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President's Report

March 2024



Corvettes of Durham will have a display at Motorama again this year. Thanks to Ken Gordon for making all of the arrangements and getting Corvettes confirmed for the event. Motorama will be held from March 8th to the 10th. Volunteers are most welcome to help out at the booth.

As few of the Corvette ladies met for lunch one Friday in February. It was nice to relax and chat and share stories. Thanks to Jan Raven for organizing the ladies' lunch.

Our February General Meeting was held at the Lone Star in Pickering. The room seems to be quite suited to our needs, as well, the food and the service were good. So I've reserved the same room at the Lone Star for our

March General Meeting. I hope to see you there.

St Patrick's Day is in a couple of weeks and then Easter is at the end of the month. Spring is just around the corner. Did we have winter yet?

I hope you have June 2nd blocked off on your calendar for our DreamVettes and All GM show. Volunteers and prizes will be needed. The flyer has been finalized and lots of copies printed. Planning is well underway.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Anne Halverson





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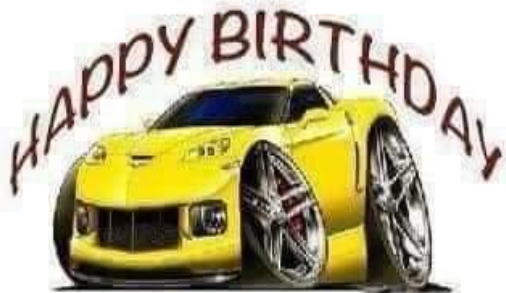


CORVETTES OF DURHAM are now sponsoring the Durham Humane Society, we have donated \$1240.00 to date.

March Birthdays

Patti Bartlett 17th

Don Chalmers 28th



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Anne Halverson



'53 Custom Kindig CFI Corvette Hammers For \$770,000

This is a historic benchmark sale for Dave Kindig, as the 1953 CF1 series was his first venture into a "series-built" car, and this extraordinary custom Corvette has been sending ripples throughout the community since its debut to the world at the 2021 SEMA show.



