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Corvettes and Chilli Edition



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President's Report

October 2024



The Fall Cruise is scheduled for October 5th. Thank you to John Heinrichs and Brian Striemer for organizing the event. The itinerary sounds great and it should be a very enjoyable day.

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place at One Eyed Jack in Oshawa on October 16th. We will be presenting a cheque to a representative from the Humane Society of Durham Region. Please consider bringing a donated item for the Humane Society to our meeting. They would welcome Royal Canin food for dogs or cats, or pet toys. Also, a variety of donated items helps in the operation of the shelter, including cleaning and office supplies. Let's show the Humane Society how generous

our club is.

There won't be an election held at the AGM since all four of the elected positions have been acclaimed. For the next two years, I'll remain as the President, Brian Striemer as the Vice President, Allan Harris as the Treasurer and Susanne Ralph as the Secretary. Thank you to all the members for your continued faith us. It is an honour to lead such an amazing group of car enthusiasts!

Thanks to Jan and Dave for organizing and hosting the Chilli Cookoff & Prettiest Salad event. I'm very sorry I missed it, but I heard that it was a lot of fun. I understand there was a good variety of chilli and salads. Thank you to our amazing cooks.

Cheers!

Anne Halverson



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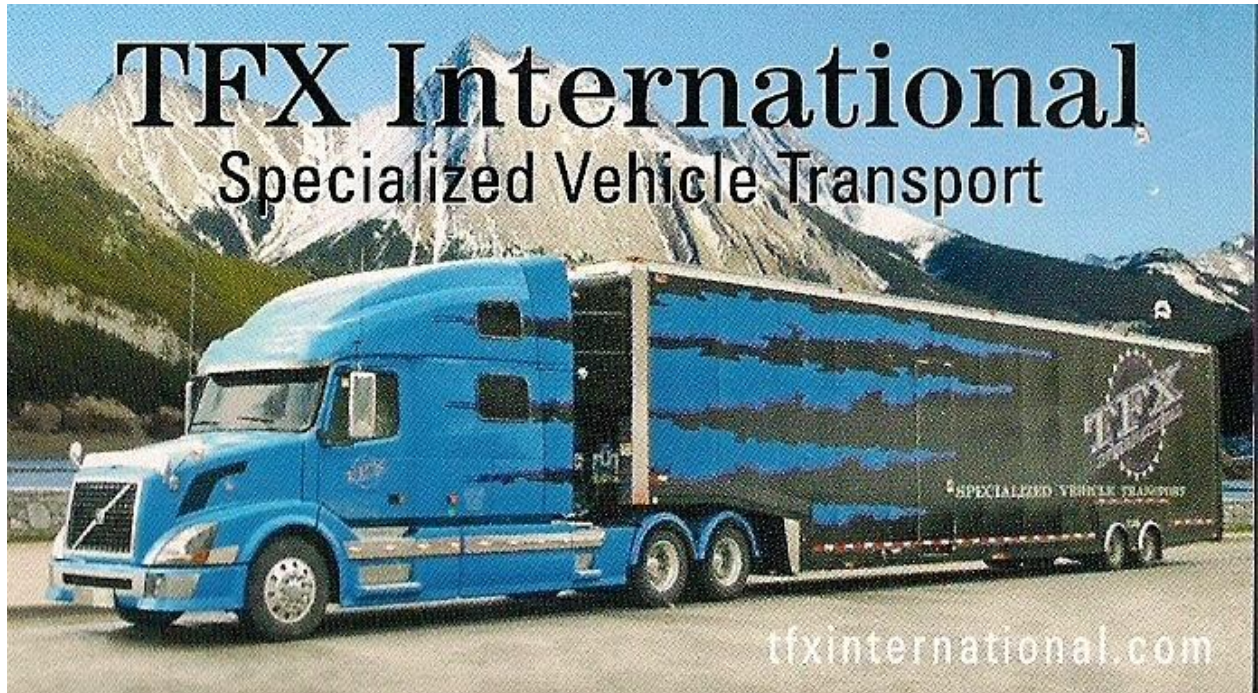
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CORVETTES OF DURHAM are now sponsoring the Durham Humane Society, we have donated \$1240.00 to date.

