



# Vette Ventures

The Newsletter of the **Corvettes of the Bay** Car Club

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## A Summer to Remember!

**Dear Corvettes of the Bay Club Members,**

As we embrace the warmth of summer, I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude for your participation and unwavering support of all our events. Your enthusiasm is what makes our club truly special!

On June 25, we had an exhilarating run to Road America, where 50 cars participated in the unique opportunity to drive on this premier track. The excitement of the day was evident as we drove our beloved Corvettes around this track, and it was a fantastic experience for all involved. Thank you to Mark Nemetz and everyone who made this event a success!

I'm proud to highlight our club's support for the "Ride with the Lights" event, a fundraising initiative for police charities. With the funds raised, gift cards are purchased that police officers use to hand out to needy individuals or families they encounter while on duty. Thanks to our generous members, we raised over \$1,400 to support this worthy cause. Your contributions make a real difference in our community!

Mark your calendars for our Summer Party on July 19 at Primal Eats in Gillett, Wisconsin! It promises to be a wonderful day filled with good food and great company. We can't wait to see you there!

Please join me in welcoming our new members! Since the beginning of the year, we have added more than 49 new faces to our club, bringing our total membership to 241. We are quickly closing in on a new record high membership for our club. We're thrilled to have you with us and look forward to getting to know you better!

As we look ahead, we encourage our members to consider volunteering to lead a dinner or ice cream run in August, September, or October. We need additional activities during these months, and your leadership can help make it happen!

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As I mentioned at our July meeting, we are looking for someone to volunteer to take on the secretary role for our Corvettes of the Bay board in 2026. Mary Ann Torrez will be reaching her 3-year term limit at the end of this year. Thanks to Mary Ann for her dedication and service to our club. We also announced that our remaining board members are all willing to return in their current positions for 2026. If you are interested in running for the secretary role, please let Guy know by September 1, 2025. We will hold an election, if needed, in October.

Lastly, I invite everyone to join us at our monthly meetings. Come early to socialize and enjoy a meal at The Village Grille. It's a great opportunity to connect with fellow members and share your ideas for upcoming events. We continue to benefit from having The Village Grille host our meetings for free. In return, your participation in dining with the group is supporting our ability to use this venue.

Thank you once again for your continued support. Let's make this summer one to remember!

Best Regards,

Guy Ringle  
President  
Corvettes of the Bay

### Red Lewis Community Car Show – June 14



### Allouez Fest & Car Show – June 8



# Corvettes of the Bay Monthly Meeting Minutes

July 1, 2025

## Call to Order and Welcome

President Guy Ringle called the meeting to order at 6:59 pm at The Village Grille in Bellevue, WI with 87 members in attendance.

## Motion to Approve June Meeting Minutes

President Guy called for a motion to approve the June minutes as posted in the newsletter. Motion was made by Ed Villiesse, motion carried.

## Membership Announcements

New/Potential Members or Guests in attendance:

- Brian Uhl – Just bought a Corvette about a week ago, 2017 Grand Sport Convertible, Admiral Blue, bought at the Dallas Corvette Warehouse. This is one of 117 made in this color in 2017, super excited!!
- Cliff Naef – Was a member 10 years ago. Owns a 2004 Coupe, Torch Red, highly modified.
- Dave and Marilyn Moore – Bought first Corvette in October, 2024 – waited for 78 years to buy!! Owns a 2024 Stingray, Red Mist Metallic. He also attended Ron Fellows Driving School – greatest experience of his life!
- Pete Doyen – 2024 Stingray Convertible – he had to wait all of last summer, as there was a seatbelt recall. The car sat on the dealer lot for four months until it was resolved. Pete also attended Ron Fellows Driving School and had a great time.
- Dave Liesch – 2014 Limited Edition Lime Rock Green Convertible.
- Don Liesch – 2024 Coupe, Red Mist Metallic.
- Wayne Schmidt – 2016 Stingray Convertible, Red. He and his wife are Algoma residents; his wife wanted to join the club. They owned three Corvettes, are looking forward to the rides, which is the main reason they joined.
- Jeff and Marie Robinson – 2005 Convertible, Victory Red.
- If there are any new members who have a National Corvette Museum membership, please contact Carol Jacobs at 920-360-3771 so she can link you to the COTB with museum rosters.

