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Corvette Club of Nova Scotia



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And the Winners Are....



Chuck & Darlene Hamilton



Ian &
Lynn Flewwelling



Brian & Debbie Palmer



Orrie Flick



Alfred & Zelica Landry



Harvey MacAusland

Pat & Bonnie White



Ellery & Anita Oicle



Dwight & Libby Rayworth



Kelly Kelly for
Longest Distance
Travelled



Bill Kierstead

Let the Fun Begin

Welcome to new members— Randy and Audrey Eisnor from Chester Basin,
Ralph and Janet Ivey from Sydney Mines, Troy and Angela Wallace from Dartmouth

More Road Trips ~ Shubenacadie Wildlife Park ~ August 22nd

PEI Corvette Club Show and Shine ~September 12th & 13th

Presidents Message

I hope you have had the time to enjoy the events of the Corvette Club of Nova Scotia. Since the last newsletter we have had two of the best events of the summer, Atlantic Nationals (Greater Moncton Corvette Club Show) and Maritime Meet 2009.

The Atlantic Nationals had a record year for attendance with 1795 cars/trucks/hotrods/tuners. Some of our members went up early to enjoy the whole Atlantic Nationals but most of us went up on Saturday for the Greater Moncton Corvette Show & Shine.

The Atlantic Nationals was July 9 – 12 with the Greater Moncton Corvette Show on Saturday, July 11. Greater Moncton Corvette Club Show & Shine is combined with the Atlantic Nationals. Our Club won Club Participation. Very close to 100 Corvettes were at the show. After the show on Saturday we went to the dart club for supper. We had a very good roast beef dinner and cake for \$12.50.

I would like to thank the Greater Moncton Corvette Club for another great event and would like to thank everybody for going to the show and helping support our fellow Atlantic Canada Corvette Club member. I think we had 20 Vettes. We can't expect them to come to our show if we do not help by going to their show and I was very pleased

with the turnout.

After the show on Saturday some of our members including Debbie and I and our friends from the USA and Fredericton went with the Greater Moncton Corvette Club to Magnetic Hill. We were all amazed at the illusion of the Corvettes coasting uphill. After that we went for ice cream and a tour around town.

The highlight for Saturday was our tours around town. We, along with Roger & Angela made 4 trips between 7 and 11pm. Each time we went down through the downtown area, some of our members (Tim & Kim, Ralph & Maureen, Murray & Dianne, Mike and Tanya) were partying at a curb-side restaurant. and they were like our fan club, they would wave and yell and I would rev the 2003. It was a lot of fun.

For info on next year's event or to see pictures of the show go to:

www.atlanticnationals.com

Maritime Meet 2009

Our Corvette Only Show & Shine called Maritime Meet 2009 at Stuart Pontiac, Truro. This could be our last show as GM down sized and Rob will not be Stuart Pontiac after 2009. This is too bad as we have had very good weather for 15 years including this year and you



The Bee seems to be the protector of Brian and Debbie's favourite toys.

could not ask for a better sponsor than Rob Stuart. He has given our club \$1200.00 and a van to use every year. I hope he will find a new business soon. The weather was looking like it could rain around 10 am but it turned out sunny and thankfully not as hot as usual. Debbie, Betty-Mae and Maureen were kept busy registering the Corvettes. Orrie, Tim, Calvin, Ralph and Gary parked the 62 Corvettes. As of Wednesday Big Dog (the local radio station) was still talking about the huge show of Corvettes. We had 120 show t-shirts, of which we only have 10 left and the BBQ sold-out.

It is interesting to note that we had 34 Corvettes from CCNS out of the 100 that is in the club. I would like to see this number increase next year if we have another show. 11 from The Greater Moncton Corvette Club, 5 from RRV (River Valley Vettes Fredericton) 5 from PEICC and seven no club.

We tried something different this year with a free meal after the show. This is only the second time we have done this as the first time was at Rob Stuart's our sponsor and this time we went to Horseman's Club.

