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Corvette Club of Windsor



President's Report

TO ALL MEMBERS

I would like to wish all the club members a very merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

It was nice seeing all of the members that were able to attend our November 30 Christmas event. I believe we had over 40 members at this dinner which was a great turn out as many members had already left for vacation. We were able to collect a great number of toys for Drouillard Place. They were very pleased with our contribution to their organization. I have a letter from them expressing their thanks for what we've done to help them.

It has been a pleasure to serve as your president for this past year and I look forward to seeing all of the members next year. We have a number of excursions in mind for next year and as many of you know Ed Jones, our trip coordinator, has planned a wonderful trip for September (Route 66). As of this writing we have 13 members signed up. We currently have five spots remaining for this trip. On January 1, 2019 we will be offering the remaining openings to the Legends Club.

Our next meeting will be held in January 17 at Central Park Athletics. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

Happy 🕞 Holidays everyone.

Sincerely

Dan Reaume, President Corvette Club of Windsor

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New Members

No new members in this time period.

Club Events

October 4, 2018

This week for Jenny's Not Cooking, the Corvette Club of Windsor went to Gilligan's at 6:00pm for dinner.

Gilligans Fire Grille at 1270 Walker Road, Windsor is one of our club sponsors.

There is nothing more to report.

October 8, 2018

Costco car show

Hi

I took these pictires on Oct 8th, Canadian Thanksgiving day. The actual pic's were taken in front of Silver City cinema. As I understand it, Costco did not allow the show to happen on their property due to (they felt) liability? Mike ;>)

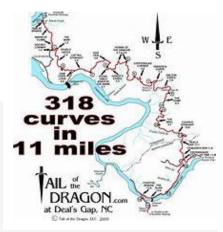
Thanks Mike Giroux for taking these shots of some very exclusive cars. Lambo with its signature doors, as well a Merc with gull wing doors and a Beemer with Lambo doors. What a treat!!



October 11, 2018

Tail of the Dragon -- **Wow!** It will be hard to beat this trip that Lynda, with help from Ed, put together. Everything was perfect!

12 Member cars met early on Thursday morning at the Duty Free at the Ambassador Bridge, crossed over together and then picked up 6 Corvette Legends Club (Detroit) cars at the Sunoco on I-275. Here Lynda handed out goody bags courtesy of Corvette Depot and Theresa King of Edward Jones. Thank you both. Cool run down I-75, despite a detour of downtown Dayton courtesy of Dan Reaume, to Lexington, KY. Dinner at the Saul Good Restaurant and Pub. Next



day drive to Pigeon Forge and check in at the Twin Mountain Inn and Suites for a two night stay. Nice lunch at the Mexican place near the hotel. Now this part of Tennessee is Dolly Parton country. She was born in the mountains not far from Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg. The restaurants, dinner shows, theme parks, cowboy drama are all built around Dolly Parton I think maybe she owns the





entire town. Next day Saturday is a free day exploring Dolly's country, like some of us did to the top of "Clingmans Dome"- 3500 feet climb to 6600 highest point in Smoky Mountains. Others went shopping at the outlet mall, relaxing at Olive Garden for lunch, riding the tram, a side trip to Gatlinburg, TN and gassing up the cars for the next day. By the way, when Karen & Enzo and Joan & I were driving back from the Dome we watched a black bear cub run across the road. I thought at first it had been hit by the car in front of Enzo, but both Enzo and I stopped and we could watch the bear cub scamper away in the underbrush. Thankfully, it was OK! Now it is Sunday! This is the day we have been looking forward to. Convoy through the Smoky Mountains up and down through the twisty mountain roads to the Tail of the Dragon. This is what most of us came for and it did not disappoint. Some of the hairpin curves are so tight that there is a 30 foot limit on vehicle and trailer length so needless to say we tested tire grip and suspension limits to their fullest. I know I was pushing my car pretty close to the limit when the rear end got loose, slipped sideways in a 12 inch drift before the 325/30ZR19's caught up, and I almost spun out. Rather have oversteer than to "push" with understeer on these roads with little shoulder. After our "drive" on the Tail we ended up at Deals Gap Motorcycle Resort. This is a low key rest stop, mostly for motorcycles, with a dragon and Tree of Shame memorial for photographing. There is also a restaurant and souvenir shop. After lunch we go back down the Tail in the opposite direction. Now it is down the Cherohala Skyway. The Cherohala Skyway is

