

# From The Prezz

Well, the annual car show is now history and what a show it was. It seems that everywhere we go and anyone we talk to, since our show, we continue to receive nothing but accolades. It was an amazing day and our thanks go out to everyone that contributed to that day. The weather was great, attendance was the highest to date, and the number of spectators was totally unexpected.

There are still some remaining tasks for this year, arranging for and distributing recognition plaques for first time sponsors and obtaining tax receipts where requested as well as designing, printing and delivering thank you cards. However, work for next year's show has already begun in revising our procedures to address specific issues identified this year, designing the flyer for next year and preparing solicitation letters for next year. Just to give all our members some indication of the work that goes into this show, here are some statistics.

We have 106 members, both full and affiliate.

Just over 20 members solicited and collected sponsorship monies in excess of \$ 10,600.

18 members solicited and collected over 320 items for door prizes and raffle items.

About 6 members provided the approximately 18 items that were distributed in our goodie bags.

In most cases, it is the same people who were involved in these three functions.

The day of the show, 54 members helped to work the show with several members performing 2 or more separate tasks. Again, the same people who help at the show also obtain sponsorships and prizes.

Once again, it was a tremendous day and everyone involved should feel great pride in his or her contribution to this success.

**THANK YOU ALL.** Each year, we keep improving (learning from our mistakes) and growing. However, if we are to grow at all, we will need increased participation / involvement from all our members. I know that you have heard this message before, but if each member, beyond the 20 already contributing, could obtain one new sponsorship or prize for next year's show, think how much more the Children's Centre could benefit.

Now, to get off of my soapbox, it is mid August and the cruising season is winding down. It has been a fantastic summer but we all know what follows the summer cruising season. Corvettes at Carlisle is only a couple of weeks away and then we are into September and the Lincoln County Fair Cruise Night and the Fall multi-club cruise. Let's all make the most of the time left to get out and participate in the club's events and enjoyment of our "toys".

**Happy Corvetting and remember to Save the Wave!**

*George*

# Congradulations

On July 27, 2007 a celebration of sorts took place at the Dunnville Autodrome. On that day, Klaus Reif celebrated his arrival in Canada, 20 years previously. Klaus stated that the best way that he could think of celebrating this occasion was to go to the race track with some close friends and associates, hence he invited our club, along with some others, to a day at the track. Unknown to Klaus, Eva had arranged for a great BBQ lunch for the attendees and after lunch some presentations were made to celebrate this anniversary. On behalf off the club, an award was presented to Klaus to mark the date. The day was enjoyed by all present, however, Klaus' race car would not co-operate and once more spent most of the day on the trailer. Joe Smiley of the Corvette Association of Hamilton, tried to mollify Klaus by stating that it had taken 20 years for him to debug his race Corvette. Always a challenge, but as long as we're having fun, we can tolerate these small setbacks.

**Congratulations to Klaus and great Big Thank you to Eva and Klaus.**



## **NIAGARA CORVETTE CLUB - MINUTES**

**Date:** Tuesday, August 7, 2007

**Attendance:**

50

- George welcomed everyone and congratulated John Mytroen who turned 60.
- 14 cars went to the Downtown Car Show. George thanked Harold and Gayle Anders for hosting an after Show party. Next year the show will be on July 12, 2008.
- George thanked John and Leslie for hosting The Scavenger Hunt and BBQ party.
- Next George thanked Klaus and Eva for hosting a race day, July 27<sup>th</sup>, at Dunnville Autodrome. Klaus was celebrating 20 years in Canada. Eva provided a great lunch.
- Finally George thanked John and Sonia Ippel who planned a cruise and then treated members to an ice-cream feast.
- George reminded everyone of the GM Engine Plant Show on August 10.
- Also, the Wills Super Chevy Show on August 11 requires pre-registration.
- George also mentioned our Car Show and said it was the best ever in every way and said if we want to continue to grow, it will take the work of all of our members.
- Next year our club will celebrate its 35<sup>th</sup>. Anniversary and we should be thinking ahead to see how we intend to celebrate.
- Wilf read a thank you letter from The St. Catharines Downtown Association thanking us for participating in their car show.
- He also read an invitation from the Canadian Motorsport Museum inviting us to the Motorsport Museum's Celebration of Speed Track Day at Mosport International Speedway on Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Other upcoming events were announced and are included in the newsletter.
  - **September 7 – Beamsville Fair** (members are asked to be there by at 5pm)
- George reported in Gloria's absence. We have a healthy bank balance.

