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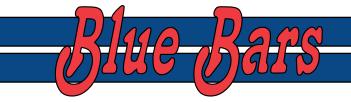
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1953 Corvette, Blue Flame Six, powerglide, numbers match. Polo White with Red interior Body-off restored. One of 300 produced.



1957 Corvette, 283-250 hp, (fuelie), 4 speed. Onyx Black with Red interior. Body-on restored. T-10, posi, and wide white tires.



1958 Corvette, 283-270 hp, (2x4's), 4 speed. Signet Red. Body-off restored. NCRS Duntov award. From California.



1959 Corvette, two tops, 283-270 hp, (2x4's), 4 speed, numbers match. Triple Black. Bodyon restored. 3.55 rear, Wonderbar radio, dual fours, off road exhaust.

1966 Corvette Coupe, 427-425 hp, 4 speed,

Blue/White interior. Super rare correct color. M-21, 4.11 posi, F-41. Documented.

27,725 actual miles. Tuxedo Black with Bright



1962 Corvette, two tops, 327-360 hp, (fuelie), 4 speed. Body-off restored. NCRS Duntov award. Very rare RPO-687 car (1 of 246 produced) with heavy duty suspension and brake package.



1966 Corvette Convertible, 427-425 hp, 4 speed. Nassau Blue with Black interior. Body-on restored. NCRS Top Flight certified! Factory side exhaust, telescopic, headrests, transistorized ignition. M-21, 4.11 posi, K.O. wheels, goldstripe tires. Documented



1969 Corvette T-Top, 427-435 hp, 4 speed. Tuxedo Black with Gun Metal Gray interior. Body-off restoration. Absolute jewelry. Engine block heater, factory side exhaust, power steering, Drakes, windows, leather, M-21, 4.11 posi, F-41 suspension, rear window defog. Smog system. Documented.



1963 Corvette Split Window Coupe, 327-300

hp, 4 speed. Tuxedo Black with Black interior.

Newer paint, interior, chrome. Options include

air, leather, knock-off wheels.

1907 Corvette Convertible, 427-435 np, 4 speed. Rally Red with Black interior. Body-on restored. Factory side exhaust, M-21, 4.11 posi, F-41 suspension, B.O. wheels. Documented with the tank sticker (build sheet).



1970 Corvette ZR-1/LT-1 Coupe, 350-370 hp M-22 one of 25 produced. Monza Red with Saddle Tan interior. Radio delete, 4.56 posi, F-41 suspension, power brakes, J-56 brake system. Well documented.



1965 Corvette, two tops, 327-375 hp, (fuelie), 4

speed. Rally Red with Red interior. Body-off restored.

NCRS Top Flight. Power brakes, windows, teakwood

wheel, telescopic, 3.70 posi, off road exhaust, Kelsey

wheels, and gold stripe tires.

1967 Corvette Coupe, 427-435 hp, 4 speed. Tuxedo black with Red interior. Super rare and real color. NCRS certified (2006). Factory side exhaust. B.O. wheels, red stripe tires. Tank sticker, owner history.

1972 Corvette ZR-1/LT-1 Coupe, M-22 4 speed. Elkhart Green paint.

Very nice. Appears to be mostly original paint and interior. Power brakes, leather, transistorized ignition, 4.11 posi, A.I.R., heavy duty suspension, J-56 brakes,

aluminized exhaust. Smog system. Tank sticker, warranty pamphlet/ P.O.P.,

owners manual packet, sales brochure. Rare ZR-1 and 1 of only 20 produced



1967 Corverte Convertible, 427-435 np, 4 speed. Ermine White with Bright Blue interior. Very rare and correct color combination! Body-on restored. Bloomington certified in 02. Factory side exhaust, power steering, brakes, M-21, 3.70 posi, F-41. Documented.



1974 Corvette, two tops, L-82, 4 speed, 5,837 actual miles, Dark Red with Dark Red interior. Original unmolested Iow mile car. Most all options. Build sheet, bill of sale, dealer invoice, owners card, window sticker, warranty pamphlet. Top Flight 2008



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From the President

One of the things I like about winter is that you get the opportunity to work on that long "to do" list that I usually start in the fall. The problem I have is that as the winter months slip by there are new items that seem to pop up and somehow take precedence over the items on the "to do" list. While I have ordered parts and have the space to work on the Vettes so they are ready for the summer enjoyment I know the "other" projects will get in the way. I guess that is why my mechanic likes winter as he knows he will be busy come spring.

One of the items on the list is to register for the 2009 Convention in Colorado. This will be the 50th National Council of Corvette Clubs Convention. There are a lot of people working very hard to make sure this will be a memorable event. Of course there will be the awards for the 2008 competitors, the events and parties that go with every convention. In addition there will be a lot of Council history on display and this will be a great opportunity to follow Council from beginning to present. Don't wait, go directly to the Convention registration page and register now while the idea is fresh.



As you are planning your projects I would ask you to consider our sponsors when you are purchasing the items you need. It is important to let our sponsors know we appreciate their support of Council. The best way to show our support and appreciation is by giving them an opportunity to supply our needs.

I hope your winter projects get completed and you will be ready to enjoy the spring; I guess I should get a jump on scheduling my Vette to the shop.

See you in Colorado,

Richard Yanko

President, National Council of Corvette Clubs



Dolphin Award Southwest Region



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Dolphin Award East Region

NCCC Competition Committee Minutes

NCCC Competition Committee Minutes 11/7/08 Sheraton Westport Conference Center St. Louis, MO.

Competition meeting Open Session began at 6:30 p.m. CST. VPC Jack Wilson plus 14 RCDs including CA Pete Dawley, EO Chuck Stephens, ER Brian Gallagher, FL Manny Montgomery, IN Mike Godfrey, MI Ray Meesseman, MW Paul Haack, RM Larry Morrison, RR Paul Hamersly, SE Don Parks, SW Bob Pattillo, WR Jerry Koraleski, WC Joe Orrico, WO Jim Asbury were present. NE RCD John Backman was absent. Also present were two of the three incoming RCDs, Johnny Haskell CA & Joe Reese SW. Curt Ingram RM will be joining the committee in Feb. 2009.

Introductions:

RCD introductions were made. Jack welcomed the new RCDs Johnny Haskell CA (replacing Pete Dawley), Joe Reese SW (replacing Bob Pattillo), and Curt Ingram RM (replacing Larry Morrison).

Welcome was also extended to the gallery of members present to witness the meeting.

VPC Comments:

Jack asked the Competition Committee if they would agree to leave the meeting open through the discussion of the 2009 Rulebook as it was sent to the Governors and members to review and provide feedback for us to discuss prior to Saturdays vote at the Governors meeting. The Committee agreed.

The 2008 Competition Program and Point System are working well. Another point standings update was sent and put on the NCCC Website 11/6/08. There have been 1087 events posted. Another 137 events have been held waiting results to post, and 73 events are yet to be completed by the end of the competition year 12/15/08. This will bring our 2008 total sanctioned events to 1297. Approximately half a million points have been posted so far.

Jack extended his appreciation to everyone throughout the regions who have hosted and provided the event information in a timely manner.

Meeting Minutes Approval:

Jack identified our approving the May minutes in September, but we missed approving the June 21, 2008 Tulsa Convention Mtg. minutes. Joe Orrico made a motion to accept those minutes, Paul Hamersly seconded. Motion passed.

The September 12, 2008 meeting minutes need to be approved at this meeting also. Two corrections were recommended:

1. Identify the Region RCDs present, absent, and proxies on the Sept. minutes.

2. Page 2, item 2. under <u>Closed Session</u> second would should be "was" vs. "as".

Bob Pattillo made a motion to accept the minutes with the two corrections being made. Paul Haack seconded. Motion passed. (Corrected minutes attached)

Point Standings:

1. Nov. 6, 2008 was the eight Point Standings published for this year which fulfilled our commitment to the membership to provide monthly updates.

2. To date 1087 (84%) events where received and posted.

3. Jack will announce the Top 15 Clubs, Men, & Ladies at Sat. Gov's mtg.

Sanction Log:

Jack asked all RCDs to review the sanction log for any of their un-posted events to date and verify if they have sent them in. For the most part we are in good shape, but there are a few missing events to catch up.

Results Format and input for 2009:

Jack distributed the attached punch list of items all Regions are asked to comply with for 2009 to further enhance the efficiency of our Points Tabulation Program. There was a review and discussion on each item. Anyone having a question about what is required is to contact Jack for clarification.

Drag Records:

Two new drag records were set on September 20.2008 at Kearney Raceway Park, Kearney, NE. in the West Region.

1. L1A Liz Bockerman from WR Cornhusker Corvette Club set a new record @ sea level of 12.75 vs. old record of 13.65.

2. 1A Rod Bockerman from WR Cornhusker Corvette Club set a new record @ sea level of 12.43 vs. old record of 13.48.

Jack will update the listing of NCCC Official Drag Records to include these two and those index adjustments required by the rulebook. (Attached)

Clarification(s):

None

Old Business:

Since we are no longer printing Rulebooks or providing CDs of the Rulebook starting 1/1/09, it was decided to provide all members in their membership packets a piece of paper with the instructions on how to access & print the Competition Manuel (Rulebook), along with the Standing Rules and Bylaws. Jack passed out a draft of what the instructions would say. The Committee provided input and Jack would give that to Rhonda Higgins to develop into the final instructions for the packet.

It was asked if one could highlight and print a paragraph from a page and then forward that on in response to a question. The current setup only allows the page to be printed and not a portion of the page. However, Jack and Paul Haack would look into what it would take to do a specific part of a page.

New Business:

1. There was discussion over the intent of the 150 mile rule when it came to one Region having an event(s) in another Region. Mike Godfrey explained when and the intent of the language, which in summary of the discussion is as follows; The Host Region has all the rights prior to the Jan. deadline per the rulebook except if the event is over 150 miles. After the Jan. deadline both Regions can put on events and don't have to get permission.



The specific issue in question came about due to the Host Club moving their event within the 70 day time limit identified in the rulebook which bumped up against another regional club putting on their scheduled event within 150 miles.

There was an obvious lack of communication between the regions and clubs which cause the issue. Both events were held as it was too late to make another change.

Jack asked, regardless of the intent of the after Jan. deadline not requiring permission, out of respect for each other make sure you communicate your intensions to all concerned parties at the time a change or scheduling conflict could draw entrants from each others event on the same day. The future economics for participants will dictate where they go and we need to maximize out efforts to provide the most event opportunities to participants while maximizing entries for each of our events.

2. The Rulebook requires us to use the Rand McNally "Quickest Route" on-line calculation for determining mileage for participants. In so doing, it has been found the calculation can be different if you put the information in five minutes apart or switch the-from-to locations. Switching locations should make no difference. However, it could show a different mileage e.g. 199 then switch and shows 202.

It was decided it would be better to error in favor of the larger number if that happens.

3. We started having a Competition Committee Representative on the NCCC Financial Committee in mid 2008. Manny Montgomery is our rep. and agreed to be out rep on that committee for 2009.

2009 Rulebook Proposal:

Jack asked each of the RCDs if they had any input from their regions over the proposal sent out. Responses ranged form none, generally satisfied, and concerned over the complexity and lack of understanding of the overall FTD points. For the most part the following items that were inputted from the various regions cover the bulk of the questions.

Items reviewed are:

• 8.1.2.1.3 Table of Sub Groups: Remove "J" from Sub Group in Group 3

Column since the "J" becomes "H" Class when they move to Group 3.

Decision passed unanimously, "J" would be removed from the Sub Group in Group 3. The chart below reflects the Sub Group and Group Structure with a explanation of what fits into each category:

10 Point Bonus for Men's & Ladies FTD in each sub-group of each Group as shown below									
					Notes- groupings based upon				
	Group-1S	Group-1	Group-2	Group-3	national average entrants				
Sub-Group	CL, A, B, C, D	CL, A, B, C, D	CL, A, B, C, D	CLM, A, B	All normally aspirated C1, C2, &				
					C3 combined @ Group-3 level				
Sub-Group	E, F, G	E, F, G	E, F, G						
Sub-Group	H, J, K	H, J, K	H, J, K	E, H, K	All normally aspirated C4, C5 &				
					C6 combined @ Group-3 level				
Sub-Group	M, N	M, N	M, N	N	All years turbo/super-charged				
					Corvettes combined @ Group-3N				
Sub-Group				RP, RPAF	All RP & RPAF (separate from				
					Group-3 Modified)				

• 8.1.2.1.3 & 4, paragraph 3 says "instead of entrants points (can only award one)" but under paragraph 4 states "instead of entrants points (can only award one)" is removed. Therefore, it could be

construed that overall FTD could get 7 or 9 for winning his or her class plus 11 for FTD. Not the intent.

Decision passed 9 to 4 with 1 abstention, the language "Bonus points can only be awarded once" will be mover to the top of the matrix to cover all men's and ladies classes and groups.

• 8.1.2.1.3. & 4, new language for 11, 10, 9 Point rule does not fix the one car class issue. Just gives Group 3 more points.

There were discussions and current examples use to show that is not the case. Several current cases showed one car classes in Groups 1S & 1 were the second and third fastest overall, but received 7 points. They would have received 10 & 9 respectively with the change. Therefore, this is an attempt to balance points more in a changing market of vehicle types being entered.

Decision passed 9 to 4 with 1 abstention, leave the proposed point structure for Overall FTD as 11, 10, & 9 points for top three overall fastest times.

• Page 2-18, 2.7.1.2 Matrix has confusing language regarding when a roll bar and roll cage are to be used.

Decision passed unanimously passed to add a new line so there would be two lines describing Roll bar & Roll cage requirements for classes in low speed and a line for Roll bar & Roll cage requirements for classes in high speed events.

• Since the roll bar has been eliminated, there is no provision for Group 3 Modified using stock seats to use stock seat belts in Low Speed ONLY events.

Decision passed unanimously, to further clarify the language on Page 2-35 and the Tech Sheet stating "Have to use stock seat belts with stock seats."

• Since we proposed putting language back to the Chairperson identifying at the Drivers meeting if they are taking Chair Points or entrant points for their designated event, there is concern over a person who still runs the event as Chair as to how they show up on the front page of the results. There have been inconsistencies as how they show up and how others points are then counted in the same class.

Decision passed with 10 Yes, 3 No, and 1 Abstention, to add language to say "A chairperson may run in the event they are chairing, but their timed runs will not count and they will not be identified on the front page of the results.

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

• It was suggested that all RCDs names present and absent be included in the meeting minutes. It was agreed to do and go back to the 9/12/08 mtg. minutes and add them.

• An issue was brought up about an individual purchased new ZR1 wheels and tires for their M car as they saw in the minutes earlier in the year, that the committee was going to classify the new 2009 ZR1 as a new Class N and they would run together in the same group with the M cars. Therefore, by the rulebook a competitor can run the same size wheel and tire as others within their group. Now, it was decided to put the 2009 ZR1 into its own class and group, which now makes the M car with the ZR1 wheels and tires have to run Group 2. The individual is quite frustrated over this decision.

At the time the initial decision was made, the ZR1 was still not yet produced and released. The committee makes a judgment as to where new vehicles would likely fit when they come out. Once more specific information is obtained; the committee may make changes for the betterment and competitive fairness of the overall competition program. It was pointed out that the front page of the rulebook identifies changes that may be made to accommodate new design features. It was also suggested, with the expense for parts, there be a statement/caveat in out future monthly minutes advising members to be cautious in jumping into purchases related to vehicles not yet produced and experienced for competition class and group placement. The committee will discuss this in the future to decide if anything else needs to be done.

• It was identified we need to re-address the qualifications for High Speed Certification and licensing. With higher performance cars there should be another review for qualifications. Also, a discussion under what conditions a certification can be denied. This will be discussed at a future committee mtg.

• A question was raised as to what class a C4, C5, or C6 would be put into if someone removed part of the structure from their car. For example, the C4 "C" Channel ladder was removed between the trans and rear end. Then reattached to the cage area or a C5/C6 tunnel area removed and the trans moved from the rear to the front and a solid rear put under it.

The committee concluded these types of modifications would clearly put the car in the DP (Drag Prepared) class in Drags. It would clearly be a RPAF altered frame for autocross, using the example that the Torque Tube is the integral structure of the car per GM. This is new intended technological structure for the integrity of this vehicle. Therefore, since there is no frame and the integral structure is what replaces the frame, any modification to that structure makes it a altered frame.

There were no Appeals to discuss.

It was decided not to discuss any items for a 2010 Rulebook at this time until we know if the 2009 Rulebook is approved at Saturdays Governors Mtg.

Mtg. adjourned at 11:15 P.M.

Jack C. Wilson, Vice-Pres. Competition

~ Attention Drag Record Holders ~

To receive a patch and/or certificate of a record, you must send \$1.00 to the VP Competition for each patch or certificate requested.

NCCC Competition Committee Minutes 9/12/08 (corrected per 11/7/08 minutes) Sheraton Westport Conference Center St. Louis, MO.

Competition meeting Open Session began at 6:30 p.m. CST. VPC Jack Wilson plus 12 RCDs including EO Chuck Stephens, FL Manny Montgomery, IN Mike Godfrey, MI Ray Meesseman, MW Paul Haack, RM Larry Morrison, RR Paul Hamersly, SE Don Parks, SW Bob Pattillo, WR Jerry Koraleski, WC Joe Orrico, WO Jim Asbury & 2 proxy RCDs Johnny Haskell CA, & Jack Priestner ER were present. NE RCD John Backman was absent.

