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# Corvette Club of Nova Scotia



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**Had Enough of Winter?  
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Summer Schedule**

Congratulations to our Charities Coordinator : Mike Little is the new owner of a  
GROUND POUNDER A 1972 ,matching numbers, 454 big block convertible/  
roadster.

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## Presidents Message

What a great turnout for the CCNS Christmas Party on January 9<sup>th</sup>. 38 members joined us to play some pool, eat KFC and pizza. We also had rolls, chocolate and chips. I changed the way the pool tournament went this year. I rented the whole room with 5 tables, which gave us a lot more room to socialize and to play. We played two on two and I put each persons name that wanted to play on small pieces of paper onto the table and had someone pick two at a time to make teams. Each time we had a game finish I would mark W for a win or L for a loss. You weren't out of the tournament until you lost twice. Each game I would redraw so you never had the same team mate, plus we played alternate shot so if someone was very good he or she could not run the table. 22 people played in the tournament. The tournament was won by Darrell Chute, Second was Pat White and third was Orrie Flick. After the pool party some of us went over to the go-cart track to have some fun.

I would like to thank everyone for going to the Christmas Party. It's participation like this that will keep our Club strong.

I've been getting a lot of e-mails from club members and a couple from the other President's wondering about our events for this year. Included in this newsletter is a list of events for everyone to post. Like always if you can make an event please come, if you can't don't worry about it. And ALL Corvette Clubs are invited to join us at any of our events. Please take note that our Club's Corvette

only Show & Shine will be at the same location as it has been for the last 15 years, at Rob Stuart's car dealership. This year will be my 18<sup>th</sup> year as president and the 16<sup>th</sup> time hosting Maritime Meet in Truro. Please help with Door prizes and parking if you can. We are looking at doing the same as last year with Corvette t-shirt, \$10.00 and free supper after the show at the Horse Men's Club (same location as last year and more food).

Please take a good look at the events and if you want to add something to the list please contact Calvin Pearce at (902) 864-4324 or e-mail Calvin at [cpearce@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:cpearce@ns.sympatico.ca) as he is our event coordinator.

It would be great to see another great year like last year for participation and I would love to see every member make it to at least 1 event. Don't forget if you can only find time for one event please try to make it Maritime Meet July 24.

I'm very pleased to find out that so many of you are taking a trip this winter. As you probably know I strongly believe that everybody should have at least 1 week to get away. The money will never be missed and it will give you memories to share for a lifetime.

I know Debbie and I are looking forward to getting out with the club and I hope you can hardly wait also.

Until next time,

Brian


## Hello to Fellow Diecast Collectors

I collect corvette 1:18 scale diecast cars since I bought the "real thing" in 2008 and wonder if any other members do. Often I get extra cars at deals or replace an existing year with a different color and as such then sell the extra's. I buy mostly on Ebay. Or if someone is interested in a particular year, color etc. I can keep an eye open for a good deal...just recover cost.... nothing extra for me as courtesy to fellow members.

Presently got an extra 1958 red conv., 2001 yellow Z06 hardtop and maybe a 1986 yellow coupe with black removable targa top and 1997 silver hatch HT coupe.

Reed Conrad ([redrider2002@hotmail.com](mailto:redrider2002@hotmail.com))

# View from the Second Level



I don't know about the rest of you, but I have found this to be a VERY long winter so far. However, we have made it to February, so now we can begin counting down the days that we "think" remain before we are able to get the vettes out of storage or the garage.

I assume that some of you have spent some time in warmer climates over the last couple of months, or are planning a vacation in the next little while. Kim and I will be taking some time in April to enjoy some R&R in Cuba, and when we return it will nearly be time to start the cruising season.

As with any hobby or sport, there are a lot of costs involved throughout the season, and it is important to decide on the events you would like to participate in that fit within your budget. We (and the other clubs) have several events that involve overnight stays, so it is

always a good idea to set up a schedule. It is also a good idea to reserve your rooms early to avoid possible last minute disappointment. It's much easier to cancel a room than discovering you can't stay at the same place as all your friends. (Kim and I have 5 different hotels already booked for the 2010 season) We are also very lucky to have someone like Debbie ( and Brian ) that spend a lot of time organizing the long trips to places like Carlisle. There is a lot of time and effort involved, and I believe it is something that often gets overlooked.

