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Corvette Club of Windsor

NEWSLETTER

President's Report

Just a short message to thank everyone for taking charge while I am in Florida and welcome our new members. Thanks to Ron Packer for all his work on the upcoming CONCOURS judging, flyer and registration forms. Thanks also to all the judges who volunteered their time at our show. Thanks to Dan Reaume for his work and organization of monthly meetings and his excellent job replacing the president. Thanks to Gary as always for his membership notices and the financial keeper of the club. I know the committee has been hard at work with new members, meetings and door prizes for the upcoming show. We need all the sponsors you can get. Any amount is appreciated. Any ideas for the show are welcomed.

We have lots of work to do to ensure we give our guests the best possible car show. Once I'm home I will be visiting all our sponsors to collect hopefully over \$5000.00. Thank you Peter for the great job you do on our newsletter. I know it's a lot of work but I know the club members enjoy your newsletter. To Les, Bob, Richard, Gary, Ron, Dan, Barry, Dane -the executive. THANKS.

If I forgot anyone I'm sorry. Good luck at our next meeting and try to support our sponsors as much as possible.

Thanks Bryan Hansen

This Period's Club Events

Club meeting January 19, 2017

The January meeting was well attended. There were approximately 20 people at our meeting, which is a pretty good turnout for January. It was my first experience at heading up the meeting as Bryan Hansen was on vacation. We talked about the summer show at the waterfront as well as the Grand Prix event in June. We had a new member show up named Nunzio Spadafora. Afterwards, about ten of us, including myself and my wife Lynda, stopped at a local restaurant (Chuck's Roadhouse) for a drink and something to eat. There were no photos taken at this meeting.

I would like to encourage some of our newer members to come out for these meetings as it is a great way to get to know everyone.

Dan Reaume, Vice President.

Club meeting February 16, 2017

Sorry, I don't have any report for the February meeting, only some pictures.



DAN KANE
CHEVROLET • BUICK • GMC

Corvette Club of Windsor regular monthly meeting Thursday February 16 at 6:30 pm.

February 24 – 26, 2017

Detroit Autorama, World of Wheels and Cavalcade of Customs



Not much of a story here. Detroit Autorama was not as good as last year! The 1967 Cutlass Supreme is the car they are raffling off this year. Hot looking car. Ordered one of those back in the day. First guy to have one in the area. It was my 2nd new car. I was 20 or 21. It was a really good car.

Bar.

PS Might be a good idea to promote their raffle help them in a way it would help us!

Barry Renaud

Autorama tradition is to select the top cars as “Great Eight” finalists for the grand winner of the Ridler award.

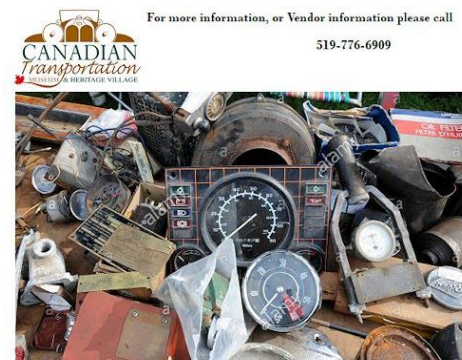


Not one but two Corvettes in the Final “Great 8” for the Ridler award at Detroit Autorama

Saturday, February 25, 2017

Canadian Transportation Museum – Indoor Flea Market.

Mickey Moulder always puts on a good event, so I know it would have been a success, but unfortunately I have no report here either.



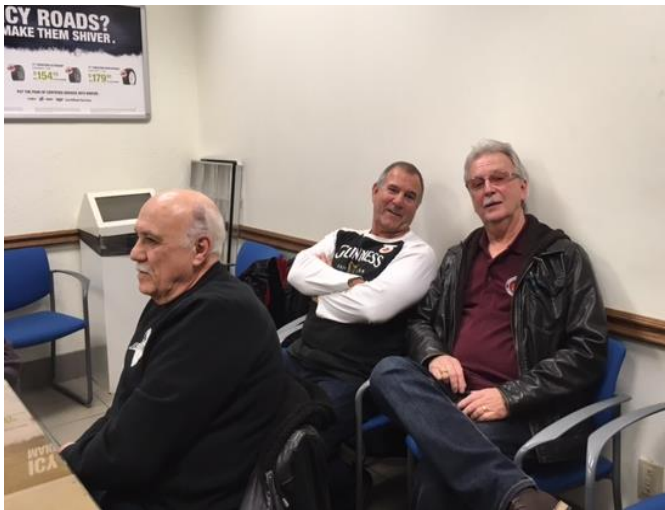
Club meeting March 15, 2017

We had a great turnout at Dan Kane Chev on Thursday with 19 members in attendance.