Introductions of RCDs and welcome comments were given. Jack Wilson, Vice-President Competition, presented opening comments covering:

1. YTD Competition Program going well with flyer, sanction requests, and results flowing in consistently.

2. Need to ensure sanction requests come to Jack prior to flyers so the proper sanctions can be loaded into the log.

3. When results corrections are submitted, send the corrected event(s) plus a summary of whom & what changed. This will save a lot of time trying to compare results to try to find corrected changes.

Ray Meesseman made a motion to accept the Competition Committee Meeting Minutes for May 2, 2008. Joe Orrico seconded. Motion carried.

Point Standings:

1. Aug. 8, 2008 was the fifth Point Standings published for this year which fulfilled our commitment to the membership to provide monthly updates.

2. As of that date 628 events where received and posted.

3. Jack will announce the Top 15 Clubs, Men, & Ladies at the Gov's mtg.

Drag Records:

1. One patch and certificate was requested and sent to a new record holder from the convention drags.

2. Next Record Drags will be 9/21/08 in West Region at Kearney, NE.

3. Discussion explained that the ZR1 record had not been set wasn't that the index had been lowered, but was because previous record setters in ZR1s have chosen not to have their engines torn down at tech due to the difficulty and expense doing a ZR1 engine.

Clarification:

There were two clarifications submitted:

1. SE – Page 2-22, Section 2.7.2.7 Body with respect to Page 2-39, Section 2-14. Definition/Cosmetic:

a. Question: Is it allowable for a GM accessory replacement spoiler to be installed under the definition of "cosmetic" without it changing the competition Group?

b. Answer: Factory Limited Production/Personalized Options (LPO) offered from the manufacturer is allowed for C6 and newer.

2. RM – Page 7-9, Section 7.8.1:

a. Question: Clarification on this rule that states we need to show proof of ownership with a driver's license showing same address. What happens when 2 NCCC members own a Corvette jointly but do not live together? Seems they can never show their Corvette and both receive points at a show.

b.Answer: The first line of 7.8.1 identifies "All Corvettes entered in a judged concours must be owned by the entrant." Living at the same address is language covering the definition of the primary, spouse/

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companion, and their dependent children. Therefore, the answer is "Yes". Both will receive points at a show.

Old Business:

- None New Business:

- None

A brief **<u>closed session</u>** was held prior to the break to discuss two personal issues which recently occurred so a group consensus on how to handle these issues could be developed. It was decided to take our break following the discussion and make a decision when we returned.

Following the break, the Competition Committee met in **closed session** to decide how they wanted to handle the two issues identified prior to the break.

1. It was discussed and unanimously approved for the Competition Committee to continue to have **Closed Sessions** following the **Open Session** to cover round table and rulebook change discussions. It was felt this venue provided the most value for the Committees limited time without interruption to accomplish what is necessary to best serve the NCCC membership.

2. It was discussed and unanimously approved to maintain our decision to continue communicating issues, rulebook changes via email. Clear cut decisions may be voted on via email if anyone decides to call for the question. More complex issues will be discussed via email but finalized and voted on at a formal Competition Meeting. Those items which may have been voted on via email will have a formal confirmation vote at a formal Competition Meeting.

Rulebook discussion took the balance of the meeting covering:

• Term of the new Rulebook being annual, two years, or four years. Consensus was to recommend annual.

• Change the Novice Rules for Tech to say the car must pass Tech for its actual class instead of classing only for the tires. All agreed to incorporate that.

• It was decided to incorporate the following language to address safety concerns for electronic devices covered in 2.8.9(U). 1. Cameras (video or still) and other electronic devices (i.e., data loggers, computers, etc.) must be safely, and securely mounted.

• Language for cancellation and resubmitting sanction requests for natural disasters was developed.

• Correction to rulebook language mistakenly edited during the last transition to this rulebook for lines #67, 86, 69, and 70 regarding air intakes was discussed and agreed to.

• Commitment to provide standardization of forms in electronic format on the NCCC Website as part of Section 12 FORMS in the new rulebook would occur.

• 12.5 NCCC EVENT COMPLETION SUMMARY form will be replaced by the SE & MW results forms currently being used to become the two NCCC Competition Program Results Reporting formats to choose from starting Jan. 1, 2009.

• 12.1 Event Sanction Request Form will change to the new format submitted via feedback matrix discussions via VPC.

• 12.4 NCCC Tech Form will be replaced with new form with entrant signature and added verbiage at the top which provides the entrants commitment their car meets the required safety requirements.

• NEW 12.9 Rulebook Change Request Form added which will provide the membership to input recommended changes to the rulebook through their regional RCD for the Competition Committee to discuss and consider for the change.

• All items discussed from the Feedback Matrix through the email, was re-voted on for a formal confirmation vote regarding proposed rulebook changes.

The Committee then wrapped up the session by reviewing what would be presented. Paul Haack entered the language and changes to the outline to be handed out at the Gov's meeting. Don Parks would make sure the restructured outline would be copied and ready for distribution on Sat.

There were not Appeals to discuss. Mtg. adjourned at 12:00 P.M.

Jack C. Wilson, Vice-Pres. Competition

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1. Sanction Requests must be submitted on new 12.1 Event Sanction Request Form.

2. Sanction Requests must be received prior to Flyer to be entered on the NCCC Sanction Log.

3. Use only 1 or 2 Results Reporting Systems provided. (All Protections will be eliminated)

4. Check results to ensure they are correct utilizing the below Results Check List prior to sending to VPC (don't rush it).

5. Results corrections must include an updated corrected results attachment and a explanation within the email specifically stating what was changed.

6. Ensure prior to your Regions season events beginning that all clubs hosting events have a system to accommodate the requirements and they are aware of all requirements per the below Results Check List.

7. Each RCD is responsible to send the RCD of an out-of-region entrant a set of results in which they participated.

Results Check List:

1. Sanction event numbers must be entered completely in the appropriate field i.e. MW-167-021.

2. Event Date must be entered in the appropriate field.

3. All Region letter designations must be in CAPS i.e. MW, ER, MI, etc.

4. Entrant NCCC numbers must be correct.

5. Entrant name must be correct, i.e. NOT "Pat" for Patrick or Patricia.

6. "L" must be entered after all ladies NCCC numbers.

7. NO extra spaces before or after any entrant or sanction numbers.

8. DO NOT enter additional (0) zeroes to any entrant or sanction numbers i.e. MW-167-0021, or ER-233-00417L.

9. ONLY enter information in the designated field/column, NOT multiple fields/columns.

10. In the Worker column below the Chairperson and Co-Chairperson, you must have at a minimum the word "Worker" in that space. It CANNOT be left blank. OK to put Judge, Parking, Registration, etc.

11. If you have a new member signed up for that event and they have received their NCCC# but are not on the NCCC Master Listing, include a note in the email of the results letting me know they are a new member.

12. Once all the lines have been filled on the form for workers THAT'S IT. The system won't accommodate anymore. We don't need 100 to 200 workers for an event.

Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Jack Wilson, VPC

From the Vice President Membership

Hi! I'm Larry Morrison, your newly elected VP of Membership. First off, I want to thank Bob Bowen and his better half, Diane, for all the help and assistance they have given me, which has really helped to make this transition go smoothly. I will be relying on him and the other RMD's to help me keep your Membership committee moving forward. I want to bring some new ways of doing business and see if we can't speed up and maybe simplify the process. One thing that you, as an NCCC member, can help with is to make sure your mailing address and other information is kept up-to-date. This can be done preferably through your region's RMD or directly to me. Thank you in advance for your help with this problem.

I will continue to move forward with what Bob started, in making our database program more user-friendly and modern. The advances made in this field since NCCC's current one was put into service are amazing.

I know most of us have been affected by the economy and NCCC is no different, so with the help of the members of the Membership committee, we will be looking for ways we can be more efficient and cost effective. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please let your region's RMD or me know. Believe me when I say no area is off limits and you may have a good idea that none of us has thought about.

I am writing this the day before Thanksgiving, so I don't have any real numbers on renewals. Bob says they are coming along and he has processed 78 clubs so far. If each of us would bring in one new member to your club, think how good this would be for the club and NCCC. As a member, you are our best recruiters and usually have the first contact with a prospective member, so don't be afraid to let them know about all the things we have to offer.

FCOA membership continues to grow. Pat Kelly does a fantastic job and deserves thanks and praise from all of NCCC. Thanks, Pat, for all you do for FCOA. As of the November governors meeting, there were 2675 FCOA members. Remember, FCOA is the future of NCCC, because I don't know of any of us who are getting younger.

By the time you read this, the registration for the 2009 NCCC Convention will be open and ready for you to register. This will be the 50th NCCC celebration and many things are being planned. Ellouise and I have only missed three conventions since 1988 and each one that we attended has had some special memories. Plan on attending this once-in-a-lifetime Convention in Colorado Springs, CO. The dates are August 8-14. Come and enjoy "Corvettes With Altitude."

Until next time,

Larry Morrison



NCCC OFFICIAL DRAG RECORDS Sept. 20, 2008 Index time shaded in GRAY indicates reset since last report. Record Time is at Sea Level.

CLASS	TIME	INDEX		dicates new record holder	Since last report. Record Time is at Sea Lev rs since last report of June 23, 2008 EVENT	DATE RECORD SET	DATE INDEX SET<1/1/08
DPA	9.01	9 1 9	John Sharp	Comp Corvettes of OK	SW-2 Oklahoma City, OK	10/19/03	10/19/05
DPB	9.66		Calvin Baltimore	G-Burg Vettes	NCCC Convention	08/10/06	10110100
DPC	7.66		Carl Moyer	CC of Iowa	WR-01 Cornhusker CC-1990	09/03/93	09/04/95
RPAF	9.52		Pancho Thompson	N.E. Ohio Vette Club	NCCC Convention	06/28/01	06/29/03
RPA	9.78		Fred Garvin	C.O.A.S.T.	WR-01 Cornhusker CC-2001	09/02/01	09/03/03
RPB	9.97		James Garvin	C.O.A.S.T.	SW-03 C.O.A.S.T. 2006	09/24/06	00/00/00
MA	9.98		Fred Garvin	C.O.A.S.T.	NCCC Convention	06/28/01	06/29/03
MB	10.10		James Garvin	C.O.A.S.T.	NCCC Convention	08/10/06	00/23/03
ME	10.90		Gary Pennington	Cowtown Vettes		06/06/00	06/07/02
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MK	10.10	11.31				12/10/05 est.	12/11/07
CLM	10.12		Steve Walling	Cornhusker CC	WR-88 Crossroads CC 2005	10/15/05	10/16/07
LDPA	9.83		Delores Barncord	Cornhusker CC	WR-01 Cornhusker CC-2001	09/02/01	09/03/03
LDPB	10.05		Vicki Burgess	Oklahoma City CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2008	05/25/08	10/28/95
LDPC		11.19				01/01/93 est.	01/02/95
LRPAF		10.10				01/01/97 est.	01/02/99
LRPA	10.26	10.97	Linda Garvin	Mid Texas Cust CC	SW-03 San Jacinto CC-1997	11/02/00	11/03/02
LRPB	10.57	10.71	Sylvia Hoaldridge	Cowtown Vettes	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2008	05/25/08	07/11/04
LMA	10.60	10.81	Loretta Spinrad	Capital City CC	MI-051 Capital City CC-2000	05/20/02	05/20/04
LMB	10.31		Linda Williams	San Jacinto CC	SW-37 Oklahoma City CC-1993	06/12/96	06/13/98
LME	11.09		Kathryn Pennington	Cowtown Vettes	SW-01 Oklahoma City CC-1997	06/07/00	06/08/02
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В	11.35		Jerry Benedict	Cornhusker CC	NCCC Convention	07/16/00	07/17/02
в С	11.35		Jerry Benedict		MI-153 Royal Corvettes-1999		09/26/03
				Cornhusker CC		09/25/01	
D	11.76		Dick Smith	Cornhusker CC	WR-36 Cornhusker CC-1999	09/06/01	09/07/03
E	12.69		Dale Acker	Comp Corvettes of OK	SW-1 Oklahoma City, OK 2005	05/29/05	05/30/07
F		12.12				01/01/93 est.	01/02/95
G		13.13				01/01/93 est.	01/02/95
Н	12.35		Johnny Gann	Oklahoma City CC	NCCC Convention	06/23/08	12/11/05
J	12.57	12.65	Darren Ellenburg	Oklahoma City CC	NCCC Convention	06/23/08	10/10/06
К	12.20	12.62	Joe Szijarto	Oklahoma City CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2008	05/25/08	12/11/07
М		11.31				12/10/05 est.	12/11/07
CLA	12.92	13.18	Steve Walling	Cornhusker CC	WR-36 Cornhusker CC	09/07/00	09/08/02
CL	13.42		Ron Ruston	Oklahoma City CC	SW-43 Oklahoma City CC-1996	06/08/99	06/08/01
LA	10.61	11.72	Liz Bockerman	Cornhusker CC	WR-06 Cornhusker CC-1994	09/05/97	09/06/99
LB	11.70		Patty Wilson	Cornhusker CC	WR-36 Cornhusker CC	09/07/00	09/08/02
LC	12.65		Linda Benedict	Cornhusker CC	WR-39 Cornhusker CC-1997	09/01/00	09/02/02
LD	11.92		Sharon Smith	Cornhusker CC	NCCC Convention	07/16/00	07/17/02
LE	12.69		Amanda Acker	Comp Corvettes of OK	SW-1 Oklahoma City, OK 2005	05/29/05	05/30/07
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LH	10.10	12.97				12/10/05 est.	12/11/07
LJ	12.49		Angela Oder	Cornhusker CC	WR-89 Cornhusker CC 2004	10/09/04	10/10/06
LK	12.36		Janet Szijarto	Oklahoma City CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2008	05/25/08	12/11/07
LM		11.31				12/10/05 est.	12/11/07
LCLA	14.28		Joan Bohannon	Cornhusker CC	WR-36 Cornhusker CC	09/07/00	09/08/02
LCL	13.67	14.81	Jeannie Ruston	Oklahoma City CC	SW-43 Oklahoma City CC-1996	06/08/99	06/08/01
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Α	12.43	13.48	Ron Bockerman	Cornhusker CC	Kearney Raceway Park,Kearney,NE	09/20/08	07/29/07
AA	13.13		Bob Ho ll iday	Tiretown CC	MI-100 Royal Corvettes-1997	09/20/00	09/21/02
В	13.45		Doug Shilen	Cowtown Vettes	SW-1 Oklahoma City, OK 2004	05/30/04	05/31/06
C	13.42		Paul Bohannon	Cornhusker CC	WR-095 Archway Corvette Club	06/24/06	
D	13.96		Ron Bockerman	Cornhusker CC	SW-02 San Jacinto CC-1999	11/14/01	11/15/03
E	13.45		Dale Acker	Competition Corv OK	SW-02 San Jacinto CC-1999	11/14/01	11/15/03
F		12.62				01/01/93 est.	01/02/95
G	13.18		Kevin Anthony	Cowtown Vettes	SW-02 Competition Corvettes of Ok	04/17/05	04/18/07
н	13.05		Ron Ruston	Oklahoma City CC	NCCC Convention	06/23/08	07/17/07
н J				Cornhusker CC			07/17/07
-	12.33		Dave Hawks		WR-095 Archway Corvette Club	06/24/06	10/11/07
K	12.36		Bob Schneider	Oklahoma City CC	SW-131 Oklahoma City CC 2008	05/25/08	12/11/07
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CLA	14.65		Jim Schwent	Boone Trail CC	NCCC Convention	07/16/00	07/17/02
CL	14.81		Fred Schneider	Platte Valley CC	WR-01 Cornhusker CC-2001	09/02/01	09/03/03
LA	12.75		Liz Bockerman	Cornhusker CC	Kearney Raceway Park,Kearney,NE	09/20/08	09/03/03
LAA	14.73	15.02	Merrilyn Walling	Cornhusker CC	WR-36 Cornhusker CC	09/07/00	09/08/02
LB	14.10	14.38	Joan Bohannon	Cornhusker CC	WR-15 Boone Trail CC-1999	05/15/01	05/16/03
LC	14.11		Joan Bohannon	Cornhusker CC	WR-89 Cornhusker CC 2004	10/09/04	10/10/06
LD	14.08		Liz Bockerman	Cornhusker CC	SW-02 San Jacinto CC-1999	11/14/01	11/15/03
LE	13.75		Sharon Meesseman	Michigan Autocross Group		06/18/07	
		12.62				01/01/93 est.	01/02/95
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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CORVETTE CLUBS, INC. MEMBERSHIP REPORT

November 7, 2008

	RE	GION	CLUBS	MEMBERS	MAL	FCOA		LARGEST CLUB IN REGION	MEMBERS
Carc	lina R	egion	17	332	22	32	2	CORVETTES INTERNATIONAL	62
	Ohio	0	17	921	38	164	Ļ	BUCKEYE CORVETTES, INC.	162
	Regio	on	30	2562	67	243		ANCASTER COUNTY CORVETTE CLUB	261
	da Re		21	1217	38	218		CORVETTES OF NAPLES	251
		nembers	0	6	6	(N/A	201
	ina Re		18	942	22	115		CIRCLE CITY CORVETTE CLUB	150
		Region	16	1259	23	311		ERICA'S CORVETTE CLUB OF MICHIGAN	259
	vest R		32	2300	57	490		URBAN CORVETTE CLUB OF MINNESOTA	176
		Region	9	450	10	41		SYRACUSE CORVETTE CLUB	161
		Region	2	184	2	1		TACOMA CORVETTE CLUB	124
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		Region	18	1572	39	166		TULSA VETTE SET	442
		st Region	27	2314	51	160		AS VEGAS CORVETTES ASSOCIATION	260
	t Ohio		7	356	27	84		CORVETTE TROY	117
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SW	248	TULSA VETTE S CLUBS	with 300+ M	EMBERS	442	W		SIOUX FALLS CORVETTE CLUB POMONA VALLEY CORVETTE ASSOCIATIO	121 DN 121
WR	095	CORNHUSKER			371	RN		COLORADO SPRINGS CORVETTE CLUB	120
ER	266	LANCASTER CC	WITH 200+ M		261	W		O.C. VETTES, INC CORVETTE TROY	117
WC	202	LAS VEGAS CO	RVETTES AS	SOCIATION	260	SE	418	LANIER CORVETTES UNLIMITED, INC.	115
MI FL		AMERICA'S COF		B OF MICHIGAN	259 251	MI	047 V 131	KALAMAZOO CORVETTE CLUB OKLAHOMA CITY CORVETTE CLUB	114
SW	207	LONGHORN CO		JB	249	M		MIDWEST CORVETTES	113
SE	073	NASHVILLE COP			242	M		MID-ILLINOIS CORVETTE CLUB	111
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ER	098	CUMBERLAND		VETTE CLUB	228	MI	003	CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB	108
ER	263	BEL AIR CORVE	TTE CLUB WITH 100+ M	FMBERS	223	MV W		R.A.C.E, INC CORVETTE SUPER SPORTS	107
ER	108	YORK COUNTY	CORVETTE (CLUB	184	M		CORVETTE CLUB OF ILLINOIS	106
WC	500	CORVETTES OF			182	IN	133	TRI-STATE CORVETTE CLUB SCOTTSDALE CORVETTE CLUB	106
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WC		RED LINE CORV			141	SE		VALLEY VETTES	88
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SW		COWTOWN VET		OLUB	138	EC		COMPETITION CORVETTE ASSOCIATION	87 86
MW	277	SUNBURST COR	RVETTE CLU		136	EF	093	KEYSTONE STATE CORVETTE CLUB	86
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From the

Secretary

Governors' Meeting Minutes – November 8, 2008 Abridged for *Blue Bars* Publication

The meeting began at 1:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence for members who have passed away since the last meeting – *Gary Stapleton* of Circle City, Indiana Region, *Jessie Johnson*, Treasurer of Americas Corvette Club, *Jane Miller*, Americas Corvette Club, *Wes Knight*, from Tri State Corvette Club, and *Bud Huntzilier*, Roadrunner.

