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#### **DreamVettes Edition**











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### President's Report July 2022



As you already know, DreamVettes was very successful. Congratulations to everyone who was involved. Thank you to the many volunteers and thank you for the very generous prizes that were donated for the raffle.

Vanessa Benedict and Helen Knelsen from the Lakeridge Health Foundation attended DreamVettes to receive our \$1,000 donation. Corvettes of Durham has now donated a grand total of \$48,175 to the Lakeridge Health Foundation, specifically to the R. S. MacLaughlin Durham Regional Cancer Centre.

I'm very interested in receiving feedback on the Corvettes of Durham DreamVettes and All GM Show, so please, if

you have any comments on how to improve our show, please let me know.

Our next General Meeting, scheduled for Wednesday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, will be held outdoors at Big M, 711 Krosno Blvd, Pickering. Bring your vette!! There will be a DJ and prizes. The meeting proceeds, rain or shine. Should be a fun time!

Check out the calendar at the end of the newsletter for all the latest information about upcoming Corvette shows and COD events. Cruises have been organized to Niagara/St. Catherine's and to St. Jacob's.

Many COD members attended the Kingston Invasion II and a good time was had by all. Thank you to John and Heather Price for a well-organized event.

Cheers!

Anne Halverson



Corvettes of Durham was established in 2000. We meet on the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm and have recently re-started our on site meetings. 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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#### **COD Members' Corner**



CORVETTES OF DURHAM proudly sponsors the Oshawa Hospital Foundation R.S. McLaughlin Durham Regional Cancer Centre.



#### July Birthdays

Since we have no COD July Birthdays, HBD to all you July Birthday people.





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#### **COD Newsworthy News**

- ♣ Dreamvettes 2022 was held on Sunday June 5th at Ontario Motor Sales in Oshawa under sunny skies. We had over 53 vehicles registered with Corvettes coming as far away as Picton and Wasaga Beach. Frank and Ron were the big raffle prize winners and a cheque for \$1000.00 was presented to the Durham Cancer Care Centre bringing out total contribution to \$48175.00
- ➡ Thanks to all the volunteers who helped organize, set-up, tear down, sell tickets, donate prizes, manned and womanned the registration and prize tables. Many thanks to our sponsor OMS for their hospitality and generosity over the years and to the Oshawa Lions Club for the BBQ and Johnny and Hazel for the tunes.
- Other than showing up in a FORD and giving Barb my cheque, Allan did nothing unusual at the show.
- Thanks to Gloria for the Corvette Invasion write up,,,and thanks for not mentioning the group shower...or Don's \_ \_ \_...oops...



# Thank You

Thanks COD for the beautiful flowers I received after my hospital stay. I am now recovering at home.

Joe









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#### DreamVettes and All GM Show

Sunday, June 5, 2022

Corvettes of Durham hosted yet another successful DreamVettes show. Volunteers arrived early to do the set up fueled by Tim's coffee and treats. The weather was gorgeous all day long and the DJ kept everyone entertained. We welcomed 53 cars to the show keeping Barb and Jan very busy at the registration desk completing the paperwork. Sue and Annie sold tickets and we had a wide array of awesome raffle prizes.

Both ladies and gentlemen displayed their cars with pride. Several continued to polish their cars throughout the show, ensuring every speck of dust was dealt with. Ken and Fletch handed out the plaques, which were awarded to the best car or truck in each class.

There were 53 Corvettes on display from every generation as well as 10 other GM car entries. All were very well presented. Some of the non-Corvette cars had been significantly modified by their owners. Of note was an early generation Chevelle with a much modified, supercharged small block and a complete modernization of the suspension and running gear. Another notable was a late sixties Camaro with a modern LS based running gear/driveline transplant. The classic GM cars were from all current and historic divisions and were very well turned out.

All cars on display were well loved examples of modern and classic Corvettes and GM autos. The judge certainly had his work cut out.

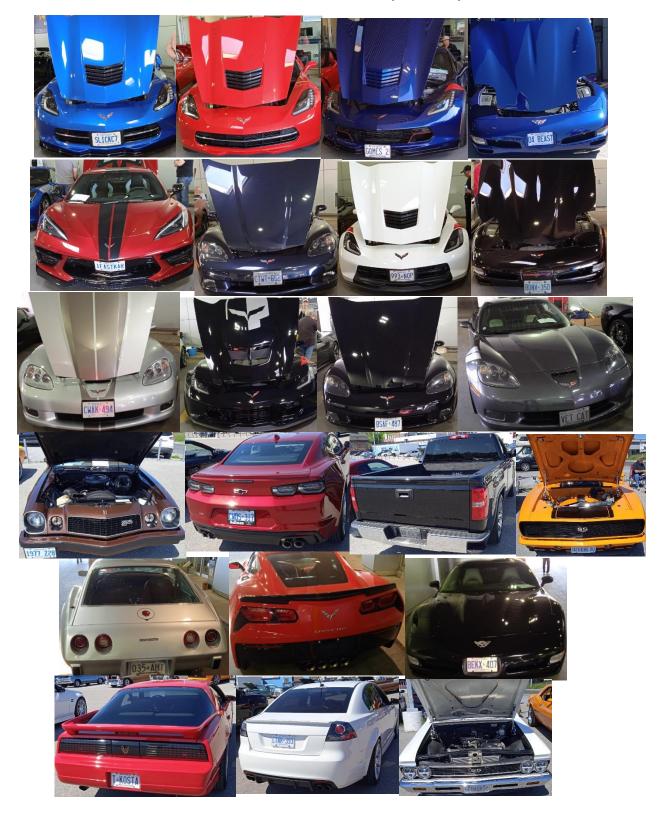
Reps from the Lakeridge Health Foundation accepted our \$1,000 donation for the R.S. McLaughlin Durham Regional Cancer Centre.

