

NCCC East Region Governors Meeting  
March 6, 2004  
Mechanicsburg, PA

Mike Weil, Regional Executive, convened the meeting at 11:05 a.m. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Introductions of officers and governors present followed. The following regional officers and governors were present:

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| Mike Weil       | Regional Executive                            |
| Karen Port      | Regional Treasurer, Governor – USA -1         |
| George Fanucci  | Regional Membership Director                  |
| Brian Gallagher | Regional Competition Director, Governor – TCV |
| Jeff Port       | Regional Webmaster                            |
| Barb Erdman     | Regional Secretary, Governor – LCCC           |
| Gus Bartoli     | Governor, CCA                                 |
| Bill Trethaway  | Governor, CPCC                                |
| David Walter    | Governor, CVCC                                |
| Greg Gable      | Governor, YCCC                                |
| Brad Case       | Governor, SVCC                                |
| Billy Bagwell   | Alternate Governor, CCCC                      |
| Marie Sizemore  | Guest, ACCC                                   |
| Joyce Angell    | Governor, CA                                  |
| Steve Angell    | Guest, CA                                     |
| Grant Ridgley   | Governor, FSOC                                |
| Margie Ridgley  | Guest, FSOC                                   |
| Dane Berry      | Guest, CCC                                    |
| Ray Inle        | Governor, CCC                                 |
| Kevin Minnich   | Guest, AACC                                   |
| Bud Benton      | Governor, AACC                                |
| Chip Steinmetz  | Governor, CCASSN                              |
| Jay Gift        | Guest, CVCC                                   |
| Roland Driver   | Governor, GBV                                 |
| Barry Thomas    | Governor, KSCC                                |

The secretary's report was given. A motion was made by Bud Benton and seconded by Roland Driver to accept the secretary's report as printed. The motion carried.

Karen Port gave an overview of expenses for the region since 1995. Karen reported opening a money market for the region and had the funds from the Ginnie Mae account transferred to the money market. A more detailed treasurer's report will be available at the next meeting. Karen reported all trophy funds for 2003 have been received and the books for 2003 have been closed out. It was decided that no sanction requests will be granted in future years until all trophy funds for the club requesting sanctions are paid for the current year.

Membership Director George Fanucci reported the East Region currently has 2,433 members and 31 clubs. George also reported getting some club packets back in the mail and requested all governors update their mailing addresses as necessary.

Brian Gallagher, RCD reported at the end of 2003 there were about 18200 members in NCCC and out of this 18200 members, only 2000 people had earned 2 points or more. 2 Points earned meant they worked at one (1) event. The other 16000 members of NCCC did absolutely nothing in 2003. Jack Priestner of Cumberland Valley CC was ranked 119<sup>th</sup> on the national point level for men. Karen Ross of Cumberland Valley CC was ranked 56<sup>th</sup> nationally for women. There are clubs out there who do not even do any type of sanction events during the course of a year. Currently there are about 16, 200 members in NCCC so membership dropped nationally about 15% to begin 2004. In order to increase membership, the national executive board has secured Mid America as the sponsor for a membership competition during 2004. The club attaining the most new members will win something from Mid America. Additional details on what the winning item is will be forthcoming in the May meeting.

Brian Gallagher's report also included information on the new C6 coming out in August. The C6 will be in the G class in Concours and for speed events, it will be in Group IJ or IJS with the Z06 since there is only 5 hspwr difference in engines. Any modifications at all will put the C6 in groups II or III with the C5 and Z06. Brian also said there will not be any backdating of parts allowed from the C6 to the Z06. Other groups with backdating parts are still okay.

On the passenger issue, the national meeting has said passengers can be in Low Speed events only, no high speed events. Passengers must be 16 or older and no driver competing can go with another driver unless the second driver is a NOVICE, or not entered in event AT ALL. Additionally, some people have attempted to change classes after a couple of runs in speed events. To that end, a vehicle must tech for one class in a given event. The only exception to this would be if you had a problem during a low or hi speed event and are sent back to tech, if you modify something to your car at that point, you could change class after the modification and reteching is finished.

For after market parts clarification where you are replacing certain parts for failed stock parts, items such as a water pump purchased at Advance Auto (just an example) can be put on and the car still remain in Grp. I Grp. I radios must remain unless the radio was a radio delete option from the factory. Gauges can be removed. Steering wheels in Group I can't be changed, Grps. II and III can have a steering wheel that is only 1/2 inch smaller than the stock steering wheel.

Three new low speed autocrosses were added to the calendar on July 25<sup>th</sup> for Cumberland Valley CC. Dave Walter also announced at the meeting that the CVCC Driving school in April is full with a wait list.

One last item for Brian Gallagher was that all national RCD's are now on board electronically and have agreed to accept all flyers for events electronically which means there will no longer be any costs involved to clubs for event flyers if sent electronically.

Mike Weil, Regional Exec announced that the vote to increase primary member dues \$5.00 for 2005 passed on the national level by a vote of 100 yes/ 20 no. Beginning Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2004, any new primary members to NCCC will pay \$35.00 to join. There is no rate increase for either spouse or dependent members. The old rate of dues was in effect for 19 years with no dues increase until now.

The NCCC website is now getting 4500 hits per month, up 500 hits from the same time period last year. Laurie Schwab, current web master, is stepping down this year. Jeff Port, the East Region Webmaster, has submitted his application to become the national Webmaster.

Mike also reported two clubs in the Florida region were split on leaving NCCC because they are under the impression that racing events are the cause for the increase in insurance rates. It was explained to the clubs that racing events pay additional fees for higher insurance coverage on an event basis. Most racing events doing this are the high speed events. These two clubs have been approached by another insurance company who would charge them per event at least \$250 but the only type of event they would cover would be Concours.

Mike pointed out that K&K Insurance covers any event a club has that the club has printed a flyer, a calendar, or a notice about the event. The only thing K&K does not cover is say, two people going for a bite to eat after an event. Mike said K&K is more worried about parades and Concours shows than racing events anyhow because usually spectators are more protected at a racing event than a parade or a show. Mike said the rate for K&K breaks down to \$20. year per member. The largest claim ever paid by K&K was for one million dollars about 4 years ago and the claim was the result of a California club doing a parade and after the parade, a club member hit a spectator who died. All members of the club were sued but not one person paid a penny, the entire claim was paid by K&K. There were no claims during 2003 and NCCC has the best policy K&K offers.

Mike reported the national budget process for 2004 has changed to April of each year for the Finance Committee so that by the September national meeting, the governors will get a copy of the proposed budget and the vote on the budget can take place at the November national meeting. Mike also reminded all governors that he needs their proxy forms in order to vote for them at the national. All governors are also requested to complete the survey on the national website for sponsorships on the national level.

The East Region banquet will be held on April 3<sup>rd</sup> in Carlisle. Cumberland Valley CC is hosting the banquet again. Dave Walter had flyers for anyone interested in attending with 3 choices of entrees ranging from \$15.00 to \$35.00 for surf and turf. All checks must be mailed to CVCC by March 24<sup>th</sup>.

A final note on Blue Bars – the cruise to the Caribbean in February will be featured in the next issue The editor of Blue Bars is encouraging all members to send in pictures, articles and letters to the editor.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barb Erdman  
Secretary