Considering the weather and time of the year those numbers for March are pretty good. We have 16 club members that will be attending the April 22 judging classes in Barrie Ontario. On April 29 we have 15 cars from the club that will be going to the Lingenfelter museum. Following our trip to the museum we will be going to Amichi's Restaurant. On April 30 Lynda Reaume will be organizing a Drive to Erieau for lunch at Molly and Oj's so if there are any club members that are interested in going to this event please let Lynda know by April 22, as we need to give the restaurant numbers for lunch. We have also sent an invitation to the Legends club to see if they would like to join us. Lynda's email address is lyndareaume@yahoo.com. Our June 3 event to the Grand Prix on Belle Isle was sold out in one day. I believe there are 10 cars from our club that will be attending. Our next meeting is scheduled for April 20 at 6 PM at Dan Kane's. This I believe will be our last meeting there as we will be moving our meetings to heritage Village for the summer. Our club president Bryan Hansen will be returning from vacation on March 28. He has indicated to me that he will be quite busy going to all the sponsors trying to get as many donations as possible as well as door prizes for our upcoming Corvette show on the river. Bryan and I would also like to thank the judges and everyone who is working to make our car show a success. I do believe if we have good weather this will be the largest Corvette show that we have ever put on. We do have a number of new members that I am personally looking forward to getting to know better and I would like to encourage you to come out to the meetings and join in on some of our scheduled events so we can all get to know you better.

Looking forward to seeing everyone.

Dan Reaume. VP Corvette Club of Windsor



Missing from the shots are Nunzio Spadafora, Rob and Lynda.

Photos thanks to Lynda Reaume

65th Annual Mobil 1 - 12 Hours of Sebring March 15 - 18

John & Marilyn Fahringer are fortunate to have a small place about 15 minutes from Sebring Raceway in Florida. The following is their contribution to this Newsletter;

Throughout the year, race teams from all over the US & Canada come to this iconic racetrack to try out new cars, engines or tires. During the winter months, there are many different series and this last weekend the Trans-Am Series was held. There were 76 cars entered with 4 different classes. This series has been held every year since 1966 when the initial race was held here in Sebring.

There are two 100.98 mile, 27 lap races on this legendary 3.74 miles track with numerous twists & turns.

This year Pirelli tires will be the official tire of the series, after a years design & development for the TA & TA2 classes. The TA class featuring the 875 hp GT cars includes last years' champion, Amy Ruman driving her #23 Corvette. Also in the class will be Simon Gregg, 2012 champion driving his #59 Corvette once again and another Corvette, # 8 driven by Tom Drissi. I'll try to attach a pic of Amy Ruman's vette.

In another week, the world renowned 12 Hours of Sebring race will be held and teams from many countries will be here to seek a win.

GM brought the race. The original was made of had famous driver brought in to drive. overheating and head of Chevrolet MacLean & Dave designers, took tin louvers out of the sides to allow more thing to do to the body said Dave. well holding a place of the pack but started to falter. stops to locate the found a tiny 10 cent system had failed replacement. That was the end of the race for the team.



ALLEN MOODY/Staff
Amy Ruman drives the No. 23 McNichols Company Corvette at Sebring International Raceway during last year's Trans Am Series event.

Corvettes here to prototype Vette titanium and GM Taruffi from Italy The car was Claire MacKichan - design, Bob Wheeler, snips and cut the hood and body airflow. A terrible beautiful titanium The car ran very up near the front after a time, After several pit problem, they piece in the engine and no one had a

Results from the Trans Am races from mid March at Sebring:

All the drivers faced miserable high wind conditions all weekend.

In the TA series.....Tomy Drissi in the #8 Ghost in the Shell Corvette

In the TA3 class.....Randy Kinsland in the # 11 Corvette led for many laps but dropped to 2nd to cross the finish line.

The following article is from the HIGHLANDS NEWS SUN, Sebring, FL March 15, 2017

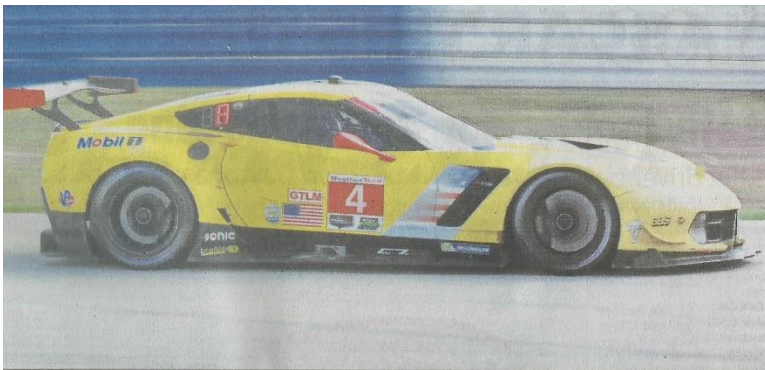
Allen Moody Sports Editor (reprinted with permission)

Corvette Racing takes pride in representing car”

Corvette Racing knows when they take to the track for the first time Thursday, they'll have a legion of diehard fans, who will be with them through thick and thin, whether they win or have a mishap that prevents them from finishing the race.

