



Minutes of May 1st 2019 COB meeting held at Bass Water Grill -

Attending: Dave & Marie Johnson, Keith Seidman, Tom & Deb DeGray, John & Pam Aulisio, Dave Kosla, Mike Sawicki, Gary & Deb Jozefiak, Dick Valenti, Butch Eddy, Charlie Messina, Ted Kaufmann, Carmen Simonelli, George Beeker and Fran Bourdon.

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:30

Old Business:

- April 13th Cork 'n Hearth (was attended by 24 people) Great meal and service.
- Butch reported that the Big E was a good show with many classic cars (and gun show).

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

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

- **COB Vette Show Discussion:** We have received several more sponsor donations and we now have sponsors for every class. An updated list of sponsors was shared. Members were reminded to think about others they know to solicit for door prizes, etc. A meeting is scheduled for May 14th at 6:00 at the Old Forge in Lanesboro for all who want to work on the event so we can finalize details and responsibilities. Anyone in the club who wants to help is invited. John will send out an e-mail just to get a number for seats at the Old Forge. Even if you cannot attend the planning meeting you are asked to attend the show and volunteer any time you can afford. Let's support John in this cause and recognize the good work he has done in organizing the show. Thanks also to Ted who has been a great help to John.
- May 11th VIP Poker Run 10am @ Prestige Motor Co .Clifton Park NY. Tom Degray will send out an e-mail for those attending. In Brief, we will meet in Williamstown @ 8:00 or in NY Rt. 22 for Pittsfield people to arrive at about 9:30.
- May 11th IOKA Farms Car Show (Rt. 43)
- May 18th Breakout to Balise Corvette Show then Supper at either the Outback or Brewmasters Tavern. Carmen will be sending out an e-mail to cover this event shortly. You should **pre-register NOW** for this show as spaces are limited for "showing" the cars. www.corvetteclubofwesternma.com
- May 18th Saratoga Auto Museum/Car show & Supper Anyone attending this event should send out an e-mail for other members to convoy up to Saratoga.
- June 2nd Tour of National Shrine of Divine Mercy (Stockbridge) then Dinner at Barrington Brewery (Fran) www.marian.org, www.barringtonbrewery.net Fran will send out an e-mail on the 15th. We will meet at the Pittsfield/Lenox Plaza at 12:00. Supper will be at 4:00 for anyone just wanting to join the meal. Wear sneakers and this is a rain or shine event with or without Vettes. This was very well received last year.

2019 COB Official Planned Events (new/changed events are highlighted in yellow)

- June 23rd COB Corvette show at Ozzie's (John Auliso) 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
- 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) www.redlioninn.com
- Dec 7th Zucchini's (Carmen) www.zucchinisrestaurant.com
- Jan 2^{5th} 2020 Mazzeo's (Joanne)& Donnie)

Recurring events 2019 –

- Ozzie's (Thursdays) May 23rd, June 13th, **June 23rd**, June 27th, July 25th, Aug 8th, Aug 22nd, and Sept 12th. www.ozziessteakandeggs.com
- Guptill's Ice Cream Latham NY **June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10** www.regionalfoodbank.net/event/guptills-car-shows
- Kringle's Candle Bernardston Sunday car shows, **Apr 14th**, May 19th, Jun 9th, July 14th, Aug 11th, Sept 8th, Oct 13th www.kringlecandle.com
- Hemmings (Thursdays) May 16th, May 30th, 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 until

Possible additional events: Check calendar for current updates!

- May 26th Muscledalooza
- June 6th to June 8th Back to the Beach in Old Orchard. A few members are registered.
- June 26-28 Barrett Jackson Auction at Mohegan Sun. The LAST 2018 Z06 will be auctioned off during the Auction.
- 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??
- Bradley Airport Car & Plane show (?)
- Hemmings Concourse d'Elegance Lake George Sept 14-16
- VIP Fall Show NY Lakeside Farms www.lakesidefarmscidermill.com

Treasurer's report: Previous Balance was \$2,991.45 less \$25 memorial, leaving an ending balance of \$2,966.45. Raffle was won by Dave Johnson.

Next COB Meeting is Wednesday June 5th, 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.