# Corvette Club of Nova Scotia

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# Membership Numbers 132 members, 5 of which are lifetime 152 cars

#### Welcome to our new members:

Roger & Angela Bourgeois, Dieppe, NB – 2010 Jetstream Blue GS Coupe, 2009 Cyber Gray Metallic Convertible

Marc Melanson & Sandra Arsenault, Moncton, NB – 2017 Watkins Glen Grey GS

Convertible

# SANTA

"Yes, I know, you want a corvette for Christmas. Now get off me, I can't feel my legs."

# Christmas Celebration January 22, 2022 Details to come...

This will be your last edition of the newsletter for 2021 – we will start up again in April/May of 2022. We are always looking for stories, bios, interesting facts, etc.. Send along, at any time, to langille1005@hotmail.com or to any member of your Executive. Happy Holidays!





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#### Message from the President

As I sit here thinking about what I wanted to talk about in this month's newsletter, a few things came to mind. The one I decided on was how I became a Corvette owner. You see, I wasn't always a lover of the Corvette. My dream car since I can remember was the Pontiac Solstice. Yup, you read that right.

So, for our 10 year wedding anniversary my wonderful husband surprised me with a Sunburst Orange Pontiac Solstice. A GXP model at that. Boy, wasn't I over the moon with that car. She was everything I ever dreamed of......UNTIL one beautiful day in July, at the Moncton Nationals. Ivan and I were walking around, looking and all the Corvettes that gathered for the weekend. As we were walking along, Ivan asked me if any of them caught my eye. At that moment I said no. They all looked the same. Little did I know at that time that none of them are exactly the same.

Anyways, we walked a little further and my mouth just dropped to the ground. I found the car!!!!! The car that made me grin from ear to ear. The car that I could picture myself cruising the highway in. It was the 2012 one year only CARLISLE BLUE CORVETTE.

It truly was love at first sight. I've never seen anything so beautiful. Right away I went up to the owner and introduced myself, and he introduced himself to me. Kingsley from PEI was the owner of this magnificent vehicle. I asked if he was interested in selling and he said not at that time. He truly enjoyed her and didn't have any desire to sell. Fair enough, I said. Heartbroken I walked away. Ivan said don't get upset, I'm sure something else will cross your path that you will like.

Fast forward a couple years later back to the Moncton Nationals we go!! This time I said to myself "don't get your hopes up on anything" so I didn't. I went just to gather with friends and enjoy the weekend. Of course, Kingsley was there again, and of course I had to go look. I eyed that girl up really good. Took a deep breath and walked away. In the distance I seen Ivan talking to a tall man that didn't look familiar to me, so I decided to go see who it was. Once I was there Ivan introduced the man as the one and only, Doug McDonald.

I heard the name many times before but now I had a face to go with the name. We chatted for a minute and as we were getting ready to leave, Ivan said to Doug that if he happened to get a Carlisle Blue car in to let him know. Doug's reply was, as a matter of fact I have one on my parking lot right now. Well, my stomach did flips!!!!! My head started to spin!!!! I couldn't believe what I was hearing!!! Doug said after the show we could go take her for a test drive and that he will call his daughter to be at the dealership to give us the keys.

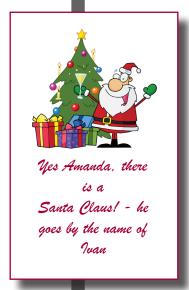
I watched the clock from that moment on!!! The day just dragged on and on. Finally, Ivan says come on let's go see the car!!! I don't think I moved that fast ever!!! The drive there was quiet. We pulled up and there she was. More beautiful than I pictured. Different from Kingsley's. She had my name written ALL OVER HER!!! I was intimidated at first but once I sat in the seat I knew she was gonna be mine. Took her out for a little run and let me tell you I loved every single second of it.

Once back at the dealership Ivan called Doug and they set up a meeting the very next day to talk numbers and what not. Sunday morning came and off Ivan and Darryl Goreham went to see Doug. I couldn't go because I was a ball of nerves. I stayed back at the hotel and just paced the floors. Waiting for a text or a call from Ivan. I waited and I waited...nothing!!! 2 hours went by and I picked up the phone and called Ivan myself. When he answered I asked "well??" His response was, I'll be there in 5 minutes and we'll talk then. That 5 minutes was an eternity to me.

Finally, the door opened and in Ivan walks. He says, Doug got all the information from me so it will take a couple days to see if we get approved or not. He said it looks good but can't say for sure. I was devastated. I had 2 more days to wait. When I settled down some, we gathered our belongings up and started towards the parking lot to Ivan's Corvette for our LONG drive home. LONG drive home thinking about my Carlisle Blue Corvette. She was on my mind that much that I actually walked directly passed her sitting on the parking lot of the Rodd Hotel. YES!!!! Ivan pulled a fast one on me!!! He bought the car right on the spot. Drove back to the hotel and decided he'd tease me for a bit. I actually had to shake my head to see if I was dreaming!!!!

