

# Flying Fiberglass

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## Welcome Message

It's hard to believe that February is here already, especially with all that is still going on around us. The upside of that is that it puts us one month closer to spring, and that means one month closer to getting our cars out of storage and back on the road. Hopefully this year we will be able to get out and do more with our cars. We don't have anything definite planned right now, but if anyone has any ideas please let us know, or bring the idea to the Board and help plan it too. That's a good way to get more involved with the club.

We are still planning for our next membership meeting in March, 2021, providing things continue to improve in our communities. Assuming we will be able to meet in March, that will be when we plan to have our elections. We still have a number of positions that need to be filled and we ask that you consider running for office because if some members don't step up to take on these positions, the future of the Club could be in jeopardy.

To recap, the positions that are up for election this year are Vice-President, Events, Membership and Treasurer. The members that currently hold those positions have agreed to continue in those roles if no one else comes forward, but the Board hopes that there are members out there who would be willing to take on the challenge. There are also positions that are open from last year that still need to be filled: President, Secretary and Socials. If you want to see the Club continue now is the time to step up and throw your hat in the ring for one of the open slots.

We thank everyone for their continued support through these trying times and hope for better things to come in 2021.

It is also time to renew your membership for the next year as we look forward to better times for all. The application is in this Newsletter.

As you know we have managed to operate without a President but how much longer the Club can continue that way is up in the air. Now would be a good time to consider taking a role in running the Club. So many people do so much to make our Club an outstanding organization that it is impossible to name them all. The Board would like to send out a big **Thank You** again to everyone who has participated in and helped at any of our events. You are the heart and soul of CCWP.

If anyone has any ideas they would like the Board to consider for the coming year, please contact any board member or attend a Board meeting. They are held the 1st Tuesday of the month at the Boulevard in Delmont.

**Reminder:** Our next membership meeting is scheduled to be held on **Monday, March 8th, 2021 at the Boulevard in Delmont.** That, of course, will depend on how things develop over the next couple of months. Be sure to check your Newsletter for more information.



"THE OLDEST AND ONE OF THE LARGEST CORVETTE CLUBS IN PENNSYLVANIA"

## Misc Information



There is a Corvette Repair shop in Valley Stream, NY that is owned by Kevin MacKay. This shop has restored many of the world's rarest and most valuable Corvette production models, historic race cars, and factory development cars and prototypes. His restorations have earned more than 1,500 awards for his clients. The culmination of his work so far stands as three "see-thru" Corvettes, representing each of the car's first three generations. Beneath the mind-blowing bodywork, each see-thru car holds a special, historic surprise. The '69 is one of 116 factory L88 models made that year. The '65 is powered by a secret big-block engine from the Mk. IV development program and was used in one

of the five Corvette Grand Sport racers. The '53 sits on the oldest Corvette chassis known to exist, #003. Needless to say MacKay and his team did not just tear up three historic Corvettes to build these see-thru models. Each was constructed differently, and all required extraordinary creativity, ingenuity and craftsmanship to be made driveable. The photo was taken in 2018, and is from the only time the three cars were together.

The new C8 hardtop convertible is proving more popular with customers. The product marketing manager for Corvette, Harlan Charles, says that between 35 to 40 percent of sales of C8 sales so far have been convertibles. This is about double the 20 percent take for the C7 generation. The cost for the hardtop convertible model is about \$7,500 more than the coupe. Charles says that the new mid-engine Corvette is attracting new, younger customers to Corvette while keeping the loyal base of existing Corvette owners. Some reasons for this are the fact that the two-piece hardtop roof powered by six electric motors can lower the top in only 16 seconds at speeds up to 30 mph while adding less than 80 pounds to the weight of the car. Luggage space in the rear trunk also remains the same as the top folds on top of the engine. Some people like the fact that it retains a similar appearance to the coupe, unlike past versions.

**CCWP Webmaster**

**Regis Kuzel**

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Remember, if you take pictures of Club events, participate in other Vette events, or you are featured in an article, share the information with the membership by sending them to the Webmaster. You can reach Regis at 412-818-2295. If you have any pictures of your car or anything you want to add send it to [CCWP@CCWP.org](mailto:CCWP@CCWP.org).

## NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Send all pictures and articles to the editor by the 17th of the month at :  
[gyoung1210@msn.com](mailto:gyoung1210@msn.com) or by regular mail to:  
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**Do not use the Club mailing address as delays may occur.**

## Membership Meetings

**NOTE: We have cancelled our Annual After-Christmas Party.  
The next scheduled Membership Meeting would be March 8th, 2021.**



As it stands now, we are planning on resuming our Membership Meetings in March, 2021 at The Boulevard in Delmont.

Be sure to check your Newsletter as we approach that time because conditions at that time will dictate when and where we meet again.

## Museum News-Pat Hillyard



Despite all the challenges that 2020 posed, the NCM was able to complete a number of exciting projects and welcome visitors to check out the new look. This was made possible with the help of their members, supporters, and enthusiasts. They completed the remodel of the E. Pierce Marshall Memorial Performance Gallery and this includes new, integrated technology that pairs with world class race cars for a fully immersive display.

An exhibit that highlights the development of the mid-engine, 'A Vision Realized' was designed and installed in collaboration with General Motors.

They were able to use contributions from 2019 to implement new technology for the Corvette Cave-In Experience that added animation for the eight Corvettes that fell in the sinkhole.

Two new Corvette series debuted-Vettecademy, geared toward school-age learners, and Fully Vetted, taking a deep dive into Corvette history.

The Michelin NCM Bash went virtual, while the Anniversary Celebration offered both on-site and virtual participations options. These are just a few of the things they were able to accomplish.

The first customer built car for the new model year 2021, Vin 1, was a Torch Red Stingray delivered to Brian Bowling of West Virginia on January 4th.

The on-site event season kicks off at the Museum with the Michelin NCM Bash slated for April 22-24. In addition to their other activities this years' event will also include the Hall of Fame activities for the 2020 Hall of Fame inductees. You can view the agenda and registration on the NCM website.

The NCM Board of Directors welcome two new members. They are Dale Ledbetter of Indian Trail, NC and Shannon Skokos of Dallas, TX. Rotating off the Board is Wes Wong of Sandy Springs, GA who had joined the Board in 2016.

Check out the Museum website for more information about the Museum and Motorsports Park or to check out upcoming activities.

[www.corvettemuseum.org](http://www.corvettemuseum.org)

**February Birthdays – Allen Young**



8th	Lee Smith	16th	Roger Van Ryn	22rd	Gary Rogers
10th	Edwin Russell	18th	William Horvath	25th	Ronald Gorton
10th	Thomas Shepler				

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**



## Upcoming 2019 Club Activities

Feb. 2, 2021	February Board Meeting
March 2, 2021	March Board Meeting
March 8, 2021	March Membership Meeting (tentative)
April 6, 2021	April Board Meeting
April 12, 2021	April Membership Meeting

**DON'T FORGET!!! Watch future editions of the Flying Fiberglass for additional events and information on The Corvette Club of Western PA.**

**ALSO: please check out our website for any last minute changes that may affect an event you plan on attending. Our site is updated as new information becomes available. Don't forget! Visit: [www.ccvp.org](http://www.ccvp.org)**

## Illness & Condolences

If a Club member wishes to notify the Club of a death, illness, or accident in his/her (or fellow members) family please notify Connie Jelovich at 724-325-2571, CAJJELO4@comcast.net with the information. The information will be passed on to other Club members at the next general meeting if so desired.

## Events

At this point in time we don't have anything definite planned for 2021. Pat does have some ideas for some events but a lot of that will depend on how things roll out in 2021. If anyone has any ideas or anything they would like to see us do please let Pat Hillyard know.

Reminder: It is time to renew your membership for 2021. The membership application is in this Newsletter. Join up now so you will be ready to join us as we hit the road again.

## New Members – Allen Young



Welcome  
New Members of the  
Corvette Club of Western PA

Membership questions??

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Jim and Lisa D'Amico  
Charles and Elaine Stapinsky

Gibsonia, PA  
Mars, PA

2014 Red Coupe  
2009 Crystal Red Coupe

## Misc.



If anyone is looking to add an OEM-styled front splitter to their 2020-2021 Corvette they might want to check out American Hydrocarbon. This Florida based aftermarket company is offering a front splitter in either carbon fiber or carbon flash, and both styles are now available. Their 5VM/5W8 front splitter offers a factory like fit on the C8. It can be ordered with their exclusively exposed carbon fiber, carbon flash metallic, or painted body color to match the rest of your Corvette. Every front splitter is finished with five coats of PPG UV automotive clear coat, then buffed to a show quality shine. Instal-

lation is easy as the splitter is a direct bolt-on using screws already on the car. You can also add additional customizations to your splitter and there are a number of options available. Cost is \$895 in your choice of finish and any customizations are extra. A bonus is free shipping.