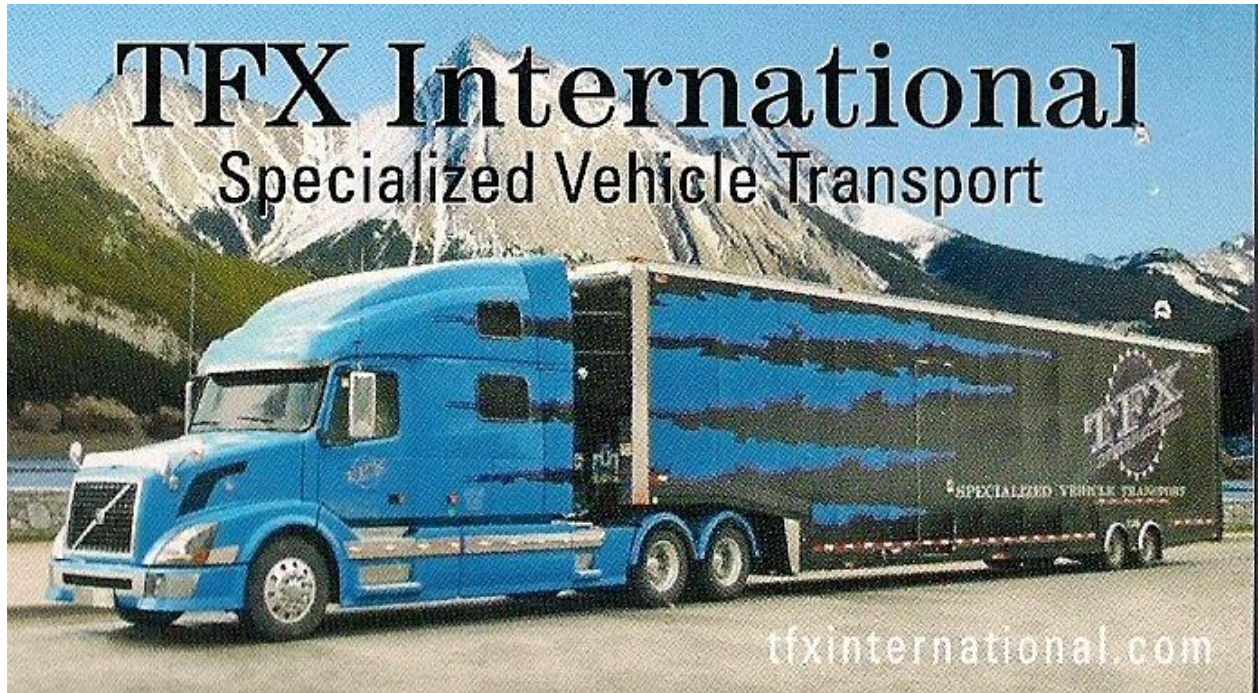
CORVETTE GALS' LUNCHEON – Feb. 23/24

It was another glorious, "Spring-like" afternoon -- perfect for ten lovely ladies to meet up for lunch at Symposium in Ajax. We chatted about upcoming events and had plenty of good laughs. Everyone seemed pleased with their meals and as per norm and so appreciated, Jan Raven supplied truffles to each of us that in the end, served as our dessert. How could we not enjoy such a great day spending it with friends we've come to know and love through the Club!

Many thanks again to Jan for organizing it.

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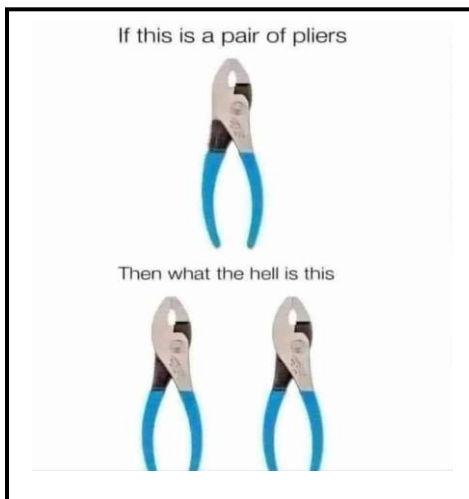
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COD Newsworthy News

- ✚ we presently have 26 members
- ✚ please note that membership is now \$85.00, congrats to all you lucky people that saved \$10.00
- ✚ Don't forget **MOTORAMA** at the International Centre on March 8th, 9th and 10th, see Ken if you want to help out at the display
- ✚ Carl is recovering from knee surgery so for all you ladies...no sitting on Carl's knee...and I'm not telling you where to sit...
- ✚ Thanks to Jan for arranging the 'ladies' day at Symposium in Ajax
- ✚ Congrats to President Anne on her new arrival, 2024 Rapid Blue C8, pic below



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The Toronto Motorama Custom Car & Motorsports Expo will once again fill The International Centre with incredible custom cars, hot rods, racing vehicles of all kinds, classics, trucks, tuners, and much more. COD has 4 Corvettes entered;

- Julian – 2015 Coupe
- Brian S – 2014 Z51 Coupe
- Ross – 2019 Z06
- Carl – 2017 Grand Sport

Chevrolet Corvette

Most and Least Satisfying Cars

PERCENTAGE OF OWNERS WHO WOULD BUY THEIR VEHICLE AGAIN

93% Chevrolet Corvette	48% Nissan Altima
88% Rivian R1T	47% Volkswagen Jetta
88% Mazda MX-5 Miata	47% Kia Forte
87% Lexus NX Plug-in Hybrid	46% Mercedes-Benz C-Class
85% BMW X5	45% Kia Seltos
84% Rivian R1S	44% Nissan Kicks
83% Ford Maverick Hybrid	42% Kia Sorento Hybrid
82% Kia Telluride	39% Nissan Sentra
82% Honda Pilot	38% Volkswagen Taos
81% Hyundai Ioniq 6	25% Infiniti QX50

Owners who responded "definitely yes" when asked if they would buy their vehicle again, given everything they know about it.

The Moon is actually more useful than the Sun, since the Moon gives us light at night when it's dark.

The Sun only gives us light during the day, when it's already light out.

Wishing Carl a speedy recovery

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 wishing you a speedy recovery!

