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*Corvette Club of Windsor*

# NEWSLETTER

## President's Report

We had a very successful car show this year even with the change of venue we had to work around. Everyone got involved and helped. We received many emails telling Ron Packer and myself how much they enjoyed the show and at least 50% did not mind the move. Next year we will be back at Dieppe Gardens, June 10, 2018. This year we hope to give \$6000.00 to the Oncology Unit and maybe some club hats for the children staying at the unit. We will be doing the presentation sometime in September. I will let everyone know the date and time.

Paula's fish night out was another great date night for our club members. Thanks Lynda and Ed for the arrangements.

The Ciociaro Club, Essex car show and the Belle River car show were all attended by club members and everyone had a great time. Thanks Mike for taking us to the show from your house. Marilyn is now allowing people to sit in her car and pretend they are driving it. Marilyn you have such a big heart.

The Sagat's are getting ready for our BBQ in August so I hope everyone has emailed Ed to let them know who is coming and what you are bringing. Peter thanks for the great job you are doing putting our newsletter together for the club. I hope the members realize how much work you do.

I have some extra t-shirts available and 3 golf shirts ready for the new members who ordered them, ok Chris.

We tentatively have Ambassador Golf Club for December 1, 2017 for our Christmas party unless we find something better and cheaper. Essex, Beach Grove and Sutton Creek have been ruled out for cost and location. Bring any other suggestions to the meeting.

Hopefully our meeting this Thursday July 20, will be well attended. Just a shout out to Ron Jeffery, hope you are feeling better.

See you there and drive careful, BRYAN

Bryan Hansen, President.

## New Members

Wow! We had seven new members join during this Newsletter early in June and one more at the end of July.

### Izzy and Violet Faraci



Izzy and Violet joined a couple of months ago. We had hoped to have more pictures and a story in this issue.

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### Jonathon & Marnie Palmer

Jonathan & Marnie Palmer from Chatham, Ontario joined at the end of May. Here is an interesting way to present themselves.



Jonathan is from St.Vincent and the Grenadines, Marnie from Dresden, Ontario. We enjoy spending time in the summer months in SW Ontario. We have 3 daughters and a grand daughter who is GOIN SLO's co-pilot. We are semi-retired, having both worked in the aviation industry in the Caribbean for many years.

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**Garo and Arlet Kalktik**

Garo and Arlet own a 2016 Corvette Stingray Z51



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**Dennis Bevis**, North Adams, Michigan

Sorry no more details other than car is a 2016 Z06.

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**Pete and Kandy Kurkcuyan**

Hi I'm Pete Kurkcuyan....I own a '64 Corvette 327 365 HP and a '06 Z06. These are the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Corvettes I've owned.



**Richard & Janet Lavin**, 2001 Corvette, from Maidstone, ON

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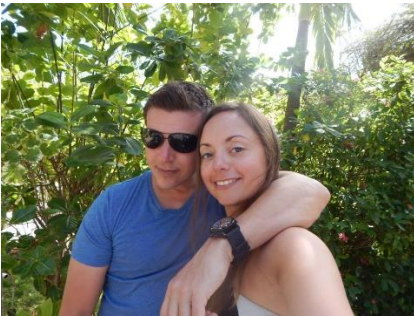
**Roch & Sue Marier**, Belle River, ON – 1994 ‘Vette

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**John & Irene Petro**, La Salle, ON – 2001 Corvette

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**Jeff Van Dongen & Meaghen Lefaive** (Colchester, Ontario).



Born and raised in Essex County, Jeff & Meaghen share a passion for cars, especially fast ones... Jeff is the CEO of motormindz, an automotive focused technology accelerator who works with most global automotive manufacturers worldwide. Meaghen is also in the automotive industry working for a leading tier one supplier, Plassman Group. Having been owners of several enthusiast vehicles spanning across multiple brands, their favorite to date is their 2017 Z06 with Hennessey HPE 750 upgrade. “We are excited to be part of the club and look forward to being significant contributors.”

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## **Thom & Melanie Malott** LaSalle, ON - 1991 'Vette

At the age of 14 my dad introduced me to a friend who had an old Corvette in his barn in Kitchener, Ontario. He let me sit in it and that was it, I was hooked. At the age of 15, I told my dad I would own a Red Corvette some day and we would drive to Montreal....seemed like a good plan. On my 16th birthday my parents gave me a little box and inside was a set of keys and said your gift is in the garage. Expecting to see that old Corvette, to my surprise, there was a Corvette in the garage, unfortunately it was a small Hot Wheels one...but it was red!



Over the years the hopes and dreams of ever owning a corvette came and went but were always there in my heart.

