# Flying Fiberglass

**April** 

2023



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### **Welcome Message**

Spring has sprung, and as we welcome in April we notice that the temperature is a little warmer and daylight lasts a little longer. It also means that the time has come for us to break our cars out of storage and get back on would be a big help if more people would the road again. We're still hoping that this year we will have some members come up with some ideas for club outings so we can get back to having some fun as a club with our cars.

Bob Whiteside did meet with Bowser Chevrolet and they have decided not to sponsor a spring Corvette show. The individual who represented them last year and helped with the arrangements is going on maternity leave and they want wait until she returns before doing another show.

This club has been around for over 60 years and has a very storied history. We obviously would like to see it continue, but for that to happen we need new leadership. We need some new faces to get involved and help move the club forward. It's obvious that a large part of our active membership is getting older and ideally it would be great iif some of the younger members would step in and take on some of these positions.



Don Yenko

Donna Mae Mims

Grady Davis







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 it 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 have a number of positions that need to be filled. 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

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.

planned as we go forward.

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 next Membership meeting is Monday, April 10th, and will be held at Papa Rocks in Monroeville. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm but anyone who wants to share a meal with their fellow members can meet there at 6:00 pm for dinner.



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

### **For Sale**



2005 Laguna Blue Corvette Coupe with Red Trim Vin #1G1YC2D79F5116363



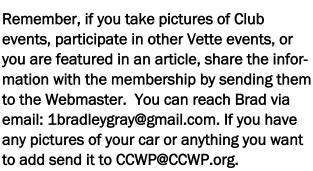


Targa Top (includes shade)
Sound deadening insulation
New battery
Non run-flat Goodyear tires (good condition)
7 speed transmission
6.2 liter V8
22K miles
Red trim (interior and exterior)
Black leather seats (removable vinyl seat covers)
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2 LT package
Front camera recorder
Two stage spoiler

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# CCWP Webmaster Bradley Gray







### 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.

### **April Membership Meeting**



The April Membership Meeting will be held on Monday, April 10th, at Papa Rocks in Haymaker Plaza on Route 130 in Monroeville.

The meeting starts at 7:00 pm but come early, around 6:00 pm, and join your fellow members for dinner.

If you are planning on attending the meeting please let Allen Young know by Sunday, April 9th so we can give the restaurant an idea of how many to plan for.

Allen's contact information: ayoung1210@msn.com

412-372-7802

### **Museum News**



The First Lady of Corvette, Elfi Arkus-Duntov, was also a woman who loved life, fast cars, and the arts. She was an accomplished dancer with the Blue Bell Dancers and the Folies Bergere. She was also a painter, and Corvettes were often the subject of her work. This picture was painted by Elfi of her husband Zora Arkus-Duntoov, the "Godfather of Corvette, and is in the NCM's Collection. The Corvette in the painting is also in the NCM's Collection and is currently undergoing restoration.

She was an avid enthusiast for the Corvette, The National Corvette Museum, and her husband's legacy. She is interred, along with her husband, according to their wishes, at the National Corvette Museum and is a member of the NCM Hall of Fame

In 2008 the NCM began a tradition of honoring our veterans with a new event, Vets 'n Vettes. To coordinate the Museum's acknowledgement of Military Appreciation Month, the NCM is moving the celebration from November to May, and this year will be held May 11-13, 2023. This event will be included in the nationwide celebration of the U.S. Military. Thursday kicks off with a half day at the NCM Motorsports Park. Complimentary Lunch will be served to all. The Friday and Saturday events include road tours and a luncheon. The event offers veterans, servicemen, and those who want to support them, a comfortable place to meet and share stories and experiences. You can check out the schedule of events on the Museum website.

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

### **April Birthdays** - Allen Young



Russ Desena **Richard Novotny** Pat Whitesides 4th **12th** 20th Jim Bryer Jason Ray **13th** 25th **Richard Janus** 5th George Ragula **14th Bridget Kitch** 6th James Rulyak 28th Joan Zisek 20th Michele Kraus 8th 29th **Ronald Horak** 

# **Upcoming 2023 Club Activities**

April 4,2023 April Board Meeting

April 10, 2023 April Membership Meeting

April 29, 2023 Irwin Car Show

May 2, 2023 May Board Meeting

May 8, 2023 May Membership Meeting

May 21, 2023 Sping Car Show @ Shorkey's

**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.

### **Spring Car Show**



Mark Your Calendars - Sunday, May 21st, we sill be back at Shorkey Chevrolet in Murrysville for our Spring Corvette Show.

Hours of the show will be 9 am to 2 pm.

More details to follow. We will send an email with the flyer for the show once it is available.

Spread the word and hope to see you and your car at the show.

### 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

Russell & Renee Grimes

Cheswick

2019 Black Coupe

### **Corvette News**

If you own a 2nd-5th generation Corvette then Volunteer Vettes is a great resource for you. If you have a problem or question about your Corvette's suspension system or any Volunteer Vette product, just reach out to one of their product experts and they'll help you find a solution. Their number is 865-521-9100, or you can send an email to sales@volvette.com. Their entire parts catalog can be found at their website <a href="https://www.VolVette.com">www.VolVette.com</a>. You can also request a printed catalog by calling their service number.

