



Minutes of June 3rd, 2015 COB meeting held at Bass Water Grill

Attending: Gary Rougeau, Butch Eddy, Ted Kaufmann and his grandson Alex, Lou Rocca, John & Pam Aulisio, Nate Zuckerman, Larry Gattuso, Mike Purcell, Gabe Prendergast, Dave Johnson, Mike Sawicki, Ralph Ledger, Austin Brazee, Ed & Val Anker, Bob & Carol Garrity, Wayne & Sue Eastwood and Fran & Nancy Bourdon

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:35

Old Business:

- Bob & Carol, Mike Sawicki, Butch and Fran attended Ozzie's Cruise-in. There were about 80 cars.
- Ed & Val attended the Adirondack VIP poker run. It started at Prestige auto and ended in Queensboro – a 200 mile event. They won \$30 and a trophy for the WORSE poker hand. Ed said they had a great time and that we should do the same in the future.
- Gabe attended the Run-for-Life & car show at Ioka Farms. HE said about 80 cars were there. He also won a trophy for his car.
- Ted and Alex attended the 1st Hemming's show. He said there were at least 400 cars.
- Carmen sends his best as he recovers from an operation.
- Dolores Rocca is rapidly recovering from a total hip replacement and can drive after only 4 weeks.
- Ted reported that new policies at Jiminy Peak will not allow us to bring food to augment a 40th Anniversary party and that the full fare price makes it too expensive. We need to look at alternatives.

Car Show report: Ted reports that we will have 21 trophies with many reclaimed from member turn-ins and several recovered from someone tossing a number into recycling. COB cars will have a separate class judged externally. Shaun covered the cost of the plaques. Ted is looking for more pop-up tents. Fran will provide the buckets and table cloths. Dave and Fran will place out the signs on Friday. The BOD was again reminded to determine if the club would make a donation to the Car Show. **Members were again asked to get items that can be used for the bucket raffle.**

New Business: Be sure to check updates at the COB web site www.corvettesofberkshire.org

- Gabe's girlfriend researched several local sites for a wine tour possibly coupled with an anniversary supper. Dave took the list for review and presentation to the BOD.
- Wayne has a C6 bra for sale and Ed has a C6 stock exhaust for sale.
- This Saturday is the Lakeside VIP all Corvettes
- John & Pam Aulisio attended their first meeting. Website information was given to John & Pam to print out and complete the membership application. They met the club members at Ozzie's. Welcome! John & Pam have a top flight C4 and said that NCRS is working on a judging guide for C5's and plans to release it by the end of the year.

New Event Info is highlighted in yellow.

- June 6th Lakeside Exit 8 Northway (w/VIP)
- June 8th Mark's Cruise Night, Granby Ct. Austin is going. This is Corvette night.
- June 11th Hemming
- June 14th Kringle Cars and Coffee Bernardston MA (Cruise-in)
- June 18th Ozzie's (Cruise-in)
- July 4th Pittsfield parade (No one was interested in participating)
- July 9th Ozzie's (Cruise-in)
- July 10th Hemming
- July 11th COB car show at Jiminy Peak. (On behalf of the Show committee Fran asked for a donation from the Club as we did in previous years)
- July 12th Kringle Cars and Coffee Bernardston MA (Cruise-in). This show is an early Sunday morning show scheduled for once a month through the summer. The dates and details are listed on our calendar.
- July 24-26 Sylvan Lake NY
- July 30th Ozzie's (Cruise-in)
- August 1st Veterans Hospital Albany NY
- August 6th Hemming
- August 8th Supper at New Boston Inn (Ralph is asked to coordinate this event)
- August 13th Ozzie's (Cruise-in)
- August 15th Culinary Art Institute Poughkeepsie NY (Date will have to be changed since the CIA is closed for a short period.) Joanne is working on this event-may also include other activities such as the Hudson Historic Walkway or a winery tour)
- August 28-30 Corvettes at Carlisle
- August 30th North Adams Auto Show. This is a Cruise-in event since several members will be at Corvettes at Carlisle.
- September 2nd Vettes at Harbor House Clifton Park NY
- September 3rd Ozzie's (Cruise-in)
- September 11-13 Adirondack Vette Fest Glens Falls NY
- September 17th Ozzie's (Cruise-in)
- September 25-27 Vettes to Vets Billerica Ma. (Currently Ed, Dave, Bob, Fran & their wives are planning to attend)
- Oct 3rd VIP at Eagle Mills NY
- October 11th Car Show at Balston Spa "The way we were" Theme.
- January 16th 2016 Christmas Party at Mazzeo's

Other 2015 potential Activities:

- Other events that we are working on are:
 - Piston Popper and Night Cruiser events. (Night Cruiser calendar is not yet available) (Cruise-in events)
 - Visit to F40 Motorsports Portland CT. (Butch is arranging this event -- date TBA)
 - Cruise to Black Watch Farm Springfield VT (Fran will organize this event) Fall event.
 - COB July or August Picnic – We may substitute this year's picnic with a wine tasting and supper to celebrate our anniversary. BOD will discuss the possibilities.
 - International Supper (Joanne and Donnie have volunteered to organize this event for the fall)

- Day Bus trip to Mohegan Sun is an option. (\$30 per person includes \$20 back for slots and \$10 back for buffet)
- Trip to Niagara Falls (Possibly a Sunday to Monday trip)
- Fall Mystic Car Show
- Ice Cream/supper rally to Gardner's in Stephentown. Last Friday of each Month May to October (Cruise-in event)
- Kringle Cars & coffee is from 8AM till 11AM at Kringle Candle in Bernardston MA.
- Anyone going to Sept 25-27 Vettes-to-Vets in Billerica should reserve their rooms now. The flyer for the show is on our website under a link for "other Corvette shows". The tel # for the Billerica Courtyard by Marriot is 978-670-7500.... Rooms are \$85/night. Past attendees arrived either Friday or Saturday and spend time enjoying the area (Gloucester, Salem, etc..). There is a buffet dinner at the hotel on Saturday night. On Sunday morning, Corvettes from all over descend on the hotel rear parking lot... upwards of 500+... to travel in caravan a very short distance to the VA Hospital for a show and celebration on the grounds. Recommendation is to stay Sunday night to travel back Monday because moving 500+ Corvettes off of the VA grounds usually takes a while!

Dave encouraged anyone who was going to attend a "Cruise-in" event to send out a "Reply All" e-mail to find out if others wanted to attend. Also he is looking for individuals in the club (anyone) to accept responsibility to coordinate any event that they wish and not leave it just to the Officers and BOD.

Treasurer's report: Starting balance was \$1,052 plus \$40 in dues and \$12 from the 50/50 leaving us a final balance of \$1,104.

Gabe won \$15 in the raffle which he will use to buy more fish!

Next COB Meeting is July 1st at Bass Water Grill in Cheshire.

Submitted by; Fran Bourdon, Secretary.