When Ivan said "she's yours", the water works began. I cried my eyes out that day. I couldn't believe she was all mine! I drove her back to Nova Scotia and it was the best drive I have ever taken in a car. And that is how I became the owner of my very first Corvette.

Amanda Hines President Corvette Club of Nova Scotia



#### **2022 Schedule of Events**

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

Date	Event	Host(s)
Nov 21 Dec 19 Jan 16 Feb 20 Mar 20 Apr 17	Fall/winter Breakfast Gatherings	Sunnyside Restaurant
May 1	South Shore Run	Orrie Flick
June 3 to 5	Bar Harbour	Vettes of Coastal Maine
June 11	Yarmouth Food Drive	
June 26	Eastern Shore Run	David Kelly
July 7 to 10	Atlantic Nationals	
July 15 to 17	Maritime Meet	
August 6	Corvettes at HMC Sackville	
August 21	Valley Run	Ian Reid
August 25 to 27	Corvettes at Carlisle	
September 4	North Shore Run	Mark Delorey
September 11	South Shore Run	Randy Eisnor
September 25	Tri-County Run	Jody Crook

Correction: last edition noted the Breakfast would be at Smitty's. Location is Sunnyside Restaurant in Bedford

### 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.

#### **Weekend Runs/Events**

To host an event, please contact: Contact: Greg Bowie at gregbowie@hotmail.com



## **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 Amanda, Darleen or any member of the Executive.

#### Larry Slaunwhite's Bio

Bought First corvette in 1998, a 1982 Stingray fixer upper. After a couple years of working on it (rebuilt the motor and added tons of HP! Lol), I traded for a '73 Porsche. Drove that for a few years then gave it to my daughter when she turned 16. Drove my Harley after that until I got Corvette fever again and bought our 2001 base.

Decided I wanted to make it my own, so I left it for about a year at an anonymous business for a few body mods. This turned out to be a mistake, and I decided to put it up for sale. A young fellow from New Brunswick bought it. I ended up losing about ten grand.

A little while later, we spotted a nice Corvette at CarsRus. Went out to look at it and unfortunately it was parked right beside a red GS convertible! When we drove in the parking lot, Nida didn't even notice the one we went to look at (which by the way was about \$20K cheaper!) lol. She took one look at the red GS, and the rest is history. We bought it with only 12k kms in her. We haven't looked back since!



#### **2022 CCNS Membership Renewal**

With 2021 coming to a close, it is time to think about renewing your CCNS membership for 2022. The fee for 2022 remains the same at \$40.00.

E-transfer was the most popular method of payment in 2021 and that option has been enhanced so that these transfers now go directly to the club's CIBC bank account. E-transfer payments (as well as any e-mail communication to the Treasurer) should be sent to: corvetteclubofnovascotia@gmail.com

Cheques made payable to the "Corvette Club of Nova Scotia" can be mailed to:

Corvette Club of Nova Scotia Attn: Treasurer 249 Freshwater Trail Dartmouth, NS B2W 0G6

\*Please note that any cheques received later than Dec 20th will not be cashed until mid May of 2022 as the Treasurer will be out of the country.

#### **CCNS Presentation Cheque**

Prior to COVID, CCNS's annual donation to charity was normally \$1000 and given to the various charities with little publicity. In 2020 the club not only donated \$1000 to their chosen charity but also donated \$1000 to Feed Nova Scotia and \$1100 to the Red Cross Portapique fund for a total of \$3100.

At the 2021 AGM last month we again voted to round up our donation to Feed Nova Scotia to \$2000 and the Executive thought it was time to start making our charitable efforts a bit more public. A large blank presentation cheque was produced this month and will be used for future donations, including this year's \$2000 donation.

Our charitable work will now be posted on our Facebook page to show members and visitors that we are not just about the Corvettes. Many thanks to Ivan Hines for designing and producing the new presentation cheque. We think it looks great!







Current owner has had vehicle since 1999. Everything has been done to it for driveability. 105xxx Km. Car is now a garage queen as owner has back injury. For further details and price please contact Frank at 902-462-2002.

#### Christmas Ideas...



Black 35,000km Price to be negoitated with owner. If interested please contact Lionel at 902-824-2121 Located in Middleton.



Doug Merkosky has for a key chain collection for sale. If you are interested in any please contact him via email (listed below). The collection is estimated to be worth about \$2500 and is open to fair offers. All inquiries should go directly to Doug Merkosky at coastalintl1@gmail.com.

#### PJ Drive 2021

#### WE DID IT!!! Fantastic work!

I challenged you to donate 100 pairs of PJ's and, as of November 21st, we have 143 pairs. I know of a few more to come so we may even reach 150!!

This year, a huge shout-out must go to the owner and staff of Kings Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Ltd, in Cambridge, who generously donated 46 pairs of PJ's!! Thanks to your generosity, many families will have new, warm jammies for the winter.

I would like to thank all those who donated as it will certainly make a child's holiday warmer and brighter.

Merry Christmas to all!

Joan Butt Charity Coordinator







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