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Corvettes On The Gulf





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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Hello to all COTG Corvette Club Members. I apologize for the late publication of the club Newsletter. Sometimes things go awry, and this is one of those times. On a happier note, I wish to welcome 4 new members to

our Corvette Club. The first being Clifford Yee and his wife Viola and the second is returning past COTG Corvette Club President Carl Hewitt and his wife Dee.

As the Summer months have arrived some of the club activities will not be available till September. We will still have the Ladies and Men's Monthly Luncheons and our Monthly Club Dinners. Our Monthly Meetings will be held this month but our July meeting is cancelled. The August meeting will be the first meeting of the 2021/2022 Corvette year.

I wish all members and their families and friends to have a great summer. I am always available to all members of the COTG Corvette Club if you wish to discuss any concerns or just information that I may be able to afford to you all.

Stay Safe, Healthy and enjoy Life to its Fullest

Graham/ President COTG Corvette Club

UPCOMING EVENTS

Check our website "Calendar" for current listings, and specific details; www.corvettesonthegulf.com

CARAVANS

There is not a Caravan scheduled for June but we will have information soon on a Peace River Corvette Club Poker Run in October, details will follow.

MEN'S LUNCHEON -Tuesday, June 8th at Noon

The next Men's Luncheon is being held on Tuesday, June 8th at 12 PM at Stevie Tomato's, 814 SW Pine Island Road in the Cape. Pease let Bob know if you plan to attend by June 5th at rrambousek@centurylink.net or by calling

414-387-5860.

LADIES'S LUNCHEON -Tuesday, June 15th at Noon

The Ladies Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, June 15th at the Buckingham Farms, 12931 Orange River Blvd. in Fort Myers. Please respond to Debbie by June 10th if you would like to participate, you can contact her at dkinns@yahoo.com or call at #518-522-0208.

MONTHLY DINNER - Sunday, June 27th at 5 PM

Our June Club Dinner will be held on Sunday, June 27th at 5 PM at 2 Meatballs in the Kitchen, 1403 Cape Coral Pkwy E, in the Cape. Please RSVP to Linda at lkelley592@yahoo.com by Thursday, June 24th if you plan to attend.

BIRTHDAYS

June 3 – Rick Taylor

June 23 – Charlotte Shaw

June 7 – Lynn Wiedman

June 24 – Barbara Lieberman

June 10 – Sue White

June 24 – Carol Stalter

June 11 – Pat Schneider

June 27 – Betty Leathers

June 16 – Flo Lynch

June 27 – Cheryl Taylor

June 19 – Jane Getz

June 29 – Ed Wisniefski

ANNIVERSARIES

June 1 – Barry & Nancy Schneider
June 7 – Darryl & Carol Stalter
June 21 – Rick & Lisa Turnbull
June 23 – Charles & Loretta Stuchala

June 29 – Anthony & Carol Russo June 30 – Leigh & Karen Paulsen

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

COTG would like to warmly welcome new Members:

Carl & Dee Hewitt

-proud owners of a 1998 Red Coupe

Clifford & Viola Yee

- proud owners of a 2004 LeMans Blue Coupe

We hope to meet you at upcoming events!

National Corvette Museum Information:

Signing up for the NCM Ambassador News is a great way for non-members to see what the museum has to offer and it's free. The 3D interactive exhibits are especially interesting to view.

https://www.corvettemuseum.org/explore/events/

CLUB SPONSORSHIP

If anyone you know or do business with would like to become a COTG Sponsor, please obtain a copy of the "Sponsorship Letter" describing the various levels of support and benefits for advertising their business and a "Sponsorship Application" from our website MEMBERS page. Contact Graham Reedy 239-283-2886 if you have any questions and for submission of Sponsorship Applications.

WEBSITE www.corvettesonthegulf.com

Please check out the COTG website "MEMBERS" page containing our Club Forms, latest Newsletter and Meeting Minutes, Members Contact List, By-Laws, as well as current Important Notes to Members. Both the MEMBERS and HISTORY pages are password protected and the Password is mycorvette2021.

SPECIAL CLUB TRIP

Tail of the Dragon! - Sept. 19-23, 2021
This trip has something for everyone!



