

Corvette Connection

Niagara Corvette Club Celebrating Our 38th Year

Vision Statement: The Niagara Corvette Club is a friendly, safe and affordable car club dedicated to learning, respect for all and enjoyment in all aspects of the sport of corvettes and fundraising.



A rat rod on a 1977 Corvette frame and suspension.

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Kissing The "Blarney" Stone Brings Good Luck

A group of Americans was touring Ireland. One of the women in the group was constantly complaining. The bus seats are uncomfortable. The food is terrible. It's too hot. It's too cold. The accommodations are awful.

The group arrived at the site of the famous Blarney Stone. "Good luck will be followin' ya all your days if you kiss the Blarney Stone," the guide said. "Unfortunately, it's being cleaned today and so no one will be able to kiss it. Perhaps we can come back tomorrow."

"We can't be here tomorrow," the nasty woman shouted.

"We have some other boring tour to go on. So I guess we can't kiss the stupid stone."

"Well now," the guide replied, "it is said that if you kiss someone who has kissed the stone, you'll have the same good fortune."

"And I suppose you've kissed the stone," the woman scoffed. "No, ma'am," the frustrated guide said, "but I've sat on it."

NCC Club members, if you have any item which may be of interest to our club members please send the article to the editors. Ian & Jackie

From the President

March is now here. The days are getting longer and warmer (on occasion). It seems like it is just around the corner when we will be getting our Corvettes out from under wraps to enjoy another season of motoring - yyyiiipppeee.

Gail and I were fortunate to get a break from the unrelenting misery of winter by attending a "Destination Wedding" in Mexico for our Niece. It was during this trip that an international benefit of owning and driving a Corvette became apparent. There we were, driving along the main highway of the Mayan Riviera in a Mexican taxicab. It was a new VW Jetta turbo-diesel, five speed manual – nice car, but certainly not a Corvette. However, the performance of this vehicle was amazing. Acceleration was impressive, and cruising along at 140 km/ h in an 80 km/h speed zone was quite relaxing. The sensation of relaxation must be attributable to us being used to high-speed travel in our Corvette. Everyone that we spoke to were terrified of the Mexican taxis and the hairraising manner in which they drive. Gail and I found it quite exhilarating, almost as nice as cruising in our 'Vette. Truly an international benefit of owning a Corvette, but of course we never exceed the speed limit when we drive.

Our 2011 Calendar of Events is developing nicely and we are looking forward to yet another year of great activities.

Speaking of activities, I would like to extend a warm thank you to Glennie and Willy Wilkinson for arranging the bowling and dessert night for the Club. Although Gail and I were not there (Mexico vs. bowling? Not a difficult choice), we were told that several of the Club's athletes entered into combat with the pins. Apparently, numerous bowling balls were tossed in the vain hope of knocking down some pins. Fortunately, our members had better success at devouring the deserts.

John and Lynn Mytroen hosted a Daytona 500 race day gathering and potluck dinner. It was just a classic event. The guys were downstairs yelling and screaming at the huge TV screen, and the gals were upstairs heavily engaged in conversation and wine drinking. By the end of the race, most of the guys were exhausted after pseudo

driving their favourite stock car for so many miles. I think that the guys were also exhausted from the constant scanning we did when the camera panned across the crowd. We tried hard, but were unsuccessful in seeing Jackie and Ian Bell, or Wendy and Denny Lindberg, our Club members who attended the race in person. It was a good thing that there was plenty of absolutely delicious food available for all of us to recover from the day's events. Thanks to John and Lynn, and to all who attended, for your company and great potluck foods.

A number of events are in the works, so please review our Calendar of Events and plan to participate in the activities with your fellow Club members.

In our March meeting, the Club was able to take advantage of Carol Hill's presence to present a token of the Club's appreciation of Carol's service as Club Secretary. Thank you Carol for your hard work and dedication

The bulk of our March Club meeting was spent confirming those persons that will be acting as the Lead Person for the activities and tasks associated with our annual car show. Further work will continue over the upcoming months, with the hope of having another very successful show.

All members are encouraged to contact any of the Executives to submit and discuss your ideas for Club events and activities.

Together, we can all look forward to enjoying our Corvettes for another year of safe and happy motoring.

Remember to "Save the Wave!",

Harold.

Minutes from Last Meeting

Date: Tuesday, March 1st, 2011 **Attendance:** 33

Meeting Started: 8:00 p.m

President Harold Anders welcomed all the membership to the meeting and gave a special welcome back to **John**

Daudelin and wife, Leslie.

President's Report:

Old Business:

Carol Hill received her Recognition of Service Award and after thanking the membership, would like to remind us to save our returnable bottles and bring them to the meetings to help a local girl in need of expensive medical treatment.

New Business:

George Dalbergs has agreed to serve as the Governor for the Sudbury Corvette Club which should enable us to keep in touch with the activities of other clubs.

