reviewing the 2006 schedule, the 2006 season is shorter than usual, ending in September rather than October. This is due to plans for repaving sections of the racing surface in October and November.

- Once again this year, we are asking that anyone with an EMT certification provide a copy of that certification to Karen Martelle, regardless of whether you are working as an EMT at the track. RSI and WGI would appreciate having this information on file in case additional EMT's are needed in the event of an emergency. We really appreciate your cooperation.

Please provide accurate information on your RSI medical forms. We ask that you don't "joke around" on the forms. This information

is kept confidential and is used by Race Medical only in the event you are injured or require medical care while at the race track. It is for your benefit only.

- Our webmaster, Bob Carson, has asked for descriptive and historical information about the stations around the race track, as well as pictures and even video clips. Bob is working on an interactive map of the racetrack for the web site. (Note: When sending any info to Bob, type "RSI" in the subject line.)

- WGI will be issuing an annual parking sticker again this year.

## **To Worker Support**

Hi, everyone . . .

I want to thank all of you for your support this past season. There were a few weekends that we were pulled form both ends, but we came through it in the end. We had another big race to do lunches for this past year but the place and time for pick-ups were changed. You all "GOT-IT-DONE". Thanks to everyone who helped set up and get the debriefing ready at the end of the day. Lynn gave us a lot of good and different things to eat. Thank you, Lynn. Thanks to R.W. and his team for our breakfast.

We had a great End-of-Year Party. Dan and Steven did a great job getting that to happen for us.

We are doing an update on our manual this season. Hope to have it all done for our break-out sessions. Hope to see you all then.

Thanks again for your support.

Diane



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Dear Friends in Racing,

Although heart attacks happen every day, they happen to the other guy—not us! It becomes a real wake-up call, and the realization that what we have is precious, and a reminder to not take our health and each other for granted!

As I was wheeling him into the hospital ER, he said quietly, “This is not the way it is supposed to happen.” I asked later what he meant, and he said, “I am supposed to take care of other people, others are not supposed to be taking care of me.” Well, I am so grateful for you all taking care of him!

I wanted to take a moment of your time and try to begin thanking you all for all your support and concern during Marty’s “event” and beginning recovery period. Some of you sent flowers, some called, some visited him in the hospital, and all of you gave us the confirmation that we are indeed a family.

Thank you for being who you are, and for being in our lives!

In the Spirit of the sport,  
E.J. and Marty Laux

## RSI 2006 Schedule

March 25	RSI Monthly Meeting
April 29-30	MSS
May 6-7	Trackmasters
May 13-14	BMW Genesee
May 20-21	PCA Allegheny
May 27-28	Skip Barber Racing School (Pro)
June 2-4	Indy Grand Prix (Pro)
June 9-11	Porsche Clash (Pro)
June 15-18	Historic Race (Pro)
July 1-2	PCA Potomac
July 7-9	SCCA Nationals (Pro)
July 15-16	Wine Festival
July 21-23	SCCA Regional
Aug 5-6	Skip Barber
Aug 10-13	NASCAR
Aug 26-27	PCA Metro NY
Sept 2-3	Ferrari Club of America
Sept 8-10	Zippo Vintage (Pro)
Sept 15-17	SCCA Regional
Sept 22-24	SCCA Drivers School
Sep 30-Oct 1	BMW Genesee Valley