Test your driving skills! Sit back and enjoy the beautiful, Great Smoky Mountain scenery! Breathe fresh, mountain air! Take a hike in Joyce Kilmer Memorial Forest! Eat lunch, dinner, or just have cocktails beside the invigorating, cascading Cheoah River! Ultimately, drive your 'Vette on the infamous "Tail of the Dragon"; an 11-mile section of Hwy-129, offering 318-curves/turns, without any ingress/egress from side roads. If you enjoy testing your driving abilities, this place should be at the top of your list! photographers There are several, professional stationed along the route, taking photos of all vehicles. You will be able to view them via their websites and purchase. We will drive Cherohala Skyway, winding up and over 5,400-feet elevation, through Cherokee and Nantahala National Forests, stop at Bald River Falls, and have lunch beside peaceful Tellico River. We are also considering additional sites, dependent upon timing. If anyone has concerns, we are plotting a safer course by avoiding travel through Atlanta, GA. Final section of our drive on Monday, Sept. 20th, from Franklin, NC to Deal's Gap, NC, includes driving on "Moonshiner 28", which is also scenic and fun!

We will be staying at <u>The Historic Tapoco Lodge</u>, <u>Sept. 20th & 21st.</u> If you are interested in joining us, it is critical you SECURE YOUR RESERVATION as soon as possible. <u>Website: tapoco.com Phone: (828) 498-2800.</u> Rates are dependent upon your choice of Lodge Room/Suite or Cabin, ranging \$179-\$279 per night. They do offer a 10% Military Discount, if you are Active or Retired. Unfortunately, this is the only discount they offer. Some cabins are set up for multiple occupants, if you prefer to split cost with friends or just enjoy sharing.

CLUB SHIRTS & HATS

Our vendor for Club apparel is Hi-Def, shirts and hats can be ordered online by going to our website and clicking on the tab "Members" page and then



select the "Hi-Def" button to reach our exclusive order pages from Hi-Def.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Cindy Gordish is now handling the Get Well or Sympathy cards to members. We are all family! She can be reached by phone at 248-721-7130 or send an email: centersci@yahoo.com. Please provide first and last name, address, and short description of the situation. It's always nice to be thought of and receive a card!

NAME BADGES

If anyone would like a COTG name badge, please call Joe Hansen at 239-549-5686. These are \$12.00 and need to be paid in advance.

Tail of the Dragon Member Pictures



John Steffen Taking a hard right turn!



Ken and Nancy Lachanse enjoy the trip!

SPECIAL CLUB TRIP (Continued)

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Again, this place is typically fully-booked most of the time. Please make your reservation ASAP! However, if Tapoco Lodge is booked and you would like to be included in this memorable trip, there are nearby alternatives: Snowbird Mountain Lodge; River's Edge Treehouse Resort; Dragon's Rest Cabins & Lodging, etc. Additionally, a member has reserved the White Oak Cabin. It features a Living Room, Kitchen, Deck, Fire Pit and Hot Tub. This will allow our group benefit of a private place to gather, and talk about our daily adventures, without the noise of a restaurant! How often do we have this opportunity for an extended amount of time?

In that area, Tapoco Lodge is the most popular place to stay. They even have free, covered parking for sports cars, motorcycles, offer on-site dining, and a 48-hour cancellation policy. So, if you think you MAY like to join us, you can make a reservation now and **cancel it up to 48-hours prior, without penalty**. Hotel stays during trips there- and back- will be determined soon. We will be soliciting to/from hotel managers, and requesting a group discount. A couple of people have mentioned, personally extending their trip by a day or two to add other destinations. If this becomes a reality, information will be included on ITINERARY as an alternate to returning Sep 22–23.

Please contact any member listed below by <u>July 1st</u>, if you would like to be included. This will enable us to finalize trip plans—gas and hotel stops—on the way there and back. Please, come join us! It will be EPIC!

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MONTHLY MEETING

MONTHLY COTG MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE FOURTH TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE:
June 22nd, 7:00 TO 9:00 PM
AT THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
2620 Country Club Blvd.
Cape Coral, Florida

<u>Please note:</u> Graham will be bringing the COTG "T" shirts to this meeting for you to pick up if you ordered one!

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