The shortage of semiconductor chips In early 2022 meant that Corvettes were built without its Rear Park Assist module, and GM is now starting to notify those owners that retrofits have begun. A new service bulletin has been issued and owners should be hearing from their dealers. They have to be ordered by VIN, which must match GM records for C8s that had RPA deleted at the time of production. The service bulletin includes two components, the Rear Park Assist control module, and the serial data gateway module. The retrofit program will be in place until March 31, 2026.



The driver of the 1998 Corvette was waiting to pull out of a parking spot but there was a white Honda Pilot blocking the lane in front of him. Then the Honda driver just stepped on the gas and started to back up. The Honda went up and over the Corvette and ended up propped against the driver's side rear fender. The entire incident took about 5 seconds. Miraculously the Corvette driver was not injured, except for a cut on his hand from trying to exit the car. The elderly Honda driver was not hurt, just confused about what had happened.



Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_

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

New and Renewal Membership Application Date: Renewal: Name: Home Phone: (\_ (First Name) (Last Name) Address: (Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code) **Email Address** \_ Cell Phone: ( Member's Birth Date: \_\_\_/\_\_ (At least the month & day) Name for Name Badge: Spouse's/Domestic Partner Name (if joining): Email Address \_\_ 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) **Membership 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: / / (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.

(Signature is required)

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

### **Car Cruises**

Sun, April 16, 2023	Pgh. Heavy Hitters Show @ Boyce Park	12:00 pm to 5:00 pm	
Sat., April 29, 2023	Annual Irwin Car Show	11:00 am to 4:00 pm	
Sat., May 6, 2023	McKeesport Car Cruise/Concert Benefit	3:00 pm to 7:00 pm	
Sun, May 28, 2023	Papa Rocks Summer Car Show	12:00 pm to 4:00 pm	
Sat. June 3, 2023	Murrysview Shoppes, Monroeville	4:00 pm to 8:00 pm	weekly
Sun. June 4, 2023	Vinoski Winery, Rostraver	12:00 pm to 5:00 pm	
Wed. June 7, 2023	Frazier Wed. Car Cruise/Galleria, Pgh. Mills	4:00 pm to 8:00 pm	weekly
Sun. June 18, 2023	Oakmont Lions Club Father's Day Show	9:00 am to 3:00 pm	

### **Corvette News**



Recently a You Tuber did a walk around review of the newest Corvette, a Sea wolf Gray 2024 Corvette E-Ray. He states that the new Corvette will be the fastest production made Corvette ever built. There is an engine in front that powers all wheel drive. There is also an extra 160 horsepower all powered by a 1.9 kilowatt battery. Total horsepower is 655 and goes 0 to 60 in 2.5 seconds. The style is a mix between a Z06 and a stingray.

There are some new features that include Automatic start/stop, lane keep assist, auto braking, and collision alert. There is an option to go full electric and that takes

it into stealth mode at a low speed but quiet. There are 3 option packages, 1LZ, 2LZ, and 3LZ, and it is available as a convertible. The interior is about the same as the current Z8 models.

One great feature is that the battery does not require any external charging—it runs on regenerated energy. The MSRP starts at \$103,000.

Talk about having a bad Monday morning. The driver of the red Ford crashed through a home's garage door in Missouri.

The homeowner was driving her Ford when she hit the gas, launching the SUV through the garage door and coming to rest on top of a C4 Corvette. The news report said that no one was injured and it is believed that something happened with the accelerator to cause the crash.



#### General Membership Meeting (Unapproved)

March 13, 2023

The March membership meeting was held at Papa Rocks in Monroeville.. The meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm. Since Ron Thomas resigned his position at the March Board meeting, Allen Young, membership director, led the meeting.

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

#### Membership-Allen Young

Membership numbers for 2023: 149 Members, 90 Families

#### Vice-President / Insurance— Brad

Ron Thomas resigned his position at the March Board meeting. Brad Gray, who currently handles out website, was at the meeting and agreed to assume the Vice President's role.

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-Vacant**

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

A Spring car show was discussed and Bob Whiteside agreed to lead the team to set up a show in May. He was in touch with Bowser, who sponsored our show last Spring, and he has set up a meeting with them. We agreed to a date, Sunday, May 21st, if that is acceptable to the dealer.

Bob also said that he had been in contact with Shorkey Chevrolet in Murrysville about doing another Fall show there. He also said that if things fell through at Bowser, he would approach Shorkey about doing the Spring show at that location.

We also discussed some ideas for trips that we could possibly plan for this summer. More to come on that in the future.

#### Newsletter-Georgeann Young

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



"If the only exercise he gets is washing his Corvette, then I suggest he wash it every day for the next 20 years. Trust me, he needs it."

#### New Business

There was a discussion on the future of the Club and the need to have someone come forward to take on the President's position. Those members currently in office who have been working to hold things together spoke and expressed their feelings that they are getting tired of handling everything and are looking for help. Ideally we would like some of the younger members to come forward, but we don't really have that many young members to pass the torch to.

#### Old Business

We still have several Board positions that are open and we would like to see someone step up to fill them We also need a new Museum Ambassador.

#### SPECIAL REPORTS

#### Historical Committee - Frank Paolo

No report.

#### Museum-

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.

#### WPCCC-Frank Paolo

No report

#### Website/Facebook

Brad Gray Is taking over the website.

#### 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 on Monday, March 10th, at Papa Rocks in Haymaker Plaza in Monroeville.

Meeting adjourned around 7:50 pm.

