



**AMERICAN
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ENTHUSIASTS**

**SPRING
CONFERENCE
MAY 18 - 20, 2012**

Cedar Point

**SEASON PASS
HOLDERS
SAVE OVER
50%!**



Photos: Top, *Magnum XL-200* by Tim Baldwin. At left, top to bottom: *Blue Streak* by Dan Feicht; *Iron Dragon* by Jeffrey Seifert; *Gemini* by Scott Short; *Corkscrew* by Tim Baldwin.



**ERT
ON ALL
17
COASTERS!**

**10
HOURS OF
ERT!**

**3
MEALS!**

- 2 CONTINENTAL BREAKFASTS
- ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT DINNER BUFFET
- PLUS ERT SNACKS!**

From the Frank Hoover and John Allen-designed classic *Blue Streak*, a wood out-and-back that debuted in 1964, to *Maverick*, the state-of-the-art Intamin launched coaster that opened in 2007, Cedar Point boasts one of the most expansive coaster collections on the planet. From the first coaster to turn riders upside down three times (*Corkscrew*) to the world's first 200-foot tall (*Magnum XL-200*), 300-foot tall (*Millennium Force*) and 400-foot tall (*Top Thrill Dragster*) coasters, the park's collection of record breakers is sure to please thrill-seekers.

Beyond the coasters, the park has much to offer. Several kids' areas and two kiddie coasters ensure that everyone in the family will find a ride to enjoy. The collection of rides runs the gamut from classics like *Dodgem* to high-flying thrills like *WindSeeker*.

Cedar Point traces its history to 1870, the year the first business opened on the peninsula. The park's first coaster, *Switchback Railway*, opened in 1892; *Switchback Railway* was 25 feet tall and reached the then-amazing speed of ten miles per hour.

Your Spring Conference registration will include: Saturday and Sunday all-day admission, Friday night ERT after park closing, VIP seating at select shows, exclusive tours, continental breakfasts, dinner featuring a guest speaker and door prizes, and much more. Cedar Point Season Pass and Cedar Fair Platinum Pass holders enjoy a \$62 discount on registration, over 50% off! Don't miss out on this exciting Spring Conference — register today.

YOU CAN SAVE OVER 50% WITH YOUR SEASON OR PLATINUM PASS!

ADVANCE REGISTRATION

Postmarked or online by May 3, 2012

ACE members \$121
ACE members 3–11 \$103
Non-members \$151
Non-members 3–11 \$128

LATE REGISTRATION

After May 3, 2012

ACE members \$141
ACE members 3–11 \$123
Non-members \$171
Non-members 3–11 \$148

YOUR REGISTRATION INCLUDES

- All-day admission to Cedar Point on Saturday and Sunday
- Optional Friday Night Starlight Ticket available for just \$31
 - 4 ERT sessions
 - 2 continental breakfasts
- VIP seating at select shows
 - All-you-can-eat buffet with speaker and door prizes
- Exclusive tours

Please Note In accordance with Cedar Point policy, participants must purchase the Spring Conference package through ACE in order to enjoy the Conference activities. Discounted tickets purchased from other venues, including Cedar Point Resorts, cannot be used to gain entry to Spring Conference activities. ACE does not pro-rate registration fees for partial attendance. Cancellations are accepted through May 10, 2012; the amount paid will be refunded less a \$20 fee per person. Non-members must register to attend ACE events as the guest of a member who is registered to attend. Members are responsible for the actions and behaviors of their guests.



1 Cedar Point Drive
Sandusky, OH 44870-5259

Cedar Point previously hosted ACE's Spring Conference in 1993 and Coaster Cons in 1988 and 2004.

Directions From the Ohio Turnpike, take exit 118 (US 250) and follow the signs north, or take exit 110 (SR 4) and follow Route 4 north. Once in Sandusky, just follow the signs to Cedar Point.

Learn more about the park at cedarpoint.com.

Enjoy Friday night in the park for just \$31

Attendees can add a Starlight Ticket – valid for admission from 4 to close on Friday night – to their registration for just \$31. Cedar Point Season Pass and Cedar Fair Platinum Pass holders can enjoy the park at their convenience, but must pick up their registration packet during a scheduled registration time. Attendees who do not have a Starlight Ticket, Season Pass or Platinum Pass can enter the park at 10 p.m. Friday evening.

