



MIDWEST REGION MEETING MINUTES

St Louis Missouri – May 3, 2025

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Future Midwest Region Meeting

May 3, 2025
September 13, 2025
November 15, 2025
February 21, 2026

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Governors in attendance were:

Yes (Y)

	MW-004	Chicago Corvette Club	Jon Kurtz
	MW-051	Suburban Corvette Club	Fred Lyons
Y	MW-054	Midwest Corvettes	Roger Miller
Y	MW-075	Wisconsin Corvette Club	Ed Cassel
	MW-077	Glass Favorites Corvettes	Mike Link
	MW-084	Kettle Moraine Corvette Club	Dick Huibretgse
Y	MW-109	Corvette Club of Illinois	Tom McKinley
	MW-120	FOM Corvette Club	Curt Callies
	MW-122	River City Corvettes	Roger Ondeck
Y	MW-135	Northern Rays Ltd.	Dan Wagner
Y	MW-155	Great River Corvette Club	Steve Grabenstetter
Y	MW-167	Northern Illinois Corvette Club	Dale Samuelson
Y	MW-246	Badger State Vettes, Ltd	Craig Wiendl
Y	MW-277	Sunburst Corvette Club	Mike Stevens (proxy)
Y	MW-278	Central Illinois Corvette Club	John Hibbeler
	MW-315	Corvettes of Minnesota	Don Gettinger
Y	MW-351	Windy City Corvette Club	Bill Docherty
	MW-378	Corvette Cruisers of Ill	Lawrence Long
Y	MW-391	Mid Illinois Corvette Club	Glenn Goggins
	MW-464	Rolling Prairie Corvettes	Rod Finke
Y	MW-465	Mad City Vettes	Joan Thomas
Y	MW-470	Route 66 Corvette Club	Craig Besand
Y	MW-575	Chicago Cross Roads Corvette Club	JW Weddington
Y	MW-598	Brew City Corvette Club	Mike Kirschner
	MW-613	Central Minnesota Corvette Assoc	Lynn Steenblock
	MW-621	Stray Vettes of Illinois	Sandy Arnold
	MW-640	Game Over Vette Club	Valeria Cox
Y	MW-999	Members-At-Large - Governor	Steve Grabenstetter

MWR OFFICERS

Y	MW Regional Executive	Dale Samuelson
Y	MWR Competition Director	Bill Docherty
Y	MWR Membership Director	Steve Grabenstetter
Y	MWR Treasurer	Gordon Green
Y	MWR Secretary	Jeanne Cassel
Y	MWR Webmaster	Joan Thomas

Guests in Attendance

Robyn Wood	Mad City CC	Diane Wagner	Northern Rays
Pat Stevens	Sunburst CC	Tim Wood	Mad City CC
		Helen Parker	Chicago CC

Midwest Region Governors Meeting Minutes- May 3, 2025, at 8:30

Please mute all cell phones

Call meeting to order – Dale Samuelson: The MWR Governors meeting was called to order at 8:35 AM.

Approve meeting agenda: Motion by Steve Grabenstetter, seconded by Mike Stevens and all approved.

Introduction of those attending: Governors, or attending proxies, were asked to sign the roster, and to indicate if they plan to attend the NCCC meeting. All were reminded of the NCCC meeting start time. Guests were asked to sign roster.

Officer Reports

MWR Secretary – Jeanne Cassel

- Approval of February 2025 Midwest Region meeting minutes. Minutes were e-mailed to all Officers and all current, incoming, and outgoing Governors on March 12, 2025. Motion to approve as e-mailed by JW Weddington, seconded by Steve Grabenstetter, and approved by all.
- Report from **Convention Steering Committee** meeting - Jeanne Cassel.
 - 2026 Convention update. Debbie Schafer reported that the Syracuse Convention 2026 Tours are being lined up. Ending the Rally at Watkins Glenn with an all-Convention Picnic and perhaps a track tour is still under discussion. The Schafer's have been traveling to the NE Clubs, sharing the information about the 2026 Convention, and working to gather workers and help. They found that a large majority of these clubs were not familiar with NCCC. The response they received has been positive now that the city is firmed up. Contracts and deposits are on track. They are working on entertainment.
 - Michele Cantelmo – Sponsorship: We should let her know of any possible sponsors – she will follow up and give the possible sponsor a packet explaining all the benefits, such the eligible new sponsor's logo information that was included in President's Message.
 - Convention 2027 – Tentative information was received on a few ideas/concepts including consideration of return to Bowling Green or St Louis locations, or perhaps a visit to the East Region.