## President's Report

- We received a Thank You card from Dan & Becky Miller on the passing of Dan's father.
- With sadness we share the passing of Dick Rosin, former club member. The club had a moment of silence in remembrance of Dan's father and Dick Rosin.
- June was a busy month for COTB. Great to see all the participation in various events!
- As of right now, we especially have a need for more planned dinner or ice cream events in August, September, and October in particular. Please consider volunteering to lead an event to keep our momentum going!
- Thank you to all our members that participate in the meals offered from The Village Grille prior to our meetings. Your participation is allowing us to continue to use this wonderful venue for our meetings.
- Bloomington Gold – Passed around the programs. Greg Rohde will comment on this later in the meeting.
- Our 501C (7) filing for tax-exempt and nonprofit status was completed – FYI from Guy.
- 2026 Board Positions – There will be one opening on our 2026 COTB board. Mary Ann Torrez will be reaching her 3-year term limit as Secretary. If you are interested in running for this position, please contact Guy Ringle by September 1, 2025. Elections, if needed, would occur in October. Mary Ann added that COTB is a growing, wonderful group, and she is willing to help the next Secretary get on board.
- Summer Party – Sign-up due by July 1 – Sally Steffen.

## Treasurer's Report – Diane Lyman

- Diane reviewed the status of the club's assets and sales of the Shell gas cards and Kwik Trip car wash cards. Current membership is 219.
- Proposal to move \$500 from Special Events budget to Holiday Party budget – Guy made a motion to approve the transfer, motion was seconded by Tony Steffen, motion carried.
- Motion to approve Treasurer's report, motion was made by Elizabeth Kelling, motion carried.

**Website** – Access our website [corvettesofthebay.org](http://corvettesofthebay.org) on your computer or phone. The "Log in" tab will bring up our private "Members only" page where you can scroll through the member roster for member contact information and photos, and access important documents. Please contact Elizabeth Ringle if you have not had your photo taken for the club roster. If you are looking for ideas for future runs or events, click on the link "Road Trip Ideas, Destinations, Directions, and Guidelines."

## Past Runs & Events

- June 4 – Curative Connections Run – Pete Bilski reports there were 14 Corvettes who registered; and owners of the Mustang club and a Fiat owner asked to participate as they had family who were affected by Dementia as well. Many enjoyed this event!
- June 8 – Allouez Fest & Car Show – Joe Torrez: The morning started out fine, but then the clouds made their way in with rain starting at noon. There were 25 COTB cars in attendance; Curt Larscheid won 1<sup>st</sup> place in his category. Many thanks to those who helped clean the area and set up the COTB tent/display.
- June 14 – Red Lewis Community Car Show – Darrel Burnett was unable to attend the meeting; however, President Guy reported there were over 30 Corvettes from our club in attendance.
- June 21 – Run to Ziegler Winery & Lunch – Tammy and Brian Jones: There were 20 Corvettes/30 members in attendance. Wine, beer, and music were enjoyed by all on this very warm day.

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- June 24 – Green Bay Retired Men’s Meeting, Brown County Library – Joe Torrez: 12 Corvettes from our club participated in this event. While Joe ensured the safety of the Corvettes parked on the street, Chuck Templer participated in the presentation. Chuck states the Green Bay Retired Men’s meeting takes place every Tuesday at the Library. The group has 120 members. Tony Yaggie, former COTB President/Member, invited COTB to discuss the Ron Fellows Driving School and new Corvettes in production. The group met for burgers at the Drift Inn afterwards, an enjoyable time by all!
- June 25 – Road America Sunset Cruise – Mark Nemetz reports there were 50 Corvettes in attendance. Waivers were completed on-line by members, they were allowed on the track seamlessly, and five laps were completed safely with great enjoyment.
- June 27 – Two Rivers Cool City Cruise – Amy Peters: Seven Corvettes and two non-Vettes participated.
- June 28 – Ride With the Lights – Elizabeth and Guy Ringle: Guy reports 35 Corvettes from the club participated, and at \$40/car our group contributed \$1400+ to this cause. The funds are used to purchase gift cards that the police across the state use to give to individuals/families they encounter who are in need. There were also 32 international officers from 10 different countries. Ed Villiesegave a ride to an officer from England. There were over 500 participants in this entire event, a great experience, and the club will participate next year as well.