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Corvettes of Durham Cruise Etiquette

To: All Members

Date: Jan 1, 2024

The following are some of the rules of etiquette and tips that are practiced for all cruises and outings:

1. **Bring** a walkie talkie with you if you have one.
2. **Always** start with a full tank of gas
3. **Attend** 'driver's meeting' immediately before starting cruise. You will get information on which walkie talkie channel to be on as well as pertinent info about the cruise.
4. **Keep** a safe distance from the vehicle in front of you without leaving large gaps.
5. **Be** mindful of your driving so that you are not 'kicking' back stones/gravel, etc.
6. **No** passing of other Vettes
7. **Keep** the car behind you in sight at all times. If the car behind you gets caught at a red light or stop sign or if you can no longer see the car behind, pull over so that we can regroup when possible. The exception to this may be when travelling through a city with a lot of stop lights/signs. In this case, refer to your map, proceed on and regroup when convenient and safe to do so.
8. **If** the car behind you pulls over to the side of the road, you should also pull over as a sign to those ahead of you that there is a problem
9. **When** stopping, do not stop on the road – pull to the side for safety
10. **When** changing lanes or pulling back onto the road, the rear car should pull out to 'block' so that everyone ahead can get back onto the road easier.
11. **If** possible have the cell phone number of the cruise organizer so that if need be, you can contact them. You might also want to provide your cell number to them prior to the cruise start.

The above are suggestions to help make cruising easier for everyone, however it is important to keep the 'rules of the road' and safety in mind at all times.

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For 2024, the NCM Motorsports Park has introduced an all-new experience – the NCM MSP Driving Academy!

Formerly known as the Corvette Experience, this newly reimagined driving experience has been developed to help Corvette enthusiasts and performance/sports car aficionados further improve their driving skills through a tiered series of driving schools.

The first of these experiences, known formally as the “MSP Driving Academy: Level 1”, consists of a combination of classroom sessions, paddock activities, and on-track driving exercises.



1963 Corvette Split Window Z06 N03 Coupe Highest-selling Corvette at Mecum Kissimmee 2024



In a stunning display of historic value and collector enthusiasm, a 1963 Corvette Z06 N03 crossed the auction block at Mecum Auctions, fetching a breathtaking \$935,000. This sale not only underscores the iconic status of the Corvette in the automotive world but also sets a new benchmark for collectibility and investment potential. Dive into the details of this rare model, its storied past, and what makes it a crown jewel for collectors.

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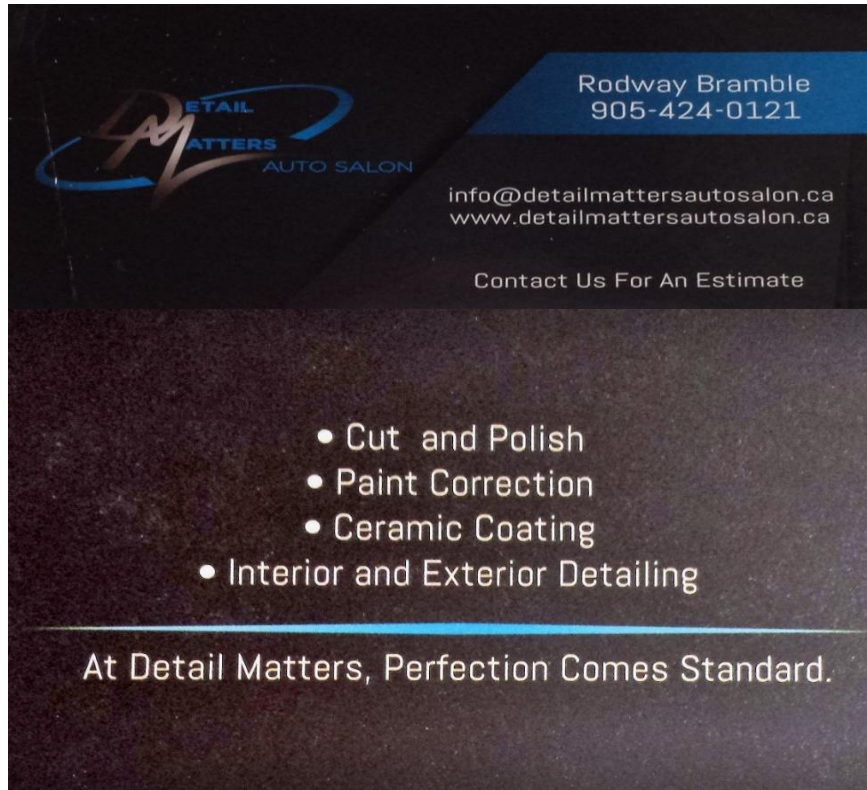


