# Flying Fiberglass

**August** 

2022



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### **Welcome Message**

It's been a very warm summer so far with many days in the upper 80's/early 90's, unusual even for our part of the U.S. But warm weather doesn't stop Vette owners from enjoying their rides, especially since fall is just around the corner. That means that we don't have a lot of time left to get in some events. We do have a couple of short trips on the calendar for later in the year, but we are still looking for some activities that we can do as a club before winter gets here. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions please get them to the Board. Even better would be if you have an idea and can help with the planning. We had 7 cars participate in the Monroeville July 4th Parade and we had a good time rolling down the road.

One upcoming trip is being planned by Lynn Full. We are planning on attending the Vettes on the Boardwalk event in Ocean City, Maryland in October. There are 5 cars signed up for this at this point, and it's not too late if you want to join them. There is some additional info in this Newsletter if you want to check it out.

Deb Cassel is also putting together a trip to Watkins Glen in September. There are 6 cars signed up for this trip so far. She is hoping to get some track time and visit a few wineries while there. You can still join in if interested. More information about this trip is also in this Newsletter.

At the July membership meeting Deb Cassel passed out a list of possible events that the club could possibly do to the members in attendance. She was looking for feedback and asked members to check the events that they were interested in, in the hope that we would have a better idea of what type of events to focus on going forward. We still need some members to help in this area,

Remember that our annual picnic is scheduled for Sunday, August 7th. So far we have 60 people signed up. Hope to see you there.

The current Board has been in place for over two years and has worked hard to keep the Club together, but all members need to remember that it is their Club too, and if would be a big help if more people would get involved and help keep things going. 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.

Remember that Board meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of the month and any member is welcome to attend. If planning on attending, check with a Board member for the location of the meeting.

**Note:** The August Membership meeting will be held at our annual picnic, scheduled for Sunday, August 7th. It will be held at Mt. Odin Golf Park in Greensburg, the same place we have had the last couple of picnics. Further information is in this Newsletter.

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### Misc.

GM's second quarter sales report shows a total of 8,630 new Corvettes were delivered during that quarter. That's a 8.3% increase over sales in the 2nd quarter of 2021. Production of the Z06 model is still scheduled for later in the third quarter of 2022.



This 1969 L88 model was recently offered by Lance Miller at auction and it has an interesting background. It was originally owned by Tony DeLorenzo, the legendary racer and NCM Hall of Fame member. After completing custom bodywork later that year, he sold the car and it remained in Europe until 2004 when it returned to U.S. It was then refurbished and that included the removal of the modified bodywork and a new paint job in the factory Tuxedo Black. The L88 is all about power. It was developed as a way around the corporate ban on racing that was in place at the time, with no comfort options and an "off road use only"

designation. For 1969, only 116 Corvettes were equipped with the RPO 427 cubic inch engine. The engine was said to produce 430 horsepower, but was actually capable of much more.

It's been said that Corvette owners like to show off their cars but this might be taking it too far. A paper in Delaware posted this photo of a Hypersonic Gray mid-engine proudly sitting at a 45-degree angle on top of what looks like a sand dune. However, the owner wasn't intending it to be put on display there. His Corvette had just become the victim of a single car crash in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware.



## CCWP Webmaster Bradley Gray



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 Brad at 724-670-2333. 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.

### **Annual Picnic**



When: Sunday, August 8, 2021

Noon to 4 p.m.

Where: Mt. Odin Golf Park

247 Tollgate Rd. Greensburg, PA 1601

Food and beverages will be provided

If traveling east on Route 30 you will turn right at the light at Gabe's, go up the hill and take the first right.

If traveling west on Route 30 you will turn left at the light at Gabe's, go up the hill and take the first right.

Hope to see you there!

