

Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona The "Talepipe" Newsletter



APRIL 2021

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Our monthly meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month (through June, 2021) at the Hidden Lakes Golf Club, 35 Fairgreen Ave., New Smyrna Beach. If this location changes, it will be noted in the body of the Newsletter. 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 A Busy Month

APRIL 4TH IS EASTER SUNDAY:
Enjoy the day. Happy Easter to all.



"All I got was a chocolate bunny and some
some chocolate eggs."

READY, SET, PUTT.....April means it's time for our annual miniature golf tournament. Come on out, enjoy the ocean breezes, and have a little fun. Round 1 begins on Tuesday, **April 6th** at

Pirates Cove on A1A in Ormond Beach. Meet at the course in time to check in at 7:00 p.m. The rules are simple and will be discussed at that time. There are 6 rounds, and if you



play all 6, you can drop your two worst games as only 4 are counted in the competition. Even if you feel you can't commit to all 6 rounds or even 4, play what you can, even if it's just a game or two. We play for fun.....the competition is just an added bonus. Remember, you do not have to be a good golfer (few of us are) to compete in a friendly little rivalry on the golf course. And the best part of the evening just might be the trip to the ice cream parlor following the game. Round 2 will take place on Friday, April 9th at Congo River on A1A in Daytona Beach Shores. Round 3 will be played on Tuesday, April 13th at Pirates Island on A1A in Port Orange, and Round 4 is back at Pirates Cove in Ormond Beach on Friday, April 16th. Cancellations due to weather will be determined by our president and an email will be sent out. The entire schedule can be found on the club's calendar linked from the Home Page. Some courses offer group rates but watch local publications for coupons. Let's wear our collared

club shirts at least for the first round. After that, depending on your laundry schedule, you may wear your club shirt or any favorite Corvette shirt.

DINING ON THE RUN TO FLAGLER:

April Showers bring May flowers, but we hope the rain will stay away while we enjoy breakfast outside on the deck at the Hi Tulip Café in Flagler Beach. The third time is the charm, so after two cancelations to this restaurant, one for a hurricane and one for Covid-19, we are set to make the April visit a reality. We will leave from Beall's in Ormond at 7:30 a.m. on Sunday, **April 11th** and take the scenic route up the coast.



BAR-B-QUE PICNIC TIME: Come one,



come all to the annual Bar-B-Que picnic on Saturday, **April 24th** at Reed Canal Park in South Daytona. The picnic will again be catered by Dustin's, who won the hearts and stomachs of the

Corvette Cruisers in the past. The picnic will run from 11:00 to 2:00, so come on out and enjoy this FREE dinner on the club. How often do you hear the words "free" and "dinner" in the same sentence? (DIRECTIONS: If you are coming from the south, enter the parking lot off of Nova Road on the right just PAST the lake. If you are coming from the north, drive PAST Reed Canal Road and make a U-turn on Nova, since Nova is a divided road at this point. (DO NOT turn onto Reed Canal Rd.) Enter the parking lot on the right PAST the lake. Pavilion #1 is at the end of the parking lot on the left. Club shirts are NOT required. Dress comfortably. Alcohol of any kind

is not permitted in the park. Sweetened and unsweetened tea will be available. John will be taking a count of those planning to attend.

Reviews

DINING ON THE RUN TO DELAND:

Another beautiful day was in store as twelve members took their 'Vettes on an enjoyable drive to DeLand. Sparrows Grill at Victoria Hills welcomed us (Liz, Edie, Gary, Cindy, Bud, Mary, John P., Rose, Bill S., Bonita, Ed and Jean) to Sunday Brunch with a complimentary Mimosa or Bloody Mary. (The Mimosas beat the Bloody Marys 7 to 5. There were several dining choices available for the brunch, and the portions were quite generous. Everyone expressed delight with their selections. This restaurant has a really lovely dining room, and the spacious windows overlooking the greens of the golf course made for a very enjoyable dining experience. Perhaps it was just the Luck of the Irish that our March DOTR was another Perfect day. Be sure to check out the photos in the Gallery for a peek into Sparrows Grill, including the menu for a possible trip on your own. Sparrow's Grille gets a thumbs up from the Corvette Cruisers.

Spring Turkey Run will be reviewed in next month's Newsletter as it occurred beyond the deadline date. Hopefully, Mother Nature will be kind and give us some good weather and good attendance.