There was a tie vote for an elected office, so we had to have a warm body vote. Counting these votes were Nelda Mitchell, Joe Vasta, and Kathy Brisbois. Every Governor and proxy Governor present came up to the table for a ballot. Each RE came up for a

ballot for the paper proxies they were holding.

Rulebook Vote

Jack Wilson reviewed the proposed changes in the Rulebook. Input from the handouts provided at the last meeting and from the redline version on the Web site was reviewed by the RCDs last night. He has broken it down into three categories. The first group of changes is typos and grammatical errors. Those don't change anything in the intent of the language that was proposed. The second thing is the synchronization of language between the sections to avoid confusion and interpretation issues. The third category is regarding the matrix on classes, groups and sub-groups. They added to the top that bonus points can only be awarded once. All of the input was appreciated and taken seriously. They did discuss and follow through to make sure this Rulebook is as clear and understandable as they can make it. There was some discussion on the floor about roll bars in Group III cars. The Rulebook passed with a vote of 31 opposed; all others in favor.

2009 Budget Vote

Deb went over the new items that were not in the 2008 budget. In the income section, for advertising income, we had \$14,000 come in for 2008. We are being conservative and projecting \$7,000 for 2009 due to the economy. On the expense side is advertising. We have had a lot of discussion regarding a dues increase and advertising for new members. The ads in Corvette Quarterly and on Corvette Forum are very expensive, so in 2009, we are asking for \$25,000 for advertising. There is \$30,000 in the budget for a 50th anniversary celebration for several hundred people. Postage expense has gone up again. We will save by not mailing the Rulebooks, but there will be some special 50th anniversary items to go out in the membership packets this year, that make the packets thicker and the post office charges more, so money has been budgeted for that. Travel expenses are up. The mileage rate has gone up 10 cents in the past year. We do have an upside-down budget, but our organization has been very, very mindful of how we spend our money, based on what we're taking in. We have a challenge in getting new members, and that's why we're trying the aggressive advertising, hoping to generate a bump up in membership income. We also had an upside down budget in 2008, and we're still on the positive side because we paid attention and watched where our spending was. We've been fortunate that we haven't had losses for our Convention the last couple of years, and that helped with the budget.

There was discussion on the money allocated for the 50^{th} anniversary celebration, advertising, postage and perks. The budget was voted on as a whole and passed with votes of 165 yeas and 51 nays. Dick reminded everyone that in May, Mr. Bowen showed the luggage tags and patches that we planned to send out in the membership package for 2009, and nobody expressed concern. Rhonda put everything she had into the 6 x 9 envelope and took it to the post office. They have a template, which she showed us. Our envelope doesn't fit through the template, and there is more to go in it. That is why our postage has

gone up for this. A motion was made and tabled to eliminate perks after 2009.

Officer Reports:

<u>Dave Heinemann – Parliamentarian</u>

The REs appointed Allen Morris to be the finance representative next year and they appointed three judges for the newsletter contest next year. The rules and addresses for mailing newsletters to the judges will be on the Web site by January.

Dave thanked the REs for their work and NCCC for the opportunity to serve as Parliamentarian the last four years.

Jack Wilson - VP of Competition

Jack said that the updated standings are on the Web site. 1087 events have been posted, amounting to just over a half million sanction points. There are 137 events completed, that he has not received and posted. There are 73 left to do. That totals 1297 sanctioned events for the year. Jack shared the list of the top 15 clubs, top 15 men and top 15 ladies. The top three in each were:

- 3. Windy City Corvettes, MW Region with 13,034 points
- 2. Oklahoma City Corvette Club, SW Region with 15,390 points
- 1. Cornhusker Corvette Club, West Region with 17,125 points
- 3. Jack Wilson, MW at 1820
- 2. Don Parks, SE at 1874
- 1. Ray Meesseman, MI at 2260
- 3. Janet Wilson, MW at 1699
- 2. Betty Parks, SE at 1710
- 1. Tracy Gaudu, SW at 2415

There were two new drag records were set at the September 20th record drags in Kearney, Nebraska.

- Group ILA 13.07 Liz Bockerman, Cornhuskers
- Group IA 12.74 Ron Bockerman, Cornhuskers

There were no clarifications.

Bob Bowen – VP of Membership

The RMDs were asked to look at what they could do for youth reaching the age of 16 and becoming too old for FCOA. Some suggestions were made and they will present a by-law change proposal to the REs in February.

Bob thanked the RMDs for all their work and asked the Governors to be open minded with the suggestions of the Vision Committee. He has enjoyed the last four years and

appreciates having the great experience. It's a lot of work, but it's also fun.

<u>Deb Murphy – Treasurer</u>

Deb reviewed the 2008 reports. The cost of this meeting and the final Blue Bars are about all that's left to add for this year. We took in more sponsorship money than we had budgeted, and we took in more membership. Deb said thank you for allowing her to serve as your treasurer.

George Gallant – Business Manager

Please make your 2009 reservations. It helps the hotel know how many rooms we will use and you can cancel if it turns out you don't need the room. It is hard to get a room at the last minute. Reservation forms are on the Web site.

Larry Beebe – Public Relations

Thanks for using the two traveling displays. We will have a display at the NCM equal to NCRS's with a professional DVD.

NCCC will be hosting the Sunday night buffet at Convention to kick off the 50th anniversary celebration. They will be honoring members past and present. Your invitation will be in your membership renewal packet. Joan is the one collecting information and memorabilia, if you have anything to contribute. They need people to help get things organized and set up.

Patrick Dolan – Charity

The 2009 raffle car will be a gray coupe with the 3LT package.

There are already two 100% clubs for 2009, Corvette Atlanta and Miami Valley Corvette Club. The green sheet in your packet is the best deal you will get at 5 for \$25 for both you and your spouse. Over \$5,000 in tickets were sold at Mid America's Corvette Show.

Clubs donated \$380,569 to local charities in 2007 and also donated 15,524 man hours nationwide. Patrick thanked Elaine Heretta for completing the report which is going to be made available soon.

He covered the financial reports for the Charity committee and for Grants & Scholarships. A check was written to NKF for over \$86,000.

Hal Bellamy – Steering Committee

Committee is reviewing and updating the policy and procedure manual and plan to put it on the Web site.

Walt Jenkins gave an update on Convention plans for 2009. There will be a link on the NCCC Web site to order Convention merchandise by next week. The 2010 program is well under way. A preliminary package needs to be presented for 2011 at the February meeting.

Rhonda Higgins – Distribution

Renewals will be sent out starting December 1.

Debbie Lindsey – Sponsorship

Hagerty did a spotlight article on FCOA in their e-mail newsletter. They offer car judging kits for youths and they sponsor a model car contest for kids 8 to 14.

The Eagle One award information for this year is on the Web site. The deadline is 12/31. Governors who have electronic files of member e-mail addresses should send the electronic file to Joan so she doesn't have to enter them by hand. Again, this is voluntary and the sponsors will not get the addresses. They will send information to Joan to distribute to the members. In the interim, while the list is being compiled, the Governors will receive the information from Joan to distribute to their members.



Election Results

President - Dick Yanko VP of Membership - Larry Morrison Parliamentarian - Kevin Milton Treasurer - Bernyce Molenda Public Relations - Larry Beebe

Sylvia Hoaldridge – Publications

The Convention issue should be out by Christmas. She is still going through 6,000 photos. Articles for the winter issue are due 12/1. Due to the results of the election, she will stay on as editor. Please put "Blue Bars" in the subject line to ensure she knows she should read your e-mail. She has problems off and on with her new ISP, so if you don't get a response on something you sent, call her.

Joan Thomas – Webmaster

Any e-mail blasts will come from nccccommunications@nccc.org. Please do not respond. Please read these. They are not always sponsor information. Sometimes it is information NCCC wants to get out to members.

Please send new officers' e-mail addresses to Joan, Sylvia and Cindy so they can update their files by January 1^{st} .

Old Business

At the last meeting, we tabled a Standing Rule Motion from Manny Montgomery under Membership, page 4 to replace the current language to read "The Handbook including By-Laws & Standing Rules will be available to all members on the NCCC Website beginning January 1, 2009." The motion was passed.

Dennis Patrick provided an update from the Vision Committee. They are asking for input from everybody. There will be an address to e-mail them on the Web site. There will be an electronic survey available to the Governors soon.

New Business

Newsletter Committee: Jerry Limpach, Gary Brisbois and Glenn Hutchinson were nominated and affirmed.

Finance Committee: Allen Morris, RE; Manny Montgomery, RCD; Dennis Morin, RMD; George Gallant, Business Manager; Debbie Lindsey, Sponsorship; Dale Samuelson, Convention Treasurer; Jean Morrison, Charity Treasurer; Deb Murphy, Past Treasurer; and new Treasurer, Bernyce Molenda were appointed and affirmed.

Carolyn Montgomery was appointed and affirmed as 2010 Convention Chair.

Bob Bowen presented awards for the most new members in 2008 to San Jacinto for clubs over 100 members. They started with 122 and added 113. Central West Virginia Corvette Club for clubs under 100 had 57. They started with 26. Joe Vasta, East Region was the RMD with the most new members (411).

Dick read the lists of REs, RCDs, and RMDs for 2009 and they were confirmed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Urenda, Secretary

Governors' Meeting Minutes – September 13, 2008 Abridged for *Blue Bars* Publication

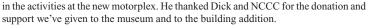
The meeting began at 1:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence for members that have passed away since the last meeting: *Joan Schmidt* of Southwest Corvettes, *Joyce Hudson* of Metrolina Corvette Club, *Tyler Persnick*, 4 month old grandson of Thomas Persnick of Corvette Cleveland, *Don Smith*, one of our past champions from the Carolina Region, *Tom Coates*, Kalamazoo Corvette Club and a former *Blue Bars* Editor and *Ken Watson* from Corvette Club of Michigan.

National Officers were introduced by Dick Yanko. During the introduction of Regional Officers, Cliff Harris announced a new club in the Northwest Region, the Spokane Corvette Club.

Dick introduced Wendell Strode, Executive Director of the National Corvette Museum and presented him with NCCC's 4^{th} installment check for the building fund for the new addition.

Wendell provided an update on the museum and acknowledged the assistance of local NCCC clubs at their events. In addition to the building addition and renovation project, land has been purchased across the interstate. They plan to have a mile and a half road course, a quarter mile drag strip, and an autocross area. The NCCC display will be taken down during the renovation, but we will be included in a new section recognizing Corvette enthusiasts, organizations, clubs and the Corvette lifestyle.

The NCM is planning a big 15th anniversary celebration for next Labor Day weekend. There will be a National Corvette Caravan. They are hoping for 10,000 cars to participate. Wendell closed by saying that he hopes NCCC will take a leadership role



Officer Reports:

<u>Cindy Urenda – Secretary</u>

The ballots will be sent out in a couple of weeks. The postmark deadline is October 25th

Jack Wilson - VP of Competition

Jack read the list of the top 15 clubs, top 15 men, and top 15 ladies. The top three in each were:

- 1. Oklahoma City Corvette Club, SW Region with 9295 points
- 2. Cornhusker Corvette Club, West Region with 9190 points
- 3. Windy City Corvettes, MW Region with 7872 points
- 1. Paul Haack, MW at 1118
- 2. Ray Meesseman, MI at 1053
- 3. Jack Wilson, MW at 1023
- 1. Tracy Gaudu, SW at 1503
- 2. Diana Haack, MW at 1109
- 3. Janet Wilson, MW at 1002

Five new drag records were set at Convention and the record has been updated:

Group II H	12.35	Johnny Gann, Oklahoma City
Group II J	12.57	Darren Ellenburg, Oklahoma City
Group I H	13.05	Ron Ruston, Oklahoma City
Group I LH	13.08	Jeannie Ruston, Oklahoma City
Group I LK	12.94	Bernyce Molenda, Tin Hall Toys

To be more efficient, the RCDs will be making some decisions via e-mail, but everything will be finalized and voted on at a formal Competition meeting. The Rulebook

and round table discussion portion of their meetings will be closed sessions.

Dave Heinemann – Parliamentarian

Dave asked the REs to get input from their Regions on how to continue with the Newletter contest. Submissions have been dwindling every year.

He reviewed the voting procedure. Nominations will go on the floor today to be accepted. The ballots for Officers and the Convention bid will be mailed. Within the envelope Governors receive in the mail will be two other envelopes along with the ballots and instructions. The smaller envelope will now have a stamp that says "Ballots". You are to seal your voting ballot inside this small envelope for the purpose of vote confidentiality. That envelope goes into the envelope which is addressed to the Secretary. On the back of that envelope, there is a stamp for you to fill in with your club name, the club number, and your name and signature. If you do not complete this information, your ballot will be considered invalid. Put your name and personal return address on the front of the envelope in case the post office needs to return it to you for any reason. There will be a list of clubs who have returned their ballots on the Web site. At the November meeting, the Secretary presents the ballots to Dave, who takes them to the Teller Committee. They remove all the ballot envelopes from the Secretary's envelopes

so that when they are opened and counted, no one knows who they are from.

<u>Deb Murphy – Treasurer</u>

Deb is moving to Florida, so use <u>treasurer@corvettesnccc.org</u> to reach her until she gets her new e-mail address set up.

The annual audit is complete. There were no issues. Deb reviewed the financial reports for the Governors. She also mentioned that some clubs received notices from the IRS concerning filing a 990 tax return. There are new rules concerning who must file them for incorporated, not-for-profit clubs. Deb encouraged clubs to check with

their tax accountants to find out where they stand.

<u>George Gallant – Business Manager</u>

The price for rooms went up to \$89 for next year. It would be helpful if everyone would make their reservations for the year right away, so we have some idea how many rooms we will be using. It is much easier to cancel a reservation than to try to get a room within 30 days of a meeting.

George said event chairs should have accident reports with them so witness reports can be done immediately. They should have been in the Governors' packets last spring.

Joan will put the accident report form on the Web site.

Bob Bowen – VP of Membership

The RMDs will work on a "junior dependent" definition for grandchildren, nieces and nephews that have aged out of FCOA, but want to stay involved, and will be allowed the use of cars owned by grandparents, aunts or uncles.



They will also be looking at Region structure. Our By-laws require that a Region consist of 10 clubs and 400 members, or 500 primary and spouse members. We have some Regions that no longer meet the criteria. Please let Bob or your RMD know if

you have any thoughts on this matter.

Larry Beebe – Public Relations

We now have an ad on Corvette Forum. It is a banner that appears at the top of the page on a rotating basis with others. We are also looking into promoting ourselves in the 2009 Corvette Quarterly.

The 50th anniversary celebration will be all week long at Convention. We will

celebrate 50 years of NCCC and 50 years of Conventions.

<u>Hal Bellamy – Steering Committee</u>

Hal has noticed that a great number of NCCC club Web sites don't say anything about our Convention.

Ron Ruston thanked everyone for coming to the 2008 Convention in Tulsa and said they had a great time putting it on. There should be about a \$10,000 profit. Walt Jenkins talked about all the big plans for the 50th Convention in Colorado Springs. Manny Montgomery has proposed West Palm Beach, FL for the 2010 Convention. We

need bids for 2011.

Rhonda Higgins – Distribution

Do not throw away your membership packet because it says Goodyear on it. This is not advertising, they sponsored the envelopes. This year they will print "NCCC

Membership Packet" on the outside, bottom left corner.

