



Minutes of Aug 5th, 2017 COB meeting held at Bass Water Grill

Attending: Dave & Marie Johnson, John & Pam Aulisio, Ed & Val & Nick Anker, George Beeker, Bob Rodowicz, Butch Eddy, Jim Contenta, Ron & Cindy Brouker, Bob & Carol Garrity, Larry Gattasso, Lou Rocha, Mark Adelson, Chick Carmel, George Beeker, Gary & Deb Jozefiak, Dave Kosla, Gary Rougeau, Butch Eddy, Dave Kosla, Dick Valenti, Charlie Messina, and Fran & Nan Bourdon.

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:30

Old Business:

- July 8th Anker's Picnic. 32 people/16 cars attended. We had an outstanding time! Dave presented the Anker's with a gift certificate from the attendees as appreciation for their supplying all the food.
- July 7th NAPA/Night Cruisers Auto show rained out.
- July 12th Mingo's rained out.
- July 22nd Corvettes at Limerock 2 members attended.
- N. Adams Airport 5 members attended.
- July 27th Ozzie's Rained out
- July 28th Gardner's rained out.

New Business: See the calendar on our website www.corvettesofberkshire.org. Many events have been added and there is a lot going on!

- Aug 12 COB Picnic at Ralph's. Dave sent out an e-mail on Aug. 2nd with the info. Briefly we will meet at McDonald's in Allendale at 11:30. Some may want to go early and drive directly to Ralph's. Please indicate in the e-mail if you are meeting in Allendale so we do not leave anyone behind.
- Aug. 12th Cheshire Cruise-in
- Aug 19 National Shrine of Divine Mercy & Barrington Brewery (Fran) www.marian.org/shrine www.barringtonbrewery.net/ Fran will send out an e-mail after Ralph's picnic so as not to confuse members. FYI we will meet at the Parking lot on RT 20 across from the Burger King on the Pittsfield-Lenox road and leave at 11:30. Wear walking shoes! Our supper is at Barrington Brewery at 4:30.
- Aug 24-27 Corvettes at Carlisle. Call or e-mail Butch if you are driving down on Friday. Dave & Marie Johnson, as well as the Garritys, are going down on Thursday. There will be "official" selling of The Clear Option cup holders this year at Carlisle. Dave is actually going down to enjoy the event instead of being chained to a vendor spot.
- Aug 27 Motorama in North Adams.
- Mike donated several vette books for club members to take if they wanted them.
- Our new banner was hanging outside Bass Water. Fran will put it up on the morning before each meeting. It was designed so we can use it wherever we might meet!

2017 COB Official Planned Events (new/changed events are highlighted in yellow)

- Sep 10 Jets & Vettes / Air Museum in Ct. (TBD)
- Oct 7 Brewmasters Pub Williamsburg MA (Joanne)
- Nov 11 International Dinner (Donnie & Joanne)
- Dec 9 Zucchini's (Carmen)
- Jan 13 2018 Holiday Dinner @ Mazzeo's (Dave)

2017 Other non-official events

- NCRS New England – Multiple events www.newenglandncrs.com
- Sep 17 The Collector Car Experience Big-E Springfield Ma
- Sept 22nd Saratoga Auction at SPAC
- Sep 22-24 Vettes to Vets Billerica Ma www.facebook.com/vetestovets
- Sep 30 VIP Fall Show NY Lakeside Farms www.lakesidefarmscidermill.com

Recurring events

- Kringle Candle, Aug 13, Sept 10, and Oct 8.
- Hemmings Aug 3, Aug 17, Sep 15-17
- Ozzie's Aug 24, and Sept 28. www.ozziessteakandeggs.com
- Charlemont Ma. 1st Friday of each month. 5-8 PM Aug. 5th, Sept 2nd, Oct 7th

Club SOP – We encourage anyone who is going to attend a “Cruise-in” event, or set up an impromptu dinner, to send out an e-mail to all members who may be interested. This can be done by going to your MOST RECENT e-mail you received from the club... and clicking “Reply All”. That will pull all of the most recent member e-mails into the “To” section for your e-mail. You should **then change the subject (so we know that it is new)** and add the content that you want to send out. We encourage individuals in the club (anyone) to accept responsibility to coordinate any event that they wish. Whether a small group... or large... it does not matter. The responsibility is not difficult... There are only 5 key points...

1. If the activity involves dining, do we have the ability to sit (at least somewhat) together?
2. Will the establishment provide separate checks?
3. If it is a “fair weather” event (meaning driving the Vettes), is there parking that will be acceptable to those attending?
4. Set the meeting place prior to the drive, if applicable. (i.e. rest area, parking lot, etc... known to members)
5. Maintain a “count” by screening the “Reply All” e-mails that come back from members if the food establishment expects one.

THAT'S IT!

Keep checking our calendar (<http://www.corvettesofberkshire.org/cobcalendar>) for updates. Events are being added all the time. If you hear of an event that may be of interest to the club members, send the information to Dave at DJ@corvettesofberkshire.org and he will post it on the calendar.

Also, Corvettes of Berkshire is on Facebook!  Dave (with the help of Marie) will continue to expand the group. If you have not been “connected” yet, search “Corvettes of Berkshire” on Facebook and put in a friend request (<http://www.facebook.com/berkshirecorvettes>). This is a “public group” and a great way to instantly

add photos, updates and ideas. Along with our website (www.corvettesofberkshire.org), we are quickly climbing out of the 18th century!

If you have updated a car or want a different picture on the site please e-mail it to Dave at (photo@corvettesofberkshire.org) - with any details you want posted with the picture (Year, Paint Color, etc.).

Treasurer's report: No report this meeting.

The raffle of \$23 was won by Deb Jozefiak.... again!

Next COB Meeting is Wednesday, Sept 6th, at Bass Water Grill in Cheshire.

Submitted by; Fran Bourdon, Secretary.