Today I am proud to say I am a Corvette Owner, 1991 Steel

Blue Metallic with Blue Interior and Sport Option Seats....92,000 km and oh, almost forgot, CONVERTIBLE too.

Melanie and I had recently attended the Amherstburg Gone Car Crazy car show and we are excited to join the club and the many adventures to come.

Tom and Melanie



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## **Club Events for this issue**

**Thursday, June 1, 2017**

Special Car Show meeting at Central Park Athletics attended by 31 people

Brian started out by reminding everyone that Dieppe Park is under break wall construction and we have to relocate east to the larger paved parking, Festival Plaza. Ron Packer displayed Google maps satellite view of the area and Bryan explained all of the area features – washrooms, stage, boardroom, electric power outlets, entry off Ouellette and exit etc. Ron went through how there would be a split between preregistered and non-registered entries. Non registered cars will pay \$25 and then park, returning with their registration data. Tents will be allowed and may be anchored into the asphalt. Club cars to be parked on south side, while trailers, Boy Scouts, other food etc will be on south side next to stage. There is to be goody bag stuffing meeting at Bryan's house, 1686 Morningstar Avenue, 6.00 pm Thursday June 8. In addition to goody bag there will be an envelope for each contestant containing colour coded judging sheets, dash card, water tickets, ballot for best club car. Judging could start as early as 9:00 am per Daryll. Be there at 6:00 am Sunday. Bring walkie talkies.

**Thursday, June 1 through Saturday June 3, 2017**

**Corvette homecoming**

**To my knowledge, nobody from our club participated this year.**

**Saturday, June 3, 2017**

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

Carla Tonucci posted on Facebook:



Photo credit: Derek Jones (with Ed Jones) 🚗😎

Some lucky Corvette Club of Windsor members having fun today across the river at the 2017 Detroit Grand Prix on Belle Isle!!



Wow!  
What a day!  
Only bad part was rising at 4:00 am



to meet the gang with 12 cars at the bridge. Breakfast and reception at Matick Chevrolet where we received most of our race day credentials. I could hardly lift my arm due to the mass of wrist bands getting me access to various areas on Belle Isle. I had phoned the main organizer for Matick, Ryan Esler, on Friday and got his voice mail, where he said he would be out of the office until Monday. When I was at Matick, I asked the master of ceremonies if he was Ryan and he said "No". His name was Alan Johnson, Performance Vehicle Sales Manager, and Ryan would not be there. Ryan's wife had a baby yesterday. Great catered hot breakfast – eggs, bacon, sausage, potatoes, pancakes, bagels, desserts, coffee, juices etc. The reception was held in the largest indoor dealer showroom in the US. They store about 100 Corvettes in there, but had moved about 40 out to make room for the reception. They have over 140 'Vettes in stock, all indoors and sell, on average, a Corvette a day. Ed Jones comment to him was Reaume Chev in La Salle, where he was dealer principle, sold about three Corvettes a year. Police closed off the streets for 120 Corvettes to parade down to Belle Isle. Well what started as a nice single file line led by a Matick representative Corvette, turned into a 3 lane wide race down I 96. What a sight! Corvettes everywhere. Other motorists were gawking as this armada of high tech plastic roared past them.

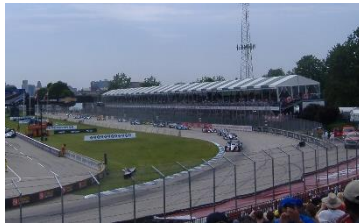




When we get to Belle Isle, we got to park in the Continental Tire Corvette only parking, right next to the Chevrolet reception tent. After signing in at the Chevrolet Car Corral I could hardly lift my arm for all of the credential bands on my wrist. We were then free to watch the pre-feature races – Super Stadium Trucks, WeatherTech IMSA, Trans Am and Indycar qualifying, browse the multitude of booths and wander through the paddock. The crew facilities in the paddock are absolutely amazing. These monster rigs with their covered service bays are fabulous. I should not be amazed, this level of racing is only just below Formula One. Even the IMSA transport trucks and portable garages are almost as exotic, just on a slightly smaller scale. We had passes for seating in the City of Windsor grandstand right at the pit road exit and



had a great view of turn 1. I had brought ear plugs and really needed them to enjoy the experience and not lose any more of my already poor hearing. My working in the past with top fuel drag race cars had not helped my higher



frequency hearing reception. At noon Chevrolet put on a catered lunch – pulled pork sliders or spicy chicken balls, salads, fruit, drinks etc. There were raffle awards and free food and drinks (no beer) which lasted all day until 6:00 pm. Our group of 12 would come and go. You would do things together and then split and do stuff on your own. What a great job. Thank you Chevy!

