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# Corvette Club of Windsor

## **NEWSLETTER**

## **President's Report**

#### TO ALL MEMBERS

I would first like to take the opportunity to thank Bryan Hansen for all the great work that he has done as president these past years. Since joining the club in 2013 I have seen the membership grow to 70 members as of April 01/18. The dedication of our members in regards to helping grow our membership has been great. Good job everyone. I would also like to welcome all the new members. Since joining the club, I have seen a good increase in the number of members attending our meetings as well as participating in events throughout the summer.

I would like to thank Gary McGinness for the great job he is doing as our financial secretary as well as all the other members of the executive board. Without your knowledge and continued support this club could not exist. Special thanks to Peter Roberts for the great job he is doing producing our newsletters.

There are a number of outings that are in the planning stage right now and the members will be informed as those dates are set.

Looking forward seeing everyone soon.

Dan Reaume. President Corvette Club of Windsor

## **New Club Excecutive**

#### Newly elected 2018 Executive Committee

President Dan Reaume

Vice President Ron Jeffery

Corresponding Secretary Ron Packer

Recording Secretary Les Tetler

Treasurer Gary McGuinness

Activity Director Ed Jones &

Lynda Reaume

Quad C Representative Richard Neal

Membership Director Bob Small

Newsletter Editor Peter Roberts

Show Coordinator Bryan Hansen

Club Historian Open

Web Master Dane Kelly

Merchandise Coordinator Tom Malott

## **New Members**

#### Ron and Bev Krewench, LaSalle, Ontario

We welcome Ron and Bev back to our club, but unfortunately I do not have any pictures or information to share. Maybe next Newsletter.

#### Michael & Sonia Campoli, Tecumseh, Ontario

We are extremely excited to have joined the Windsor Corvette Club and look forward to attending many activities in 2018 and sharing those experiences with fellow Corvette Owners. Sonia and I own and operate Made to Shade Window Coverings here in Windsor. We have been married for 25 years. We moved to Windsor from Toronto 18 Years ago. Windsor is a hidden gem and we wouldn't think of living anywhere else. We have two beautiful daughters. One is attending the University of Windsor and our youngest is in high school. Our dream has always been to own a yellow

Corvette. In 2016 that dream came true when we purchased a yellow 2016 Stingray Coupe Z51 3LT. In November, 2017, we upgraded to a 2017 yellow Z06 coupe





3LZ. We just recently returned from the Ron Fellows Corvette Owners School in Spring Mountain, Nevada. An incredible experience that I recommend all Corvette owners to attend. We are looking forward to meeting all the members and participating in as many events as we can.

Michael and Sonia

#### Ken and Lana Fauteux, Tecumseh, Ontario





Here is a picture of our car taken by the river at the Windsor Corvette show last summer and a picture of the two of us while on vacation. We enjoy going to the Cruise nights around the City and I have not missed a Windsor Corvette Club show since we got the car in 2013.

Ken and Lana

## **Club Events**

#### Thursday, January 18, 2018

The first Club meeting of 2018 was held at Central Park Athletics, one of our Club's sponsors. 25 people braved the unusually long cold spell in Windsor to attend the first Club Meeting in 2018.

The meeting was opened by our newly elected Club President, Dan Reaume. Treasurer's report, and minutes from last meeting were read. In the Show report it was noted that Tom

Malott had donated a tool box. Letters were passed around to express thanks from the VON and Drouillard Place for the Club donations at Christmas time.

Activity Director, Lynda Reaume told the members about the planned "Tale of the Dragon" trip. There were date choices of October 11 or September 27. The October 11 date was chosen. First night stay will be in Lexington at probably Town Place Suites Marriott for \$119. Next will be two nights at Twin Mountain Inn and Suites in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee for about \$100 per night.

Membership report shows club memberships remains at 68. We need to send \$20 per member to the CCCC which among other things will cover our club insurance. Ron Packer mentioned the Concours Show in London on August 12, where it is expected that members who went to judging school last year will attend.

