

RE's Corner

I got a note last week from Rick Myers, Manager of Region Relations at the SCCA. In the note Rick is concerned that the SCCA lost 500 members in July, and that membership is declining. So is membership for our Big Island of Hawaii Region.

For us, the SCCA and our membership mean one thing: It allows our local club to hold events. We must have the sanction from the SCCA, which in turn allows us to have insurance for our events.

It's that simple. No insurance, no event.

We can't hold any event, on any county or state property without the insurance coverage. For us to approach any other business or facility without supplying appropriate insurance coverage is a non-starter.

The SCCA is able to provide us this coverage thanks to its many members. A big portion of our annual dues, as well a portion of entry fees from each event, go to the SCCA to pay for this vital function. The insurance costs are shared among all the members, making it possible for a small group like the Big Island of Hawaii Region to deliver a five million dollar policy to the County for an event as small as 12 cars! That is the power of membership.

Sure, there are other benefits to SCCA membership, but I am trying to hone in on the one that makes if the most personal to you, to all of us. When your membership renewal comes up, remember that if you want to run, your support of the SCCA is what makes it possible.

Aloha,
Jim Cohn
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