

# Acadía Region Corvette Club

A Club for Corvette Enthusiasts Since 2008

President's Letter for July 2023

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This month's President's Letter is both a little late and a lot shorter than usual. Why? Because after the concerns and semi-isolation of Covid, the Deans went on their first vacation in nearly four years. We took our '07 convertible to Cape Breton, Nova Scotia and drove the Cabot Trail. It's a two-day drive to get there but if you have never visited that part of Canada, it's well worth the trip... especially in a Corvette! We expected rain for much of the week but only had about one day, all told, of top-up weather. The rest was mostly top down. The roads ranged from the beauty of the trans-Canada highway to some local roads that could have used some attention to lots of other that were getting that needed attention. (After a while I started to think that much of Canada was under construction. Removing the tar from the car when we got home was a bit of a challenge.) Interestingly, I had forgotten about VOCM's trip to Atlantic Canada last week. I was reminded of their visit when we ate breakfast at a café on the Cabot Trail and the proprietor asked if we were part of the group that had stopped in the day before. When I said no, he showed me a photo of seven Corvettes and I immediately recognized what I was sure was Bruce Cates' (VOCM President) car. Anyway, if you need some evidence of why I recommend the Cabot Trail as a destination, here's a photo taken in my favorite spot on the Trail:



In a Corvette every trip is an adventure!

## People & Places

#### **July Birthdays**

Jane Billings Cindy Blanchette Marty Hamblen Randy Wright **August Birthdays** 

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

## **July Anniversaries**

Marshall & Kit Dodge Chris & Robin Houmiller Don & Phyllis Houp Rick Gaspar & Verronika Slaughter

#### **August Anniversaries**

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

## **Southwest Harbor Flamingo Parade**

This past Saturday started off foggy and misty with the threat of rain. The weather, however, did not dissuade some of our members from showing up in Southwest Harbor for their annual Flamingo Parade. Much to our delight, even though it was overcast the whole morning, the rain held off completely. In addition to the Deans, participants included the Bosserts, Sheas, Miniers, Dodges, Lees, and Gary Cabit. After the parade, some of us adjourned to the Minier's home for a wonderful early lunch. Thanks Pat & Ken! And thanks to the generosity of the folks at WDEA, the photos below include some of the photos their reporter, Chris Popper, took.





















## **Upcoming Local Activities**

June 26 — ARCC's monthly meeting, to be held at Pat's Pizza in Ellsworth starting at 5:-00 pm. Assuming their guest WiFi is working, the meeting will also be Zoomed to allow our distant members to attend.

July 29 — Seal Cove Auto Museum Cars & Coffee. 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. 1414 Tremont Road. Imports.

**July 29** — **Milbridge Days Parade.** This year's theme is **Lobster!** to honor all lobster fishermen (and women). Information at https://www.facebook.com/milbridgedays/.

August 5 — Seal Cove Auto Museum Car-B-Que and 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday Bash. 12:00-6:00 pm. A car show will be accompanied by food vendors, live music, dancing, and fun for the whole family! This is a family friendly event and tickets can be purchased at the door. 1414 Tremont Road.

**August 12&13**— **Madawaska Acadian Festival parade and car show.** Activities Director Diane Bossert is organizing ARCC's participation. We plan to caravan up on Friday and travel home on Sunday after the car show.

August 19 — Seal Cove Auto Museum Cars & Coffee. 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.

# **Looking Further Ahead**

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 in this one as well; 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. Information on the weekend festivities and registration at:

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

## **Closing Thoughts**

Despite the weather here in Downeast Maine this summer, we are trying to get out in one of the cars every chance we get. This Sunday we are headed to the McAdam Railway Station in New Brunswick for some pie. (Yes, it's a long way for pie, but their advertising suggests it will be worth it!) Then the following week it will be off to Edmundston, New Brunswick to visit their botanical garden, followed by an overnight at the Canterbury Royale restaurant in Fort Fairfield. Fort Fairfield is another long way to go for dinner, but from past experience it is well worth the time and trouble. And then there are all the events in August and getting ready for our September Corvette Autumn car show. So next month's newsletter might be late and somewhat abbreviated, just like this one.

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.