Pat Kelly - FCOA

Mid America featured FCOA in this year's Funfest book and Hagerty Insurance will feature FCOA in the next edition of their e-newsletter.

FCOA is only for the children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews of NCCC members.

<u>Joan Thomas – Webmaster</u>

The Web site is updated constantly and is your best source of "now time"

information. If you need something you can't find, let her know.

Sylvia Hoaldridge – Publications

The Convention issue will be mailed out no later than Thanksgiving.

Debbie Lindsey – Sponsorship

Debbie, George Gallant and members of the East Region worked at Carlisle at the end of August. Over \$7,000 in raffle tickets were sold. Next will be the Effingham event to promote NCCC and the Charity Program.

To clarify the request for e-mail addresses: sponsors prefer to e-mail and save mailing costs. It is totally voluntary. It is suggested that the Governors get the e-mail addresses at renewal time. They will go to Joan, who will send the e-mails to members. The e-mail addresses will not be given to the sponsors. There will also be an option to

opt out later, if you change your mind.

Patrick Dolan – Charity

The 2008 Corvette winner was a young lady from North Little Rock, Arkansas. Her father had been a kidney recipient, and had passed away. She and her mother sold tickets for the team in Arkansas. The donation to the Kidney Foundation was \$86,241.

Patrick recognized clubs that had raised money for Charity, and he reviewed the financial reports for Charity and Grants & Scholarships. Nine \$1000 scholarships were

awarded at Convention.

Old Business

Nominations were made for the offices of President, VP of Membership, Parliamentarian, Public Relations, and Treasurer. Each candidate made a campaign speech.

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New Business

Dennis Patrick talked about the new *Vision Committee* that will be creating a vision for the future of our organization. They will be gathering input, analyzing data and visiting with the Regional Officers. There will be a survey on the Web site for NCCC members to complete.

Manny Montgomery gave information about the 2010 convention bid.

Manny and Larry Morrison proposed a standing rule change to replace the current language under Membership on page 4 to read, "The handbook, including By-laws and Standing Rules will be available to all members on the NCCC Web site beginning January 1, 2009". This will eliminate the cost of mailing CDs, and the most current version will always be available via the Web site. The motion will lay on the table until the next meeting so Governors can get input from their members on how to vote.

Jack Wilson passed out copies of the Rulebook changes to the Governors to take back to their Regions to decide how to vote in November. The document will be on the Web site next week. The focus is on enhancing the clarity and points equity.

Deb gave a brief synopsis of the proposed budget for 2009. We expect to be \$91,785 in the red. Most of that expense is due to the increases in advertising, we have almost a flat membership income, we added 330,000 for the 50^{th} celebration, and we increased

the postage by 20,000 because we want to send every member the 50^{th} anniversary luggage tag and extra patch for the renewal.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Urenda, Secretary

Unabridged meeting minutes are available at www.corvettesnccc.org

For financial reports and other details, contact your Regional Executive Officer or Club Governor.

NCCC SCHOLARSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

The NCCC Scholarship program is funded through donations from Clubs, individuals and corporate friends, such as Mid America Motorworks. The NCCC Scholarship Committee awards \$1,000 scholarships to worthy young people, who have some connection with NCCC through a father, mother, grandparent, etc., who has been a member of NCCC for at least three years. "Some connection" implies that the applicant's relatives should have knowledge of the various requirements of the Scholarship Program.

Remember...If the relative is not the Applicant's parent, the relative must write a letter to be included with the completed application indicating the following:

- His/Her relationship with the Applicant
- His/Her NCCC Member Number
- If He/She will be the Applicant Sponsor
- If He/She has been closely involved with NCCC for a period of three or more years.

Application forms for the Scholarship Program may be obtained from **PATRICK DOLAN** or **RHONDA HIGGINS** at any National Governors' Meeting, from <u>www.corvettesnccc.org</u> or by mail from Rhonda at:

Rhonda Higgins National Distribution Center 907 Oakcrest Drive Champaign, IL 61821-4167

All 2009 scholarship applications must be completed correctly, returned and residing in the post office box shown below **no later than MAY 9, 2009:**

John Osborn Scholarship Committee Chairman P. O. Box 5032 Lafayette, IN 47903

Please note that the deadline is not a mailing date but a date in which the completed application appears in P. O. Box 5032. Applicants submitting forms <u>after MAY 9</u>, 2009 will be asked to have their application considered in 2010. This delay for late applications has been in effect for a number of years. The deadline may change from year to year depending upon the date of the annual NCCC Convention.

The NCCC Scholarship Program has been in existence since 1990.



From the **Parliamentarian**

Greetings from you're newly- elected NCCC Parliamentarian.

Running for a National Office is something that I never really thought I would do. It came about rather strangely. I have attended virtually every Governors meeting for the last 25 years or so as the elected Governor of the Tri State Corvette Club. From 2004-2007, I served as the Indiana Region Regional Executive and worked on the RE Committee with other Regional Executives from across the country. It was an honor for sure to represent the clubs in the Indiana Region, because there are some really great people and great clubs. While working on the RE Committee, I found that there were other people just like me who are concerned and care about the future of this organization and are willing to invest their time and energy for the benefit of everyone in National Council. Well, as fate would have it, at the May Governors meeting several people were asking me if I was going to run for the soon-to-be-vacant Parliamentarian position. Well, I had never thought about such a thing and had to decide if I could possibly do this. I spent many a day trying to decide and finally came to the conclusion that this is something that I want to do. Now all I have to do is get elected, and that may not be easy. In September, I find out that my opponent will be Sylvia Hoaldridge. Now, if you have been living on Venus for the past 20 years or so, you might not know that Sylvia is arguably the most popular and wonderful person in NCCC. She embodies everything that the NCCC family is about. So I was not even sure that I wanted to win an election against her. I thought that if she would be the Parliamentarian, the office would be in good shape. But I had decided to run, so the clubs will have to decide whom they want as Parliamentarian. As it turns out, to my surprise, I was elected to the office. I'm still kind of shaking my head. Now the good news is that Sylvia has decided to stay on as Blue Bars Editor. In my opinion, she has been doing a great job and I'm very happy that she will be staying on in that capacity. This brings me to the outgoing Parliamentarian. I enjoyed working with Dave Heinemann on the RE Committee and I learned a lot from him. Dave is another one of the deeply caring individuals who have made National Council what it is today. In the future, I know that, if I need help, I can always count on his expertise. I am looking forward to working with Dave in the future.

Our current NCCC President, Dick Yanko, has appointed an NCCC Vision Committee. This committee was organized for the purpose of gathering information about our current organization and to come up with a plan for where we are headed in the future. The committee is comprised of five members who are meeting by conference calls every couple of weeks. The committee members are Kevin Milton, Jim Asbury, Joe Vasta, Penn Pritchard and Dennis Patrick. One of our first actions was to create a survey that will evaluate members' opinions of the current NCCC and the NCCC of the future. Hopefully, by the time you read this article, the survey will be available on the NCCC website. Dennis Patrick should have a column in this and future *Blue Bars* about the progress of the committee. Please read this and, if you have input for the committee, you can contact them through the e-mail address set up for this purpose at <u>Vision-Committee@</u> CorvettesNCCC.org.

Well, I'm really looking forward to the next couple of years, especially since our 50th anniversary as an organization is coming up this year. The convention in Colorado should be lots of fun, and I know something special is being planned for the 50th anniversary party. I hope to see you there.

Kevin Milton

From the **Director of Public Relations**

One of the jobs of the Public Relations Director is to manage the two traveling promotional NCCC Displays. The Displays have traveled to all parts of the country and have been used at Car Shows, NCCC Competition Events, Special Club Anniversaries and Club Meetings. I am in charge of scheduling and shipping the two Displays and will be working with you or a member of your club if you choose to use one of them. I am available at:

publicrelations@corvettesnccc.org

You don't have to be a Governor to check the Public Relations Page on the NCCC Website for a 2009 Calendar and all kinds of information detailing the Displays:

http://www.corvettesnccc.org/display_onthemove.html

If you go to the page and feel the Display might be something your club would like to use please contact me or let your Governor know so we can get you on the schedule.

The other duty that has been delegated to me is to plan the 50th NCCC Anniversary Celebration. At present, Joan Thomas and I have been doing the planning and getting things organized. The 50th NCCC Anniversary Celebration will be held at the 2009 Convention in Colorado Springs.

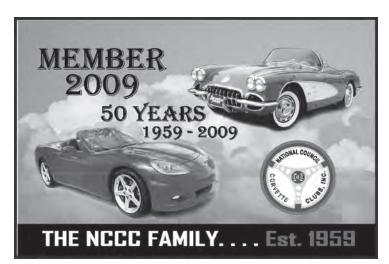
NCCC will sponsor the banquet and entertainment on Sunday evening August 9th. This Historical event will kickoff the Convention week.

We have other members that have stated an interest to help with making this work. If you are interested in helping, please contact <u>NCCC50@corvettesnccc.org</u> so we can get you involved. We really need people to help put this together Saturday and Sunday at Convention. There are so many things that need to be done before the Banquet even begins and the more hands we have the sooner we get to party.

The 50th Anniversary Celebration will honor the members of NCCC and the history they have made over the last 50 years.

Please help us celebrate NCCC's 50th Anniversary.

Larry Beebe



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NCCC's 50th ANNIVERSARY

Almost 50 years have passed since the concept of a national council for Corvette clubs was discussed at a meeting on May 16, 1959 in Washington, DC at the Mayflower Hotel. The enthusiasm of those 16 people representing five clubs from across the nation gave birth to what we now know as The National Council of Corvette Clubs, Inc. (NCCC). Through the continued enthusiasm, dedication and volunteerism of its members throughout the years, NCCC has grown from just a few members and clubs to nearly 300 clubs and close to 19,000 members. Even though NCCC has grown in Membership, it still adheres to many of the original ideals while keeping up to date with the technology of the Corvette and the passion of the Corvette owner. NCCC has grown to become a family made up of good friends and good citizens who are very generous with their time and talents. Members and their clubs support many charitable causes nationwide...and they know how to play and enjoy their Corvettes.

2009 marks NCCC's 50th Anniversary and NCCC's 50th Convention will also take place in Colorado Springs, CO. Plans are in progress for a weeklong celebration of both milestones during Convention Week, August 8-14. An Anniversary Kickoff Banquet and Party will take place on Sunday evening and a 50th Convention Party will take place on Wednesday evening. Our History will be displayed all over the place and special surprises throughout the week are in the works. Whether you are a regular Convention attendee, have never been to a Convention or haven't been to a Convention for awhile, 2009 is a "must attend" for all NCCC Members. NCCC will only be 50 once and you don't want to miss any of the excitement and festivities.

So, what do you know about NCCC's history? My husband Jim and I joined NCCC in 1994, so we are still newbies and have a lot to learn. A few years ago, the daughter of one of our deceased members, Ronald Olpp, sent me all of her father's Blue Bars and Rulebooks from the 1980s. As I read through them, I became enthralled with all of the history and saw some familiar faces...very young faces...of members whom I have been privileged to already meet. I decided that as NCCC Webmaster, I would try to amass anything that I could about NCCC's history and post a "History of NCCC" on the NCCC Web Site. My first postings can be found under the Competition Program where I have posted all of the NCCC Champions and Final Standings since the beginnings of that program in 1966. There is some tweaking to do and changes to make as I verify spellings and such. I will also add pictures of Champions as I find them and will post articles about the individual and club champions as I come across them. If you have a picture of one of the past individual Champions or a Logo of one of the past Champion clubs, please send them to me.

With the 50th celebrations in Colorado Springs just around the corner, I have stepped up my search to find all things that are NCCC history. Things like *Blue Bars* issues, Membership Cards, patches, pins, campaign memorabilia, Convention programs, registration cards, pins, patches and any other giveaways, etc. I am also interested in photos, but I ask that those in the photo be identified along with the place, year and possibly the reason the photo was taken. Thanks to many NCCC Members, I am getting quite a collection and hope

to display most of it at the 2009 Convention. As you do any cleaning out and downsizing, please think of NCCC and my project. Contact me at <u>NCCCWebmaster@corvettesnccc.org</u> if you have any questions about what you have. Never assume that I already have something since I do appreciate duplicates and I will accept anything and <u>everything</u> you have.

I have made some new NCCC friends since I started my project. Since Jim and I were already in the state of Washington at the end of our amazing four-day Tiger Cruise aboard the USS Abraham Lincoln in October, we traveled to the southern part of the state to meet with Terry Tetzlaff, an NCCC Charter Member and current MAL member of the Northwest Region. Terry was NCCC's Treasurer for 1964, 1965, 1973, 1974 and 1975; Convention Treasurer for 1976; and he received the President's Award in 1975. He has saved everything NCCC over the years. We had a great visit and Terry told us some great stories, helped me complete my *Blue Bars* collection and gave me or scanned some other very interesting things from NCCC's past.



I appreciate everything that other members have already turned over to my care and intend to acknowledge all contributions as the History is posted. When I have displayed what I can during the Colorado Springs Convention and completed my postings on the Web Site, everything will be safely stored in the NCCC Record Retention area in St. Louis. I hope everyone enjoys learning about NCCC's past history while we all create new history.

So...does anyone know who received the Roger Clancy Humanitarian Award in 1987?

Joan Thomas

From the **Director of Publications**

Attention NCCC clubs and club Governors...let your Regional Executive know what you or your club has been doing to promote 'Corvetting.' If you prefer, you may contact me directly about placing an article (preferably with photos) in an upcoming issue of *Blue Bars*. Photos for the front and back covers MUST be high-resolution photos. Front cover must be in Portrait and the back cover must be in Landscape. You may notify me via email at pinkvett@dot11net.net that you are sending me something; however; please put BLUE BARS on the Subject Line of your message. Articles must be in Word format. Photos should be sent separately and not imbedded within the Word document. Photo captions are welcome and please identify those appearing in each photo.

Also, I currently receive FOUR club newsletters monthly from NCCC clubs. I assure you that I read each and every one and have even reprinted photos and various articles in some issues of *Blue Bars* in the past six years. I would like to learn more about your club. If you do not mail out hardcopies of your newsletter and you make it available online, please notify me when it is available for me to access. You may be surprised what might show up in a future issue of *Blue Bars*.

REMINDER...the deadline for submitting articles, photos, etc. for the Spring issue of *Blue Bars* is MARCH 1, 2009. This pertains to ads also.

Sylvia Hoaldridge

From the **Director of Sponsorship**

Welcome to 2009- a special year in the history of NCCC. We will celebrate the 50th anniversary of our great organization as well as the 50th anniversary of our conventions this August in Colorado Springs, Colorado. As the Director of Sponsorship, my efforts have increased to secure sponsorship funds for this next year, especially when considering our present economical climate across the country. In 2008, we benefited from approximately \$65,000 in sponsorship monies that were allocated to different facets of convention, membership, FCOA, Blue Bars, and our Charity Program. Chevrolet, Mid America Motorworks, Goodyear, Hagerty Insurance, Michelin, Zip Products, Kumho, Corvette Central, Hoosier, Bridgestone/Firestone, Pro Team Corvettes, Spring Mountain Motorsports Ranch, Speed Lingerie, Corvetteguys.com, Southern Car Parts.com, Fast Vette Accessories, Paragon Corvette Reproductions, Corsa Performance, Langka, com, Smooth Line Tops, Corvette Market Magazine, and Eckler's all contributed to NCCC in some manner. Quite a list! Hopefully, we will see many of those names and more as sponsors this next year.

Hagerty Insurance wrote a great article about FCOA and published it in their company e-newsletter. Judy Vajda, our Hagerty contact, has been busy working with me to provide support to NCCC in a variety of ways. Information about their services has been sent directly to some of the NCCC clubs and we will be looking at different formats to provide not only support to our annual convention in 2009, but at some of the local club events as well. Have any kids as family members of your club members that are model car enthusiasts? Hagerty sponsors a really cool model car contest for children between the ages of 8-14 so check their web site, <u>www.hagerty.com</u>, for more information regarding this annual activity.

Zip Products is finalizing details for their ZIP-IT-UP Charity promotion that will allow a percentage of your purchase to be donated to our Charity Committee. Our goal is for the program to be up and running during early 2009 so look for more details soon. Or, hopefully, you will have the information by the time you receive this issue.

A new benefit we provided this year to sponsors at a minimum of the Silver level is a "spotlight" article about the company itself. We wanted each of our members to have more information about the companies that are supporting us. Another change that was made in 2008 involved the marketing of our *Blue Bars* ads and several companies participated in this program.

In 2009, the Platinum sponsors will have the opportunity to send emails to the clubs and members through our internal email system. Hopefully, everyone signed on to participate in this activity as it can bring in more support to our organization with this avenue of advertising to our members.

We had great participation from our sponsors with our membership packet inserts this year. Hopefully, these will provide more information on products and specials available to you as a member of NCCC. Check out the deals and support our sponsors.

The NCCC Vision Committee will soon be distributing a survey that will assist them in providing direction for NCCC. There are a few questions on the survey pertaining to sponsors so I hope everyone will take time to respond to this questionnaire. The information can be very helpful to me in soliciting new sponsors and maintaining our "base" of sponsors.

FIFTY YEARS - what a great milestone! Hope you are part of the big celebration in Colorado in August 2009!

Debbie Lindsey

Listed below are the 2009 meeting dates for the National Go vernors' Meetings at the Sheraton West Port (not the Chalet) in St. Louis, Missouri. T his will allow you to plan ahead. F or reservations, please call (314) 878-1500.

