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President's Report

January 2022



Happy New Year!

I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays. I had fairly quiet Christmas again this year.

Just a reminder to pay your annual membership fee of \$65. You can write a cheque payable to Corvettes of Durham and mail it to Jann Langlois OR you can send an eTransfer to Allan Harris. Send me a message if you need Jann's mailing address or Allan's email address.

Jann Langlois is our Membership Coordinator and it is very important to let Jann know of any changes to your contact information.

Motorama will be held this year from March 11th to 13th at the International Centre in Mississauga. Please let me know if you'd be willing to display your car at the show. Motorama is an important event for Corvettes of Durham. We will need volunteers for set-up, to staff the booth during the 3-day show and then to dismantle. Please volunteer your time.

Remember, you can plan a cruise for club members to your favourite, local destination or let me know any ideas you have for cruises or other social events. Let's have a fun Corvette season to make up for the last couple of years!

I'm looking forward to a fun year of cruising and car shows. WoooHooo!

Cheers to the New Year.

Cheers to Corvettes of Durham.



Anne Halverson





Corvettes of Durham was established in 2000. We meet on the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm but have cancelled our site meetings due to COVID restrictions. During the summer months, we arrange 'offsite meetings' and cruise to different locations. If you have a favourite restaurant suitable for a meeting, please let one of the COD Executive know.

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- The COD Christmas Dance was held at the Royal Ashburn Golf and Country Club on Saturday December 4th, 33 jolly COD members attended and reported that they all had a wonderful time...even without me...more on page 9.
- COD has been contacted by Motorama 2022 and are looking for 4 Corvettes to attend the show (depending on any new Covid restrictions). If you are interested please contact Ken Gordon or just give fletch your keys...
- A return of the fan-favorite Honda Indy Toronto street course race is on Friday, July 15, 2022 at Exhibition Place.
- Two Pinty's Series races at Canadian Tire Motorsport Park (CTMP), including the traditional Victoria Day weekend race on Sunday, May 22, 2022. The second visit will be the season's penultimate race on Sunday, Sept 4, 2022.
- Carl was very fond of his new car so he invited a Rabbi, a Priest, and a Pastor to come and bless it. The Priest sprinkled the car with holy water and chanted in Latin, the Pastor invoked the name of god and led everyone into silent prayer, and the Rabbi sang a hymn and cut off the tip of the car's tailpipe.
- Please remember...membership is due January 31st 2022 at the discounted price of \$65.00, after this it is \$75.00
- Hope ya'll had a wonderful Christmas, Happy New Year 2022 !!! it's got to be better than 2021.
- Please use our sponsors and let them know you're from Corvettes of Durham, you may get a discount...or tell them fletch sent you, and I'll get the discount...
- Remember...if you have any suggestions for the newsletter you have just volunteered to write it.





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By Terry Nodwell







Centre piece's by Doreen















Carl ties one on...



Guess Terry's feet



Cute ears...

Behind the scenes for the Christmas Party...

This year's Christmas Party at Royal Ashburn was nice. It was nice because there are always members that come forward to help out in whatever way they can. Most of you know I can come up with any idea for a party. But, I can't have those parties without help and the talents of special members in the club.

Our party was cancelled last year. Doreen had made beautiful centre pieces for the tables. I thought they were perfect and I stored them for a year. Often I would look at them or show friends her handiwork. This year Doreen told me she had to finish them. They looked perfect to me but Doreen came all the way up to our home in Uxbridge from her home in Newcastle just to put finishing touches on the centre pieces which included the pretty little lights. I couldn't believe how she made them come alive and in a very short time.

Ron and Jann must have felt that they were running a courier service between Newcastle and Uxbridge. They picked up door prizes and raffle prizes and delivered them to Doreen to wrap. I really am pretty bad at wrapping or anything artistic for that matter. Doreen dressed up the bottles like little gnomes, wrapped prizes and then Ron and Jann delivered them back to Uxbridge. This went on for days.