Parking

Parking is \$12 per day. (Parking included with a Cedar Fair Platinum Pass.)

Guests of Hotel Breakers, Sandcastle Suites, Lighthouse Point and Camper Village pay the \$12 charge on their first visit and will receive a refund and parking pass at check-in. Guests at Breakers Express and Castaway Bay will not receive a parking pass, and will be responsible for paying parking fees unless utilizing a Cedar Fair Platinum Pass.

Online Resources

The club website is your go-to resource for planning your Spring Conference experience. Online registration is fast and secure. Use eCRIBB, the club's online tool for finding carpool partners or roommates at events. You can check out host park coasters using the Roller Coaster Census, shop the ACE General Store and much more. Make sure to visit the club's website at AmericanCoasterEnthusiasts.org today—and don't forget to follow ACE on Facebook!

Check out BuckeyeTraffic.org and OhioTurnpike.org for the most recent Ohio traffic information. And visit the state's official tourism site, DiscoverOhio.com, to learn more about what the state has to offer.

Thank you!

Please extend your thanks to the many people who worked so hard to make the 2012 Spring Conference a success. At Cedar Point: Clark Culbertson, Bryan Edwards and John Hildebrandt. In ACE: Dave Altman, Tim Baldwin, Dave Bird, Paul Blick, Melinda Gaspari, Bill Graves, Dave Hahner, Bill Linkenheimer III, Elaine Linkenheimer, Will Moschke, David Shoultz, Kevin Schreiner, Jeffrey Seifert and Steve Smith.

Conference Lodging

Spring Conference attendees will enjoy special rates at Cedar Point's hotels: Hotel Breakers and Sandcastle Suites on the Cedar Point peninsula; Breakers Express and Castaway Bay, located just a short drive away; or standard rates at Camper Village and Lighthouse Point, both on the peninsula.

ACE's special rates are valid for up to the maximum capacity of the room. Room capacity varies by room and by resort. Visit cedarpoint.com/resorts or call 419.627.2106 to learn more about Cedar Point Resort room capacities, amenities, locations and restaurant options or to make your reservations.

ACE ROOM RATES

Breakers Express

RATE Attendees enjoy a 10% discount off the room rate, plus tax, at Cedar Point's most affordable lodging facility.

Castaway Bay

RATE Starfish Room, 2 double beds, \$129; Pelican Room, 2 queen beds, \$139; Tarpon Suite, 1 king bed, 2 sets of bunk beds, \$179. All rates plus tax.

Hotel Breakers

RATE Room, 2 double beds, \$89; Room, 2 queen beds, \$124; Suite, non-lake view, \$144; Suite, lake view, \$164. All rates plus tax.

Sandcastle Suites

RATE Suite, non-lake view, \$144; Suite, lake view, \$154. All rates plus tax.

Attendees can also reserve accommodations at Lighthouse Point and Camper Village; standard rates apply, no discount is available. When making reservations at Lighthouse Point or Camper Village, mention that you are with ACE in order to qualify for the Resort Guest Bonus. Please note, Camper Village does not allow tent camping; RVs and campers only.



Each registered event attendee (12 years or older) staying a minimum of two nights at any Cedar Point Resort will receive a \$30 Cedar Point Gift Card at check-in!

The Cedar Point Gift Card is accepted at most food locations*, merchandise shops, admission gates, Cedar Point Resort properties, Bay Harbor, Challenge Park and Soak City.

*The Cedar Point Gift Card is not valid for franchised restaurants, midway food carts, arcade games and games of skill. Gift Cards cannot be used for online ticket or merchandise purchases. A Cedar Point Gift Card will not be replaced if lost or stolen, and has no cash redemption or cash back value, except where required by law, and is non-refundable.

PLEASE NOTE Breakers Express and Castaway Bay are not located on the peninsula; attendees staying at these resorts will be responsible for transportation to and from the park. Pedestrians are not allowed on the Cedar Point Causeway. Guests of Cedar Point Resorts can charge purchases to their room or campsite account.

RATES ACE room rates are available May 18 – 20, 2012.

