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## President's Report

February 2025



I hope everyone is surviving the bitterly cold weather that we've been experiencing. Let's hope seasonal temperatures will return soon.

Going to YukYuks was so much fun and the dinner at Wendel Clark's was really good. Thanks to John Heinrichs for making all the arrangements and purchasing the tickets on our behalf. They say that laughter is the best medicine and there was definitely a lot of laughter that evening!

Motorama will be held on March 7, 8 and 9 this year. Corvettes of Durham will participate with an interesting display of Corvettes. Thanks to Ken Gordon for organizing the display, working with the Motorama organizers and pulling everything together. Thanks to Brian Halverson for making arrangements with GM to use either an E-ray or a Z06 in our display.

I have been contacting the companies that advertise in our newsletter, asking if they'll renew their ad for another year. As a club, we rely on the support we receive from our advertisers. Please look at the ads, which cover a wide range of services and use these companies whenever you can. If you know of a company who might consider placing an ad with us, please let me know.

Our next General Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will be held at Bollocks Pub and Kitchen in Oshawa.

Happy Valentine's Day!

Anne Halverson





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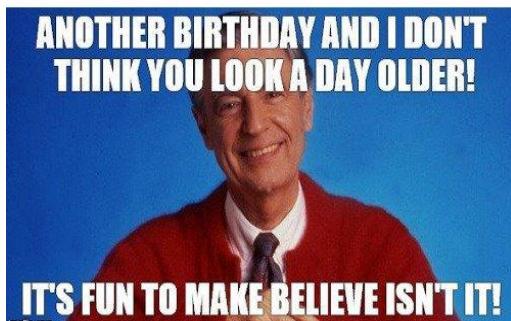
CORVETTES OF DURHAM proudly sponsors the Oshawa Hospital Foundation R.S. McLaughlin Durham Regional Cancer Centre. We have donated \$52,600.00 so far.



CORVETTES OF DURHAM are now sponsoring the Durham Humane Society, we have donated \$2040.00 to date.

## February Birthdays

|                        |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| <b>Carl Gomes</b>      | <b>6th</b>  |
| <b>Gloria Chalmers</b> | <b>8th</b>  |
| <b>Norby Dippold</b>   | <b>15th</b> |
| <b>Marilyn Gordon</b>  | <b>21st</b> |



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John and Brian in tropical Ft Myers, at a ...car show



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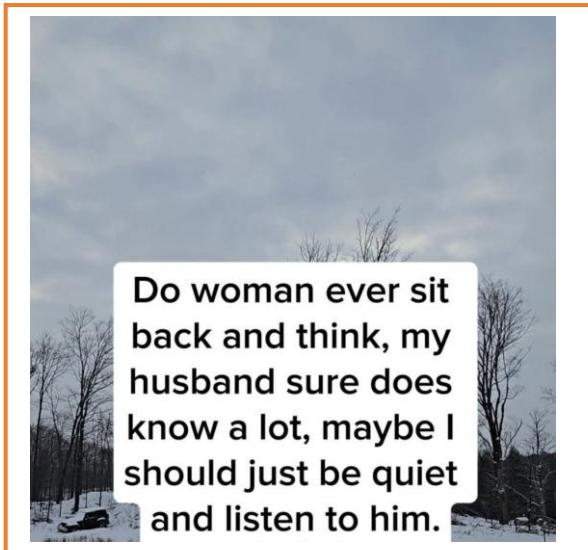


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# COD Newsworthy News

- COD welcomes new members Bryan and Lindsey Shimisu, owners of a 2003 Quicksilver coupe.
- The January General meeting was held at the Brooklin Pub...yes , in Brooklin. Dave Raven won the 50 – 50, first time in 20+ years, he really never wins.
- Susanne is organizing our 25th Anniversary celebration this summer.
- Ken Gordon is organizing the COD Motorama Display at the International Centre in Mississauga, running from March 7th – 9th. For info call Ken.
- COD welcomes new members John and Judy Marino, owners of a 2009 Blue 3LT convertible.
- Just an FYI Durham Corvettes have temporarily changed their name to 'Wally's Corvettes'
- Thanks to John H for arranging the dinner and show at Yuk Yuks.
- The next General Meeting will be on February 19th at Bollocks Pub and Kitchen, Oshawa.



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# 7 Ways The Corvette Z06 GT3.R Is Different From Its Road-Going Sibling



The Z06 GT3.R shares its fundamental architecture with the eight-gen Corvette. At its heart is a potent 5.5-litre flat-plane crank V8 engine, just like in [the road-going C8 Corvette Z06](#).

Chevrolet introduced [the Corvette Z06 GT3.R](#) race car in January 2023, a full year before its competitive debut at the 2024 Rolex 24 At Daytona. The purpose-built Z06 GT3.R replaced the Corvette C8.R, which was retired after the GTE Class racing was discontinued. Developed as a collaboration between GM's Competition Motorsports Engineering and Pratt Miller Engineering, it is the first racecar from Chevrolet that completely satisfies the FIA technical regulations for GT3 cars.

