



Minutes of June 8, 2022 COB meeting held at the Olde Forge Restaurant in Lanesborough, MA.

Attending: Dave Johnson, Alan Richer, Jeff Sherman & Dianna Bartlett, Bob & Carol Garrity, Gary & Sue Rougeau, George Beeker, Chick Carmel, Carmen Simonelli, Mike Purcell, Butch Eddy, Larry & Marilyn Gallup, Dave Intelisano, Tom DeGray, Mike Sawicki, John Aulisio, Pat Garrett, John Korte (potential Member), Larry & Sandy Gattasso and Fran & Nancy Bourdon.

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:40 at the new location Olde Forge.

Old Business:

- May 14th IOKA Valley Farm 12 members attended and Pat Garrett took home a trophy!
- May 21st Balise corvette No attendees from COB
- May 21st Verillo's 1 member attended
- May 22nd Kiwanis at Dalton American Legion 9-3
- May 29th 40th Corvette Cruise-in at the Merrimack NH. Brewery. Pat Garrett won a trophy again! Congrats Pat!
- May 28/29 Limerock Jeff and Dianna attended and Jeff got to drive his new C8 on the track!
- June 1st Pittsfield Airport Postponed until the 7th and no one attended.
- June 4th Windsor Car Show 4 members attended
- June 3rd Ozzie's 7 members attended. About 80 cars.

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 has again made several updates on the calendar. Members should check both the newsletter and calendar for future events.
- 4th of July Parade. We have 6 cars but we still need a C1 and C2. Dave Kosla could also use at least 2 additional persons as banner carriers. Dave Johnson had the new "generic COB" banners and gave one to Jeff for the parade and the other to Tom for the group going to Back-to-the-beach.
- Fran reported that the September 18th Anniversary Dinner will at 4:00 at the 6 Pub in Williamstown on Sunday, September 19th. It will be preceded with a cruise northward or an optional tour of the Marian Property in Stockbridge. More to follow.
- June 9-12 Old Orchard Beach Back-2-the-beach. Advertized as sold out but some members were able to register in Dec. 7 Members going
- June 12th Pops Cares Southside Sales N. Adams
- June 12th Adirondack Corvette Club Car Show Mohawk Garage Ballston Spa
- June 12th Austerlitz Fire Dept. 9 to 3
- June 16th Hemmings
- June 18th Verillo Cars & Coffee

- June 18th Mt Greylock Nursery
- June 18th Lenox car show
- June 18th Bennington Soldier's home
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- June 25th Two Guys Restoration N. Adams 2 to 6
- July 6th Pittsfield Airport 5-8
- July 8th Ozzie's
- **NOTE** Olde Forge worked well for the meeting. However come early if you are eating.

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

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- Aug 5th American Legion Gt. Barrington
- Aug 6th American Legion Dalton (LaFramboise memorial) 12-6
- Aug 13th VIP Club Poker run 9 to 5 starting at Verillo
- Aug 25-27th Carlisle
- Aug 27-28th Motoramma
- Sept 2-5 Limerock Corvette show
- Sept 6th Pittsfield Airport
- September 24th Sugar Hill Dalton
- Oct 1-2 Vettes-2-Vets <https://www.newenglandautoshows.com/event/15th-annual-vettes-to-vets-day-2/>
- Oct 16th Golden eagle with Gates City Corvette Club.

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 July 6, Aug 3, Sept 6, Oct 5.
 - 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- July 8th, Aug 12th 5-8 PM
 - Stephentown NY Gardner's last Friday - May to October
 - Whately-Tom's Hot Dogs-2nd + 4th Friday
 - Colonie NY-Village Square Plaza-every week *
 - Matt's Automotive, Rt. 2 in Charlemont First Fridays until Sept 2nd.
- **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 \$3,227.19, deposits of \$120.00 for Dues and \$29 for Raffle with an ending Balance \$3,376.19.

Raffle: Larry Gallup won the raffle of \$21.00

NOTE Next COB Meeting July 13th at 7:30 at Olde Forge Inn (6:00 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.

Butch's First Lift!

