

# Corvette Club of Nova Scotia

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## Membership Numbers

143 members, 5 of which are lifetime

166 cars

Welcome to our new members: NA

## Sneek Peak from the CCNS Annual Meeting ~ October 16, 2022

Reports were given on various activities during the year. A big thank you goes out to Joan Butt for her efforts in raising funds for **Ronald MacDonald House**. Greg Bowie's calendar sales netted \$1200 as part of our fundraising efforts. The club will be donating \$3000 for the 2022 year. The **pajama drive** will be held again this year and donations will be going to assist families in the Cape Breton area where Hurricane Fiona was so devastating for families. **Feed Nova Scotia will be our 2023 charity.**

A change to the constitution was made to enable the executive to spend up to \$2000 without requiring a vote from members. Also, the funding for members who hold events has been increased to \$175 for food purchases.

The Breakfast club will be starting up again this year. We will be meeting the 3rd Sunday of the month at **Sunnyside Restaurant in Bedford, starting November 20th at 10 am.**

**Stay tuned,** the full set of minutes will be sent out to members before November 30, 2022.

Kim Gilby, Secretary

C1 – 0	(1953-1062)
C2 – 3	(1963-1967)
C3 – 27	(1968-1982)
C4 – 15	(1984-1996)
C5 – 30	(1997-2004)
C6 – 44	(2005-2013)
C7 – 40	(2014-2019)
C8 – 7	(2020-present)



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"I could turn into a bat and fly to my destination. But thanks to my Corvette, I'm travelling in style!"

## Message from the President

Another CCNS season comes to a close with our annual AGM in Dartmouth back on October 16th.

There were approximately 40 members in total, in attendance. Most were couple members, with one membership, and therefore one vote.

This means club decisions are made from a small sampling of the 140+ memberships we currently have.

The executives have some new faces on board:

Our former VP, Jody Crook, Treasurer, Rick Latimer, and Director at Large, Tom Kennedy have all reached their 2, 2-year terms which requires them to step down from the position. Many thanks for their time, and effort, over the last four years to make our club organized and running smoothly.

Congratulations to the new Executives. All have accepted their respective nomination for the following roles:

## **NEW EXECUTIVES**

Vice President – Marvin "Sandy" Stoddard

Treasurer – David Kelly

Director at Large – Dean Langille

We also have a new Charity Coordinator – the fabulous Ferne Shaw.

Our out going Madame President will now fill the Past President's seat with our appreciation for her stepping-up last fall.

Oh, I guess I slipped back into the President's chair for another round – much obliged.

Another hot topic at the meeting was on sponsorship. We modified the sponsor structure to accommodate the increase interest from companies willing to support our Maritime Meet. The details will be laid out in another section of this newsletter.

In closing, I was informed by Lounsbury that they will be receiving the first 2023 Z06 Corvette in December and plan to invite the local Corvette Clubs to check it out. It will be Accelerate Yellow. I will pass on the details as soon as they are available.

So, enjoy the last days of the 2022 Corvette season (if you haven't already winterized your baby(s)), and I hope to see a great turn out at the Club Breakfasts – every 3rd Sunday at the Sunnyside restaurant in Bedford, starting November 20th at 10:00.

Take care,  
Ivan Hines, President  
Corvette Club of Nova Scotia

# Vette Bios

Each Newsletter we would like to feature “your Corvette Bio” story. Where you have the opportunity to share your unique introduction into the Vette world – let us know how you came to own your first Corvette and any that followed. You can send your stories to Ivan, Darleen or any member of the Executive.

## Randy O'Connell's Bio

My name is Randy O'Connell. I wear many hats. I'm a propane service technician and have worked with Irving oil for the past 26 years.

However, my most important titles are husband, father, and Papa. My wife Tammy and I have two beautiful daughters, and three gorgeous grandchildren whom I adore.

Our life is full of blessings.

My passions are hunting, fishing, gardening, anything with family and of course cars!

I was fortunate enough to buy my C6 Corvette 7 years ago, and have enjoyed it immensely. In my younger days I had owned other cool cars like a Z28 Camaro, but owning a Corvette was always my dream car. When I saw it listed online, I had to go check it out. We bought it that day.

It has brought to us a great circle of friends, who are like family, and many great adventures.

They say the joy is in the journey, and so far its been a good one! I look forward to many more!

Randy O'Connell  
2006 Corvette Coupe





## There's a first for everything...

**First Corvette with V-8 power:** 1955, Chevy debuted its new optional 265-cubic-inch small-block V-8.

**First Corvette coupe:** C2 Corvette debuted in 1963 with two body styles, a convertible and a coupe with the famous split rear window. Of the 21,513 Corvettes built that year, 10,594 were split-window coupes.