However, the Z06 GT3.R boasts some extensive modifications that make it suited to life on the track. These changes involve design tweaks, performance-enhancing add-ons, and safety features that transform the car into a purpose-built machine optimized for the rigours of professional motorsport.

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| 1 – Roll cage             | steel roll cage welded to a base plate that's fastened to the chassis |
| 2 - Side Impact Structure | door structure made from carbon fibre and aluminum honeycomb insert   |
| 3 – Engine                | 670 hp @ 8500 rpm   |
| 4 – Transmission          | 6 speed manual sequential transmission                                |
| 5 – Aero Package          | huge rear wing and newly designed carbon fibre diffuser               |
| 6 – Suspension            | stiffer springs and higher rate damper                                |
| 7 – Price                 | \$735,000 USD   |

The eight-generation Corvette Z06 is not exactly cheap, with prices starting from around \$107,000. However, that price pales in comparison to what it will take to get you behind the wheel of the hard-core Corvette Z06 GT3.R. Private racing teams interested in the 2024 Chevrolet Corvette Z06 GT3.R must be prepared to shell out a whopping \$735,000, making it the most expensive production Corvette ever.

The staggering price gulf reflects the difference between a high-performance street car and a purpose-built race car. The GT3.R is a bespoke machine meticulously engineered for life on the circuit. Its exorbitant price tag reflects the immense engineering effort, specialized components, and rigorous testing required to create a truly competitive race car capable of challenging for victories on demanding circuits.

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## VIN 001 2025 Corvette ZR1 Sold For \$3.7 Million

**Rick Hendrick battled to win another VIN 001 at Barrett-Jackson**

The \$3,700,000 Rick paid at Scottsdale for the privilege to secure VIN 001 of the 2025 Corvette ZR1 barely edged out the \$3.6 million he paid for VIN 001 of the 2023 Z06, and this time the benefiting charity is the American Red Cross. And as always with Rick, put all your chips on black because, undoubtedly, his C8 ZR1 will be black, just like every other VIN 001 win before it.



## **The NCM Motorsports Park Shares Its New E-Ray Livery Photos**



Earlier this week we learned that the National Corvette Museum's [Motorsports Park](#) had joined forces with Pratt Miller Motorsports to do a [Corvette Racing Fantasy Camp](#) at the NCM MSP on October 22nd. The one-day program will provide participants the opportunity to immerse themselves into what it takes to be part of a race team.

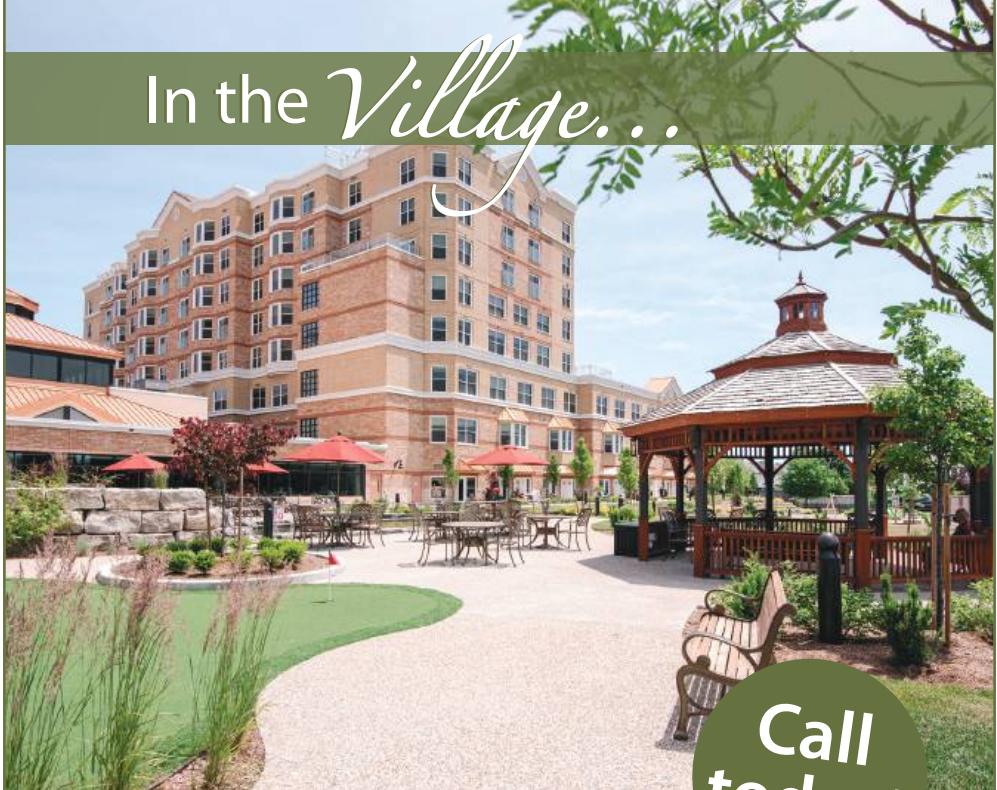
One of the activities includes on-track driving, so we can imagine this Competition Yellow Corvette E-Ray that wears a [racing livery](#) similar to the Corvette Z06 GT3.R racers will be in high demand!