After all prizes were awarded and donation presented, everything was stored back into the COD trailer awaiting the next show. DreamVettes 2022 was another great achievement by the members of Corvettes of Durham.

DreamVettes: Can you find your car?



DreamVettes: More Cars!! Did you find yours?



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#### Kingston Invasion By: Gloria Chalmers

There will be no sugar-coating this one - a couple of boo-boos made - (John F unable to read directions stating "no stopping to pick up Frankie; he would just blend in on the highway", and the latter, himself, being a little late) but all turned out well once we found each other. While a few members drove to Kingston on Thursday, some of us met up at Liberty Street in Bowmanville at 10:30 on Friday before hitting the 401 again to a pit-stop at the enRoute in Trenton. Unfortunately, the third boo-boo occurred because our leader of the pack missed the sign to Hwy.49, Marysville, where Frankie was supposed to join in (Don still thinks the wind blew the sign down). Fletch disobeyed orders and waited for Frankie to appear. Somehow we all landed at the Courtyard Marriott in Kingston at the same time and picked up our packages that the Price's so kindly put together for us. The look of shock was on everyone's face as we walked out to the parking lot at the Hotel -- a sea of Corvettes from years back to present and of all colours. Camaraderie was everywhere amongst vette owners with some even dusting off their prized possessions for drooling purposes. Those staying at other hotels registered and at 3:15, we all headed back into our vettes to show them off in the downtown area. Fourteen of us from C.O.D. dined at the lovely, Olivea's, situated across the street from the parking lots, while others headed to the lake to board the boat for the dinner cruise. By 9 p.m., the streets were cleared of our vettes as we returned to our respective hotels for a night's rest. It was an early morning start (9.30) to meet at the St. Lawrence College for the seminar or trolley ride, followed by lunch. The tour guide was very entertaining and knowledgeable about her great city and all on her bus learned much more than we had before boarding. Later, some of us gals shopped and bought more clothes and cute shoes - as if we needed them; of course, we did! Finally, the dinner/dance was awaiting us and off we went in our finery to enjoy the evening back at the College. After several speeches were made to thank all of those involved who organized this amazing event, and prizes doled out, including the unveiling of the C8 Z06, it was time for the band to bring some music into this large venue. Sunday morning, a goodbye breakfast was provided before we all revved up our engines for our return trip home. Anyone who loves a Corvette was not disappointed in the invasion of Kingston. John and Heather's resolve to make it happen this year proved to be a tremendous success!









#### **Kingston Corvette Invasion 2022**











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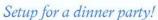
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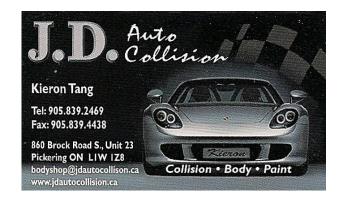






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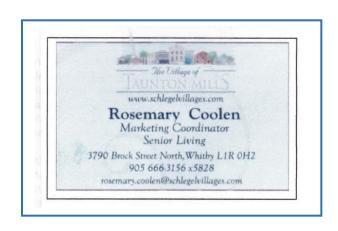












The Corvettes of Western Ontario is intending on hosting their 5<sup>th</sup> annual Crown Vettes show to be held on **Sunday August 7th**, **2022** on the Lambeth Legion grounds, 7097 Kilbourne Rd, London, from **11 am to 2:30 pm** (draws held at 1 pm). The Lambeth Legion offers both pavement and a tree lined lawn for the parking of your baby. The Legion is located just minutes north of Hwys 401 and 402...straight north on Colonel Talbot Road to Kilbourne Rd. The Legion Ladies will be firing up their BBQ at 11:00 am, and will be selling hamburgers, hot dogs, and fries until show close. The Legion bar will open at noon. Proceeds from food and bar sales go directly to the Legion.

# 5th Annual Crown Wettes

Sunday, August 7th, 2022 11:00am to 2:30pm

Draws begin at 2:00pm Entry \$20.00



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#### Pending Covid-19 Restrictions



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Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 501 7097 Kilbourne Road, London Ontario Just minutes from 401 or 402 in Lambeth Ont.