Oct Birthdays

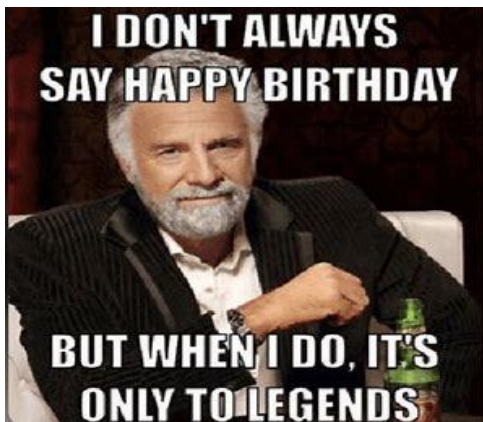
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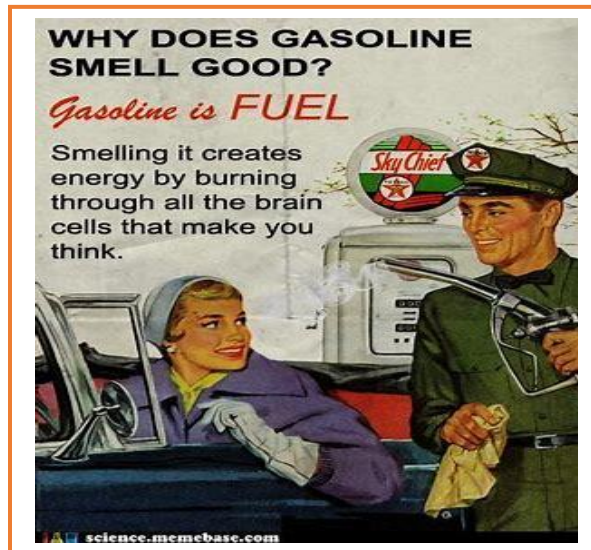
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COD Newsworthy News

- ✚ Congrats to Don and Gloria on their new to them 2014 Stingray, sorta looks like Brian's old one
- ✚ The Boyer / Pineridge show on the 7th had lots of COD members present, new and old...very old...
- ✚ Motorfest in Stouffville had 5 COD Corvettes and over 500 various vehicles show, more information in this edition.
- ✚ Brian Baker won the 50-50 again at the September General Meeting, he always wins...no more tickets for Brian...come back 1 year !
- ✚ The nominations for new executives turned out to be cricketville, all 4 previous executives were acclaimed.
- ✚ Thanks to Jan and Dave for their hospitality for the Chilli cook-off, more info in this issue.
- ✚ Don't forget the fall cruise...Oct 5th



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Corvette Caravan 2024

105 corvettes from Ontario left August 25 for Bowling Green Kentucky and after 9 days of fun, nice hotels, too much great food and ahem, some drinks, we returned home September 2nd. In the 9 days we travelled through Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia and New York State. Two days were driving days, thru Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia, Philadelphia and New York State. Dinner and a stay in the pretty town of Frankenmuth was on many bucket lists. A visit to the National Corvette Museum was a great experience, especially the history and exhibits of the 'Sink Hole'. We met many, but certainly not all of the approximately 5,000 drivers from across the USA. Visits to the track, 4 laps, was ...interesting ... but not as much as driving the Tail of the Dragon. It was meant to be one way only but it was shorter to come back so off we went back again! 59 of us went on a Luncheon Show Boat Cruise and 18 of us to the Grand Ole Opry for a terrific evening. In a caravan of sometimes 105 cars, we were great ambassadors for Corvette ownership; we were certainly noticed! Thank you to Al Harris, Annie Pappas and the committee who stuffed 105 swag bags). Jamie and Lianne Krane and all the volunteers who put together this well organized trip. And thanks to our fellow COD'ers for laughs and great memories. Additional thanks to Sue Woodland, past COD member, for donating t-shirts for those attending the Pratt & Miller plant. Directions to all Caravan stops were easy to follow although one driver, who shall remain anonymous (Brian) took a few wrong turns, including a 20 minute detour from a restaurant to the hotel, which should have taken two minutes. Time was not a problem but going thru the worst Morgantown pot holes is not recommended.

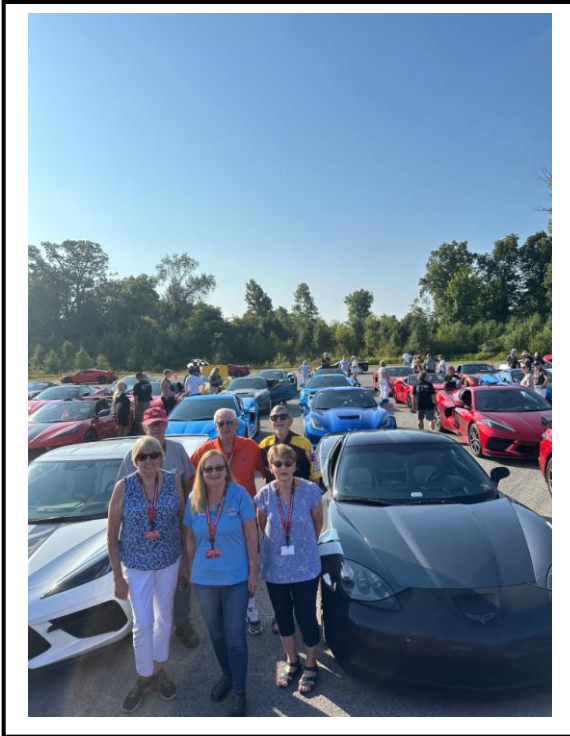
The next Caravan is in 2029 for the 35th anniversary of the NCM. I'm sure it will be well attended.

