



# **NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CORVETTE CLUBS**

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Roadrunner Governors and Officers,

The next national Competition Committee and Governor's Meetings are in November. Please let me know if you approve of the proposed rulebook changes I notified you about earlier.

A Rulebook Clarification was decided earlier this year that I want to remind everyone about. A rental car can be used in an Autocross, Drag Race, Rallye, Funkhana, Time Trial, or Economy Run. However, a rental car cannot be used in a car show, regardless of whether it is a judged Concours or a People's Choice.

Results for all Roadrunner events to date are posted on the Roadrunner web site, along with the current Top-20 Points Standings for the year.

Some things to think about and, hopefully, discuss with your club members. Why do people join our Corvette Clubs? I think one of the main reasons is to make new friends and find new ways to enjoy their Corvettes. The common interest of Corvettes brings together a diverse group from all walks of life. That makes us strong. Within NCCC, we promote the fact that our organization offers the Corvetter a wide variety of different activities so there is something for everyone. Car Shows, Rallyes, Funkhanas, Autocrosses, Drag Races, and more. I see clubs gaining new members each year, but I also see that our average region membership remains relatively static. That means, for almost every new member, a current member departs. Why?

Is your club actually putting on a variety of events? Or, is your club doing the same thing over and over? Drive and Dine events are fun, but if that is all we do, people get bored. Why not host a rallye, autocross, or some other type of event where driving our Corvettes skillfully is the primary emphasis. How about putting on an event and inviting all the Corvette Clubs in the Region? How about coming out and experiencing a Rallye or other event put on by an experienced host club and then taking what you learned to your club to try your own hand at hosting an event for the region?

I hope to see many more events, as well as clubs hosting events for the first time in 2012. I am available to help any club organize and host an event, especially if a club wants to host an event for the first time.

As the 2011 year draws to an end, I wish each of you and your clubs a wonderful, safe, and happy holiday season and I hope that all of you are reinvigorated and come out to play in 2012.

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