2024 CCC-ER SANCTIONED EVENTS

Event	CLUB	Date
1. Spring Fling, Stonebridge Town Centre, Wasaga Beach, On	WBCC	May 26, 2024
2. Dream Vettes, Ontario Motor Sales, Oshawa, On	COD	June 2, 2024
3. Waterfront Corvette Show, Windsor On CONCOURS NATIONALS	CCoW	June 9, 2024
4. Corvette Show & Shine, Boyer (Ajax, On) Chevrolet Buick GMC	PRCC	June 15, 2024
5. 32nd Annual Corvette Show & Shine (Atlantic Nationals) Moncton NB	GMCC	July 3-7, 2024
6. Simcoe Show & Shine, Lynnwood Park, Simcoe, On	CoSO	August 4, 2024
7. Hot August Night, Webers Hwy 11, Severn, On	GBCC	August 6, 2024
8. Corvette Show & Shine & Poker Run, Buckhorn Lions Club	COP	August , 2024
9. CCC-ER Recognition Awards Event (RAE) & Memorial Cruise, Essa,	CCCC	Sept 2024
10. PRCC Summer's End Drive & Food Truck Event	PRCC	Sept 15, 2024



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Notes from your Social Department.....

Hi Everyone!

Sorry I didn't get the chance to discuss all of this at the meeting but if anyone has any ideas or comments, please let me know.

Spring Cruise - Bruce & Josie are arranging our Spring Cruise for either Saturday, April 27 or Sunday, April 28. We will provide details as soon as possible.

Barbecue at the Mansion - Linda & Brian are once again going to have a barbecue at their home. The date is set for Sunday, June 23.

Rhino's in Bewdley - Sometime during the warmer months when we have a lull in the action, we will take a cruise to Rhino 's - probably in May. I'll let you know details as soon as possible.

Fall Cruise - We need someone with new ideas to arrange the Fall Cruise this year. If you are interested please let me know.

Christmas Party - The Christmas Party will be at Wooden Sticks again this year on Saturday, November 30.

Here are some other ideas.....

Chili Competition - I thought we might have a Chili Competition at our house in the summer months. Once again, I will try for good weather but if not, will either have a rain date or resort to the garage. I was thinking of 4 or 5 different kinds of Chili made by our great cooks (male or female) and we'll add 4 or 5 exciting salads. We could add garlic bread and maybe a bottle of wine. Thoughts?

Euchre Party - Anyone interested in another Euchre Party?

Poker Game or Run - Anyone interested in a Poker Game or Run? If so, I am pretty sure V.P. Brian will help me out on this one.

Picton - We'd all love to go back to Frank & Joanne's. Maybe in a little warmer weather this year - of course - I have to clear it with them first.

As anything else comes up, I will let you know, but in the meantime, your opinions and comments are most welcome!

Jan

2024 Events Calendar



Red – CCCC Events

Black – Various Shows

Blue – COD Events

Date	Event	Contact	Location	Time
Mar 8th, 9th, 10th	Motorama	Ken Gordon	International Centre	
Mar 17th	St. Patrick's Day	Any Leprechaun	Everywhere	All day
Mar 20th	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	Lone Star Pickering	5:30pm
April 17th	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	TBA	5:30pm
April 27th or 28th	Spring Cruise	Bruce Bartlett	TBA	TBA
May 15th	TrimTech Night	Anne Halverson	Taunton Road	5:30pm
May ???	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	TBA	5:30pm
May 26th	Spring Fling	Brian Striemer	Wasaga Beach	
June 2nd	Dreamvettes	Anne Halverson	Ontario Motor Sales	9:00am
June 8th	Camaro & GM Show	Jan Raven		
June 9th	Waterfront	Ron Langlois	Windsor 'CONCOURS'	
June 12th	Steer for Friends	Ron Langlois	Markham Fairgrounds	
June 15th	Show and Shine	Brian Striemer	Boyer Chev-Cadillac	
June 19th	General Meeting	Anne Halverson	TBA	5:30pm
June 23rd	Striemer BBQ	Brian Striemer	Striemer Mansion	TBA
July 3rd – 7th	Atlantic Nationals	Ron Langlois	Moncton New Brunswick	
Aug 24th – 25th	Autofest	Brian Striemer	Elgin Park - Uxbridge	Registration-24th Show - 25th



