

Introduction to  
the CCCC-ER  
Corvette Show  
and  
Participation  
Programs



# Corvette Show and Participation Programs

## The primary CCCC–ER event programs are:

1. Corvette Shows
2. Participation Series

## Corvette Show – Divisions

- a) Signature Concours \*
- b) Concours Prepared \*
- c) Street Show & Shine \*
- d) Casual

\* These divisions make up the ‘Concours Nationals’ program and are defined in the following pages. Detailed supporting documents, where they exist, are referenced as well.

# OVERVIEW – Concours Nationals Program

The Concours Nationals program is based on the following principles:

- A special annual event hosted by any of the CCCC–ER member clubs to celebrate the pride of Corvette ownership.
- CCCC–ER Concours includes everyone.
- CCCC–ER Concours is based on fair, open, honest, and transparent competition principles which are upheld by everyone.
- CCCC–ER Concours encourages collaboration, teamwork and fellowship of members within the CCCC–ER family.
- Any CCCC–ER member club hosting a show using the Concours Nationals formats will use the judging system for the Concours Prepared and/or Street Show & Shine formats



# The Concours Nationals Program



*Signature* CONCOURS

*“The New Standard For Corvette Excellence”*

- Traditionally, Concours competitions have competitors compete against each other only allowing for a single winner per class. CCCC-ER’s Signature Concours program has participant Corvettes evaluated and recognized against a standard instead of each other.
- Awarded Corvettes in the *Signature Concours* will receive a medallion (gold, silver or bronze) and certificate reflective of the level of award.
- The Signature Concours division is judged on electrical operations, mechanical operations, exterior, interior, chassis and driveline.
- The Signature Concours division is only open to **valid members of CCCC-ER**. The member must have achieved a **total of 20 Participation Series points** in the year of the Signature Concours judging. Due to the comprehensive level of this judging competition, a limit of 10 Corvettes will be allowed to participate each year.
- The maximum time permitted for judging is limited to 45 minutes.
- The judging system is based on a total of 1750 available points.
- A registration fee of \$50 per Corvette (current as of 2020) is applicable to participants of the Signature Concours.
  - Final awards are presented at the annual Recognition Awards Event (RAE), normally held in mid-September each season
  - Detailed guide is available [quadceast.com](http://quadceast.com)



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CONCOURS *PREPARED*

*"Full Concours Corvette Competition"*

- The *Concours Prepared* division is for those participants whose Corvettes are presented in show quality condition.
- The *Concours Prepared* division is judged on operations check, exterior, interior and engine.
- Hoods remain open on cars in the *Concours Prepared* division during the judging.
- The maximum time permitted for judging is limited to 20 minutes per Corvette.
- The judging will not allow for wear and tear.
- The judging system is based on a total of 105 available points.
- Detailed guide is available [quadceast.com](http://quadceast.com)



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## STREET SHOW & SHINE

“Street Driven Corvette Competition”

- The *Street Show & Shine* division is for those who drive their Corvettes regularly. This division provides allowances for some street experience during the judging process.
- A minimum mileage requirement must be met to enter into the division.
- The *Street Show & Shine* division is judged on operations check, exterior and interior only.
- Hoods remain closed on cars in the *Street Show & Shine* division during the judging.
- The judging will allow for normal interior and exterior wear and tear due to regular usage.
- The maximum time permitted for judging is limited to 15 minutes.
- The judging system is based on a total of 85 available points.
- Detailed guide is available [quadceast.com](http://quadceast.com)



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## Concours program awards:

- ▶ **Diamond Collection:** Diamond collection recognizes the best points score within the divisions of *Signature Concours*, *Concours Prepared* and *Street Show & Shine*. This collection will heighten the level of competition in all divisions.
- ▶ **Certificates:** Foil embossed professionally created Concours certificates will be awarded to all *Signature Concours* division winners.
- ▶ **Medals and Trophies:** Olympic style medals are presented for the *Signature Concours* division. Premier trophies will be awarded to *Concours Prepared*, and *Street Show & Shine* division winners.



# 'Casual' Corvette Shows

Most CCCC-ER member clubs host annual Corvette shows that are less formal in nature than those in the Concours Program. We call these 'Casual' Corvette Shows. They are designed to bring enthusiasts together in a relaxed setting where they can display their cars and enjoy a day socializing with like-minded people. The venues range from parks to legion branches to Chevrolet Corvette dealerships where we support those who provide local sponsorship.

These show events are typically categorized by:

- ▶ **Subjective judging criteria** - CCCC-ER formal judging methods are not used
  - The clubs use various subjective methods to pick class (C1 - C8) winners
  - Peoples' Choice, Dealer's Choice, Ladies' Choice are examples of other awards
- ▶ **Fun is the key goal**; these shows are not intended to be competitive in nature
- ▶ Breakfast fare, barbeque lunches, camaraderie, great music, door prizes and charity fundraising raffles are typical features during the day



# CCCC-ER Participation Series

A key CCCC-ER goal is to bring our members together. We strive to facilitate and foster fellowship among Corvette owners, being social butterflies, sharing Corvette history, experience, technical knowledge, and promoting all things Corvette. The participation series is more about the 'people' participation. There are even the odd times when our Corvettes might be left at home, e.g. inclement weather, a driver's broken clutching foot, etc. and yet we still hang out and have great fun.

