

Corvette Club of Nova Scotia

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Membership Numbers

125 members, 5 of which are lifetime

150 cars

Welcome to our new members:

Morris Brown, Shortts Lake – 2005 Yellow Convertible
James Collins, Cole Harbour – 2008 Red Z51 Convertible
Mark & Sheree Poirier, Lake Echo – 1966 Green Coupe
Dan & Barb Fobert, Hampton – 1998 Nassau Blue Coupe

C1 – 0
C2 – 3
C3 – 28
C4 – 14
C5 – 28
C6 – 40
C7 – 33
C8 – 4

How many cars out there look like Corvettes? You want something nobody else has. You don't want an old look-alike thing, and that's why Corvettes have the reputation of being one of the fastest cars. I've always had good cars, and a Corvette is one of the best cars I've had. I've had Lamborghinis, I've had Ferraris, I've had Stutz Blackhawks. You name it, I've had them. For the money, Corvette is tops. — Jack LaLanne

Send me your photo – make the front page!



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"Life is too short to drive a boring car".

2020-21 Schedule of Events

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

Date	Event	Host(s)
July 24	Main Street Car Show	Parrsboro
August 15	St. Margaret's Bay Lions Club & Masons Auto Pro 5th Annual Show & Shine	Gary Meade
August 21/22	Atlantic Nationals Moncton, NB	
September 12	Annapolis Valley Run	Ian Reid
October 9-11	CCNS Cabot Trail Cruise	Doug Butt

Meeting Place unless otherwise indicated:

Tim Hortons, Bedford Commons – 36 Verdi Drive. From Truro take TCH 102 to Exit 4C. Turn left at top of ramp. Straight through first lights, then right at the next light. Tim's will be on your left. From Halifax take exit 4C and turn right at the top of the ramp. Then right at the lights. It is suggested you arrive a few minutes early as times are for leaving the meeting point. Also please have enough gas so you don't need to stop the whole group to get gas. We run channel 5 on the GMRS radios.

St. Margaret's Bay Lions Club & Masons Auto Pro 5th Annual Show & Shine

DATE: Sunday, August 15, 2021 (Rain Date – August 22nd)
LOCATION: Metro Transit Park & Ride, Exit 5/HWY 103/Hammonds Plains Road
FOR ADDITIONAL INFO: Lion Gary Meade 902-405-3862
SET UP: 8:00-10:00 AM; **SHOW & SHINE:** 10:00 AM-3:00 PM
50/50 DRAW - BBQ

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Weekend Runs/Events

To host an event, please contact:

Contact: Greg Bowie
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Main Street Car Show

Date: July 24th 6pm-9pm
Location: Parrsboro Nova Scotia
Info: jordanerb79@hotmail.com
 Text/Call 902-216-0000



Aug 21/22 2021!!! Atlantic Nationals Fun Run!
 Due to the pandemic we have changed the format to a two day Show with the emphasis on FUN!!

Registration will be opening on line very shortly with a fee of \$30.00 for the car, driver and one guest.

We are still working on the schedule of events and activities, but we wanted to let everyone know that the Show is ON!!



"RUN FOR THE HILLS!!!"

CCNS CABOT TRAIL CRUISE

9 - 11 OCTOBER 2021

RESERVATIONS OPEN 3 MAY 2021
SILVER DART LODGE, BADDECK
SEE CCNS EMAIL FOR DETAILS

Update: Only four rooms at the CCNS group rate remain available at the Silver Dart Lodge, first come, first serve; we are presently just waiting for a decision on the opening of the Lodge's food services facility.

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.

Tom Kennedy’s Story

I bought my first Corvette at age 18. It was a 68, 427 435 HP 4-speed white with red interior.

Drove to Grand Falls, NB to pick it up two days before Christmas. I traded in a 1966 SS Chevelle with a 350 4 bbl 4-speed and paid \$1,800.00 in the difference. I wish I still had them both. Been hooked on Corvettes ever since.

I saw this Vette in the NB Auto Trader and thou I definitely had the wants, I didn’t have the money for the difference. I then had a brain wave and made an appointment with the Royal Bank in Elmsdale to see about a loan. I did have a full-time job working at the airport for Budget rent-a-car making pretty big money (all of \$1.75 an hour).

I then got everything arranged for a trip to Grand Falls, NB. My buddy Steve and I headed to the dealer to pick up my first Vette and make the deal. I was pretty pumped. I thought we had a lot of snow at home, but I've never seen snow like they had there.

The Corvette was a real beast, and was an original 427 435 HP Tri Power three Deuce car. It had headers, and one of the headers was uncapped. What a beautiful sound. We headed back home in a snow storm with a Corvette with BFG summer tires and a ton of HP. We were both big into Xmas, but didn’t know if we would make it home. It was one crazy ride and I remember us singing the Elvis tune “I’ll be home for Xmas” and laughing our butts off.