## Sympathy



The CCWP membership would like to extend their deepest sympathies to Lynn Full on the loss of her husband George.

Lynn and George are long time, active members and we want Lynn to know that George will truly be missed by all who knew him.



## General Membership Meeting (Unapproved)

Tuesday, October 12, 2020

The November membership meeting was held on Tuesday, Nov. 10th, at The Boulevard in Delmont. The change in day was due to the fact that the restaurant is currently closed on Mondays. Vince Morich (acting President) called the meeting to order at 7:05 and started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Director's Reports****Membership— Allen Young**

Paid for 2020: 100 families, 165 members.

There are a handful of members that have paid for 2021. Currently collecting dues for the new year.

**Vice-President / Insurance— Vince Morich**

Insurance is paid.

**Social— Vacant**

We are looking for someone to take over this position. No one ran for this position in the recent election.

**Events— Pat Hillyard**

**Please check the Website and our Facebook page-they have all the activities and details.**

Due to the Coronavirus emergency we have had to cancel most of the events that had been planned.

Gary Laughlin gave a recap of the Leaf Peeper that was held in October

We have reserved the Lakeview Events Center location for the After-Christmas Party.

There are no other events planned at this time.

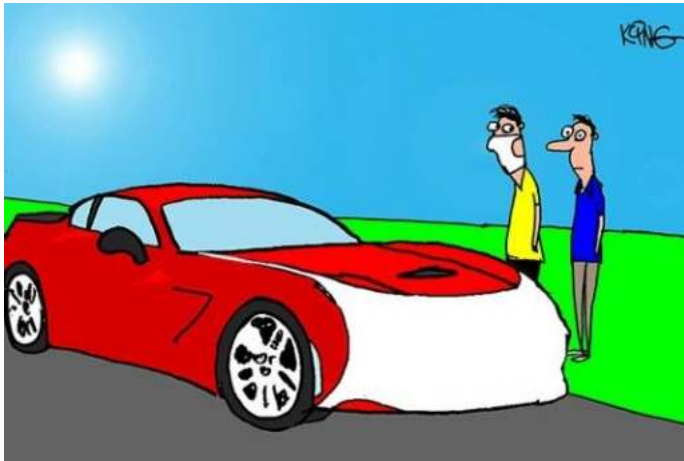
**Newsletter—Georgeann Young**

Everything for the Newsletter should be submitted by the 17th of the month.

**New Business**

Even though this year's Vintage Grand Prix has been postponed, the members who were involved in the planning will continue to keep their hand in things going forward since the Corvette will still be the Marque car next year. John Walko and Chas Rottmund are on the planning committee and Frank Paolo and Pat Hillyard represent the Club. The ad group for Chevrolet is '720' and Tom Henry's daughter Kate will be the liaison with this group. They will continue to keep us informed as more details become available.

We will relook at ordering shirts at some future date.

**Old Business**

There is still 60th Anniversary merchandise available.

**SPECIAL REPORTS****Historical Committee — Frank Paolo**

No report.

**Museum—Pat Hillyard**

Raffle tickets can now be purchased using a mail order form that is available on the Museum website. The prices for the raffles has also changed.

**Health and Welfare Committee- Connie Jelovich**

No report.

**Competition—Frank Paolo**

No report.

**WPCCC—Frank Paolo**

No report

**Website/Facebook**

Regis is still doing the website and will help with the sponsors. We also have a PayPal account set up to make it easier to pay for some of these things.

**Treasurer—Mike Diorio Absent**

Mike was absent but Vince did give the current Treasurer's report.

**Treasurer's Report only available at General Membership Mtgs.**

The Next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 15th, at The Boulevard in Delmont. The meeting will start at 7:00 pm but come early and enjoy dinner with friends and fellow members. .

Meeting adjourned around 7:45 pm.

