## Flying Fiberglass

# December 2021



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### **Welcome Message**

The weather has turned colder and some snow has even started to fall, our Corvettes have been put in storage for the winter, and Christmas is just around the corner. Hopefully when spring rolls around we will be able to plan some more events for our members so we can get out and enjoy our cars more than we have the past couple of years. The last event for 2021 is the After-Christmas party to be held at Lakeview in Greensburg on Saturday, January 8, so mark your calendars and plan to join your fellow members a holiday celebration. Gary Laughlin and Vince and some of our other members met with Bowser Chevrolet again and plans are progressing for our car show there in May 2022. There are still some details to iron out but that will come in the new year. Just a reminder to the members that we will need your help in order to make this show a success so please plan on attending and giving us some assistance. It is important to remember that it is your club and we need everyone's help in keeping it going. One of the main things we need are some ideas of event that you would like

things happen. We have a couple of things in mind besides the car show, but the calendar is pretty much a blank slate for what you want to take part in. One possibility is to attend the Corvettes on the Boardwalk weekend in Ocean City next October. Lynn Full has indicated that she would be willing to organize this event for the club, so keep that in mind. Day trips are also a good way to get together and get our cars on the road, so think of some places you might like to visit.

to see happen, so it's time to put on your

that we can pursue. We could also use

thinking cap and come up with some ideas

some help in the planning stages to make

A reminder to our members that you can renew your membership at any time. We also welcome new members who want to be part of the oldest Corvette Club in the U.S. The application is in this Newsletter.

We still have a couple of positions that need to be filled. These are Secretary and Socials. Please consider helping your club by offering to fill one of these openings.

We again want to thank everyone for their continued support through these trying times and hope to see more events being planned as we go forward.

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 and you should check with a Board member for the location if you plan to attend.

**Notice:** The December membership meeting will be held on Monday, December 13th, at Rodney's Restaurant in Irwin. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm, but plan on coming around 6:00 and enjoying dinner with your fellow members. Hope to see you there.



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

## **Yenko Car Story**



It's not often that a Corvette with a storied racing history is offered for sale to the public, but right now anyone can call up GT Motor Cars in Wallingford, CT and make an offer on the highly documented 1968 Corvette L88 racecar that was built and campaigned for the Sunray-DX racing team by Corvette Hall of Famer Don Yenko at Daytona and Sebring,

The Sunray-DX racing team was the brainchild of Ralph Morrison, who wanted to showcase Sunray-DX products. He reached out to Pennsylvania based Chevrolet dealer Don Yenko, a successful racer in his own right, and somebody who enjoyed a close relationship with Chevrolet and Corvette chief engineer Zora Arkus-Duntov.

Yenko had an order for a 1968 L-88 Corvette to race at the 1968 Daytona 24 hours but it wasn't going to arrive in time, so he took a new Rally Red L71 street car for s ale by his dealership and transformed it into an L88 racer. It became known as the "Showroom L88" because of its origins. The car was equipped with a factory L88 engine and a Muncie M-22 four-speed manual transmission, and it also included a racing spec fuel cell and roll bar.

Sunray-DX would finish 1-2-3 in class at the Daytona 24-hour race with the no. 29 1968 L88 Showroom racer driven by Yenko and Peter Revson coming in second. Yenko then took the car to Sebring where it was renumbered '2'. He recruited famed Ferrari driver Pedro Rodriguez to share the driving duties in the L88. The Showroom L88 set a new GT class lap before it had to retire on Lap 43 over suspension and rear end issues.

Although the race team Sunray-DX was soon disbanded, Yenko kept the car as his personal racer and raced it on the east coast and midwest in various SCCA events and he won the SCCA Midwest Division Title in 1968.

Documentation shows that the car was sold several times after that, but was purchased in 2008 and restored back to the red, white and blue livery worn at Sebring along with the No. 2.

This former race car is one of the most historically significant and well-verified Corvette race cars in existence.

This racer is highly awarded and received the NCRS American Heritage Award representing the Corvette racing legacy. It was also inducted into the Bloomington Gold Special Collection. The former race car is one of the most historically significant and well-verified Corvette race cars in existence. The new owner will receive full documentation and all the original paperwork.

## 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.

## 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.

## **December Membership Meeting**



The December membership meeting will be held on Monday, December 13, 2021 at Rodney's Restaurant in Irwin. The address is:

557 Wendel Rd. Irwin, PA 15642

The meeting starts at 7:00 pm but if you would like to enjoy dinner with your fellow Corvette members come around 6:00 pm. There will be a limited menu available.

If you are planning on attending please let Allen Young know by Sunday, December 12th so we can give the restaurant an idea of how many people to expect.