The Nova Scotia Corvette Club extended an invitation to anyone interested in participating in a cruise in Nova Scotia, July 29,30,31.

Wilson Niblett Tech Session is on March 26, 2011.

Vice-President's Report - Bill Colclough:

Keep in mind the 60th Anniversary of the Corvette in 2013 and the 50th Anniversary of the Stingray and come up with ideas for Club activities.

We are still gathering information for the Club car flags.

Financial Report - John Mytroen, Treasurer:

The Club is in good financial standing.

Social Committee - Lynn Mytroen:

Bowling Night and the Nascar Race Day were a great success thanks to Glennie and Willy Wilkinson and Lynn and John Mytroen for hosting.

Saturday, March 26th will be Indoor Mini-golf and Kelsey's for dinner.

Plans for Bowling Green in May are underway.

Show Committee - Bill Colclough:

John Mytroen has updated the show flier.

The Lead Persons for the Show Preparation Activities have been confirmed.

Next meeting we will focus on the helpers.

50/50 Draw: Wendy Lindberg Winner: Peter Tonini

Meeting adjourned

Next meeting: Tuesday April 5th, 2011, at Frado's Restaurant, 8:00 pm

Detroit Auto Show Part 2

Continued from last month.

Te worked our way through a few imports to the Chevrolet booth and after admiring the Corvette ZR1 and a beautiful yellow Grand Sport decided we needed to hear the sales pitch on the Chevy Volt that's making all the automotive news lately. As a 4 door it's not quite as sporty as the 2 door concept model that was shown a few years ago but still a pretty advanced car. The sales pitch ends reminding us that it's \$41,000 US or about \$350 on a monthly lease. Not knowing any other details that sounds the most interesting as you could save a lot of that \$350 in less fuel and not have to worry about ever replacing the batteries if you walked away at the end of the lease. We'll have to wait until later this year to see what the offers are like here in Canada.

The big news at most of the booths is electric or Hybrid vehicles. We did see a stretched Toyota Van... yes a real Limo made from a Toyota van. At the Chrysler booth we saw some very nice Chrysler 300 examples with Bentley type grills and cool wheels. The Chrysler exhibit was focusing on the new Charger with wall to wall tail lights of little LED's that are very eye catching. Chrysler also was exhibiting the new Fiat which looks just a little bigger than a Smart car.

George wanted to see the Porsche display and as you can see from the picture was all smiles sitting behind the wheel. The special Porsche that George wanted to see had only been at the show for 3 hours on the first day so that was a bit of a disappointment. The Volkswagen display was very bright almost requiring sunglasses to walk through. There were so many more things to look at including the Tesla all electric roadster, a 4 door version of the Tesla and even a GM concept two seat enclosed vehicle with two wheels side by side like a Segway.

Downstairs you could go for a car ride and not just any car ride but an ALL ELECTRIC car ride. We opted to just look on but it did seem a bit strange to see all these cars driving around and not a sound except rushing

The weather was nice so after a stroll back to the parking lot we were off for an early dinner. The Tunnel BBQ came highly recommended so after arriving through the tunnel back into Canada that was our treat.

That same restaurant has been in business since 1947 and will be featured on an upcoming Food Network show....

With full bellies our trip home was very comfort-

able and Chauffeur Dave at the wheel and the rest of us relaxing and enjoying the countryside.

The day was great, the company was great, seeing all the new models was great and listening to Harold's jokes was great (he threatened if I didn't say that I would never be invited again). So, I do want to make the trip again and all we have to do is find another "newbie" who will write a story for us in 2012. By: John Mytroen

A husband and wife are sitting quietly in bed reading when the Wife looks over at him and asks the question....

WIFE "What would you do if I died?

Would you get married Again?"
HUSBAND:"Definitely not!"
WIFE: "Why not?

Don't you like being married?"

HUSBAND: "Of course I do.."

WIFE: "Then why wouldn't you remarry?"

HUSBAND: "Okay, okay, I'd get married again."

WIFE: "You would?" (with a hurt look)

HUSBAND: (makes audible groan)

WIFE: "Would you live in our house?"

HUSBAND: "Sure, it's a great house."

WIFE: "Would you sleep with her in our bed?"

HUSBAND: "Where else would we sleep?"

WIFE: "Would you let her drive my car?"

HUSBAND: "Probably, it is almost new."

WIFE: "Would you replace my pictures with hers?"

HUSBAND: "That would seem like the proper thing to

WIFE: "Would you give her my jewellery?"

HUSBAND: "No, I'm sure she'd want her own."

WIFE: "Would you take her golfing with you?

