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CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

Jimmy Gregg

SPEED WAY REGIONAL DOES US PROUD

In case you missed it, the 2009 edition of the Speedway Regional was a success. We had some issues but they were minor. I think a successful meet is one where any issues are handled and the participants never know that there were any issues. When the final results are in I think we will be able to be very generous to our charities. Congratulations to all the chapter members who had their cars judged and scored Top Flight awards. Reba will have the judging results in her section of the newsletter.

Without a doubt the success of the meet goes to all of the Carolina Chapter members who volunteered and made everything work. I have always said we have some of the hardest working members of any organization I have been a member of, and they work for a foot long Subway or a BBQ sandwich. Also special thanks go to the Southeast Chapter members who worked with us as well. I am not positive, but I think we had member who joined at the meet and then worked the entire weekend. Please remember that work ethic as we will need your assistance next year for the convention.

As tradition has it, any member who worked at the meet can attend the fall chapter meet at no cost including the traditional BBQ dinner. At this point I am not sure where that event will be held. All I know is that it will be held the last weekend in September (September 25 – 26). The plan is to have the meet at a new Hampton Inn in West Jefferson, NC near the Blue Ridge Parkway and within one mile of Smoky Mountain BBQ. The motel is completed, but not open at this time. The enclosed registration form lists Nations Inn in West Jefferson, but is subject to change as noted. The road tour will manage to visit the Casa de Gregg in Mountain City, TN, as it should be completed by then.

Planning is well under way for the 2010 Convention. In case you missed it, the 2010 Convention will be held at the Speedway and will use the Embassy Suites Hotel as the host hotel as we did for the regional. By using that venue, we found out some issues and problems that need to be addressed for the convention. None of the issues were too serious, but definitely needed some attention. Anyone who has any suggestion on how to eliminate rough areas and make the convention better, feel free to send them to me or any CCNCRS board member.

Don't forget about the judging School on June 13. It will be hosted by Dick Bridges at his old shop in Rock Hill, SC. Directions and detailed information can be found elsewhere in the newsletter

On somewhat of a sad note, both Bob Young and Mike Cranford have elected to not run for office this fall. If anyone is interested in working long hours for no pay to do either one of these jobs, please let me or Frank Everitt know, as he is our election official.

VICE CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

Bob Young

Done Deal....and Something

As usual, I find myself under the gun to get something down in writing for this special edition newsletter. Coming up is a must-attend meeting at the new home of Dick Bridges' super-car collection. Plans are to judge one of his survivor/original cars. BE THERE!

As always, I look forward to visits at Dick's, not only to catch up on the latest with his adventures, but also to take a peek into the "newest finds". Rumor has it that he currently is working on the East Coast's largest collection of late 1930s cars, all starting with the similar letter "F." I know that word for sure! But, there is always something neat to see in the way of outstanding Corvettes also – the real meat of his collection, and the ones that most of us really drool over.

During the registration period of our now-past regional, I received an email from one of our attendees that was voiced frustrations with our current judging system. I sympathized with him and was at a loss for words (yes, I really was!). His frustration was typical of some comments I have heard in the past: "How can I get credit for judging points if I am NEVER selected to judge at a meet?". That is a good one – we are all aware that our National Team Leaders generally select the best-of-the-best at regional and national events, and certainly that is a reasonable choice. So, what is the answer to this dilemma? Unable to really post a confident reply, I forwarded his email to Roy Sinor, National Judging Chairman, for comment. Roy's reply was as expected...since he has always provided me with the utmost confidence in leadership as National Judging Chairman, his words were the ultimate answer.

This is the reply he sent:

John - I received your forwarded email, I'm truly sorry you feel the NCRS judging system is so inadequate. I would suggest that if you have not in the past that you start by contacting the team leader in the specific year you wish to judge let them know you are coming and give them a synopsis of your experience and qualification. Unfortunately there are judges that do expend a large sum of money to make the meets and judge, those that are familiar, that have known skills are the individuals chosen by the team leader and in fact they are the judges the owner deserves, he deserves the best available most qualified. If you are not chosen as a team judge you can still accumulate a considerable number of points if not the exact amount that the judge does by several means. There is a judging school worth 1 point, Observer Judging worth 2 points each day, or the Terry McManmon seminar, which accumulates 3 points per day the same as if you judge. In short we recognize there are not judging positions for everyone, we try to provide opportunities for everyone to accumulate points so they can climb the ladder if you will.

Roy L Sinor, NCRS National Judging Chairman

Does that not say it all? This is really something to ponder, and I felt that this message was extremely worthy of passing on, especially to those that have been reluctant to jump into the points system. I also might remind you that our meet had a total of 7 points available for those that were not selected to judge. Get involved.

What else is lurking in the old brain? I have to mention the past regional of course as it is a done deal. I do want to pass on a special Thank You to all members that showed up in force to insure that this event came off as a great meet. I also think that our method of selecting team leaders to handle the daily chores worked out fine! Most felt that it was essential to have some sort of leadership as a pre-requisite to our National Convention next year. These positions for most were sort of dumped on them, not surprisingly, ALL accepted the challenge and pulled through with flying colors. To all, I DO COMMEND you and will hopefully look to next year as another volunteer position for your talents!