“The fans were the first thing I saw when I first joined Corvette Racing” said Antonio Garcia, driver of the number 3 Corvette C7.R. “I couldn't believe all of the people and all of the fans who supported us.”

There are two basic reasons for that. The first is that Corvette is an amazing car.



The number 4 Corvette Racing C7.R tests at Sebring last month

PHOTO ALLEN MOODY

“It's an American sports car”, said Oliver Gavin, driver of the number 4 Corvette. It looks brilliant. It's a classic. Whether we take the car to Daytona or to Sebring or to LeMans, fans are loving the car.”

The other reason is most likely the old adage of everybody loving a winner. Corvette Racing picked up its 102nd win as a team last year and would like nothing more than to make it 103 in the 12 hours of Sebring.

“It's one of the big classic races” Gavin said. “It's one of the biggest sports car races in the world. It has a lot of respect. Everybody knows if you can win at the 12 Hours of Sebring not only have you done a fantastic job,

but you have a great crew, a great driver line-up. It's a great test of stamina, skill, intelligence and strategy. It's the most grueling physical race we do. You feel every single bump over every single lap."

Corvette Racing like the longer races on the schedule, as they tend to reward the teams that put in the work and work together.

"We operate as a team" Gavin said. "That's why we ended up winning Sebring last year and that's why we ended up winning the championship, because we operate as a team."

Garcia said the longer the race, the more the team can prove all the long hours of preparation that take place behind the scenes.

But Corvette Racing isn't one to rest on its laurels. They know they can't afford to in the highly competitive GTLM class.

"The competition is very, very strong" Garcia said "I'm sure we're really well prepared, but we'll have to be 100% if we want to win this race."

The team looks for every edge it can get and Gavin said one of the great things is that Corvette Racing is always looking to get better.

"They are constantly trying to develop as a team and the crew" he said "Every year we look at what we can do to make ourselves better. Last year all the crew started to cross-fit to try and make faster pit stops. As a driver that gives you so much confidence. When you come into the pit box you know you're going to be one of the first out of the pits and back on the track."

Corvette Racing has seen other cars come and go over the past 20 years, but they have been a constant in sports car racing. Gavin said one reason for that is Chevrolet. The other is that people want to see the



Corvette Racing drivers left, Jan Magnussen, Oliver Garcia and Tommy Milner celebrate on podium

RICHARD PRINCE/CHEVY RACING PHOTO

"The pedigree of Corvette Racing is that people want to see the car on the track" he said. "It's what the fans want to see."

Sebring takes a toll on the cars and drivers, but that's part of the Sebring mystique.

"Sebring definitely is very hard on cars and drivers" Garcia said. "That race track being fast and bumpy – you really need to be focused and the tension is very high. Even though it is half the time of the two 24 Hours that we do I would say Sebring is just as hard".

Gavin said another great thing about the race is that there is always a great story and Sebring International Raceway can throw out a surprise on any lap. The fans are another.

"I've seen some pretty crazy things there" Gavin said. "it's like a Mardi Gras at the track. When you get there for the first time, it's unique".

During qualifying you'll typically find Garcia or Jan Magnussen – whoever isn't driving the car – watching with the Corvette fans on turn 10.

"You see so much the fans enjoy it" Garcia said. "We feel like putting on a really good show for them".

Both drivers know there isn't anything their fans would rather see than another celebration on the top spot of the podium and they're confident you won't find a better prepared team anywhere".

"We know we have to work very hard to beat all of our competition" Gavin said. "One of the reasons Corvette Racing has been so successful for so long is because they work so hard on it"

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LOCAL SPORTS

Corvette takes GTLM class

Garcia's masterful final stint the difference

By ALLEN MOODY
SPORTS EDITOR

Chip Ganassi Ford Racing came to Sebring determined to win the unofficial "Triple Crown" of endurance racing. Corvette Racing had plans for a triple of their own, as they captured the GTLM class for the third straight year after Antonio Garcia turned in a masterful performance in his final stint – which lasted nearly three hours — to send the No. 3 Chevrolet Corvette C7.R to a 4.453-second victory over the No. 66 Ford GT. A last-lap pass by the No. 62 Risi Competizione Ferrari of the No. 67 Ford GT gave them the final step on the podium.

