

Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona The “Talepipe” Newsletter



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Our monthly meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month (through November, 2021) at the Red Lobster Restaurant, 2625 W. International Speedway Blvd., Daytona Beach. We invite you to dine with us (Dutch treat) at 5:30 p.m. and stay for the meeting, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Coming Up

DOTR: BREAKFAST TIME IN THE GALLEY: Mike’s Galley in Daytona Beach Shores is the next location for our Dining on the Run. This restaurant is in a different location from when the club previously dined there; however, this breakfast spot may be remembered for the HUGE cinnamon buns and pastries that set Mike’s Galley apart from the rest. The club will leave from Sunshine Park Mall on Rt.1 in South Daytona at 8:15 a.m. on Sunday, **September 12th**. Following breakfast, John will lead us on a little cruise south around Ponce Inlet and the lighthouse before we part ways. After all we are Dining on THE RUN, and the 7 minutes it takes to drive from the Sunshine Mall to Mike’s Galley hardly qualifies as a run.

BEER, BITES AND B.S.: BJ’s Brewhouse on ISB will be the scene for the next gathering of the guys to drink a cold one, have some lunch, and chat about the latest news about Corvettes. (Gals are invited too, but come at your own risk.)

Meet at the restaurant at noon on Thursday, **September 9th**.

MEETING: Don’t forget about our monthly meeting at our new location at the Red Lobster on ISB. Reviews have been good thus far, and who can pass up those cheddar bay biscuits. We had a great turnout at the August meeting with 24 members and 2 guests. If you are not a “fish or seafood” fan, Red Lobster does have a few other items on their menu besides fish. Let’s have a full house on Tuesday, **September 21st**. You can learn a lot more at the meetings than you can in the Newsletter. AND, don’t forget about the “My Red Lobster Rewards” app to receive reward points. Sally had a free raspberry cheesecake dessert with her points at last month’s meeting.

CARS AND COFFEE AT WAWA:

1780 FL 44 New Smyrna Beach

Saturday, **September 18th**

8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Donuts & Coffee for a donation

Sit-down breakfast at C’s Waffles

(if desired)

See You There!!

Plan Ahead

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

1) FUN RUN: Join us for a good time on Sunday, October 17th at an afternoon of fun and competition, all while in your car. This fun event MAY involve dice, cards, corn-hole, basketball, ring toss, bean bag, poker chips or other unknowns. Only Jamie and Ken Hawes (the planners) know for sure. All you need to do is follow the directions they will give us. More specifics next month.

2) A GET-A-WAY TO AMELIA

ISLAND: Everyone needs a change of scenery, especially before the holiday season begins. That's why an overnite stay in Fernandina Beach on Amelia Island is just the answer!

From the time we leave on Sunday morning, November 7th and return on Monday, November 8th, we can learn about the history of this quaint town, enjoy a distillery tasting tour, dine at a waterfront restaurant, and take a scenic 2.5 hour boat ride. From the boat, we will see the Fernandina coastline, the wild horses on Cumberland Island, historic Fort Clinch (a fort built for the Civil War, but never used), and other points of interest, all from the water.

The Hampton Inn is right in the heart of the downtown historic section within a block of the river's edge, so all activities are within walking distance. (Lots of ice cream shops nearby, too.) Those of you interested in architecture will find much to appreciate in this town that served under eight different flags. The price for a king room will be \$159 (plus 12% tax) for a limited time only, so John will have to know if you are

seriously interested in making the trip by our meeting on September 21st to reserve your spot. Incidentals, such as the boat tour and the history tour will run about \$40-45 per person. You will have lots of time to visit the shops on your own.

You've been saving your money during all that time you were wary of Covid-19 and didn't go anywhere. Now is the time to spend some of it. Sign up for this exciting adventure to Amelia Island, just about a 2 ½ to 3 hour drive north.

Reviews

DOTR TO TITUSVILLE:

A drive to Titusville was a great way to kick off the month of August. Gary and Cindy Swanson, Liz and Edie Byrne, John and Rose Pona, Pat Wall, Ed and Jean Doyle, Bill Simmons, led the way in the Corvettes, followed by Bill Geize, and Bill and Evelyn Neway in "other" vehicles. Sometimes, traffic lights can be a bit tricky, trying to stay together, and word has it that those "other" vehicles missed the turn to go under the bridge and proceeded over the bridge. However, they quickly discovered the error of their ways and joined the rest of us, who were still busy parking. The weather was a hot and steamy 91 degrees, and although dining outside on the banks of the Indian River looked inviting, we were all happy to be seated indoors in the air-conditioning. Situated under the bridge, Pier 220 is mainly a seafood restaurant, with a few other choices here and there. Reviews of the food were mixed, some complaining that the portions were quite small, and service was sketchy at best. Some felt it was a great place, with great food and service. Everyone agreed on the wonderful view. All said and done, it was a nice trip south with very little

traffic, and a great way to start off the last full month of summer.

