

Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona The "Talepipe" Newsletter



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Our monthly meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at the Red Lobster Restaurant, 2625 W. International Speedway Blvd., Daytona Beach. We invite you to dine with us (Dutch treat) around 5:30 p.m. and stay for the meeting at 6:30.

Coming Up

DINING ON THE RUN (DOTR):

Okay, folks. Many requests have been made to return to Dixie Crossroads in Titusville, so mark your calendar for Sunday, November 6th for the triumphant return. The rock shrimp and the red royals are waiting for us. Hopefully, the weather will continue to be as nice as it has been, so we can get some of the club's C1's and C2's out for a spin. We will not travel the Interstate, but rather the more scenic, slower drive of Rt. 1. Let's leave from the Sunshine Mall in South Daytona at 10:00 a.m. for a leisurely lunch at the 'World Famous' Dixie Crossroads. [\(Remember, the time changes this weekend, so set your clocks back.\)](#)

CRUISERS ON THE CRUISE:

Your final payment for the Caribbean cruise January 16-20 is due on November 2nd. If you haven't made the payment by this date, get in touch with Julie Pierce (904-909-1733) to ensure you are one of the 10 couples going cruising.

ELECTION DAY:

November 8th, if you don't know by now, is Election Day 2022. Now, more than ever, your vote is so very important. If you are happy and satisfied with the way things are going in our country – **vote to keep it**



that way. If you are unhappy and dissatisfied, **vote to change it.** With early voting, mail-in ballots, and convenient voting locations, you have no excuse not to exercise your right and privilege. If you don't vote, you can't complain.

TURKEY RUN:

Although not an official club event, we like to mention the fact that the largest hot rod show and swap meet event in the country is in our own back yard at the Daytona International Speedway over the Thanksgiving weekend, November 24-27. What better way to walk off all those calories you consumed on turkey day than to go looking at all those beautiful cars? If you would like to park your Corvette inside the speedway, you may purchase a parking pass from John Doria for \$7. You still must purchase a ticket to the 4-day

event at \$70.00, but the parking pass gets you inside the speedway. There is no pre-registration. All tickets are purchased at the entrance gate #70. More information can be obtained at www.turkeyrun.com. Your Corvette allows you to park inside, even though the show is open only to cars older than 1992. Text or call John for a pass at 386-453-9812, then look for the club sign in the area in front of Lake Lloyd.

CHRISTMAS IS UPON US:



Although the stores had begun decorating long before Halloween, it's hard to believe that Christmas is right around the corner. Where did the year go? Our Christmas dinner will be held on Monday, December 12th at Mario's Restaurant, 521 S. Yonge St. in Ormond Beach. Cocktails (cash bar) will be available at 5:30, with dinner at 6:15 pm. This year you will order your choice at the restaurant from one of the following main courses:

- Chicken Marsala
- Lasagna
- Shrimp Scampi
- Chicken Parmesan

Entrees will be served with a fresh salad, warm bread with butter, and your choice of endless coffee, tea, or soda. Dessert will be provided by the club. Tabs may be started or pay-as-you-go for all bar drinks. The cost is \$34 per person and includes tax and tip. Payment will need to be made by check to Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona (CCGD) by December 3rd to ensure your reservation. Send check to

Bill Simmons
2305 Yule Tree Lane
Edgewater, FL 32141.

This is our last event of the year, so let's make it a good one. Our Christmas party is for Members Only.

While we are talking Christmas, don't forget to shop for a toy (for about \$20) for the Corvette Christmas Car Show at New Smyrna Chevrolet on December 3rd benefitting Toys for Tots. Our club will be helping out, so plan to be there. More info will be coming next month.

Reviews

DOTR CANCELLED:

Hurricane Ian had a thing or two to say about our pre-planned Dining on the Run for October.



While many of us were still picking up yard debris and drying out after the horrendous wind and water, we can all thank our lucky stars that we didn't live on Florida's west coast, namely the Ft. Myers area. Those poor people were literally wiped off the map. Word is that none of our club members suffered any major damage, and for that we are grateful. Strangely enough, this is the second hurricane that cancelled our breakfast at Hi Tulip, the last being in 2017 when Hurricane Michael blew through. Next time we try to visit the Hi Tulip, let's make sure it's not during hurricane season.

