



Minutes of November 3rd 2021 COB meeting held at Bass Water Grill in Cheshire, MA.

Attending: Dave Johnson, Bob & Carol Garrity, Chick Carmel, John Aulisio, Mike Sawicki, Pat Garrett, Butch Eddy, George Beeker, Gary Rougeau, Alan Richer, Ted Kaufmann, Larry & Sandy Gattasso, Dave Intelisano, Mike Purcell, Tom Degray, Jim Contenta, Dave Kosla and Fran & Nancy Bourdon.

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:30

Old Business:

- Oct 3rd O’Kenny’s George and Butch attended this last of season cruise-in. It was packed.
- Pat Garrett led a cruise t the Queensbury Hotel in Glens Falls. 5 Cars participated. It was a picture perfect day and great meal.

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

Hint Use the “Agenda” option for a chronological listing.

- Nov 14th Saratoga Auto Museum Meet at Museum at 9:00 and drive to Jim Taylor’s Auto Collection. \$40 per person. Register at megan@saratogaautomuseum.org or 518-401-5185.
- A new C8 is being auctioned off on Hemmings to benefit UMASS Amherst Stem program.
- Tom DeGray announced that the 2022 Back-to-the-Beach Corvette rally is June 10th to 12th 2022. They are now taking reservations. The \$500 fee includes housing and many meals. For more info contact Ralph Quaglietta at 508-335-0992 or e-mail rquag85@charter.net. More info at <https://www.newenglandautoshows.com/>
- Pat Garrett has a new (in-box) car cover for a C6 for sale for \$100.
- Jan 22nd 2022 Club Holiday Meal at Mazzeo’s. An n e-mail will be coming out in December for meal selection and reservations along with the 2022 Dues.
- Nominations for officers are being accepted by Dave until or at the next meeting. Elections will be held at the January meeting. NOTE You do not need to be present to be elected **(JUST KIDDING!)**
- Google is transitioning to a different Web hosting process. There may be some disruption in our site or some data or links that may need to be fixed. Dave will keep us apprised of issues.

TENTATIVE Club Events for 2021 COB Official Planned Events (new/changed events are highlighted in green)

- No official events planned by the BOD at this point. Strongly recommend spontaneous cruises as some members did in late 2020 until we can plan cruises with safety and certainty.

Recurring events 2021– Check all events for cancellations due to weather, end-of-season and covid-19 concerns.

- **Monday**
 - Marks-every week thru Sept. Done for year.
 - Hadley-Young Men's Club-every week
 - Springfield-Basketball Hall of Fame-every week thru Aug. Done for year.
- **Tuesday**
 - O'Kennys-1st + 3rd thru Sept with a final Sunday cruise in Oct. Done for the year.
 - Westfield-Hampton Plaza-every week
- **Wednesday**
 - Pittsfield Airport-1st Wed
 - Leadfoot Lucy (Kohl's Plaza Albany)
- **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- Done for year.
 - Stephentown NY Gardner's last Friday - May to October
 - Whately-Tom's Hot Dogs-2nd + 4th Friday
 - Colonie NY-Village Square Plaza-every week *
- **Saturday**
 - Sept 18th 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: No update balance \$2,993.47.

Raffle: Raffle of \$17 was won by Gary Rougeau.

• **NOTE** Next COB Meeting Dec 1st at 7:30 at Bass Water Grill (6:30 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 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.