

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.

BOTR: Another beautiful day for a drive. The club motored from Beall's to Aunt Catfish's for a delicious breakfast buffet. We enjoyed a walk out on the dock after we ate to enjoy the sunshine, cool breezes and friendly conversations. After we got back in our Vettes we took a short cruise south along the river. Another Friends, Fun and Food event.

May 6th we will meet at the Sunshine Park Mall in South Daytona at 10:30 to cruise on down to Dixie Crossroads for lunch. Notice a change in location of where we normally meet. We will return via the wilderness preserve.



Golf: The first round of the Corvette Cruisers Mini Golf Classic kicked off April 20th at Mystic Harbor Miniature Golf in Port Orange. Too bad

the rain moved in and cancelled. Round two was played at the Pirates Cove Miniature Golf in Ormond. Sadie, last year's champ, played with the golden putter. Leslie made a great come back effort scoring the low total for the evening with a 39. Look out Sadie, Leslie wants that putter back. Eleven showed up for the round. We were joined by prospective new members Gene and Julie. The girls lead off with Leslie, Sadie, Shirley, Julie, and Ginny, followed by the guys, Tim, John R., Bob, Gene, Chuck and Jim. Bob and John R. had the low scores for the guys with a 42. One interesting fact, of the 11 players there were 18 hole-in-ones on this round.



If you haven't yet joined in on the fun, check the website for the date, time and location of the rest of the tournament locations.

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(www.corvettesnccc.org). Florida Region web site at (www.ncccsouth.com).**

Guests: We were honored by the presence of four guests at the April meeting. Gene and Julie Swenson found us on our website and brought along their friends Ken and Jan Modzelewski to the meeting. Gene and Julie have a '96 Collectors Edition and Ken and Jan an '05. We hope to see them all again soon.

Business Cards: Sadie took charge and went out and had some business cards made up for her. She had her cards personalized with her name address and phone number. She then worked a deal where members can have their own cards printed at a special price. If you would like to have cards made up, go the One Hour Printing at 661 Beville Rd in South Daytona. You can have 100 cards printed in full color for \$12.95 plus tax. For \$6.00 more you can even have your Vette printed on the card.

We are also looking in to having some generic cards printed for the club.

Autocross: North Florida Corvette Club is using our sanctions to hold an event on May 19th at Green Cove Springs. They have invited us to help with the event and share in the money collected. Bob C. is coordinating our assistance and if you would like to participate please contact him. This will be an all day event where we leave early to drive up there and probably not return till late afternoon or early evening.

B-Day: You can have cake and eat it too. Ginny would like to invite everyone to come back to the house after our golf game on May 4th to help celebrate her turning 60. She may require some help blowing out that many candles. Cake and a beverage will be served.

Speaking of Birthdays: Everyone is requested to send Leslie your birthday date (you can leave out the year if you like). We would like to start recognizing monthly birthdays at future club meetings.

50/50: Bob C. had the winning ticket and received \$22.00. Guest Ken Modzelewski drew the winning ticket.

The 789 C6: (Pictured below) Combining design elements from different classic Chevrolet models, the 789 shows the world that you really can't have enough of a good thing. The 789 looks instantly iconic because it is a melding of 1957, 1958 and 1959 Chevys. Who says you can't have it all, time tested classic design and up-to-date performance and reliability. This vehicle is built on a 2005-2007 Corvette C6 chassis, virtually the same chassis that won its class at the 24 hours of LeMans for the past few years and is known in the car world as the best value in a performance chassis ever produced.



To learn more about the 789 car or to order your own visit www.n2amotors.com.

CCGD Trip to Cedar Key – Bob Compton: It was a dark and stormy night - right - not in Florida. It was really quite bright and pleasant day as Chuck and Shirley, Tim and Lois, and Bob and Sadie hit the road for Cedar Key. While only 3 Vettes were traveling across the state on route 40, it was still impressive - a C4, a C5, and a C6. Tim knew of a short cut around Ocala which took us by their old house as well as driving us through horse country - very nice!

We arrived in Cedar Key and found our weekend home at the Island Place which is a multi-building condo right on the water. Tim, Lois, Sadie and I shared a 2-bedroom place while Chuck and Shirley had a single bedroom place in the building next door. Our place had a swing chair on the balcony which got used a lot. We got settled and hit the street looking for whatever excitement we could find. We did not find any as the

town is very small, quite, and peaceful. We toured several shops and just looked around. We did stop at Coconuts for a drink. It was almost dinner time and we were standing in front of the Island Hotel which advertised a restaurant so in we went. It was a very old hotel with a crooked and creaky floor but no apparent ghosts – at least not a 4:30 pm. The hotel was established in 1859. The six of us were the first group of folks in the restaurant but it filled up quickly as we were eating our delicious fish dinners. The walls were nicely decorated with pictures and paintings done by local artists. There was a ton of food so we just waddled back to the condo to relax.

Saturday morning found Tim and Sadie making Belgium waffles – wow were they good as were the mimosas. After breakfast everyone but Bob hit the shops again. Bob hung around the condo watching the boats go in and out of the harbor and reading a mystery novel. Lunch was free-for-all. After lunch, Sadie and I took a sightseeing tour boat ride so we could see the Cedar Key lighthouse – at least the top of it. The lighthouse is really on Seahorse Key and it is only accessible via boat. Seahorse Key is part of a US park system and is closed at this time of year due to birds nesting. So, we just got a remote view of it about 100 yards offshore. We also saw WHITE pelicans which are larger than the normal brown pelicans we have in Daytona. Upon our return, it was time for a nap. Later we all spent some more time on the balcony having drinks and talking. For dinner, we all went to the Sea Breeze restaurant where we received another good dinner although the service was a little slow. We sat upstairs which provided a great view overlooking the water.



Sunday morning I got up early to get some nice pictures of the sunrise on the buildings and then it was time to start packing and then it was time to go to breakfast. Breakfast was at a small restaurant upstairs overlooking the water but I do not recall its

name. It was good though. Once breakfast was over, it was back to the condo to check out. Chuck Shirley, Tim and Lois headed back home while Sadie and I headed south to Tarpon Springs to catch another lighthouse. Chuck had indicated that Tarpon Springs was a Greek neighborhood and sure enough when we got there, there was a Greek parade going on. We did another tour boat ride to Anclote key to remotely see Anclote Key lighthouse. None of the tour boats were currently landing on the key. We left Tarpon Springs and headed northeast to Brooksville then east to Orlando and finally back home.



It was a nice weekend with Corvette friends.

Last Month's Picture of the Month: This is a spy shot of the long rumored 650 HP supercharged 'Super Corvette', code named Blue Devil. The latest rumors are suggesting its arrival in 2009, with production names such as SS, ZO7, and Stingray still being tossed around.

