

By-Law Change Request

RE-2013-7

All motions to amend By-Laws shall first be submitted to the By-Laws committee 2 weeks prior to the first meeting of the year. **Please complete all information to the best of your ability and submit to the Parliamentarian.** For help completing the form contact you Regional Executive or the NCCC Parliamentarian.

Please complete the following information regarding the By-Law(s) you are submitting for change:

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| Article Number: | III | Article Title: | Members |
| Section Number: | 3 | Section Title: | Classification |
| Sub-Section Letter: | I | Sub-Section Title: | Enthusiast Member (Being added) |
| Additional Title within Sub-Section (If applicable): | | | |

1. In the space below, please **write the entire By-Law(s) as it currently appears in the NCCC By-Laws.** Please **use red highlight** to **indicate the verbiage you would like to change:**

No changes only additional Verbiage

2. In the space below please **re-write the entire By-Law as it would appear if the change is approved.** Please **use green highlight** to **indicate where the proposed new verbiage would appear:**

I. Enthusiast Member. This membership is available to anyone who is a Corvette Enthusiasts. Any requests for such status shall be directed to the Regional Membership Director or Vice President of Membership. Enthusiasts members need not comply with the Corvette ownership or recognized club membership requirements set forth in Section 1 of this article. All other provisions of Section 1 of the article shall apply. An Enthusiast member shall be entitled to all of the privileges of Primary members except the right to hold office in NCCC or compete for National or Regional points. . Upon approval of the application, payment of the required dues, and the information entered into the membership data base the applicant shall become an Enthusiast member.

3. Please **state in detail**, why you think this By-Law should be changed:

The week end after the September NCCC Governors meeting, I attended Mid-America's Fun Fest in Effingham, Illinois. I was checking in to pick-up my pre-registration packet and asked the lady at the window about how many \$25 packets they sell each year? She answered somewhere between 20,000 and 25,000. I say WOW, that's a lot of people. Each year 15,000 + Corvettes and about 40,000 to 45,000 people attend Fun Fest.

Cutting grass the following Wednesday I started to think about Fun Fest and how many Corvette people attend and pay at least \$25 to go for three days of fun. I remembered the discussion from the last Governors meeting about trying to balance the NCCC 2013 budget and where we could cut and how we could increase revenue. I than did the math!

10,000 people at \$25 is \$250,000...Let's do that again. 10,000 people at \$25 is \$250 K!! 20,000 people at \$25 is ½ million \$\$\$\$\$.

For \$25 I received in my packet a T-shirt (\$7), a poster (\$1), a pin(\$1), a lot of advertising papers from vendors, and the right to walk around and spend more money at Fun Fest. If I stayed Saturday evening, I could attend a free sponsored concert.

I than thought about the Corvette Museum. A basic membership is \$50 each year. A couple is \$100 a year. The NCM has over 50,000+ members paying this every year. Do the math...50,000 at \$50 is \$2,500,000.00. That 2 ½ million \$\$\$!! With this membership you get a NCM magazine 6 times a year and free entry to the NCM. And a NCM pin.

I than thought about the Blooming Gold Corvette show. Over a three day week end, 20,000-30,000 people pay \$20 at the gate and get a program book and the right to walk about vendors and spend more money on stuff. For \$20 all you get is a program book.

And I thought about Corvettes of Carlisle. What do you get for your \$35 entry fee there? NCRS, now over \$35 each year, you get a patch and magazine for joining. And NCCC members have a problem with the cost of our dues? Something just doesn't add up. All these Corvette people are willing to spend a lot of \$\$ for several days and so little in return. A Corvette owner can join NCCC for \$35 and renew each year for \$25. And I don't think I need to share with you all one gets for his \$25 dollars?

To belong to NCCC one needs to own a Corvette. Each year our numbers decline, the cost of the car goes up, we keep getting older, and very few younger people join. Yet, there are a lot of folks, young and old, who are Corvette enthusiasts who don't own a Corvette, but would like to get involve with the Corvette hobby.

NCCC Associate is a place for past members who no longer own a Corvette. After FCOA kids turn 16, they become Youth members until they turn 26. If they don't own a Corvette by the time they are 26, bye-bye to NCCC.

Why not reverse our thinking and instead of waiting for a person to buy a Corvette to join NCCC, let them belong as a Corvette Enthusiasts and nurture them into NCCC so that they want to own a Corvette someday. Along the way they increase our numbers and income, and provide workers for our events which always seem to be a challenge, and become part of the Corvette hobby.

With this thinking I would like to summit a new membership classification for belonging to NCCC. This new member would not own a Corvette, could not vote, could not hold any NCCC office, National or Regional. This person would be very similar to an Associate and MAL member in regards to NCCC membership.

4. If this By-Law change is approved, **how will it impact the organization?**

Should generate additional revenue for NCCC and Clubs

5. If this By-Law change is approved, will it be necessary to **design any new forms, revise any currently used forms, or additional paperwork** to put this change into place? If so, **have you attached a sample?** Do you have any suggestions for the By-Laws Committee?

Membership Application form and Data Base may need to be changed. This needs to be investigated

6. Other comments:

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7. Change Request Author Information:

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Thank you for completing the above information. Your request will be reviewed at the next By-laws Committee meeting. A confirmation will be sent to you by the Parliamentarian upon receipt of your Change Request Form.

By-Laws Committee Review Process (To be completed by Parliamentarian, RE and / or By-Laws Committee)

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