**Upcoming Runs & Events** – On your computer or phone, go to our website [corvettesofthebay.org](http://corvettesofthebay.org). No need to log in. Click on the “Events” tab near the top of the page for details on upcoming events.

- July 5 – Reedsville Veteran’s Memorial to the King Memorial Site.
- July 6 – Burkel Car Show - Bob Zahn: 32 Corvette classes – 14 spots reserved for COTB members.
- July 11 – Kewaunee Waterfront Pub & Grill Lunch Run – Brennan Smet. Meet at Celebration Church parking lot at 3475 Humboldt Road, Green Bay, at 9:30am, leave at 10:00am. Open to all cars. Please RSVP by July 10 to Brennan at 920-621-7987.
- July 12 – The Amish Rooster Run – Sally and Rick Northrop: This event is full, but you can contact Rick to be added to the waiting list.
- July 15 – Run to The Marq Supper Club – Bev and Mark Hendricks: Please RSVP to [markhendricks4@gmail.com](mailto:markhendricks4@gmail.com) or 920-680-2714 if you plan to participate.
- July 16 – Run to Rennes Assisted Living, West De Pere – Mike Golla: Mike encouraged the club members to participate. This run brings joy to the Assisted Living residents, and they really look forward to it every year.
- July 19 – Summer Party at Primal Eats – Sally and Tony Steffen. Final sign-up is today, July 1.
- July 24 – Run to R. Harder Gallery of Gems & Dinner at Mark’s East Side – Teresa and Dean Kane: 45 members signed up; there is still room, please contact Dean if interested.
- August 2 – Chris Slack Memorial Gandrud Auto Group Car Show – Gene Blohowiak: Still looking for a few volunteers; please contact Gene if interested.
- August 2 – IMSA Weekend Event – Pete Bilski: 16 members have signed up so far, and will need to know by Wednesday, July 9, if anyone else is interested.
- August 9 – Algoma Shanty Days Car Cruise and Parade – Sherry and Marty LaFond were not at the meeting; however, Mike Golla had information available.
- September 14 – Door County Adventure – Elizabeth and Guy Ringle: Guy reports 50 people signed up so far. The event is full, but we will start a waiting list to fill any spots that may open up.
- October 4 & 5 – Fall Ride to Copper Country – Paul and Monica Fineberg: 22 cars have signed up. Paul has additional information on the website.
- January 3 – Christmas Party at The Swan Club – Elizabeth and Guy Ringle. Members can start signing up at the August 5<sup>th</sup> member meeting.

**Any additional COTB events?** Looking for volunteers to organize more monthly dinner runs and ice cream runs. Contact Sally Steffen ([ssteffen276@gmail.com](mailto:ssteffen276@gmail.com)) to have details of your event sent to members.

#### **Corvette News:**

New Corvettes/Modifications/Tech Tips/Misc.

- Rumor has it that we have some new C8 owners in our membership!
- Aluminum Can Tab for Ronald McDonald House update – Gene Blohowiak reports 61.2 pounds of tabs were collected last year. The total amount of tabs collected last year through Garage Sessions was 533 pounds, this year 619 pounds!
- Bloomington Gold – Greg Rohde: Unfortunately, time did not permit Greg to present his information, but he did pass along brochures for reference.
- Displays at The Automobile Gallery – Contact Dan Terrien if you are interested in displaying your Corvette at The Automobile Gallery in September or beyond.

#### **Adjournment, Motion and Approval**

President Guy asked for motion, motion made by Monica Fineberg, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.

