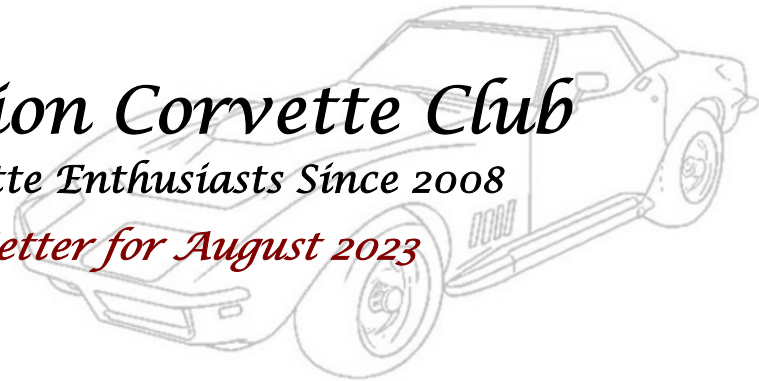




# Acadia Region Corvette Club

A Club for Corvette Enthusiasts Since 2008



## President's Letter for August 2023

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In the time since last month's newsletter, the Deans again went cruising in northern Maine and southern New Brunswick. We left at the start of the month and headed north in our '07 convertible. And except for a few brief rain squalls in the County on the way north, we had top-down weather all the way. That is, if you consider 45°F top-down weather. (Fortunately, each day the weather warmed up after a few hours of sunshine.) We travelled north to Madawaska, crossed the border to go to the botanical gardens in Edmunston — they were in full bloom and just spectacular — crossed back over the border to head to Ft. Fairfield and the amazing restaurant *Canterbury Royale*, then went back into New Brunswick to explore the St. John River Valley. It was a grand few days cruising in our Corvette, but since this isn't a travel log, on to ARCC doings.

### People & Places

#### August Birthdays

Sally Howard	Eric Judson
Shawn Kelly	John Linnehan
Ken Minier	Verronika Slaughter
Les Stackpole	Bernie Woody

#### September Birthdays

Anne Grant  
 Shelly Sala  
 Kathy Wright

#### August Anniversaries

Shawn & Jackie Kelly  
 John & Heather Linnehan  
 Shawn & Crystal Morrison

#### September Anniversaries

Jill & Rick Gaspar Jr.  
 Doug & Ann Lee  
 Meg Smallidge & Dave Blanchard  
 Les & Franny Stackpole

### Millbridge Days Parade

Unlike the Southwest Harbor Flamingo Parade, the weather for the Millbridge Days Parade on July 29<sup>th</sup> was almost perfect parade weather; bright sun with occasional clouds, warm (i.e., not too hot), and moderate humidity. Eight club members—Deans, Bosserts, Miniers, and Sheas—brought their cars and the Kellys, whose car is still in NY, cheered us on from the sidewalk. In addition, a couple from Calais joined our group with their two cars, so we had a total of seven

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*In a Corvette every trip is an adventure!*

Corvettes in our part of the parade. After the parade, most of us adjourned to our house for an early afternoon cookout.



*(If you didn't guess from the photos above, the parade theme was "Lobstahs.")*



## Seal Cove Auto Museum Car-B-Que

On August 5<sup>th</sup>, some of our club members chose to spend part of the day with Seal Cove Auto Museum Director, Ethan Yankura, and a bunch of other folks celebrating the Museum's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. With registered participants asked to show up between 10:00 and 11:00, the first ARCC members were Carol and I with Sweet Potato, our '72 coupe; Ray & Ginny Daries with their '62 convertible/hard top; and Rick Savage with his repro Cobra. Then later, Larry & Jane Billings with their '13 convertible and Dave Billings with his '07 convertible joined the fun.



The only hiccup in the day was the rain the night before. Much of the show was in the field above the Museum and the field was a bit damp. But the slight hill (see the photo above) to get up to the field was another matter. It got to be really sloppy after the first few cars and some of us spent the first part of the show picking mud off our cars and out of the tires. But the problem was quickly resolved when some hay arrived to blanket the worst part of the hill.

## Offbeat Corvette News

This month's offbeat story is about a C8 owner who verified that Corvettes and deep water don't mix well. According to a July 12<sup>th</sup> story on *Carscoops.com* by reporter Sebastian Bell, "The owner of a 2022 Corvette Stingray says they accidentally selected the wrong gear and wound up under seven feet of water, requiring an elaborate rescue." Oops!



You can find the story—along with more photos—at <https://www.carscoops.com/2023/07/c8-corvette-stingray-cant-swim-must-be-recovered-by-tow-boat/>. I'll bet the owner had an interesting story for his insurance company!

## Upcoming Local Activities

**August 19 — Seal Cove Auto Museum Cars & Coffee.** 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. 1414 Tremont Road. Ford Day.

**August 23 — ARCC Monthly Meeting.** Club meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of every month. Meetings are normally held at Pat's Pizza in Ellsworth; any change to this is announced by email about a week before the meeting. They are also Zoomed so that even our busiest or most distant members can participate. Zoom invitations are emailed to members prior to the meetings.

**August 24–26 – Corvettes at Carlisle.** "...the biggest and best all-Corvette themed car show of its type," proclaims the OldCars.com website. Special displays include *50 years of 1973 Corvettes*, *100 Years of Le Mans*, the *15th Anniversary of the Will Cooksey Z06*, and the always popular *Corvette American Flag*.

## Looking Further Ahead

**September 9 — Seal Cove Auto Museum Cars & Coffee.** 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. 1414 Tremont Road. Motorcycles & Three Wheelers.

**September 15&16 — ARCC's Corvette Autumn Car Show.** This year is our 10<sup>th</sup> show, once again generously sponsored by Darling's Chevrolet in Ellsworth. The fun starts on Friday night with our

"Start Your Engines" party for registered show participants at the Elks Club in Ellsworth. Saturday is the show itself in Darling's parking lot. For more information, go to our website, <https://www.acadiavettes.org/2023-show-flyer>; to register for the show, the page is <https://www.acadiavettes.org/2023-registration>.

*There will be no club meeting this month because of the car show.*

**September 23 -- Ellsworth's Autumn Gold Car Show.** Ellsworth Home Depot parking lot.

**September 29&30 — Corvettes of Southern New Brunswick's Moon Glow Poker Run & Car Show**, St. John, NB. The car show will be on Friday evening, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, followed by the Poker Run on Saturday, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>. Diane is organizing ARCC's participation and CSNB have arranged for a block of rooms at *Canada's Best Value Inn*. Several couples have already said they plan to attend; if you want to go, contact Diane for information on the hotel. Find information on the weekend festivities and registration at:

<https://www.corvettesofsouthernnewbrunswick.com/moon-glow-poker-run>.

### Closing Thoughts

With Labor Day fast approaching, "official" summer is drawing to a close. After September there are only a few formal events left. If you haven't been out enjoying the nice weather (in between rainy days), get out soon or you'll miss the best part of our cruising season.

See you on the road,



Roger Dean  
President, ARCC

*If you have an ARCC- or Corvette-related photo that you think others in the club would be interested in, please send it to me for possible inclusion in a future President's letter.*