**First Corvette with independent rear suspension:** 1963, the sports car's 10th year of production, the C2 became the first Corvette with an independent rear suspension.

**First Corvette with fuel injection:** 1957 Chevy enlarged the Corvette's small-block from 265 cubic inches to 283. The top-of-the-range "Fuelie" with the Ramjet mechanical fuel injection system was the first fuel-injected production Corvette.

**First Corvette with disc brakes:** Chevy wouldn't add the technology to the production Corvette until 1965. Four-wheel discs became standard that year.

**First big-block Corvette:** 1965 The L78 396-cubic-inch V-8 had an iron block and heads, an aluminum intake manifold, solid lifters, and big Holley carburetor. With 425 hp it was the most powerful Corvette up to that time.

**First Corvette with triple carburetion:** The first production Corvette with triple carburetion was the very first Corvette in 1953.

**First Corvette with dual quads:** Although the Corvette had used multiple carburetion since 1953, in '56 came its first dual quad V-8 rated at 225 hp.

**First Corvette with T-tops:** Every Corvette coupe built from 1968–82 had T-tops. The removable panels were fiberglass and body color until 1978, when tinted glass panels were offered as an option.

**First Corvette Stingray:** Sting Ray (two words) was first used on the 1963 Corvette and remained throughout the C2 generation. The C3 debuted in 1968 without the Sting Ray name, but it reappeared on the fenders of the 1969 model as one word, Stingray. It would remain there until 1976.

**First Corvette with an aluminum engine block:** Today every new Corvette is powered by an all-aluminum engine, but the first production Corvette to use this weight-saving technology was the 1969 ZL1 model.

**First Corvette with a functional hood scoop:** The first Corvette with a functional hood scoop was the 1967 model with the L88 427 engine option. Only 20 were produced.

**First Corvette without a trunk:** 1963–82 the Corvette did not have a trunk. The small cargo area behind the seats, a very tiny area in the convertibles, had to be accessed from inside the interior.

**First Corvette with a transaxle:** 1997, Chevy engineers moved from a traditional transmission location, which is bolted to the engine, to a transaxle design that moves the gearbox to the rear of the car.

**First Corvette with 17-inch wheels and tires:** In 1988, Corvettes with the Z51 and Z52 suspensions and all 35th Anniversary models wore 17 x 9.5-inch aluminum wheels.

**First Corvette with DOHC:** There has been only one production Corvette with a double overhead cam engine. That was the ZR-1 produced from 1990–95.

**First Corvette with more than 700 hp:** Today's 2019 Corvette ZR1 (no hyphen) is the first production Corvette with more than 700 hp.

**First Corvette over \$20,000:** With a base price of \$22,537.59, the 1982 Collector Edition Corvette became the first Corvette with an MSRP higher than \$20,000.

**First Corvette Rally Wheels:** Chevy's Rally Wheels became a fixture on C3 Corvettes for many years, and they are still popular today. But Rally Wheels actually debuted on the C2. In 1967, they made their first appearance on the Corvette as the standard wheel.

**First Corvette with four-speed transmission:** Corvette's first four-speed manual transmission, the T-10 manufactured by Borg Warner, was a \$188.30 option in 1957—exactly the same price as an optional two-speed Powerglide automatic.

**First Corvette aluminum wheels:** Although the cast-aluminum knock-off wheels appeared in the promotions for the all-new 1963 Corvette, a manufacturing problem kept the wheels from being produced until 1964, when they became an option.

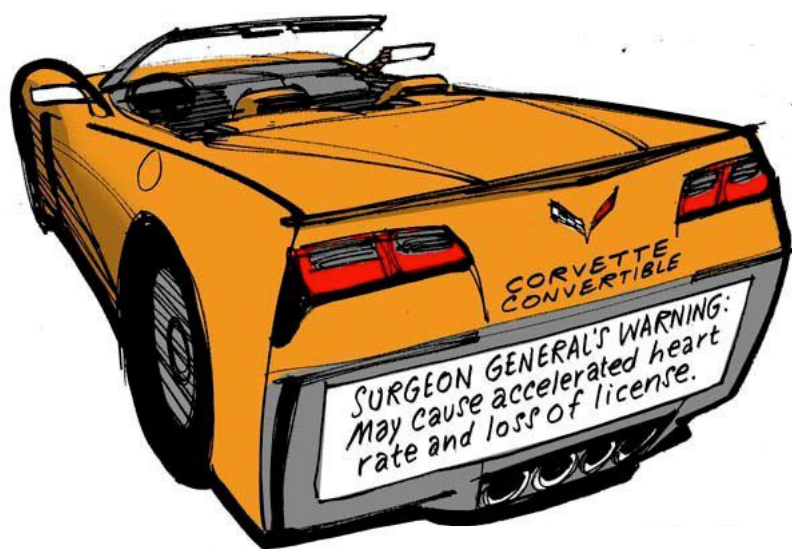
**First Corvette with hideaway headlights:** Designed by Larry Shinoda and Peter Brock, under the watch of GM Styling Chief Bill Mitchell, the 1963 Corvette became the first with hideaway headlamps.