Linda Striemer

Anne Halverson

Annie Pappas

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Brian's and Linda's new ride...it's a 2019 Grand Sport, Elkhart Lake Blue metallic, with Kalahari/Black interior.

Don and Gloria's new ride...2014 black Stingray



Emergency Release lever for your C-6, C-7, C-8

About the manual door release in your Corvette should you need to get out in an emergency. So when I didn't have a Corvette I road shotgun and was navigator (not always the best when riding with Norby) in his C6 Grand Sport to various IMSA race tracks when we were volunteers for Corvette Racing. We had just pulled into the Corvette Corral at Watkins Glen. It was a hot day there was already action on the track. I need to make a call back home. Norby lent me his phone so I called from the quite of the car. Norby got out and walked away. I finished my call, it was a very hot day like 30, I tried to get out of the car but it was locked. So there are only 200 other Corvette's in the Corral. I even tried the drivers door nothing worked. I started to honk the horn ya sounds like all the other corvettes and droned out by the race cars. Didn't think about the roof as an exit. Luckily Norby did hear it and rescued me from the car by this time sweltering heat inside. Don't remember him saying then about the manual release. Ok so we are at Road America in Wisconsin in 2013 Chevy had brought the new C7's to the Corvette Corral at the track before C7 were available. The cars were open and we were encouraged to take a seat behind the wheel which I did in a Lime Rock Green G7J one year only colour coupe. The Chevy guy then walks away from that car. I go to get out locked in again. The roof panel was off so I shouted to the guy who had the keys. Once he was close enough the car unlocked automatically. Same issue auto lock when out of the car that the Chevy guy did know was set. Again no one mentioned about the manual release. Check your manual for the door lock release location.

Regards
Rick Austin

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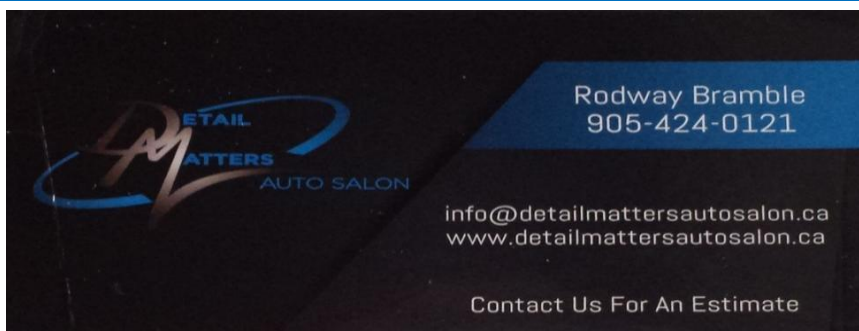


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Stouffville Motorfest 2024



5 COD Corvettes cruised up to Stouffville on September 14th to attend Motorfest.

Markham Stouffville Cruisers hosted Motofest at Stouffville's Memorial Park.

I would guess around 500 cars and lots of Corvettes, vendors and a live (loud) band.

David Grainger and Janice Stone, founders of **The Guild of Automotive Restorers** and stars of Restoration Garage judged the cars..

Norby won a patio heater and proved that the C-8's do have cargo space,,,as long as you don't have a passenger or need to see what's on your right side.

Brian showed us how to clean the rear window of a C-8.

Since its inception in 1998, Motorfest has become a beloved summer event in Stouffville. Now rebranded as Motofest and moved to Memorial Park, the car show has raised over \$150,000 for various charitable causes throughout its history.



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Great Canadian Chilli Cook - Off



Corvettes of Durham's first Chilli cook-off and the most beautiful salad competition took place at the Raven estate in Uxbridge on September 21st.

24 members and 2 friends attended on a beautiful first day of Fall.

5 excellent Chilli concoctions were judged and the winner was #1, made by Judy and John (he carried it in).

5 beautiful salads were judged on appearance only, won by Ann and John, friends of Dave and Jan's.

There was talk of a nut allergy that affects all married women but the ladies said it has nothing to do with allergies, it is really a nut aversion...go figure.

Thanks to Dave and Jan for their hospitality and for arranging this event, and thanks to all the wonderful chefs who supplied COD with all the non fattening fare.





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COD 2024 Calendar



Red-CCCC

Black-VariouS Shows

Blue-COD events

Date	Event	Contact	Location	Time
Sept 18th	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	TBA	5:30pm
Sept 21st	Orono Fair		Orono fairgrounds	11am -
Sept 28th	Brighton Applefest		Brighton Public School	8am -
Oct 5th	Fall Cruise	John Heinrichs	Gravenhurst	TBA
Oct 5th	Applefest		Brighton	9am-
Oct 5th	Buckhorn CC	Peterborough CC	Buckhorn	9am-
Oct 16th	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	One Eyed Jack's	5:30pm
Nov 20th	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	TBA	5:30pm
Nov 30th	Christmas Party	Jan Raven	Wooden Sticks CC	TBA

