

# Flying Fiberglass

July  
2023

Corvette Club of Western Pennsylvania's

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## Welcome Message

First I want to say that you are getting this Newsletter a little early because I will be away at the end of the month. Second, because of that, we might be sending emails throughout July if things come up that we want to let you know about, so watch your emails for news.

Since this Newsletter is coming out a little early, you'll have to wait until next month to see details of the event Deb Cassel has planned, the play "Life Could Be A Dream.". I believe she filled the number of seats she had available, so it sounds like a fun time for everyone who is attending.

We are still planning on taking part in the 4th of July parade in Monroeville. Attendance at last year's parade was low and we were hoping for a better showing this year. We had about 6 cars sign up at the June meeting, but if you are interested in joining us please contact Allen Young. Remember, the more the merrier.

We do have a tentative date for a fall Corvette Show again at Shorkey Chevrolet in Murrysville. It is Sunday, September 10th, so add it to your calendars and plan on joining us at the show.

Don't forget our annual picnic in August. It is set for Sunday August 13th and will be at Mt. Odin Golf Park in Greensburg. It is the same place we have been the last couple of years and we will have the same caterer as last year. The flyer is in this Newsletter so check it out and send in your reservations early so we know how many to prepare for. We're still looking for ideas for things to do as a club this summer and hoping some members will help us with the planning too. Don't forget the Vintage Grand Prix is also in July and there are several events you may want to check out.

The current Board, with few changes, has been in place for some time now and has worked hard to keep the Club together, but all members need to remember that it is their Club too, and it would be a big help if more people would get involved and help keep things going. We have had a couple of people come forward but there are still some positions that need to be filled. Please consider helping your club by offering to fill one of these openings.

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 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 next membership meeting is Monday, July 10th. It will be held at Indian Lake Park in Irwin and will be the second outdoor pizza meeting. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm, but the pizza should be there by 6:30 pm, so come early and join us for pizza and to socialize with your fellow members.

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

## Misc. Info

Following is a memo from Dave Kitch about his friend and former CCWP member Dave Albright.

My third brother, Dave Albright, has officially retired from Pratt & Miller Engineering. He and his wife are building a winter home in Florida and intend to reside in Livonia.

I met Dave through CCWP. Dave's sister and he co-owned an 82 Collector Edition Corvette. Dave also owned a mid-year fuelie coupe that John D. would know. Dave and his sister lived in the North Park area and he would autocross at North Park. Dave was continually helping other CCWP members with their cars. Dave got me interested in sports car and Indycar racing. He helped his brother-in-law who was racing a C3 Corvette in SCCA. We worked together as corner workers at the PVGP. We attended races at Mid-Ohio and he gave me his tickets in 1991 to attend the Indy 500. Dave started his racing with Greg Pickett Racing, located in Sacramento, California. Pickett raced in the SCCA Trans Am series and raced two Camaros. I attended several Trans Am races.

Dave left Pickett and joined Brix Racing, also located in California. Harry Brix moved his race team to Detroit and Dave also moved there. Brix raced the factory sponsored Oldsmobile Aurora cars that were powered with the Northstar engine. The cars raced in the IMSA GT-1 series. I got to meet many racing people through Dave.

I crewed several GT-1 races for Brix as a volunteer and it was very exciting. Dave then left Brix to work for Pratt & Miller in Detroit. P & M contract managed both the Corvette and Cadillac Racing Teams for GM. Dave crewed on both teams, including trips to LeMans. He eventually settled into an inside sales job for P & M. His customers included LMP car teams and Corvette Privateer teams.

I visited Dave often, then attending the Detroit GP, Henry Ford Museum, Detroit Auto Show, and Michigan Chapter NCRS judging meets. He hosted numerous P & M visits to their shop, including a behind the scenes tour for my grandchildren. Bridget and I are fortunate to have the Albrights as our friends.

Regards,  
Dave Kitch

Dave Albright is  
the big guy



### CCWP Webmaster

Bradley Gray

CCWP.ORG

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 via email: [1bradleygray@gmail.com](mailto:1bradleygray@gmail.com). 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:

Georgeann Young 1210 Harvest Dr.

Monroeville, PA 15146

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

## July Membership Meeting



The July membership meeting will be held on Monday, July 10th, at Indian Lake Park in Irwin. The club will supply the pizza but you will need to bring your own drinks. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm and the pizza should be there by 6:30, so come early and have something to eat and spend some time catching up with friends and fellow members.

The address for Indian Lake Park is 2616-2622 Clay Pike, Irwin. We are at the pavilion across the lake.

In order to help us know how much pizza to order, please let Allen Young know by Sunday, July 9th, if you plan to attend.

Please contact Allen Young by Sunday, July 9th, if you are planning to join us for pizza.