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A Big Thank You goes to all our sponsors for their continued support.

Special Thanks go to Rob Stuart and Stuart Pontiac. We wish him all the best in his future endeavours.



Brian serves Jan Surette a piece of the 35th Anniversary Cake



Bob Surette, Moncton Club President, accepts the Club Participation Award from Rob Stuart, Stuart Pontiac

Presidents Message (Continued)



**Look
Who
Won!**

The Horseman's Club is located only 2 miles from the show and the free Pizza, Fried Chicken, Potato salad, Rolls, Pop & Cake with "Corvette Club of Nova Scotia, Still Cruising after 35 years" to help mark our 35th year since the club was formed in April 1974 was a big hit. There was a bar on premises that was kept busy and we had a video of all the pictures and movie's Debbie and I have taken so far this year to play on the big screen. This was such a good way to end the show. I would do it again next year if we have a show.

I know our friends from Fredericton and the other clubs appreciated how efficient everybody had something to eat and was able to be on their way home in about 45 minutes. This way everybody was home before dark, which is great because if you are like me you think about deer jumping out on the road.

I would like to thank the sun god again this year for helping make this event a success, Debbie & Betty-Mae for running Registration, Orrie & his gang for parking. Tim for handing out the door prizes and to the many members who donated door prizes, thanks again. Kim, Bev & Maureen did the

50/50 draw and the draw on the basket of goodies. We had a lot more help this year and we appreciate it.

The artwork for the t-shirt created and designed by Betty-Mae was one of our best designs yet. I liked the idea of the Corvette on the front that you can see on the back driving away with our sponsors listed on road signs.

Betty-Mae has already drawn one of the Corvettes for next year and has a great idea started. Thank you to everyone for coming and I look forward to seeing you next year. Hopefully for Maritime Meet 2010.

Only 1/3 of our club participated in the show, I would love to see this go to 1/2.

As you can tell a lot of money goes into a show like this. \$1200.00 for t-shirts, 15 plaques at almost \$30.00 each, free meal (Greco Pizza in the Mall parking lot donated one of the 3 Mega pizzas worth \$32.00) Please try to support our sponsors, we could not have a show like this without them.

We did cut a corner or two, Betty-Mae saved the club money by designing and making the screens for printing and making most of our flyers. Roger Bourgeois got us in touch with the guy that makes Monctons plaques

and saved us over \$100.00.

Thank-you to everyone that helped with the show, door prizes, registration, and Tim for doing the award presentations (I was busy getting food for the party).

Brian

Congratulations to the Winners at Maritime Meet

Class A ~ 53-62 ~ Pat & Bonnie White, 1959 Maroon w/white coves

Class B ~ 53-67 ~ Harvey MacAusland, 1965 Silver

Class C ~ 68-73 ~ Brian Palmer, 1971 Maroon

Class D ~ 74-77 ~ Bill Kierstead, 1976 Blue

Class E ~ 78-82 ~ Ian Flewwelling, 1980 Beige

Class F ~ 84-89 Charles & Darlene Hamilton, 1988 Red Convertible

Class G ~ 90-96 ~ Alfred & Zelica Landry, 1992 Blackrose

Class H ~ 97-04 ~ First place Ellery & Anita Oicle, 1998 Black

Class H ~ 97-04 ~ Second place Dwight & Libby Rayworth, 2001 Red

Class I ~ 05-09 ~ Orrie Flick, 2007 Black

Longest Distance, Kelly Kelly 240 miles, Red 2002 Convertible

Club Participation Greater Moncton Corvette Club with 11 Corvettes

View from the Second Level



Good Times were had by all at Maritime Meet . However, the game of musical chairs did not go over so well .



03 Anniversary Red Fraternal Twins At the Moncton Show

Now for those lazy, hazy days of August, right?