At 5:30 pm there was a line up for 100 hundred lucky drivers to do between 2 and 4 laps around the circuit. Get in line, show your driver's license and insurance and then both driver and passenger had to sign a release. After registration there was a lengthy wait. Finally there was the safety talk. It was now 7:15 pm and I was concerned the setting sun would have an impact on our ability to be able to see the corners when on the track, but it turned out to not be a

problem. Now it was about to begin. During the safety talk, they kept referring to the laps as being " a pace lap", however, it turned out to be a "pedal to the metal, errrrr



fibreglass?" right from the get go depending upon the nerve or stupidity of the driver. What an unbelievable experience. I had been all around race cars for the first half of my life, but never driven a legitimate road course. That concrete barrier comes up on you VERY fast when exiting turn 11. It is about a 135 degree right hander that just keeps



on coming and you don't want the front end to "push" or you'll snag the wall. The other more exciting turn for me was the left hand, off camber, turn number 2. This is unique in that the turn tightens up as you go through, but you want to keep accelerating. We did a total of four laps, each faster than the one before, but still nowhere near race car speed. Most of the time I was in 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> gear and the revs were around 5500 rpm. Finally got into 3<sup>rd</sup> on the two long straights and got up to 140 km/hr. By the time we're done, I mean literally, it was about 8:00pm. What a rush!!! Best time I have had in a long time! I am sure the rest of the members and partners had a great time as well. Thank you Ed Jones, Matick and Chevrolet!



**mike and Donna Giroux**



**Peter and Steve Roberts**



**Steve and Mary Sagat**

How others see us. Pictures of club car and members from Corvette Blog at Matick Starter's Breakfast.

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## 'It's Like We're In Another World' Say Matick Chevy Corvette Caravan Fans About Their Belle Isle Grand Prix Fun

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

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



If you like BIG events, then this is the show for you! On June 3rd we headed to near Lambeth for the car show at Steve Plunkett's. The weather was great and when we arrived just before 9am, there were already hundreds of cars already in attendance. Apparently there are cars lined up in the wee hours of the morning. After paying our entry we were directed past many cars and ended up in a back field, which through the course of the day also filled up. While I am not sure of the numbers in attendance, I did hear the number approached 3000. There were so many cars that even though we spent several hours admiring the entries, we did not see them all.

D&D Willis



**Sunday June 4, 2017**

**Shaker's Inc**



Low key get together private function.

Pictured on the right is one of Don Hogan's cars

Don writes: "I am truly honoured to give you a heads up on my 1996 Impala SS, aka "Black Beauty". Last of the rear wheel drive Impalas. Purchased from Dave Hitchcock Chev in Essex April 1997.

Options included with this car:

5.7 litre LT1 engine

HD 4 speed tranny with oil cooler

HD 4 wheel disc brakes

Grey leather interior

Monoon stereo/CD

Power everything

Full size spare.....never seen the road !!

K & N cold air system

Pensky chip

Programmable engine monitoring system

Runs Mobil 1 synthetic oil



10,007 kilometers when purchased in 1997, 41,057 kilometers now ! Hogie"

**Thursday, June 8, 2017**

**Pack the goodie bags**

Turns out Morningstar Avenue, in front of Bryan Hansen's place, was like a mini car show with Corvettes parked all the way down the street. When I left, three teens on bicycles were riding down the street gawking. One of them said "Wow! ..... A 2017 Stingray". Purpose of the get together was to stuff goody bags for the car show. Must have been 30 of us there. It was sort of like "round and round the mulberry bush" as we circled several tables stuffing in literature, towels, pamphlets, fridge magnets, key fobs and pens. Bryan served drinks to start and later we all ate pizza. Now we are all set to greet our guests on Sunday, June 11 on the waterfront.



**Sunday, June 11, 2017**

## **OUR SHOW!!!! -- Corvette Club of Windsor Annual Waterfront show**

Because of construction on a failing breakwall at Dieppe Park, the Corvette Club of Windsor Annual Waterfront show was held this year in Festival Plaza. In spite of not being on grass and having shade from the trees, we were able to make use of the additional space to accommodate 210 show cars, the silent auction/door prize tent and vendor parking. This year the Club hosted the Canadian Corvette Concours National show. The long distance award was presented to the Pittsburgh club who will fight it out and decide which one of their members for winning the Club Choice award. Ron won by 400% because he vote. Bryan closed the show early collected a nice amount of cash for Regional Hospital – Pediatric benefits to child cancer patients. Dieppe Park – how we will fit all of



to the Pittsburgh club who will fight it out and deserved this award. Congrats to Ron Packer (People's choice) award. According to Richard got 4 votes and no one else got more than one because of the heat and little shade. The Club another donation to benefit the Windsor Oncology Satellite Unit. This provides extra Next year we are promised we will return to these cars in is going to be the next.

