



Minutes of September 1st 2021 COB meeting held at Bass Water Grill in Cheshire, MA.

Attending: Dave & Marie Johnson, Bob & Carol Garrity, Chick Carmel, John Aulisio, Lou Rocha, Pat Garrett, Butch Eddy, George Beeker, Gary Rougeau, Donnie & Joanne Lamoureux, Dave Intelisano, Larry & Sandy Gattasso, Mike Purcell, Tom Degray, Gary & Deb Jozefiak, Alan Richer, and Fran & Nancy Bourdon.

Dave opened the Meeting at 7:30

Old Business:

- Aug 6th North Adams Motorama pre-show. 10+ members attended. Alan Richer won the 50/50 of \$500.00. Congrats Alan – great start to his retirement.
- Aug 14th Adirondack Club Poker Run. Great event. Deb Degray won the Poker Hand and a great trophy. 6 COB cars participated.
- Aug 20th Ozzie's. Rained out!
- August 21st Balise All Corvette Show. 4 Cars attended. Mike Sawicki won a trophy for Special Interest.
- Aug 26-28 Corvettes at Carlisle. Austin Brazee attended and sent the club several pictures. Thanks Austin! He also purchased a C8 from McMulkin and is #1600 in the production cue!!!
- George Beeker also attended Hampton Ponds near West Springfield. Many vehicles not seen before.

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

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

- BOD Meeting was discussed and Dave would like the BOD to review the By-Laws for any revisions or updates. He will send the BOD copies in an e-mail and based on the reply determine if an in-person or teleconference is appropriate.
- Dave announced that we have a new member application from Donald Beach who was unable to stay but dropped off the application in person.
- Dave made available COB business cards and static stickers.
- Bob and Carol Garrity attended the meeting. Bob looks great and we wish him continued healing and a Happy Birthday which was the next day!
- Dave did another members listing update. A complete and up-to-date listing of all members is on the website under the Club Officers.
- September 8th Pittsfield Airport (new date due to Rain on Sept 1st)
- September 10th thru 12th - Adirondack Vette Fest, Glens Falls (on our COB calendar)
- Sep 11th IOCA Farms
- Sept 17th Ozzie's
- Sept 18th Verillo
- Sept 18th Osceola Park Pittsfield.

- Sept 25th Sugar Hill Farms
- Oct 2nd Vettes in Perfection

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 and covid-19 concerns.

- **Monday**
 - Marks-every week thru Sept except Labor Day (feature cars-Corvette July 19, VW Aug 2, Mustang Aug 23)
 - Hadley-Young Men's Club-every week
 - Springfield-Basketball Hall of Fame-every week thru Aug
- **Tuesday**
 - O’Kennys-1st + 3rd thru Sept with a final Sunday cruise in Oct?
 - 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- Sept 17
 - 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 *
 - North Adams-Two Guys Garage-July 10 5-9pm *

Treasurer’s report: Beginning balance of \$2, 966.15, plus \$26 from 50/50 less web hosting fee of \$10, ending balance \$2,982.15.

Raffle: Raffle of \$20 was won by Marie Johnson.

- **NOTE** Next COB Meeting October 6th 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.