Lynda Reaume suggested we may go to the east coast in 2019. It was suggested we could tie it in with the Moncton Corvette Club, who are also members of the CCCC. Remember they had attended our Windsor show. Ron Packer also told us about the Corvette show (All Chevy Show) in Pittsburgh on July 29. He recommended the Holiday In which is nice and right next

to the car show.
There was also talk
about being invited to
the R&M facility in
Chatham, where we
would tour the
museum and the
shop. Both of these
are now closed to the
public. It was
suggested we could
invite our American
Corvette friends to
attend also.



Some of the new executive who were at the January Club meeting

Gary said he and Jenny were going to revive the "Jenny's not cooking" to twice a month and Moe said it would be nice to have club euchre party, maybe at his place, once per month. Peter made a suggestion to add a profile section in the Newsletter regarding stories about Club members and/or their cars.

#### January 14 through January 28, 2018

#### North American International Auto Show (aka Detroit Auto Show)

This 15 day event returned again to Cobo Hall in Detroit. Over 800,000 people came to see 700 vehicles on display. 52 of those vehicles were world debut. AutoMobili-D features more than 180 brands, ranging from automakers, to suppliers, to tech startups as well as universities and government organizations, plus the Press are permitted an early entry at the start of the show. No other event in North America provides an international platform for this vast array of companies, organizations and thought leaders under one roof. There is an Industry preview on January 17 – 18, a Charity preview on January 19 and finally open to the public January 20 through January 28. Ford got a "One up" by having the 2019 Mustang Bullitt parked beside the original 1968 Ford Bullitt Mustang GT 390 Fastback used in the movie Bullitt.

#### WHERE'S CHEVY'S MID-ENGINE CORVETTE?

The rumored C8 Corvette would have blown the roof off the Detroit auto show

One of the most talked-about cars leading up to press days at the North American International Auto Show this week isn't even at the show. In fact, it has not even been confirmed by its manufacturer, General Motors.

We're talking about the next-generation Chevrolet Corvette, widely expected to have its engine placed behind the seats for the first time in its 65-year history. Enthusiast car magazines and websites have been breathlessly reporting that the eighth-generation Corvette would make its long-awaited debut this week in Detroit.

Turns out it was premature speculation.







I wonder how this "Blue Oval" competitor to the "Bowtie" version would have fared if GM had not been asleep.

Here are some of the many pictures Barry Renaud took at the 'what he refers to' as DIAS. Thanks Barry.

Who can forget the 1960's movie Bullitt? Steve McQueen did his own driving in the historic chase scene and the <u>original</u> Bullitt Mustang was on display beside the 2019 Ford Mustang

Bullitt.











Note here that there were two

cars used to film the stunt scenes in the movie. The one on display is from a private collection, but the second car, a 1968 Mustang found in a Mexico junk yard, has reportedly been confirmed by a classic Ford expert to be one of two cars used in Steve McQueen's San Francisco cop classic "Bullitt." The beat-up Mustang took its trip to the junk yard alongside both Chargers used in the scene, according to the IMDb records. But from there, its trail was lost.

Here are Barry's Hot Wheels 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary Chevy Camaro pictures ......



..... and Barry's Corvette pictures.







#### Wednesday, January 24, 2018

Jenny's not cooking dinner night – Southside Bar and Grille, 3032 Dougall Avenue at 6:00 pm.

Gary says "Sorry for the long delay since our last "Jenny's Not Cooking" dinner night, sometimes life just seems to get a little too busy, but things have settled down a bit, for now!"

#### Wednesday, February 7, 2018

This week for Jenny's Not Cooking, we will be going for dinner at Gilligan's located at 1270 Walker Road on Wednesday, Feb 7<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm.

#### Thursday, February 15, 2018

Monthly meeting opened by Dan Reaume at 6:30pm. In all there were 18 attendees, but Gary McGuinness, Bob Small and Les Tetler were all absent so there was no Financial, Membership or Minutes from last meeting presented.

Ron Packer passed out large post as well as additional members and non-members Items for the Silent Auction needed. It was noted that through the hospital.

