



## About Laguna Seca Raceway

A message from Peter George – FCA2015 Track Director

The FCA Pacific Region is excited to provide the ultimate track experience during the 2015 International meet at the world famous Laguna Seca Raceway on the Monterey Peninsula in Northern California. The area can trace its true race roots back to the inaugural running of the Pebble Beach Road Races in 1950. The sports cars that ran in these early events are the theme of this year's International Meet. We are excited that the Ferraris built and raced in that era will be a featured marque at the Pebble Beach Concours in 2015 and we are looking forward to their participation in our track venue which promises to provide a most exciting and rewarding driving experience for all of our FCA members!

The track was built in 1957 with the help of funds raised from local businesses and individuals after the nearby Pebble Beach Road Races were abandoned for being too dangerous. In 1974, the property was deeded over to the Monterey County Parks Department and continues to be part of the park system to this day.



The first race, held on November 9, 1957, was won by Pete Lovely driving a Ferrari Testa Rossa!. In the intervening years, the track has hosted USRRC, Can-Am, Trans-Am, Formula 5000, IMSA GT, Champ Car, American Le Mans Series, Grand-Am, Superbike World Championship and MotoGP motorcycle races and the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion.

The track's configuration is an 11-turn, 2.238-mile road course. It has one of the most famous turns in the world called The Corkscrew. The elevation change in The Corkscrew represents a drop of 59 feet between the entrance and exit of the turn—the equivalent of a 5½ story drop—in only 450 feet of track length. From Turn 8 to Turn 9, the elevation falls 109 feet, or just over 10 stories.

Many notable and famous drivers, too numerous to mention here, have driven Laguna Seca. Be assured you will have a challenging 2 days driving this quick and technical track that will put a smile on your face. That we can guarantee!

We look forward to being your host for this particular part of the 2015 Meet and I look forward to personally meeting you all.

Sincerely,

Peter George  
FCA2015 Track Director