

Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona

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Our monthly meetings are held at the Club House Restaurant located at the Daytona Beach Municipal Golf Course the third Tuesday of each month. We invite you to dine with us starting at 6:00 PM, with the meeting starting at 7:00.

Welcome Aboard: Ed and Jean Doyle are now official club members. We would like to welcome them aboard and are very glad they decided to make us their extended Corvette family.

Breakfast on the Run: Last month we visited D.B. Pickles. We all enjoyed a very nice buffet brunch. We went for our cruise after we ate because Pickles tends to get very busy later in the morning. Although there were a couple of other large groups there when we arrived but there was plenty of room and the service was good. We cruised up Rt 11 to Bunnell then over to A1A and south along the beach.

Next month on August 6th we will meet to travel up to Palm Coast and breakfast at "La Piazza Café" at the European Village. Please come and join us. We meet at 9:00am at the Beall's/Publix Shopping Center at Williamson Blvd and Granada Blvd.

Children's Home Society: Correspondence from CHS was read. They asked for donation to help children with their back to school needs. They stated that it costs approximately \$40 for basic back to school supplies. A collection from members was taken up at the meeting and Ginny delivered \$185.00 the next day. If you would like to participate you can drop off your donation to their office in the Sunshine Park

Mall. Another collection will be taken at the August meeting.

Dog Gone It: Halifax Humane Society has been selected for our charity donations for the months of September, October, and November. Please bring your contributions of food, blankets, treats, nail clippers, and anything else at lonely dog or cat might need or enjoy.

Race Day Party: Jim and Ginny would like to thank those who attended the race day party and brought all those great snacks. Leslie was the big winner in the race pool by drawing both the first and last place positions.

Photo Scavenger Run: The Second Non-Annual Photo Scavenger Run will take place on Saturday August 19th. For this event you will need an instant picture camera, Polaroid or digital where the picture can be printed for the photo board. Contestants will be given a list of ten items that they must picture their Corvette with. Certain items in the pictures can receive extra credit. We will meet at the Sunshine Park Mall on US 1 in South Daytona at 2:00 pm. You will have 3 hours to complete the contest and meet at the Club House Restaurant (our usual meeting location) at 5:00 pm. There we will view your pictures and tally the score sheets to see who has won the contest. Prizes will be awarded to the two teams scoring the most points. There we can award ourselves with a

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good meal or drown our sorrows at the bar. The Armstrong's and the Quinn's will not participate since they already know the items that are to be photographed. They will be the judges and score the photos.

Tour de' Forest: Coming up September 23rd will be a great road trip over the river and through the woods. The Tour de' Forest is a unique road trip over some of the back roads of Florida around the Ocala National Forest. It is about a 150 mile trip that will take about 4 to 5 hours with a stop for lunch. Meeting place and time to begin the road trip have not been set as of yet. Stay tuned.

Spooky: Mark your calendars for October 28th. The Quinn's will host a Halloween costume party for the club members. To attend you must be in costume. Prizes are awarded to the best costumes to a man and women. So start giving it some thought as to what costume you may want to wear.

Christmas Party: The date has been set for December 5th for our annual Christmas party. Menu items for your selection will be forth coming. They usually consist of a choice of a beef, chicken, or fish entry. The club also does a Chinese gift exchange. Gifts should be limited to items of \$15 or less. They can be for male or female or both. More details as we get closer to Christmas.

December Get Away: Plans are in the works to do another December get away. Last year members of the club did a sea cruise to the islands. This year it will be an over-the-road cruise. Destination is still up in the air, suggestions have included; Savannah, Tampa, Amelia Island and Jekyll Island. Tentative plans are to do the trip December 8th to 11th. Art is the tour director so if you have any other suggestions or would like to go along let him know.

Due Do: Just a friendly reminder that club dues will be do by the meeting in September. Club dues were \$75 last year which includes you and a significant other. Club dues include membership in NCCC. The Board will review the club finances to determine if club dues will

remain the same of if a change is in order. But no matter what they will be, they will be due by the September meeting.

Moving On: We are all sorry to hear that Mike and Valerie are planning to move to Kentucky sometime in the near future. Mike has been working up there for quite some time now and has been commuting back and forth about every other week. They now plan to move up there on a permanent basis. Mike holds the office of Vice President and Valerie is the Treasurer. The club is now looking for members who would like to hold these positions when they become vacant. The Board of Directors will need to appoint someone who is interested in holding these offices until the next election in November of 2007. If you are interested please let Tim know so arrangements can be made.

Cruise Ins: A couple of local eateries have expressed an interest in having our club hosting a cruise in. Tim and Art were going to check them out to see if it would be feasible. More info on this at the next meeting.

Destination Daytona: Some of the members got together to attend the cruise in at Destination Daytona. They hold this event the third Saturday of each month at the new Harley dealership in Ormond at I-95. There were a lot of vehicles there along with entertainment and places to eat. Maybe we should make this a regular event for the club?



50 / 50: Congratulations to Jean Doyle; join the club, win the 50/50. Way to go!

Corvette History - July

- **July 1, 2000:** Corvette brand manager Jim Campbell is promoted, and replaced by Rick Baldick.
- **July 2, 1992:** The one millionth Corvette is built. It is a white LT1 roadster, with red interior.
- **July 10, 1994:** At the four-hour endurance GT Championship race at Vallelunga, Italy, a Callaway SuperNatural Corvette LM driven by Andreas Fuchs and Enrico Bertaglia finishes first in GT-2 class and second overall, behind a Ferrari F40.
- **July 17, 1999:** At Knebworth House in Essex, England, 120 Corvettes take part in the longest convoy of Corvettes ever in England. 344 cars in total take part in the main event, the 20th Annual Corvette Nationals of the Classic Corvette Club United Kingdom.
- **July, 1953:** Zora Arkus-Duntov begins working on the Corvette.
- **July, 1956:** Work begins on Project XP-64, a sports/racer built for the upcoming race in Sebring. The car is named the Corvette SS (Super Spyder), or Sebring SS. A clay model of Zora's design is made, and shown to management.
- **July, 1956:** Richard Thompson races a production Corvette to first place in C class - Production, in the Seattle Seafair race, the first SCCA National title for the Corvette.
- **July, 1958:** Bill Mitchell assembles the XP-700, a highly modified Corvette with a long oval nose, and twin-bubble plastic roof. The rear design is later adopted for the 1961 model.
- **July, 1962:** Production begins on the Grand Sport, designed for racing in World Championship races. Production is intended to be 125.
- **July, 1975:** The last 1975 model-year convertible Stingray rolls off the assembly line.
- **July, 1977:** Bill Mitchell resigns from General Motors.

