

Competition Chair— Rich Taylor

**CORVETTE** COMPETITION**Competition Report**

Our final major racing event for the year was our dual autocross on Sunday November 7<sup>th</sup> at Lincoln Tech in Columbia, MD. We also conducted an Autocross 101 school on Saturday November 6<sup>th</sup> for those who wanted to try autocrossing with an instructor or who wanted to try it for the first time in a non-competitive environment. We had 10 students for the autocross class and they were all very excited about giving this sport a try. They got both classroom time and time on an autocross course both with and without an instructor.

On Sunday we had 34 participants in our two autocross events. Despite trouble with the timing equipment, we were able to complete both events successfully using stop watches. Next year the club will be considering the purchase of our own timing equipment since we have had three very successful events and it looks like we can recover the cost of the equipment in about one year.

If you weren't present at these events then you missed two great opportunities to enjoy your car. We are trying to get more people interested in participating in CCA autocross events and events put on by other NCCC clubs in the region. Sunday's event was co-sponsored by the Bel Air Corvette Club who provided the timing equipment for. Pictures from both the school and the autocross are at the end of this article.

While attending the Nostalgia drag races at Capitol Raceway on October 24<sup>th</sup>, I was talking to one of the racers in the staging lanes. It turns out that he won 1<sup>st</sup> place in his class during our 2009 All Corvette drag races. He told me that he never found his picture on our web site so I promised that I would post it in the newsletter and in the photo section of our site. So here it is:

**Ken Bossett – 1<sup>st</sup> place class winner of the 2009 CCA Muscle Car Mania Drag Races**



We also met Bob Glidden, the famous NHRA Pro Stock Champion, and Pat and I both took a picture with him. See Below.

**Pat Roney with Bob Glidden**



**Rich Taylor with Bob Glidden**



**Supercar on the autocross course**



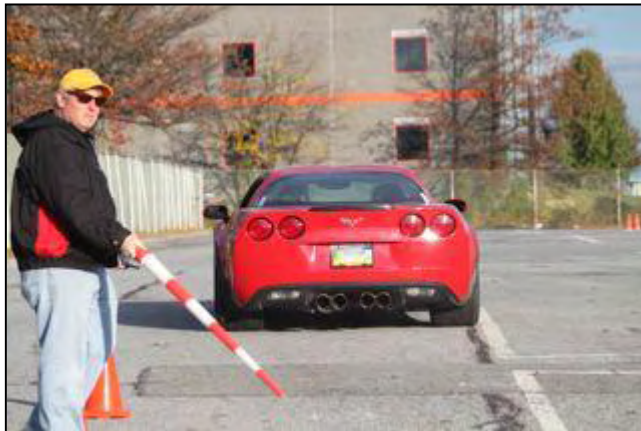
**Roxana Hegarty attacking the course in her first autocross**



**Al Hegarty getting ready for his first autocross run**



**Don Haller working the starting line**



**Bob Couse carving his way around the cones**



**Our NCCC Governor, Ron Hamrah, running his first autocross**



**Tom Armstrong finessing his way around the cones**



**Tom Boyce is one happy autocrosser**



**Rich Taylor leading the Autocross School**



**Driver's meeting at the Autocross**



Several club members attended the October 22<sup>nd</sup> FATT event at Summit Point. Congratulations to Dan Wendling who qualified for Group 2 which will allow him to run solo. We had cool weather, but it was a fun day and everyone came back in one piece.

**Summit Point paddock area, October 22nd FATT**



On 10/31 and 11/1 several more club members went to an HPDE at VIR sponsored by Chin Motorsports. The good thing about these events is that you get good instruction and many hours of track time.

## Virginia International Raceway, paddock area, October HPDE



## Upcoming Events

There are no more competition events scheduled for this year, however, we will soon start our planning for next year's competition events. When we do this, we take into consideration what other NCCC clubs are planning so that we minimize conflict with those events and improve our club's chances of attracting participants to our events. So make sure that you read the news letter and visit our web site to keep up to date. Please feel free to contact me with any ideas that you have for competitive events and I will be glad to help organize them and to get the word out. Competition events include car shows, road rallies, funkhanas, drag races and autocross events.

Enjoy the photos,  
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