> February 27-28, 2009 May 1-2, 2009 August 7-14, 2009 (TBA) September 11-12, 2009 November 13-14, 2009

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From the **2009 Convention Director**

The Rocky Mountain Region of the NCCC invites everyone to join us August 8-14, 2009 in scenic Colorado Springs, Colorado for the NCCC's 50th Anniversary Convention. Colorado Springs is the location of Pikes Peak, "America's Mountain," the one that is mentioned in "America the Beautiful" and the home of the "Race to the Clouds" Pikes Peak Hill Climb, the 2nd oldest car race in American history. Our Convention slogan is "Corvettes with Altitude" and we are planning some "high" adventures for everyone who attends. We'll be having High and Low Speed Autocross racing at famous Pikes Peak International Raceway, a Rally in and around Colorado Springs, a Funkhana as well as Record Drags and Bracket Drag racing at World Famous Bandimere Raceway in Denver (Home of the Mile Hi Nationals). Woodland Park has invited all of the Convention participants to join them for a party on Tuesday evening that will include a BBQ, live entertainment and special parking, so we decided to make it a Parade! We're planning to have Police escort all the way from the Hotel in Colorado Springs to Woodland Park (about 25 minutes away). That way we won't have to deal with any traffic problems and we get to show off our beautiful cars!

I almost forgot to mention the PARTIES! We start off on Saturday evening with the Club Colors/All American Welcome party. Be sure to wear your club colors for this one! Sunday evening we kick off the 50th NCCC celebration week with a party to celebrate 50 years of the NCCC. Joan Thomas and Larry Beebe are planning lots of surprises for this evening so you won't want to miss a minute of it. Monday evening we're going to Colorado Springs famous Flying W Ranch where you can see what a real working Colorado Ranch looks like. Of course you'll have a nice steak for dinner and will be entertained by the Flying W Wranglers with their special flavor of Cowboy songs.

Wednesday evening will be the 50th NCCC Convention Party with high energy entertainment provided by the Nacho Men. With this band you'll be dancing and partying to one of the best 50's, 60's and 70's bands in the state of Colorado. The week will finish up on Friday with the Convention Awards Breakfast and NCCC awards dinner.

So make plans for the 2nd week in August for a Convention that will be remembered for a long time to come! You don't want to miss it!

Hope to see everyone there,

Walt Jenkins



The National Council of Corvette Clubs Invites everyone to the 50th Annual NCCC Convention



The Rocky Mountain Region of the National Council of Corvette Clubs is pleased to invite everyone to the 50th Annual NCCC Convention in scenic Colorado Springs, Colorado. We will have events and activities geared for everyone that attends. Come join in the fun!

- 50th NCCC Celebration Party featuring memorabilia from the beginning of the NCCC in 1959 to the present!
- Dinner and entertainment at the famous Flying W Ranch
- Indoor Concours Car Show and Outside People's Choice Car Show
- Rallye at the foot of Pikes Peak, America's mountain
- Laughs abound when doing our Funkhana
- Parade to Woodland Park for a BBQ
- · High and Low Speed Autocrosses at Pikes Peak International Raceway
- Bracket and Record Drags at World Famous Bandimere Raceway
- Self-Guided Tours of the Air Force Academy, Garden of the Gods, Cog Railway, Pikes Peak, Manitou Cliff Dwellings, Cave of the Winds and much, much more!
- Shop in Downtown Colorado Springs, Old Colorado City and Manitou Springs
- Tours of Cripple Creek and the Molly Kathleen Mine
- Party with the Nacho Men and help celebrate 50 years of Convention fun!
- Meet old friends, make new ones!

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Hints for completing the 2009 NCCC Convention Registration Form

The best way to fill out the registration form is to do it online. Please go to the NCCC website for complete details.

Hotel reservations MUST be made through the Convention Treasurer.

Prices for Adult, Dependant or Youth Registration are per person and date sensitive.

<u>Name on Convention Badge</u>: This is the name that will appear on the Badge that you will wear all week. It can be your first and last names, first name only or your nickname.

<u>Youth Registration:</u> Children ages 3 to 16 can go into the Hospitality room and get soft dringks as well as snacks, accompany you to all of the functions except for the evening Adult parties. There is no babysitting available.

<u>Classes</u> for Autocross, Record Drags, Concours and People's Choice Car Shows are available in the NCCC rulebook.

Bracket Drags are in one of four Brackets based on how well your car performs. Find your car's ET below to determine what bracket you will enter. Note that the brackets may be adjusted depending on the number of cars entered.

- Bracket A. 12.69 and Faster
- Bracket B. 12.70-13.39
- Bracket C. 13.40-13.99
- Bracket D. 14.00 and Slower

Funkhana is classed as follows:

- Man Driver/Lady Navigator
- Man Driver/Man Navigator
- Lady Driver/Man Navigator
- Lady Driver/Lady Navigator

Rallye: All entries are in one class for Corvettes. Metal Cars will be in a separate class.

There are no additional charges for the meals that are noted as included in your registration, but you need to indicate if you will attend. If you do not check the "Yes I will attend" box, you will not receive a ticket for the meal.



2009 NCCC Convention Registration Form

\$160.00 per el	ntrant from 1-Feb to 15-Apr, \$185.00 per entrant from 16-Apr to 1	5-Jun, \$210.00 per er	ntrant from 16-Jun to 04-Jul
First Entrant	NCCC Number:		Registration: \$
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Email Address:			
Second Entrant	NCCC Number:		Registration: \$
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NCCC Dependent #2	NCCC Number:		Registration Amt:
Last Name:	First Name:		Badge Name:
NCCC Youth Registration (Un	der 16) \$60.00		
Last Name:	First Name:	Age;	Registration: \$
Last Name:	First Name:	Age:	Registration: \$

Competition Entry Deadline is July 4th, 2009 (Convention Registration required to compete in the below activities) If the "yes" box is unchecked, no ticket will be issued for that function

Competition Events	1 st Entrant		2 nd Entrant		1 st Dependent		2 nd Dependent		Total
	Class	Year	Class	Year	Class	Year	Class	Year	1
High Speed Autocross (\$60.00 per entrant)									
Low Speed Autocross (\$50.00 per entrant)								1	
Bracket Drags (\$50.00 per entrant)				_					
Record Drags (\$50.00 per entrant)									
Judged Concours Car Show (\$20.00 per car)							1		
People's Choice Car Show (\$20.00 per car)			1.1				7.41		
Rally (\$20.00 per car, Driver Pays)	o Driver o Navigator		o Driver o Navigator		o Driver o Navigator		o Driver o Navigator	-	
Funkhana (\$20.00 per team, Driver Pays)	1								1
Overall Competitor (\$25.00 Each)									
Golf Tournament (\$60.00 per entrant)									
Cripple Creek Bus (\$20.00 each)									
Parade to Woodland Park and BBQ (\$30.00 each couple)			2				-		
Friday Evening NCCC Awards Banquet (\$20.00 each)	1000		1		1		-		
Saturday Evening Welcome Party (Included)	o Yes, I will a o No, I will n		o Yes, I will a o No, I will no		o Yes, I will a o No, I will no		o Yes, I will at o No, I will no		\$0.00
Sunday Evening NCCC 50th Celebration (Included)	o Yes, I will attend o No, I will not attend		o Yes, I will attend o No, I will not attend		o Yes, I will attend o No, I will not attend		o Yes, I will attend o No, I will not attend		\$0.00
Monday Evening Flying W Ranch	o Yes, I will a o No, I will n		o Yes, I will a o No, I will no		o Yes, I will a o No, I will no		o Yes, I will at o No, I will no		\$0.00
Wednesday Evening NCCC 50th Convention Birthday Bash (Dessert Bar and Party included)	o Yes, I will attend o No, I will not attend		o Yes, I will attend to No, I will not attend		o Yes, I will attend o Ño, I will not attend		o Yes, I will at o No, I will no		\$0.00
Friday Morning Convention Awards Breakfast (Included)	o Yes, Iwill a o No, Iwill n	and a second	o Yes, I will a o No, I will no	and the second se	o Yes, I will a o No, I will no		o Yes, I will at o No, 1 will no		\$0.00
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No Refunds after July 4th, 2009. 10% surcharge on all refunds or NSF checks. Make checks payable to: 2009 NCCC Convention Send completed registration form and payment to: Dale Samuelson, 6874 Wildlife Dr. Stillman Valley, II 61084 VISA or MASTERCHARGE Only: Card Number: ______ Expiration Date: ______ Authorized Signature: ______

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WHERE IS THE FUTURE OF NCCC?

This year NCCC is celebrating its golden anniversary, a 50-year tribute to our symbol – the hallowed Corvette. During these five decades, our icon has endured changes and five transformations with the current C6 masterpiece – and we have grown to love them all. We have endured the change from the Straight Axles to the ageless Midyears then the revolutionary C4's and now the current C5's and C6's. Have we ever thought why Chevrolet has constantly changed the Corvette? It is because the market demands keeps changing and Chevrolet has set its target as the sports luxury market leader. The demands from the future owners have stated that change is necessary. The overall drive to have Corvette retain its market as the most popular, most affordable and most desired sports car is ever present.

NCCC has seen change as well, growing our organization and refining our mission to enjoy our cars. Like the buyers for Corvettes are demanding changes in the car, the future owners of NCCC will be looking for different benefits from our organization. Like the Corvette, the difficult work today is to define what will be the demands in the future by potential members. What is our next platform for NCCC? What are the demands to attract the next generation of members? While facing this challenge, we are also confronted with sustaining our organization through some difficult financial times. As we look to have NCCC celebrate the next milestone, we must continue to be a viable organization and we must make adjustments during our current transition period.

The Executive Board of NCCC has chartered a team, called the NCCC Vision team to define the next platform for NCCC. This committee is addressing both challenges – the short-term requirements to ensure viability but also defining what it means to become the premier Corvette enthusiasts' organization. During the next two years the committee will seek ideas, collect information about our organization, analyze it and create a vision for the future of NCCC. The Vision Committee did not receive any restrictions on what they could consider nor were we told what we were to consider. We are busy today collecting information, but the information we are missing is your opinion. We want to hear your opinions about NCCC, we want to hear what you think people are wanting from NCCC, and we want to hear what makes your clubs successful. To help with collecting your input, we have established an e-mail link on the website at:

Vision-Committee@CorvettesNCCC.org.

We plan to keep our status with a page on the NCCC website. For reference, that address is <u>http://www.corvettesnccc.org/NCCC-Vision.html</u>



Joe Vasta, Kevin Milton, Dennis Patrick, Penn Pritchard, Jim Asbury

How Being an NCCC Member is a Dream Come True



Being a member of the National Corvette Club Council is a teenager's dream. Taking your old man's Corvette to an autocross and doing 14 burnouts at the starting line is a great time. Before I had my driver's license, I had enjoyed working the autocross events with our club, but I always wondered what it would be like to actually compete in one. When the time for my first race finally came, I felt like a groom before his wedding day. I had so many emotions running through me at once. I was happy, nervous, excited and scared. I had the worst shaking clutch foot you could possibly imagine. I pulled up to the line and just floored it. I was immediately thrown back into my seat, and it felt great. I finished my first run and was more than eager to get to my second. By the time I was finished, I felt like a speed demon.

Because I drive very defensively on the road (My parents threatened me with a once-and-done policy.), the experience was new and exciting. On the autocross course, I am free to test the limits of my dad's Corvette and test my ability to control the car without any worry of a speeding ticket. My favorite learning experience has to be the spin outs. The only thing you rely upon to get you back onto the track is your own ability and reflexes. It was so exhilarating I almost wanted to do it again. Racing has taught me many driving skills that will not only come in handy on the track, but also off it. During the winter, I was driving down the road in our Impala SS. My wheels hit a patch of black ice and immediately came out from under me. Without even thinking I turned the wheels the same direction that I was sliding, and managed the throttle. I got the car under control and was fine. It was then I realized how useful the autocross skills that I learned really are. While at the autocross, I discovered that it is not all about racing. It is about meeting people who share the same interests as you, and also about showing others what you can do on the course. I have now attended and driven in three autocrosses and I love them. I have not only driven my dad's Corvette, but I have ridden with him and some other members of the Corvette club that I am in. I have experienced a 1972 Stingray Corvette with a big block 454 cubic inch motor, a 1985 Corvette (my dad's), and a 2008 Corvette Z51. The difference between the cars is absolutely amazing, each having a unique feature that other cars just cannot match. Being a member of the National Council of Corvette Clubs has changed my life for the better. I cannot imagine my life without it. The only thing I want now is for next summer to come even faster!

Article and photos were submitted by Evan McClure, member of CC of Indiana, Kokomo, IN.

The same custom-tuned performance is now available in your driveway.

First we teamed with Corvette Racing for success in the American Le Mans Series and at the 24 Hours of Le Mans. Then we engineered tires for the 2009 Chevrolet Corvette ZR1 supercar. Now, Michelin will offer a custom-tuned tire for the C5 (available August 1) and a custom-tuned tire for the C6 (coming this fall). These MICHELIN® Pilot® Sport PS2[™] Zero Pressure[™] run-flat tires offer sensational wet and dry performance, including outstanding tread life and a comfortable ride.



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MICHELIN *BLUE BARS* NCCC/CORVETTE CHOICE

GREENVILLE, S.C. (August 19, 2008) – Racing in the American Le Mans Series (ALMS) and at the famed 24 Hours of Le Mans, the legendary Corvette Racing team is free to choose any tires they like for competition.

The importance of that choice was driven home at the 2003 running of the 24 Hours of Le Mans when, much to their surprise, the heavily favored Corvette team was convincingly beaten by a Ferrari fitted with **MICHELIN**® tires.

When the Ferrari team went on to win the final four races of the 2003 ALMS season, Corvette Racing manager Doug Fehan had seen enough. He arranged a switch to **Michelin**. The early results surprised the veteran Corvette team. They were nearly three seconds per lap faster!

The Corvette team went on to claim the 2004 ALMS GT1 championship and reclaimed their title at the 24 Hours of Le Mans. That success has continued with 40 ALMS race wins, championships in every season and two more wins at Le Mans.

As the Corvette and **Michelin** teams began working closely together, they developed gains in other areas, including: overall grip, stability under braking, extended wear, and wet traction. Working together, they were unlocking more and more of the Corvette's performance bandwidth.

Eventually, Corvette began testing ultra high performance tires for the then secret ZR1, which would be the most powerful production Corvette ever produced. Based upon their success with the Corvette Racing team, **Michelin** gained an invite to participate in a technical shoot-out for the exclusive tire fitment, and won.

Meanwhile, Pratt & Miller, the Michigan based team that prepares and races the Corvette C6.RS was developing a high performance Corvette street car of their own, the C6.RS. They too chose **Michelin**



like Lingenfelter; Hennessy and like others had before them.

So, with the Corvette Racing team, the Pratt & Miller C6.RS, and now, the Corvette ZR1 all rolling on **MICHELIN** tires, **Michelin** decided to use the knowledge

accumulated through the years to tune and introduce the new **Michelin** Pilot® Sport PS2TM ZP tires for Corvette C5 and C6 owners.

The Pilot Sport PS2 ZP tire is specially tuned to give the Corvette ZR1 no-compromises performance: superior cornering grip and straight-line acceleration *plus* ride comfort, wet handling and extended tread life. The development program served as the foundation for six Corvette Pilot Sport PS2 ZP siblings for sale on the replacement market. A plus-one fitment for the Corvette C6 Z06 can also be obtained using the ZR1 OE dimensions – P285/30ZR19

and P335/25ZR20. Later, in Fall 2009 the actual Z06 OE sizes – P275/35ZR18 and P325/30ZR19 – will be launched.

From a Research and Development perspective, the **Michelin** technical process also results in a breakthrough innovation that significantly enhances inflated performance by creatively leveraging the **Michelin** Pilot Sport PS2 run flat capability.

Key design features of the new summer Pilot Sport PS2 ZP tire include a single compound, asymmetric tread. The outer should region is dominated by large, rigid blocks for dry handling and normal road capabilities with a narrow rain channel. Moving inward, a specialized pattern of grooves and notches helps to channel water through the footprint and maximize contact for wet handling.

That new **Michelin** Pilot Sport PS2 ZP also delivers comfort levels similar to those of standard **Michelin** Pilot Sport PS2 tires, while delivering improved cornering control, thanks to an advanced sidewall and variable contact patch technology. This variable contact patch, that highly specialized tread pattern and the rubber compound not only generates maximum cornering force and lateral acceleration in excess of 1g but also helps to lower noise and even wear rates.

"Corvette owners should have the same choices as the Corvette Racing team. Now that they have that choice with our latest **Michelin** Pilot Sport PS1 ZP tires, we hope that they will make the same choice, **Michelin**," said Nicolas Goubert, Brand category manager for **Michelin** UHP products.

Dedicated to the improvement of sustainable mobility, **Michelin** designs, manufactures and sells tires for every type of vehicle, including airplanes, automobiles, bicycles, earthmovers, farm equipment, heavy-duty trucks, motorcycles and the space shuttle. The company also publishes travel guides, hotel and restaurant guides, maps and road atlases. Headquartered in Greenville, S.C., **Michelin** North America (<u>www.michelin.com</u>) employs more than 22,300 and operates 19 major manufacturing plants in 17 locations.

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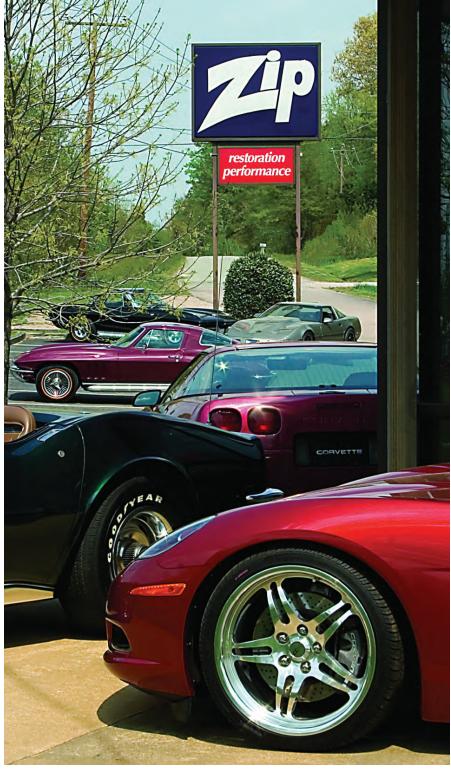
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'Z' = GOOD THINGS IN CORVETTE!

