



Minutes of June 5th 2019 COB meeting held at Bass Water Grill -

Attending: Dave & Marie Johnson, Keith Seidman, Ralph Ledger, Phil Grannan, Wayne & Sue Eastwood, Mike Purcell, Donnie Lamoureux, Larry & Sandy Gattasso, Jim Contenta, John & Pam Aulisio, Dave Kosla, Mike Sawicki, Bob & Darlene Rodowicz, Larry & Marilyn Gallap, Gary Rougeau, Alan Richer, Butch Eddy, Carmen Simonelli, George Beeker, Chick Carmel and Fran & Nancy Bourdon.

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:30

Old Business:

- May 11th VIP Poker Run 10am @ Prestige Motor Co .Clifton Park NY. 4 Cars attended out of the 60+ participating. The COB attendees won several prizes including a TV that almost did not fit into Tom Degray's car!
- May 11th IOCA Farms Car Show (Rt. 43) Only Butch attended and it was well attended but very wet.
- May 14th Car Show Prep Meeting/meal at Zucchini's. 21 people attended and all needs for the show were assigned. Thanks for the cooperation.
- May 18th Breakout to Balise Corvette Show then Supper. 8 Member cars were present. Donnie won Special Interest. Gennaro Aulisio won a trophy in the C4 class.
- May 18th Saratoga Auto Museum/Car show. No one attended
- May 23rd Ozzie's cancelled due to Rain.
- May 26th VIP Show. Both Aulisio's won trophies.
- June 2nd Tour of National Shrine of Divine Mercy (Stockbridge) then Dinner at Barrington Brewery. 4 Cars (7 persons) attended. Had a great tour and excellent meal. Weather held out for the entire day!

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

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

- Dave gave an update on Bob Garrity. Please keep in in your prayers. Dave & Marie and Butch have been to visit him recently.
- COB Vette Show Discussion: We have received several more sponsor donations. John displayed an updated list of sponsors. Ed Supple from the Pediatric Development Center gave a talk on the works and needs of the Center. Setup volunteers are asked to be at Ozzie's at 2:00pm on Saturday and all volunteers are asked to be there by 8:00am on Sunday. Let's pray for good weather.
- Old Orchard Beach. There are 3 COB couples attending the North Shore Club event.
- June 26-28 Barrett Jackson Auction at Mohegan Sun. The LAST 2018 Z06 will be auctioned off during the Auction.

- George Beeker reported that the Guptil car shows have been discontinued at that site. He will keep us updated if the sponsoring club finds a new venue.
- June 8th Run the Runway car show in Chicopee (Westover).
- June 8th H & S car show Pittsfield.
- June 21st NAPA Car Show North Adams.
- June 22nd K of C Car Show Chicopee.
- Gary Rougeau's interview from last year's Motorama was on the TV last week. It will be replayed and Gary will try to keep us informed of the times.
- Dave discussed that the club came to a majority agreement to keep our meetings to the 1st Wednesday at Bass Water in Cheshire. If members decide to attend the Airport Show that they could start at the Airport @ 5:00 then attend our meeting for 7:30 or simply skip the meeting.
- **2019 COB Official Planned Events** (new/changed events are highlighted in yellow)
- June 23rd COB Corvette show at Ozzie's (John Aulisio) www.ozziessteakandeggs.com
- July 6th Pittsfield Commons car show (Rain date 7th)
- July 27th Berkshire Ramble & Club Picnic at Bob & Darlene Rodowicz
- Aug 4th White Flower Farm drive & Lunch (Butch) www.whiteflowerfarm.com
- Aug 22nd - 25th Carlisle
- Aug 25th Motorama North Adams (Gary???)
- Sept 22nd The 1761 Old Mill in Westminster, MA (Fran) www.1761oldmill.com Fran reported that we have secured a separate room and couples' checks. We will arrive by 1:00 so members can have a choice to order off the menu or the Buffet.
- Sep 27-29 Vettes to Vets Billerica Ma www.facebook.com/vetestovets
- Oct 6th Clark Art Tour and Dinner at Publyk House (Bennington) (Fran) www.clarkart.edu, www.thepublykhouse.com We will have a guide at 2:00. Then Happy Hour at the Publyk house at 4:00 and supper at 4:30.
- Oct 26th Bowling & Food at Mingo's North Adams www.mingossportsbar.com
- **Nov?? International Dinner -- Looking for sponsor and date???**
- Nov 16th Lunch @ Red Lion Inn with VIP?? (Dave will reach out to VIP) www.redlioninn.com
- Dec 7th Zucchini's (Carmen) www.zucchinisrestaurant.com
- Jan 25th 2020 Mazzeo's (Joanne & Donnie)

Recurring events 2019 –

- Ozzie's (Thursdays) June 13th, **June 23rd**, June 27th, July 25th, Aug 8th, Aug 22nd, and Sept 12th. www.ozziessteakandeggs.com
- Kringle's Candle Bernardston Sunday car shows, Jun 16th, July 14th, Aug 11th, Sept 8th, Oct 13th www.kringlecandle.com
- Hemmings (Thursdays) June 13th, Jun 27th, (Fri) July 12th, Jul 25th, Aug 8th, AUG 22nd
- Ice Cream/supper cruise to Gardner's in Stephentown. Last Friday of each Month - May to October (Cruise-in)
- Leadfoot Lucy (Kohl's Plaza Albany) May 1st and every Wednesday
- Prestige Auto Clifton Park Every 2nd Saturday 9-12.

Possible additional events: Check calendar for current updates!

- July 14th Sons of the American Legion Car Show Dalton Mass.
- Aug 3rd Car Show at Albany VA Hospital
- Sept 6th – 8th Adirondack Vette Festival

- Mohawk Trail/Zoar car shows??
- Hemmings Concourse d'Elegance Lake George Sept 14-16
- VIP Fall Show NY Lakeside Farms www.lakesidefarmscidermill.com

Treasurer's report: Previous Balance was \$2,966.45 plus \$14 from 50/50 and \$40 from Dues less \$25 memorial, leaving an ending balance of \$2,995.45. Raffle was won by Wayne Eastwood!

Next COB Meeting is Wednesday July 3rd, at Bass Water Grill in Cheshire.

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 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 (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. (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.).

Submitted by; Fran Bourdon, Secretary.