### **Museum News-Pat Hillyard**



Recently The National Corvette Museum announced plans for \$2.4 million in improvements to the museum's Motorsports Park. In December of 2021 the NCM Motorsports Park was heavily damaged by the tornado that touched down in Bowling Green. The Board of Directors decided that instead of just restoring the Motorsports Park to its previous condition, they would use these circumstances to make signifi-

cant improvements to the park's facilities. These changes will include indoor and outdoor event

spaces, bar and restaurant offerings in the track observation areas, and upgraded garage facilities. The Motorsports Park will remain open during construction and is slated for completion in early 2024. Visitors can currently enjoy C8 driving experiences, track rentals for personal vehicle driving and racings, and high-speed go-karts.



Final production stats for the 2022 Corvette are now set. There were 25,831 cars Produced. Of these, 52.1% were coupes and convertibles were just under the halfway

split at 47.9%. Torch Red was once again the most popular color choice and Caffeine the least popular. The most popular performance package was the Z51 package, and was selected for 68.6% of the 2022 models. Front Lift was chosen on 58.8% of the total model cars, and option NPP Performance Exhaust was chosen for 86.9% of the models. Carbon Flash was the most popular exterior stripe. Right hand drive Corvettes accounted for 442 of the total cars produced. 91% of the total cars produced were for delivery in the U.S.

Registration is now open for the Corvette Hall of Fame ceremony. See the website for details.

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

### **August Birthdays** - Allen Young



4th	Bob Chapaitis	<b>17th</b>	Karen Smith	28th	Denise Rottmund
8th	Jerry Lynch	18th	Jim Kraus	28th	Allen Young
14th	Jim D'Amico	21st	Elaine White	3st	Janet Martz
14th	Dylan Smith	22nd	Sandra Ross		Jan Franz
14th	Ron Thomas	27th	Kelly Howell		Ron Libengood

## **Upcoming 2021 Club Activities**

August 2, 2022 August Board Meeting

August 7, 2022 Annual Picnic

August 25-27 Corvettes at Carlisle

September 6, 2022 September Board Meeting

September 12, 2022 September Membership Meeting

Sept. 15-17, 2022 Watkins Glen Trip

October 13-16, 2022 Vettes on the Boardwalk, Ocean City

**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.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 one of the Board Members. The information will be passed on to other Club members at the next general meeting if so desired.

### **For Sale**

2009 Crystal Red Metallic Coupe for sale. See through glass top Automatic 18,000 miles/ clean Asking \$32,000

If interested, contact Ray Ratay 412-661-2793



### **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

### **Car Shows**

Tuesday's - Plum Boro, American Legion, Post 980 Car Cruise 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm Wednesday's - Tarentum, Frazer Twp car cruise at the Galleria, Pgh. Mills 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm Wednesday's - West Mifflin VFD #3 Car Cruise 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm 5:00 pm to? Thursday's - Delmont, Lamplighter Restaurant 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm Friday's - Cranberry Twp., Victory Car Cruise Friday's - Tarentum, Frazer Twp car cruise at the Galleria, Pgh. Mills 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm Saturday's - Mon./Murrysville Cruise at Murrysview Shoppes 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm 11:00 am to 2:30 pm Saturday, Aug. 6th - Italian American Club Car Cruise, Export (fee) Saturday, Aug. 6th - Fort Armstrong Folk Festival/Car & Truck Cruise, Kittanning 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday, Aug. 13th - Verona Chamber of Commerce Car Cruise 4: 00 pm to 8:00 pm Friday, Aug. 19th - Fort Bedford Auto Club Cruise, Bedford 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm Saturday, Aug. 20th - Fayette Veterans Advocacy Assn Cruise/Spaghetti Dinner (fee) 11:00 am to 4: 00 pm Sunday, Aug. 21st - Papa Rocks Summer Car Cruise, Monroeville 12:00 am to 4:00 pm

See the website Carcruises.com for more info and more cruises and to make sure a weekly cruise has not been cancelled

### **Event-Watkins Glen Trip**



Deb Cassel is planning a trip to the Watkins Glen area Thursday, September 15th to Saturday, September 17th. There were six cars that committed at the June Membership meeting and she was able to reserve rooms for those people at the Budget Inn in Watkins Glen, but was unable to get them to hold any additional rooms. Anyone is still welcome to join them but would be on their own to find a place to

stay. She is hoping to get time on the track for everyone, and the cost for that would be \$30 for 3 laps. She is also planning to visit some wineries and stop at Windmill Farm and Craft Market on Saturday morning before heading for home. Other details will be passed on to those actually going on the trip as they become available.

