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The Loveland RMC Regional event was a success.

A big thank you to John Marsico, Ralph Ridge, all the committee chairs, event workers, and participants. Yes, participants, because our events cannot be successful if no one shows. 277 NCRS enthusiasts registered. 29 cars were judged, and 19 sportsmen cars were exhibited.

Chairman's Report By Eckhard Pobuda

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at our Independence Day Pick-Nick. I hope and wish all of you who will celebrate the 4th of July elsewhere, with family and/or close friends, a happy and reflective holiday.

Now is the time to register for our August Road Tour for 2-3 days in Steamboat Springs over Labor Day Weekend. See Terri and Lothar's article. If enough folks plan to attend this activity we will not need to have a tech session/meeting in August. Currently we have 5 cars signed up.

Time to take our cars out for a "fun run"

July 4th
Annual picnic at
Pobuda's in Monument
August 29-30
Road trip to
Steamboat Springs
September 13
Tennyson charity
Center



Eckhard, Jack Humphry and Steve Benson on move in day in front of the car backdrop.





Our 2014 Regional Meet is in the rear view mirror

OK, folks our 2014 Regional Meet is in the rear view mirror and thanks to the diligent work of MANY the event was a success. Yes, there was a rough edge here, and an 'oops' there, but the big picture is those who I talked to from out of town felt we did a good job!

Vice Chair Report by Jack Humphrey

Now, we look ahead to our annual July 4th party and then on to the National Convention in Kansas

City. There, we've got an invite from the sponsoring host chapter to pair up our counterparts in National Convention tasks with the KC equivalents to get some OJT (on the job training). Getting our 2015 staffing assignments picked for the 2015 National Convention in Denver is Job One for Eckhard and I right now.

We played our first pass 2015 Denver commercial at the Awards Banquet in Loveland and it felt right to me. The slide/photo order needs to be refined and our logo finished. But, I'm trying to finish off those tasks this month.

We gave key NCRS National BoD members a short side-trip to Denver during the Loveland meet. The purpose was to show the facilities that we've contracted for the 2015 National meet. Plus, they took a familiarization drive through downtown Denver.

The format at the Denver Airport Crowne Plaza is quite similar to what we had at the Embassy Suites in Loveland. Both hotels feature a captive convention center of the John Q. Hammons format. But, for the 2015 National we have the run of the house since we booked the entire hotel and an additional 130 rooms at two nearby overflow hotels.

Looking ahead, the key jobs are to formally populate the 2015 RMC National Convention staff and prepare for our first dress rehearsal which will be an all-day project review at the Crowne Plaza on October 18th. Bottom line, we have the 'script' written, a pro-forma budget in place, and throughout the summer we need to dot the I's and cross the T's on the details.



Activity Chair Report by Gerry Phillips

We welcome ten new members recently joining the Rocky Mountain Chapter;

- Barrett Benson - Pine, CO (2002 coupe & 2008 Z06)
- Stanley Gordon - Ft. Collins (1963 coupe)
- Gerry Greip - Westcliff, CO,
- Tim Inks - Denver, CO (1957)
- Al Lechman - Erie, CO (1962)
- Peter LeClair - Windsor, CO (1963 Coupe)
- Peter Lindahl - Los Alamos, NM
- Howard Loomis - Lafayette, CO
- Dan Martinelli - Denver, CO (1996 convertible)
- Joe Tonso - Craig, CO (1967)

Several of the new members were in attendance at the Loveland Regional event.



Editor's Corner By Dennis Dalton

Pursuing the Founder's Award Part II

I drove to the regional from my home in Pueblo and opted for the 470 loop around Denver to the east...just under 200 miles.

The ops checks were done in the lot before entering the field early Thursday afternoon. The OPS check by Tom Barr went without a hitch and everything worked as planned.

Due to other commitments, I could not attend the national in Kansas City but I will drive the road tour and do my final OPS check at the Denver National next summer to complete the requirements.

Regional Wrap Up

I helped Dan Termeer with some of his many duties on the regional. He had quite a task to perform. The photos of the event which were sent to everyone via email as a link is a first for this club as far as I can recall. The photos on the web site that Bob Davis posts give an additional layer of visibility to the club for those not on the membership list.



Top:
Receiving the Founder's Regional Ribbon
Below:
Tom Barr waiting to get started on my OPS check.



