



LIV Meeting Minutes

May 4, 2023

The meeting opened at 7:40 PM on the back patio of the library, due to a scheduling conflict. The meeting reopened in the basement meeting room at 8:05 PM. Thirty-Three members were present (including officers).

OFFICERS' REPORTS

President - Tony Sorrentino

Vice President - Tom Toner

We have met with BFCU and the 2023 car show at their Bethpage property is a go! We have already accomplished a lot in anticipation of the show happening. We have secured a permit from the Nassau County Dept. of Health. (Individual food vendors will also have to have their own permits). Four potential sponsors have been secured. **Mark Feldman** has been cold calling potential vendors. **Mark** has secured a bagel maker who will furnish bagels for LIV workers before the show. Judging fees for LIV members working the show and entering their cars will be waived.

Members are urged to contact potential vendors and sponsors.

Downloadable vendor applications, sponsor applications and a sponsor opportunities description sheet are available on our website's home page. (In the red box).

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Dave Lobel has designed award plaques and dash plaques for the show.

We are not renting the Town of Oyster Bay Showmobile this year. We will therefore require a small generator to power our PA system, preferably a Honda. Any members willing to donate the use of their generator for the show, please contact a board member. Thank you to **Nick Fucci, Alan Roscoe** and **Sean McSweeney** who have all generously offered the use of their generators. There are outdoor electrical outlets available at the BFCU site but they are located near South Oyster Bay Road which does not make their use practical for us. We will need members to work on committees for Registration, Parking, Tabulation, Judging, LIV Booth/Merchandise Sales, 50/50 Raffle Ticket Sales and Clean-Up. A sign-up sheet was available at the meeting.

Vice President-Tom Toner (absent)

Membership Secretary - Lou Trohatos

New Members (Year of Corvette)

Charles DeTillio - (2)1969 C3's

Meeting Guests (Year of Corvette)

John DeMartino - (1996 LT1) - his first Corvette - completed a membership application at the meeting. Two younger prospects took applications also but did not stay until the end of the meeting.

Membership Total

88

May Member Birthdays:

Philip Pernice: May 3

Alan Roscoe: May 13

Douglas Brooks: May 14

Louis Trohatos: May 16

Michael Comparetto: May 18

John Albora: May 23

Bill Bergersen: May 24

John J. Burcyk: May 25

Nick Fucci: May 29

WhatsApp

Participation is at 31. Please contact **Lou T.** to be added to the group.

Best of Long Island Voting

LIV has been awarded Best Collectable Car Club of Long Island for 2023 (three-peat!). Many thanks to those who voted daily and helped make this happen. (Previous wins: 2015, 2016, 2021, 2022. New York AutoFest won the other years. voting began in 2012) Nominations have begun for 2024.

Trademark

We received notice on February 1, 2023, that our trademark renewal filing on July 18, 2022, for "LONG ISLAND VETTES" has been accepted by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

General Secretary - John Albora

If any members have any ideas for Club Events or Tech Sessions that they would like to chair, please contact a board member.

Phil Kostis has arranged another Gatsby on the Ocean breakfast buffet. It is scheduled for Saturday June 24th. A flyer will be available once the menu has been finalized.

Treasurer - Rich Fingerhut

At the March meeting the board began giving all paid-up members a free club T-shirt, which is different from those for sale. Additional shirts were distributed at this meeting. Members can pick them up in person at our monthly meetings. To receive a shirt, we must have your shirt size - please enter it on the meeting sign-in sheet (previously entered sizes are noted). Those members whose sizes we lack have been (repeatedly) emailed with a Google Forms Survey asking for their size. We are still missing sizes for 11 of 88 members.

Front



Back



LIV will retain the same six parking spaces for Corvettes at Carlisle 2023. Thank you to **Doug Brooks** for his efforts in the club's presence at Carlisle.

Opening Balance \$3,301.55

Closing Balance \$4171.91

See "Statement of Financial Activity" below.

LIV pins (\$2.00), key chains (\$3.00) and caps (\$22.00) are available in the merchandise section of the LIV website and can be picked up at the monthly membership meeting.

If you are an Optimum customer and are having trouble receiving club emails, please see the link on the homepage of our website.

OTHER ITEMS

Gary Mehr is looking into another bowling event. A late summer or fall date is planned.

A show of hands indicated there is interest in attending a Ducks game as a club.

Sean McSweeney has proposed a photo shoot for LIV member cars. We will target a fall date for the shoot. Ideas for a site are welcome.