DEADLINE Reserve by April 18, 2012. Availability is limited, make sure to reserve early.
TO RESERVE ROOMS To reserve online, visit cedarpoint.com/resorts, choose your resort and enter ACE as the promo code, not as the group code. To reserve by phone, call 419.627.2106 and mention reservation code ACE.

The Coasters

We'll enjoy ERT on all 17 of Cedar Point's coasters!

Blue Streak 1964 PTC Frank Hoover/John Allen
78 feet tall 2,558 feet long 48" minimum to ride

Cedar Creek Mine Ride 1969 Arrow Mine Train
48 feet tall 2,540 feet long 48" minimum to ride

Corkscrew 1976 Arrow Loop/Corkscrew
85 feet tall 2,050 feet long 48" minimum to ride

Gemini 1978 Arrow Racer
125 feet tall 3,935 feet long 48" minimum to ride

Jr. Gemini 1979 Intamin Junior
19 feet tall 443 feet long 36" minimum to ride
•*Must be under 54" or accompanied by a child (except during ERT, as noted at right)*

WildCat 1979 Schwarzkopf Wildcat
50 feet tall 1,837 feet long 48" minimum to ride
•*Second Wildcat to operate at Cedar Point; first Wildcat opened in 1970, was moved to Valleyfair! in 1978*

Disaster Transport 1985 Intamin Bobsled
63 feet tall 1,932 feet long 46" minimum to ride
•*Opened as Avalanche Run; enclosed, themed, re-named in 1990*

Iron Dragon 1987 Arrow Suspended
76 feet tall 2,800 feet long 46" minimum to ride

Magnum XL-200 1989 Arrow Megacoaster
201 feet tall 5,106 feet long 48" minimum to ride
•*ACE Roller Coaster Landmark*

Mean Streak 1991 Wood Dinn/Summers Twister
161 feet tall 5,427 feet long 48" minimum to ride

Raptor 1994 B&M Inverted
137 feet tall 3,790 feet long 54" minimum to ride

Mantis 1996 B&M Stand-up
145 feet tall 3,900 feet long 54" minimum to ride

Woodstock Express 1999 Vekoma Roller Skater
38 feet tall 1,155 feet long 48" minimum to ride alone;
36" when accompanied by responsible person

Millennium Force 2000 Intamin Megacoaster
310 feet tall 6,595 feet long 48-78" to ride

Wicked Twister 2002 Intamin LIM Impulse
215 feet tall 52-78" to ride

Top Thrill Dragster 2003 Intamin Accelerator
420 feet tall 2,800 feet long 52-78" to ride

Maverick 2007 Intamin LSM
105 feet tall 4,450 feet long 52-78" to ride

Schedule of Events

This schedule is tentative.

The official schedule of events will be included in your registration packet.

Friday, May 18

Enjoy the park on Friday from 4 – close; add a Starlight Ticket to your registration for just \$31. Attendees who do not purchase a regular admission or Starlight Ticket or have a Cedar Point Season Pass or Cedar Fair Platinum Pass can enter the park at 10:00 p.m.

3 – 4 p.m. Registration at Castaway Bay
8 – 9:30 p.m. Registration at Cedar Point Main Gate
10 a.m. – 10 p.m. Cedar Point open to the public
10 p.m. Attendees enter Cedar Point
10:30 p.m. – 12:30 a.m.
ERT on *Corkscrew, Top Thrill Dragster, Magnum XL-200, Super Himalaya*

Saturday, May 19

6 – 6:30 a.m. Registration at Cedar Point Main Gate
6:30 a.m. Attendees enter Cedar Point
7 – 8:30 a.m. Continental breakfast
7 – 9 a.m. ERT on *Blue Streak, Raptor, Disaster Transport, Wicked Twister, Cedar Downs*
9 – 10 a.m. Early Entry ERT with Cedar Point Resort guests*
10 a.m. – 10 p.m. Cedar Point open to the public and attendees
6 p.m. Buffet dinner with guest speaker, prizes, plaque presentation and more
10:30 p.m. – 12:30 a.m.
ERT on *Cedar Creek Mine Ride, Maverick, Mean Streak, Gemini, Woodstock Express (10:30–11:30 p.m.), Jr. Gemini (11:30 p.m.– 12:30 a.m.)*
During *Jr. Gemini* ERT, only four adults will be allowed on each train