For additional details, please visit: www.corvetteswo.com/show





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COD usually has a display for Autofest so if you're thinking of going check with Ron Langlois, Ken Gordon or Brian Striemer for the cost and details.







#### DreamVettes 2022



















#### **Corvette News**



Although it is based on the design of the 2023 Corvette Z06, and continues to feature a 5.5L engine like the production model variant, the GT3.R will not be street legal. This Z06 has been equipped with racing-specific equipment and will comply with FIA (Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile) regulations. it is designed to compete in multiple racing series and is expected to "drive circles around the competition."

It's never fun bringing bad news to Corvette enthusiasts, but these are troubled times we are living through. With fuel costs and materials rising to new highs almost daily and inflation now pegged at 8.6%, it's almost surprising that we went as long as we did without a substantial price increase on America's Favorite Sportscar. This afternoon we got the news that pricing will be increased on the 2023 Corvette Stingrays across the board effectively immediately by \$2,300. The new pricing effects all trim levels of the Stingray and as well as some of the popular options which are also seeing increases.





Our friends at Rick Hendrick's Chevrolet dealership in Naples are helping to serve the growing legion of new and longtime Corvette owners in Southwest Florida with the completion of their new 60,000 square foot facility that will now host sales, service, and parts under one roof. Rick Hendrick Chevrolet Naples is no stranger to Corvette buyers with last year's sales of 135 Corvettes placing the dealer at no. 18 on the Top 100 Corvette Dealers of 2021. Located in Naples at 5665 North Airport Pulling Road, the new state-of-the-art dealership occupies 13 acres and is 20,000 square feet larger than the previous facility built back in 1969. The new 41-bay service department spans 30,000 square feet and is fully air-conditioned. Corvette fans will be impressed that the service bay doors can be raised in just 1.6 seconds which helps to preserve the cooler temps within the service department.

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## VETTES FOR VETS PORT PERRY CANADA DAY PARADE

Corvettes of Durham have been asked to participate in the Canada Day Parade in Port Perry. The event is to provide a ride-along for any Veterans participating in the parade, so we ask those participating to make the passenger seat available for Veterans. If you do bring a passenger, they can walk the short parade route to the park.

We will meet at Tim Hortons in Columbus, at 3309 Simcoe Street North at 10:30 am.

Please let me know by email if you plan to participate.

striemer@bell.net

**Brian Striemer** 



# Sunday July 17th 9am - 1pm

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Entry Fee: \$20/Corvette
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#### 2022 Events Calendar



Date	Event	Contact	Location	Time
July 1st	Vets for Vettes	Brian Striemer	Port Perry	10:30
July 1 - 3	IMSA-Chevrolet Grand Prix	Norby Dippold	СТМР	
July 17th	Simply Corvettes	Brian Streimer	Brampton	9:00am
July 20th	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	Big M Drive In	5:30pm
August 17th	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	TBA	TBA
Sept 21st	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	TBA	TBA

#### \*\*\*Cruise Events on following page\*\*\*





The frantic young blonde calls out a May Day. "My pilot has had a heart attack and is dead and I don't know how to fly."

She hears a voice over the radio saying:
"This is Air Traffic Control and I hear you loud
and clear. I will talk you through this and get
you back on the ground. Everything will be
fine! What is your height and position?"
The blonde says, "I'm 5'4" and I'm in the front
seat."

(After a long pause)

- "O.K." says the voice on the radio...
- "Now, repeat after me."
- "Our Father Who art in Heaven ... ..."













#### 2022 Cruise Events Calendar

Date	Event	Contact	Location	Time
April 24	Spring Cruise	Jan Raven	Bewdley	11:00 am
April 29-31	Motorama	Ken Gordon	International Centre	
May 29	Spring Fling	Allan Harris	Wasaga Beach	8:00 am
June 5	DreamVettes	Ken Gordon	Ontario Motor Sales	8:00 am
June 12	Concours	TBD	Windsor	8:00 am
June 17-19	Kingston Invasion	Don Chalmers	Kingston	10:00 am
June 19	Calvary Church	Brian Striemer	Calvary Church	9:00 am
June 25	Van Dusen		Van Dusen Ajax	9:00 am
July 1	Canada Day	Brian Striemer	Port Perry	9:00 am
July 9-10	Winery/Brian	Anita Halverson	St. Catharines	10:00 am
	Cullen			
July 17	Simply Corvettes	TBD	Brampton	9:00 am
July 21	St. Jacobs MKT	Brian Striemer	Woolwich	8:00 am
July 31	Simcoe Show	TBD	Barrie	8:00 am
August 2	Hot Augst Nights	TBD	Webbers	6:00 pm
August 13	Peterborough	Anne Halveson	Peterborough	10:00 am
August 27-28	Autofest	Brian Striemer	Lakeview Park	8:00 am
September 10	RAE Event	Brian Striemer	Essa	8:00 am
September 18	Summer's End	Brian Striemer	PRCC TBD	TBD
September 22	Fall Colours Cruise	Allan Harris	Minden?	8:00 am
October 1?	Fall Cruise	TBD	TBD	TBD