However, you don't have to participate in overnight or weekend events to have a good time. We have many Saturday and Sunday afternoon functions scheduled for this season, but we would like to firm things up before publishing them yet. Those of you that were at the meeting in November have a good idea of the direction we are taking this year, but we need to confirm the details with the "hosts" of the events.

On another topic, my work schedule over the last few months has kept me from

spending as much time as I would like updating members and conversing regularly with the chapter representatives. Once I get to the end of February, things should improve. Last year I set some goals that I felt were important as your Vice President. There were 3 key areas where I wanted to move the bench mark. The first was to get more members involved in hosting weekend drives and helping with Maritime Meet. The second was for the CCNS to support a charity, and lastly was to divide the province into more sections that would incorporate more chapter representatives. I think we are heading in the right direction, and since we have added a charity organizer (Mike Little) and an events coordinator (Calvin Pearce) this year, I think it illustrates the growth within our club.

**Tim**

## Vette Facts

A CB radio was a corvette option from 1978 to 1985. The AM FM stereo with Citizens Band feature (RPO UP6) cost a healthy \$638 in 1978. Nonetheless, 7,138 UP6 radios were sold that year.

## 2010 Tentative Schedule

Here are the "unofficial" events that were discussed during our meeting in November. There are others that were mentioned, (ie – Graves Island, GM Tunerz, Victoria Park ) and if anyone gets confirmation of dates for these or other shows, please forward them along. Please feel free to volunteer to host your own local event during the "open weekends", or during weekends that involve out of province or out of country events ( Ie – Bar Harbor, Carlisle )

**Sat Apr 24 – ACCC meeting in Moncton**

**Sun May 2 – Orrie's Run**

**Sun May 16 – Ellery's Run**

**Sun May 30 – Peter Arsenault's Run (Eastern Shore)**

**Thurs June 3 to Sun June 6 – Bar Harbor**

**Sat June 12 or Sun June 13 – Rick Holt's Valley Run**

**Fri June 18 to Sun June 20 – Fiberglass Alley ~ Fredericton**

**Sun June 27 – Sackville Kinsmen Show (Tim/Kim to host)**

**Sat July 3 – Bishop's Landing**

**Thurs July 8 to Sun July 11 – Atlantic Nationals/GMCC show**

**Sat July 17 – To Be Confirmed**

**Sat July 24 – Maritime Meet**

**Sat Aug 7 to Sun Aug 8 – St. John Show**

**Sun Aug 15 – Calvin's Run**

**Sat Aug 21 – Debbie's Picnic**

**Sat Aug 21 to Sun Aug 22 – St. Andrew's**

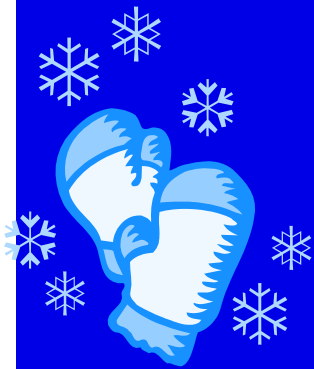
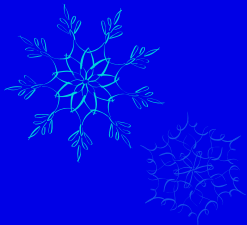
**Wed Aug 25 – Carlisle group departs**

**Sat Sept 11 to Sun Sept 12 – PEI Corvette Show**

**Sun Sept 19 – Randy Eisnor's Run**

**Sat Oct 2 to Sun Oct 3 – Scarecrow Festival ~ Mahone Bay**

**Sun Oct 24 – President's Run**



## Notes From the Editor

I cannot wait for the new season to start. One reason is that I need more pictures. Slim pickings in my photo files for anything appropriate in February. If any of you managed to get any at the Christmas party, I would love to have them. They will work great for the Christmas issue this year.

This year we have some great things planned and please do not forget to send in your nominations for this years charity. The deadline is March 10th.

Next Newsletter is out mid April – Please send me notes etc, by the 30th of March.

Happy Tobogganing

*Kim*

## Charity Nominations

Last year we took nominations for a charity for the club to sponsor. We raised \$400 and the club matched that amount. Thus we will be sending a cheque for \$400 to each of the two charities. We are again asking for nominations for charities for next year. Please send your nominations including why you would like to see that charity sponsored. Once the deadline is over, I will send out a list of those charities so that we can vote on which one we want. You can send the information to me at

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or [bdcorvettes@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:bdcorvettes@ns.sympatico.ca)

The deadline is March 10th. No nominations will be accepted after that date under any circumstances.