It was up to the No. 3 Corvette to carry the team banner after the No. 4 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Corvette C7.R was forced to retire with water temperature issues. The team was the first to drop out of the race, as their issues occurred in the first hour before they called it a day after completing only 42



KATE ROWLAND/CORRESPONDENT

Corvette Racing drivers Mike Rockenfeller, left, and Jan Magnussen, right, listen as Antonio Garcia talks about his final stint in Saturday's 12 Hours of Sebring.

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The #3 Corvette won its class once again at Sebring.

The #4 Corvette had some temperature issues early on & had to drop out of the race after only 42 laps. The # 3 dropped to 6th place with less than 4 hours remaining but the team took the lead with only 35 laps left. There is a 3 man team and Antonio Garcia who drove the last 3 hours drove the "greatest drive of his career" He has won 3 times at Sebring. Sebring is one of the toughest courses to run with so many twists & turns and is extremely bumpy.

Way to go Corvette Racing

Great reporting - thanks to Marilyn Fahringer & Highland News Sun, Sebring, FL

Upcoming events

There are more events than I have listed here, but these are the ones I feel are best suited to Corvette owners. For more information go to website shown below each event or contact person indicated. **Best to co-ordinate attendance through our Club Activity Directors: Ed Jones at edljones@hotmail.com or Lynda Reaume at lyndareaume@yahoo.com**

Saturday, April 22, 2017 (Registration full)

CCCC National Judging Seminar, Barrie, ON.

16 of us are motoring up to Barrie, Ontario to participate in the Quad C National Judging Seminar. This will give our Club a terrific knowledge base for judging at our Concourse Waterfront show June 11, 2017.

Saturday, April 29, 2017

Ken Lingenfelter's Tour, Brighton, MI.

The next event will be an organized ride Brighton Michigan to view Ken Lingenfelter's personal car collection. It's an incredible collection of Corvettes and other unique and valuable cars. After the tour we will proceed to Don Amichi's for a lunch with our participants. The cost of the tour is a donation to the cancer society at Ken's display. As of March 17 we have 14 cars going. We will leave the Duty Free store at Ambassador Bridge at 8AM and hope to arrive at Lingenfelter Collection by 10 AM.



For more information and to sign up contact myself, Ed Jones edljones@hotmail.com or Lynda Reaume lyndareaume@yahoo.com.

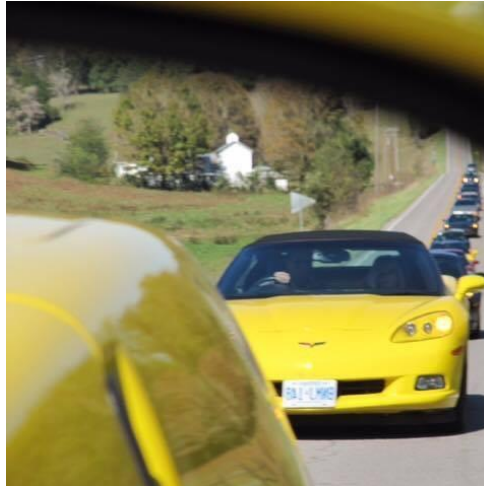
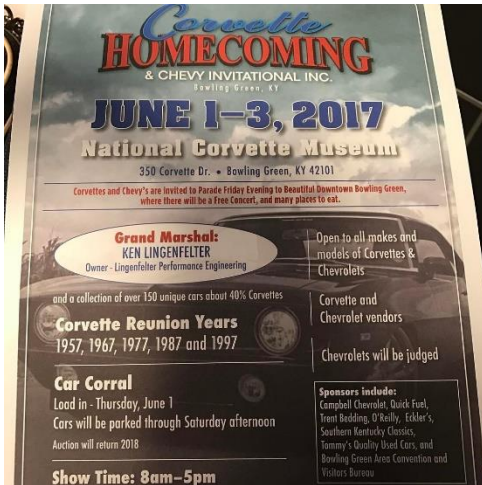
Sunday, April 30, 2017

Club Car Cruise to Erieau and final stop is Molly and Oj's for lunch. Sunday April 30 2017. The details to follow

Please RSVP if you are interested as food preparation for large groups can be an issue. Your early respond is greatly appreciated to either event.

Please email Ed Jones at edljones@hotmail.com or Lynda Reaume at lyndareaume@yahoo.com

Thursday, June 1 through Saturday June 3, 2017 - Corvette homecoming



This was originally posted on FB by one of our Bowling Green Corvette Club friends, Shelby Sweiss.

When 16 of our club members in our 9 Corvettes travelled south to Bowling Green a few years ago to visit the National Corvette Museum and Bowling Green Assembly Plant, Shelby led our pack through some wonderful curvy roads... and can she drive! Made for an awesome wild ride following the leader through some beautiful Kentucky hills!

