



**EAST REGION GOVERNOR'S MEETING
MAY 22, 2010
HOLIDAY INN, GRANTVILLE, PA**

The following Officers, Governors, and Guests were present:

Joe Vasta	Regional Executive, BACC President, {ER-263}
Brian Gallagher	Regional Competition Director, Gov. TCV {ER-323}
Karen Port	Regional Treasurer, USA-1, {ER-111}
Steve Johnson	Regional Secretary, BACC {ER-263}
Jeff Port	Regional Webmaster, USA-1 {ER-111}
George Gallant	Gov., BACC, {ER-263}
Bill Etzel	Guest, BACC, {ER-263}
Michele Vasta	Guest, BACC, {ER-263}
Dick Heisler	Gov., YCCC {ER-108}
Bill Sangrey	Guest, CVCC, TDS Coordinator {ER-098}
Dave Walter	Guest-Proxy, CVCC {ER-098}
Sally Walter	Guest, CVCC {ER-098}
Kim Casselberry	Gov., CPCC {ER-196}
Don Emmons	Gov., GBV{ER-190}
Clyde Mooney	Guest-Proxy, LCCC {ER-266}
Bentz Puryear	Gov. CA {ER-372}
Pete Klein	Guest, CA {ER-372}
Grant Ridgley	Gov., CCCM {ER-546}
Carl Smith	Gov., PCCC {ER-050}
Buck Buchanan	Guest-Proxy, Pres. FSCC {ER-038}
Don Graf	Gov., CCCC {ER-535}
John Cantelmo	Gov., PMCC {ER-390}, NCM Ambassador
Michelle Cantelmo	Guest, PMCC {ER-390}
Norb Szymanski	Gov., AACC {ER-118}
Marty Specht	Gov., USA-1, {ER-111}
Ron Hamrah	Gov., CCA {ER-001}
Don Haller	Guest, Pres. CCA {ER-001}
Rich Taylor	Guest, CCA {ER-001}
John Urban	Guest, CCCC {ER-535}
Buck Buchanan	Guest, Pres. FSCC {ER-038}
Barry Thomas	Gov., KSCC {ER-093}
Chip Steinmetz	Gov., CCASSN {ER-031}
Lori Ortelli	Guest, TCV, {ER-323}

**The following clubs were not represented by their governors or proxies:
HRCC, BCC, BCCC, CCNEPA, LVCA, NVCC, SVCC, TWCC and CF.**

A copy of these minutes will be distributed to all governors and to club presidents whose governors were not present.

The meeting was called to order by RE Joe Vasta at 10:02 AM, who opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance. An introduction of officers, Governors, and guests followed.

Joe mentioned the complexities of the awards banquet that have come up within the past week. The number of attendees guaranteed and the size of the room had to be adjusted and we have to be out of the room by 4 pm.

Joe outlined the schedule of the day's events: the Governor's meeting; registration and the car show will run concurrently; presentation of car show awards; awards banquet.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Steve Johnson, ER Secretary had distributed the minutes from the March meeting via email to East Region governors. He thanked all those present for responding to the email "invitation". No one present offered additions or corrections to the published March minutes. Minutes from this meeting will be distributed via email to all East Region governors and club presidents. Steve asked for a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was made by Ron Hamrah and seconded by Kim Casselberry. The motion passed.

NCM AMBASSADOR REPORT

John Cantelmo-NCM Ambassador reported that the NCM is very eager to establish a relationship with the East Region. He said there is a spreadsheet with individual club's information that will be circulating via email. John would appreciate any additions or corrections of the club ambassador's names and email addresses. He said there is a link to access the application form, insurance, Museum events calendar, the "Buy a Brick" program, and name tag. He said the NCM is eager to hear ideas we have as a region and to funnel those ideas through John.

READING AND APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

Karen Port, ER Treasurer, said the net worth of the East Region is \$30,351.39. The Smith-Barney account balance is \$23,489.20. The Savings account balance is \$5115.15. The Checking account balance is \$1,747.04. Awards for 2009 have been paid costing \$1,831.50. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by George Gallant and seconded by Don Emmons. The motion passed.