We did make it home on Xmas Eve. I stored the Corvette all winter and couldn’t wait until spring to start driving it. On one of my first runs, after crawling along four miles of dirt road; I hit the new pavement and decided to try this beast out and put it through the gears. This car was fast. It would rev about 6800 RPM between shifts and I was just coming out of third gear when I met an RCMP just before a turn. I kept my foot in it long enough to get to my friends house and hid behind his garage and watched the cruiser go by wide open with lights and sirens going in full pursuit. I thought that was a pretty close call so I took it home and parked it for a few days.

I had a lot of great times with this car, and could tell more stories, but one of my very favourites was when I picked up my sweetie (Eleanor) and had one of our first dates. She wasn’t that crazy about the noisy white car and her father was less crazy about it, but that was forty-seven years ago. I still love Corvettes today and I love my Sweetie more than ever. I guess some things are just meant to be.

Tom Kennedy



Wednesday Night Cruises



Introducing ... Calvin Pearce, CCNS Halifax Chapter Representative

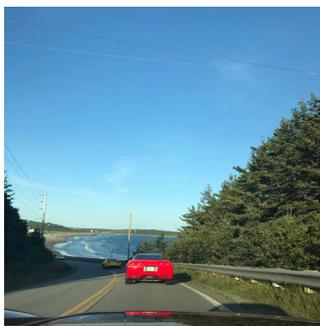
For those members who are new to the club, I'm the CCNS Halifax Chapter Rep. My wife Linda and I have been members of the Corvette Club for 20 years. We currently own two Corvettes. A 1992 Coupe (our first Corvette) and a 2007 Convertible. Two very different cars but both are fun to drive. When I first joined the club and I was out for a drive I would see other Corvette owners also cruising. We started a Wednesday night cruise night my first year with the club. We are late starting this year because of the Covid-19 restrictions. Because of this being a short season if Wednesday night looks like rain we will change to Tuesday or Thursday night. When this happens I will send out an email.

We always meet at the parking lot to the left of the Tim Hortons at the Bedford Commons any time after 6:30 PM. We socialize until 6:50 then get ready for a 7:00 start for the drive. We usually go for a drive, visit someone's car collection, or go to a car dealership that may have a rare car in the showroom. Our drive is usually 45 minutes to an hour. If it's a really nice evening we have been known to have a longer drive.

Typically the leader of the drive is someone who has been in the club for awhile but anyone can host the drive. Linda and I have been doing this a long time, we are running out of cruise night ideas. If you want to lead a drive let me know.

If you have a walkie talkie style radio bring it along as this is how we communicate during our drives.

Calvin & Linda
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Interesting Facts

2021 Corvette

The 2021 Corvette offers a retractable hardtop. It adds just 77 pounds to the weight of the vehicle and flows seamlessly into the body while maintaining Stingray's impressive storage capabilities. Available in body-color or Carbon Flash, the hardtop can activate at speeds up to 30 mph.

Corvette outshone racers at Le Mans

Famed for its exemplary engines and transmission, Corvette launched his Racing Division in 1999. Despite being relatively new compared to the likes of Ferrari and Maserati, the Corvette Racing Division secured a podium position with its C5-R. It recorded victories in 2001, 2002, and 2004 – a sensational start to life in racing.

Corvettes are fast in reverse

It's fairly known just how incredible Corvettes are at high speeds. The car offers impeccable stability and laser-like precision, making for a powerful driving experience. Its performance is just as good in reverse as well, with the 2014 Corvette Stingray clocking an unbelievable 53 miles per hour in reverse. The Corvette C8, meanwhile, tops out at 31 miles per hour in reverse.

NASA Astronauts drove Corvettes

Alan Shephard is the first-known astronaut who owned a Corvette. Following his brave stint as the first American to travel in space, General Motors offered him the keys to a 1962 Corvette. Thereafter, six of the Mercury Seven astronauts were given Corvettes as part of an arrangement that offered special terms to astronauts.

In 1969, three Apollo 12 astronauts ordered identical customized Corvette 390-hp 427 Stingray. The association between the two entities was further strengthened by books and movies like *The Right Stuff*, *Apollo 13*, and *Terms of Endearment*.

Now you know!

(facts provided by the internet ;)

*I need some encouragement. I need to ask myself, "What would an Apollo astronaut do?" He'd drink three whiskey sours, **drive his Corvette** to the launchpad, then fly to the moon in a command module smaller than my Rover. Man those guys were cool. — Andy Weir*

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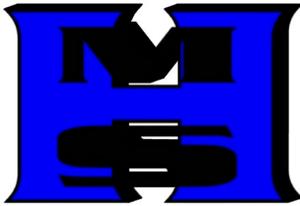
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