This & That

Missing Members --- Where Are You?

Several of our club members have been missing in action. We haven't seen Del and Patty Fot or Shirley Gerstel since November, nor Art and Leslie Armstrong since the Christmas party. We miss you and want you to come back to meetings or an activity. Bob and Linda Wolff have been absent due to Covid confinement, and George and Penny Weissgerber have been recovering from some medical issues. We definitely miss you also but understand your absence. To use an old saying, just a wee bit altered...We can't spell CLUB without U. Hurry back soon!

Birthdays are always fun to celebrate, and those celebrating during the month of April are Bill Geize on the 3rd, Gary Swanson on the 7th, Mary Mullennix and the 19th and Bill Simmons on the 21st. Happy Birthday to all.



Anniversaries are fun to celebrate too, and the two couples who will be celebrating in April are Ken and Jamie Hawes and Bud and Mary Mullennix. Congratulations!

Show me the Money: Well, we showed Bill Geize the money, as he (an old regular at winning) took home a nice, cool \$32.50 in the 50/50 drawing for March. (And he's not even Irish! So much for Irish Luck.)



Visitors: Three couples from a Corvette Club out of Iowa joined us for our March meeting. These guests make coming to the Daytona area on vacation a yearly event, and as they have done in the past, they stopped by to say hello and joined us at a meeting. Their club has over 180 members, so coming to a meeting with about 20 members, was undoubtedly a pretty big change.



Follow-up - Big News: Our president is toying with the idea of a summer road trip to pay back the visit to the Iowa Corvette club mentioned above. Heading up north for a week during the month of July would be a fun drive in our Corvettes. John will map it out, and bring his ideas to the next club meeting.

See you Soon: Our snowbirds are flying the coop sometime this month. Bud and Mary Mullennix will be returning to Michigan for the summer. We will all be thinking about you as we endure the heat and humidity of Florida. Safe travels.



'Vette Etc.

By Jean

Get out of the way, C8 Corvettes coming through!

If you're out shopping for a new car, you might want to use caution around Chevy dealerships because, for the second month in a row, 2021 Stingrays are rolling out of the showrooms faster than any other vehicle in America.

That's the word from iSeeCars.com.

Analyzing more than 1.2 million new and used cars sold in February 2021, iSeeCars.com found the average new car takes 48.9 days to sell and the average used car takes 42 days to sell.

Not so with the hot new Corvette.

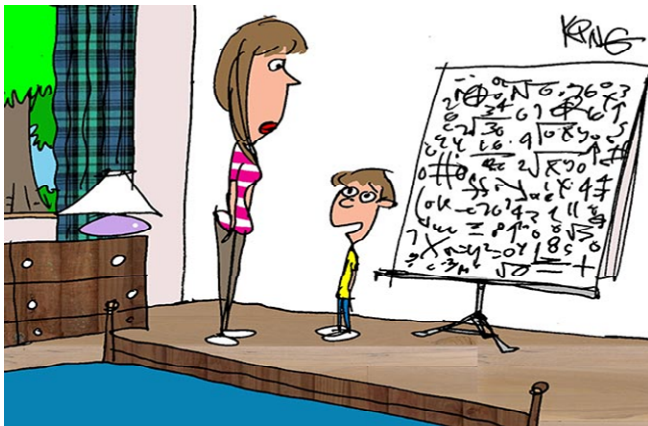
In January 2021, the Stingray took an average of 10 days to sell once it arrived at the dealer. In February, that number climbed to 13.1 days – but still more than enough to hold onto its title ahead of the Lexus IS 350 at 14.5 days and the Lexus RX 450H at 15.2 days.

OH, AND BY THE WAY..... IF YOU FOUND SOMETHING TO BE A LITTLE FISHY AND/OR SUSPICIOUS IN ANYTHING YOU READ, IT MIGHT BE BECAUSE IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR.....

APRIL FOOL!

(Don't think anyone will be rushing to sign up to drive their 'Vette to Iowa. We sometimes have trouble getting members to sign up to drive their 'Vette to DeLand.)

Fun Corner



"I did the math. I've provided you with enough tech-support for you to buy me a Corvette. Since your my parents, I'll cut you a break. I'll take a used one." www.iSeeCars.com