This Corvette Racing inspired livery is one of the best we've seen over the years. Of course, it helps that we have a true Yellow back in the color line-up with Competition Yellow. The car features all the racing stickers that you would see on the factory-backed race cars as well, and this one is wearing the Number 3. It also has the Black Tail that is featured this year on the factory cars for the 2025 season.

## **Corvette Racing Driver Selling T-Shirts To Commemorate Flipping Off BMW**

During [the 2025 Rolex 24](#) Hours of Daytona, [Corvette Racing](#) driver Tommy Milner made headlines [when he flipped the bird](#) at a couple BMW competitors that weren't exactly racing fairly. Milner is turning his viral moment into merch, dropping a t-shirt featuring an illustration of his frustrated gesture, because, hey, there's no such thing as bad press.





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(\*\* Please note: Tickets will be mailed six weeks prior to the event)

### Here's the 2025 CTMP major event season at a glance:

|  |  |   |   |
|--|--|---|---|
|  |  | <b>VICTORIA DAY SPEEDFEST</b><br><b>MAY 16-18 2025</b><br>CANADIAN TIRE MOTOSPORT PARK        | <b>Castrol Victoria Day SpeedFest Weekend</b><br>An action-packed holiday weekend featuring the NASCAR Canada Series<br><a href="#">(More Info)</a>   |
|  |  | <b>VINTAGE GRAND PRIX</b><br><b>JUNE 13-15 2025</b><br>CANADIAN TIRE MOTOSPORT PARK           | <b>VARAC Vintage Grand Prix</b><br>A long-time Father's Day weekend tradition featuring open and closed-wheel race cars from the past six decades of motorsports<br><a href="#">(More Info)</a> |
|  |  | <b>CHEVROLET GRAND PRIX</b><br><b>JULY 11-13 2025</b><br>CANADIAN TIRE MOTOSPORT PARK         | <b>Chevrolet Grand Prix</b><br>Canada's biggest sports car event is the highlight of our season, featuring the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship<br><a href="#">(More Info)</a>           |
|  |  | <b>SUPERBIKE DOUBLEHEADER</b><br><b>AUGUST 8-10 2025</b><br>CANADIAN TIRE MOTOSPORT PARK      | <b>Superbike Doubleheader Weekend</b><br>Featuring the Bridgestone Canadian National Superbike Championship<br><a href="#">(More Info)</a>  |
|  |  | <b>LABOUR DAY WEEKEND SPRINTS</b><br><b>AUGUST 29-31 2025</b><br>CANADIAN TIRE MOTOSPORT PARK | <b>CTMP Labour Day Weekend Sprints</b><br>Featuring the NASCAR Canada Series and the Trans Am Series presented by Pirelli<br><a href="#">(More Info)</a>  |

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## 2025 Calendar of Events



| CCCC Sanctioned Event  | Format                           | Club | Date           |
|--|----------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 1. Spring Fling, Stonebridge Town Center, Wasaga Beach                                 | Casual                           | WBCC | May 2025       |
| 2. Dream Vettes Ontario Motor Sales  | Casual                           | COD  | June 2025      |
| 3. Waterfront Corvette Show Windsor  | CP, SSS<br>Concours<br>Nationals | CCoW | June 2025      |
| 4. Corvette Show and Shine, Boyer GM Buick<br>425 Bayly St. W. Ajax, Ont.              | Casual                           | PRCC | June 2025      |
| 5. 32nd Annual Corvette Show & Shine (Atlantic Nationals)                              | Participation                    | GMCC | July 2025      |
| 7. Hot August Night, Webers Hwy 11, Severn   | Participation                    | GBCC | August 2025    |
| 8. Corvette Show and Shine & Poker Run<br>Buckhorn Lions Club                          | Participation                    | COP  | August 2025    |
| 9. CCCC-ER Recognition Awards Event &<br>Memorial Cruise, Essa (Members & Guests Only) | Casual                           | CCCC | September 2025 |
| 10. PRCC Summers End Drive   | Casual                           | PRCC | September 2025 |

CCCC-ER Judging Guides & Judging Sheets are available [HERE](#)



# COD 2025 Calendar



Red-CCCC

Black-Various Shows

Blue-COD events

| Date            | Event             | Contact        | Location                | Time   |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------|
| Feb 14-23       | Toronto Auto Show |                | Metro Convention Centre | 10am-  |
| Feb 19th        | General Meeting   | Anne Halverson | Bollocks Oshawa         | 5:30pm |
| March 7th – 9th | Motorama          | Ken Gordon     | International Centre    | 10am-  |
| Mar19th         | General Meeting   | Anne Halverson | TBA                     | 5:30pm |
| April 16th      | General Meeting   | Anne Halverson | TBA                     | 5:30pm |
| June 22nd       | DreamVettes       | Anne Halverson | Ontario Motor Sales     | 8:00am |



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