With this in mind, the CCCC-ER Participation Series was set up in 2009. The objective is to encourage club members to participate in several of the events that appear in the annual calendar of events presented on the CALENDAR tab at [www.quadceast.com](http://www.quadceast.com). This list contains all the events for the current year that are referred to as 'CCCC Sanctioned'. The calendar is set up early each year to allow us to plan for and get the most from our Corvette season.

**Sanctioned events (for the purpose of tracking 'Participation Series')** may include, for example:

- ▶ Any type of Corvette show listed in the 'Corvette Show - Divisions' list
- ▶ The annual CCCC-ER Recognition Awards Event (RAE) & Memorial Cruise
- ▶ Rally events hosted by a member club
- ▶ "Dyno Days"
- ▶ "Drag Days"
- ▶ Any event a member club opens up to the other CCCC-ER clubs



# Participation Series – the process

- ▶ The Participation Series is not directly linked to the Concours (Corvette show) Program. One does not need to engage in showing their Corvette for judging purposes to collect participation points.
- ▶ The series is managed using a points system and is based on your CCCC-ER membership number
- ▶ Event registration takes place at each of the ‘sanctioned’ events
  - 10 points per CCCC-ER membership # are awarded for attendance
  - ‘Placement Points’ are awarded for placement in Corvette shows that are part of the *CCCC-ER Program*, that is, ‘Concours Prepared’, ‘Street Show & Shine’ and ‘Casual’. The point values are:
    - ❑ First place = 3 points
    - ❑ Second place = 2 points
    - ❑ Third place = 1 point
  - **NOTE:** Anyone who is not part of a CCCC-ER member club and who places will not be awarded points. Those ‘one, two or three’ points will be discarded.
  - **NOTE:** ‘Placement Points’ do not apply to the Signature Concours category.
- ▶ After their club’s event, each club governor is responsible to submit the registration forms (or quality copy), with participation results, to the named CCCC-ER contact for tabulation, normally the Competition Director
- ▶ The results are verified and those placing in the ‘Top 20’ are recognized with an award at the annual *Recognition Awards Event & Memorial Cruise*, normally held in September the following year.





# Hall of Fame - Criteria

In 2019, your Council introduced the **CCCC-ER Hall of Fame**. We will recognize those individuals in our Corvette community who have sustained a high level of results in our Participation Series over a period of years as well as those acknowledged with the Merkley award as key contributors over time. The goal is to raise their profile on a more permanent basis while creating the opportunity for other members to reach those heights.

- ▶ The following **CRITERIA** have been set out for induction into the CCCC-ER Hall of Fame:
  - a. A member has achieved two first-place placements in the CCCC-ER Participation Series – **OR** –
  - b. A member is a two-time recipient of the Brian Merkley Memorial Award
  - c. Must be a CCCC-ER member in good standing at the time of the proposed Hall of Fame induction

**NOTE:** The HoF criteria may be modified and/or appended to in the future, done by a proposal from and then a recorded vote of then current CCCC-ER governors and elected officers.



# Hall of Fame - Acknowledgement

## Acknowledgement in the CCCC-ER Hall of Fame includes:

- ❖ A special award designed specifically for this recognition, presented at the next annual Recognition Awards Event (RAE), normally held in September each year.
- ❖ Their photograph on a newly designed webpage at [www.quadceast.com](http://www.quadceast.com) with a summary of the inductee(s)' accomplishments that support the induction.
- ❖ Recognition in the next issue of CCCC-ER's newsletter, Fast Past

**NOTE:** While a HoF inductee will no longer gather points in the annual Participation Series, they will remain eligible to win trophies and other awards, etc. at CCCC sanctioned shows throughout subsequent seasons.

# Excellence Awards

Over the past few years, interest in the Corvette show aspect of our events has grown and continues to do so. More of our members are choosing to take showing their cars to a level beyond 'casual'. This is an exciting development and one the CCCC-ER team is keen to support.

As an extension to but separate from the Participation Series, CCCC-ER members who opt to show their Corvette in the Signature, Concours or Street Show & Shine events will be eligible to collect points toward a new category of award call the 'Excellence Awards. There will be awards to recognize the top three finishers.

- Points are awarded for placement in Corvette shows that are part of the **Concours Program**, that is,, 'Concours Prepared' and 'Street Show & Shine'.
- ' Excellence' points do not apply to 'Casual' shows
  - **First place** = **3 points**
  - **Second place** = **2 points**
  - **Third place** = **1 point**
- Anyone who is not part of a CCCC-ER member club and finishes in these places will not be awarded points. Those one, two or three points will be discarded.
- After their club's event, each club governor is responsible for submitting the registration forms (or quality copy thereof), with participation results, to the named CCCC contact for tabulation
- The results are verified and the members placing in the top three will be acknowledged at the annual *Recognition Awards Event & Memorial Cruise*, normally held in September the following year.

**NOTE:** The Excellence Awards are not currently being offered due to the lower number of Concours Program shows available.



***Have a terrific Corvette season!***