Sunday, May 20

6:30 a.m. Attendees enter Cedar Point
7 – 8:30 a.m. Continental breakfast
7 – 9 a.m. ERT on *WildCat, Iron Dragon, Millennium Force, Mantis, Dodgem*
9 – 10 a.m. Early Entry ERT with Cedar Point Resort guests*
10 a.m. – 10 p.m. Cedar Point open to the public and attendees
10:30 a.m. Group photo (location TBD)

*ERT on select rides. The Early Entry rides may not be the same rides included in ACE's morning ERT sessions.



Jr. Gemini (above) opened in 1979; *Mantis* (left) took a stand at Cedar Point in 1996. Both photos by Tim Baldwin



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There is no charge for children two and under; please list their names on this form. For guests, please write the name of the ACE member under "MEMBER #." If you require additional space, make a photocopy of this form or list names, cities and states on a blank sheet.

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ONLINE REGISTRATION It's fast, easy and secure at AmericanCoasterEnthusiasts.org

ADVANCE REGISTRATION Must be postmarked or completed online by May 3, 2012. After that date, please call ACE registration director Steve Smith before 10 p.m. Eastern time at 440.576.2220 to arrange for registration at the event.

PAYMENT METHOD Members and non-members may pay by money order. Members may pay by check. Please make checks or money orders payable to American Coaster Enthusiasts. Credit cards are accepted from members and non-members for advance registration, from members only for on-site registration.

NON-MEMBERS Must register to attend ACE events as the guest of a member who is registered to attend. Members are responsible for the actions and behaviors of their guests.

JOIN NOW! Register at the member rate by including a completed membership application and the appropriate dues with this registration. Or, you can join and register online at AmericanCoasterEnthusiasts.org.

CANCELLATION Cancellations are accepted through May 10, 2012; the amount paid will be refunded less a \$20 cancellation fee per person. Cancellations will not be accepted after May 10, 2012.

IMPORTANT NOTICE The payment of registration fees by, for or on behalf of participants releases and holds harmless the American Coaster Enthusiasts Worldwide, Inc., its Officers, Executive Committee members, and representatives from any and all liabilities related to those activities.

REGISTRATION FEE

ACE does not prorate registration fees for partial attendance

Members X \$121 =

Members 3-11 X \$103 =

Non-members X \$151 =

Non-members 3-11 X \$128 =

Total registration fees, enter total here **A**

Registration includes park admission all day on Saturday and Sunday. Enjoy the park on Friday evening, 4 - close by adding the optional Starlight Ticket!

The optional Friday Starlight Ticket for 4 - close is valid for ages 3 - 61, 48" or taller (tickets for guests 3 and older and under 48" tall can be purchased at any park gate). Cedar Point Season Pass and Cedar Fair Platinum Pass holders may enjoy the park at their leisure, but will need to pick up registration packets during scheduled registration times.

Optional Starlight Ticket X \$31 =

Total optional Starlight Tickets, enter total here **B**

Add boxes A and B, enter total here **C**

Cedar Point season pass and Cedar Fair Platinum pass holders registration discount X \$62 = **D**

Subtract box D from box C, enter total here. This is your total registration cost.

PAY BY CHECK OR MONEY ORDER

Name of person writing check _____

Member # _____

If paying by check, you must be an ACE member. Money orders accepted from members or non-members. Make checks and money orders payable to American Coaster Enthusiasts.

PAY BY VISA, MASTERCARD OR DISCOVER CARD

Name as it appears on credit card _____

Billing address _____

Cardholder signature _____

Credit Card Number

Expiration Date

Security Code

The security code is the 3-digit code appearing on the signature strip of your credit card

CONTACT INFORMATION

We may need to contact you about your registration. If you provide an email address, an email confirmation will be sent to you; please print the confirmation and bring it with you to the event. If an email confirmation is not received by May 9, 2012, call 740.450.1560 8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Eastern time.

Email address _____

Phone number _____

Mail this completed form, or a photocopy, with payment in US funds to

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