# Flying Fiberglass

June 2025



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### **Welcome Message**

I don't know about anyone else but I can't believe that it's June already and we are getting ready to welcome summer. We're still waiting for some better weather and hopefully June will bring some so we can all enjoy our Corvettes. In May we had our spring car show at Shorkey Chevrolet in Murrysville and it was a success with 68 cars in attendance. The weather ended up being okay, if a little on the cool side, and the rain missed us, so that helped. Thanks to all the members who helped at the shpw. We couldn't do this without your help.

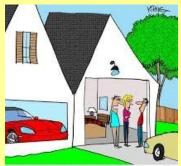
There are also two events on the calendar for June. One is being planned by Deb Cassel. It is planned for early June and it is a trip to the Bowtie Nationals in Ohio June 6th and 7th. More details are in this newsletter.

The other June trip is being handled by Rick Conwell. It is a trip to the Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio and is later in June. Unfortunately he found out that the officers dining room on the base has closed, so we will not be able to have dinner there. There are more details in this Newsletter.

Even though the Corvette is not the featured car, there are a lot of events that might interest our members at this years Vintage Grand Prix. It is scheduled for July. It's ten days of events with something for everyone.

The current Board 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. 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. The Board would like to send out a big Thank You to everyone who has participated in and helped at any of our events. Our members are the heart and soul of CCWP and we appreciate them. 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 will be Monday, June 9th at Oak Hollow Park, Pine Pavilion. It is our second outdoor meeting and pizza will be provided by the club and should be there by about 6:30 pm. The meeting will start at 7:00 pm.



"Our Corvette is so nice, we keep it in the house. And we sleep in the garage."

### **Vintage Grand Prix**

The 2025 Vintage Grand Prix is scheduled for July 11-21. There are a number of events scheduled during that period, and you can find a schedule and more information at their website, pvgp.org. Registration is now open. Lotus is the Marque of the Year, Mazda Miata is the Spotlight Car. Vintage Indy returns to Schenley and there are some new racing circuits there.

The Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix is the nation's largest vintage street race, with 10 days of racing, car shows, parties, parades and motorsport events. Because of the closure of the Panther Hollow Bridge, two new track events were designed so vintage racing on city streets could continue.

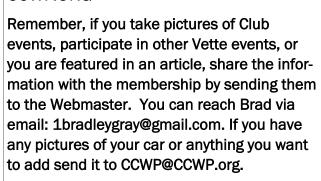
### **Condolences**



Chapaitis family for the recent passing of Bob. He and his wife Pat, were former members of the club, and had been acive during their time in the club. The members of CCWP would like to extend our condolences to the

# **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

The Club P.O. Box has been discontinued..

### **June Membership Meeting**



The June Membership Meeting will be held on Monday, June 9th, and will be our second outdoor pizza meeting of the year, It will be held at Oak Hollow Park at the Pine Pavilion.

The meeting starts at 7:00 pm, but come early and enjoy some pizza and conversation with your fellow members. Plan on pizza around 6;30 pm. The pizza will be paid for by the Club but Be sure to bring your own drinks.

If you could contact Allen Young by Saturday, June 7th, and let him know if you plan to attend so we can have an idea of how much pizza to order. If you have any questions please contact Allen Young. His contact information is listed below.

Allen's contact information: Phone: 412-372-7802

Email address: ayoung1210@msn.com

### **Museum News**



The Corvette Hall of Fame had announced its 2025 class of members elect, and they will be formally inducted during a ceremony in August as part of the National Corvette Museum's 31st Anniversary Celebration. The Hall of Fame has recognized trailblazers whose passion, integrity, and accomplishments have shaped the history of America's Sports Car. Each year inductees are selected from 3 categories: Racing, GM/Chevrolet, and Enthusiast. The class of 2025 includes: Racing-Kim Baker, SCAA Corvette Racer, GM/Chevrolet-Chuck Jordan, General Motors VP of Design, and Enthusiast-Charley &

Jim Robertson, Corvette Racing Ambassadors.

This month's Artifact of the Month is the Andy Pilgrim Corvette Challenge Car and Oral History Interview. In 1988, Andy Pilgrim competed in the Corvette Challenge Series, a unique spec racing division built around the unmatched performance of the C4 Corvette. Pilgrim drove the no. 18 Corvette for car owner George Farris, joining the series after an impressive win in an SCAA endurance race in Texas. Pilgrim traveled the country with a small crew and open trailer to face off against factory backed and multi-car operations. Despite the odds, he won two races during that season.



The NCM will continue its commitment to honoring the nation's military by participating in the 2025 Blue Star Museums program. Through this program active military personnel and up to five family members will receive free Museum admission from Armed Forces Day through Labor Day.

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

### **June Birthdays**



2nd Donald Brett 9th Curt Betters 23rd Deb Paolo

2nd Lori Osselborn 18th Margery Pisatcik 24th Bernadette Valero

3rd Meme Betters 19th Steve Bachner 26th Jeremy Garris

3rd Tom Vicent 22nd Ron Veyo

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# **Upcoming 2025 Club Activities**

June 3, 2025 June Board Meeting

June 6-7, 2025 Bowtie National Trip

June 9, 2025 June Membership Meeting

June 19-21, 2025 Air Force Museum Trip

July 1, 2025 July Board Meeting

July 14, 2025 July Membership Meeting

July 11-21, 2025 Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix

**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

### **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**



2002 Magnetic Red with full set of options including heads up display.

Owned since 2003 60,000 miles

Asking \$20,000

If interested or if you have any questions call or text Bill Ferri at 724-396-9961

1979 Corvette with 70,752 miles. 355 cu in 5.7 liter 4, bbl engine, power windows, air conditioning, glass roof panels, sport mirrors and tilt steering wheel.