Allen's contact information: [ayoung1210@msn.com](mailto:ayoung1210@msn.com)

412-372-7802

## Museum News



Corvette is GM's longest running passenger car and it has celebrated some major milestones over the years. Friday, June 30th, marks Corvette's 70th anniversary. In honor of America's Sports Car turning 70, this month's artifact takes us back to the halfway point of its history. The decorative plate commemorates Corvette's 35th anniversary in 1988. It was donated by Carl Lundquist. It might seem like 35 years is an odd number of years to celebrate, but GM was anxious to promote the Corvette. In 1983, the

would be 30th year anniversary, no Corvettes were sold to the public. Quality control issues and production delays for the new C4 prompted GM to skip the 1983 model year. Therefore, they took the opportunity five years later to release a special edition 35th Anniversary Corvette, along with some commemorative merchandise like this plate. It was available only as a coupe and featured a bright white exterior with black roof panels and other black accents. The interior included white leather seats and an engraved number plaque mounted to the console.

For 70 years, Corvette has been the dream car of each generation. You can join the Museum as you travel through time and experience the new exhibit *An American Love Affair: 70 Years of Corvette*. It opens to the public June 30th.

Every year around Labor Day there is a celebration of the Grand Opening of the Museum. This year we commemorate the 29th Anniversary, spotlighting the people that Corvette has brought together and a look forward to the future. Registered participants will enjoy 3 days of activities in and around the Museum, including access to unique road tours, special presentations, raffles and more.

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)



## July Birthdays — Allen Young



2nd	Bob Snyder	16th	George Crouse	20th	Renee Grimes
3rd	Norm Rish	16th	Diane Harrison	21st	Margie Laughlin
10th	Art Evans	17th	Janice Farr	25th	Sandra Janus
12th	Allen Harkins	19th	Ray LaFace	27th	Leo Kearns
16th	John Bumbaugh				

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



## Upcoming 2023 Club Activities

July 4, 2023	Monroeville 4th of July Parade
July 5, 2023	July Board Meeting
July 10, 2023	July Membership Meeting
July 13-23, 2023	Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix
July 22, 2023	Altoona Car Show
August 1, 2023	August Board Meeting
August 13, 2023	Annual Picnic

**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](http://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.

## Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix

The deadline for early On-line registration has passed. Regular on-line registration is available June 1st thru July 20th and is \$50 per car. Late registration is after July 20th and is \$60 per car. Your fee includes your weekend car display spot, a PVGP Race Program (\$10 value), and a PVGP decal (\$5 value). You will receive 2 PVGP wristbands (\$10 each value) that allow you access to the show field and to the start/finish area all weekend.

The Corvette display will be across from the American Show. There will be a larger area to display the 70th Anniversary Sweepstakes Z06 Vette, and there is a special area around the Sweepstakes Corvette for all Z06s in attendance. This area is also much closer to the race track and vendors.

The downtown car display is July 19th at either PPG Place or Market Square and is almost sold out, so if interested you should register asap. The Waterfront car show is Tuesday, July 18th, from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

More info available at: [pvgrp.org](http://pvgrp.org), including a full calendar of this years events.

## Annual Picnic



**Sunday, August 13, 2023**

**Noon to 4:00 PM**

**Mount Odin Golf Park**

**247 Tollgate Hill Road**

**Greensburg, PA**

**Reservations Required**

**Members \$15.00 Single \$30.00 Couple**

**Member Name (s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Non-Member Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount Enclosed** \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to: CCWP**

**Send RSVP to: Allen Young**

**1210 Harvest Dr.**

**Monroeville, PA 15146**

**412-372-7802**

**Reservations should be in by Aug. 4, 2023**

## 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

Charlene & Tom Butala

Derry, PA

2006 Monterey Red Convertible

2019 Arctic White Coupe

2023 Elkhart Lake Blue Coupe

## Car Cruises

Below is a listing of some area car cruises that might be of interest to our members. See [carcruises.com](http://carcruises.com) site for more info.

Saturdays, 2023	Murrysview Shoppes, Monroeville	4:00 pm to 8:00 pm	weekly
Tuesdays, 2023	Plum American Legion Post 980	5:00 pm to 8:30 pm	weekly
Wednesdays, 2023	Frazier Wed. Car Cruise/Galleria, Pgh. Mills	4:00 pm to 8:00 pm	weekly
Fridays, 2023	Victory Family Church, Cranberry	5:00 pm to 9:00 pm	weekly
Saturday, July 1, 2023	Greenville Heritage Days Free Cruise	2:00 pm to 6:00 pm	
Sunday, July 2, 2023	12th Annual Bushy Run Classic Car Cruise	12:00 pm to 3:00 pm	
Saturday, July 8, 2023	Springdale Community Days Car Show	11:00 am to 3:00 pm	
Saturday, July 15, 2023	9th Annual Slickville VFD Auxiliary Car/Bike Show	1:00 pm to 5:00 pm	
Sunday, July 16, 2023	Papa Rocks Summer Car Show	12:00 pm to 4: 0pm	
Tuesday, July 18, 2023	PVGP Waterfront Car Cruise	4:00 pm to 9:00 pm	