If you are still interested in going, please contact Deb Cassel at 412-932-7326.



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

New and Renewal Membership Application

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

Monroeville, PA 15146

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

### **Upcoming Events—Vettes on the Boardwalk**

SAVE THE DATE: The Free State Corvette Club is presenting Corvette Weekend October 14-15, 2022 in Ocean City Maryland.

Lynn Full has taken the lead in arranging a trip for the Club to attend this event this year. There will be multiple NCCC sanctioned car shows and Rallyes run concurrently from the Ocean City inlet. The highlight of the weekend is the Boardwalk Parade.

There are a few cars that have signed up to attend with Lynn but you are still welcome to join in the fun. If interested, please call Lynn at 724-325-3480 and she can fill you on more details.

If you are planning on joining in the fun, there is a hotel, The Clarion Resort Fontainebleau –Oceanfront, where there are rooms being held for this event. If you call to make reservation, mention that you're attending Corvette Weekend to get the special rate (based on availability).

Registration for the various events opens July 1st, so if you are going make sure to register as soon as possible to ensure a space since there are some space limitations. To register, go to:

www.corvetteweekend.com and click the blue "Registration is Open" graphic at the top of the page. Although the events don't actually start until the 14th, Lynn is planning on leaving on the 13th to avoid some of the heavy weekend traffic.

### **Vintage Grand Prix Waterfront Car Cruise**























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#### General Membership Meeting (Unapproved)

July 11, 2022

The July membership meeting was held on Monday, July 11th at at Indian Lake Park in Irwin and pizza was provided by the club. Ron Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and we started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

#### Membership— Allen Young

Membership numbers for 2022: 149 Members, 90 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.

Date and time for the annual picnic was announced and reservations were encouraged and money collected.

Deb Cassel is planning a trip to Watkins Glen in September and she discussed some details of that trip. 6 cars have signed up so far and if anyone else is interested they will have to make their own hotel reservations because the hotel Deb used would not hold any additional rooms.

Deb had also asked for volunteers to bake cookies for the annual picnic and also passed around a signup sheet for that.

Lynn Full talked a little more about the Vettes on the Boardwalk event she is leading. It is to be held in Ocean City, Maryland in October. Reservations for the events that weekend opened on July 1st. If anyone else is interested please contact Lynn and she can provide details. There are 5 cars signed up for that event at this time. She will be doing a dry run in September and will see what there might be to do on Thursday and Friday since most of the organized events are on Saturday.

Deb Cassel passed out a list of events, some of which the club has done in the past, and asked members to indicate those events they might be interested in. Hopefully this will help us plan some things going forward.

#### Newsletter-Georgeann Young

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



"It's the 4th of July, dad. Where's your festive spirit?"

#### **New Business**

We are still looking for ideas from members for events they would like to see scheduled and hopefully someone to help organize them. It was also announced that Vince was in the hospital and scheduled to have heart surgery, so he will be out of commission for a while.

#### Old Business

All the 60th Anniversary merchandise was given away at the Bowser car show.

#### 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-

No report.

Competition—Frank Paolo - No report.

#### WPCCC-Frank Paolo

No report

#### Website/Facebook

Brad Gray Is taking over the website. We also have a PayPal account set up to make it easier to pay for some of these things.

#### Treasurer-Mike Diorio

Mike Diorio gave the most recent Treasurer's report and it was approved by the members present.

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

The next membership meeting will be held at our annual picnic, scheduled for Sunday, August 7th, at Mt. Odin Gold Park in Greensburg.

Meeting adjourned around 7:45 pm.

