



Minutes of February 2nd, 2022 COB meeting held at Bass Water Grill in Cheshire, MA.

Attending: Dave & Marie Johnson, Alan Richer & Angela Llano, Ted Kaufmann, Dave Kosla, Pat Garrett, George Beeker, Tom Degray, Jeff Sherman & Diana Bartlett, Mike Sawicki and Fran & Nancy Bourdon.

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:30

Old Business:

- Mike Sawicki attended the Barrett Jackson auction in Los Vegas. He said that 1800 cars were auctioned off including 4 2013 Z06 Corvettes (for charities). One Z06, vin# 001 brought \$3.6 Mil!
- Holiday Meal refunds started to arrive today. Everyone due the refund should have them in a few days.

New Business: See the calendar on our website www.corvettesofberkshire.org. Events are added constantly.

Hint Use the "Agenda" option for a chronological listing.

- **The 2022 club dues are due!** If you have not paid already, please send your \$40 dues payment (made out to "Corvettes of Berkshire") to Joanne Lamoureux at P.O. Box 336, Dalton, MA 01227-0336. If you do not intend to "re-up", please let Dave know by sending an e-mail to djohnson@corvettesofberkshire.org and he will remove you from the Membership Listing.

- We welcomed a new potential member Jeff Sherman & Diana Bartlett who have a 2021 C8 newly arrived and in storage at De Paula in Albany. Jeff did get to sit in it and start it before they tucked it away. He is looking forward to talking with Lou about the C8.
- Dave has discovered that Google has a non-profit exemption for the new hosting fee structure. He is pursuing this and the reloading of our site.

TENTATIVE Club Events for 2022 and COB Official Planned Events (new/changed events are highlighted in green)

- May 7-8 Rhinebeck 50th Anniversary ... Sat. is Hotrods and Sun. is Classic cars.
- May 21st Balise Chevrolet Corvette Show <https://www.newenglandautoshows.com/event/15th-annual-vettes-to-vets-day-2/>
- May 29th 40th Corvette Cruise-in at the Anheuser-Busch Merrimack NH. Brewery <https://gatecitycorvetteclub.com/index.php/spring-fling/>
- June 9-12 Old Orchard Beach "Back-2-the-Beach". Advertized as sold out but some members were able to register in Dec. 5 Members going at this point. <http://back2thebeach.net/beachschedul.html>
- Oct 1-2 Vettes-2-Vets <https://www.newenglandautoshows.com/event/15th-annual-vettes-to-vets-day-2/>

Recurring events 2022– Check all events for cancellations due to weather, end-of-season and covid-19 concerns. This list is from the 2021 events calendar and will be updated as 2022 confirmations arrive.

- **Monday**
 - Marks-every week thru Sept.
 - Hadley-Young Men's Club-every week
- Springfield-Basketball Hall of Fame-every week thru Aug.
- **Tuesday**
 - O’Kennys-1st + 3rd thru Sept with a final Sunday cruise in Oct.
 - Westfield-Hampton Plaza-every week
- **Wednesday**
 - Pittsfield Airport-1st Wed
 - Leadfoot Lucy (Kohl’s Plaza Albany) <https://www.facebook.com/events/1905437466441360/>
- **Thursday**
 - Florence-Elks-every week
 - Chicopee-Moose-every week-150 car limit
 - Enfield CT-Mt Carmel 93 Park Ave-every week *
- **Friday**
 - Hinsdale-Ozzie’s- Done for year.
 - Stephentown NY Gardner’s last Friday - May to October
 - Whately-Tom’s Hot Dogs-2nd + 4th Friday
 - Colonie NY-Village Square Plaza-every week *
- **Saturday**
 - Verillo (Prestige) Auto Clifton Park Every 3rd Saturday 9-12.
 - Cairo NY-town park-4pm
 - Colonie NY-Village Square Plaza-every week *

Treasurer’s report: Starting Balance of \$3,044.47, Income of \$2,454.00, Expenses of \$1,302.78 (includes \$1,120.00 from Holiday Meal), ending Balance \$4,195.69.

Raffle: NO Raffle

- **NOTE** Next COB Meeting Mar 2nd at 7:30 at Bass Water Grill (6:30 if you are eating).

Club Event 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 invitation 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. Then delete the rest of the “old” e-mail so there is no confusion.

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 (couple's) 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. (Such as rest area, parking lot, etc... known to members). It also helps to maintain a master list to ensure that everyone has arrived before departing and that you have a count for the restaurant if needed. **Note: keep members listing in your glove compartment so you can contact anyone in your group before or during the cruise.**

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.).

Submitted by; Fran Bourdon, Secretary.