MWR Treasurer – Gordon Green (*The attached 2025 Financials are numbered in order presented.*)

(Check with your Governor)

- Report on region finances – income & expenses since last report & comparison to budget.
 - 2025 Period - Jan 1-May 20, 2025, results: The Income/Expense and Budget v Actual reports – Financial 1 and Finance 2 were reviewed, and additions and deductions enumerated. **Changes from last meeting are in RED**. Our position is good if all comes in as expected. It was asked what impact the 2025 Convention might make to the MW Region budget. The regular process of how a Convention loss or profit is handled was shared with the group. Gordon was thanked for comprehensive report.
 - 2025 - Motion by Tom McKinley to approve budgets and financial information as submitted, seconded by Craig Wiendl, and approved by all.
- Regional Party final report – Joan Thomas. All who attended had a good time. The food was unbelievably good and the background music appropriate – very good for the event. Joan and Mad City were thanked for a very good event.
- Awards Committee final report – Robyn Wood was thanked for the very nice awards.

MWR RMD – Steven Grabenstetter. MWR Regional Membership Director Report:

- Report from RMD meeting.
 - MWR membership and renewal report –
 - The largest region by member clubs is the West Region with 1,855 members in 29 clubs.
 - However, the Mid West Region has the most members, 2,068 members in our 27 MWR clubs.
 - Route 66 continues as our largest region club with 211 members.
- MWR Membership and renewal report – Dale Samuelson will discuss this in the RE Report.
- Report of 2025 Governor and club changes –
 - The MWR has a new club- Game Over Vette Club (MW-640). The Governor is Valeria Cox.
 - Joan Thomas asked that that she be provided information on any new clubs/member clubs. She will add the information to the communication list and can provide the officers with the information.

MWR RCD Report – Bill Docherty (See <https://www.mwregion.com/schedule.html> for latest event and flyer info. See <https://www.corvettesnccc.org/Competition/Competition.html> for latest rule book information.)

- Report from RCD meeting: The group met until midnight as old and new business was handled. Record Drag Indexes were updated and posted. 2025 Competition Calendar is filling up with events. VP of Comp and RCDs will assist with the Wisconsin Dells Convention Tech.
- All NCCC Rule Changes, and proposed changes and Clarifications are posted on the NCCC web site under Competition Committee Rule Changes and Approved Clarifications. An 'approval' by the Competition Committee means the proposal will be put on the ballot for a vote by all Governors at the National Meeting. If approved, the proposal would be effective for the 2026-2027 Rule Book and Competition Year. Safety rules and Clarifications can proceed effective immediately. Rule Changes considered at the Meeting are:

- 2025-R1: Deals with Car Shows. Rule sent back for a clarification or verbiage modification to “suggested” to make visiting event guests feel welcome and have a fair chance to win. The MWR usually has a Dealer’s Choice Trophy avoiding favoritism.
 - 2024-R1 through R4: Pertain to developing a way and the process to broaden those who can compete at NCCC competitive events for points and under the NCCC insurance packages. This includes FOCA, Youth, Honorary, and/or attract experienced drivers to participate. Age, type of events, etc. are all being evaluated. All should be incorporated by, through and into *Rule Book Chapter 12 – Professional/Supplemental Competition Program Sub-Committee*.
 - 2024-R2 FOCA ages 9 through 16 inclusion was approved for the defined non-speed events and parameters.
 - 2024-R3 Young Guns inclusion was approved.
 - 2024-R4 Experienced drivers was approved.
 - 2025-R3 Travel Points proposal to delete travel points did not pass.
 - 2025-R4 through R8 (Chapter 11) Time Trails - all were approved. Bill Dockerty voted against these provisions. While the MWR generally does not do these events, a few NCCC members in the West Region enjoy Time Trials. The proposed provisions mimic SCCA rules.
 - 2025-R9 Returned as it conflicts with High-Speed criteria.
 - 2025-R10 Competition Safety Sub-Committee Proposes Safety Guidelines etc., to be incorporated at the end of the NCCC Rulebook as an appendix or as last Chapter. Approved.
 - 2025-R11 Reclassification for Autocross. Classes to match the Corvette “C” style series, C-1, C-2, etc. Approved.
 - 2025-R12 Drag Events – updated multiple items including Post Technical Inspection Procedure, C7 through future generations. Re-establish records, reclassify cars to align with C-generations, and investigate options and solutions for C-7, C-8, and future generations. Approved.
 - Wisconsin Dells Convention Tech Inspection and C8s running Drag events. Based on research, C8s competing in Drag events, their indexes, and unique challenges in post tech inspection. The Competition Committee voted and C8s can run Convention Drags on a provisional Record to establish their class indexes. This is a trial test.
 - 2025-R13 Recognize Top 3 Youth Members in the Competition Season provided earn ≥500 points. Approved.
 - Clarifications can go into effect right away. Clarifications considered at the meeting are:
 - 2025-C1: Throttle Controllers – Prompt approved.
 - 2025-C2: FCOA points – adds dependent members. Approved.
 - 2025-C3: Time Trial Fee – regarding charging for trophy and meals: Approved no fee charging.
 - 2025-C4: Time Trial Tech Inspection – no real change and pertains to host club, was approved.
 - 2025-C5: Time Trial Driver’s Meeting – in conjunction with host club. No real change. Was approved.
 - 2025-C6: Time Trial Cleaning of Verbiage: it was approved.
 - 2025-C7: Time Trial Delete any Reference to HPDE: This was approved. Content unchanged.
 - 2025-C8: Time Trial Terminology – addressed before, it was approved.
 - 2025-C9: Time Trial Change Wave-By to Point-By: It was approved.
 - 2025-C10: Regarding C8s with aftermarket Superchargers and Twin Turbos, Rule stays as written.
 - 2025-C11: Addressing C8 Sub-Groups in Group 3: Pertains to super, turbo, after market. Rule not changed.
 - 2025-C12: Optional Fire Extinguisher – Approved.
 - 2025-C13: Clarify word “Roadster”. Allow C8 with retractable top in High-Speed without Roll Bar in Street 1 and 2, to align with other sanctioning organizations that use same GM documents for their determining factor. During HS events, C8 HTC must be closed and secured. Approved for 2025 Convention. Joan Thomas will clarify with RA.
- Complete competition information is found under <https://www.corvettesnccc.org/Competition/Competition.html>.
- MWR Competition Topics
 - Assigned Numbers status-? new numbers requested 2/16-3/15: If the number was applied for by the member, it is on the website. Before an event check the website. <https://www.mwregion.com/competition.html> > 2025 Assigned Speed Event Numbers List.
 - Requests from out-of-region for our MWR region assigned numbers from 4/1-4/15? – If the number was applied for it is on the website. Before an event check the website. <https://www.mwregion.com/competition.html> > 2025 Assigned Speed Event Numbers List.
 - 2025 Competition Event status – All is going well. Please submit flyers early as folks do want to get reservations in. Columbus Wi has most hotels booked early.
 - Memorial weekend Region Fundraiser status in Rantoul, IL – Not a lot of pre-registrations have been received. Workers are very much appreciated. Linda Fairlamb is handling reservations.

- July 26-27 Region Fundraiser status in Madison, WI – Event will be at the Alliant Energy Center. It is best to preregister as Access Passes are needed to enter the grounds. They will be checking as there are multi events that day(s) and access without a pass will cost \$8.
- The MWR was thanked for the good Fundraising event at Bowling Green. The income from these “FundRaisers” supports the region and helps us avoid a head tax.