His contact info: ayoung1210@msn.com or 412-372-7802

## **Museum News-Pat Hillyard**



There is a new exhibit available for guests to enjoy at the NCM titled Generations of Innovation. The exhibit tells the story of the evolutionary and revolutionary innovation of the Corvette throughout its history. Each generation of Corvette adds to its legacy, and each innovation inspires the future. The exhibit will be available for guest viewing until December 31, 2021.

The National Corvette Museum set aside a day to remember and honor General Colin Powell for his 35 years of military service to our country, rising to the rank of four-star

General and his lifetime membership to the Museum. A big thank you goes to Genera Powell for his service to our country and his passion for the Corvette.

There are a number of items from the Museum listed on ebay for auction.

Recently Tim and Christine Ann donated a 2016 Z06 to the Museum to help the Museum continue to fulfill its mission of preserving Corvette's past, present, and future. This is the first 2016 in the Museum's collection and the first seventh generation Z06 to enter their collection. This is another step in helping the NCM have one example of each model C7 Corvette in the Museum collection.

Eastman's LLumar brand is officially the preferred paint protection film for the NCM. Sports car enthusiasts and race fans may already be aware of their relationship with Hendrick Motorsports as a primary sponsor for 2020 NASCAR Cup Series champion Chase Elliott. This global brand is trusted by racing experts and can be trusted by Corvette lovers too.

Chevrolet and Corvette Racing claimed all three full season GT LeMans titles of the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar championship. This year, Chevrolet claimed its 14th Manufacturers title in GT racing. Corvette Racing will return to IMSA in January for the season opening Rolex 24 at Daytona.

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

## **December Birthdays** — Allen Young



3rd John Hollabaugh 20th Debbie Jenson 29th Jim Durhan

3rd Gail Thomas 23rd D"Nis Lynch 31st Ken Rock

8th Bill Ferri 23rd Jeff Weaver Margaret Clark

14th Phil Cassel 26th Scott Lewandowski Sharyn Vikara

15th Jack White

## **Upcoming 2021 Club Activities**

December 7, 2021 December Board Meeting

December 13, 2021 December Membership Meeting

January 4, 2022 January Board Meeting

January 8, 2022 After Christmas Party

February 1, 2022 February Board Meeting

March 1, 2022 March Board Meeting

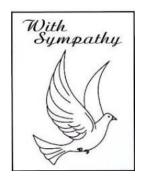
**DON'T FORGET!!!** Watch future editions of the Flying Fiberglass for additional events and information on The Corvette Club of Western PA.

<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.

## **Condolences**



The members of CCWP would like to extend their condolence to Lynn Full and her family for the recent loss of her mother.

## **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

David & Kelly Howell

Murrysville, PA

2015 Laguna Blue Coupe

## Misc. Info



Racing Concepts has created their own carbon fiber rear diffuser for the C8 Corvette. It isn't just a copy of GM's OEM version but a brand new diffuser from the ground up. They designed it to exaggerate the look of the OEM diffuser while making a number of subtle changes to improve the quality of filament and enhance the final look of the carbon fiber finish. Installation of the RSC Rear Diffuser requires no drilling or modification and it's completely reversible.

Chevy had two new 2023 Corvette Z06's in Vegas for the SEMA show and a You Tuber was able to capture the cars as they were being staged for the load-in.

Ken Lingenfelter was also in Las Vegas for the SEMA show and one of the products

he was showing off was the new Lingenfelter Magnuson Supercharge System for the C8 Corvette. Magnuson's TVS 2650 serves as the heart of the system and it boosts the horsepower of the C8 Corvette Stingray from the stock 495 hp to 705 hp. The supercharger integrates seamlessly with all the C8 factory systems with the inclusion of a patent-pending drive system that retains the factory belt-line and stock location of the dry-sump

Nearly 70 years after joining the military in 1952, Lt. Col. Tony Bevacqua from California decided to get ready for his upcoming 90th birthday by purchasing a 2022 Corvette. He's had at least one Corvette since 1976. He took delivery of his 2022 Arctic White coupe in November from Wheeler Chevrolet in Yuba City California, and the deal-

ership's top brass praised Bevacqua for his long years of service to the country.



The 2023 Corvette Z06 took its first drive with a non-GM employee behind the wheel as Jay Leno claimed first dibs on driving the 670-hp supercar on his show, Jay Leno's Garage. While driving the car Jay takes a liking to the sound of the LT6 winding up and you hear that roar often while they are out on the road.