Lynda Reaume talked some Tennessee and the Tale of locations/hotels we will be Lexington, Kentucky, Pigeon Tennessee. The Hampton



flyer displays for members to registration forms for to sign up for the car show. and the door prizes are still tax receipts may be issued

more about the cruise to the Dragon. She noted the staying at – Marriott in Forge, and Knoxville, Inn in Knoxville asked what

they could do to help in our visit, so Lynda asked if there were any ideas. Peter R. suggested a hose to wash the cars, which is what they had on his Route 66 trip.

Ron Packer said they were looking for more judging volunteers to attend the London Concourse show. He also said he was trying to set up the tour at R&M.

Dane mentioned a cruise to Bayfield for the Bayfield Vette Fest and then on to Tobermory in July.

Meeting closed. Next meeting March 15 at Central Park Athletics.

#### Wednesday, February 28, 2018

This week for "Jenny's not Cooking" we will be going to another sponsor. We will be going to Boston Pizza on Manning Road & Amy Croft Drive on Wednesday, February 28 @ 6:00pm.

#### March 2 - 4, 2018

The 2018 Detroit Autorama March 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> at Cobo Hall.

Nothing to report.

#### Thursday, March 15, 2018

#### March club meeting

Sorry, I was away on a 36 day trip around Cape Horn and was not able to attend this monthly Club meeting on Thursday at Central Park Athletics and I have not received any reports.

## **Upcoming Events**

#### **April 14, 2018**

Spring cruise from Mattick Chevrolet, Redford, Michigan to Lingenfelter Pefrormance collection, Brighton, Michigan. Breakfast at Mattick, police escort, posters, photo ops. \$25 US driver only or \$35 US driver and passenger.

Friday, May 18, 2018 – Annual Kingsville District High School 6th Annual Car Show – 170 Main St., Kingsville 8 am – 2 pm info: 519-733-2347

**Friday, May 25, 2018** – Chatham Retro-Fest 6:00 pm Cruise along river. (Editor note - No newer cars than 1993)

**Saturday, May 26, 2018** – Chatham Retro-Fest Downtown King St. Car Show 10 am – 4 pm info: <a href="http://downtownchatham.com/events/retrofest">http://downtownchatham.com/events/retrofest</a>

**Sunday, May 27, 2018** - Cam-Am National Car Show Gil Maure Park, LaSalle 8 am – 4 pm Windsor Area Street Rods – email – hotrod.roy@hotmail.com 519-736-6096

#### June 2, 2018

#### Mattick Chevrolet Corvette Caravan

Ed Jones will be organizing the gathering at Matick Chevrolet for the Belle Isle race for this year again. This is that fabulous all day event at



the Chevrolet sponsored Detroit Grand Prix.

Pictures from last year, yours truly on right



#### June 2, 2018

Steve Plunkette's Fleetwood Country Cruise-In, London, Ontario

His poster is advertising the recognition of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the C3 Corvette at this year's show ('68 being the first model year of the C3 generation).

However, he advises that he is asking for ALL and ANY YEAR of Corvette to come out to honour this year. He will cordon off the south east corner of his estate for Corvettes only (the usual location he places cars of honour). Corvettes will enter this area through the exclusive east entrance off Elviage Rd.



**Saturday**, **June 9**, **2018** – Sizzling Summer Car Show - Lally Southpoint Ford – 414 Rocky Rd. Leamington – 9 am – 3 pm info: Steve Bott 519-326-8600 or steve@southpointford.ca

Sunday, June 10, 2018 – Corvette Club of Windsor – Our own Club Waterfront Corvette Show – Dieppe Park, 8 am – 4 pm

Sunday, June 10, 2018 – Festival of Car Shows & Auto Flea Market – Canadian Heritage Transportation Museum 6155 Arner Town Line, Essex info: 8am-1pm http://www.ctmhv.com/Events/events.htm or 519-776-6909

#### June 16, 2018

The 2018 Corvette Fest is on June 16, 2018 at Olde World Canterbury Village in Lake Orion. Corvette Fest holds this Show annually to raise money for Leader Dogs for the Blind, our Club's charity of choice. The Wally Edgar Dealership on Lapeer Road, Lake Orion. <a href="https://www.gmccovetteset.com">www.gmccovetteset.com</a> for info