The second half of our season is now well underway, and there are still lots of fun events ahead of us.

There is a great deal of information, and lots of pictures in this newsletter about Maritime Meet, the GMCC show at the Atlantic Nationals, and the other events that we have participated in over the last month, so I'll let those articles and pictures speak for themselves.

The ever growing input and involvement from our members throughout the cruising season has been very encouraging. Most evenings there are email comments, ideas and questions that I receive about past or future events.

There have been several people that have stepped up to the requests of hosting a drive, an event, or just getting together for a coffee. The Wednesday night runs have been very popular with great turn outs. It is always nice to

get that mid-week corvette run in, and it doesn't take up a whole lot of time (Thanks to the regular participants and organizers)

I am most impressed with the participation of some of our newer members this year. My biggest challenge has been trying to remember everyone's name. For the first couple of years, I usually had to identify the car, and then work it backwards. I would venture to guess that I'm not alone using this method.

I think I'm getting better, but the name tags certainly help my fading memory. It has been a real pleasure to have the opportunity to meet and chat with as many members as I can, both old and new.

As I continue to try to improve putting names to faces, my next goal is to learn more about each person, their families, their hobbies (besides corvettes), where they work or used to work, etc.

I think that there are many conversations that can arise from spending a little time learning more about our fellow members. It might even be something as simple as a mutual business contact, or similar interests, or skill sets within our membership that have the potential to help save you some aggravation, and maybe even a little money. (you

can put that extra money back into your corvette) There is never a downside of getting to know someone

These are the areas where I hoped to have some impact since the start of the year. We certainly have made positive strides, and as pleased as I am with the progress, I think we can continue to move forward.

If you have an idea for a future event, maybe even for the 2010 season, now is the time to start thinking about it, and potentially scheduling a date.

Specifically, it would be great to have more events hosted by members that are outside of the Halifax / Dartmouth area. There are members from one end of this province to the other, and I'm sure everyone is proud of the area they reside in. I bet many of you know the local history and landmarks of your town, and would be willing to share it with all of us. (ie – Chester, Windsor) We pass a lot of these towns on our way to other areas. Why not drop in?

Happy Cruising

Tim

2009 Sheet Harbour Parade



It was a great day to be a spectator at the parade.



Once Again, Mark is in trouble with the law in Sheet Harbour.

Upcoming Shows and Meeting Times

Shubenacadie Wildlife Park and Picnic ~August 22nd

Meet in Fall River @ 10:30 am, exit # 5 off Highway 102. Sobeys' Mall at 3290 Hwy # 2 near the Credit Union. The run takes approx 45 mins. Cost for entering the park is \$4.25 per person - 20 people or less, \$2.75 per person - 20 or more, we pay individually at the gate. **Pack a picnic lunch.** If interested we will tour the wildlife park, there are also walking/interpretive trails (all included in our entrance fee). Plan to stay until around 2:00 pm. A couple of people mentioned bringing games, ie: ball/glove, lawn darts, etc so if anyone has these and would like to bring them that would be great. :-)

Check out the website for park information: <http://wildlifepark.gov.ns.ca/>

Please reply by Thurs Aug 20th if you plan on going so we can notify the park with an approximate number of people and vehicles, let us know if there will be 1 or 2 in your party. Contact Maureen by e-mail:

maureen.47@live.ca or by phone 478-2213.

PEI Corvette Club ~ Vettefest 2009 "Cruisin the Island" September 12th & 13th

For those going over on Saturday we will be meeting at the Tim Hortons in Elmsdale @ 7:00 am. We will be meeting the Greater Moncton Corvette Club at the Irving in Aulac at 9:00 am for the trip across the bridge.

We'll meet with the PEI club at Gateway Village at 10 AM for a cruise around the Island with a few scenic stops along the way. Barbeque and entertainment in the evening at the Super 8 in Cornwall.