The other photo attached is a rear shot from our Kentucky ride with that Club. Amazing folks and cars, made for an unforgettable Corvette cruise! Thanks Carla Tonucci

www.corvettehomecoming.com



Saturday, June 3, 2017 (Registration full)

Detroit Grand Prix Corvette Caravan with Matick Chevrolet Redford, MI.

We will have 11 corvettes attending the Matick Chevrolet Detroit Grand Prix tour. We start the day with a breakfast with guest speakers at Matick Chevrolet in Redford, Michigan. We are then escorted by police in a 100 car caravan to Belle Isle where we will enjoy the day in the pits paddock garage area as guests of Chevrolet. They are providing track side seats and lunch all day long. We will see several races including the first of the Duals in Detroit. The tickets were sold out in one day we are happy to be at the leading edge of this event.

The Matick Chevrolet welcoming committee



Saturday, June 3 and Sunday June 4, 2017 (Note car year restrictions)

Steve Plunket's Fleetwood Country Cruise In car show, London, Ontario

www.fleetwoodcountrycruisein.com



Sunday, June 11, 2017 OUR SHOW!!!!

***The Corvette Club of Windsor - Annual Waterfront
Corvette Show (8:00 am – 4:00 pm)***

(at Dieppe Park across from the GM Headquarters Building on the Detroit River)



To benefit the Windsor Regional Hospital – Pediatric Oncology Satellite Unit. As host for the Canadian Corvette Concours Nationals you are invited to partake in and experience a multi-faceted Corvette show presentation.

Sunday, June 11, 2017 (Sorry Club members cannot go to this event– wait until September 3)

Automotive Flea Market & Festival of Cars show - Canadian Transport Museum & Heritage Village. Kingsville, ON.

www.ctmhv.com

Sunday, June 25, 2017

Sarnia Street Machines Car Show, Sarnia, Ontario

www.sarniastreetmachines.com



Saturday, July 8, 2017

Corvettes at the Summit, Canton, Michigan

www.corvettesatthesummit.com

Our 13th annual Corvettes at the Summit is coming on July 8th and we hope you are planning to attend. For registration forms and other information please go to our website: <http://corvettesatthesummit.com/index.html> or call Jim at [734.673.4291](tel:734.673.4291).



Friday, July 14, 2017 (From 1pm to 8pm)

Sunsplash Classic Cruise Car Show, Belle River, ON.

www.belleriverbia.com/classic-cruise



- > Online Registration is now open!!!
- > Please visit <http://www.classiccruise.ca/> to register your vehicle!
- > AND a chance to win \$100 BIA dollars!

Please note: We can meet and stage from my house, it's only 2 minutes to the show from my house. We'll finalize details as the date approaches.

Mike Giroux
[519 727-4231](tel:519.727.4231)

Sunday, July 30, 2017

Gone Car Crazy car show, Amhurstburg, Ontario

www.amherstburgsgonecrazycrazyshow.com



Amherstburg's
Gone Car Crazy
Show

Saturday, August 12, 2017

Corvettes America, Clarkston, MI

www.corvettesamerica.org



Wednesday, August 16, 2016

Corvettes on Woodward Drive2EndHunger



1. <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Corvettes-on-Woodward-drive2endhunger>

Wednesday, August 16 to Saturday, August 19,

Woodward Dream Cruise - Woodward Avenue from 8 Mile Rd to

<http://woodwarddreamcruise.com>



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Pontiac, Michigan

Wednesday, August 16 to Saturday, August 19,

Back to the Bricks week long extravaganza, Flint, Michigan

Editor note - My favourite event – better than Dream Cruise – especially the Car Show on Saturday

<https://backtothebricks.org>



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Saturday, August 19, 2017

Corvette Reunion, Back to the Bricks car show, Flint, Michigan

Be there VERY early. See note above – one of top 20 car shows in United States.

www.corvettereunionatbacktothebricks.com



Thursday, August 24 through Sunday, August 27,

Corvettes at Carlisle, Carlisle, PA - The largest and most fun-filled Corvette event in the world, the annual Corvettes at Carlisle event features more than 5,000 Corvettes representing all generations of America's classic sports car.

www.carlisleevents.com



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Other News

Thought I would pass on following message to the members from Greig Zimmerman received February 2, 2017:

“Baby boy born last night at 10:46 pm. Roman James. 8 lbs. Grandson and mother both fine. Thank goodness he was born yesterday and not today on Groundhog Day! ;-)”

Congratulations Greig!

Neat rides

Barry Renaud writes - Hi Peter, the owner of this car is an acquaintance of mine here in Amherstburg. He is very eccentric, nice guy rides around town with his top down in foul weather. This picture I got from his Facebook page.