Saturday, June 16, 2018 – Point Pelee 100 Vintage Car Show and Shine – Visitors center Point Pelee Drive - 9 am – 1 pm Show vehicle admission free – Info 519-322-2365 email: pelee.info@pc.gc.ca

Sunday, June 17, 2018 – Eyes On Design Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lake Shore Road, Grosse Point Shores Michigan. info: <a href="https://www.eyesondesign.org/carshow">https://www.eyesondesign.org/carshow</a>

Saturday, June 23, 2018 – Miracle Dream Park – (Old Riverside arena) Wyandotte St. Windsor (No more info see Jim Onslow for details)

#### July 6, 2018 Cruise – Friday, Bayfield



#### July 7, 2018 Car show – Saturday, Bayfield

I, Dane Kelly, am trying to plan a few days away this summer for the Bayfield Vette Show. I am looking for a few other cars to go. I have a tentative partial plan below for the first 2 days. If I get some interest I will block some B and B rooms. Right now there are four at the place below and there is another B and B closed by that I will contact. I was thinking of carrying on on the Monday and going up near Tobermory and then along the Georgian Bay towards Collingwood for a couple of nights.

Dane Kelly 519 979-8052. finewoodwork@sympatico.ca

#### July 29, 2018

Steel Town Corvette Club All Chevy car show in Pittsburgh, PA. Held at Colussy Chevrolet, 3073 Washington Pike, Bridgeville, PA 15017. ¼ mile south of the Bridgeville Exit off 1-79 (exit 54).





Steel Town Corvette Club - 38th Annual All Chevy Show

#### August 12, 20018

London, Ontario Concours Event. The CCofW judges who went to Essa, Ontario school last year are expected to attend this show and help in the judging. There will be the standard Concours Program categories: Signature Concours; Concourse Prepared and; Street Show and Shine.

#### August 18, 2018

Corvettes America, 18<sup>th</sup> anniversary, hosts Michigan's largest all Corvette show at Everest Academy, 5935 Clarkston Road, Clarkston Michigan. Located off I-75 at Sashabaw Road exit 89.

#### October 11, 2018

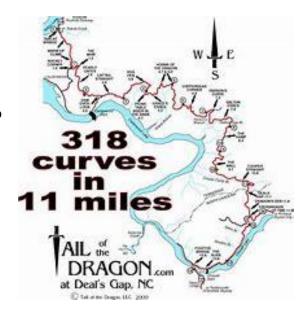
#### **Tail of the Dragon**

Lynda and Ed are having a trip to Kentucky, Tennessee, and North Carolina to take in the Tail of the Dragon and some other beautiful roads down there. They leave Thursday, Oct 11 and to return Oct 16 or 17.

Lynda Reaume, Ed Jones

Co Activity Directors

Editor note: As I understand it all the spots are taken, but you can be put on a wait list.



## Love it, or hate it. What do you think?





Lots of work here and pretty innovative, but still terrible colour and totally weird! Maybe it will fly like the WWII fighter airplane it is modeled after, dragster front end and all!





#### More butchered stuff!!





## Thoughts at this time of year

# Philiadelphia Police Looking For Vandals That Trashed 1985 Corvette



Superbowl 52, February 4 -- Police are looking for the folks who foot-printed this '85 Corvette during a super bowl celebration in Philadelphia.

#### Philadelphia Police Report

On Thursday, February 8, 2018, the complainant parked her vehicle at Judson Street and Pennsylvania Avenue to attend the Eagles Superbowl Parade. When she returned, she noticed her vehicle had extensive body damage to the hood and roof area.

Thankfully, other people in attendance took video and photographs of those who were standing and jumping on top of the vehicle doing the damage and now the Philadelphia Police are looking to bring those folks to justice.

#### Here is some good advice

The next time someone comments negatively about you wanting to park your prized Corvette where you can keep your eye on it during your stay, feel free to tell them about this incident. It is hoped that the officials are successful in locating and prosecuting those folks who feel it is okay to damage someone else's property, whether in the name of revelry or spite. Either way, it's wrong!

Thanks to:



## Tips and other Fix It ideas



#### TPMS

#### by Pat Goss

So you have a car that has a tire pressure monitoring system, or TPMS as we refer to them. And you think you can take your trusty tire pressure gauge and toss it in the trash. Not so.

