



Minutes of May 6th 2020 COB (**TELECONFERENCE**) meeting

Attending: Dave & Marie Johnson, John Aulisio, Gary Rougeau, Mike Sawicki, Butch Eddy, Gary & Deb Jozefiak, Dave Kosla, Carmen Simonelli, Lou Rocca and Fran Bourdon.

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:30

Old Business: Due to CV-19 restrictions there was no Meeting in April.

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

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

- On the 3rd of March, Marie Johnson donated part of her liver to Bob Garrity at the Worcester UMASS Medical center. Marie is home and is recovering well. She and Dave have started to work part time from home. Bob is still in the hospital recovering. Carol has been unable to visit since very shortly after the operation because of the Covid19 restrictions. Please keep all in your prayers.
- Dave and Marie thanked the club for the delivered meal after their return from the Hospital.
- Dave did a poll of the members on the teleconference and all are well and do not know of any COB member who has been affected. WE commented that almost all of our members are in the high risk zone and have been mostly quarantined.
- The COB car show was cancelled by John Aulisio in April because there was inadequate time to plan and gather sponsors. Additionally we do not know if any locations will be open to public events by that time.
- The Motorama has also been cancelled for similar reasons.
- No announcement is out on Carlisle 2020.
- Back to the Beach has been cancelled.
- All club events are suspended until the lockdowns are lifted. That being said Gary Jozefiak suggested that short rides to local places might be possible. We would bring our own refreshment and food if desired and maintain social distances. Dave suggested that if he or anyone plans to go on such a ride that they should just send out an email and see if anyone wants to join.
- Next meeting location will be determined on the prevailing conditions. We discussed the possibility of meeting at a parking lot and spreading out with our own chairs and food. Possibilities are Sears or Allendale. Access to bathrooms was a concern. Bass Water might be converting the Banquet room into social distanced dining along with their existing dining room. We may still be able to use this room in a different configuration than our usual format. Fran will stay in contact with them as we get closer to our meeting date.
- Dave did an awesome job setting up the teleconference meeting and it worked out very well. Actually it ran longer than our usual meetings. (I attribute this to Cabin Fever Syndrome!)
- May 9th Breakout to Brown's Brewery in North Hoosick Falls (Gary & Deb) was SNOWED OUT and CV19 Quarantined. Certainly not meant to happen!

TENTATIVE Club Events for 2020 COB Official Planned Events (new/changed events are highlighted in yellow)

- June 27th Westwood Tavern (Carmen) www.westwoodpub.com/ (Highly recommended by Fran)
- July ?th Pittsfield Commons car show **Cancelled**
- July 12th Daddio's (Larry & Sandy) daddyoshopewell.com/
- July 25th Club 45th Anniversary Picnic at Bob & Darlene Rodowicz
- Aug 9th Paolo Lombardi restaurant (Larry & Sandy) ??? <https://paololombardis.com/>
- Aug 30th Motorama North Adams (**Cancelled**)
- Sept 13th Jets and Vettes (Fran & Nancy) www.neam.org
- Oct 3rd VIP Corvette Show Elks Lodge Ballston Spa
- **Nov ?? International Dinner -- Looking for sponsor and date???**
- Dec 7th Zucchini's (Carmen) www.zucchinisrestaurant.com
- Jan 23rd 2021 Mazzeo's (Joanne)& Donnie)

Possible additional events in 2020: Check calendar for current updates!

- June 6th VIP Lakeside **Cancelled**
- June 20 Balise all cars show **Cancelled**
- Aug 27th to 30th - Carlisle
- Sept 4th to 6th Adirondack Vette Fest
- Sep 25th to 27th Vettes to Vets Billerica Ma www.facebook.com/vetestovets
- Date ?? Washington Car Show (Butch)
- Oct – Nov ?? Jackson's Old Chatham Inn (Fran & Nancy) www.jacksonsoldchathamhouse.com
- Vermont Country Inn and supper at Publyk House www.thepublykhouse.com
- TBA Picnic at Shaun Hebert's camp in Vermont.

Recurring events 2020 –

- Hemmings (Thursdays) June 11th, (Fri) July 10th, Aug 13th
- Kringle's Candle Bernardston Sunday car shows www.kringlecandle.com
- 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.
- Ozzie's (Thursdays) TBA ozziessteakandeggs.com/ **Cancelled**
- Guptill's Ice Cream Latham NY www.regionalfoodbank.net/event/guptills-car-shows
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Treasurer's report: No Report for this meeting.

Raffle: Obviously NOT!

NOTE Next COB Meeting is Wednesday June 3rd Location TBD

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.