Any enthusiast worth their crossed flags knows the Corvette has a long and storied connection with the letter "Z" – beginning, of course, with the godfather himself: Zora Arkus Duntov. Mere mention of the near-mystical name "Zora" conjures up thoughts of reverence and dogged determination, followed by a quick-on-the-heels nod

to the milestone '63 and attendant "big tank" Z06 coupes. For sure today's supercharged (and hyphen-less) ZR1 is certifiably awesome, but we would be remiss to not pay due homage to its namesake predecessor, the then-revolutionary, quad cams ZR-1 of C4 fame – a car that made the performance world bow their heads in respect. And let us not forget the roots of the beast, the full-on ZR1 track option of 1970, a wolf in, well, wolf's clothing! Or the truly outrageous ZL1 allaluminum wonder ... the ZR2 big-block ... the return of the Z06 aura as a badged C5 ... the to-the-limit C6 Z06. Or **Zip Products**.

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VETTES IN THE PARK



The University of Okoboji Corvette Club had its annual "Vettes in the Park" event on August 8-10 at the historic Arnold's Park Amusement Park in Okoboji, Iowa, home of the oldest functional wooden roller coaster in the U. S. Okoboji, a quaint resort town in northwest Iowa, was buzzing with Corvette owners and awe struck

vacationers as the 130 Corvette owners rolled into the area and registered their vehicles at Okoboji Motor Company on Friday to begin prepping for the weekend activities.

After check in, the registrants were given an opportunity to cruise through the beautiful Iowa Great Lakes and take in the scenery. Later they were able to get together at the Blue Water Cabaret and boogie to some old school tunes, 60s style. The fun didn't stop there. Saturday morning the Corvette Club hosted an auto-cross race at the Spencer airport and wrapped up the day with a picnic at Gull Point State Park on West Lake Okoboji. Sunday all the events happened in and around Arnold's Park Amusement Park as the Okoboji Corvette Club launched the public viewing of "Vettes in the Park." While the Corvettes were being displayed, the owners were given an opportunity to enjoy the historic amusement park which overlooks West Lake Okoboji. Several of the registrants ran straight to the go cart rides while the others played mini golf, enjoyed the Corvette show, and rode on the vintage Queen II excursion boat.

This year the event was unique because it offered a Special Display of mid-year Corvettes dating back to 1963-1967. Twentyone mid-years were displayed in the Roof Garden. Highlights of the show included a 1963 split window coupe; 1963, '64, and '65 fuelies, many 1965-1967 big block



convertibles; and NCRS Duntov and National Top Flight Corvettes. Many of these cars have not been viewed by the general public for over 25 years. Two of the 1964 Corvettes had only 4,000 and 8,000 documented miles. After gathering data from the mid-year owners, special display signs were made

to be viewed in front of each car listing the year, history, options, mileage, color, and the owner's name.

I was approached by several of the registrants' wives thanking me for calling their husbands and inspiring them to get their mid-year Corvettes out to display them instead of leaving them hidden in the



back of the shop/garage. Members of the University of Okoboji Corvette Club and some of the public asked me, "How did you get this caliber of mid-year Corvettes together for the first 'Special Display' at 'Vettes in the Park'?" I simply picked up the phone and said, "Let's get these Corvettes out

of these private collections and display them for the public to see and enjoy the passion of the other mid-year owners. All the cars will be roped off for their protection and special live performance music will be played during the show in the famous Roof Garden indoor facility at the Arnold's Park Amusement Park." The response



the Corvette Club had from the car owners, Club members, and the public was phenomenal.

Next year the special display Corvettes will be the 1968-1973 models. The Okoboji Corvette Club is especially interested in those with unique histories, high performance engines, and convertibles. After considering the feedback from the event, the Corvette Club feels that these models will draw the most attention and really speak to the interest of the spectators. "Vettes in the Park" weekend for 2009 will be August 7-9.

The annual "Vettes in the Park," which was first organized in 1990 for the Corvette enthusiasts around the Iowa Great lakes, has over 90 members from northwest Iowa and southwest Minnesota.

To learn more about the Okoboji Corvette Club please visit <u>www.</u> <u>uofocorvetteclub.com</u>



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It all began back in the early 50's when Robert "Bob" Newton, along with his supportive wife Joyce, began a successful racing career on the small asphalt tracks of northern Indiana. Bob, like many of his fellow drivers, was not satisfied with driving on street tires with their limited sizing options and uniformly hard tread compounds. It was during these early days of "eating bologna sandwiches and sleeping on a creeper under his racer" that Bob had a vision to produce his own tires specifically designed for racing.

So, in 1957, Bob and Joyce decided to begin producing their own race tires by re-treading street tires with softer compounds. They began their business in an old abandoned horse barn in South Bend, Indiana, selling their tires to local racers. The **"Hoosier"** name was chosen for their company to reflect the origin of Bob's racing roots on the short tracks of the Midwest. The company color of purple came from Bob's #4 race car.

While the company had just two employees at first, it wasn't long before the business began to grow. Soon family members, friends and neighbors were being recruited to re-tread tires. As the fledgling company began to master the available tire-making technologies, they set their sights on producing their first race tire specifically designed for racing. And so, in 1962, Bob Newton did just that through an arrangement with the Mohawk Rubber Company in Akron, Ohio. For the next 16 years, Bob commuted from northern Indiana to Akron to design, engineer, compound and oversee the production of his tires.

Then, on Thanksgiving weekend in 1978, the Newtons were delivered news that could have ended the ever-expanding business that their small work force had worked so hard to develop. Mohawk was closing the Akron plant and, as a result, was about to end their ability to produce new race tires. Faced with this potentially devastating news, Bob and Joyce made a decision that has changed the face of racing forever. With their long association with the local bank, they were able to mortgage their home and **Hoosier Tire** to raise the capital needed to build the world's first and only factory solely devoted to the production of racing tires. Located in Plymouth, Indiana, just down the road from the corporate office in Lakeville, the factory began production in 1979 with just a handful of employees under the name "R & J Mfg. Corp." (for Robert and Joyce).

During the early years of R & J, the secret rubber formulas required to produce **Hoosier** tires were still being produced by outside suppliers. Finally, in 1985, as the business continued to grow, the Newtons were determined to eliminate the need to rely on outside rubber suppliers by developing the company's own inhouse rubber production capabilities. So, it was back to the bank to obtain financing for the first million dollar mixing plant to produce rubber compounds strictly for racing tires. The equipment purchased included the latest computer controlled "Banbury" to mix the complicated racing compounds as well as the components for an advanced testing and technology center.

Today, **Hoosier** is the largest race tire manufacturer in the world, and all **Hoosier** race tires are still proudly "Made in the USA." The company continues to be privately owned and operated by the Newton family, and founders Bob and Joyce remain actively involved in the day-to-day operations of **Hoosier** (as do many Newton family members). **Hoosier** has grown to be one of the largest employers in Plymouth, Indiana, and produces over 1000 different types of race tires. The company has its own 300-mph test wheel; a technology center; state-of-the-art, fully integrated production facilities; and a model sales and distribution network in Lakeville, Indiana, which others seek to emulate.

The pride that exists among those associated with **Hoosier** "family" continues to be the focal point of the success the company has enjoyed over the years. Bob and Joyce, as well as others involved in the racing industry, marvel at the success and growth of the original business they started over 50 years ago. At **Hoosier**, we know that if you build a company with talented, hardworking people who care, and produce a product that performs at an affordable price, you will satisfy the needs of your customers and both you and they will be winners. This philosophy has been, and will continue to be, the secret behind **Hoosier's** success in building "**Tires Designed for Champions**."





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A SPECIAL DELIVERY -- 50 YEARS IN THE MAKING

On June 23, 1958, twenty-two year old Jerry Craig became the proud owner of a brand-new Corvette, his first. The convertible was Tuxedo Black with a white soft top. The original invoice –which he still has among his mementos- showed a purchase price of \$3,341.46 including options. On June 23, 2008, fifty years to the day, Jerry and his wife Armynta celebrated the golden anniversary of his first Corvette purchase when they took delivery of their new 2008 Black Convertible at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, KY.

Jerry and Armynta are long-time members of the St. Louis Corvette Club, as well as lifetime members of the National Corvette Museum. More than 50 club members traveled to Bowling Green from St. Louis to celebrate the Craigs' car delivery with them. The Craig children, daughter Peggy Craig and son and daughter-in-law, Jeff and Patty Craig, were also on hand to celebrate with their parents. The younger Craigs are all following in their parents' footsteps as Corvette owners, members of the St. Louis Corvette Club and the NCM. Peggy owns a '98 Red Coupe, and Jeff and Patty own a '98 Sebring Silver Convertible, as well as a 1978 25th anniversary Silver Coupe.

Also sharing in this unique family event were Jerry Craig's brother and sister-in-law, Paul and Cathy Craig, from Ankeny, IA. They own a 1972 War Bonnet Yellow Coupe and a 1986 Red Coupe. Other family members and Corvette owners on hand for the delivery event were Armynta's sisters and brothers-in-law, Conita and Dick Shoulders, from Vincennes, IN, owners of a 1993 40th anniversary Ruby Red Coupe; Pam and John Corrona, also from Vincennes and owners of both '91 and '99 Red Convertibles; and Jane and Mike Neal from Atlanta, GA, owners of a 2004 Commemorative Convertible.

St. Louis Corvette Club members celebrated with the Craig family at a congratulatory dinner held at *Mariah's Restaurant* in Bowling Green on Sunday, June 22. Special guests included retired Corvette Plant Manager and current National Corvette Museum Board Chairman Wil Cooksey and his wife Liz. Other special guests included "Captain Joe" Jakub, of the Warren County, KY Sheriff's Office and his wife Bernice; Museum Delivery Manager Gary Cockriel and his wife Torie; and Corvette IT Manager (Knowledgebase) Ruth Park and her husband Wayne. Several members of the Boone Trail Corvette Club of St. Charles, MO also attended. Special event t-shirts commemorating the Craigs' delivery were presented to attendees.

St. Louis Corvette Club members toured the Corvette plant on June 23. The Craigs were welcomed to the plant by current Plant Manager Paul Graham who congratulated them on their special anniversary car delivery. Club members then toured the Museum and gathered for the Craigs' car delivery at 1:00 p.m. The club celebrated the Craigs' delivery in grand style by participating en masse in the NCM Xperience on June 23. All cars on display in the Museum on that day were owned by St. Louis Corvette Club members!

Jerry Craig's love affair with the Corvette goes back to 1953 when the sports car first made its appearance. He has owned 18 Vettes at various times during the last half century in addition to racing some of the early models. One special Corvette purchase was that of a used '86 that sported an estimated odometer reading of 190,000 miles. Jerry and his son Jeff painstakingly restored the '86. Their restoration efforts were rewarded when the car was chosen as the 1986 representative in the June 2002 Historic Motorama that celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Corvette. The '86 and its restoration were recently featured in the July 2008 issue of *Corvette Enthusiast*. Jeff Craig presented his father with a special framed copy of their *Corvette Enthusiast* magazine story at the weekend celebration dinner. Jerry's brother, Paul Craig, is the current owner of the red 300,000 mile coupe. He and his wife drove the '86 to Bowling Green from Iowa for the delivery celebration, a fitting tribute to his brother Jerry and the Corvettes he loves so dearly.



Jerry Craig's new 2008 and his original 1958



A young Jerry Craig racing a 1959 Corvette



Corvette Plant Manager Paul Graham congratulates Armynta and Jerry Craig on their 2008 car delivery on June 23, 2008



Jerry and Armynta Craig outside the National Corvette Museum on June 23, 2008, along with family members and fellow members of the St. Louis Corvette Club. All participated in the Museum Xperience.



Regional News CAROLINA REGION (CA)







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Hello, Again!

I would like to convey my special thanks to retiring Regional Competition Director, Pete Dawley, who has held his post for countless years and has done a tremendous job for the Carolina Region. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to him for all his efforts in securing new event sites, obtaining sponsorship monies and keeping track of points and equipment, among other things. I also want to thank our retiring Regional Secretary/Treasurer, Anthony Marlar, who has also served for several years. Thanks very much to both.

I would also like to welcome Johnny Haskell as our new Regional Competition Director and Amy Burks as our new Regional Secretary/Treasurer.

By the time you read this, preparations will be underway for the 2009 Convention and 50th anniversary party in Colorado Springs, CO. It promises to be a wonderful party and I strongly encourage you to sign up and participate in the 2009 Convention. Personally, I am excited about visiting the Rocky Mountain Region of our great country and hope to see many of you there. Although 2008 was a tough year for many of us due to the economic downturn, as I write this, gas prices have come down and the new competition season is just beginning. Come out with your car(s) and share some good times with your NCCC family.

See you at Convention!

Margaret Bohannan, Carolina Region RE

New ad rates went into effect <u>with the</u> <u>Winter 2008 issue</u>. Please access the NCCC web site, *corvettesnccc.org*, for a copy of the ad rates and specs. However, a 15% discount will be given to any sponsor making a one-time purchase of four (4) ads, either full page or half page, full color or black/white.

Regional News EAST REGION (ER)







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By the time you read this, many will likely have forgotten about the elections. However, as evidenced by a couple national elections, *every vote counts* since some races were not settled for weeks after the elections were held. Your vote is just as important in NCCC elections. There was a tie vote for the NCCC Treasurer in the fall 2008 elections and a warm-body vote was held in St. Louis to decide the race. The race for another office was decided by one vote! Six (6) East Region governors did not cast their vote! Their votes could have decided the results for two offices, emphasizing the importance of every vote!

Do you know what's happening in the East Region? In NCCC? Your club Governor is the primary source of two-way communication between the clubs and National Council. Club Governors can provide much more detail to their clubs than can be provided in print about the activities and events in National Council and they communicate your voice back to National Council. Your club Governor should inform you about National and Regional events at each club meeting. Your club Governor is invited to four Regional and four National Governors Meetings each year. If your club Governor cannot attend a National Governors Meeting, he/she should give the East Region Regional Executive a proxy for your club's vote. If your club Governor is not providing this information to you regularly, please contact me. My home phone is 410-676-6042 and my e-mail address is joevasta@ comcast.net. (NOTE: no period between the first and last name) Your club Governor is the most important communication source between local members and the Regional and National or ganizations! They must provide two-way communication to fulfill the mission of their elected office and to keep you informed.

Dick Yanko, the NCCC President, created a new committee that has come to be known as the Vision Committee. This committee is charged with performing an analysis of NCCC and establishing a plan for the future. This is such a major undertaking that the committee needs input from the NCCC membership. They have created a survey to gather input from the entire membership and also have a page on the NCCC web site (corvettesNCCC.org). You can e-mail all committee members using the <u>Vision-Committee@corvettesNCCC.org</u> e-mail address. See the accompanying article in this issue of *Blue Bars*.

The bylaws for the East Region were established in 1989. However, they have never been updated. Denny Morin is chairing this committee to bring our bylaws up-to-date.

Jeff Port has switched the East Region web site to a new, more reliable ISP. In addition, the Regional Executive Board has been experimenting with electronic meetings. While more work needs to be done to improve the process we are migrating to the future.

The Northern Virginia Corvette Club (NVCC) continues to offer its Teen Driving School. This is an outstanding program to teach new drivers how to handle their cars in emergency situations. See the accompanying article by Andrej Blanc (NVCC club Governor) in this issue of *Blue Bars*.

Your regional officers for the East Region for 2009 are:

Regional Executive	Joe Vasta
Regional Competition Director	
Regional Membership Director	-
Region Secretary	Steve Johnson
Regional Treasurer	Karen Port
Region Webmaster	Jeff Port (appointed position)

Joe Vasta, East Region RE

As we close 2008, the top five clubs, men and women in points as of November 25 are shown below. A few events are not posted, so these standings are not finalized. We had a great year. We had 139 events for the year with very good competition between the members and the clubs. Our high speed driving schools at Pocono and Summit Point are widely accepted and our two major concours events at Carlisle and Ocean City are also very popular. And with that, we have not had a major accident/incident! We already have over 100 events on the 2009 calendar, so it is looking like another great year in the East.

Brian Gallagher, East Region RCD



Regional News EAST OHIO REGION (EO)







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	EAST REGION 2008 POINTS STANDINGS								
Club		Points							
1	G-Burg Vettes	3242							
2	Cumberland Valley CC	2010							
3	Central PA CC	1947							
4	4 Corvette Annapolis								
5	Eancaster County CC								
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Men		Points	Club						
1	Joseph Kennedy	362	GBV						
2	Alvin Brown	359	GBV						
3	Dennis Dunlap	325	GBV						
4	David Walter	302	CVCC						
5	John Hay	297	TCV						
Ladie	S	Points	Club						
1	Darlis Coble	28	CPCC						
2	Sally Walter	294	CVCC						
3	3 Judy Kennedy		CA						
4	Diana Hay	156	TCV						
5	Barbara Foor	138	NVCC						

~ In Memoriam ~
Marlene Kortenhoven Crossed Flags CC, MW
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Why I Joined NCCC?

