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# **COD Christmas Party**



## **Corvettes of Durham Annual Christmas Party Saturday, November 29, 2025**

Our Annual Christmas Party this year will be at Wooden Sticks Golf Club, 40 Elgin Park Drive, Uxbridge. For those of you who haven't been there, it is a very nice place with good parking.

The cash bar will open at 3:00 p.m. and we have requested that the buffet be available for us starting at 4:30 p.m. so that we have lots of time for socializing and enjoying the season together.

Our 50/50 draw and ticket draws will follow dinner.

We will be in the same room as last year. Susanne is in charge of decorations (with help from Julian & Anna), so we know the room will look spectacular!

There will be pictures - lots of pictures - so you might want to "glamour" up!

Tickets are \$ 50 a person (incl. gratuity & tip). You can pay either Allan by e-transfer or me by cash or cheque at our October or November meeting.

If you are planning on donating a prize please let President Anne know. All baked goodies by our fabulous cooks are welcome!!

Final RSVP date is November 19, 2024 but the room has a maximum capacity so please get your tickets as soon as possible.

Any questions? Contact me.

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## President's Report

November 2025



My Corvette has been tucked away for the winter. Bud's Z06 is still sitting at the dealership, waiting for the recall issue to be fixed.

John H led a cruise to Bancroft to enjoy the fall colours. I'm sorry I was unable to join, but I heard that a good time was had by all.

Our next General Meeting will take place at Brooklin Pub & Grill on November 19<sup>th</sup>. We will be presenting a cheque to a representative from the Humane Society of Durham Region. Please consider bringing a donated item for the Humane Society to our meeting. They would welcome

Royal Canin food for dogs or cats, or pet toys. Also, a variety of donated items helps in the operation of the shelter, including cleaning and office supplies. Let's show the Humane Society how generous our club is.

Our annual membership fee is unchanged for the last several years and remains at \$85. However, if you pay before January 31, 2026 the cost is only \$75. Your membership fee should be paid to our Treasurer, Allan Harris and you can pay by cash, cheque or eTransfer. Payment by eTransfer should be sent to:

[corvettesofdurhamtreasurer@outlook.com](mailto:corvettesofdurhamtreasurer@outlook.com)

The Corvettes of Durham Christmas party will be here before you know it! It's already the month of November and the party will be on the 29<sup>th</sup>. As in previous years, the club subsidizes the Christmas party, so the cost is only \$50 per person. Tickets can be paid for to either Jan Raven or Allan Harris. You can pay by cash, cheque or eTransfer. The eTransfer address is listed in the above paragraph. Last year the food and service at Wooden Sticks was excellent and this year's party is sure to be a fun time again.

Cheers!

Anne Halverson





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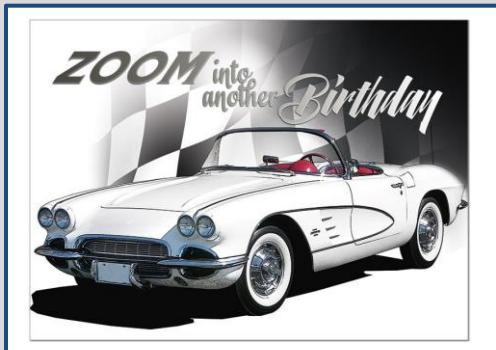


## November Birthdays

Julian Ralph	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Sharon Boulter	5 <sup>th</sup>
Shellie Glover	13 <sup>th</sup>
Brian Striemer	25th

## December Birthdays

Ken Gordon	12th
Bud Street	22nd



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

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If you know of anyone who would be interested in advertising in our newsletter please contact COD.

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## COD Newseworthy News



- ⊕ This is the last newsletter for 2025 and as usual if anyone has an interest in being the newsletter editor please contact me and I can give you personal instructions on how to fulfill your lifelong dream...
- ⊕ Seeing it is the last one I just have to mention Allan 'cause I've neglected him most of 2025
- ⊕ I didn't win the 50-50 draw at the October General Meeting... Rick Austin did. The winning number was drawn by Andrew Wells... I need to have a talk with Andrew...
- ⊕ Thanks to all who volunteered, supplied prizes, donated their homes, arranged cruises and events...and thanks to all our sponsors who have been so generous throughout 2025.
- ⊕ Thanks to the Executive who have been running COD for many years...most of whom don't get paid...
- ⊕ Don't forget to get your Christmas Party tickets...going fast.
- ⊕ Just to fill this page I've added 2 more life lessons...



