# Flying Fiberglass

March

2021



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### **Welcome Message**

As the end of February nears and we wait to see if March will come in like a lion or a lamb, there is one thing that we do know-we are one step closer to getting our cars out of winter storage and back on the road. March also brings the first day of spring and a time

We were planning for a membership meeting in March, 2021, but have decided to wait one more month. Hopefully by then those members that want to be vaccinated will have had the opportunity to get their shots and be willing to venture out to join us. We have some things to take care of and we need member participation and we are hoping to get better representation if we wait until April.

One of the things that we need to address is the election of Board members. 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 would also like to discuss plans for the coming season and see what events we can come up with for the Club.

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

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, April 12, 2021 at the Boulevard in Delmont. Be sure to check your Newsletter and watch your emails for more information.



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

### **Misc Information**



There have been a lot of rumors flying around about new and upcoming versions of the C8-generation Corvette. There have been some problems with Corvette production and development because of the COVID-19 lockdown in 2020. Things are still a bit uncertain, but it seems that the Corvette Z06 is still on track for the 2022 model year and the ZR1 for 2023. There's also unofficial confirmation the Chevy plans to introduce two electrified Vettes for 2023 and 2024.

The big news is that the C8 Z06 will sport a naturally aspirated engine. Chevrolet will drop a 5.5 liter flat-plane crank

V-8 under the hood. This engine will be very similar to the one fitted in the race-spec C8.R. The Z06 will reportedly pack up to 625 horsepower, more than the FIA-regulated race car. It is also reported that Chevrolet will offer optional carbon fiber wheels for this model, together with carbon ceramic brakes and higher performance tires from Michelin. Pricing is expected to start around \$80,000.

Chevrolet will also offer a new ZR1 model. It will feature the same 5.5 liter V-8 as the Z06, but with a couple of turbo-chargers strapped to it. The ZR1 will pack up to 850 horsepower, which puts it in supercar territory. It will arrive with an assortment of extra goodies such as a larger rear wing, a special stripes package, a revised front bumper, and a more aggressive rear diffuser. Pricing will probably start around \$120,000.

Chevrolet will bring the Corvette into electrified territory with a hybrid version that will most likely debut for the 2023 model year. It will have a 5.5 liter V-8 under the hood and a pair of electric motors connected to the front axle. It is expected to pack at least 700 horsepower and will probably start around \$100,000 before options.

There has been a rumor for many years that a Corvette called the Zora would be coming. It will probably arrive in 2024 as the most radical Corvette ever built. It will combine the twin-turbo V-8 engine from the ZR1 with the hybrid system to deliver more than 1,000 horsepower. It will be all-wheel driven and should go for around \$150,000 in the base model.

# CCWP Webmaster Regis Kuzel



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.



### NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Send all pictures and articles to the editor by the 17th of the month at:

gyoung1210@msn.com or by regular mail to:

Georgeann Young 1210 Harvest Dr.

Monroeville, PA 15146

Do not use the Club mailing address as delays may occur.

### **Membership Meetings**

NOTE: We have decided to postpone our first meeting of the new year. The next scheduled Membership Meeting will now be Apr12th.



The Board has decided to wait until April to hold the first meeting of the new year. So now you should mark your calendars for April 12th (if the restaurant is still closed on Mondays the alternate date would be Tuesday, April 13th). It will be 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**



There is an addition to the exhibits at the NCM that increases the information available for each display. QR codes have been placed on the displays and anyone with a smart phone or tablet can utilize the codes by scanning them with their device. The device will then launch the additional content, typically a video.

Track season at the NCM Motorsports Park will soon be in full swing and kicking off on March 5th for its second year is the Driving Club. The Club offers members approximately 32 full days of track time plus plenty of socials to build friendships and

have fellowship. New for 2021 is a special offer. NCM members will receive a 10% discount on their one-time initiation fee to join the Club. Additional benefits are available and you can check the website for details.

Chevrolet has named Laura Wontrop Klauser as its newly created Sports Car Racing Program Manager as they continue their shift toward an engineering based approach throughout its motorsports programs. Her role includes engineering and technical oversight of Corvette Racing on behalf of Chevrolet. The goal is to expand the level of engineering and technical direction for Corvette Racing as it sets a course for its future with the mid-engine C8.R Corvette, along with all the Chevrolet road-racing programs.

If you can't join the fun and festivities of the NCM Michelin Bash on-site in Bowling Green, they are again offering a virtual streaming option. This year the seminars will be offered for on-line viewing and, for the first time, they will also stream the Corvette Hall of Fame induction ceremony. The virtual streaming will be offered on Thursday and Friday of the Bash, April 22nd and 23rd. See the NCM website for registration details. Price is \$20 per household. As part of the Bash, all day touring laps are offered so you can work around your schedule to get time on the track. No safety equipment is required. You can drive your own Corvette and convertibles and passengers are welcome.

