



## Supercoupe Club of Western Canada

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NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the first SCCoWC newsletter of 2009! You can now look forward to receiving the newsletter on a monthly basis, chock-full of new and exciting features. We love feedback so don't be afraid to write us our first "letter to the editor." We are available at [sccowcinfo@yahoo.com](mailto:sccowcinfo@yahoo.com)

### From the Driver's Seat

by Brad Fedoruk ("el Presidente")

The SuperCoupe Club of Western Canada welcomes you to the start of our 11th year! 2009 brings to the club a fresh start. Some of the things you can look forward to this year include a new monthly newsletter, an updated website, new events (not to mention some old favourites) and a renewed passion for the Thunderbird and Cougar community.

#### 2008 highlights

Last year the club celebrated our 10th anniversary, and it was highlighted by some truly memorable events. The club kicked off the 2008 season with what has become an annual tradition: "The SCCoWC Invades Castle Fun Park" (v6.0) complete with Go Kart Mayhem, Bumper Car Chaos and a round of legendary Deathball!

Last year the popular Fordnutz Cougar Claw-In sported a new improved venue, and was considered a success. (Again, my apologies for not being there in person.)

Later in the season Kevin put together a marathon tour through Fraser Valley that was easily the longest one-day cruise in the club's history. Aside from the drive itself, high points of the day included an unexpected tour of the Stave Lake Dam and an enjoyable wind-up dinner in Mission. Except for one minor incident where I came within inches of having a Honda motorcycle as a new hood ornament, this was one of the best club events in recent memory!

2008 wrapped up with a celebration dinner in Aldergrove that took place on the exact day of the 10th anniversary of the clubs' inception – October 10th. The evening was spent enjoying plenty of stories from the previous decade and watching a slideshow presentation documenting the club's history, from our humble beginnings to some truly spectacular events. There were lots of great memories brought forth that night, and I can't wait to see what the next 10 years will bring!

#### 2009

As mentioned earlier, this year brings some changes to the SCCoWC – the event schedule has been revised to reflect the outings that are more popular. Gone are the meets that attracted the fewest attendees and we are focusing on more club-only cruises and events.

So keep an eye out for some big gatherings this year including an all new Cruise n' Kart, the Mega Ford Weekend in Mission and the return of the BC/AB meet in Salmon Arm.

As you can see, the coming year has some exciting changes taking place and is full of promise for the club and its members! I wish everyone all the best in 2009 and look forward to seeing you at a meet or two!

#### Mark the Date!!

Mark *April 5th* down on your Calender as SCCoWC hits **Castle Fun Park** for the 7th year in a row. We look forward to seeing everyone there for our first event in 2009!



## T'Bird Tips

*Clean out your composter!*

Being green is not always that easy when you're driving a supercharged car. But I'm sure most people don't realize the little known composting feature built into every Supercoupe!

Your front inner wheel wells contain the perfect spot for composting any organic matter that gets down the drains on each side of your windshield. Due to the design at the bottom of the front fender, any leaves, pine needles, seeds etc., have a difficult time finding their way out of the cozy little composting area at the bottom of the inner wheel well.

If your car is old ... oh wait, all our cars are old ... and you haven't cleaned this area out you will be surprised what you will find. Literally, garden soil that would make Art Knapp proud.

To clean these spots out first remove your front wheel. Make sure you put the car on a jackstand. Then remove the plastic inner fender well. (There are five screws and a push in pin located at the top of the fender well.)

Once you have removed the inner fender well you should find a nice collection of well-composted dirt stuck in the area just in front of the door. I just scooped out as much as I could then washed away the balance.

Re-install the inner fender well and tire then move around to the other side. You should be able to complete both sides in 1-1/2 hours without rushing!



## No Left Turn!

Welcome to *No Left Turn!* Here we will be featuring guest columnists (that's you!) each month who will write about whatever they like.



Even though columnists will be subject to our (not so) stringent editing rules for taste and brevity we know this will be one of the most anticipated columns of the new newsletter, both from those clamouring to write and those who can't wait to read!

So, if you are interested in becoming the next Hemingway, or just have something to say, let us know. You can contact us or email your article submissions to [sccowcinfo@yahoo.com](mailto:sccowcinfo@yahoo.com)

## Junk in the Trunk

*miscellaneous stuff from the world of SuperCoupe*

Things you should always grab when you visit the wrecker:

- **Windshield cleaning spritzers.** I can't count how many times I've broken these when taking off the wiper cowl.
- **Headlight adjusting lock washers.** If you're like me, these only have a 50% chance of surviving if I have to remove them.
- **Ford Taurus cup holders.** There is always someone who hasn't done this modification and is still jamming their coffee cup between the seat and the centre console.
- **Push-in plastic screw things.** Particularly the really long ones that hold the front side kick covers in (the covers in the front of the car where your feet go.) Many cars have ones with the heads half broken off.