REGIONAL COMPETITION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Brian Gallagher, ER-RCD, said the Competition Committee minutes from the national meeting are included in his "collectible" RCD Report. The first thing discussed related to helmets for speed events. The 2010 helmets will not be available until the fall of 2010. Therefore, year 2000 helmets will be acceptable up until that time. There is a

manufacturer's date tag on the inside of the helmet. The high speed driving schools approved for the remainder of 2010 are going to be run at Pocono Raceway in May, and two at Summit Point in June and July. The Teen Driving School was discussed at the national meeting and they will be advised of the progress of the ER-TDS. Brian said if a car has to change classes after it has been teched, the car will have to be re-teched. The 2011 Z06 Carbon Limited Edition coming out has to be placed into a class when it is available. It will receive a classification at a later time and will be further discussed at the September National meeting. Brian said in SCCA and NASA they require a physical examination for older entrants, the NCCC does not. Ray Meesseman of the Michigan Region passed away after suffering a heart attack while competing at an NCCC event in Florida. The competition committee said they would not require a physical of entrants.

2011 Rulebook discussion:

Should fire extinguishers be required in low speed events? Brian asked for governors input for the September meeting.

Should transponders be used in HPDE/Time Trials? Brian said a competitor can drive for five hours over a two day period, get some good runs within a HPDE and have his time count towards competition points while having their fastest time recorded by a transponder. However, a competitor can drive for approximately 18 minutes over two days in the Spooktacular and have their fastest time recoded for and count towards competition points. The concern is getting the bigger bang for the buck. George Gallant asked if it would be limited to entrants who were not the lowest level students. YES. It would be limited to only high-speed certified entrants only. George said drivers could be out on the track with people of higher skill levels. Dave Walter said it would be better to separate HPDEs and Time Trials. In order to qualify to run the Time Trials, you need to have the high speed license; in order to get a high speed license, you run the HPDE. Keep them separate. George Gallant concurred with Dave and Brian will take that suggestion to the Competition Committee.

[Please see Brian's attached competition minutes for details.](#)

Brian offered the scenario of a rallye event chairman who has set up the route, the gimmick questions, the pre-event run, and then has a family emergency the morning of the event and cannot be present for the event. Should that person receive 9 points despite having missed the event? NO. Carl Smith asked why the Rallye (route) Checker has to be present at the event. Brian was not able to answer that question. Brian suggested this point be presented for the 2012 Rulebook.

Brian said to send event results to him but be sure to correct "errors" prior to sending them to him. Send results to event entrants by either email or USPS within 30 days. Also, be mindful of the number of Workers entered on the summary sheets.

The updated East Region club events are presented in Brian's Competition report. [Please see the Regional website for the latest changes to events and event dates.](#)

REGIONAL MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Denny Morin-RMD, was not at the meeting due to prior commitments. Steve Johnson, Regional Secretary, provided an abbreviated RMD report. The RMD notes had been sent out via email to all governors prior to the meeting. [Please see his complete RMD report.](#) The Blue Bars postal rate change is almost complete. The ER By-Laws Committee hopes to meet in the near future on an off-cycle regional meeting date. Don Emmons has volunteered to serve on this committee and Denny hopes to enlist the experience and knowledge of others in the region for this purpose. Please let Denny know of your availability. New, updated NCCC membership applications are available. Discard the old ones. Old applications were accepted today. Rom Hamrah-CCA, asked who attends the national meetings. Joe explained that he, Brian, and Denny attend the meetings in St. Louis and 14 of 15 regions are represented at this meeting. The Northwest Region is represented by the West Coast. The Northeast Region RCD is represented by Brian Gallagher.

The Duntov Performance Award information sheet was distributed at the beginning of the meeting to all governors. Recently, this award was won by Lancaster County CC and this was recognized by Dick Yanko, National NCCC President, at the National meeting. Clyde Mooney-LCCC, said the trophy for this award was going to be placed in the NCCC kiosk at the National Corvette Museum. LCCC has won the award twice. The paperwork was submitted in mid-December and then by early-February they received notification that they had won the award along with a check for \$500 that they donated to the LCCC charity, five cases of motor oil, and five car care kits they have used for fundraisers. Brian pointed out that East Region clubs currently do not run for National Points on which the Duntov Award is based.