## New and Renewal Membership Application

Date:        /        /

**New:**

Renewal:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Birth Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (At least the month & day)      Name for Name Badge: \_\_\_\_\_

[illegible]

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

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How did you hear about CCWP? \_\_\_\_\_

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 1<sup>st</sup> To December 31<sup>st</sup>
- ☐ 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 1<sup>st</sup> thru Dec 31<sup>st</sup>): \$30.00 for a single/ \$35.00 for a couple    Amount enclosed:

**Newsletter by US mail (Jan 1<sup>st</sup> thru Dec 31<sup>st</sup>): \$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)

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
(Signature is required) (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](http://WWW.CCWP.ORG)

Revised (9/25/17)



# Altoona Car Show



**ACC CAR SHOW**  
**Sunday – August 6, 2023**  
**BLAIZE ALEXANDER CHEVROLET**  
 101 Pleasant Valleyview Blvd.,  
 Altoona, PA 16602  
*(no rain date)*



The Altoona Corvette Club uses the Car Show to help benefit the "Waly Warmth" program!

## The show is open to ALL MAKES and ALL MODELS of CARS and TRUCKS

Trophies for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in all classes plus Blaize's Choice Trophy – Registration at 9:00 a.m. and Judging at Noon

ALL OTHER VEHICLE CLASSES			CORVETTE CLASSES		
A.... Pre 1959	D....1980-1989	G.. 2010-newer	I.....1953-1967 (C1/2)	L..... 1997-2004 (C5)	O.....2020-Newer (C8)
B.... 1960-1969	E...1990-1999	H.. Truck only	J.....1968 – 1982 (C3)	M.... 2005-2013 (C6)	
C.... 1970-1979	F...2000-2009		K.....1984 – 1996 (C4)	N .... 2014-2019 (C7)	

Vehicles are judged for overall *showmanship, cleanliness, and condition* in all visible areas.

### Each Entry...

- Dash Plaques for the 1<sup>st</sup> 100 Registered.
- Participation Opportunity in Basket Auction & 50/50 Drawing.
- Attendance to Trophy Presentation at 2:45 p.m.
- Food Vendors Available.

*Please come out & enjoy Show Cars, Friends, Food, & Raffles.*

The ACC Car Show Sponsor are...

TROPHIES WERE DONATED BY ALLSTATE THE GIBSON AGENCY, 104 E PLEASANT VALLEY BLVD, ALTOONA  
 PLUS THE DASH PLAQUES WERE DONATED BY DENNIS OLEWINE, CONTRACTOR.

### ENTRY FORM – Pre-Registration by Monday, July 22, 2023

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Entry Vehicle: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Donation to charity 'WALY WARMTH' \$ \_\_\_\_\_

('Waly Warmth' – Money raised goes to buy warm winter clothes for local kids in need!)

**Registration only \$10<sup>00</sup>**

Return to: Altoona Corvette Club  
 PO Box 15

Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

*Make Checks payable to:*

**ALTOONA CORVETTE CLUB**

*For more information call:*

Jim Barton at 814-329-1822

[www.altoonacorvetteclub.com](http://www.altoonacorvetteclub.com)

## General Membership Meeting (Unapproved)

June 12, 2023

The June membership meeting was our first outdoor pizza meeting and was held at Indian Lake Park.. The meeting was called to order around 7:00 pm by Thom Shepler, who then led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Membership numbers for 2023: 149 Members, 90 Families. He also welcomed some new members who attended the meeting, and one of the couples joined at the Spring Car Show.

**Vice-President / Insurance— Brad**

Brad Gray, who currently handles our website, has taken on this position.

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.**

Bob Whitesides talked about the Spring Show and that it was another successful show. He also said that he has spoken with Shorkey about a fall show and they have agreed on a tentative date-September 10th.

Deb Cassel was absent from the meeting but Thom reminded everyone about the event Deb set up for Sunday, June 25th. The group will be driving to Jennerstown for dinner and then on to Mountain Playhouse in Johnstown to see the play "Life Could Be A Dream." She had the theater hold some seats for her and several members signed up that evening.

Allen Young talked about the Monroeville 4th of July parade and passed around a signup sheet to get some cars to join us at the parade. If anyone is still interested please contact Allen.

We are still hoping that some other members will come forward with some ideas and plans for some other outings now that some nice weather is here and we have our cars back out. Hopefully there will be more to come.

**Newsletter—Georgeann Young**

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



"Our Corvette just texted me. It says it won't drive us anywhere until I give it a bath. I didn't know it was such a clean freak."

**New Business**

There was some discussion about how we could come up with a way to let members know when someone was planning on going to a car cruise or some other event to see if anyone wanted to join them. Brad offered to put together a text chain to implement this and most in attendance were in favor.

**Old Business**

We still have several Board positions that are open and we would like to see someone step up to fill them

**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. He is making some changes to update the site and they should be ready soon.

**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, July 10th, at Indian Lake Park in Irwin.

Meeting adjourned around 7:45 pm.

