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## President's Report

November 2023



The Fall Cruise on October 1<sup>st</sup> was a scenic drive and a lot of fun. Thanks to Jan and Dave Raven for a well-organized cruise. The weather was great and the leaves were bursting with colour. Congratulations to the winners of the poker run. I can confess that my poker hand was very bad! The Fall Cruise was a full day event with several stops along the way.

Our Annual General Meeting was held at Royal Ashburn on October 18<sup>th</sup>. Cindy Bennett from the Humane Society of Durham Region received our donation of \$500, plus lots of pet food, toys and towels. Thank you to Susan Gomes for making the arrangements with Cindy. This brings our grand total donation to the Humane Society to \$1,240.

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Membership dues for 2024 remain the same at \$85 for the year. However, if you pay by January 31, 2024, you get a discounted rate and only owe \$75. So, get those membership fees paid soon. If your address or phone number has changed in the past year, please let Barb Fletcher, our membership coordinator know.

Jan Raven, our Social Coordinator is planning several activities for the next few months. Even though our cars are put away, we can still get together and enjoy each other's company.

Our next General Meeting will be held on November 15<sup>th</sup> at Sabinas in Pickering. Hope to see you there.

Anne Halverson



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

## November Birthdays

**Julian Ralph**            **2nd**

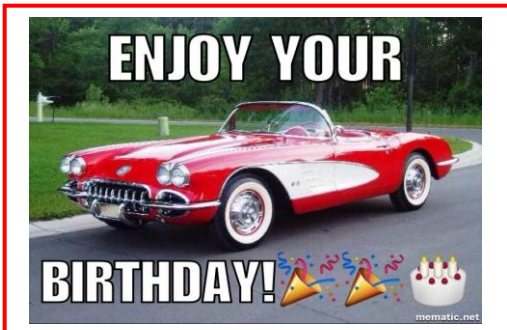
**Sharon Boulter**        **5th**

**Brian Striemer**        **25th**

## December Birthdays

**Ken Gordon**            **12th**

**Bud Street**             **22nd**



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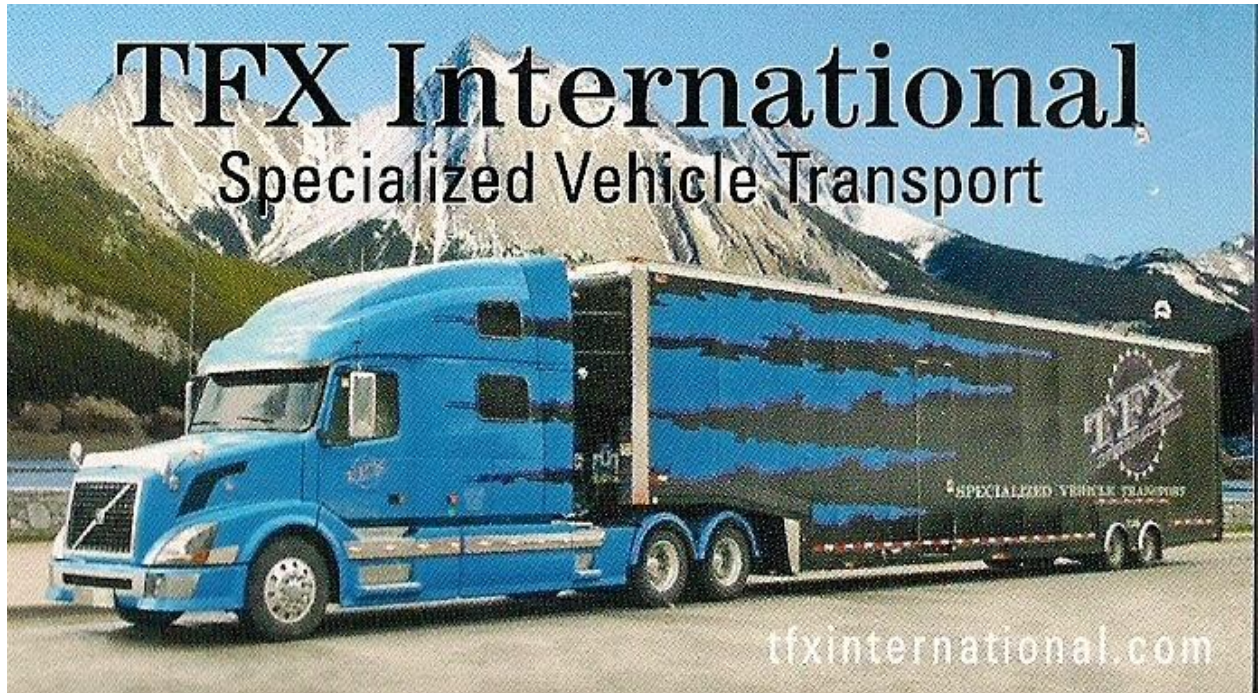
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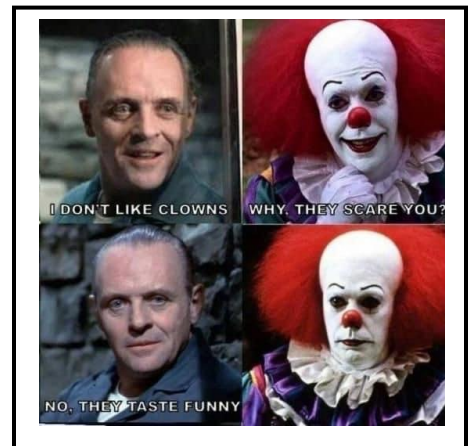
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# COD Newsworthy News

