

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.

Daytona 500 Party @ the Quinn's: 2.20.11



As race driver Jackie Stewart (do you remember him?) would say "It's a grrrate grrrrate day for racing." (said with a Scottish accent). Jim served his Sloppy Joes and those that attended brought some great eats. Four TV's allowed everyone that wanted to see the race have an excellent view. The "race pool" was sold out in no time. Some liked the drivers they had, some did not. The two car draft made for some exciting times and the lead changed often. The "pool" allows the opportunity for the holder of first place and the holder of last place to take home some of the pot. Wouldn't you know it, Jean had both the drivers. Congratulations Jean. How 'bout that rookie!
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Tom Gibbs Corvette/Camaro Car Show: 3.12.11



A good turn out for the show as the club had 11 cars and 17 members present. It was a cool and very bright day and the sun really glistened off the shiny cars. Attending were

Frank & Leanne, Art & Leslie (both cars), Ed & Jean, Tim & Lois, Steve & Anita, John & Alice, Dave, John R, Warren, Jackie, and Chuck. The club probably had a new milestone as the club won the 50/50 for the 2nd year in a row as Frank won \$183. Lois was the winner last year. If you were around at the right moment, you would have seen Art giving dancing lessons or maybe he was just excited his car had started that morning. A good point of the show was that it lasted only 4 hours. See photos in the *Gallery*.

BOTR: Downwind Café – Spruce Creek Fly-in: 3.13.11



A very nice morning greeted 13 folks and 7 Corvettes at the Target Plaza in Port Orange. Ed & Jean took the lead as we all headed over to the Spruce Creek Fly-in. After stopping at the Fly-in entry gate, Lars took up the lead to the actual restaurant. I make a habit of stopping at all stops signs but the last one before the restaurant was very important. It indicated that airplanes had the right-of-way. We crossed the runway twice before actually parking across the runway from Downwinds. We had a short wait as

the place was very crowded but the food was very good – worth the wait. Making the trip in their Corvettes were Bob & Sadie, Frank & Leanne, Art & Leslie, Dave & Maya, Ed & Jean, Lars & Carole, and John R. Sally met us at the restaurant. See photos in the *Gallery*.

Club Meeting: 3.15.11

- GUESTS - Bonita Richardson and Bill Simmons who live in Edgewater. They have a 2007 Velocity Yellow Coupe – WELCOME!
- Mini-golf schedule was distributed – coupon book holders bring your coupons. See rules and schedule on the home page
- 5.14 Ponce Inlet 5th Annual Vettes at the Light car show – not a club event. Registration closes 4.30. See: <http://www.picorvetteclub.com/>
- 5.15 LOTR- Horse and Hound, Ocala
- 5.21 club picnic at Reed Canal Park, South Daytona
- 8.16-8.18 NCM event at the NASCAR HOF
- 1.23.12 Cruise: 4 night Royal Caribbean \$375 inside, \$420 port hole
- John D. suggested trip to Roger's Corvettes to his personal collection
- John D. advised Goodyear is having tire sale – save \$160 on 4 and double if Goodyear credit card is used
- Lars bought desert for everyone – Thanks Lars
- John L. had his right shoulder replaced on 3.15
- April birthday cheers go to Carole Connelly, Jack Kiember, Alice Luther, and Carol Ruland – Alice & Jack share the same day
- Lucky guests again as Bonita picked Bill's ticket to win \$16
- See upcoming events below.

Dinner Night Out (DNO) D. B. Pickles: 3.22.11



We will be meeting at the restaurant at 6:00 PM. The address is 400 South Nova Road Ormond Beach. It is on the west side of Nova Road. Check out the menu via: <http://www.dbpickles.net/>. Club shirts are not necessary.

Daytona Beach Car Show: 3.25>27



The club will have the club tent up and once again welcoming all members and guests to a good time looking at all the Corvettes plus hundreds of other cars – many for sale. There will be an email sent in March advising what is happening when. Stay tuned. Check out the web site at: <http://daytonabeachcarshows.com/>

BOTR: McCharacters – New Smyrna Beach 4.3



We will meet at the Sunshine Park Mall, South Daytona, at 10:30 am. Come to enjoy a great brunch/lunch. Checkout the menu via <http://www.mccharacters.com>

BOD Meeting: Armstrong's Wednesday 4.13

Any member is welcome to the meeting. Call Art if you plan on being there.

ROAD TRIP - ROAD TRIP: NASCAR Hall of Fame 4.29>5.1



Right now there are 3 couples from the club headed to the HOF – Compton's, Quinn's, and the Ruland's. Prior club members,

Fritz's and Turner's are going to meet us there. You need to have signed up with the hotel by the end of March to get the room discount of \$99.

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Room rate: \$99.00

Group Code: CGD or Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona

Hotel Sales Coordinator: Charlotte Gilchrist

Dates: April 29, 30, Friday & Saturday, checking out Sunday, May 1st

Photo of the Month:

The chassis was built in 1968. The 'Mako Shark' was a special edition Corvette available through the local dealership. Jack Head Chevrolet was the original sponsor (southern California). The best run time was 7.68 a 191.08 in 1969. (Photo courtesy of Drag Racing Memories; info from Dennis Doubleday, Draglist files, and Don Montgomery's Dragster and Funny Car Memories).

Photos this month provided by John R., Tim, and Bob.