Pictures and copy below are

borrowed from Mike Giroux' Facebook page.

Well, another great show in the great people, great cars, and we help a breeze to keep us (and the cars too) for organizing another great show. them, there'd be no club! Kudo's to ;>0



books! What more could you ask for really, charity too!! Although it was hot, we had a from getting too hot! Hats off to the WCC team BTW, a club is about the member's, without Brian and the team for another job well done!





**How can you tell Mike G. Likes older Vettes?**

**Sunday, June 11, 2017**

**McGregor Music Festival** - 28th Annual McGregor Music Festival for Cancer held in McGregor at Co-An Park.

No information – same day as our show.

**Sunday, June 11, 2017**

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

Nobody, to my knowledge attended this show, same date as our own Corvette show on the riverfront.

**Saturday, June 17 & Sunday, June 18, 2017**

June 18th & 17th 10am to 4pm FREE ART

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## Thursday, June 22, 2017

### Monthly Club meeting at Heritage Village



Another well attended meeting with 31 members present. Les read the minutes from last meeting. Gary presented the Treasurer's report – very successful how – were able to donate \$6000 to hospital.

Membership report showed 7 new members. Activity report highlighted BBQ at Steve and Mary Sagat's place. Several trips and shows highlighted – Lynda at Paula's Fish

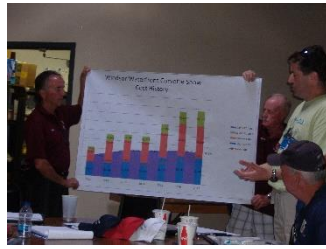
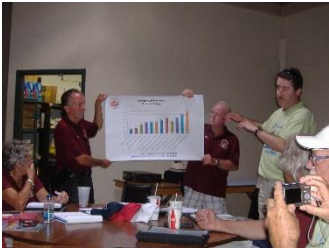
Place, Point Pele starting in Bowling Back to the Bricks not be enough about parking east for \$2.00 per extra hats for sale and mentioned bar in Harrow.



or Fort Malden with wine tour, Hot Rod Tour Green see Ed, Enzo and Mary S. talked about Corvette Reunion. Next year car show may room in Dieppe Park – Bryan to talk to city

member cars in paid lot to day. Bob Small said had Priscilla's Presence ice cream





**Sunday, June 25, 2017**

**Sarnia Street Machines** Car Show, Sarnia,



Ontario

No information

**Saturday, July 1, 2017**

**Farrow Customs Broker Make A Wish** Classic Car Show, 2001 Huron Church Road.

Sorry no info.

**Friday, July 7, 2017**

**Bayfield Vette Fest summer nights Cruise night -**

Corvette Cruise leaving from Clan Gregor Square 7pm Friday. Only have car show report for Saturday.



**Friday, July 7, 2017**

**Lynda Reaume organized trip to Paula's Fish Place** Looks like great fun!



**Cars by Dan**



**People by Lynda**





**Saturday, July 8, 2017**

**Bayfield Vette Fest Show 'n Shine**

Clan Gregor Square Registration 8:00 am

There were 4 of us from our club: Enzo Carboni, Bryan Deloge, Dane Kelly and myself Chris Lee [plus our better halves!!] – pictures courtesy Chris Lee.





**Saturday, July 8, 2017**

**Corvettes at the Summit**, Canton, Michigan



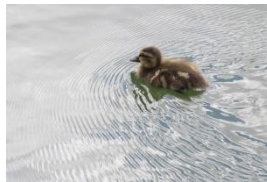
The 13th annual Corvettes at the Summit on July 8th



Ron Packer sure makes the job of Editor tough when he submitted 55 pictures from the Corvettes at the Summit show. Not to be outdone though, Barry Renaud sent me 56 from the Ciociaro Club show.

Ron writes: "Here are some pictures from Saturday's trip to the Vette Fest in Canton, MI. The Group won 5 awards/trophies on the day! and Steve was the big winner when his number was drawn for the Ice Cream maker and accessories.

Thanks, Ron"







**So many nice cars, so little newsletter space !**

**Saturday, July 8, 2017**

**Essex BIA** Car show

Nothing to report.

**Saturday, July 8 & Sunday, July 9, 2017**

**Atlantic Nationals, Moncton, NB**

If you like road trips then this is right up your highway. On July 3rd we departed on a three day trip to Moncton N.B. to attend the Atlantic Nationals. I believe that it is the largest show in Atlantic Canada. The show ran from July 5th - 9th. The actual show was on the 8th and 9th but there are many activities arranged for all 5 days. Also, the Greater Moncton Corvette Club had their stand alone show on the Sat, as part of the main show.