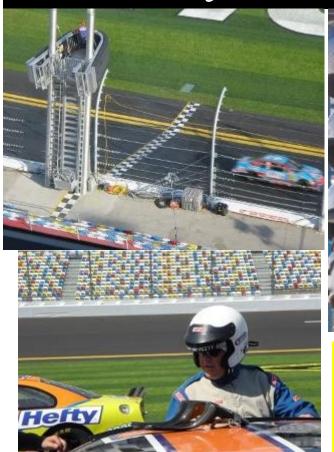
HUSBAND: "Yes, those are always good times."

WIFE: "Would she use my clubs?

HUSBAND: "No, she's left-handed."

WIFE: -- silence --HUSBAND: "shit." From Wendy Lindberg

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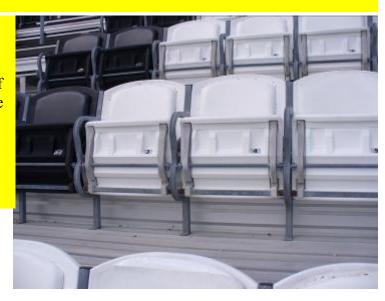




I took the 3 laps around the track at Daytona with a driver on Feb 15th. What a thrill 170mph. The track has a new surface and is very smooth, I am sure if you are a race fan you know all about it. We had a tour of the speedway and as you know this is race week lots of people and excitement. The banks on the ends steep and a fair bit of g force sliding into them. I was glad I wasn't driving here some pictures ellie



The view from
Denny & Wendy
Linberg great seats.
Right is a picture of
their seats, sorry we
did not catch up to
them. Editor



Number 1 Mark Martin Fan, Jackie

Lynn Mytroen Social Page

We are only 3 weeks from Spring and hopefully car time will follow shortly.

Thanks to Glennie and Willie for organizing our bowling night. Jake was the high game at 171 and we are not talking about low game, I'm too embarrassed to name names!

The Daytona Nascar Race was on Sunday Feb. 20. We didn't do too good picking the winners..maybe our "aging" eyes don't recognize the young up and coming. We had a great turnout and lots of fun and great food thanks to all who attended.

Saturday, March 26 we will be having an indoor, black light mini golf tournament. This will be held on Clifton Hill in Niagara Falls. Dinner is at 6 pm at Kelsey's Restaurant at Clifton Hill and Victoria with bowling to follow. Any last minute changes please call Lynn.

Our spring cruise with the WNYCC is set for Sunday May 1. The WNYCC is hosting this year and they will be escorting us to Jamestown NY for lunch followed by a tour of the Lucy and Desi Arnez Museum. More details to come but pen the date in now.

Our road trip to Bowling Green is being planned for May 20 to 26. Please see more details in the newsletter. This should be the highlight of the NCC social year so plan on going.

Maybe we will see a few cars out at the next meeting!

Lynn and John Mytroen

Hi Everyone

This is coming together and should be fun for all. Please join us for all or part of the week if you can. We now have 9 cars confirmed.

Below is the tentative plan:

- Friday, May 20 as far as Cincinnati Ohio (staying in Florence, KY)
- Saturday May 21 Bourbon Tour on the way to Bowling Green. Sunday May 22 spend the day at the Museum and spend all our money

at the gift shop. Cost is \$6 pp for non NCM members. Possible catered dinner at 1869 Homestead, B&B and home of the Executive Director of NCM for a cost of approx. 30\$ pp www.1869homestead.com

- Monday May 23, plant tour at 8:30 or 10:30 am (7\$ pp) and more time at museum or gift shop if needed
- Monday afternoon road tour possible visit to Chaney's Dairy Barn www.chaneysdairybarn.com
- Tuesday May 24 all day road tour possible visit to Lost River Caves www.lostrivercave.com
- Wednesday May 25- Road Trip to Nashville
- Thursday May 26 start the drive home staying south through the mountains and stay in Charleston WV. Friday May 27 everyone on their own to head home or not!!

All hotels have been booked and have rooms blocked for us. If you are interested in going please email or phone me for details. Everyone is responsible for reserving their own room by calling the hotels direct.

All make and model of all cars are welcome to join this cruise.

Please confirm with Lynn Mytroen or George Dalbergs your attendance.



Editors Page

March Birthdays

Livia Weber 1st
Bru Sabourin 2nd
Karen Sirianni 9th
Janet Campbell 29th
Georgina Conway 30th
Carol Hill 30th



April Birthdays

Linda Tonini	3rd
Peter Hansen	9th
Edmond Sabourin	11th
Michael Szczurek	14th
Beverly Laciok	15th
Fred Hutchison	19th
Klaus Reif	23rd
Esther Campbell	27th
Darleen Goosen	27th

This months news letter is truly international. Coming from Daytona Beach USA. Editors Ian & Jackie.