*Mary Ann Torrez*

*Corvettes of the Bay Secretary*

Road America Sunset Cruise – June 25



RIDE WITH THE LIGHTS - June 28



## 2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President - Guy Ringle  
Vice President - Brian Jones  
Secretary - Mary Ann Torrez  
Treasurer - Diane Lyman  
Board Member - Elizabeth Ringle  
Board Member - Cheryl Yursis  
Board Member - Sally Steffen

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

TOM HARRISON (JUL 2)  
LISA MULLER (JUL 4)  
JOE FELD (JUL 7)  
TAMMY JONES (JUL 7)  
BARBARA MAUS (JUL 7)  
JAMES STEINBRECHER (JUL 8)  
JEFF ROBINSON (JUL 12)  
ANGELA KAUFMAN (JUL 12)  
MARTY LAFOND (JUL 13)  
TOM DANIELSKI (JUL 15)  
TAMMY UHL (JUL 15)  
ERIC PELNAR (JUL 18)  
KATIE FLEENER (JUL 20)  
MIKE HUBERT (JUL 23)  
DIANE VAN BOXTEL (JUL 24)  
CHERYL YURISIS (JUL 24)  
MICHELLE BARTOLETTI (JUL 26)  
CYNTHIA SCHUMACHER (JUL 28)  
BRADLEY YAGGIE (JUL 30)

## JULY ANNIVERSARIES

CURT AND KATIE FLEENER (JUL 7)  
VICKI AND SCOTT BLAHNIK (JUL 10)  
GEORGE AND CHERYL YURISIS (JUL 15)  
GARY AND ELIZABETH KELLING (JUL 16)  
MARK AND TERESA DIERCKS (JUL 17)  
DARREN AND DAYNA HANSEN (JUL 17)  
CLINT AND GINA BARTH (JUL 21)  
MARK AND KELLY NEMETZ (JUL 24)  
DENNIS AND MARILYN HEIM (JUL 28)

The more you put into the club...the more you get out of it!!

## DINNER/LUNCH RUN LEADERS

2025

## SEASONAL ICE CREAM RUN LEADERS

July 11	Brennan Smet	
July 12	Rick & Sally Northrop	open
July 15	Mark & Bev Hendricks	open
July 24	Dean & Teresa Kane	open
August	open	open
Sept 14	Guy & Elizabeth Ringle	open
October	open	open

## ADDITIONAL RUNS/EVENTS

July 16 - Rennes Assisted Living  
July 19 - **Summer Party** at Primal Eats  
Aug 2 - Chris Slack Memorial Gandrud Auto Group Car Show  
Aug 2 - IMSA Weekend  
Aug 9 - Algoma Shanty Days Cruise & Parade  
Oct 4-5 - Fall Ride to Copper Country  
January 3, 2026 - **Christmas Party** - SAVE THE DATE!

Please think about planning a dinner or ice cream run to fill up 2025. We would love to have several events each month. It's as easy as choosing a date, a restaurant, contacting the restaurant to make a reservation, and sending the details to Sally Steffen to communicate it to our members. Then just keep track of the RSVP's so you can inform the restaurant of the attendance number. Please take pictures at the event and share them with the newsletter editor.

When you have selected a specific date for an event, email the details to [ssteffen276@gmail.com](mailto:ssteffen276@gmail.com). The information will be emailed to club members and added to the events calendar on the website.

Visit the Events/Community tabs at [www.corvettesofthebay.org](http://www.corvettesofthebay.org)  
to see the most up-to-date list of events!

## NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS:

If any of your membership information has changed,  
please advise Diane Lyman at [dtlyman@hotmail.com](mailto:dtlyman@hotmail.com).  
This includes your Corvette!!

[SCRIP Cards available for purchase at  
monthly meetings](#)

[\(a great fundraiser for our club\)](#)

- Shell Gas Cards - \$25, \$50, and \$100 amounts
- Kwik Trip Car Wash Cards - \$30 each for 5 Ultimate washes

Contact our treasurer to purchase cards.

## Pop Tabs for Ronald McDonald House

Our club is collecting pop can tabs to benefit the Ronald McDonald House. Please save your tabs for this worthwhile cause, and bring them to our monthly meetings. You can give them to Gene or Linda Blohowiak.



## Contact The Editor

If you have any questions or concerns with the content of the newsletter, or would like to submit an article, please contact the editor, Diane Lyman, at [dtlyman@hotmail.com](mailto:dtlyman@hotmail.com).

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