REGIONAL WEBMASTER'S REPORT

Jeff Port-Webmaster, reminded the governors to use the correct email addresses. The East Region *VetteWorks* site will cost \$20 a year after July 1. This is open to all bona fide NCCC members and an abundance of information is available on the site. Invitations to join *VetteWorks* had been offered to all governors in the past months. This is available to the membership of all East Region clubs. Don Haller-CCA, asked Jeff for the definition of the *VetteWorks*. Jeff explained that it was only a play on words of the term *Network*. Currently there are 149 members and the price will go up when the membership reaches 150 to \$200 per year. It does not cost members anything to be a member of the site. Joe asked if this was a service the region should keep. Dick Heisler and Don Haller said their clubs have used it extensively. Brian said an email invitation from the club governors to their own club members to join *VetteWorks* would be most effective. He put forth a motion that the Region pays the \$200 for *VetteWorks* out of the Trophy Fund balance to maintain the site for one year. The motion was seconded by George Gallant. The motion carried. The link for this site is: www.ernccc.ning.com.

TEEN DRIVING SCHOOL

Bill Sangrey-ER Teen Driving School Coordinator, said he has made contact with the National Corvette Museum about the East Region program and will continue the effort to roll out the TDS. He said Northern Virginia CC had their TDS on May 1.

REGIONAL EXECUTIVE REPORT

Joe Vasta, East Region-RE, said the 2010 “Raffle Car” is a *Grand Sport* with the 3LT package, 6-speed, black, and the “Heritage Package”. { Includes two-tone leather seats, Grand Sport logo seat headrest embroidery and dealer-installed fender stripe hash mark design in Light Silver Metallic, Pearl White, Victory Red or Cyber Gray. Must specify Red or Titanium Gray two-tone leather seating surfaces. Must specify fender stripe color.} Hal Tumbleson, NCCC-National Business Manager, said the new contact for K&K Insurance is Pam Walker. Her email contact information is: pam.walker@kandkinsurance.com

Hal said the K&K waiver sheet MUST be signed and NOT a separate sheet.

Dick Yanko, the National President, said the upcoming NCCC offices to be filled for 2011-2012 are as follows: President, VP-Membership, Parliamentarian, Treasurer, and VP-Public Relations. Joan Thomas, National Webmaster, reminded people to go to the NCCC website and look at the “What’s New” section.

A service that is under-used is the availability of discounts to members. Joe said a regional governor was planning a vacation and found several offers for discounts available to NCCC members. The best rate for his hotel reservation was an NCCC-discount.

The development of the automated database is continuing. Denny has encouraged all to use this prior to implementation which may occur in 2011. New members and renewals can be entered this way.

A concern of the East Region and National Council is the correct input of information. Joe has volunteered to serve on the national Technical Committee for Automation/Integration.

In the Regional Executives meeting the language for by-laws changes affecting the functioning of the RE committee and its responsibilities was discussed. Joe will provide a copy to the governors by the September meeting.

Joe said Sylvia Hoaldrige, the editor of *Blue Bars*, needs a kidney transplant and is on the national list for that procedure. There are 107,000 people waiting for a transplant as of May 17 and only 2200 donors. Many states allow for a person to be an organ donor and Joe encourages everyone to consider becoming part of the program within their state.

OLD BUSINESS

Carl Smith, PCCC, asked if there was going to be a multi-year NCCC membership card. Joe said the National was going to continue with the single-year card. Norb Szymanski, AACC, asked if NCCC pins were still available. Joe said the membership pins had been eliminated in the membership packets a couple of years ago as a cost-saving effort. Dennis Patrick provides and purchases a limited number of pins. He can provide these through Denny Morin. Dave Walter said he has about 100 of the 50th Anniversary pins available.

NEW BUSINESS

Dick Heisler, YCCC, said the Internal Revenue Service #990 form is intended for use if an organization has less than \$25,000 per year in gross receipts. Karen reminded the clubs to maintain their non-profit status. She said the East Region inquired about this last year and the Region had no income to report. Clyde Mooney, LCCC, said his club obtained a “small gaming license” from the state of Pennsylvania for about \$100.

The following links (thank you, Jeff Port) are for the IRS publication #990, the organ donor program, and PA gaming license:

<http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f990.pdf>

<http://organdonor.gov/>

http://www.revenue.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/small_games_of_chance/14500

50/50 drawing was \$46. The winning ticket was held by Dave Walter, Governor-Emeritus, CVCC.

Joe asked for a motion to adjourn. Ron Hamrah offered the motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jeff Port. The motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:51 p.m.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Steve Johnson, ER Secretary