



Minutes of May 3rd, 2017 COB meeting held at Bass Water Grill

Attending: Dave & Marie Johnson, John & Pam Aulisio, George Beeker, Ron & Cindy Brouker, Ted Kaufmann, Chick Carmel, Ed & Val Anker, Gary & Deb Jozefiak, Dave Kosla, Carmen Simonelli, Gary Rougeau, Lou Rocca, Donnie & Joanne Lamoureux, Butch Eddy, Mike Purcell, Shaun Hebert, Larry Gattasso, Nate Zuckerman, Gary Sharp, and Fran Bourdon. Also present were 2 friends of Carmen, Dick Valenti w/06 and Charlie Messina w/05.

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:30

Old Business:

- Apr 22 Delmonico's Albany was attended by 25 people. The food and service was great. All want to return next year.
- Dave still has 30 people registered for the Memorial Day Weekend trip to the Kitzhof Inn in Dover Vt. Five couples from our club and 10 couples from other Corvette clubs/individuals with the possible addition of a person from VT. He is the VT. Coordinator of the 2017 Corvette Caravan. We may meet in North County for those who wish to drive together to the Inn; it is under 2 hrs from North County. More to follow in an e-mail from Dave to only those attending. If you wish to join us register at (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.
- Shaun visited Muscle Car City in Punta Gorda, Florida. They have over 200 GM cars with over 60 Vettes. He shared tons of Photos and encouraged members to visit this unique Museum. Check it out at www.Musclecarcity.net.
- Kringle Candles has started their monthly Sunday morning "Cars and Coffee" shows from 9am to 12 noon.
- See the calendar on our website www.corvettesofberkshire.org. Many events have been added and there is a lot going on!

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

- On the same night as our meeting, a group was meeting in Pittsfield to discuss a second Air and Auto show at the Pittsfield Airport. We considered assisting in lieu of our own sponsored show. More to follow.
- May 6-7 Rhinebeck Car Show NY
- May 13th Breakout run will be to the Opa Opa Steak House on Rt. 10 in Southampton, MA. Carmen is organizing the run. We plan to meet in Pittsfield in the McDonald's parking lot for 10:15am and leave by 10:30am. Carmen will send out a final email to the 7 members currently registered.
- May 13th IOKA Farm Car Show for Cancer 10am-3:00pm.

- May 20th Balise Chevrolet “all Vettes” show.
- May 21st Night Cruisers swap meet at Dean’s on Rt8 in N. Adams.
- May 24th Car Show at Mingo’s on Rt. 8 in N. Adams (near Wal-Mart).
- May 25th Car shows at Hemmings and Ozzie’s. Both start at 5:00.
- May 28 Muscledalozza Lebanon Valley Speedway
- June 14th Habitat for Humanity Cruise-in (limit 25 cars) <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/habitat-for-humanity-cruise-night-registration-33923283454> (registration) Ozzie’s Food Truck, Beer Tent and specials in the Habitat Restore that will be open during the cruise.
- Welcome our prospective members member Dick Valenti w/06 and Charlie Messina w/05
- Two Vettes are for sale in Adams both on Rt8 1mi & 2mi North of Cheshire State Police.
 - 2003 Silver Z06 owned by Don Sommers. 72,000 mi \$19,000 413-822-1365.
 - 2012 Black/black GS (w/extras) Joe Chiota 22,000 mi \$41,000 413-743-9523

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

- **June 4 VIP** Spring Show Lakeside Farms www.lakesidefarmscidermill.com
- 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) 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

- NCRS New England – Multiple events www.newenglandncrs.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/vettestovets
- Sep 30 VIP Fall Show NY Lakeside Farms www.lakesidefarmscidermill.com

Recurring events

- Kringle Candle **May 21, June 11, Jul 9, Aug 13, Sept 10, and Oct 8.**
- Hemmings May 25, Jun 8, Jul 20, Aug 3, Aug 17, Sep 15-17
- Ozzie’s May 25, 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 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 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.).

Treasurer's report: Starting balance is \$2,224.09 with deposits of \$57, 17, 17 from the 50/50, and \$40 in 2017 Dues giving us a remaining balance of \$2,281.09.

The 50/50 for \$17 was won by Cindy Brouker who was speechless over her good fortune.

Next COB Meeting is Wednesday, June 7th, at Bass Water Grill in Cheshire.

Submitted by; Fran Bourdon, Secretary.