This 2010 Cyber Gray Corvette ZR1 put its front end into some unknown immovable object, shearing the drivers rear chrome wheel off the axle and triggering the airbag. Hope the driver was okay. Now its sitting in a California salvage yard with an estimated repair bill of over \$70,000. The good news for you fixer-uppers is that its offered for sale with a salvage title.

Club Calendar 2011

Month	Day	Activity	Contact	Location
Apr.	5	NCC General Meeting - Frado's		
	27-1	Spring Carlisle		Carlisle, PA
May		Spring Cruise with WNYCC		
	3	NCC General Meeting - Frado's		
	21-24	Weekend Cruise to Bowling Green KY	Lynn Mytroen	
Jun.	7	NCC General Meeting - Frado's		
	18	Sudbury CC Show & Shine	George	Sudbury
		4th Annual NCC Road Rally - Gateway Plaza	Larry Schmor	
		Post Rally Barbeque	Roger Copeland	St. Catharines
Jul.	5	NCC General Meeting		
		Downtown Classic Car Show (7:00 AM)	Harold Anders	St. Catharines
		Chevy Show @ Wills	Harold Anders	Grimsby
	24	NCC CAR SHOW - Show & Shine		Reif Winery
	31	COSO Show & Shine	Dave Drake	Simcoe
Aug.	2	NCC General Meeting - Frado's		
	5	GM Engine Plant Tour - Corvettes, etc.	Harold Anders	
	26-28	Corvettes @ Carlisle		Carlisle, PA
Sep.	6	NCC General Meeting - Johnny Rocco's		
	9	Lincoln County Fair Cruise Night - 5:00 PM	Harold Anders	Beamsville
		Day at the Race Track - 12:00 noon	Lynn Mytroen	Fort Erie
	28-2	Fall Carlisle		Carlisle, PA
Oct.	4	NCC General Meeting - Frado's		St. Catharines
		Fall Cruise - Letchworth Park, NY	Lynn Mytroen	Fort Erie
Nov.	1	NCC General Meeting - Frado's Elec- tions		
		NCC Christmas Dinner -	Lynn / Marilyn	St. Catharines
Dec.	6	NCC Social Evening	Fred Hutchison	St. Catharines

Area Calendar

Month	Day	Activity	Contact	Location
Mar.	19	Sebring ALMS Race		Sebring, FL
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	ditor.	Rodmasters Spring Swap Meet - Marritt Hall		Ancaster
Api Lowes Motor Speedway Spring Lions Autofair				Charlotte NC
Apr.		Spring Classic Car Auction		Mississauga
Apr.		Richmond Green Indoor Automotive Flea Market		Richmond Hill
Apr.		Automotive Flea Market		Virgil
Apr.		CCCC Governors' Meeting		Mississauga
Apr.	16	Long Beach ALMS Race		Long Beach, CA
Apr.		10th Annual CFCHAH auto/bike show		Irving NY
Apr.		CCO's Gateway Technical Session		Brampton
Apr.	27-1	Spring Carlisle		Carlisle PA
Apr.		Road Runners Car Show & Swap Meet - Marritt Hall		Ancaster
May	1	Spring Fling - Bull Run - Wasaga Beach Corvette Club		Collingwood
May		1st Annual Swap Meet & 8th Annual Classic Car Show		Binbrook
May		Cruise to Dover (6:00)		Caledonia
May		16th Annual Caledonia Spring Car Show & Swap Meet - Fairgrounds		Caledonia
May		1st Annual Home Show & Car Show - Crystal Beach Arena		Crystal Beach
May		NCRS Ontario Judging School - Hilton Garden Inn Hotel (7:00 PM)		Richmond Hill
May		NCRS Ontario Chapter judging meet - Wilson Niblette (8:00 AM)		Richmond Hill
May		HASC Annual Antique Car Flea Market - Fairgrounds		Rockton
May		Victoria Day Speedfest Weekend		Mosport
May		Cruising Home Car Show - Home Hardware Head Office		St. Jacobs
May	28	Golden Triangle CC Super Chevy Cruise Night		Waterloo
May		Waterdown Spring Swap Meet & Car Show - Joe Sams Park		Waterdown
May	29	Jump Start - CWO		Woodstock
May		Fort Erie Fire Company #2 Car Show - Courtwright St.		Fort Erie
Jun.		28th Annual Spring Barrie Auto Flea Market - Burl's Creek		Barrie
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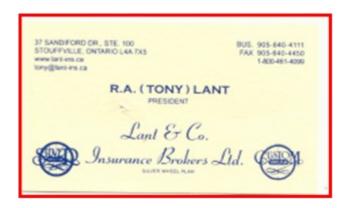
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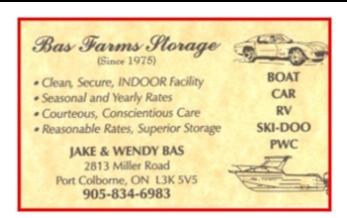








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