

NCCC Competition Committee Minutes  
9/9/11  
Sheraton Westport Conference Center  
St. Louis, MO.

Competition meeting Open Session began at 6:30 p.m. CST. Present were VPC Jack Wilson plus 13 RCDs representing 14 of the 15 Regions, which were EO Chuck Stephens, ER/NE Brian Gallagher, FL Manny Montgomery, MI Dave Johnson, IN Mike Godfrey, MW Paul Haack, RM Walt Jenkins, RR Paul Hamersly, SE Don Parks, SW Craig Kamradt, WR Jerry Koraleski, WC Joe Orrico, and WO Jim Asbury.

**Introductions:**

RCD introductions were made and a welcome was extended to the gallery of members present to witness the meeting.

**VPC Comments:**

High Speed and Novice cards were made available to the RCDs.

Jack spoke of the success of the MWR 2011 National Convention and thanked everyone for attending and anyone who assisted in putting on the convention from both internal MWR and other Region members. Everyone's help made it successful.

Jack announce pictures of the record drag teardown equipment, teardown procedure, drag timing and ladder run process has been submitted into the Convention Procedure Manual and is in the VPC Master Flash Drive File that will be passed on to the next 2012 VPC. Joan Thomas is setting up access for Jack to put all available VPC files onto the NCCC Server for archive posterity.

**Meeting Minutes Approval:**

Paul Hamersly made a motion to accept the 4/29/10 STL Competition Minutes. Jim Asbury seconded. Motion carried.

**2011 Sanctioned Event Status Review:**

Jack announced an updated Points Status was just published 9/8/11. As of this date, we have a record 1365 Sanctioned Events scheduled in 2011. 915 (67%) have been completed and 789 (86%) have been posted. The 126 outstanding to post have been completed within the past 30 days and are waiting to be received to post. We have 450 (33%) left to do for the year.

It was also noted that 2320 men, 1313 ladies, and 219 Clubs have earned points this year so far either by working or entering events.

**2011 High Speed Driving Schools Approved:**

There are no schools planned for the balance of the year.

### **Drag Records:**

There was a new updated drag record listing published 8/13/11.

There were no new drag records set at convention.

The 2011 Record Drag Schedule has one left for the year on:

- 10/8/11 Cornhusker Corvette Club, at Kearney, NE.

### **Clarification(s):**

There was one clarification submitted.

1. RR – Page 7-24, Sec. 7.21 People’s Choice Judging

**Clarification** – The Rulebook states that in a “People’s Choice” car show that judging is done by “entrants and spectators”. There seem to be many shows that are advertised as “Participant’s Choice” where only the entrants vote. The Rulebook does not address a Participant’s Choice car show.

**Question:** Am I correct in assuming that they would both be judged as People’s Choice and if a spectator asked for a ballot the Chairperson of the event would be required to supply ballots to anyone who request a ballot other than those who have already received a ballot?

**Answer:** Yes, the current Rulebook stipulates both entrants and spectators to vote at People’s Choice Concours.

### **Convention Steering Competition Representative Report:**

Jerry Koraleski reported the 2012 West Region Convention in Topeka, KS. is coming together as planned. They have done a warm-up with 3 High Speed & 5 Low Speed events with over 50 entrants. It will be a 2.1 mile High Speed track. The track will have experienced corner workers provided. It is a 20 acre facility & track. They also have experienced Concours and Chair personnel. The drag facility will have experienced record drag personnel also. The High & Low speeds for your group will all run on the same day.

### **Old Business:**

Manny Montgomery reported as the Competition Committee Rep. on the Finance Committee. There will be a report given covering specifics at the Saturday Gobs Mtg.

Jack provided the committee with the 2012 VPC Budget and where the 2011 YTD Budget stands. The 2012 VPC Budget has had approximately 5% increases to the three key expenses covering patches, rebates, and the Top 15 Awards due to the suppliers informing Jack they will increase their cost by approximately 5% in 2012. All of the suppliers have held their costs over the past four years at the 2007 level for us.

Jack reported we have had additional incidents and claims at all types of events over the past year from falls, incidents at speed events and car shows, etc. With more events and participation raises the risk of incidents. B&B Insurance Coverage Cost could be affected due to the incident rate. We believe we will hold the line depending on the outcome of the past incidents and preventing future ones from happening for the balance of the year. **Please be cognizant of all safety concerns at your events.**

## **New Business:**

1. Joe Orrico, WC RCD, brought up there needs to be an adjustment to the Time Trials results sheet. It does not have "Time Trials" as a selectable event. Also, you cannot enter times over 120 seconds, so you have to put seconds under a minute and drop the minutes. Paul Haack volunteered to make the changes working with Joe.
2. Pg. 2-33, Sec. 2.7.1.15.12 allows the removal of the steering column lock, or install factory or aftermarket steering column lock bypass in all classes. It was asked if there should be a comment listed in the Safety Section to warn owners that, if it is not secured in the column unlocked position that you may be able to lock the column in an emergency situation if you have to shut off the engine. It was unanimously decided the most appropriate place was to announce it at the drivers meeting since it was already covered in the Rulebook, thus giving people verbal notice until the majority become familiar with the potential issue.
3. The question arose if longer wheel studs and wheel spacers can be used on Group 1S & 1 vehicles. The Rulebook does allow this and it was also pointed out the lug nuts should have a minimum of six turns on the stud to be considered safe. Some shorter studs may be a bit shy of that with some of the aftermarket wheels and especially if a spacer is required for caliper contact clearance.
4. It was pointed out the new Carbon Z06 & the ZR have factory performance upgrades that can be ordered and installed on the street cars sold. i.e. lighter aluminum wheels, close-ration gear box, short shifter, and Michelin Pilot cup Series tires with 80 wear rating sold as a performance street tire. The current Rulebook, Pg. 2-31, Sec. 2.7.1.14.1 states "Factory original tires, and replacement STREET tires with MINIMUM DOT wear rating of 110 manufactured with MINIMUM 8/32" tread depth....." is Required for Class & Group 1S. It was a unanimous decision these tires fall under the required 110 Rulebook rating and therefore would put the vehicle into Group 1.
5. Walt Jenkins, RM RCD, reported the Events Reporting Form needs to add first and last name format change to provide a better sort capability. Paul Haack volunteered to work with Walt to change that for the 2012 year.
6. Debbie Linsey, NCCC Sponsorship, asked Jack to have the RCDs provide input on the type of questions they would like to have the Michelin engineers address on their 2012 Webinar with customers. Jack asked the RCDs to provide their input to him by the end of Friday 9-16-11 as he would forward that input on to Debbie.

**Following the break, the Committee went into Closed Session for Round Table Discussions:**

**Note: Due to the general notes included into the minutes from the Competition Committee Meeting, does not intend or represent any agreed upon changes to the Competition Manual (Rulebook). Discussion items are described general in nature for membership awareness only.**

**Roundtable Discussion:**

Several general discussion items occurred to assist clarification for consistency and decisions within the various regions.

**2012 Rulebook Discussion Items:**

The RCDs covered any outstanding items needing discussion for the 2012 Rulebook and reviewed the Proposed Summary of 2012 Rulebook Changes that would be presented at Saturdays Governors Meeting. (attached)

It was unanimously decided these recommended proposed changes would be presented and voted on as a total package.

A red-line of the changes as would be made in the Rulebook would be available next week and both would be put on the NCCC Website for the membership to review.

**Protest & Appeals:** None to discuss.

**Mtg. adjourned at 10:40 P.M.**

**Jack C. Wilson,  
Vice-Pres. Competition**