### **Social Committee: [Wendy B]**

- August 11 – Vette Together @ Bas Farms starts at 3pm.
- August 18 – Pool Party at Wilkinsons regrettably cancelled
- Fall Cruise – September 30
- Christmas Dinner – Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> in Fort Erie. Details to come

### **Show Committee: [Dave Drake]**

- Dave passed around sheets to get comments and suggestions for the next show.
  - He thanked everyone for their help with this year's show.
  - Dave also had some statistics on the number of cars in the different categories.
  - Dave gave a financial report listing the sources of income and the expenses. Looks like we should have \$15,000 to donate to the Centre.
  - We discussed the Portable Toilets. All agreed we need more. T-shirts that were pre-ordered were there for pick up
- Any address or e-mail changes should be forwarded to executive ASAP.
  - John Mytroen has a room in Carlisle booked and isn't going. If interested, contact him.
  - **50/50 Draw:** The winner of \$69 was Hetty. There were 22 other draws

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 4, 2007 AT FRADO'S;**

# Thanks

**We would like to give a special thank you to Klaus Reif, as well as Gloria & Dave Drake, for their extraordinary efforts on behalf of the club in organizing and "running" the car show this year. A lot of our members contributed and participated, but it was left to these folks to make sure that everything was done on time and everything ran smoothly. Every issue was addressed and the results speak for themselves. Thanks also to the Hills for placing an ad in "Old Autos" to promote our show as well numerous members, too many to identify separately, who contributed to our success in many ways.**

**Thanks to you all.**

**Marilyn & George**



## Tech Tip

### Decarbonization Procedure...

I felt it necessary to fill you all in on how to decarbon your engines. Here is the reason. For most all situations, knock on a stock c5 will be due to carbon buildup, plain and simple. While there is a lot of speculation, fact is that out of 51 different c5 that I have performed this procedure, NONE have returned. There will always be the occasional one that this may NOT apply to, but for the most part, it should work. Also, just a side note, if your c5 is modified, even with just a MAF, this may not work, due to other issues, so do not ASSUME that this is a fix all. Okay, first thing, go down to your GM dealer and purchase 2 cans of liquid top engine cleaner #1050002. That's the part number. And get oil and filter, as you will have to change the oil after this procedure. Second, let the car sit until it gets cold before you start this procedure. Now, are you ready???? First, remove all spark plugs. Next, evenly divide the 2 cans to feed 8 cylinders. Remember that this will get messy, so have plenty of rags around, and put something under your car, and not all the cylinders will take all the chemical. Next, add the cleaner to each cylinder, some may pour out, and some may take all of it. I leave rags under each plughole. Then, pop a cold one because the cleaner must sit at least 6 hours, I like to see 12, but at least 6 are the minimum. The next morning or whatever put a bunch of rags over all the plugholes, as you must crank over the engine to expel the entire cleaner. It's going to leave a mess, so be warned. Crank over then engine for about 15 seconds, that's all it takes. Clean up all the residual off the manifolds, with brake cleaner or something. Install the plugs. Roll the vehicle outside, cause MAN is this going to smoke, and stink. Start it up, it will run rough for a while, this is common, and it will smoke too. Allow to idle for 20 mins. Then shut the engine down, and change the oil and filter. The cleaner dilutes the oil so we don't want to drive the car until after all has been consumed in the chamber, and the oil is warm. Ok, now for the test drive, go to a highway, and drive a highway speeds for about 20 mins, to expel the cleaner from the exhaust. The car WILL smoke for some of the test drive, this is NORMAL. But by the time that you get back, it should be pretty much gone. Ok, that's it. Just remember, this is informational, nothing more. You may get some oxygen codes or some misfire until the cleaner is burned off, this is NORMAL. Just reset the codes, and you will be fine. I have had a lot of success with this, as have some of the members that I have emailed this process to, but you must follow it exactly, thanks. Best to all, and I remain, c4c5 specialist -----  
----- c4c5mechanic, GM certified in all areas. ASE master certification w/L1. Club Corvette of CT member.

