

Competition Chair— Rich Taylor

CORVETTE COMPETITION

Competition Report



Hello fellow competitors. This past weekend was a good one to be on the track, and several of our club members took advantage of this and participated in the National Auto Sports Association (NASA) two-day event at Summit Point. In addition to class room time to learn about some of the finer points of racing from a seasoned racer, and spending time on the track, there were several competitive and timed events going on throughout the weekend. In between events there was plenty of time to talk with other racers and car owners and learn a lot about the world of competitive racing. We had an area set up with our cars and trailers where we hung out, relaxed and cooked hot dogs. It's a great way to learn about how to drive your car and to talk with other car enthusiasts. There were many Corvettes, but also lots of Porches, BMWs, Mustangs, Mitsubishi GTRs, and Miata's, and even a turbocharged Acura NSX. So take a look at the events below and plan to join us and have some fun driving your Corvette. Take a look at the pictures below:











Upcoming Events

Our first competitive event of the year will take place this weekend at Lincoln Tech. in Columbia, Maryland. We are putting on an autocross class on Saturday, April 16th for those who may want to try driving in a very safe competitive event to enjoy their car. On Sunday we will be conducting a dual NCCC sanctioned autocross that will give you an opportunity to practice the skills that you learn on Saturday. Even if you do not plan to participate, come on out and support us. We still need several workers for the front gate, technical inspection and the staging area. Please contact me if you are available to help. I hope to see many of you there.

There are several of our members who will be participating in some or all of the following non-CCA or NCCC sponsored events throughout the year. These events are High Performance Drivers Education (HPDE) events on various road courses. You are put into groups depending on your level of experience and driving skill and instructors are provided to ride along with you. This is a great way to learn how to get the most out of your car in a safe and controlled environment. These events combine classroom time with track time to teach both the theory and physical control aspects of high speed driving. We will also be participating in a few Friday at The Track (FATT) events at Summit Point Raceway throughout the year. Here is the link to the FATT schedule: <http://www.summitpointfatt.com/>. For those who aren't familiar, Summit Point is near Charles Town, WV and is very convenient to those who live in the Baltimore/Washington area.

2011 HPDE Planned Events

- May 9-10 Chin Watkins Glen Int'l The springtime visit to another one of America's most historic tracks
- Jun 4-5 Trackdaze VIR
- Jun 25-29, NCM HPDE at Virginia International Raceway, Track Day School
- Jul 4-5 Chin Virginia Int'l Raceway (VIR) Summer holiday Monday/Tuesday, TracQuest format
- Jul 22-24 NASA VIR Full Course
- Aug 25-26 Trackdaze Summit Point
- Sep 5-6 Chin Watkins Glen Int'l Labor Day at the Glen.
- Oct 7-9 NASA Oktoberfest VIR Full
- Oct 30-31 Chin Virginia Int'l Raceway This popular annual event follows the 13-Hour race at VIR

2011 CCA Sponsored Racing Events

Here is the current complete listing of CCA sponsored competition events for the year:

April

- April 16th, Autocross Primer School at Lincoln Tech in Columbia, MD
- April 17th, Double NCCC Sanctioned Autocross, Lincoln Tech, Columbia, MD

May

May 01, 2011 Muscle Car Mania at Capitol Raceway, Crofton MD - Rain Date 5/15
May 21st Autocross Primer School at Lincoln Tech in Columbia, MD
May 22nd Double NCCC Sanctioned Autocross, Lincoln Tech, Columbia, MD

June

June 25-29, NCM HPDE at Virginia International Raceway, Track Day School
June 25th, NVCC Car Control Clinic at Old Dominion Raceway in Manassas, VA. Sponsored by NVCC and supported by CCA
June 17th – June 20th (Tentative), We are planning a group cruise to Deals Gap, NC to drive the famous Tail of The Dragon road. This is an old logging road with a lot of twists and turns that make it fun to drive in our Corvettes.

August

August 6, Autocross Primer School at Lincoln Tech in Columbia, MD
August 7, Double NCCC Sanctioned Autocross, Lincoln Tech, Columbia, MD

September

September 2-3, ALMS Baltimore Grand Prix - Corvette Corral – For more information and to register for the Corvette Corral, go to <http://baltimoregrandprix.com/>

September 11, Muscle Car Mania Returns to Capitol Raceway – Sponsored by CCA/ Tony's Corvette Shop. This is a test and tune session plus bracket races. We will also have a fun show for Corvettes and American Cars.

November

November 5, Autocross Primer School at Lincoln Tech in Columbia, MD

That's all for now, but if you have an interest in driving your car in a competitive event, please feel free to contact me to discuss your interest and find out what events will satisfy your desires.

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