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# Fall Colours Cruise



We certainly lucked out with an absolutely gorgeous sunny day for our Fall Cruise to Bancroft. The leaves are turning into the beautiful vibrant fall colours. The winding roads along the lakes were stunning with many boaters and swimmers enjoying the water.

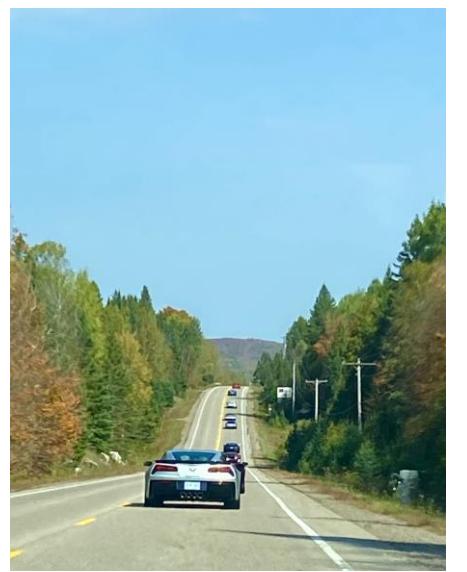


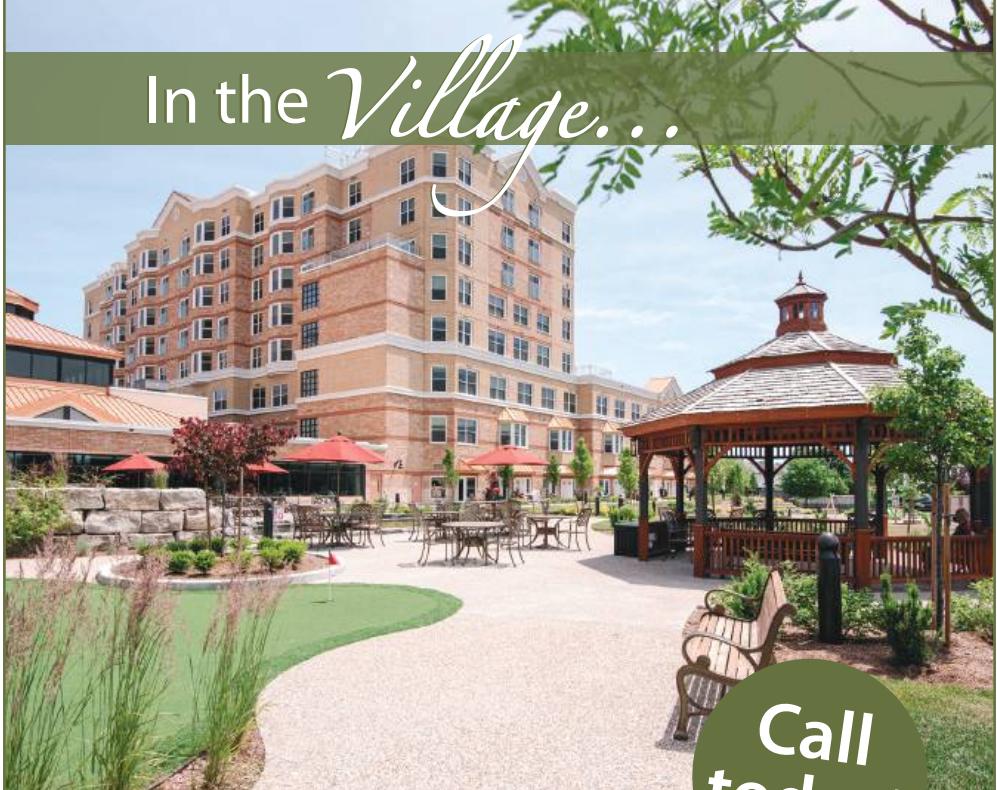
Our club made a quick stop in Buckhorn for a quick coffee and a delicious butter tart. Thank you Josie for the generous treat. Back on the road we arrived in Bancroft to Cafe BC. The food was fantastic and the service was amazing.

Thanks to John H for being the leader of the pack, not an easy job making all the arrangements . Greatly appreciated.

Thanks to all who participated, fun was had by all.