I used a few photos from Dan's photo album for the newsletter. The rest I took at the event .

Farewell

Dennis Kasmierzak is moving out of state. I wish him well. He has done a lot for the club and held many positions on the chapter board as well as our regional representative.





The Rocky Mountain Regional is history and here are the numbers relating to the cars:

Chuck Banks
Judging Chair

Five Performance Verification Awards.
Five Regional Operations Checks.
Seventeen Top Flight Awards.
Nine Second Flight Awards.

The one hour judging school on Thursday was attended by 85 members, and the one hour battery school on Friday was attended by fifteen members. The Advanced Judging School attendance was recorded and turned in to Cincinnati by the instructor so I don't have those numbers.

I want to thank the tabulation team led by Sharon Ridge and Shirley Kazmierzak. They did a fantastic job, and their experience from previous Regionals was invaluable in creating a smooth running tabulation team. The Regional Judging chairman has two weeks to complete all of the paperwork and send it to Cincinnati, but the National Judging Chairman requested that the results be turned in ASAP. Some of the judged cars were attempting to achieve a prerequisite to be accepted for the National Convention, and many members wanted to get their judging points recorded in time to receive their judging recognition in Kansas City. Other owners were just anxious to get their score sheets returned so they could make improvements to their cars.

Reporting to Cincinnati requires scanning and uploading 70+ Green sheets one at a time, uploading all judging school and judging team members' points, and printing out the award certificates after they have been approved by the NJC. The score sheets and certificates are then stuffed in envelopes, addressed and mailed to the members. I'm happy to report that after a day and a half on the computer and in my office, unless you live on Mars, you received your certificate and score sheets on Saturday June 14th.

What's Next?

In order to maintain our RMC Top Flight Chapter status we need to have one judging meet per year. Our Rocky Mountain Regional satisfied that requirement. I set a tentative date of October 12th to hold a Chapter Meet, location to be determined; if we have members who have a car they would like to have judged. I envision this meet to be limited to RMC members only, maximum of two cars per division (53-62), (63-67), (68-82), and (84-96). Registration will be by on-line only and will open on September 1st. If you have a car that you would like to have judged this Fall please let me know ASAP. canjbanks@hotmail.com. If there is not significant interest in a Fall meet, We will schedule a Chapter Meet for late April or early May, 2015.

Chuck Banks
NCRS 11805
RMCJC



Activities Co Chairs
by Terri Pabuda and
Lothar Kemerer

Mark your calendars and keep in touch

On July 4 we will gather at the our place near Monument for our annual potluck/BBQ 12:00 noon. This is a time to relax and celebrate our freedom with our friends and family. Hope you will all RSVP and share the club comradery.

August is our annual road trip to Steamboat leaving on Friday August 29 and returning on Sunday August 30, although arrival and departure dates are flexible for all. Friday night we'll have a social hour at the motel on the river and then we are on our own for dinner. Saturday Glenn and Lynn Reiff are hosting both breakfast and dinner at their home. There are lots of events in and around the town so check out the web site www.steamboat-

chamber.com and click on events and then signature events. Scroll to Labor Day Weekend and Wild West Air Fest. Then book your room before August 1st at the Rabbit Ears Motel [1-800-828-7702](tel:1-800-828-7702). Ask for RMC rate. RSVP to Terri ASAP epobuda@aol.com.

September 13 11:00 AM we will meet for a pizza picnic at our new charity Tennyson center to visit with the youth who are placed at this treatment facility in Denver.

Best regards,
Terri and Lothar
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Dealer Day at Ed Bosarth Chevrolet

Owners cars are listed starting left row top to bottom, then left to right (ED).

- Eckhard Pobuda 92
- Bill Barcus 91
- Steve Beatty 91
- Jack Humphry 71
- Dan Tillapaugh 67
- Steve Bennett 63
- Gerry Phillips 57
- Burt Carlson 67
- Dirk Gaddis 60
- Tom DiRito 04
- Steve Jacques 12
- John McDonnell 56
- Dennis Dalton 94
- Steve Benson 76
- Martin Egan 05
- Rick Roiwtc 67
- Fred Keonig 62
- Dick Shriver 03
- D Trauer 06
- Barrett Benson 02



2014 Regional Loveland, Colorado



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\$75 Corvette jack with handle. Date stamped "549" on rivet, (first week of December 1975). w

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