

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

OCTOBER DINING ON THE RUN

If you're looking for a fun-filled dining adventure, come on down to the Orleans Bistro & Bar in Titusville to enjoy some Cajun food with an authentic New Orleans flair. We will leave from the Sunshine Park Mall on Rt. 1 in South Daytona at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 1st. Please wear your orange or blue club shirts.

For those of you who have an older Corvette and don't wish to drive the distance, come in your other car. Remember that we are a social club, and we want you to come be with us. After all we are really an "Eating Club with a Corvette problem," so come join us for the eating part.

TRUNK OR TREAT

On Thursday, October 26th, New Smyrna Beach Chevrolet will be hosting a Trick or Treat party for kids and an Italian food meal for us. Be at the dealership on Rt. 44 with your shined up Corvette

at 3:15 p.m. for a late lunch or early dinner catered by Don Giovanni's. Jeremy will furnish all the candy to give out and decorations for your car (if you wish). We will have our cars displayed with the treats in the trunk. Come join us.

SUNRISE/SUNSET:

By now you have made your reservations for our trip from sea to shining sea....uh, make that gulf. All the reserved rooms have been spoken for, so we should have a fun group. The September Newsletter provided a broad overview of the itinerary, and the November edition will provide any specific information you will need to know. All we need is some cooperation from the SUN to ensure we see the SUN rise and the SUN set.!

Reviews

HURRICANE PIZZA

Our Pizza Party at Giuseppe's turned into a Hurricane Party as Hurricane Idalia came

knocking at the door. As we arrived, the winds started picking up although the clouds were still at bay. By the time we left, however, the rain came thundering down as one of the many bands came roaring through. In a short time, the rain subsided, but the remainder of the night offered more of the same as Mother Nature made herself known. The brave souls enjoying the night out were Bill and Joan Rowe, John and Sally Doria, Julius Frittelli and Brenda Johnson, Don and Susan Veatch, Khalid Akkari and friend Vicky, Arnie Ligi and A.J. Marquardt, Keith and Cindy Hardin, John and Rose Pona (the only ones in their Corvette), and Jean Doyle.

SEPTEMBER DOTR

While original plans had us going to the Grille at Riverview for the monthly Dining on the Run, a few adjustments had to be made when John was notified that they would be closed for some remodeling. (Didn't this same thing happen when we attempted to dine at the Spruce Creek Fly-In? Sounds like something about our group coming to eat instills the need to remodel LOL.) A quick change of plans had us ending up at Sparrows Grille at Victoria Hills Country Club. It was a beautiful day, so the drive to DeLand was welcomed. Breakfast was good, as was the service, but the "free" Mimosa or Bloody Mary became "not so free" when we discovered the prices had raised significantly...I guess, like everything else. The acoustics in the dining room left a lot to be desired for our noisy bunch as some of our members were seen holding their ears. Quiet came when the food came. Enjoying the morning were John and Sally, Keith and Cindy, Bill and Joan, Bill and Bonita, Julius and Brenda, Bob and Linda Cornyn, Edie, Jean, Arnie and A.J., John and Rose, and Bob and Debbie.

In Memoriam

In memory of two of our dearly loved members who are no longer with us, the club remembered them as follows:

For Ed Doyle, who passed away in March, a donation was made to The National Leukemia Society in his memory.

And for Elizabeth (Liz) Byrne, who passed away in May, a donation was made to the Halifax Hospice Center of Ormond Beach in her memory.

Both Ed and Liz took a world of Corvette knowledge (and car knowledge in general) with them, and we will miss them so very, very, much.

Elections

Club elections will be taking place next month. At this point in time the club has an opening for Secretary. Please consider it and let John Pona or Keith Hardin know if you might be interested. Duties involve recording meeting minutes and drafting any club correspondence that may be needed. This office is not gender specific, so you guys, feel free to apply.



This & That

THIS JUST IN:

The Red Lobster has just announced the addition of Tequila Lime Shrimp to their Ultimate Endless Shrimp choices. This menu item is a favorite among our members, so I felt this new addition was certainly newsworthy. The Crispy Dragon Shrimp was quite popular last month.

BIG PAYOUT:

A big crowd at our meeting means a big payout for the lucky ticket holder. And the lucky ticket holder for September was Arni Ligi who pocketed a cool \$51 bucks. Remember that half of the money you spend on your chance to win will go to a charity, so buying a ticket is a win-win deal.

HERE'S YOUR SIGN:

BRENDA, SHIRLEY, EDIE, & JEAN



NEW ADDITION TO THE CORVETTE CLUB CORRAL:

Bud and Mary Mullennix not only returned from their summer hideaway in Michigan but arrived in style in a beautiful 2022 Red Mist Convertible. Welcome back and congratulations to you both and welcome also to that red C8.

HAPPY OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS TO:

10th Tracy Giglio
17th Bob Cornyn
20th Rose Pona
21st Bill Neway
24th John Ericsson
31st Jim Bauer

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

The Corvette Cruisers of Greater Daytona (31 years and still going strong)
Wayne and Diane MacLeod
Bill and Joan Rowe

BIKETOBERFEST:

Keep your eye out for motorcycles as Biketoberfest comes to town. The official dates are October 19-22, but they come early and stay late. So, always look twice before changing lanes. Bikes are beautiful and Corvettes are beautiful, but not smashed together. Stay safe!

CAR SHOWS AROUND:

The Flagler County Corvette Show is Saturday October 7 at the Tom Gibbs Dealership in Palm Coast. See specific information at www.flaglercountycorvetteclub.com

Corvette Clips

PRODUCTION TOTALS

The final total for the 2023 production year, which ended September 18th, is as follows:

Stingrays – 42,728
70th Anniversary – 4,570
Z06 – 5,191
70th Anniversary Z06 -1,004

SAFETY ASSURED:

Check out this photo -----



In a bizarre head-on crash involving a Chevy Silverado and a C8 Corvette coupe, the driver of the Corvette and the passenger walked away

unhurt despite the fact that the pickup literally climbed over it, thus proving how safe the mid-engine Chevy really is. The C8's detachable roof was off and stored in the trunk when the accident happened. It seems the A pillars are made stronger to protect the occupants' upper bodies from being crushed upon impact just in case something as heavy as a Silverado falls on it or in case the car rolls over as a result of an accident. The crossbar which connects both pillars did a lot of the heavy lifting if you look closely. Even the windshield, though shattered, looks in decent shape with an entire truck resting on its frame.

Fun Corner

Seen recently in the New Smyrna Beach area.... can you relate?