Since I have been asked to keep this a bit shorter than my usual rantings, I believe the message for this go-around is adequate. But before ending, I must add that the current project car has gained another few notches of completion, with the interior now done, engine bay finished, and most important....IT RUNS! All 427 cubic inches breathe easily through the 2-4s! Special elusive wheels are next; maybe the end is really in sight?

As always, my pleasure.....Save the wave, and see you in Rock Hill,

2009 Speedway Regional is Largest Yet

With the economic downturn and the July national convention almost as far as possible from us, East Coast regionals were expected to be small in 2009. Not so, Florida had a large turnout in January, and our Lowe's Motor Speedway event was almost overwhelming, even forcing us to place some of the Flight-judged cars outside.

Car numbers were

Flight	57
PVs attempted	14
Founders	1
Sportsman	28 (We ran out of ribbons for these.)
American Heritage Candidates	4
Displays	10

The assignment of judges and the judging process was the smoothest yet. Team leaders really came through by locking judges in quickly and emphasizing their day of judging. We did have minor problems with the meals and one group of tee shirts, but it all worked out.

1994-96 Judging

Tom Barr, the 1991-93 national team leader, contacted me several weeks before the meet to see if we might be able to procure examples of 1994-96 cars for trial judging at the speedway. This is a process that NCRS performs once a new judging manual is drafted in order to fine tune it before putting it on sale.

I sent an email to chapter members and within 48 hours had four cars from close by. Sandi Aue, Chuck Baird, and Dave Gregorino graciously offered their unmolested examples to be trial judged. Dave brought two 1996 Grand Sports, one of which is an export car that was sold in Germany.

If the manual doesn't need much tweaking, it will go on sale later this year and some of these years could begin being judged in the fall.

New 1966 Judging Guide

A new edition of the 1966 Judging Guide will be available from the national office sometime later in the year.

2010 Convention

We cannot rest too long on our laurels. Based on the numbers at this regional and remarks that were heard, we can plan for a **HUGE** national convention at the speedway in July 2010. Planning for the convention began before the regional was held and is going to be a yearlong process. Those of you who worked at the 2000 Convention in Bowling Green remember the hard work involved. We need all those volunteers and more to make this one successful.

**FUTURE EVENTS: REMEMBER THAT IF YOU ATTEND ANY NCRS EVENT,
YOU MUST REGISTER FOR THAT EVENT PER NCRS GUIDELINES**

Chapter and Local Events

Every Sat. Night	Cruise In – Good Old Days Café – Highway 51 Charlotte, NC
June 13, 2009	CCNCRS Judging School – Rock Hill, SC
November 14, 2009	CCNCRS Nuts & Bolts – TBD
December 19, 2009	CCNCRS Christmas Party– Concord, NC
February 20, 2010	CCNCRS Nuts & Bolts - TBD

2009 Regionals

Wisconsin	June 11 – 13	Delafield, WS
New England	September 17 – 19	Marlborough, MA
Lone Star Regional	October 15 – 17	Killeen, TX

2010

Florida Winter Meet	January 20 – 24, 2010	Kissimmee, FL
Gettysburg	April 29 – May 1, 2010	Gettysburg, PA
Iowa	May 20 – 22, 2010	Des Moines, IA
Northwest	August 19 – 21, 2010	Bend, OR
Midwest	September 9 – 11, 2010	Columbus, Ohio
Western	September 30 – Oct. 2, 2010	Albuquerque, NM

CONVENTIONS

2009	July 12 – 16, 2009	San Jose, CA
2010	July 13 – 18, 2010	Concord, NC
2011		Novi MI
2012		San Diego CA

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Classifieds

Alan Beaver has hats, shirts, jackets and other items with the chapter logo.
Call Alan for details. 704-855-1348

FOR SALE

1. 1967 Corvette Coupe- Blue / Black – 30 K Miles – Original Paint - Bowtie Candidate / Survivor Quality – 327 / 350 HP – PB, Headrests, Radio – original tires, fan belts and hoses. Unbelievable car – Multiple NCRS Top Flights

Restored Original KO Wheels Set of 5 - 1964 Style
Used copper radiator for a midyear, reasonable
Also many copies of *Driveline* and *Restorer* free.
Jim Gregg 704-577-9812 tio2jim@aol.com

2. Body dollies made – Contact Doug Aldridge 704-764-3765
3. Collection of *Corvette News - NCRS Drivelines - NCRS Restorers NCCC Blue Bars - Vette Vues – Corvette: The Sensuous American*
All in MINT Condition!!!!!!
Also Promotional Model Collection from 1972 – 2000 in boxes
Call Bill Locke 704-948-8107 | wrlenzo@aol.com
4. Set of four 1982 Corvette Collector Edition wheels and center caps.
Mint! \$2000.00 plus shipping.
Call 864- 882-8806
5. 1964 Corvette engine 327/300+HP--rebuilt with new Edelbrock manifold and Edelbrock carb. Lynn Cavin 704-564-7902

June 13, 2009 CAROLINAS CHAPTER JUDGING SCHOOL

On Saturday, June 13, 2009 the Carolinas Chapter will have a JUDGING SCHOOL at the shop of Dick Bridges – 129 Oakland Ave - Rock Hill, SC. The subject of the session is “hassis Judging – How It Really Was, Not How It Should Be. Display cars are welcome. We will cruise to a local place for lunch. A map to Dick’s Shop is below. In case you are lost my cell phone is 704-577-9812.