For price and more information contact Glenn Raymer at 724864-3770

### **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

# **Bowtie National Trip**

The Bowtie Nationals featuring the GM Invasion will occur at the Summit Racing Equipment Motorsports Park, 1300 State Route 18, Norwalk, Ohio. Scheduled for June 6th and 7th, 2025, this event will spotlight Chevrolet, Buick, Oldsmobile, Pontiac, Cadillac, and GMC vehicles. Attendees can experience drag racing, a car and truck show, a swap meet, and a vendor midway. This event offers an opportunity for automotive enthusiasts to encounter the performance of GM vehicles.

We will drive out route 30 on Thursday June 5th to see the show on Friday June 6th. Driving out route 30 will be 4 hours. I need to know how many will go so I can get a motel. One day will keep the costs down. Everyone would be on their own to leave whenever they want to drive home. If taking the turnpike home it would be 3 hours depending where you live. You will have to register on https://bowtienationals.com/event-registration to have your car in the show with driver and passenger for \$55.

Please contact Deb Cassel if interested asap at 412-932-7326 or email cassel79@yahoo.com so I can make arrangements for a motel. I am hoping to get a group rate at a hotel if possible.

### **Air Force Museum Trip**

Rick Conwell is in the early planning stages for a trip to the Air Force Museum in Dayton Ohio in June. He passed around a sheet at the March meeting to see who was interest and so far there are 8 cars and 14 members that signed up for the trip. The dates are June 19th to the 21st.

The plan so far is to leave from Cranberry early in the morning of the 19th and have lunch somewhere around Springfield, Ohio around noon. You would then continue on and make a stop at Mershon's World of Cars around 2:30 pm and tour the facility and check out their cars. After that stop you would then continue on and check into the hotel, which will be near the USAF Museum. Friday the group would then go over to the Museum for a VIP tour. After the tour the group will return to the hotel to freshen up and then head out to dinner. The group will return to the hotel after dinner and probably head home on the 21st.

More details will be available as the trip gets closer.



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

New and Renewal Membership Application Date: \_\_\_/\_\_/\_\_\_ Renewal: \_\_\_\_ Name: Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) (Last Name) (First Name) Address: (Street) (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): (last) 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: \_\_\_ (Signature is required) Applicant's Signature: (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

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

C.C.W.P Membership Director

1210 Harvest Drive Monroeville, PA 15146

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

#### General Membership Meeting (Unapproved)

May 12, 2025

President Thom Shepler called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Approximately 40 CCWP members met at Indian Lake Park. . A motion was made by Rick Conwell to approve the minutes from the April 14th membership meeting and seconded by Jim Bryer. The minutes were unanimously approved.

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

#### President-Thom Shepler

Thom stated that June's membership meeting would be held at Oak Hollow Park. The Shorkey Car Show is his Sunday. So far 30 cars are pre-registered. 16 are in the fun class.

#### Membership-Allen Young

Membership for 2025: 75 Families and 125 members

#### Vice-President / Insurance- Brad

Insurance has been renewed for next year.

#### Social-Vacant

#### **Events-Vacant**

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

A clipboard was passed around for people to sign up for judging at the Shorkey show this Sunday.

Georgeann mentioned that 7 people had signed up for he Monroeville 4th of July parade. A clipboard was passed around for others to sign up for this parade.

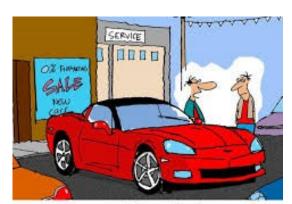
Char spoke with Reuben from the Rays about the Shorkey show.

Thom asked if anyone was interested I going to the Quaker Steak & Lube show on May 4th.

Rick Conwell said that he has 13 cars signed up for the Dayton Air Force Museum Tour. Everyone is to meet at the shopping mall at Route 19 and Route 228 in Cranberry. He intends to leave there at 8:00 am on June 19th. The museum tour is Friday, June 20th. All return home on Saturday, June 21st. Rick has reserved a block of 15 rooms at the Comfort Suites under Corvette Club of Western Pennsylvania in his name. Call 1-937-425-6498 to make your reservation.

#### Newsletter-Georgeann Young

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



"Giving you this car for free as a marketing stunt may not be possible, but I'll check with my manager."

#### **New Business**

Char mentioned that the club was going to give \$500 to the National Corvette Museum in memory of Clem Zahrobsky. Frank Paolo stated that in light of the fact that our club is the oldest in the world, and that Clem was a founding member, we should give maybe \$2,000. He added that there are those working to have him inducted into the National Corvette Museum Hall of Fame. Tom Shepler said that the donation would be discussed when the Board reconvenes and will get back to everyone. Frank also mentioned that Clem's son, Clay, has found a lot of CCWP stuff.

#### 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 has taken over the website and has updated the site. Brad has said that anyone who has an event that they would like put on the website to let him know. He is also looking to load photos of members cars if they have one to submit to him.

#### Treasurer-Charlene Butala

Charlene submitted the May report. A motion was made by Ron Thomas to accept the Treasurer's report and seconded by Steve Bachner. The motion to accept was carried.

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

The next general membership meeting will be held Monday, June 12, 2025 at Oak Hollow Park.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