Have you ever stopped to ask yourself, "Why did I join NCCC?" I know a lot of you are going to say, "Well, my club belongs to NCCC, so I guess I should also." I think a lot of us would say that is a true statement, but it has lead me to numerous new friends thru my association with such a diverse group of people. Each year many of us look forward to attending our national convention and renewing the friendships that we have made at other NCCC outings. The association that we have with our cars leads us to the friendships we make at many of our NCCC events and gatherings. You could not ask for a better group of people with so many having the same interest. It's like the old saying goes, "The cars bring us together and the people / friendships keep us together."

Get involved with NCCC, meet new people and make new friends for a lifetime.

Glenn Hutchinson, Florida Region RE

ATTENTION NCCC MEMBERS!!

Have you moved? Has your name or address information changed?

If you can answer "YES" to any of these questions, it is important that you notify NCCC of these changes. You can do that two ways: by going to the NCCC website and clicking on Address Change Form and making your changes directly online or by notifying your Regional Membership Director or, in the case of members-at-large, the Vice President-Membership Larry Morrison. (*Larry Morrison's contact information can be found on this page and RMD contact information can be found in the* "Regional News" section of this magazine.)

It is important that the NCCC membership database be kept as up-to-date as possible, because this database is used to generate labels for each issue of *Blue Bars*, as well as for mailing membership packets and other pertinent information that NCCC mails out to the membership.



Regional News INDIANA REGION (IN)





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Hi, Everyone,

This year has gone so fast it is hard to believe it is time for the end of one season and, by the time everyone gets this edition of the *Blue Bars*, we will be into a new year. It has been a good experience being the Indiana Regional Executive. The new guy in the seat will be Jim Walton. Jim is a great guy, a good racer and very capable.

I have been asked by the Indiana Region to let everyone know about some of the changes that have been implemented to encourage non-competitors to come out to the events and participate in the non competition ways. This year we did a one-year trial program of awarding five (5) points to each worker for each event they worked. When there are events, starting in June at Putnam Park, which has six events followed by three weekends at Grissom with 14 events each weekend, just think, if you work 40 events, such as the Putnam event on a corner and the 14 event weekends at Grissom, you have just accumulated enough points to win a jacket from the Region. The jacket is presented at the Annual Region Banquet held sometime during the late winter or early spring of the following year. This will be the first year we will give at least one jacket to someone earning it by worker points only.

The Annual Region Banquet for the year 2008 will be held March 28th in Fort Wayne at the Kruse WWII Victory Museum. The banquet fee includes admission to the museum to wander throughout at your leisure. It will be a great time with a great group of Corvette People.

The Indiana Region will once again be giving a couple of scholarships that have no requirements as to usage. The scholarship application is available from Kevin Milton, Leslie McCarthy or Hal Bellamy or by contacting your club Governor. The e-mails or phone numbers can be had from your club Governor.

The Indiana Region will once again have the Brown County Weekend the first Sunday of October at the Brown County State Park. This weekend is free to all Indiana Region Members. There is a small charge for those who are not members of the Region.

Mary Bellamy, Outgoing Indiana Region RE

Regional News MICHIGAN REGION (MI)







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Here it is again that "White Time" in the Michigan Region. With the "White Stuff" on the ground and the 2009 competition calendar set, what better time is there to plan and organize this year's calendar of events. Michigan Region is going to be busy with speed events high and low, rallyes, and lots of car shows, along with a couple of drivers school to hopefully spark the interest of more racers.

The Michigan Region had two clubs that celebrated their 50th anniversary in 2008: Capital City Corvette Club MI-003 and Corvette Club of Michigan MI-006. Each club held several activities to help celebrate their anniversaries, from banquets, picnics, breakfasts, dinner cruises, car shows, golf outings, volleyball games, club photos, new club logo 1958-2008 and much more. Invitations were sent out to past members to join in all of the events. They received letters congratulating them from the Michigan Governor, General Motors Corvette division and other Corvette-related companies. We have several clubs in the Region that will be celebrating in the next couple of years.

I would like to thank the Michigan Region fellow officers for their guidance and support. It helps me to represent the Region at National Governors meetings with a confident feeling. Thanks again, Membership Director, Barb Harris; Competition Director, Ray Meesseman; Secretary, Angela Hanlin; Treasurer, Elana Siebel; Points Director, Sue Sweet; and Webmaster, Jim Sweet.

Also, I would like to thank my ex-boss, Dave Heinemann, who kept the meetings informative and made the RE's really feel welcome. Thanks, Dave.

Bill Siebel, Michigan Region RE

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Greetings,

As the new RE for the Midwest Region, I would like to thank the Governors for the honor and trust you have given me and give a big "Thank You" to Calvin Camp for leading our Region these past six years. Calvin, you set a very high standard in leadership and organization; we are going to miss you.

This past year we had over 150+ events in the Midwest Region that included rallyes, autocross events and car shows. Right now, most of us have put our cars away for the winter with thoughts of a new year of car shows, rallyes, and autocross events that we plan to enter as soon as the snow melts away. The first event that we look forward to is our annual Midwest Region Party on March 7th hosted by Windy City Corvettes that will be held at the William Tell Hotel in Countryside, IL. This is a great event that gives us the opportunity to get together and have a great time enjoying each other's friendship, while our cars are stored for the winter. A great new year is in the planning stages with again over 150+ events being planned. We are one of the best regions in NCCC to participate with your Corvette, with great people behind the scenes that make things work so well at all events. As Calvin used to say, remember, you only get out of life what you put into it, so get out there and have fun!!!

Warren Snyder, Midwest Region RE

We have completed our 2008 Midwest Region Competition season with 154 sanctioned events held. Congratulations to the Midwest Region competitors and clubs for their achievements in 2008. See the report in the next column.

Paul Haack, Midwest Region RCD

	MIDWEST REGION ~ 2008 YEAR END	PTS
	MEN	POINTS
1	Paul Haack - Windy City Corvettes	1270
2	Warren Snyder - Suburban CC of MN	1148
3	Bill Docherty - Windy City Corvettes	875
	Dale Samuelson - Northern Illinois CC	827
5	Bill Hoxmeier - Corvettes of MN	735
6	Donn Malwick - Central Illinois Corvettes	675
7	Frosty Botkin - Windy City Corvettes	672
8	AI McArdle - Windy City Corvettes	646
9	Jim Thomas - Northern Illinois CC	645
10	Mike Gutyan - Windy City Corvettes	593
	LADIES	
1	Diana Haack - Windy City Corvettes	1250
2	Carolyn Samuelson - Northern Illinois CC	1024
	Linda Fairlamb - Northern Rays Ltd.	782
	Bev Docherty - Windy City Corvettes	678
	Deborah Malwick - Central Illinois Corvettes	660
	Joan Thomas - Northern Illinois CC	628
	Chris Reitz - Route 66 CC	608
	Carol Gutyan - Windy City Corvettes	507
	Karen Hottenrott - Sunburst CC	424
10	Jeanne Cassel - Wisconsin CC	418
	CLUBS	
	Windy City Corvettes	10241
	Northern Illinois CC	4750
3	Badger State Vettes	3266
	Wisconsin CC	2971
5	Suburban CC of Minnesota	2950
	Central Illinois Corvettes	2519
7	Corvettes of Minnesota	2389
8	Route 66 CC	2240
9	Sunburst CC	1847

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Regional News NORTHEAST REGION (NE)







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CORVETTES OF BUFFALO 2008 Caravan Proceeds



The Corvettes of Buffalo's 4th Annual All Corvette Caravan again was a huge success. This year for the second straight year was a complete sell-out. We had 125 Corvettes drive through the Southern Tier of Western New York for a breathtaking stroll through rolling hills and picturesque views. The caravan lasted approximately two hours, and included a police escort throughout the drive. We ended at a quaint little resort (Colden Lakes), and had lunch, drawings, and social enjoyment.

This event had a couple of sponsors: West-Herr Chevrolet Hamburg was our corporate sponsor and other sponsors included Stereo Advantage, Salvatore Garden Place, Mark Kielaszek, Classic Car Insurance (Ron Giovino) and Noco Energy Corp.

All proceeds from this caravan (\$5,400) went to Kids Escaping Drugs (The Renaissance Campus). The Renaissance Campus was

established in 1990 as a residential treatment facility for teens suffering from drug and alcohol addiction. The campus consists of five buildings with a total of 62 patient beds. Renaissance House is a 30-bed in-patient residence for boys 12-17 years old. Stepping Stones is a 16-bed residence for girls ages 12-20, while the Promise House is a residence for boys 18 until 21.

Programming consists of individual, group and family therapy. While in residence, clients (kids) continue their education under the guidance of NYS certified teachers and participate in a number of community service projects including the Kids Escaping Drugs Peer Awareness and Face to Face Programming. Through these endeavors, clients (kids) and counselors reach out to middle and high school students and their parents about the dangers and consequences of drug and alcohol use.

After the check presentation, the club members had a tour of the beautiful campus and had an opportunity to speak with the kids in the program. The kids also had an opportunity to look at the dozen or so Corvettes that the club members brought to the Renaissance Campus.

"Skip" Polowy (left of picture) -President of Corvettes of Buffalomade a statement that was viewed by all in attendance that, "This was an opportunity for our organization to experience this GREAT program in our own backyard and to realizes that every penny counts. Plus the Kids really enjoyed telling their story and seeing our Corvettes."

Respectfully submitted,

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Regional News ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION (RM)





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This is my first article for NCCC as a Regional Executive Officer. I would like to thank all the Rocky Mountain Governors for their confidence in me. I know the Rocky Mountain Region can live up to the expectations of NCCC as a region and also the expectation for a wonderful 50th Convention in Colorado Springs.

I would like to invite everyone to come out in August and enjoy NCCC and Colorado. I joined NCCC to enjoy a great bunch of people that have one goal: to have a great time and enjoy our passion in the Corvette family.

Pete Urenda, Rocky Mountain Region RE

The 2008 season is over, we had 65 points sanctions and 10 nonsanctioned Corvette events. There were 177 men and 94 ladies that received points in 2008, that is a good showing for the number of region members doing events. The planning for 2009 is already well under way and I want to encourage every one of you to let your club governor know what you would like to see happen in 2009. Your input is very important and needed so the region officers know how you would like the region to operate and what activities you want. Plan on taking your corvette to as many events as you can, I know you will enjoy the actives and fun. I hope you enjoy your corvette activities as much as Ellouise and I do.

Thanks to all the region clubs for their cooperation and prompt handling of the 2008 region paperwork. And a big thank you to all the region members for making Rocky Mountain Region a great place for corvette fun. 2008 was my last year as your RCD, I have been elected to the VP of Membership for NCCC. It has been rewarding and an enjoyable experience knowing I have helped Rocky Mountain Region grow. I know you will support and help Curt Ingram the new region RCD for 2009. Thank you Curt for stepping up to the plate, which allowed me to try for a national office. I will still be the governor of Colorado West Corvette Club.

Larry Morrison, Outgoing Rocky Mountain RCD

Congratulations to the 2008 Rocky Mountain Region Champions.

ROCKY MTN REGION ~ 2008 YEAR END	PTS
MEN	POINTS
1 Roger Miller - Top of the Rockies Corvette Assn	312
2 Warren Volk - Top of the Rockies Corvette Assn	283
3 Ed Allen - Colorado West CC	271
4 Randy Zornes - Top of the Rockies Corvette Assn	234
5 Larry Morrison - Colorado West CC	215
6 Ken Bauer - Top of the Rockies Corvette Assn	208
7 Pete Urenda - Denver Corvette Assn	194
8 Mathew McRobbie - Top of the Rockies Corvette Assn	182
9 Mike Konshak - Top of the Rockies Corvette Assn	179
10 Phil Olbert - Down the Road Corvettes	175
LADIES	
1 Barb Reynolds - Top of the Rockies Corvette Assn	374
2 Michele Volk - Top of the Rockies Corvette Assn	343
3 Kitty Divis - Top of the Rockies Corvette Assn	331
4 Becky Konshak - Top of the Rockies Corvette Assn	175
5 Cindy McCoy - Top of the Rockies Corvette Assn	153
6 Jackie Bauer - Top of the Rockies Corvette Assn	142
7 Mary Boldt - Central Wyoming Corvettes	104
8 Ellouise Morrison - Colorado West CC	103
9 Nancy Burritt - Down the Road Corvettes	88
10 Cindy Urenda - Denver Corvette Assn	81
CLUBS	
1 Top of the Rockies Corvette Assn (RM-176)	3878
2 Down the Road Corvettes (RM-150)	1699
3 Colorado West CC (RM-294)	1428
4 Colorado Springs CC (RM-183)	1396
5 Denver Corvette Assn (RM-114)	1062
6 Central Wyoming Corvettes (RM-497)	833
7 Colorado CC (RM-536)	341

P.S. This is a reminder that the Rocky Mountain Region is hosting the NCCC National Convention this year in Colorado Springs. It will be the 50th convention for NCCC. We already have a lot of fun things planned but don't be afraid to let Walt hear any ideas you might have. And we can never have too much help, so do not be shy about volunteering.

Regional News ROADRUNNER REGION (RR)





Roadrunner Region



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2008 has been a busy year in our Region with more events being run and more participation by our club members.

This is what it's all about...we're out having fun with other Corvetters!!

The schedule for 2009 events is rapidly filling up, so we're looking forward to another exciting year! Bring sunscreen and cerveza and join us here in the desert where it's Corvette play time 24/7!!

Jim Gray, Roadrunner Region RE

Blue Bars

The Roadrunner Region's Competition season came to an end in early November. I regret to report that the total number of entrants for events this year was down. However, as I write this, fuel costs are dropping back down to relatively reasonable levels and this should contribute to much higher participant levels in 2009.

2008 saw a total of 60 events in the Region: 24 autocrosses, one ET Drags, one Matching Times, two Judged Concours, nine People's Choice shows, five Gimmick Rallyes and 18 Chance rallyes in 2008. The Roadrunner Region ended 2008 with a total of 911 NCCC members and 240 participated in at least one event during the year.

One of the brightest spots in the Roadrunner 2008 competition season was an increase in the number of Novice autocross entrants. I hope that 2009 will continue this trend. I see two ways to raise entries: (1) Find ways of appealing to younger Corvetters and Corvetters who are not presently part of NCCC. (2) Re-energize our competition programs to get more members involved in "actually doing fun things requiring skill while driving their Vettes." We need rallyes that are fun and challenging, but not so hard that people drop out. We need to put on club events that include Vette caravans on our beautiful back roads, mountains, and deserts. We need more judged Concours shows where members can show off their Vette with pride. And, most of all, we need to remind the "old guard" that they owe a debt to new members. The "old guard' competed and now mostly talks about their days of fun. Instead of "living in the past," the "old guard" now has a responsibility to not only encourage all forms of competition, but to get out there and help the "new generation" learn how much fun they can have. The "old guard" must become the proponents and the teachers! Providing the new generation with the opportunities that kept all of us in NCCC is the debt we owe as repayment for all the fun and camaraderie we've been blessed with.

Final 2008 Roadrunner Point Standings are as follows:

RC	ROADRUNNER REGION 2008 YEAR END PTS						
	LADIES	POINTS					
1	Debi Hamersly	248					
2	Kat Kemper	114					
3	Barb Shaw	114					
4	Rosemarie Feirn	95					
5	Nancy McFadden	89					
	MEN						
1	Paul Hamersly	244					
2	Kim Kemper	202					
3	Wallace Ricks	196					
4	Jim Enriquez	178					
5	Dale McKeeman	169					
	CLUBS						
1	Tucson CC	1726					
2	Arizona Competition Corvettes	1632					
3	Desert Corvette Association	1358					

RCD Challenge – bring a new Corvetter to the next event!! RR Schedule & details: <u>www.ncccroadrunner.com</u>

Paul Hamersly, Roadrunner Region RCD

Regional News SOUTHEAST REGION (SE)







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2008 was a tremendous year for growth within the Southeast Region. We started the year with 852 members and 12 clubs. As the books closed for the year – the region had grown with the addition of 144 members and 2 new clubs – Corvette Cruisers of Atlanta and Renegade Corvettes (both from the metro Atlanta area). The growth has continued into 2009 with the addition of 3 more clubs – Cleveland Corvette Club (Cleveland, TN), Vette City Vettes (Bowling Green, KY) and Vettes of the Smokies Corvette Club (Kingsport, TN).

A special welcome goes out to these new clubs and their members to the Southeast Region and NCCC. We hope to see you around at some of our events and activities!!

The Region had a successful year from a competition standpoint too. Even though event sites are getting more difficult to secure, we were able to host 60 events. Thanks go out again to the clubs that donated their sanctions to make those events possible.

As all the events were tabulated, there were 69 men and 35 ladies from the Southeast that earned regional points. Additionally, 34 men and 19 ladies from other Regions campaigned within our Region. There were 76 people (or almost 10% of the region's membership) who helped by working the events. Tremendous thanks go out to all those workers – without your help, the events could not go on!!

In the end, 15 men and 5 ladies earned the honor of 200+ points. The top 3 club and the top 3 places for workers will be honored. The 2008 Regional winners are listed below.

For 2009 — so far we have four weekends of autocrosses planned — April 18 & 19 in Nashville, TN, November 7 & 8 in Huntsville, AL, November 27, 28, 29 (High Speeds) at Roebling Road Raceway near Savannah, GA and then December 5 & 6 back to Huntsville, AL. Check the Southeast Region website (<u>www.ncccsouth.com</u>) for the latest calendar information. Mark your calendar – and start a new tradition by attending and/or competing in a regional event. It's contagious...and a wonderful way to meet new friends.