one of the most popular National Scenic byways in North America and winds through the Cherokee National Forest in East Tennessee. We end up in Knoxville for the night. Next day it is the run for home, except the Americans who are heading to the Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, KY.

Thanks again Lynda for all of your work!







You can see why there is a length limit on vehicles on this road. See picture of sign above, There are many curves just as tight as these shown here.



Early morning start for Windsor members



CC of Windsor goody bag distribution



Legends goody bag distribution





























































Ori Steinberg at state line division and after climbing to the top of The Dome Waiting to cross in Pigeon Forge





There's Ori again!





















Thanks for the memories



October 18, 2018

October Club Meeting

Dan opened the October Club meeting promptly at 6:30 pm in the meeting room at Central Park Athletics. There were 25 members attending. Lynda talked briefly about her successful Tail of the Dragon trip and said all had a good time. There was a reminder about the Christmas party on Friday, November 30 at 6:00 pm at Central Park Athletics. Members were asked to bring \$25 unwrapped toy for kids at Droullard House.

There is to be a meeting on Thursday, October 25 regarding registration for the Car Show again at Central Park Athletics. Gary gave the treasurers report and Les read the minutes. The Thursday, November 15 meeting is to be a club sponsored pizza night at Boston Pizza on Manning Road at 6:00 pm. A fruit basket is to be sent to Dennis Hill.

Ed Jones is planning our next road cruise down the Illinois section of Route 66 leaving Windsor either September 19 or 26, 2019. The tour starts in Chicago, first night in Joliet, IL, next Normal. IL, then Springfield, IL and ends in St. Louis – 5 days, 4 nights. \$100 deposit for commitment to hold your spot – lots of things to do. Peter again mentioned he would like to start a series of member profile articles for the winter sections of the newsletter. Ron Packer had wide angle shots of the club cars at Xcentrics and at Rayzer events. He is taking orders for reprints. Lynda learned during the Dragon trip that the Legends have high power two way radios, about a 7 mile range. She suggested the club look at purchasing 4 for trips and the car show. Mike G. suggested buying at Costco where they have packages of 3.

Richard has told the CCCC that our car show this year would not be a concourse event. He also told the meeting we must have our show flyer ready for February to be included in the CCCC magazine. Peter advised he is relocating the sponsor page in the newsletter to the front, right after the Presidents Message. This received full approval.

October 25, 2018

Car Show Registration organization meeting

A meeting was held at Central Park Athletics at 6:00 pm to discuss how we are to transition the Car show registration after Ron Packers resignation from the post. Attendees were Bob Small, Dan Reame, Lynda Reaume, Gary McGuinness, Les Tetler, Don VandenBerghe and Peter Roberts, now called the Organizing Committee. Bob Small introduced the group to Greg Presland, an IT consultant, who had generated a sample registration page to be accessed from the Club Website or other internet location. A sample run through is to be assessed by the team and adjustments recommended. The program is administered by Eventbrite who do all the work regarding registration for a small fee. Paying by credit card is easy and safe for everyone. There is a 30 day delay in paying out the money collected to the Club so long as there is confirmation the event occurred and there are no complaints. Looks like the registration transition is getting off to a good start.

November 15, 2018

Saturday - Indoor Automotive Flea Market - Canadian Heritage Transportation Museum 6155 Arner Town Line, Essex

Nothing more to report.