**First supercharged Corvette:** Superchargers have been used on the Corvette since the 2009 ZR1. That year the LS9 6.2-liter V-8 made 638 hp and was the most powerful American car up to that time. It was also the first Corvette with more than 600 hp.

**First Corvette Indy 500 pace car:** A Corvette has paced the Indianapolis 500 an incredible 14 times, more than any other car. But the relationship wasn't fully formed until 1978, the Corvette's 25th year of production.

**First Corvette to race at Le Mans:** In 1960, Sportsman racer Briggs Cunningham, a man who would eventually build and race cars of his own design, took three Corvettes to the 24 Hours of LeMans.

Abbreviated submission straight from the internet – for full details see: <https://www.hagerty.com/media/market-trends/25-corvette-facts-every-enthusiast-should-know/>



## 2023 Schedule of Events

(to be updated as dates and runs are known/confirmed)

Date	Event	Host(s)
Breakfast Club	Every third Sunday at 10:00 – starting November 20, 2022	Sunnyside Restaurant (Bedford)
TBD	HRM Wednesday night runs	Calvin Pearce
April 21-23, 2023	Speed Sport	NB
May 7, 2023	First run of the season	Orrie
June 1-4, 2023	VOCM Bar Harbor Tour	VOCM
June 19, 2023	Lounsbury Car Show (tentative)	Moncton
June 25, 2023	Eastern Shore Run	David Kelly
June 2023 (TDB)	Cram the Corvette – Yarmouth	Greg Bowie
July 5-9, 2023	Moncton Nationals	Moncton
July 14-15, 2023	Maritime Meet – Yarmouth	Ivan Hines
August 2023	VetteFest (tentative)	PEI
September 10, 2023	South Shore Run	Randy Eisnor
September 29-30, 2023	Moon Glow Poker Run	CSNB

Interested in hosting a run? Follow the link for more details: [https://www.corvetteclubofnovascotia.ca/\\_files/ugd/818ec0\\_24c2d8253f344a6c93799daca835a8d4.pdf](https://www.corvetteclubofnovascotia.ca/_files/ugd/818ec0_24c2d8253f344a6c93799daca835a8d4.pdf)

Any further questions please contact our Events Coordinator, David Publicover at [dgp@eastlink.ca](mailto:dgp@eastlink.ca)

Note: **National Corvette Museum April Bash** – Plant tours etc., tickets can be booked starting the 25th of October.

### Antique Automobile Club of America Show – Hersey, Pennsylvania

Saturday Oct. 1st, I left for Hershey in my '93 Corvette. For security and weather protection I installed the hardtop.

Lot's of weekend traffic but an uneventful trip. My destination was the annual Hershey antique car show and swap meet/flea market. They claim this to be the worlds largest event of it's type.

For anyone who has not been to this event, this is a giant event. The flea market is approximately 1 mile long by 1/2 mile wide. Along one edge of the vendor stalls there is the car corral with cars for sale.

On the last day (Friday) there is a separate event called the show field where cars are displayed for viewing and to be judged. Antiques are 25 years old and older so there is something for everyone. (Lots of videos on 'You tube' if you want to see more.)

On Sunday morning early I left for home. Light traffic and excellent weather made an enjoyable return trip.

Dave Killam



## Atlantic Canada Corvette Club (ACCC) Notables

The fall edition of the ACCC was attended by 4 club representatives:

Roger Cormier – Greater Moncton Corvette Club (GMCC) President (Roger Bourgeois also in attendance)  
Kingsley Lewis – Prince Edward Island Corvette Club (PEICC) Event Coordinator (President Errol Callbeck was not available)

Corvettes of Southern New Brunswick (CSNB) – Sylvia Blanchard President  
Corvette Club of Nova Scotia (CCNS) – Ivan Hines President

### GMCC – **139 Members**

Roger Cormier is stepping down as President – VP Mark Melanson will move up to President. The VP position is vacant for now

Event: Speed Sport April 21st-23rd  
Lounsbury's - June 19th (tentatively)  
Moncton Nationals July 5th-9th

### PEICC – **25 Members**

Event: Hoping to have VetteFest 2023 in Aug.

### CSNB – **45 Members**

Event: Moon Glow Poker Run - Sept 29th-30th

Next ACCC meeting will be April 22nd, 2023 @ Lounsbury

Ivan Hines  
President  
Corvette Club of Nova Scotia

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