On Thursday and Friday mornings we met up with GMCC members and we were part of cruises around the local countryside. On Both days we also stopped at restaurants for lunch. The people in the GMCC are a great bunch and they made us feel very welcome.

On Saturday we attended the Corvette show. Even though there were almost 2000 vehicles entered, the Corvette club had their own area reserved for their show. We entered a different driveway and had immediate access to the Corvette show. When the day was finished there were 102 Vettes parked in the club area. There were also many Vettes scattered throughout the Atlantic show grounds.

For sure we will be heading back to this show in the future.

D & D Willis







**Sunday, July 9, 2017**

**Ciociaro Club Car Show** 3475 North Talbot Rd., Oldcastle.  
Frank Vitella always puts on great show.

Carla Tonucci posted to Facebook

Ciociaro Club Car Show 2017. Great weather, great food, free door prizes, car dash plaques too!

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**ANNUAL CAR SHOW**  
**SUNDAY, JULY 9, 2017**  
**SET UP BEGINS AT 9:00AM**  
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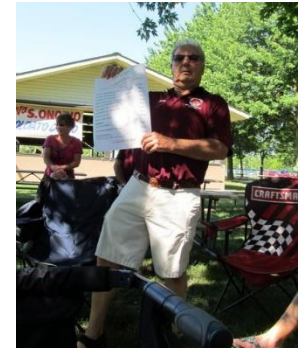
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Just some more of the many photos I received from Barry at Ciociaro Club car show.



**Friday, July 14, 2017**

**SunSplash Classic Cruise Car Show, Belle River, ON.**





Another great day for a car show. Weather almost perfect with mix of sun and cloud, not too hot and around 430 cars registered for the car show. Sunsplash in Belle River on the Lake, is a four day festival starting on Thursday. Bands, displays, food, beer, face painting, lawnmower races, watercross races, car show – lots for everyone.

**Nearly all of the cars at the show were winners, so I have just included a variety of unusual stuff for the pictures – enjoy!**









**Sunday July 16, 2017**

**Kingsville Queens Cup Car Show – Lakeside Park**

Nothing to report

**Tuesday July 18, 2017 Sunday July 16, 2017**

**Coal Dust Days Festival, New Waterford, Nova Scotia**



The New Waterford car show is held in what is called Coal Dust Days. This is a 10 day celebration in New Waterford and the show is usually on the Tuesday, which was July 18th.

After leaving the Atlantic Nationals we slowly made our way to the little town of New Waterford, N.S. While we were there we attended their annual car show. While not sure of the number in attendance, the quality of the cars there runs very deep. For a region that does not have a large population, there are a lot of nicely restored cars. I understand that a lot of the local people do their own work. Many of the cars that you see at the show are also raced at the new Cape Breton Dragway which opened up last year on the edge of Sydney.

After spending the month of July on the road we were happy to be back home. While we did miss the local shows in this area, we managed to catch a few car shows on the way

D&D Willis



**Thursday July 20, 2017**

## Monthly Club meeting at Heritage Village

26 members attended this month's meeting after dining on roast chicken or hamburgers in the '50's Café. The meeting started on time, however Hugh and Willie were three minutes late. He had a flat with his "run flats" and had to change cars. Hugh was questioned, with humour, on the legitimacy of his delay which he thought may have been caused by someone messing with his tire valve. The Minutes from the last meeting were read by Les. Gary gave his Treasury report. Bob gave a Membership report and said there was one new member



for this month. The Show report was delivered by sponsors were "on board". given. There are lots of most were mentioned. business Bryan three shows that members Belle River and Essex. in her car, however an



Bryan who said all of the Activity Report was shows right now and Under unfinished commented on the last attended: Ciociaro Club, Marilyn is letting kids sit older gentleman took it

upon himself to pretend drive her car. Needless to say Marilyn was not impressed. Mary and Steve talked about the Club BBQ – huge tent, neighbours aiding with court and driveway parking, be there at 2:00pm. Moe suggested members meet 5:45 pm, Turner and Tecumseh, to stage for the Windsor Cruise on Friday, August 19. Peter mentioned the 110 antique and collector vehicles driving from BC to Newfoundland will be stopping at Heritage Village evening of July 28. He also asked if anyone wanted to join him on the Corvette Pace Car drive along Route 66 in October. Bob Small thought he could get better T-shirt pricing. Will look further into it. New Business – discussion on location for Christmas party, Friday, December 1. It was decided to hold it at Central Park after looking at higher costs at several other facilities. 95% of members was not happy with the meal last year at Ambassador Golf course. Ron Jeffery has had another surgery and the Club sent a fruit basket. It was voted that the Club would only support members and spouses for extended stay in hospital or death.