Shirley met me at Royal Ashburn to look at the room. It was big, really too big for us but Shirley is another one with great talent. She suggested how the tables should be set up, how we should do this and that. Paul and Shirley were getting ready to leave for Florida. I guess she was concerned that I might not be able to get the room to look its best. Shirley didn't leave for Florida that week. Instead she showed up at Royal Ashburn at 9:30 a.m. the morning of the party. I had placed Doreen's centre pieces on the table but to Shirley the table needed something else done to it. She picked up all of the flat napkins and folded them to stand up on the table and really show off the centre pieces, the white table cloths and the Williamsburg chandeliers. I would never have thought of any of that. Anyone who saw the room must have been awe-struck - including the Royal Ashburn staff. By the way, did you notice the little packages of M & M's in snowflake packages? Doreen's handiwork again.

David was also at Royal Ashburn that morning and carried all of the raffle prizes from our dining room to the Tahoe and then from the Tahoe to the party room. I think it took him eleven trips from the parking lot. Thank goodness there was an elevator.

Later that day Ron and Jann showed up an hour before the bar opened and carried up all of the rest of raffle prizes and door prizes that they had been looking after at their house. I have no idea how many trips it took them.

As our members arrived at the party, Terry was there with his camera taking lots and lots of pictures. Where would we be without Terry's pictures?? Now we have memories of this evening when we were all together again.

This party could not have been so beautiful if it hadn't been for Doreen & Terry, Ron & Jann, Shirley and David. Thank you so very, very much for all your help. And, thank you to Johnny & Hazel, Sowmya and all of our members who donated beautiful raffle prizes. I don't know what I would have done (or not done) without you!!

Jan R.





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Chevrolet to Kick Off C8 Corvette Z06 Dealer's Tour in 2022



One of the cooler marketing plans that Chevy instituted with the arrival of the new midengine Corvette in 2019 was the <u>C8 Corvette Dealers Tour</u>. Dealers could host a one or two-day event with the new C8 Corvette on display, and it also included a Corvette specialist to present the car as well as a bunch of displays showing off the various colors, options, seats, and wheels that the Corvette could be ordered with.

Some dealers had a huge turn-out with thousands of people coming to check out the new mid-engine Corvette, and we know that many enthusiasts would go to their local dealers to see the all-new Z06 as well.

We had heard some rumblings that the Chevrolet would be headed back out on tour again with Z06, and today we have confirmation by a Chevrolet representative who said the Z06 Dealers Tour will be offered to dealers beginning in 2022.

For those of you interested in the Z06, we suggest you ask your dealer if they are scheduling the Z06 Dealer Tour.











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Ferrari Purosangue... when you absolutely need an SUV



We've already observed Ferrari's upcoming pseudo-SUV, the Purosangue (translation: "Pureblood") racing around the track in Maserati drag. The existence of such an, erm, *aspirational* Horse has been in the works for several years, but now, for the first time, we've caught a glimpse of a prototype wearing production-spec bodywork.

Of course, it's also wearing a mattress store's worth of camo. We can still get an idea of this FUV's final proportions, however, which are a strange mix of SUV and station wagon. (FUV is Maranello's preferred terminology for this vehicle, before you ask. As in, "Ferrari Utility Vehicle." Cue Enzo turning in his grave.) The Purosangue prototype is reminiscent of the FF and the GTC4Lusso wagons that have gone before it, though ostensibly with a taller rear end. Even Ferrari's designers will have a tough time making these, uh, *generously rumped* proportions look elegant.



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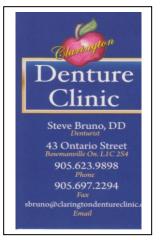
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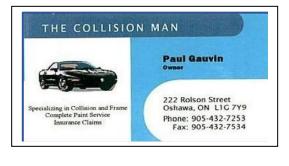




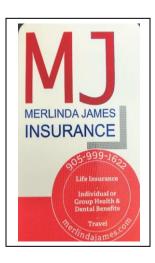
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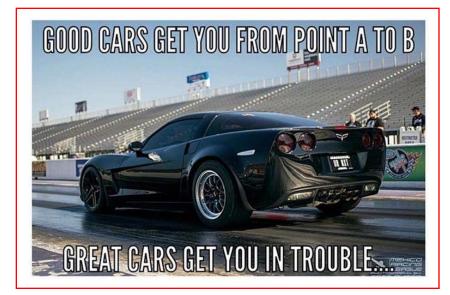




Three 2023 Corvette Z06's spied on a transport



These three 2023 Corvette Z06s were spied on an automotive transporter from Jack Cooper as they were rumored to be headed to the Milford Proving Grounds.