Shellie G





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# Corvette Paint Stuff

From chrome wraps to chameleon hues, Corvette owners are redefining individuality through paint. Whether it's a Candy Red C7, a widebody chrome C6, or a pearlized C2, special effect finishes are keeping Corvette culture bold, creative, and unmistakably personal — proving color is as much heritage as horsepower.

Then there is Lingenfelter's C7 Corvette, finished in Ember Gold Matte Metallic and displayed at SEMA. The combination of satin texture and warm metallic tone gave the car a presence unlike anything else on the floor, aggressive yet elegant, and a reminder of how surface treatment alone can elevate familiar shapes.



Rock legend Paul Stanley of KISS fame went for something even more personal. His Candy Red and Silver C7 custom build featured hand-applied metallic layering that shimmered under stage lighting, combining pop culture and fine craftsmanship in one.

Even restomod icons like the "Raytona" 1963 Corvette Roadster have embraced special finishes to fuse vintage and modern sensibilities. Its custom orange metallic paint channels 1960s energy while using contemporary color technology for unmatched depth and gloss.

Each of these builds demonstrates a shared truth: the Corvette community thrives on expression. Paint is not just a finish; it is a calling card.





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# 2025 Corvette Stingray Stats



## Stingray Equipment Groups

- 1LT Coupe: 3,601
- 1LT Convertible: 856
- 2LT Coupe: 3,736
- 2LT Convertible: 2,601
- 3LT Coupe: 1,066
- 3LT Convertible: 1,780

The National Corvette Museum released the full details last week of the [2025 Corvette model year production](#) with the highlight being 25,835 Corvettes produced for the year. With the numbers now fully available for the model year, we wanted to take a deeper dive at each of the four models and see how they did with some of the most popular options.

We are starting with the Stingray first, as it was the most popular model produced during the model year. For the 2025 model year, Stingray production was 8,403 Coupes and 5,237 Convertibles for a total of 13,640 units produced. The Stingray represented 52.7% of total 2025 production, although that number is down from previous years. In 2024, a total of 30,942 Stingrays were produced, and they represented 72% of production.

Of those 13,640 Stingrays produced, the majority were sold in the USA (11,260) and Canada (1,875), with the other 505 units being exported. Japan was the top export country receiving 239 total Stingrays produced, while Mexico got 112, the Middle East received 66 Stingrays, and Australia and New Zealand got 46. Europe received just 24 Corvette Stingrays while SE Asia got 15 and Israel was 3. A total of 300 Stingrays were produced in the Right Hand Drive configuration for export.

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**Paul Koener**

### **Fuel Level and oil changes for Corvette Storage**

If you store your C5, C6 or C7 Corvettes for the winter or longer, you should watch this video from Paul Koerner, a GM World Class Technician who can be found wrenching on Corvettes at Jackson Chevrolet in Middletown, CT.

In his latest facebook video, Paul highlights Chevrolet engineering's recommendations for storing C5, C6 and C7 Corvettes with only a quarter tank of gas. And to demonstrate why, Paul is showing a fuel system out of a 2014 Corvette with the emphasis on the fuel level module that includes<sup>□</sup>the float, fuel sending unit, and fuel pump.

When you store your later model Corvette with a full tank of fuel, Paul shows how the sending unit sensor card contact point on the float would actually be submerged in fuel. That's not an issue with normal driving because the sending unit float moving up and down helps keep the contacts clean. However, should it remain submerged over long storage periods, sulfur contaminants in the fuel can change the resistance of the sending card, causing issues with the fuel system.

The reason why most people were taught to fill up their tanks before a long-term storage would be to keep moisture out of the fuel tank. Paul then shows how the Corvette fuel system is a closed system designed to keep moisture out and that's why you can store your Corvette with just a quarter tank of fuel.

Sulfur contaminated fuel level sensors due to storing Corvette with a full tank can happen and create huge expense, so do NOT STORE c5/c6/c7 with more than a 1/4 tank of fuel.



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# COD 2025 Calendar



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Blue-COD events

Date	Event	Contact	Location	Time
Nov 19 <sup>th</sup>	COD General Meeting	Anne Halverson	TBA	5:30pm
Nov 29th	Christmas Party	Jan Raven	Wooden Sticks	TBA
Dec 25 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas	Santa	Everywhere	All day