**Saturday, July 22, 2017**

**Windsor Amputee Support Group annual BBQ** at Moose Lodge, 777 Tecumseh Rd West.

Nothing to report.

**Friday, July 28, 2017**

## **Canadian Coasters Tour**

Canadian Coasters (110 antique and collector vehicles) driving from Victoria British Columbia to St. John Newfoundland, stopped at the Canadian Heritage Transportation Museum on Friday, July 28, 2017.

The Sauder family Model T makes a U-turn after dipping its front wheels in the Atlantic in **1967**.



This was a special year for the Canadian Coasters as they celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their first cross Canada tour. It became another anniversary of 150 years of Confederation. This year 100 old car enthusiasts gathered in Victoria, BC for the 70 day, 8,000 kilometre trip all the way to St. John's Newfoundland. Note they have to drive home, so the ones who started in Nova Scotia are on their way home, after already

driving out to BC. Of the group, 81 pull trailers, 2 are in converted busses and 17 stay in hotels. The Greyhound converted busses/motor homes are allowed because one is a '67 and the other a '63. Nine provinces, all except Manitoba, plus Nevada and Iowa are represented. This is a "run what you bring" group, from a '31 Model A Ford, a '48 Bell Telephone truck, a converted Fire Rescue truck, a '69 Pontiac ambulance, a Cummins diesel powered modified '53 Club Cab pick-up. Last tour they had a Corvette, but not this time. I think the newest vehicle is at least 30 years old. Unfortunately some of the vehicles break down, but are helped by local car clubs to get going again. They don't run the expressways and visit small towns where the people are excited and like to see the troupe. Before coming to Heritage Village, Kingsville, they were in Blenheim. Visited R & M and then did an unusual back track to Windsor. From here, next stop is Jordan, Ontario wine country, with a side trip to Niagara Falls. They like to keep the group around 100 vehicles. This makes it manageable, plus they don't run as a train. People will link up in small groups while others make side trips to visit friends or tourist sites and then meet up again in a few days. It is a very social group. Everyone knows everyone. They have one major sponsor, Raybestos, who supplies caps and T shirts as give aways in their door prizes. One lady I was introduced to, Pat Johnson, is called the "Licorice Lady" because she is always handing out the black candy. I got a lot of information from the owner of the ambulance, Fraser Field from Deroche, BC. There was Bill Sauder from Hamilton, who I think owned the converted fire truck, and Tom and Pat Denis from Alberta. Unfortunately I didn't get names of others I spoke with. All in all a very friendly group who also own and DRIVE some very nice vehicles.









**Sunday, July 30, 2017**

**Gone Car Crazy car show**, Amhurstburg, Ontario



Amhurstburg's  
**Gone Car Crazy**  
Show

Sunday, July 30 was a perfect day to display about 600 perfect cars and trucks in the Amhurstburg Gone Crazy 12th Annual Car Show on the downtown Amhurstburg streets plus Toddy Jones Park. This show has about everything, cars, restaurants, shade, bands, splash pad plus Parks Canada Fort Malden.







## Interesting reading

### **Seat belts !!!!**

## **Corvette overturned, passenger ejected in serious Shea Heights accident**

**Two men taken to hospital after accident on Blackhead Road, Shea Heights, Newfoundland, near Cape Spear, just south of St. John's.**



Police closed a popular road near Cape Spear following a serious motor vehicle accident Wednesday afternoon involving a Corvette that ended up on its roof.

The 22-year-old male driver was taken to hospital in serious condition, as was the 27-year-old male passenger, who was ejected from the car. Unfortunately, the passenger who was unbelted, later died in hospital.

Still no confirmed cause but more information was released:

*The RNC confirms the 28-year-old man who was ejected from the Corvette during the rollover on Blackhead Road was not belted in.*

*"Our investigation has revealed that the person was not wearing a seat belt," Sgt. Paul Didham told CBC News.*

*He is in hospital, in serious condition, along with the 22-year-old man who was driving the car that ended up on its roof.*

*The debris trail from the accident was 850 metres — about a kilometre long*

That is some distance to travel out of control.....

