

Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona

The Talepipe Newsletter



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Our monthly meetings are held at the Club House Restaurant located at the Daytona Beach Municipal Golf Course the third Tuesday of each month. We invite you to dine with us starting at 6:00 PM, with the meeting starting at 7:00.

L.O.T.R Dixie Crossroads



A beautiful day greeted 15 folks, along with their 7 Corvettes and 1 Thunderbird (the Corvette is still in Kentucky – but see later story). Art and Leslie led the way followed by Chuck and Shirley, Ed and Jean, Lars and Carol, John and Alice, Jerry Macklefresh, Steve and Anita. Bob and Sadie met with the travelers at the New Smyrna airport. The hour trip to Titusville was nice and no one got lost. We had a little wait at the restaurant as they were not expecting us but once seated we were able to dive into the baskets of powered sugar coated corn fritters. The waitress was kept busy just keeping fritters on the 3 tables. No one appeared to have left the table hungry after consuming multiple types of fish and shellfish. I even had a slice of key lime pie which was the best I have had in a long time. The trip home through the Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge did not occur as the draw bridge across the Indian River was not operating. It appears the motor broke and the bridge was currently in the open position to handle boat traffic. The bridge motor will be replaced even though a new high rise bridge is being built. The new bridge design eliminates the need of a drawbridge so the next time we

head to Dixie's we should be able to get to the refuge.

Tom Gibbs / Flagler Corvette Car Show



A cold Saturday morning found 22 Corvette folks with their 12 Corvettes wishing it would warm up. It did – partially because Sadie provided **HOT** Krispy Kreme doughnuts to those who could stand the sugar. Some, like me, even went back for seconds. The sun did the rest of the warming. There was no Thunderbird this time because Steve and Anita showed up in a 2008 machine silver Corvette convertible. See picture of it in the *Photo Gallery – Gibbs Car Show* section of the web site. Something else new was our club President looking very distinguished with his new beard. It first looked like Ben Bernanke, the FRB Chairman, but I knew it wasn't him as the voice belonged to Jim Quinn. Jim led a group of 12 Corvettes to the show. Inside the cars were Lars, Carole, Chuck, Ed, Jean, Bob, Sadie Jim, Ginny, Steve, Anita, George, Pat, Frank, Leanne, Art, Leslie (a car each), Jerry, Jack, and Yvonne Three other club Corvettes met us there which contained, John Luther, Tim, Lois, Dave and Maya. Carol Ruland also stopped by for a short visit. This was the

largest club gathering that I could remember - 15 cars and 26 people.

There were a lot of very nice looking Corvettes there including a new ZR1. A Cadillac XLR even showed up. The local high school provided hot dogs and fixings for a donation while the Girl Scouts were selling Girl Scout cookies. Door prizes were given but the big prize of the day went to Lois who won the \$95 50/50 drawing. I think she also won one of the door prizes.

Club Meeting March 16th



News not reported elsewhere.

Lars and Carole arrived at the meeting in their newly purchased red 2007 Corvette (see photo at the end of the March Tom Gibbs folder in the *Photo Gallery* NICE CAR!). They bid farewell to their 1995 white convertible. George and Pat Manning are officially club members. Steve and Anita have completed their 3-event requirement and should be members by the next meeting. Bob Fritz was a guest. Jim continues to work on an event with Ponce Inlet CC. A picnic has been suggested and a location needs to be determined. PICC will be gathering at Chick fil-A, 1700 International Speedway Boulevard, 4/30, at 6:00 pm and we have been invited. Chuck to check out a club jacket to go with our tangerine shirts. Jerry volunteered to be our club Ambassador to the National Corvette Museum. Birthdays for April include Carole C. – 5th, Carol R. – 23rd, Alice, and Jack – 25th. The \$15 50/50 went to Leanne.

B.O.T.R Crane Lakes April 11th



Meeting at the South Daytona Sunshine Park Mall 9:00 AM. The meals are very good at the Crane Lakes club house.

Mini-golf Classics Tournament starts April 13th



. See the schedule and rules off of the club's main page.

Yet Another New Corvette



A modified Z06 called the Carbon Edition is scheduled to be available for 2011. Check out the entire story at: <http://www.autoquote.com/auto-news/tag/2011-chevrolet-covette-z06-carbon-edition>

Flagler County Corvette Club TECH Series



Vic Natiello provides 31 Corvette technical articles on the FCCC website. He answers your questions even before you have questions. See the articles at: <http://www.flaglercountycorvetteclub.com/newsletter/tech.asp>. He was providing some of his technical knowledge at the Tom Gibbs car show by showing some of our club members how to interpret all the numbers and letters on your tires – see his article titled 'Tire designations' – 6 pages of information. Also, do you know where the C6 cabin air filter is located – most of you do as he showed us at the show. See the entire article titled "The Cabin Air Filter". Have you ever thought about what the 10% Ethanol fuel is doing to your Corvette – check out article "Impact of 10% Dreaded Ethanol" to find out. It appears he adds a new tech article each month so it might be a good idea to have the above URL as one of your favorites.

Do you have a Corvette related item that you want to sell? Post it on the Forum via the CCGD website.