On Sunday, Shine and Show at Peak's Wharf on the Charlottetown waterfront. Registration from 10-12. Show from 12 to 2:30. Dinner to follow.

For anyone travelling on Sunday, please let Tim know and he will get a meeting point setup for all of you.



Car Care Tips for that Trip of a Lifetime

As most of you know Debbie and I and 20 other Corvettes are leaving in about a week going on the Corvette Trip of a lifetime, Corvettes @ Carlisle, Bowling Green, a big car show in W.V. and a 3 day Corvette Show in Lake George, N.Y. With the idea of putting on around 8500 kms in 3 weeks, a few things should be looked at to hopefully make for a better trip and less problems. A lot of this should also be looked at for any long distance run, even a weekend trip.

Any vibrations should be taken care of as they can drive you crazy on a long trip. Take a good look at your tires, you could have a broken belt or need to be rebalanced. It may be or a bent rim or if your tires are wearing uneven you might want to have an alignment done. Don't forget that with a C4 or older Corvette, especially if you have a weak spring, weight makes a big difference in the rear camber. So I would fill my gas tank to give it some weight and then get it aligned. If you get it done with your tank on empty and most of the time on vacation or even on day trips you have a full tank and or luggage, this will make a difference in the alignment. I always take a couple of pounds of air out of each tire before heading South as the higher road temperatures will increase your tire pressure. Always change your oil & filter and grease the car before going on a big run and check all fluid levels including the rear end. Make sure your belt(s) and hoses are in good shape and tight and have extra with you as nobody stocks hoses and belts anymore and could help save hours on the side of the road. Make sure your travelling buddy has spare key for your car so you do not get locked out.

It is important to have your passport as you need one to drive across the border and make sure you have medical insurance, which you can get at a travel agent, as medical issues in the USA is a very costly adventure. Make sure you have all your paper work in good order showing your Corvette is licensed, inspected and insured. Also make sure you have your confirmation numbers with you for the motels.

You might want to have your air conditioning working as Carlisle and Bowling Green can be very hot.

You also need a frs/gmrs radio to keep in touch with everybody while travelling and the Corvette Caravan going to Bowling Green uses the radios to inform everybody of problems/gas stops or whatever. They also come in very handy in Carlisle as there is 82 acres of Corvettes (6000 usually attend) and parts and it would be very difficult to find somebody. We will probably use channel 5.5 in Carlisle as using a solid channel like 5 is in use too much.

We like to use a CB radio in long cruises and they are pretty cheap to buy. For around \$60.00 you can buy a CB and a glass mount antenna for \$30.00 or less. They usually can be heard at longer distances.

If you have a repair manual on your Corvette it might be a good idea to have it along in case you have problems.

We leave on August 26 and get back on September 15th, hope to see you soon.

Brian

Congratulations to Kingsley Lewis of PEI , he won the 50/50 at Maritime Meet. \$111.

Bonnie White won the Basket of Goodies . In total we raised \$250.

(thanks to Bev who kicked in the extra \$1)

Notes From the Editor

Did you hear them? Those whispers whenever I dig out the 50/50 tickets.

" Oh no, here she comes again... I hear if you look her directly in the eye, you cannot refuse her request." And then there is the one.....

"She has special powers, if she gets near you with that roll of tickets, your wallet automatically opens and gives her money."

Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our charities.

And yes, you are not free yet. I will be around again soon with those 50/50 tickets.

By the way, the deadline for the next newsletter is September 7th. My contact info is on the front page.

Enjoy!!

Kim



**This Cute Young Fella
celebrated a birthday at
Maritime Meet 2009**

**Sheet Harbours'
Seaside Festival
Parade 2009**

FRS/GMRS RADIO

The Corvette Club of Nova Scotia recommends that its members use FRS/GMRS radios when travelling with the club on Runs and Road Trips.

You can purchase these radios at large retailers such as Canadian Tire, Zellers and Staples.

The CCNS and all corvette clubs use Channel 5.

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