## **Passenger in Shea Heights crash dies from injuries**

**27-year-old was thrown from Corvette on Blackhead Road Wednesday**

[CBC News](#) Posted: May 19, 2017 12:00 PM NT Last Updated: May 19, 2017 1:51 PM NT

**A reminder we need to be careful.....and to wear our seat belts.**

**Thanks to Canadian Corvette Forum**



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## 67 Corvette

**Now this one is legitimate!!!**

Published on Jan 18, 2014

Barrett-Jackson: Only 20 L88 Corvettes were built, and only one in this color. The ultimate in American collector cars, this Corvette sells for \$3.5 million.

### **1967 Corvette L88 Sells for \$3.5 Million at Barrett-Jackson Scottsdale**

The new world's record Corvette is a Red on Red coupe and the only L88 coupe of record to receive the highly coveted Duntov Mark of Excellence Award. The new record holder is equipped with the C48 Heater Defrost Delete, F41 Special Front and Rear Suspension, G81 Positraction Rear Axle, J50 Vacuum Power Brakes, J56 Special Heavy Duty Brakes, K66 Transistor Ignition, L88 427 ci, 430 hp (factory rating) Engine, and the M22 Heavy Duty, Close Ratio, 4 Speed Transmission. In addition it also has the RPO A85, shoulder belts and another important feature which sets this L88 apart is the special order rear end ratio of 4.56:1, the drag racing rear end of choice, while most other 1967 L88's came with the 4:11 rear end more suitable to road racing. The car was restored by the renowned Nabers Brothers of Houston, is fully documented and was represented at the request of the owner by Roy Sinor, well-known, recently-retired National Corvette Restorers Society national judging chairman and one of the experts Barrett-Jackson uses for Corvette consultations.



Obviously the 1967 Corvette L88 is one of the rarest and most sought after of all Corvettes and has become not only the zenith of Corvettes but it has been called the American equivalent of the Ferrari 250 GTO, the world's greatest collector car. Roy Sinor says it the best 1967 L88 in the world so the record price was no surprise to him. And based on the bidding and new record more than a few other collectors agreed with him.

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## Huge collection of Corvette models.

John Fahringer met a fellow a year ago while at a local car show in Sebring Fla.....he and John chatted about Corvettes and he told John that he probably had the largest collection of Corvette models in the USA.....well, we just had to go to see for ourselves and I will tell you- he probably does.....here are a few pics of his collection...you simply cannot imagine and he can tell you everything about them.



This guy is very low key and doesn't want everyone to know about his stuff.....that is why we aren't telling you who it is.



Thanks Marilyn.



## More Thoughts

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What do you think?



How awful!!!



How awesome!!!

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I will never look at a VW BUG  
in the same old way again....!

# Future Events Upcoming events

**Sunday, August 6, 2017**

Corvettes of Southern Ontario, Simcoe Festival Car Show, Simcoe, ON

**Friday, August 11, 2017**

158th Annual Comber Fair, Comber, ON

**Saturday, August 12, 2017**

Corvettes America, Clarkston, MI

[www.corvettesamerica.org](http://www.corvettesamerica.org)



**Friday, Sat, Sun, August 11, 12, 13, 2017**

Essex County Steam & Gas Engine Show, MCGregor - Co-Ann Park

**Saturday, August 12, 2017**

Bothwell Car Show Flea Market Swap Meet – Bothwell Ontario,

**Saturday, August 12, 2017**

WAMBO Car & Boat Show Downtown Wallaceburg, ON <http://www.kent.net/wambo>

**Wednesday, August 16, 2017**

Dan Kane Dream Cruze Tune Up Car Show 4 – 8

~~**Wednesday, August 16, 2017—CANCELLED**~~

~~Corvettes on Woodward Drive2EndHunger~~

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





## Wednesday, August 16 to Saturday, August 19, 2017

Woodward Dream Cruise - Woodward Avenue from 8 Mile Rd to Pontiac, MI

<http://woodwarddreamcruise.com>



## Wednesday, August 16 to Saturday, August 19, 2017

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>



## Friday, August 18, 2017

**Windsor cruise** Rendezvous Festival Park 1:00 pm to 11:00 pm, Cruise 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm.



## 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](http://www.corvettereunionatbacktothebricks.com)



## Sunday, August 20, 2017

Roma Club Leamington – Classic Car Show

## 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](http://www.carlisleevents.com)

## Sunday, August 27, 2017

Tecumseh Corn Fest Car Show – LaCasse Park

<http://www.tecumsehornfestival.ca>

## **Sunday, September 3, 2017**

**Festival of Car Shows & Automotive Flea Market** – Canadian Heritage Transportation Museum

## **Monday, September 4, 2017**

**Labour Day Car Show** – Fogolar Furlan Club

## **Saturday, September 9, 2017**

**Wheels on Wyandotte** St. Street East between Thompson and Jefferson.

<http://olderiversidebia.com/>

## **Saturday, September 16, Sunday September 17, 2017**

**Cobble Beach Concours.** Kemble, Ontario (North of Owen Sounds on Georgian Bay) [cobblebeachconcours.com/](http://cobblebeachconcours.com/)