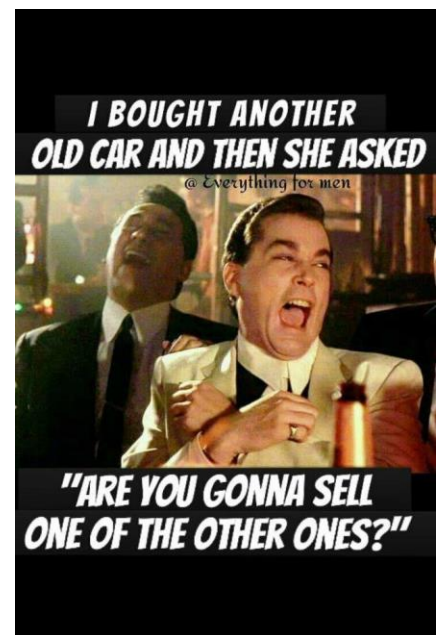


Bryan Hansen's new Corvette - 2005 Convertible Metallic red fully loaded cost \$ 88,000.00 new. Beautiful C6, licence plate reads "BRY'S VET", neato garage, spare '71 model under wraps, -- but how do the two window or cabinet frames fit into this picture?

Interesting collection of license plates from Australia to the Northwest Territories. Brian, have you driven all of those roads or is that the plan for your new toy?

Thoughts at this time of year

There is always someone out there!
As Barry says "Probably a lease".



Now that the good weather is here, it is the time when some of the boys, and girls too, look to increase their stock in the garage. I thought I would reinforce how most of us men would react when this is accomplished.



For Sale

Ori Steinberg is selling a SLP air induction filter. Fits 2001-2004 Corvette. Potential 18 hp gains. They normally sell for \$ 300.00+HST and he is asking \$150.00.

If interested, please contact Ori Steinberg at orbitzvette@gmail.com

Good News: Stolen Corvette Returned to Owner 40 Years Later



© CHP - Red Bluffundefined Good News: Stolen Corvette Returned to Owner 40 Years Later Back in 1976, Modesto Fleming, a woman living in Anaheim, California had [her C2 Corvette](#) stolen. At the time, the police were unable to track the car down, and she believed her car was gone forever. Until October, that was the case. But thanks to [one hard-working police officer](#) and a little bit of luck, Fleming finally has her car back.

Earlier this year, the then-owner took the 1964 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray to a car show. As [the Red Bluff Daily News reports](#), there, someone pointed out that the car's VIN didn't actually belong to a Corvette. As it turned out, the VIN was actually from a 1964 Impala. Using a different identifying number, the officer was able to verify with the National Insurance Crime Bureau that the car had been stolen.

"The number returned to a 1964 Chevy Corvette that was an unrecovered stolen vehicle out of Anaheim Police Department in September of 1976," Officer Madrigal told the *Red Bluff Daily News*. "I contacted Anaheim and advised them of the situation. They then located the victim from 1976, who is currently living in Arizona, and told her we had her car."

Four decades after it was originally stolen, Fleming has her stolen Corvette back. Sadly, the man who the car was recovered from had owned the car since his wife gave it to him in 1987. At the time, she bought it from a dealership that is now out of business.

So while it's great to see the original owner get her car back, the fact that it was found with a family that had owned it for nearly 20 years makes this story more bittersweet than anything else. [via Corvette Blogger](#)

Condolences

Don Hogan - The Club learned in January of the terrible news club members Don and Mae Hogan received. Don has been diagnosed with Spinal Neuropathy, a degenerative disease affecting his balance and mobility. He underwent several MRIs at London's Health Sciences Centre and was to receive the results of these tests in mid February, but I have not been able to learn any more. In their words: "Mae and I are very positive, yet very realistic as to the future."

Please join me in sending our best wishes and prayers to you both with your terrible disease.

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Leslie Tetler - Our Corvette Club Recording Secretary, Les Tetler's dad died Sunday, March 5, 2017.

Second World War veteran Leslie Tetler, who survived the Dieppe Raid and three years in a POW camp, died Sunday at age 97 — but will always be remembered outside his family as the "Last Man Standing".

Tetler was the Essex Scottish Regiment's last known surviving veteran of the ill-fated Dieppe Raid. During the disastrous Aug. 19, 1942, assault on German-held beaches of northern France, 3,367 mostly Canadian Allied troops — almost 60 per cent — were killed, wounded or captured.

Tetler spent the next three years in a German prisoner of war camp, before being liberated at the end of the war.

Les' sister, Betty Sine, said her father will be remembered for his can-do spirit — something he displayed his whole life.

"He was a fighter," she said. "He fought through the POW camp. He fought through a broken shoulder. He fought through a broken hip. He came back and still walked. He was just a fighter. He had such determination."