MWR RE Report – Dale Samuelson

- Report from RE meeting:
 - Report from NCCC Finance Meeting and Dues Proposal – At the February meeting we received a financial update covering the last 2-years. There was a change of Treasurer, and information had been lacking. An update will be given at the National Meeting this afternoon. Currently there is a projected \$170,000 deficit.
 - The REs and Bylaws Committees proposals. We do know that the last dues increase was 25 years ago. The proposal is: Primary initial fee, \$35, \$25 for renewing Member; and Spouse \$10. Recommendation is changing initial Primary Fee to \$50, Renewal \$40, and Spouse \$15. Lifetime membership renewal is \$300, recommendation is to move it to \$500. For a new primary member wishing to do Lifetime it would be \$50 for initial fee plus \$500 renewal. Linda Fairlamb did charts with attrition ration at 10%, 20% and 15% and this helps for the near term. The proposed process is that President Deb Murphy will present the suggested dues increase recommendation at today's National meeting. The motion will be tabled until September when the dues increase motion will be voted on.
 - The Teller Committee was deleted as voting is electronic. Region rebates was deleted. Discontinuing membership cards is under consideration. Insurance has increased. There were 26 proposals and all affected other areas and should be discussed in the e-board meeting and brought to the national. A main question is how we grow the organization.
- Establish the 2025 MWR Officer Nominating Committee - Dale will solicit a volunteer.
- Review the Region Administration schedule. All is okay.
- Blue Bars Deadline is MAY 31, 2025
- No deceased member names were reported.

Appointed Officer and Committee Reports

- **MWR Webmaster report – Joan Thomas.** All is okay. Tell your members to visit the website. Social events and non-sanctioned events are under Social Calendar. Send information and it will be added to the calendar. Sanctioned Event information goes to Bill Docherty. For Insurance, the COI or Coverage of Insurance form can be downloaded and given to facilities that request the form.
- **2025 NCCC Convention (Wisconsin Dells) – Joan Thomas/Tim Wood.** 106 more days to register for convention. Then the room block cuts off, and Registration and events registration ends.
 - 400+ are registered for convention. Day Pass Registration requests are coming in. We are trying to schedule who can work when. Day Pass participants pay for their own event food. RCD's work tech per the Rule Book. There will be a “special tech line” for C-8, A line for the Car Show, etc. Tech will have special areas, helmet, car show, etc.
 - Parking lot – trailers have a special lot. Parking will be diagonal.
 - Tours – only a couple tours are not sold out – a distillery tour (food and cocktail), and the Capital Tour which is rated 1st or 2nd best in the USA. Taliesin has a couple openings and has lunch, Also the Harley tour.
 - Day Pass allows tour attendance. Workers do need a day pass.
 - We are getting sponsors, can always use more. Do need door-prizes, a ton of door prizes. They can be gift cards, etc., particularly if they are for national organizations. If a club prefers, they can donate dollars to Mad City or they can buy door prizes.
 - High-Speed – Regarding the C-8, we will find out about rollbar and Road America rules.
 - Larry Walker (MWR – MAL) and Jay Randall from Suburban Corvettes of Minnesota will chair the Drags.
 - Road America day, August 19, will have Track Road/Lapping mid-day during the High-Speed event. RA and Kettle Moraine Corvette Club will manage this entire process from the special waivers through staging and getting folks on and off the track. Anyone will be able to run this event.

Unfinished/Old Business

- All – None

New Business

- Discuss proposed Standing Rule changes. Request Motion. N/A No discussion here.
- Other: Joan asked about Region Patches. Do we have any and how many? New people do not know we have them. Dale Samuelson said he has some. See him if you want some.
- Steve Grabenstetter donated a bottle of Blue Special Vette Vodka – Limited Special for a 50/50 raffle today.

Meeting Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Steve Grabenstetter, seconded by Bill Docherty, approved by all at 11:22 AM. Respectfully submitted. Jeanne Cassel MW Region Secretary.