In this edition of the Southeast Region news – we are continuing to spotlight on one of our clubs – Lanier Corvettes Unlimited. If other clubs would like to be featured on this section, please let one of the regional officers know. We encourage your participation.

Regional SPOTLIGHT on Lanier Corvettes Unlimited, Oakwood, GA

Lanier Corvettes Unlimited (LCU) was started in 1991 by a group of Corvette enthusiasts as a way to bring people together with a shared interest and love for the car. It started with 6 members (Randy Smith, Bobby Tow, Sheri Millwood, Bob Ledford, Dean Skinner and Dwight Waters) and now is a club with over 100 members — most all of whom consider each other close personal friends or extended family.

The first meeting for Lanier Corvettes was held at a Hardee's restaurant in Oakwood, Ga. From there it moved to another small restaurant until the club outgrew it. Now the club meets in the fellowship hall of OGT Family Worship Center at 5004 McEver Rd. in Oakwood, Ga. on the first Thursday night of each month.

It really didn't take long for the club to get involved in the community through such things as fundraisers and car shows. Lanier Corvettes gives back to the community each year through various charitable organizations, some of which include Challenged Child, Gainesville Care Center, Gateway House, Soldiers Angels and the Gainesville College Scholarship Fund. They have done Christmas for local families and supported the Buford Church of God and the Guest House.

Lanier Corvettes really want to get the message across that a car is basically a weapon and feels that every driver should be required to take a driving school, especially young drivers. They don't understand how important that is. It may cost a little for a driving school, but in reality, how much is your child's life worth?

The club puts together a number of road trips every year. One of their favorites is the trip to "The Tail of the Dragon", a stretch of Hwy 129 near Hayesville, NC that consists of 318 switchbacks in an 11-mile nail-biting, tire-squealing, adrenaline-pumping car ride. The road leads to Deal's Gap where a Hall of Shame has been built with motorcycle parts. Other trips include a Ladies' Night Out and trips to the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, KY. There is a road rallye once a year in the North GA. Mountains that consists of a lot of laughs and great food.

Of course, the cars are the main attraction in the club and all members are avid car fans. They have everything from a 1956 owned by Judy Post to a 2001 Z06, 500 HP at the fly wheel and 425 HP at the rear wheels to 2009 C-6's . Driving these cars is fun on the road: however, when they really want to do some driving — they go to Track Days at Road Atlanta or take it to the drag strip. There is one thing that they are very adamant about — no street racing.

Members come from all walks of life, including pilots, dentists, businessmen, real estate agents and truck drivers- you name it. The ages of their members range (continued on pg. 49)

Regional News SOUTHWEST REGION (SW)





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Why NCCC?

In 1978, we returned from being stationed overseas and landed at Barksdale AFB in Bossier City, LA. After purchasing a couple of Corvettes, we joined Riverfront Corvette Club. *Funny how you can remember the people w ho belonged to the c lub and the camar aderie you had even then*. During this time, we put on events. I can remember having a car show once and having a judge from Fort Worth who said the tires did not come with rocks from the showroom floor, so why would you have them while being judged. This made some people unhappy to say the least.

In 1985, we were transferred to Carswell AFB in Fort Worth, TX, and joined Cowtown Vettes. During our membership with Cowtown, we raced, waxed and even helped in putting on the 1992 NCCC Convention in Arlington, TX. These members became your friends, allies and part of the family.

After Cowtown, we then joined Tin Hall Toys because of a very special person who is no longer with us...LARRY KOLB. Talk about a great person...Larry could party with the best and yet talk to you and make you feel good. We will miss him.

So **Why NCCC?** Could it be because of the members who you go toe-to-toe with trying to beat their time and yet sit with them between runs enjoying their friendship? Could it be the new people you meet from other regions?

It has been almost 29 years in an organization that enjoys the same things that you do...that you have traveled with, partied with, laughed with and cried with. As we get older, the memories and the relationships become more precious. You may not see your extended family except on race weekends or at the occasional car show, but when you do, it becomes all the more special. I feel fortunate looking back at all the people I have met, the friendships that have been formed and the people we still compete with.

And for that NCCC has made a difference and I do appreciate it.

Bernyce Molenda, Outgoing Southwest Region RE

Back in the saddle again. I am happy to be coming back as RCD for the Southwest Region in 2009. 2008 was another exciting year for our Region with many speed events at great locations. We were able to see Air Force One come and go in Waco, although it did stop the event for a while. The Region put on a successful convention and I must say it was very well run. The 2009 schedule is filling up fast and we're looking at some great speed events at top-rated venues. I am going to be busy getting the old GS ready during the off season, because I don't want to miss a one. If you're looking for some out-ofregion competition, I can promise you the Southwest is the place to go. We're planning many events that will be great "bang-for-your-buck" weekends where you can rack up lots of points and have a great time in the process. Keep an eye on our website for the latest schedule.

Finally, I want to congratulate our Southwest Region Champions for 2008:

Johnny Gann – Men Tracy Gaudu — Ladies Oklahoma City Corvette Club – Club

Joe Reese, Southwest Region RCD

	2009 SCHEDULE ~ SOUTHWI	EST REGION	
Date	Events	Host Club	Location
4/17-19	Fri. playday, Sat. 1 LS, 3 HS, 2 FK, Sun. 7 LS	CCO / COAST	Hallett/
			Tulsa Fairgrounds, OK
4/25-26	14 LS	CTCC / MCCC	Waco, TX
5/23/2025	Sat. 6 LS, Sun. 2 ETD, 1 MTD, 1 RD	0000 / 0000	Oklahoma City, OK
6/6-7	14 LS	THT / TVS	Oklahoma City, OK
6/13-14	TBD	BRCC	TBD
7/25-26	11 LS	CCOC / SCCC	Oklahoma City, OK
9/5-9	TBD	LCC	TBD
9/19-20	10 events	CTV / BRCC	TBD
10/31-11/1	14 events	TV / TOCC	Mineral Wells, TX



Regional News WEST REGION (WR)







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I was asked why I became a member if NCCC. It was totally by accident. We joined a local club and were informed that the club was a 100% club, so we also had membership in NCCC. At the time, this didn't mean just a whole lot but, as we became involved in the NCCC competition program, we learned of the insurance provided by NCCC through K & K and that was cool. Then our club needed a club Governor and I was elected to the position. Not sure what all the position entailed but, with the support of my club, I started attending National Governors Meetings in St. Louis. I knew a number of the club Governors from the West Region from participating in competition events, but I now had the opportunity to meet club Governors, as well as Regional and National officers. With each encounter, my enthusiasm for NCCC increased. The level of enthusiasm and dedication shown by everyone I met was part of the fun and I have found that these emotions are contagious.

I am proud to be a Regional Officer with NCCC and am looking forward to celebrating the 50th anniversary of this great organization in Colorado in 2009.

Gary Brisbois, West Region RE

By the time you read this, we will be well into Winter up here in the northland. The Vettes are put away until spring and we can hardly wait for spring to come around.

I would like to thank the members of the West Region for letting me be your Regional Membership Director these last four years. It has been a great experience, allowing me to meet a lot of the great people we have here in the West Region. My four years are up and it is time to turn over the job to your 2009 Regional Membership Director, Bob Bowen. Bob has just completed four years as VP of Membership for NCCC and he will be taking over my duties for this next year.

I know Winter is not a good time to pick up new members, but keep your eyes and ears open. Also, let's not forget the little guys out there — our grands, nieces, nephews, steps, etc. Sign them up as FCOA members for \$5.00 until they are 16. They will receive goodies throughout their membership. We are trying to formulate some new wording to allow them to continue as members after the age of 16. We are hoping that these FCOA members will be our base to help continue NCCC. West Region is second in NCCC for the number of children in FCOA; let's try and beat the Midwest Region, so we can be Number 1! That is my challenge to you as I leave office. You can find the FCOA applications in *Blue Bars* and on the NCCC website.

Diane Bowen, Outgoing West Region RMD

Thanks to all of you for giving me a chance to be part of the West Region Executive Board for 2009. It should be a smooth transition from Diane to me, since we only have to move some computer files from her computer to mine. I hope that I can keep things going as well as Diane did. I know I will have her to help me, whereas she didn't get a lot of help from me because of my National job. I look forward to 2009 and having more time to get out in the West Region now that my National job is over.

Stay warm; see you in the spring,

Bob Bowen, Incoming West Region RMD

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from 18 to 70. Anyone is welcome to join their family. And if you are looking to buy a Corvette, they will help you with the process. There are a lot of factors that go into finding the right car and even more when it comes to finding the right Corvette.

The club is always looking for new members. The cars bring them together, but it's the friendships developed for a lifetime that count. They like to be defined with one simple word: FAMILY.

Eternal Members: Pete Post, Danny Wallace, Willie Pethel, Debbie Burell

For more information about LCU, please visit their website at www. laniercorvettes.com.

John McGee, Regional Executive

Don Parks, Regional Competition Director Gail Yanko, Regional Membership Director Betty Parks, Regional Secretary/Treasurer

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Regional News WEST COAST REGION (WC)







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Welcome to all the new members and the old members this year to NCCC. All of us look forward to seeing the new members at events. 2009 is starting with many events including a caravan to the National Convention in Colorado Springs, CO. The Blue Bars Editor is always looking for articles on clubs and/or events. How about a story on how you found your first Corvette? Any human-interest story may make the pages of Blue Bars. Pictures always help make an article also.

Cliff Harris is working on getting our Region number ONE in membership. There are many types of activities that are enjoyed in a Corvette, such as autocrosses, rallies, car shows and more. With all the other type of activities out there to enjoy, you owe it to yourself to check out the calendar at the West Coast Region web site, http://www. ncccwcregion.org, or your club Governor to see what other Corvette Clubs are doing. You might find something that looks like fun. You will notice that Cliff has taken the time to color -code the events to make it easier to identify what kind of event they are. Red events are the Sanctioned events that you earn points for, Blue for Non-Sanctioned events (No Points), Black for Corvette related events in and out of the West Coast Region.

The rulebook for 2009 has some highlights that may affect you. Group 2 & 3 cars will not be required to run roll bars or cages in LOW SPEED EVENTS and will not require fire suits. Another change is to allow supercharged and turbocharged cars to run in Low Speed Events in their own new class. I hope that this will generate some additional interest in competition.

We are hoping to have another "High Speed" school in conjunction with "Corvette Track Days" at Spring Mountain (now Ron Fellows School) in Pahrump, NV.

We are working on a plan to have NCCC High Speed Regional point events at Spring Mountain this year. Please contact Joe, our RCD, to let him know what you think. With the cost of renting tracks, it may be the only cost effective way to run High Speed events in the Region.

All of your Regional officers look forward to seeing you at future events.

Save the Wave, Your regional officers,

Allen Morris, RE Joe Orrico, RCD Cliff Harris, RMD Ellis Chee, RT Rex Wilhite, RS

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SOUTHEAST REGION ~ 2008 PTS							
MEN	POINTS	EVENTS					
1 Don Parks - Corvette Atlanta	545	60					
2 Metts Hardy - Nashville CC	533	60					
3 Martin Workman - Nashville CC	488	60					
4 Gary Davenport - Nashville CC	476	60					
5 Ron Jarrell - Nashville CC	472	60					
6 Richard Yanko - Nashville CC	423	60					
7 Mike Dill - Nashville CC	357	60					
8 Johnny Biffle - Nashville CC	332	42					
9 Lynn Ryder - Nashville CC	327	53					
10 David Goebel - East TN CC	323	46					
11 Tim Miner - Nashville CC	322	42					
12 Paul Barros - Corvette Atlanta	313	28					
13 Larry Odom - Nashville CC	310	42					
14 Dan Sutton - Nashville CC	276	28					
15 Franky Mize - Nashville CC	216	28					
LADIES							
1 Alysia Hardy - Nashville CC	589	60					
2 Betty Parks - Corvette Atlanta	514	60					
3 Deborah Jarrell - Nashville CC	450	60					
4 Linda Goebel - East TN CC	424	46					
5 Cindy Dill - Nashville CC	416	60					
CLUBS							
1 Nashville CC	7048	60					
2 Corvette Atlanta	2216	60					
3 Valley Vettes	1020	30					
WORKERS							
1 John McGee - Nashville CC	120	60					
2 Rita Biffle - Nashville CC	91	42					
3 Amelia Workman - Nashville CC	71	32					



Regional News WEST OHIO REGION (WO)







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Welcome back to my fellow retuning officers: Pat Brown as RMD, Jim Asbury as your RCD, and Sheryl Asbury as our Treasurer.

Remember, the new rulebook and updates are available "on-line" at the NCCC website. You should have received your renewal packets in January. Be sure to check out the information on the 2009 Convention in Colorado. Registration opens February 1st and is best done on-line, once again, at the NCCC website. You can sign up for convention, the hotel, and pay with credit card, all from there. See you in Colorado Springs!

Congratulations to the top Competitors for 2008. For complete standings, see the West Ohio website.

Looking forward again to the Putnam Park event. This West Ohio / Indiana joint venture will be held May 30-31. We have added an extra event on Sunday this year, making a total of seven high speeds for the weekend. For complete details, see the West Ohio website. <u>www.westohiocorvettes.com</u>. Don't forget...the Lima Swap meet is coming up in March.

A quick Reminder...the NCCC Scholarship (\$1,000) Applications are due in by May 1st! (Each must be RECEIVED by May 1st, and Complete.)

Jerry Limpach, West Ohio RE Cheerios.kidd@yahoo.com

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2008 FCOA Membership Count by Region

	REGION	MEMBERS 01-01-08	ADD NEW MEMBERS	SUBTOTAL	LESS 16 YR. OLDS	MEMBERS 12-17-08		% INCREASE 12-07/12-08	CLUB WITH LARGEST FCOA # (12-17-2008)	# FCOA MEMBERS
MW	MIDWEST	483	41	524	-32	492	483	1.86%	MW-351 WINDY CITY CORVETTES	214
WR	WEST	407	18	425	-16	409	407	0.49%	WR-015 CEDAR RAPIDS CORVETTE CLUB	154
MI	MICHIGAN	319	8	327	-15	312	319	-2.19%	MI-003 CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB	72
ER	EAST	210	49	259	-13	246	210	17.14%	ER-108 YORK COUNTY CORVETTE CLUB	39
FL	FLORIDA	177	45	222	-1	221	177	24.86%	FL-276 CORVETTES OF NAPLES	87
EO	EAST OHIO	164	12	176	-10	166	164	1.22%	EO-005 CORVETTE CLEVELAND	56
SW	SOUTHWEST	163	12	175	-9	166	163	1.84%	SW-131 OKLAHOMA CITY CORVETTE CLUB	63
WC	WEST COAST	156	9	165	-5	160	156	2.56%	WC-302 CORVETTES WEST	17
IN	INDIANA	115	10	125	-10	115	115	0.00%	IN-382 S CENTRAL INDIANA CORVETTE CLUB	37
RR	ROADRUNNER	112	6	118	-7	111	112	-0.89%	RR-303 DESERT CORVETTE ASSN.	54
SE	SOUTHEAST	98	4	102	-7	95	98	-3.06%	SE-073 NASHVILLE CORVETTE CLUB	29
WO	WEST OHIO	86	0	86	-2	84	86	-2.33%	WO-027 CORVETTE TROY	44
RM	ROCKY MTN	64	3	67	-4	63	64	-1.56%	RM-183 COLORADO SPRINGS CORVETTE CLUB	28
NE	NORTHEAST	43	3	46	-5	41	43	-4.65%	NE-105 SYRACUSE CORVETTE CLUB	13
CA	CAROLINA	30	3	33	-1	32	30	6.67%	CA-014 CAROLINA CORVETTES	14
NW	NORTHWEST	2	0	2	-1	1	2	-50.00%	NW-483 TACOMA CORVETTE CLUB	1
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FCOA MEMBER #3900 ~ ANTHONY

When Mike Walsh mailed in the FCOA membership application, little did he suspect that his nephew, Anthony, would be assigned FCOA #3900! Mike and his wife, Glenda, have been members of St Louis Corvette Club in the Midwest Region for three years. They enjoy the people in the club and their road trips including one in 2008 where 28 cars SLCC cars traveled to the National Corvette Museum when fellow club members picked up their new Vette on the date of their first Corvette purchase 50 years earlier.

Twelve-year old Anthony is a straight A seventh grade student who favors math, science and spelling, but he doesn't look forward to that history class. A wide range of activities keeps him busy when he's not in school or working with the Student Council. Besides being a Star Scout in Boy Scouts, Anthony enjoys skateboarding, playing the piano, soccer and playing with his little brother Andrew. He even finds time to go to car shows and collect Corvettes!

For right now, Anthony's Vette collection is made up of radio control cars, models and Hot Wheels[™], but he's planning ahead for his "real" car. How? He has already opened up a savings account where he is setting money aside to buy his first Corvette!



Anthony's uncle purchased his first Corvette 46 years ago and found that feeling never goes away, so he's happy that he is able to enjoy the Corvette ownership experience once again. Parked in his garage are a 1975 4-speed convertible and the 2007 6-speed pictured here. Both are yellow that just happens to be Anthony's favorite color!

Congratulations, Anthony, for being FCOA member #3900!

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- Low and High Speed Autocross
- at Pike's Peak International Raceway!
- Flying W Ranch evening for participants
- Gold country tours
- Garden of the Gods
- Cave of the Winds
- Royal Gorge

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- Old Colorado City
- Molly Kathleen Mine
- Pikes Peak and the Cog Railway
- Plenty of party fun with music and bands!
- Concours Car Show
 - People's Choice Car Show
 - There are too many more to name! You won't be disappointed.

We can't wait to treat you all of God's glory in our back yard. We're confident that you'll have a great time and we'll create a memorable time for you!

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