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CORVETTES DAMAGED BY TORNADOES

The recent tornadoes that roared through Bowling Green left a great path of destruction. The Corvette Assembly Plant and the Motorsports Park were both significantly damaged. The National Corvette Museum received only minor damage.

It has been reported and estimated that between 38 and 122 Corvettes were damaged. It has not been confirmed but, most of the damaged Corvettes were 2022 C8s being assembled in the plant when a fire broke out. Some were completely assembled and ready to get loaded on the truck. Others were stored at the Motorsports Plant to be delivered via the National Corvette Museum Delivery Program. No matter how many Corvettes were damaged, it is going to make a much longer wait for a new C8.

The National Corvette Museum and the Bowling Green Assembly Plant are expected to be up and running on regular hours very soon. The damage at the Motorsports Park will take longer to assess and repair.









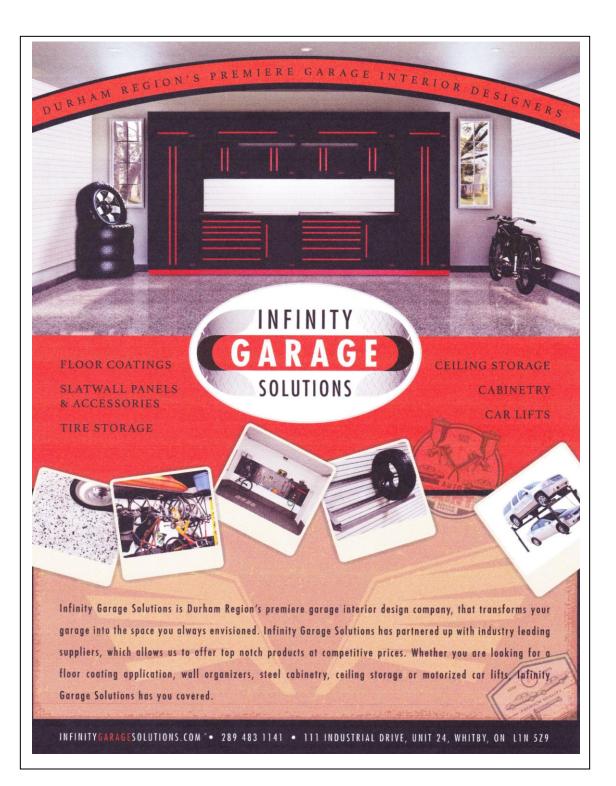


Corvette assembly plant tornado roof damage



Thanks to Justin B at the Corvette Forum, we have the most detailed photo yet showing the Corvette Assembly Plant's roof damage from the tornado strike.

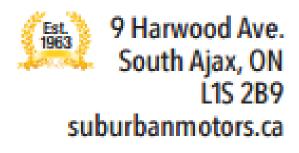






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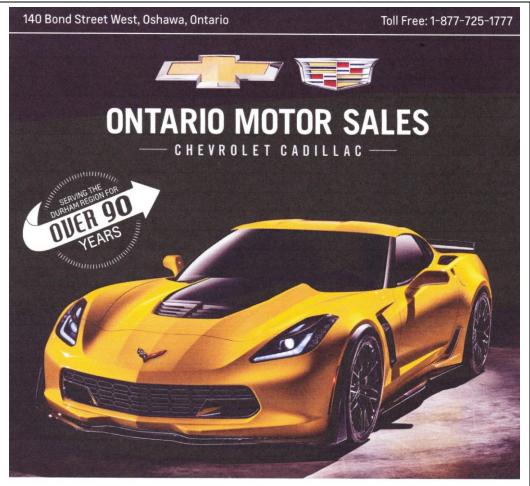


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Feb 16 2022	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	ТВА	ТВА
Mar 16 2022	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	ТВА	ТВА
Mar 11,12,13	MOTORAMA	Ken Gordon	International Centre	
April 20 2022	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	ТВА	ТВА
May 18 2022	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	ТВА	ТВА