November 15, 2018

November Club Meeting at Boston Pizza

Forty four members attended our annual Boston Pizza sponsored event on Manning Road in Tecumseh. There was lots of chatter as everyone enjoyed their pizza and favourite drinks. Boston Pizza is another of our Club sponsors













November 30, 2018

Friday, November 30 about 46 members dressed up for the annual Club Christmas Party. Everybody brought an unwrapped toy for the children of Drouillard Place. There ended up a big pile of children's toys to improve the lives of the children at Christmas. Cocktails and fine conversation started the evening off, culminating with a fine dinner and door prizes. The pictures tell their own story.









Upcoming Events

January 12 - 27, 2019

North American International Auto Show https://naias.com/auto-show/

Event Overview. All Roads Lead To NAIAS. The Gallery - **January** 12, 2019. AUTOMOBILI-D – **JANUARY** 14-17, 2019. Press Preview - **January** 14-15, 2019. Industry Preview - **January** 16-17, 2019. Charity Preview - **January** 18, 2019. Public Show - **January** 19-27, 2019.

Except for the snowbirds going to Florida or Arizona, I am not aware of any shows until the spring. We'll just have to wait for Jim Onslow to publish his list of events in Essex County for 2019.

Corvette general news

Congrats 2018 GTLM Champions!



Dan Binks, Crew Chief, at Road Atlanta and in lobby at Pratt and Miller Engineering



Petit Le Mans 2018: Teamwork

brings Championships to Corvette Racing

Corvette Racing's "Never give up!" attitude goes into overdrive to bring home the Drivers and Team Championships.



The final race of the 2018 IMSA WeatherTech Sportscar Championship took place at Road Atlanta on Saturday October 13, 2018.



Cartoons & Sayings

Thanks to Carla Tonucci



"It's raining out, and I just washed my car. Would you mind if we walked the two miles to the restaurant?"

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





Car is pimped out with huge 30" Magro Forgiatos wheels that are painted to match.

Nice job but in my eyes just strange







More Corvette general news

CorvetteBlogger

Sir Paul McCartney and his blue C5 Corvette were spotted in Beverly Hills. One of the richest entertainers in the world who can buy any car, McCartney continues to drive his C5 which he has owned for nearly 10 years.







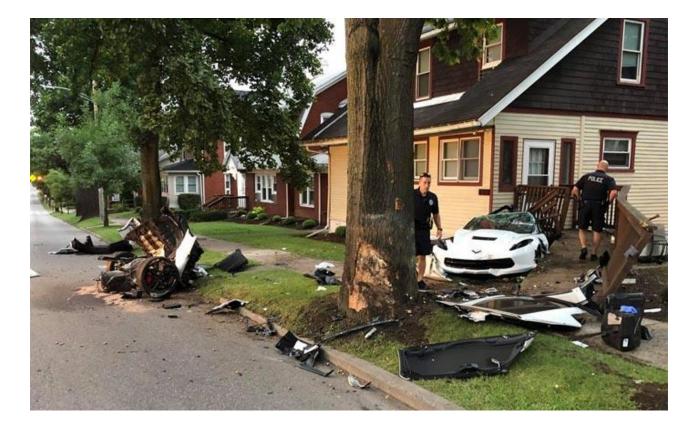


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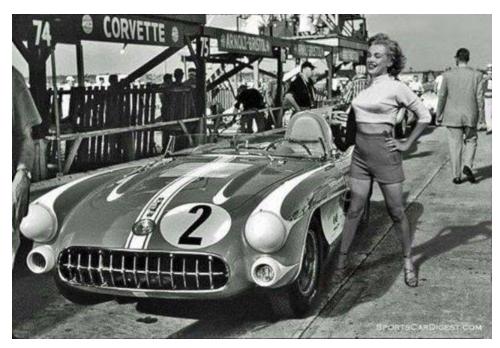
A twenty-one-year-old Penn State student from China was killed early Saturday morning after the <u>C7 Corvette</u> he was driving crashed at South Atherton Street and West Nittany Avenue in State College, PA.

