



IMRRC Launches Search for Executive Director

WATKINS GLEN, N.Y. (Sept. 21, 2015) – The International Motor Racing Research Center has begun a nationwide search for an executive director.

The new position was created to boost the Center to a higher level of professionalism.

“The Racing Research Center has achieved international success well beyond the expectations of its founders,” Center Governing Council Chairman Bobby Rahal said. “To build on that success, we’re ready to progress to the next levels in all areas of our operations and even better fulfill our mission of preserving and sharing the history of racing.”

The search committee, led by Governing Council member Laurence Kessler of Rochester, N.Y., has identified position qualities that include senior management experience in finance and administration. Strong experience in marketing, public relations and fundraising also is desired.

A passion for cars, racing and automotive history is preferred but not mandatory. Archivist experience is also preferred but not mandatory.

Information about the executive director position is available on the Center’s website at <http://racingarchives.org/pdf/PositionExecutiveDirector.pdf>.

The Racing Research Center is an archival and research library working with the materials of motorsports history. Its collections encompass race series and racing venues worldwide. No admission fee or fee to use the collections on-site is charged.

The Center opened in June 1999 and has more than 700 individual collections. It has more than 3,800 rare and reference books, more than 2,800 cataloged race programs, some 4,500 cataloged films and about 800 periodical titles, some full-run. Photographs in the collections number in the untold tens of thousands.

It is the repository for several organizational archives, including the Sports Car Club of America and the Road Racing Drivers Club. The Center owns the archives of National Speed Sport News and the archives of John Bishop, co-founder of IMSA.

Drivers with collections at the Center include David Donohue, Butch Leitzinger, Elliott Forbes Robinson and Geoff Bodine.

For more information about the Racing Research Center, visit the website at www.racingarchives.org.

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