- ✚ Thanks to Gloria for the Fall Cruise write up and pics, looks like everyone had a great time.
- ✚ This is the last newsletter for 2023...as usual I will ask if there someone out there who would like to take over the newsletter, I will teach you... for free! Don't be shy...just ask me.
- ✚ C8 transmission service link ; [GM Offers Updated TechLink Article on Servicing the Transmission in the C8 Corvette - Corvette: Sales, News & Lifestyle](#)
- ✚ Get well soon John Heinricks...recovering from hip replacement surgery
- ✚ Hey Marilyn...Facebook Marketplace called...they miss you.
- ✚ Ken Gordon won the 50-50 draw at the October General Meeting...don't tell Blondie.
- ✚ Thanks to Susan for the Humane Society write up

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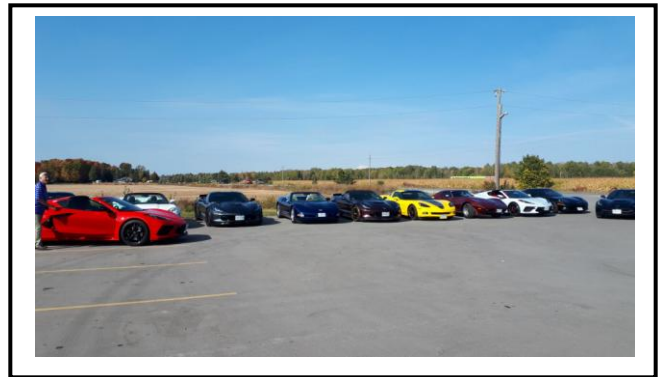


# FALL CRUISE



What a perfect day it was for a cruise, one that turned out to be our best ever! Jan and Dave not only organized it but both drove the route in advance to ensure the roads were not under construction. We left from the Chalk spring at 11 a.m. and wound around through the countryside so as to take advantage of the change of coloured leaves. After a few pit stops along the way, we stopped for a late lunch at The Wing House where Jan gave out our final 5th card and it was determined who won the best poker hand...Linda Striemer with a pair of 10's. In another draw, Don Chalmers won for high card. The food was fabulous and laughs were plenty! We celebrated Dave's birthday with his favourite song! A huge thank you again to the Raven's for leading us to Balsam Lake and back.

Gloria



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## Bud and his Mustang



Here's Bud with his new 2023 Mustang Mach 1.

Many, many years ago, Bud raced at the pro level in sprint and endurance races, winning 2 championships. He also raced on ice and won championships in both stud and rubber classes. Overall, he won lots of races and collected quite a display of trophies to show for it. He even raced against Ron Fellows.

In 2016 Bud decided to go back to the track and he purchased a Mustang. Over the next several years he proceeded to heavily modify it. Bud's skill, together with the modified car, made them a formidable force and one of the fastest cars at Mosport on track day. There are 3 categories for track racing - beginners, advanced and open. The "open" category is restricted to drivers who have or had a racing license. Of course, Bud runs in the open category. He had a lot of fun modifying the Mustang and racing it around Mosport and Shannonville. It was hard to let it go, but the time was right for a new Mustang.

The new Mach 1 has already spent a day racing around the track at Mosport.

Although Bud loves Mustangs, he's a proud member of Corvettes of Durham.