Tetler began dealing with setbacks as a newborn in Stockport, England, given that his mother, Annie, died in childbirth. He was an only child, though had stepsisters and stepbrothers. His father, Fred, moved to Canada to find work, and two years later sent for his six-year old son to join him in Windsor, where the youngster grew up.

The young man was fun-loving — even winning a jitterbug contest while stationed in England, before shipping out to fight. But the horror of war hit home on the beaches of Dieppe, where he had to step over dead bodies to press forward, and where Germans eventually took him prisoner.

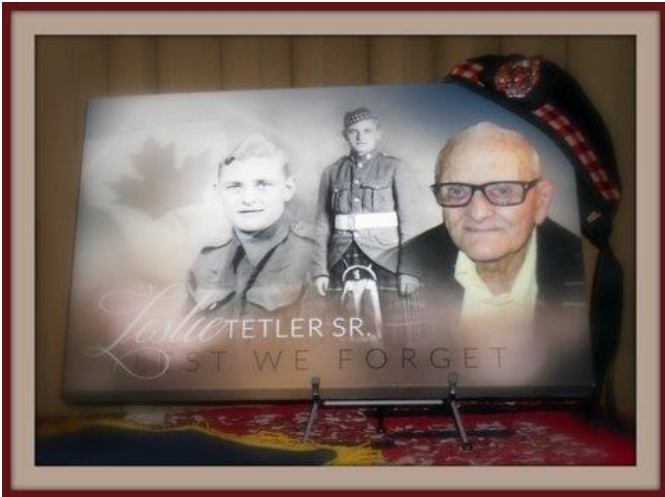
"He didn't open up about his experience in the war for the longest time," Sine recalled, though about 15 years ago he started telling some stories to his grandson, Christopher, and nephew, Keith. "Since then he's told quite a few different stories.

"I remember him telling me about marches. The Germans made them march at nighttime up in the mountains in the snow."

They marched to forced labour camps, where they sometimes toiled 12 hours a day. But all the while, Tetler survived.

He returned home and worked a series of jobs, often in the delivery business, and started his family. He had three children, seven grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Besides being a loving family man, he will be remembered for his heroism as a private in the deadliest war in history. He was also honoured in 2015 at a ceremony at the Dieppe Memorial in Dieppe Gardens, and was even memorialized in a YouTube song by Charlie Horner called Last Man Standing — recalling how Tetler outlived his Essex Scottish brothers.



“He represents the end of an era in terms of our living Dieppe veterans,” said Lt.-Col. John Hodgins, the commanding officer of the Essex and Kent Scottish, as the regiment was renamed in 1954. “It will make this year’s 75th anniversary even more important in the sense that we now no longer have a living veteran to represent his peers.”

Hodgins met Tetler two years ago at the wreath-laying ceremony where the elder was honoured. Hodgins was impressed with Tetler’s selfless attitude.

“He said to me, ‘Just remember, we’re honouring everybody here today,’ ” Hodgins recalled. “He didn’t want it to be about him at all. He just felt he was fortunate to survive.”

The former Little League baseball coach, darts player, golfer and committed sports fan — particularly of his beloved Toronto Maple Leafs — made the most out of life. Tetler was a Florida snowbird for 10 years. Even when he was living at a retirement home, Tetler recalled the good times.

“When he was at the St. Clair Beach Retirement Home they threw him a make-a-wish kind of tribute,” his daughter recalled. “He loved pipers so the first part was a piper and a veterans’ salute. The second was a party with plastic palm trees and pools and Coors Light. He was just thrilled. He loved it.”

In keeping with Tetler’s style, the decorated war veteran who received a citation from Justin Trudeau as the last man standing will have one last piper tribute, at his memorial service — honouring a true survivor.



Pte. Leslie Tetler, the last known member of the Essex Scottish Regiment who fought during Operation Jubilee in Dieppe, France, salutes during a ceremony at Windsor's Dieppe Park on Aug. 19, 2015. Tetler died Sunday at age 97. "He was just a fighter," said his daughter, Betty Sine.

Photo *NICK BRANCACCIO*

Thanks *CRAIG PEARSON*

Derek "Duke" Brown - It was with great sadness that I read in the Toronto Star on December 30, 2016, of the passing of an old car buddy and friend, Derek "Duke" Brown. Duke was a great icon in the street rod and custom car business. I had the privilege of knowing Derek for 58 years and would like to toast his memory by providing you a list of his many automotive accomplishments.

In 1956 Derek was a founding member of the Roadmates Car Club in Toronto. I joined the Roadmates Car Club, almost at the beginning of its existence, in 1960. The Roadmates is probably the oldest, continuously running, car club in Canada and Derek was the only President the Roadmates Car Club ever had for more than 60 years.