(Last Name)

(Street)

Name:

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

New and Renewal Membership Application Date: \_\_\_/\_\_/\_\_\_ New: Renewal: \_\_\_ Home Phone: ( (First Name) (City) (State) (Zip Code) Cell Phone: ( Member's Birth Date: \_\_\_/\_\_/ (At least the month & day) Name for Name Badge: \_ Spouse's/Domestic Partner Name (if joining): \_\_\_\_ (last) Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_ (At least the month & day) Name for Name Badge: \_ Year of Your Corvette: Color: \_ Body Style: □Coupe □Convertible □Hardtop Year of Your Corvette: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Body Style: □Coupe □Convertible □Hardtop How did you hear about CCWP?\_\_\_ Requirements of membership To be completed by new members only Please answer yes or no to these statements. ☐ Yes ☐ No I understand I must be at least 18 years old to be a member. ☐ Yes ☐ No I understand the membership year runs from January 1st To December 31st ☐ Yes ☐ No I understand my name, e-mail address and telephone number may be printed in the monthly newsletter The newsletter is available on the website below. Check here to have it mailed to you. (please note that having it mailed to you will cost an additional \$15 yearly above your annual dues) Newsletter by e-mail (Jan 1st thru Dec 31st): \$30.00 for a single/\$35.00 for a couple Amount enclosed:

Newsletter by US mail (Jan 1st thru Dec 31st): \$45.00 for a single/\$50.00 for a couple Amount enclosed:

#### **Liability Statement**

In consideration of membership in the Corvette Club of Western Pennsylvania, I/we acknowledge that I/we have liability insurance on all of our cars as that is a requirement of membership. Also as a requirement of membership, I/we release, indemnify and hold harmless the Board of Directors, staff members and general membership of CCWP from any and all claims, causes of actions, property damages, judgments, lawsuits and injuries whether known or unknown for any reason whatsoever as a result of my attendance and/or participation or the attendance and/or participation of my guests before, during, and after any event associated with or sponsored by CCWP.

Applicant's Signature:		Date :	1	1	
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Applicant's Signature:		Date:	1	1	
	(Signature is required)				_

After completing the information above, please mail this application with a check or money order payable to C.C.W.P. to:

Allen Young C.C.W.P Membership Director 1210 Harvest Drive Monroeville, PA 15146

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

Join us online at WWW.CCWP.ORG Revised (9/25/17)



## **AN INVITATION**

# CORVETTE CLUB OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA AFTER CHRISTMAS PARTY Saturday, January 8, 2022 Ferrante's Lakeview Banquet Center 6153 Route 30 Greensburg, PA 15601

Hors d'Oeuvres at 5 P.M. Dinner with Desert at 6 P.M. Cash Bar Cost: \$35 per person

Reservations required - Deadline: December 31. 2021

MEMBERS NAME	
MEMBERS NAME	 
NON MEMBERS NAME	 
NON MEMBERS NAME	 
TOTAL AMOUNT:	
SIGNATURE	

Make checks payable to CCWP and mail to

Allen E. Young 1210 Harvest Dr. Monroeville, PA 15146

#### General Membership Meeting (Unapproved)

October 11, 2021

The November membership meeting was held at Rodney's in Irwin. Vince Morich called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Director's Reports**

#### Membership-Allen Young

Current Membership numbers: 159 Members, 93 Families

#### Vice-President / Insurance— Ron Thomas

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.

Pat gave a recap of the Vets'N Vettes activities that he attended in early November at the Museum.

Gary Laughlin gave an update on the planning for next year's car show at Bowser Chevrolet. The date is May 15th, the Sunday after Mother's Day. It will be a judged show, although the goal is to keep the judging as simple as possible. Ron Thomas is going to help with the judging and has already put a preliminary judging form together. They are planning to meet with Bowser again early in the new year to firm up some details so more info to come.

We discussed the After-Christmas Party that is scheduled for Saturday, January 8th, 2022 at Lakeview in Greensburg. A final menu has not yet been chosen, but we have decided to have a sit down dinner this year.

#### Newsletter-Georgeann Young

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

#### **New Business**

We are tossing around the idea of re-doing some of the previous Laps of PA since there are several that people seem to have really enjoyed. Further discussion to come and this would probably occur in the Spring. Lynn Full has also mentioned putting together a trip for the Corvettes on the Boardwalk in Ocean City next fall.



Merry Christmas
To all

From the CCWP Board of Directors

#### 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 have 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 Diorio was absent but had provided Vince with the most recent Treasurer's report and it was approved by the members present.

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

We are looking at holding the next meeting Monday, November, November 8th, at Rodney's in Irwin.

Meeting adjourned around 7:40 pm.



"Our neighbor is at the door.
You only washed your Corvette 5 days
this week, so he's concerned."