SATURDAY
June 13, 2009

10:00 A.M.	Class begins
12:00 Noon	Lunch
2:00 P.M.	Class Dismissed

NCRS MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EVENT. THE TECH SESSION WILL BE OPEN TO MEMBERS AND GUESTS. REGISTRATION MUST INCLUDE NCRS NUMBER AND CAR VIN NUMBER ALONG WITH PROOF OF INSURANCE AND OWNERSHIP FOR DISPLAY CARS. FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL JIM GREGG AT 704-847-5408.

HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE

WHEREAS OWNER VOLUNTARILY ENTERS HIS / HER VEHICLE IN THIS EVENT IT IS AGREED:

1. OWNER WILL INSURE VEHICLE AGAINST LOSS, DAMAGE, AND LIABILITY AND PROVIDE PROOF OF SUCH.
 2. OWNER HEREBY AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS CC/NCRS, ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, OR ASSIGNS FOR ANY ACTS OR OMISSIONS WHICH MAY RESULT IN THE THEFT, DAMAGE, OR DESTRUCTION OR INJURY OCCURRING DURING THIS EVENT, WHEREVER LOCATED.
 3. OWNER, IN ATTENDING THIS EVENT DOES SO VOLUNTARILY, AND AGREES AND ASSUMES THE RISK OF ANY AND ALL DAMAGES TO HIS / HER VEHICLE OR OF INJURY TO HIM / HER SELF OR OTHERS AND HOLDS CC / NCRS HARMLESS.
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Info needed only if displaying a car.

NAME: _____ NCRS# _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

DISPLAY ENTRY YEAR _____ VIN _____

OWNER'S SIGNATURE: _____

AUTO INSURED WITH _____ POLICY # _____ EXP. DATE _____

Directions: Map Quest or Call Jim - 704-847-5408

Take I-77 to Rock Hill, SC Exit 82 Cherry Rd.
West on Cherry Road – Go about 3 miles to Oakland Ave.
Turn Left – Go about 1 mile to 129 Oakland Ave. Shop is on the right

SEPTEMBER 25-26, 2009 (email Jim for PDF Form of this)

Carolinas Chapter Fall in the Mountains – West Jefferson, NC

Flight Judging / Road Tour / Annual Business Meeting / Election of Officers

Nation's Inn (336) 246-2080 (if the Hampton Inn opens, we will switch to it) 30 rooms held until Sept. 10; ask for NCRS rate of \$72

FRIDAY SEPT. 25, 2009
3:00 PM Registration Opens
6:00 PM All Registered Cars
in Place on Field
8:30 PM Judging School

SATURDAY SEPT. 26, 2009
8:00 am Registration Opens
8:30 am Judges' and Car Owners' Meeting
8:45 am Judging Begins
2:15 PM (approx) Road tour to Mountain City, TN
6:30 PM Dinner @ Smoky Mountain Dining Room
7:30 PM Awards Presentation & Annual Meeting

NCRS membership required for participation in the judging portion of this meet. The road tour will be open to members and guests.

For meet information contact Jim Gregg at 704-847-5408 or tio2jim@aol.com

For judging info—Duane Ravenberg at 336-474-1602 or dravenberg@triad.rr.com

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY We need to read your email address.

Name _____ **NCRS #** _____

Names of family members attending or guest _____

Address _____

City _____ **ST** _____ **ZIP** _____

Phone _____ **Email** _____

Meet Registration Fee (family) All NCRS Members \$20 \$20

(Free to chapter members who worked the regional meet at the Lowe's Speedway)

Flight Judging Fee (limit of 2 per body style C1, C2, etc.) \$ 40 _____

Sportsman fee \$ 20 _____

Display of Star / Bowtie / Duntov / McLellan / Hill (Circle type of entry) N/C

Late fee if postmarked after Sept. 4 (NO CARS AFTER THIS DATE!!) \$ 10 _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

I would like to judge - 1st Choice Years _____ Section _____ Judging Level _____

2nd Choice Years _____ Section _____ Tabulate _____

Registered Car Information

YR _____ BODY STYLE _____ PAINT CODE _____ TRIM CODE _____

VIN _____ ENG. _____ H P _____

INSURER _____ EXP. DATE _____ POLICY # _____

Make checks payable to Carolinas Chapter NCRS and mail to

Duane Ravenberg, 258 Running Stream Lane, Thomasville, NC 27360-7810

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SIGNATURE _____