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

### **March Birthdays** - Allen Young



3rd	Shannon Morich	20th	Lee Smith	23rd	Patty Farrell
<b>11</b> th	Deborah Hearns	21st	John Kish	23rd	Richard Kline
15th	Mary Ann Lewandowski	21st	Bruce Saye	23rd	Gregpry Pelagio
17th	Kathy Beiighley	23rd	Darlene Callaghan	29th	Janet Kish
<b>17</b> th	Pat Chapaitis				

# **Upcoming 2019 Club Activities**

March 2, 2021 March Board Meeting (cancelled)

March 8, 2021 March Membership Meeting (cancelled)

April 6, 2021 April Board Meeting

April 12, 2021 April Membership Meeting (tentative)

May 4, 2021 May Board Meeting

May 10, 2021 May Membership meeting (tentative)

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

<u>ALSO:</u> 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.ccwp.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, CAJJJELO4@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??

Contact Allen Young

412-372-7802

E-mail:

ayoung1210@msn.com

Jeff Weaver

Uniontown, PA

2014 Lime Rock Green Convertible 1967 Goodwood Green Coupe

### **For Sale**



1979 White Corvette with Red Interior and T-tops. Automatic.

84,209 miles-Motor was replaced with Goodwrench crate engine at 79, 338 miles. New motor had 4,871 miles on it.

Good Condition.

Asking \$6,500.

If interested contact Gary Rogers at 412-303-5093 or grr644@gmail.com

### **Member Photos**



Member John Putzier had some photos of his Vette with Elkon vertical doors installed







### Corvette Club of Western Pennsylvania ("C.C.W.P.")

New and Renewal Membership Application

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(Last Name) (First Name)		
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Spouse's/Domestic Partner Name (if joining):		
	(first)	(last)
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How did you hear about CCWP?		
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After completing the information above, please mail this appl Allen Young C.C.W.P Membership D 1210 Harvest Drive Monroeville, PA 15146		ole to C.C.W.P. to:

General membership meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 pm.

Join us online at <u>WWW.CCWP.ORG</u> Revised (9/25/17) Something we might want to put on our calendars as a possible club event.



### **Wilkins Township Parade**



Wilkins Township is celebrating a milestone anniversary this year and they sent us a request to participate in a parade they are planning for September 18, 2021 to mark the event.

In the past we have participated in parades and had a great time and hopefully by September things will be under control enough that we will be able to join in the parade.

So mark your calendars and watch for more information as we get closer to the date.

### Misc.

Recently there have been some delays with production of the C8 Corvette due to material shortages. This recent pause in production was due to a shortage of aluminum structural parts and transmissions. It has also been reported that there are shortages of global semiconductor chips but Chevrolet has said that they have prioritized its highest revenue generating vehicles to receive the available chips. There are some other items in short supply and the Black Trident Wheels are one of the items. These have not been available for some time and GM has removed them from a bunch of orders and reinvoiced cars that are still waiting for them. For the 2021 model year a total of 4,648 Corvettes have been produced through January.

You can now add a Hollywood star to the list of C8 Corvette owners. Sylvester Stallone recently purchased a Rapid Blue hardtop convertible and it was delivered to him at a dealership in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.



Bloomington Gold is scheduled for June 18-19 at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis. It was recently revealed that the 2021 Gold Collection will salute the 1971 LS6-powered Corvettes as they turn 50 years old this year. RPO-LS6, with a 425 hp, 454c1 engine, was offered only in the 1971 model year. Thus they are pretty rare. Total LS6 production was 188 cars. According to the Bloomington Gold website less than 100 of the original LS6 cars are currently known to exist. This year's Gold Collection promises to be largest ever gathering of 1971 LS6 Corvettes in one location.



#### Corvette Protect-A-Top

Thoughts are that most drivers love the open air driving experience when driving our Corvettes and there's nothing like leaving those T-Tops and Roof Panels back in the garage while you're out and about. But what do you do if the weather turns bad or you want to run into a store or restaurant? With Protect-A-Tops you get a lightweight, durable solution for short term interior protection while you are out. It takes just seconds to deploy on your Corvette and they are great solutions if you

don't want to hassle with your T-Tops every time you park your Vette. The panels are made from a black high grade fabric and are designed to fold to maximize interior storage. They are available for 1968-2019 Corvettes and are priced at \$229.99

#### 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

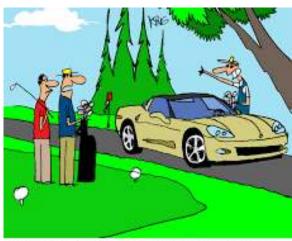
There are no other events planned at this time.

#### 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.



"I don't care how much he enjoys driving it. He can use a golf cart like the rest of us!"

#### <u>Old Business</u>

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.