This & That

New Flag: Many thanks to Edie and Liz for regaining possession of our American flag from T.G.I.F Friday's. However, due to the fading that occurred from being placed in front of a sunny window for years, our flag was in desperate need. The membership decided it was time to purchase a new one, so perhaps, by the next meeting, we will have a brand-new American Flag.



Sad News: Those of you who have been in the club for a while, remember Jim and Ginny Quinn, who were actually instrumental in the founding of the Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona. It is with much sadness that I announce the passing of their son, Steely. Our hearts, thoughts, and deepest condolences are with the Quinns.

Election: We are still looking to fill the Secretary position. Come on, people, someone needs to step up. The Secretary duties will only include taking and reading minutes, and any required correspondence necessary (which isn't much – maybe a thank-you-note here or there). That's it. Please consider it. We are an equal opportunity employer. Nowhere does it say a Secretary needs to be a female.

New Position: John has appointed Jean Doyle to be in charge of Membership (which includes

prospective member contact, welcoming visitors at events, new member packets, and member email notices). She will continue to write the Newsletter, and coordinate the website.

Happy News: After begging those at the meeting to supply news about anything going on in their lives, I received some great feedback:



Ken and Jamie are planning a trip to Gatlinburg and Dollywood in TN soon.



John and Rose Pona are planning a wedding celebration for their daughter and her new husband in December.



Bill and Evelyn Neway will be taking a trip to Iceland for the wedding of Bill's daughter.



Del and Patty Fot rescued and adopted an abused kitten. Named Captain MayDay, the kitty has won their hearts.



Brenda Johnson and Julius Frittelli will be making a trip to the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green for the 27th Anniversary Celebration



Gary and Cindy Swanson have been vacationing in New York for the month of August.

Welcome Back: It was so great to see Anita Slaton, Art and Leslie Armstrong, Vin and Tracy Giglio, and Del and Patty Fot at the August meeting. We have missed you all. Past members Rick and Sheila Minor joined us at the meeting. So nice to see old friends.

Money Winner: The big money winner from the 50/50 drawing was Julius, who pocketed \$33.50. It should come in handy on your trip to Bowling Green.

Birthday Wishes go to Linda Wolff on the 14th and a TRIPLE celebration for Ed Doyle, Shirley Gerstel, and Bud Mullennix on the 23rd. May there be many more to come.



Vettes Etc.

DID YOU KNOW? All car owners, including Corvette owners know you are supposed to take it easy for the first 500 miles driven to break the car in gently. But did you know that the C8 actually “locks” the car, so to speak, until you hit that 500-mile mark, keeping you from over-working the engine during this break-in period?

10 THINGS YOU MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT YOUR C-7

Since the majority of our members drive a C7 (2014 – 2019), here are a few tips you may not be aware of:

1. The cup holder divider is removable.
2. The car will remind you to shut off your turn signal after ¾ mile. (A good one for Floridians.)
3. If you find HUD distracting, you can turn it off by holding down the image brightness ‘down’ button.

4. There is a keyhole above the rear license plate to open the hatch in case of a dead battery.
5. Remote start can turn on heated or ventilated seats.
6. Remote start only lasts 10 minutes, but if you repeat the process during the first 10 minutes, the time can be extended to 20 minutes.
7. The chime volume is adjustable.
8. The rear window defogger turns off after 10 minutes. If turned on again, it will shut off after 5 minutes.
9. With the windows rolled down and the alarm set, reaching into the car will set off the alarm. (Jean definitely needs to learn this tip.)
10. On the navigation screen, tap on the vehicle icon to have the current address overlaid on the map.

Fun Corner



What do you call a retired Marine in a Chevy sports car?
A Corps vet in a Corvette.



What do you call a Corvette following a Camaro at high speeds?
Chevy Chase



How did the Corvette driver want to be buried?
Just two inches lower.