## NCC Car Show



# Social Update

## Coming Events:

- **Aug 11** – Vette together # 8 at Bas Farms
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Happy Birthday This month!!

Wendy Bas	France Mowbray
Michael Camillo	John Mytroen
Marilyn & George	Michele Schmor
Dalbergs	Michael Siranni
Jim Marr	Pamela Stringer
Larry Keighan	Ronald Sutton
Dan Mowbray	

## Cruise Nights

Sun	Beam Me Up Scotties	Niagara Falls, Ont
Mon	Ida Fritz Park	Lockport, NY
Tues	Victory Cruise Night (formerly Jimmy-B's)	Lockport, NY
Wed	Mapleview Shopping Plaza Shredd and Ragan Cruise Night Summit Park Mall Cataract Cruisers Club	Burlington, Ont Niagara Falls, NY Lewiston, NY
Thurs	CTC @ Ridley-Fourth Ave	St. Catharines, Ont
Fri	Seaway Mall Freewheeler's Cruise (Page's Whistle Pig)	Welland, Ont Niagara Falls N.Y
Sat	Cruise in on the River Olcott Beach Cruise Night	Niagara Falls, Ont Olcott, NY

## 2007 NCC Event Calendar

August	7	NCC General Meeting	Frado's
	10	GM Engine Plant Tour	George
	11	Wills Super Chevy Showdown – Club Display	George
	11	Vette Together @ Bas Farms	Wendy
	18	Pool Party @ Wilkinsons <b>Cancelled</b>	Glennie
	24-26	Corvettes @ Carlisle	Leslie
	24-26	Wings & Wheels Niagara District Airport	Wilf
Sept	4	NCC General Meeting	Frado's
	7	Lincoln County Fair Cruise Night(6:00)	George
	22	Sunset Cruise Palmwood (4:30)	Wendy Bas
	30	Fall Cruise & Poker Run	Dave
Oct	2	NCC General Meeting	Frado's
	27	Halloween House Party @ Marquis	Louis
Nov	6	NCC General Meeting	Fardo's
	24	NCC Christmas Party	John Gibbons
Dec	4	NCC Social Evening (6:30)	Margaret Keighan
		Ricki Jos	

# Reminder

**The September meeting will start at 7:30 PM on September 4** at which time we will be making our cheque presentation to Jim Marino of the Niagara Peninsula Children's Centre. We expect to have a short formal meeting after the presentation and then, if the weather permits, we will take a short cruise to the Avondale Dairy Bar for some ice cream. Let's enjoy our Corvettes while we can.



## CRUISE-IN ON THE PARKWAY

SUNDAY, JULY 22, 2007

  
**REIF ESTATE**  
**WINERY**  
 15608 Niagara Parkway  
 Niagara-on-the-Lake

Unbelievable! That's the first word that comes to mind after our Show this year. The weather couldn't have been better. Maybe we've overcome that dark cloud that seemed to lurk over us in the past, I don't know how many, years. Last year we registered 236 cars. This year it was 309, plus 2 that didn't want to register since they planned to leave early. Wow! And the spectators....I think we surpassed all years in that regard too.

