

Members,

As we head into November, our competition season is coming down to the wire, and it's getting exciting. Capital City Corvette Club is sitting in second place in the Michigan Region with one Autocross and four days of Funkhanas left to go. The Corvette Club of Michigan (CCM) is only a few hundred points ahead of us, and if we can get just a few more members out to one of those Funkhanas, we could take over first and grab Club of the Year honors. CCM tends to focus on the speed events and doesn't travel much for non-speed activities, which gives us an opening. On the other hand, Calhoun County Corvettes is close behind and still a serious contender. The good news is that, unlike last year, they've already used all their sanctions, so it's going to come down to participation and who shows up to earn points. We've been close to winning before, and this could finally be the year. We also have several members who have had strong seasons individually, so it looks like we'll have multiple award winners at next year's Regional Banquet. If you haven't competed yet this year, there's still time to come out, have fun, and help your club push to the top.

The annual Bucket List Rally and Fall Color Tour was nothing short of amazing. This year's route took us through Michigan's beautiful Upper Peninsula and included some truly bucket-list-worthy stops such as parts of the Lake Superior Circle Tour, Tahquamenon Falls, Pictured Rocks, Lake of the Clouds, Marquette, and even the Keweenaw Peninsula. It was my first time joining this event, and I was lucky enough to travel with our own Competition Director, Kevin Mead. The rally is hosted each year by Rene Cardenas, our NCCC National VP of Competition, and Carolyn McLemore, who change the route each year. This was the third year, and I can tell you it's not something you do every year, but it's something everyone should do at least once. Michigan truly has some of the most breathtaking driving scenery in the country, and surprisingly, the roads up there aren't nearly as beat up as the ones we have down here. It's almost like the potholes took the season off too.

As the leaves fall and the temperatures drop, many of us are getting ready to tuck our Corvettes away for winter. Everyone has their own ritual for storage, whether it's battery tenders, fuel stabilizer, or that special car cover, but let's be honest, it's always a little sad to say goodbye for the season. The good news is you won't need your own car for our upcoming Thanksgiving Funkhana. We'll be sharing one car for the games at the East Olive Community Center in St. Johns, MI, not too far away from home. Come out, join the laughs, and enjoy a lighthearted day with your fellow members before the holidays kick into full swing. If you're new or curious about how these events work, don't hesitate to reach out to any of our seasoned competitors, including me, for tips or details. We'll make sure you're ready to join the fun.

Enjoy the season, and thank you all for making this such a strong year for Capital City Corvette Club. Let's finish it off strong, have some fun, and maybe, just maybe, bring home Club of the Year.

Remember to Wave,

Kyle Fetis