Thank you

*Debbie*

## Corvettes At Carlisle ~ August 27th to 29th, 2010

Please let Brian and Debbie Know if you plan to attend.



## Car Care Tips

When putting your car away for the winter, don't forget the small things like making sure the battery is disconnected (this is what I would do) or at least pull the fuse to the radio, a small draw on the battery will kill it and if it loses its charge it will freeze. Especially if you do not have it in a heated garage. I like to put a little extra air pressure in the tires to help stop them from flat spotting. Make sure the antifreeze is good so it will not freeze and make sure your windshield washer is not full of summer bug fluid or water, this will freeze and you will not have a windshield washer next year. Fill your car with gas to help cut down on condensation.

Clean your car inside and give her a bath and it would not hurt to wax it and put the cover on her. It's a good idea to start your Corvette up every couple of months and run for at least 15 minutes. Don't forget to run the air conditioning; this helps prevent the seals from drying out. It's also a good idea to put it in gear and move it a few feet or better yet, if the road is clear and you have insurance on it, take her for a drive. This will help keep everything lubricated and in ship shape for the spring. I like to buy a couple of cans of Rust Check (you can buy it at Home Hardware) to spray on the frame and any other metal parts you don't want to rust. I spray it on my chrome rims to help keep them from rusting; the stuff washes right off with soap and water in the spring.

Some like to change the oil & filter in the fall, I like to wait until spring that way if there is any condensation in the oil I will get rid of it.

Don't forget winter is the best time to get the big stuff looked at, transmission job, motor work, paint job, you don't want to have to miss any events next year waiting for your Corvette to be ready.

Take care and have a great Easter. Look on the bright side only 2 months and we will have the babies out again.

### **GM recalling some 22,000 Corvettes over removable roof problems**

**December 31st 2009, THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

The recall, which was announced this month and begins in January, applies to 2005-2007 Chevrolet Corvettes and 2006-2007 Corvette Z06's with removable roofs.

The NHTSA says the adhesive between the roof panel and frame can separate, which would cause noise, poor fit and water leakage. If the adhesive completely separates, the roof panel could come off the car.

Dealers will install a new roof panel free of charge for affected cars, the NHTSA said.

For more information, owners can contact Chevrolet at 1-800-630-2438, or at [www.gmownercenter.com](http://www.gmownercenter.com).

Owners may also contact the NHTSA's vehicle safety hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153) or go to [www.safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov).

# Bargain Hunter

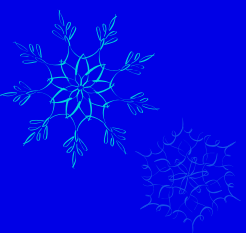
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If you have any more questions you may E-mail or Call me at any time !!!!

Gilles Leger 1-506-855-4518

## MONTANA STATE TROOPER

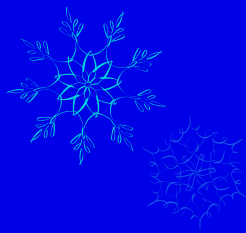


In most of the United States there is a policy of checking on any stalled vehicle on the highway when temperatures drop to single digits or below. About 3 AM one very cold morning, Montana State Trooper Allan Nixon #658 responded to a call there was a car off the shoulder of the road outside Great Falls, Montana. He located the car, stuck in deep snow and with the engine still running. Pulling in behind the car with his emergency lights on, the trooper walked to the driver's door to find an older man passed out behind the wheel with a nearly empty vodka bottle on the seat beside him. The driver came awake when the trooper tapped on the window. Seeing the rotating lights in his rearview mirror, and the state trooper standing next to his car, the man panicked. He jerked the gear-shift into 'drive' and hit the gas.

The car's speedometer was showing 20-30-40 and then 50 MPH, but it was still stuck in the snow, wheels spinning. Trooper Nixon, having a sense of humor, began running in place next to the speeding (but stationary) car. The driver was totally freaked, thinking the trooper was actually keeping up with him. This goes on for about 30 seconds, then the trooper yelled, "PULL OVER!"

The man nodded, turned his wheel and stopped the engine. Needless to say, the man from North Dakota was arrested and is probably still shaking his head over the state trooper in Montana who could run 50 miles per hour.

Who says troopers don't have a sense of humor?



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