



Minutes of March 1st, 2017 COB meeting held at Bass Water Grill

Attending: Dave & Marie Johnson, John Aulisio, George Beeker, Ron & Cindy Brouker, Marilyn Gallap, Mike Purcell, Butch Eddy, Larry Gattasso, Mark Adelson, Gary & Deb Jozefiak, Shaun Hebert, Dave Kosla, Carmen Simonelli, Gary Sharp, Mike Sawicki, Gary Rougeau, and Fran Bourdon.

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:30

Old Business:

- Feb 11 Boston Seafood North Adams. 18 persons attended and enjoyed a great meal. Thanks Larry!
- Wayne's father passed on the 24th of Feb. Sympathies from all members is extended to Wayne and Sue and their family. Dave will contact Joanne to send a memorial gift from the Club.
- Dave has 24 people registered for the Memorial Day Weekend trip to the Kitzhof Inn in Dover Vt. 5 couples from our club and 7 couples from other Corvette clubs. There are more rooms available so register now if you wish to join us. (www.kitzhof.com) Any questions, e-mail Dave (djohnson@corvettesofberkshire.org). Arrive Saturday, May 27th... stay 2 nights... to leave Monday morning (the Holiday). 2 nights / 2 breakfasts / Inn-Hosted BBQ / mapped country road trips... all for \$269 per couple including tax.
- Dave mentioned that we need car pictures 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.).

New Business: Check our calendar (<http://www.corvettesofberkshire.org/cobcalendar>) for updated details.

- Mar 18 6' House Williamstown (Joanne) www.6housepub.com. Joanne will send an e-mail as organizer of the event.
- Apr 22 Delmonico's Albany (Dave)
- Bedard's has not replied on sponsorship or hosting of the COB car show. Ted is unable to run the show this year so unless another member steps forward to organize the event, there will not be a show. Ted is confident that Jiminy Peak is still a viable location, but he has requested to pass the responsibility to someone else. The club membership thanks Ted for all of the hard work and time he has spent organizing the past car shows. If anyone is interested to "pick up that torch", please let Ted know so that organizing information, e-mail databases, etc. may be shared.
- **DUES** are payable for 2017. Please send it to Joanne. Her address is on the "Membership Listing" located on the "Club Officers" page on our website ... (<http://www.corvettesofberkshire.org/home/cobofficers>).

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

- May 6-7 Rhinebeck Car Show NY (TBD)

- May 13 Yankee Candle (Carmen)
- May 27-29 Kitzhof Inn Dover, VT (Dave) See e-mail from Dave on Feb 1st for more info www.kitzhof.com (reservations are open now... get your room... 1-800-388-8310)
- Jun 11 Saratoga Winery (Larry) www.thesaratogawinery.com
- Jul 8 Anker's Lakeside House Sacandaga Lake NY (Ed)
- Aug 12 COB Picnic (Ralph)
- Aug 19 National Shrine of Divine Mercy & Barrington Brewery (Fran) alt Oct 14 www.marian.org/shrine
www.barringtonbrewery.net/
- 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

- April 8th Limerock – EMRA racing weekend. \$400 covers classes and use of the track.
- NCRS New England – Multiple events www.newenglandncrs.com
- May 28 Musclopalozza Lebanon Valley Speedway
- June 3 VIP Spring Show Lakeside Farms www.lakesidefarmscidermill.com
- Jun 19-24 Barrett Jackson Car Auction Mohegan Sun CT See e-mail from Dave on Feb 2nd for more info.
- July 22nd Limerock
- Aug 24-27 Corvettes at Carlisle
- Aug 27 Motorama N. Adams
- Sep 17 The Collector Car Experience Big-E Springfield Ma
- 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

- Hemmings May 25, Jun 8, Jul 20, Aug 3, Aug 17, Sep 15-17
- Ozzie's May 26, June 22, July 27, Aug 24, and Sept 28. www.ozziessteakandeggs.com

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 can then change the subject 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!

Treasurer’s report: Starting balance is \$2,106.09 with deposits of \$10 from the 50/50, and \$40 in 2017 Dues giving us a remaining balance of \$2,156.09.

The raffle of \$18 was won by Deb Jozefiak (She said something about Kielbasa for Gary?)

Next COB Meeting is Apr. 5th at Bass Water Grill in Cheshire.

Submitted by; Fran Bourdon, Secretary.