FLAGLER COUNTY CORVETTE SHOW:



Congratulations to Bob Wolff, for placing in the top three with his sweet 1964 Riverside Red Convertible. Judges determined the top three were just too close to call, so they awarded all three. (I would call that a 1st

place finish.) Also competing were John Pona with his '15 Torch Red Coupe and Julius Frittelli with his '19 Arctic White Grand Sport. Several members were at the show to offer up support. The show was limited to 150 cars and it was reported that they met their expectations. Next year, our club needs more participants

PIZZA PARTY:

Pizza Night is becoming a habit, and judging by the attendance number, it's a habit we want to continue. Thirty-seven cruisers met together at Giuseppe's Steel City Pizza for some good eatin'. We literally took over the place, filling up two long tables and three booths. What better way to spend a gloomy Tuesday night? The pizza was hot, the beer was cold, and the chatter was lively.



Celebrating 30 years of the Corvette Cruisers existence were Liz and Edie Byrne, Shirley Gerstel, Bill and Bonita, John and Tina Ericsson, Don and Susan Veatch, A J and Arnie, Bob and Debbie Dutcher, Julius and Brenda, John and Sally Doria, Bud and Mary Mullennix. Emery and Fran, John and Rose Pona, Gary and Cindy Swanson, Keith and Cindy Hardin with their daughter Tamarra, Bob and Linda Wolff, Ed and Jean Doyle, and prospective members Robert Duval and Ruthanne, Jim and Kitty Baeuman, and John Keil. A good time was had by all.

*Happy Thanksgiving to all
Corvette enthusiasts!*



This & That

VETERANS DAY:

November 11th is Veterans Day, a day to celebrate America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good. From our club:

ARMY

Arthur Armstrong
Julius Frittelli
Bob Wolff
Bob Dutcher

AIR FORCE

Bud Mullennix
Gary Swanson
Tom Bonnett
John Bayliss

ARMY RESERVES

John Pona

NAVY

Ken Hawes

COAST GUARD

Barry Luckenbach

NATIONAL GUARD

Arthur Armstrong

We salute our Vets and thank them for their service. We can truly say, these are Vets with 'Vettes!

GOOD NEWS:

The Board of Directors has voted to keep dues the same for 2023. They will be \$50.00, payable by 12/31. More specific information will be in the December Newsletter.

MONEY WINNER:

Del Fot was the lucky winner of the 50/50, taking home the tidy sum of \$35.00. Looks like dinner was on the club for Del and Patty.

SNOWBIRDS RETURN:

Welcome back Bud and Mary Mullennix from already cold Michigan. We are still awaiting the return of John Bayliss and Susan McCracken from West Virginia, Randy and Peggy Sweeney from NY, and Tom and Sandie Bonnett from parts unknown, as they travel to different places.

AND, SPEAKING OF TRAVELING...

...Patrick and Aliah Wall just returned from a trip to the Philippines to visit Aliah's family. This was the place that Pat and Aliah first met when Pat represented the United States (2008-2012) as the U.S. Commercial Attaché in Manila. Must have been love at first sight.

WARNING:

Okay, we have been encouraged to get the Flu shot, the Pneumonia shot, and, of course, the Covid boosters. But I am sure Linda Wolff would strongly encourage us to get the Shingles shot as soon as possible. Linda has been inflicted with this dreadful virus and, according to Bob, is in a lot of pain. Please get well soon. We are thinking about you, and thanks for the reminder to us all. **GET THE SHINGLES SHOT!!**

GENEROSITY ABOUNDS:

At the October meeting, a flyer from the Jewish Federation of Volusia and Flagler Counties was presented, requesting help for local residents severely impacted by the hurricane flooding. An envelope was passed around for anyone who cared to make a cash donation to this worthy cause. A motion was made and passed that the club match whatever was collected. Through the generosity of 21 club members, \$327 was collected; thus, a check for \$654 will be sent to this organization for their direct assistance to flood victims. WOW!!!

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

Happy birthday wishes go to Tom Bonnett on the 2nd, Jean Doyle on the 12th, Penny Weissgerber on the 18th and Patrick Wall on the 30th.

Congratulations to George and Penny Weissgerber, who are celebrating their anniversary this month.

Corvette News

If you're worried about losing the sweet sounds of the gasoline-powered Corvette in future all-electric models, fret no more.

EV sound development engineer Jay Kapadia at General Motors says the company is developing distinctive sounds for each of its vehicles, including an electric Corvette.

Since electric vehicles are silent, the Highway Safety Administration requires that artificial sounds be added to warn pedestrians, cyclists, and the blind that they're there. Kapadia and GM are taking things a step further, though.

"With EVs being quiet, we have this beautiful opportunity to create brand identity with sound," Kapadia said. "Every brand will have its own sound in which the customer will know it's that brand and establish an emotional connection with the vehicle."

Can't wait to hear the sound they have in store for the Corvette EV, can you?