See TPMS only warns you if a tire is dangerously low on pressure. It doesn't tell you the ideal pressure in most cases. So the only way to make sure you get proper tire life and gas mileage and all the things that go along with tire pressure you need to check manually at least once a month.



Alright, a couple of things about tire pressure monitoring systems there a couple of types. One is indirect reading and it reads off of the wheel speed sensors for the ABS system. They're o.k.

The others are direct reading systems and they have a sensor in each wheel that tells the car's computer the pressure inside each one of those tires. And within those direct reading systems there are two types. One is right here this is held on by this giant clamp those goes all the way around the inside of the wheel. Not all that popular. The others replace the valve stem. The sensor's inside the wheel, the valve stem is out so you can check tire pressure and add and delete as needed.

Editor's note – My C5 notes the <u>exact</u> tire pressure on each wheel in both kPa and PSI is displayed on my information screen. The values are right on when compared to my digital tire pressure gauge. Any tire needs to only drop a minimal amount and a tire pressure warning for that specific tire will be displayed. The technology in 1999 – 19 years ago – was phenominal. Joan's much newer Nissan Murano only tells you that you have low tire pressure – not which tire, nor how low it is. Of course none of this has anything to do with the valve stem

Now here is the main reason I chose to include this topic, but when I copied the text, I lost the bit about the valve stem caps. When I had my new front tires installed in Detroit last year, the installer threw away my nice shiny, hexagon, stainless steel caps and put on these crummy grey plastic ones instead. He told me the metal ones can seize on the valve stem, not bad in the old days because it was just on a valve stem. Not so today. They are mounted to the Tire Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS) and if it screws up, you are into a huge bill. Remove the tire, replace the TPMS module in the wheel and reprogram the computer. Even though I have used chrome caps for years and never had one seize, it will be just my luck to encounter this, I guess I'll just have to live with the crummy ones and hope nobody criticises my wheels.

Peter

## **Condolences**



Mary Jane Wickham (nee McKee) August 17, 1930 - January 15, 2018

On behalf of the Corvette Club of Windsor, we would like to extend our deepest condolences to Bob and Chris Small, on the passing of Chris's mother, Mary lane Wickham.

Born in Lucknow, Ontario and raised in Toronto, mom was a graduate Registered Nurse from St. Michael's Hospital (1953). She was a lifelong care giver in many milieus including: Met Hospital, Central Park Lodge, Riverview Hospital and as a plant nurse at Ford Motor Company. She was a lover of animals and had many dogs and cats throughout her lifetime. Mary Jane was an avid historian and a keen follower of anything to do with the Royal Family. A patriotic Canadian, she had a remarkable memory and altruistic attitude her entire life. Mom lived an active, full life, driving her car and living independently on her own right up until the end.

## Mary Ann De Benedictis (nee Cormier)

October 21, 1938 - January 15, 2018

On behalf of the Corvette Club of Windsor, we would like to extend our deepest condolences to Moe Dupuis, on the passing of Mary Ann De Benedictis.

Not only was Mary Ann my first cousin she was also my godmother. She was a beautiful human being inside and out. She lived her life the way we all wish we could. She gave love to everyone she met and everything she touched. She will be sadly missed. Moe Dupuis





Richard "Dick" Joseph Lavin June 14, 1945 – January 29, 2018

Passed peacefully surrounded by his loving family at the age of 72. Lovingly adored by his 'supportive' wife Janet (nee Jessop) of 51 years. Dick recently joined the Corvette Club of Windsor in 2017. The Corvette Club of Windsor would like to express its deepest condolences to his 'supportive' wife Janet of 51 years as well as his many children, siblings and cousins.

## Peter Roberts editor



## **Club Executive Committee (Newly elected for 2018)**

President: Dan Reaume Vice President: Ron Jeffery

Treasurer: Gary McGuinness Membership Director: Bob Small

Web Master: Dane Kelly Recording Secretary: Les Tetler

**Activity Directors: Ed Jones** 

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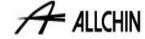
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