## **Sunday, September 17, 2017**

**Annual Fall Car Cruise** - Reaume Chev Olds LaSalle.

## **Sunday, October 1, 2017**

**Apple Fest Car Show** –Beside Colasanti's in Ruthven <https://communitylivingessex.org/events/ruthven-apple-festival>

## **Saturday, October 7, 2017**

**3rd Annual Stoney Point Sportsmen's Club Show & Shine** – 6348 St. Clair Rd. Stoney Point

## **Wednesday , October 11 through Saturday October 14, 2017**

**Corvette Pace Car Registry 2017 Route 66 tour** – Joplin, Missouri to Tucumcari, New Mexico.



## **Saturday, November 4, 2017**

**Indoor Automotive Flea Market** - Canadian Heritage Transportation Museum.



## Condolences



## **Vic Edelbrock Jr., 1936-2017: Built Torrance high-performance auto parts company into industry giant**

2013 file photo Vic Edelbrock Jr. of Edelbrock Corp. at 2013 SEAM auto show in Las Vegas. Photo by Gene Blevins/LA Daily News

By From staff reports

Vic Edelbrock Jr., who spent five decades at the helm of the Torrance-based company started by his father and was considered a visionary in the high-performance auto parts industry, has died. He was 80.

Edelbrock passed away Friday at his home in Rolling Hills from what a company Facebook post attributed to complications from a recent cold. "His passing was peaceful and in the company of his closest friends and family," according to the post.

Edelbrock was just 12 when he began spending summers working around his father's auto parts shop for \$2 an hour and 26 when Vic Edelbrock Sr. died of cancer in 1962 and he inherited the business.

In carrying on his father's legacy, Edelbrock helped reshape an industry devoted to designing and manufacturing high-quality, high-performance replacement parts for the automotive and motorcycle aftermarkets.

In no time, Edelbrock Corp., which is based in Torrance off Crenshaw Boulevard and has a foundry in San Jacinto, was considered royalty in the automotive world, known to car buffs everywhere.



Edelbrock's father, Vic Edelbrock Sr., was a broad-faced farm boy from Kansas who opened his first auto speed shop in the 1930s on Wilshire Boulevard in Beverly Hills, according to the company's website.

Edelbrock was born in 1936, four years after his father bought his first "project car" — a 1932 Ford Roadster.

He watched as his father's reputation as an elite mechanic grew. Meanwhile, the Roadster became a foray for the family business into the world of hot rods. It would spark the design and manufacture of the first Edelbrock intake manifold — the part of an engine that supplies the fuel/air mixture to the cylinders.

Edelbrock Sr. would strike gold as his manifolds helped hot rods win races on California's dry lake beds. The elder Edelbrock would push the business to greater heights, continuing to innovate and grow.

When his son became president and CEO of Edelbrock Corp., the company had just 10 employees, annual sales of \$450,000 and \$200,000 in the bank. He built it into a multimillion-dollar enterprise with its own development labs, ad department and assembly lines employing 700 people in three shifts.

In the 1980s and '90s he moved Edelbrock Corp. into a new direction with a product line that included carburetors, camshaft kits, valve train parts, exhaust systems and engine accessories, among other things.

The company that built its reputation in racing began thriving on outfitting street, kit and restoration cars. New high-tech shocks and heavy duty suspension parts became part of its portfolio, especially significant when sport utility vehicles became so ubiquitous.

Key to the self-sufficient company was its foundry, allowing Edelbrock to control the quality of its aluminum castings. Edelbrock Foundry Corp. is an aluminum green sand foundry built by the company from scratch in San Jacinto, near Hemet and Palm Springs, in 1988.

"Our aluminum castings are very important to us because there are so few foundries in the United States that can supply us with the type of castings that we need," Edelbrock said in an interview for a 2000 article in the Daily Breeze.

"We want to control our own destiny," Edelbrock said in another interview.

Edelbrock, the only child of Edelbrock Sr., graduated from Dorsey High School and attended USC on a football scholarship. He graduated with a degree in business in 1959, just three years before his father's diagnosis and death from inoperable cancer.

He earned his pilot's license in 1968 and would fly from Torrance to the desert to check on his San Jacinto foundry. Edelbrock, who also liked to race cars and boats, served as president and CEO of Edelbrock Corp. until 2010, when he gave up those positions but stayed on as chairman of the board.



*Peter Roberts editor*



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