Authorities believe that Kaijing Tang of China was driving the Corvette at a high rate of speed when he lost control of the vehicle around 4:22 am and struck a tree. Tang was pronounced dead at the scene.

Photos of the Corvette Stingray show that it was cut in two after hitting a large tree along the side of the road. The rear axle and wheels of the car were along side of the road while the bulk of the car landed next to a house.







Marilyn Monroe and Corvette SR2 Photo by Mirosław Wiśniewski

Marilyn Fahringer writes in Vettes of Essex Kent Facebook "c'mon guys..you know I know a cool car.....in fact .HAVE ONE......she only could stand by one.....hahahahahahahahahaaaaaaaaaa !!!!! "

What's with these trees that seem to jump out in front of speeding "Vettes

This eye-catching C7 is no more and all thanks to speeding on public roads.

By Thomas Mabson - June 2, 2017

If you follow the popular YouTube channel "Vehicle Virgins" then you've probably seen this lime green

Z06 once or twice. Sadly, that maddenlingly majestic maven of speed has met a painful end via an

unmoving object. That unmoving object, being a tree on the Huron River Drive west of Ann Arbor,

Michigan, got to know the car from an unknown driver travelling at unsafe speeds.



Here's more on the car Dana and Doris saw in Effingham, Illinois in the summer.



In the Pink—for Breast Cancer Awareness

Tina Thompson fell in love with Corvettes back in high school, when she saw her first C3. After many years she purchased a '77, then a '79, and later a '98. The latter one, painted pink like the C7 shown here, was <u>featured right</u> <u>here at Corvette Online</u>, and highlighted a special cause.

"Like my other pink Corvette," Tina relates, "I put the breast cancer plates on her for my two aunts and my husband Tim's cousin who are breast cancer survivors—for all women who have or had breast cancer." She and Tim have taken both pink Corvettes to numerous breast cancer awareness shows and fundraisers.

The color scheme is more challenging than you might realize. After a 1,000-mile shakedown, the body of the car was taken off so that each piece could be painted correctly on all sides and edges. Also, the interior was removed and sent to <u>LeatherSeats.com</u> in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma





Tim began the process of prepping each piece for paint, which required six different paint sessions. Each one took about about 10 hours, applying three coats of PPG pale pink, then three coats of House of Kolor Red Ice pearl. Then four coats of PPG 2021 clear.

After the parts were painted, they were color sanded and buffed to a show finish before being installed back on the car. Doing the work in their home garage at night and on weekends, it took them a year from start to finish. The whole process was about 300 hours of work. About 11 months into the project, a second trip to Oklahoma was made to pick up the interior and install it just as the body was being finished.

The car has spent the last 1 1/2 years doing shows on the ISCA show circuit and other events around the nation. This past summer after the show circuit had ended, they had Expel paint protection film applied to the entire exterior of the car so that Tina could now drive it and have fun.

"I thought I would only have one pink Corvette," she admits. "Things changed when I saw my first white C7 and pictured it in pink." More than just a special color scheme, though, Tina believes that the breast cancer cause is

important to make all women and men aware, and as a reminder to get yearly checkups. "If my car just saves one person from this deadly disease by reminding them to get checked, then she has served her purpose."

THANKS TO THE AUTHOR

Steve Temple Corvette on Line

Tips and other Fix It ideas



There goes the Bear (Barry Renaud) doing more yard work! LOL.

LBJ & Lucy and 65 LUCI



Thanks to Brenda Myers





Pick me up in your C4 Vette pick up! Bar.

Back at you Barry



Now this is a Mako Shark - X2 Thanks Maureen Renaud





Barry says - check the price of a '63 in December 1967!

\$2250 Split rear window coupe !

'Glass Condolences



How sad it is.....



Peter Roberts editor



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