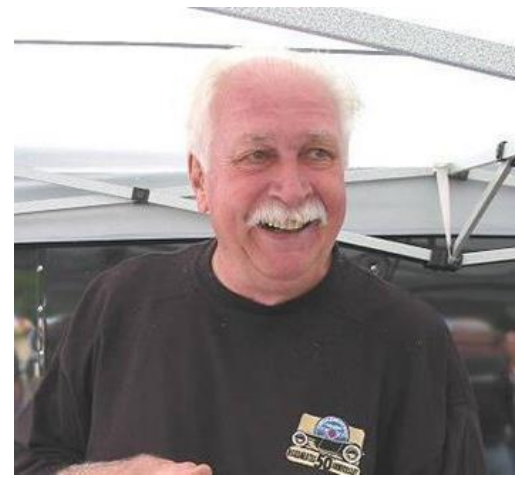


In the 1960's, Derek and his brother Tony, built and successfully drag raced the "Brothers Brown" BB/A altered Topolino Fiat, with the unusual front drive supercharged, "nail head" Buick motor.

Derek was very involved in the car show scene in Toronto where he had great influence in the start and running of Speed Sport in the early 60's. He continued to be involved organising, judging, exhibiting, helping, you name it, in car shows all over. He built many street rods, and even



though I don't think he ever owned a Corvette, he was truly a fabulous figure in our car hobby. He was also the President of the Mississauga-based "Duke's Street Rods" which catered to the specialized repair and building needs of quality conscious street rodders. He had a decades-long street rodding



expertise which he readily shared with the car show and hot rod community across this country, especially on the East Coast. His major accomplishments were helping others design and build their own cars. He was renowned all over the eastern part of Canada, and also helped Americans. Later in his career he used his extensive background in the creation, design, fabrication, and appraisal of show winning street rods and custom vehicles to assist anyone. He founded "Duke's Appraisal Services" and was a lifetime advisory member of the Professional Association of Vehicle Evaluators (P.A.V.E.) where he used these same attributes in performing vehicle evaluations and appraisals for the insurance industry.

I always called him Derek, whereas most other people called him Duke, but however you say it, the car world has lost a great man. He had friends and associates across all of North America from New Brunswick to British Columbia and from Florida to California. He was also involved with the Canadian Street Rod Association and as well as the American National Street Rod Association.

We will miss you Derek "Duke" Brown, your unbelievable ability to drink litres of beer at the Roadmates clubhouse, and not just at their corn roasts, your knack and skill at designing and building unique, award winning cars, your unselfish help and assistance with everybody, your dedication through evaluation and judging, plus a great guy and friend. My condolences to your wife Sharon and your brother Tony.

Peter Roberts

Donald Reaume



Don retiring 1988

Ed Jones writes - Donald Reaume was born June 21, 1927 and passed away on March 13, 2017. He was my father in law. His father, my wife's grandfather, started the Reaume Chev/Buick/GMC dealership in LaSalle in 1931. Don joined him in the late 1947's after graduating from GMI in Flint Michigan. He was a mechanic and then the dealer principal. I joined the dealership in 1972 and my brother in law joined the dealership in 1975. Steve and I became the Dealer principles when Don retired in 1988. I retired in 2001 and Steve remained the dealer principal until 2016

when Steve's sons and daughter took over the reins. Don Reaume would sell you the car, wash it and prepare it for you to deliver and repair and service it when needed. He did it all. He was a great people person and made you feel at ease with your purchase. I worked with him as a mechanic in my early days and we always enjoyed helping customers with their car or truck needs. Donald Reaume is not related to club member Dan Reaume.



The three generations of new dealers



Grampa Reaume (Pipi) with Don Reaume, Steve Reaume and Ed Jones

Ed Jones

Welcome New Members

Nunzio & Angela Spadafora



I was born & raised in Windsor. I'm in the car business as a Finance Manager. Bought my 1st corvette in 1987, it was a 1980 white on white. 5 corvettes later & finally bought the big one. 2015 Z/06

Looking forward to meeting everyone.

Nunzio Spadafora

2015 'Vette Joined December 2016

Jim and Janice Bondy



Janice and I have been married for 26 years, have two children and two grandchildren. We have lived in Amherstburg all our lives. We bought our Vette for my 50th B'day present.

We look forward to meeting you,

Regards, Jim and Janice



Jim and Janice Bondy's 1980 Corvette –
joined Club in January 2017

Chris and Debbie Lee - 1980 Corvette - Joined February 2017.

Deb and I moved to Leamington about 3 years ago from near Vancouver where we lived for about 16 years. Deb originally came from England where I met her and brought her back!! I've always liked the C3 style of Corvettes and I finally found one in 2015.

A 1980. Since then we have attended many car shows and look forward to more!



Chris and Debbie



Peter Roberts editor



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