A visit to the Watkins Glen area would not be complete without a stop at the International Motor Research Center. It is truly a must see when in the area. Built expressly to preserve the heritage of motor racing, the International Motor Racing Research Center at Watkins Glen is a 5,000 square-foot facility that is both a research library and an archive. The research facility is available to all interested persons for both serious scholarship and pure pleasure. The archive is intended to serve as a safe repository for primary documents related to the history and heritage of worldwide motorsport.



The International Motor Racing Research Center at Watkins Glen is neither an austere library or a hands-off museum. Instead, it is a comfortable place to experience the spirit and will of the people who have shaped the sport. While there, you might want to purchase a really great book. One of my favorite books, Formula One at Watkins Glen, by Michael Argetsinger with a forward by Mario Andretti. Great book and 100% of the proceeds from the book benefit the Research Center.

We have arranged for the center to be open extra hours during LOG 33. Please give them a call to find out their hours and they may even stay open for you to visit. They are that nice. Their phone number is (607) 535-9044.

Directions from the Radisson Hotel to the International Motor Research Museum.

Exit right on the west side of the hotel parking lot on to Wall St.

Turn left on to Tioga St.

Turn right on to Cedar St (which turns into Route 414).

Proceed north on Route 414 (20.7 miles or 27 min.) to where Route 414 "T"s at S. Franklin St and 15th St. in Watkins Glen.

When sitting at that light, right across the street is 15th St.

Proceed through the intersection on to 15th St.

Drive one block and make a right on S. Decatur St.

On your left at 610 S. Decatur St. is the Motor Racing Research Center. Pull up to the next driveway, make a left into the driveway and parking is in the rear of the building.