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## Corvettes of Durham cheque presentation to the Humane Society of Durham



At the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, Corvettes of Durham was pleased to donate a cheque for \$500.00 to The Humane Society of Durham.

The cheque was presented to Cindy Bennett, the representative from The Humane Society. She said The Humane Society is entirely funded by donations, so our cheque is very much appreciated. She spoke about the puppy with a cleft palate which had been abandoned in the Costco plaza during the summer. The COD cheque will help with the expensive surgery for the puppy.

Cindy sent a letter the next day, thanking The Corvettes of Durham for the cheque and the generous donations of cat and dog food, and toys. She was especially appreciative that a thoughtful person donated supplies for the rabbits and guinea pigs.

During the summer, I was given a personal tour of The Humane Society facility on Wentworth Street. I was impressed with the modern, clean building. The dogs have large, airy kennels with access to a yard. The cats are housed in large kennels and spacious rooms where they receive care and attention from the volunteers and staff. The rabbits and guinea pigs are in large, open cages.

The COD donations will assist the Humane Society's staff in caring for the animals in their care.

Susan Gomes

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## The Canadian Brewhouse

Saturday, November 4 at 12:30 p.m.

I have arranged for lunch at the Canadian Brewhouse on Saturday, November 4th at 12:30 p.m. Not for any reason - just to get together on these gray days of fall. I tried to arrange the patio but it is closed for the season so the manager said she would give us a nice spot on the main floor. The menu has something for everyone and the prices aren't unreasonable. Also, they have more beverages (alcoholic and non) than just beer.

Hope to see everyone there and if you have anyone you want to bring with you (your Uncle Buck or Cousin Matilda etc.) they are welcome. There is lots of room.

The Canadian Brewhouse is located on the southwest corner of Simcoe Street and Winchester. It is the tallest building in the plaza. Lots of parking.

Please let me know if you plan on attending by no later than Wednesday, November 1 so I can call the restaurant.

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**2023 Annual Christmas Party  
Saturday, December 2, 2023  
Wooden Sticks Golf Club**



Our Annual Christmas Party this year will be a "Dinner Party" at Wooden Sticks Golf Course in the Player's Lounge, which has been reserved just for Corvettes of Durham. This is a beautiful facility.

Dinner is a private buffet with two carving stations, a pasta section and all the other standard Christmas Dinner trimmings. Of course they have a cash bar. The room will be available for us by 3:00 p.m. so that we can socialize prior to dinner. There will be raffle prizes, door prizes and a 50/50 draw.

Tickets to our members are \$ 50. The Club Executive has graciously agreed to subsize the party by about \$ 15 per person. Please note the tax and gratuity is included in your \$50 ticket so please don't tip for dinner. Your bar bill will be your own responsibility.

We will be selling tickets at the Canadian Brewhouse on November 4, our November general meeting and until November 26. Exact address and directions to Wooden Sticks will be printed on the tickets.

If you have any questions please contact me.

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# SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, December 23, 2023

I'm not sure why I'm asking you to "Save the Date" but we will do something to get together to goof off for the afternoon just before Christmas!

Watch your emails closer to the date!

Jan

**Membership fees are due by  
December 31st @ \$75.00. If you  
don't like getting a \$10.00 discount  
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**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**New Year's Day 2024**  
**Lunch at Swiss Chalet Ajax**

Let's ring in the New Year together at Swiss Chalet at Brock Road and Kingston Road in Pickering on New Year's Day.

This Swiss Chalet has lots of space for private parties. The Swiss Chalet menu has changed in the past few years and they have all kinds of things on it to satisfy everyone's taste.

The staff is great and they won't rush us out so we can have a drink, sit around and socialize and then order when we want.

I'll send out an email closer to the date to remind everyone but in the meantime **SAVE THE DATE (and THE WAVE)!**

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# 2023 Events Calendar



Red – CCCC Events

Black – Various Shows

Blue – COD Events

Date	Event	Contact	Location	Time
Nov 4th	Get Together	Jan Raven	The Canadian Brewhouse	12:30pm
Nov 15th	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	Sabina's Pickering	5:30pm
Dec 2nd	Christmas Party	Jan Raven	Wooden Sticks	3:30pm
Dec 23rd	Get Together	Jan Raven	Montana's Oshawa	2:30pm
Dec 25th	Christmas	Santa	North Pole	All day
Jan 1st	New Years Lunch	Jan Raven	Swiss Chalet Pickering	1:00pm