Thanks again to all of you who worked so hard to collect the sponsor funds, door prizes and goodie bag items. Although we had only planned for 150 goodie bags, we actually put together 250 (plus a couple more on the day of the Show). I asked a few people about what they thought about our goodie bags and they were quite impressed. Most expected "paper" material and advertising. Well, that can't be said about ours. Great job everyone. And, again this year, all participants in the Show left with a door prize.

Having said all that, can you believe the raffle and 50/50 prizes we had this year!! The prizes we had were as a result of some very hard work and arm twisting of some of our members. You know who you are. Thank you so much for all that you've done for our Show. The funds we raised on these 2 draws was the best ever.

To those of you who were able to come out and work at the Show this year, all I can say is thank you, thank you, thank you!! It was a very hot day but everyone pulled together. If we are to continue each year with a bigger and better Car Show, we need the participation of each and every member. Even if you think you don't have much time to work on the day of the Show, even a few hours helps to relieve others who are working so hard during the day. To those of you who took on several jobs, you are to be commended. Remember, at the end of the day, our contribution to NPCC is from each and every member whether you've helped to raise funds, door prizes, etc. or worked at the Show. Even if you haven't done any of these things, you are still getting credit for the donation that we are able to make each year. It's time for everyone to step up and help in any way, big or small, that you can.

Our Vendors were great too. We had 5 Vendors this year and all have said they will be returning next year since they had such a good (and profitable) time this year. Who knows, maybe next year we'll have 8 or 10 Vendors.

And to Klaus, what can we say! Thank you seems so small for all he does for our Club. Having our Show at his Winery makes for a perfect setting. He even allowed us to paint his grass this year (just in case you didn't notice as you were parking your car). Klaus has been a big supporter of our Club over the last several years and we've had an opportunity to get to know him a little better, not only as a businessman but as a car enthusiast too. I say "car" because Klaus has so many and is not attracted to Corvettes alone.

Once again, Dave & I would personally like to thank each and everyone one of you who have worked so hard all year, not just the day of the Show, to help our Club raise funds for the Children's Centre. Without your continued help, support and generosity, we would not be able to raise the funds we do each year for such a worthy cause.

***Thank You!***

Gloria & David Drake

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<b>OTHER EVENTS</b>		
<b>Aug.</b>	<b>4 COSO Show &amp; Shine</b> 11 SCCC Concourse Show 11 NASCAR Canadian Tire Series 12 NEXTEL Cup @ the Glen 12 14th Annual Clutch Artists Nostalgia Drags & Car Show 17-19 Wasaga Beach Cruise 24-26 <b>Grand Prix of Mosport American LeMans Series - Mosport Park</b>	<b>Simcoe</b> Welland Mosport Watkins Glen Lancaster NY Wasaga Beach Mosport
<b>Sep.</b>	1 18th Annual Olcott Beach Car Show 6-9 37th Annual Fall Barrie Automotive Flea Market 9-Jul Zippo U.S. Vintage Grand Prix 14-16 Lowes Motor Speedway Fall Lions Autofair 15-16 RM Fawcett Movie Car Auction -no reserve 16 London Swap Meet 21-23 <b>Mid America Funfest</b> 22-23 <b>Waterdown Swap Meet &amp; Car Show</b> 30 Last Chance Custom Car Show & Swap Meet	Olcott, NY Barrie Watkins Glen NY Charlotte, NC Whitby , ON London Effingham IL Waterdown Welland
<b>Oct</b>	3-7 <b>Fall Carlisle</b> 5-6 <b>Fall Auction @ Carlisle</b> 19-21 RM Fall Classic Car Auction 28 <b>Rodmasters Fall Swap Meet - Marrit Hall</b> 30-31 <b>SEMA Show</b>	Carlisle, PA Carlisle, PA Mississauga Ancaster Las Vegas
<b>Nov.</b>	1-2 <b>SEMA Show</b> 4-Feb 13th Wheel World Car Exhibition - Skylon Tower	Las Vegas Niagara Falls

## NCC Show & Shine

