

### MIDWEST REGION:

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The season is in full swing in the Midwest Region and heading toward the finish line with events scheduled most every weekend. I encourage everyone to check our regions website at <http://www.mwregion.com> and locate the "Flyers" button where you can find information on all upcoming events. There are over 200 NCCC events on our 2013 calendar to enjoy and they go well into October this year including the weekend Fund Raiser Autocross in Rantoul, IL.



Last time I mentioned that it was a relatively quiet time of the year for the Regions Administrative processes but as I write this article, we are heading into probably the most active time so I am glad I rested up over the summer.

Actually, there was little rest with a full load of club and region events to attend or host and the NCCC Convention that occurred in June, in Bowling Green, KY. The region had a great member turnout and Windy City Corvettes won the award for most member attendance. They also came very close to winning the mileage award. If the Convention Committee would have counted the miles Ray Bair drove on his way to Convention, it would have put Windy City on top. Ray did a side trip to run the Tail of the Dragon while in route from Chicago to Bowling Green. We all had a great time attending the well-planned and executed Convention events as well as seeing and "test-sitting" in C7's at the Convention Center as well as the National Corvette Museum. Windy City Corvettes also hosted Game Night and a good time was had by everyone – "Survey Says"!

As I started to mention we are entering the busy administrative time of the year within the region. Officer elections will be started after the September Governors meeting, we will start 2014 Region Event planning in September and wrap it up in November and Renewals start as well. The regions 2014 Financial plan will also be started in November so all of our Officers will be busy. Joan Thomas, our Region Webmaster and Matt Waters, our Region Facebook Administrator are busy all year long. Bill Docherty, our RCD, would probably be mad at me if I did not mention that he is busy with Region Competition activities 11 of the 12 months. I think he gets a break from mid-December to Mid-January. It is this "busy-fun" work that keeps us coming back.

The Region has been using the NCCC Regional Voting system for e-Polling of Governors on various topics that need Governor input. We have had very good response from your Governors in using the system to voice your clubs guidance on a variety of topics. One topic that received an 80% approval vote was for the region to purchase an acre at the National Corvette Museum Motorsports Park. Gary Kelly of Badger State Vettes proposed the purchase and given the positive polling numbers, I expect the Governors will approve the expenditure at the September Regional Governors meeting. Expect to hear much more on this over time.

As the Governors have been using the Regional Voting System for e-Polling input we will be attempting to move forward and use the system for Regional Officer elections. This change will eliminate the annual cost of mailing paper ballots, simplify the process as well as give the Governors additional time to ensure that Officer Candidates are reviewed within your clubs. This will help your Governors make the best and well-informed decisions. I want to thank all of our current Governors for having the foresight to see the benefits of Electronic voting and polling. It moves the region forward as NCCC did last year by using this system. It greatly improves your Governors ability to voice your clubs voice even if your Governor cannot attend regional meetings in Saint Louis. I applaud them all.



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