Mark Feldman has generously offered the use of his home lift for those members wishing to perform their own oil changes. Mark lives in Oceanside.

Nick Fucci is recovering from his second back surgery which was on March 20th.

Mark Feldman had successful nasal surgery on March 18th.

Congratulations to LIV member **Mark Tulley** who became the NCRS National President in January. Long Island Vettes now has the NCRS National President, NCRS Metro Long Island Chapter Chairman (**Lou Coccaro**) and 1953-1955 National Judging Team Leader (**Greg Picconi**) as members.

Dual LIV/NCRS member **Lou Coccaro** mentioned a car show is in the works at the Veterans Home in Stony Brook. This will not be a judged show. A May or June date is anticipated.

Lou also mentioned that the NCRS Spring Judging School and Chapter Meet will be May 21, 2023, at JTM Motorsports in Deer Park.

Members **Randy Stever** and **Joe Morabito** have located a woman in upstate New York who will embroider the LIV logo on garments at a reasonable price. T-shirts and jackets can be found on the website: www.alphabroder.com

A member can pick a t-shirt or jacket off the website, fill out an order form and send a check to the address on the order form. The check should include the price of the garment plus the embroidery fee. A T-shirt will have an embroidered logo on the chest for an additional \$10.00. A jacket will have a small embroidered logo on the chest and a large embroidered logo on the back for an additional \$30.00. The club covered the one-time set-up fee of \$65.00. **Joe Morabito** and **Mark Feldman** have both purchased and received jackets which they wore to the meeting. The embroidery of the club logo is exceptional. Order forms were available at the meeting and a downloadable order form is available on the merchandise page of the LIV website.

Upcoming Car Shows/Cruises/Rallies/Toy Drives:

May 6 - Kentucky Derby (a 2024 E-RAY will be used as a pace car this year!)

May 7 (Rain Date) - Car Show Long Island TOBAY Beach Spring Classic

May 7 - LICOA Spring Judged Show at Atlantic Chevrolet, Bay Shore, NY

May 7 - LI Motor Pkwy Memories Classic Car Show, Williston Park, NY

May 13 - All Car Judged Show by Mustang & Shelby Club of LI, Farmingdale Municipal Lot
Behind Main Street Firehouse

May 19 - Classic Car Show (non-judged) for Senior Living Facility, The Luxor, St. James

May 21 - NCRS Spring Judging School and Chapter Meet, JTM Motorsports, Deer Park, NY

May 21 - Auto Show at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, NY

Thursdays - Cruisin' Thursdays at the Milleridge Inn, Jericho, NY. Starts at 3:00 PM

The Drive for Dana Car Show/Fundraiser will take place on Sunday, June 4, 2023, 9:00 AM -2:00 PM at 4000 Middle Country Road (Miller's Ale House) in Lake Grove. Dana Ryan suffered a near fatal brain injury on July 9, 2018. All proceeds from the show go towards Dana's therapy. It would be nice if the LIV membership would have a good showing at this show. A \$25 donation includes driver's lunch.



Long Islander and Corvette Magazine Technical and Motorsports Editor, Richard Prince, has come out with a new book to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Corvette. We are hoping to schedule an event, possibly with the NCRS, to host Mr. Prince for a book signing/discussion.

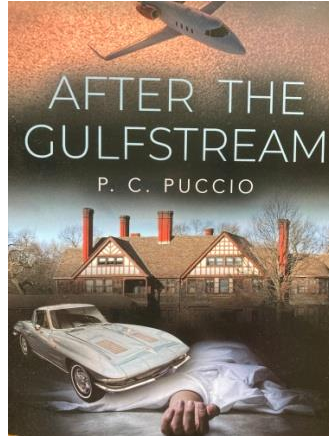
At the November meeting **Mike Comparetto** asked if the club will be having another road rally in 2023. **Rich** and **Martha Fingerhut** worked hard in planning, running (with **Lou T.**) and scoring the

2022 rally which was a big success. It would be nice if other members would step up and assume that role so that **Rich** and **Martha** could compete in the rally themselves.

Pete Puccio's new novel, his third, is available.

The book is titled "**AFTER THE GULFSTREAM**". Long Island Vettes is mentioned in the narrative of the book, as the main character, a major crimes detective, joins the club in his search for a 1963 Split Window. The '63 Corvette is part of a continuing theme and is an integral part of the book. Check out the book cover. **Pete** stated the book is a crime drama, where the detective assigned to the case discovers the murder victim owns a '63 Split Window. Books can be purchased at **BookLocker.com**. Use the Promo Code **Save20** for a 20% discount.

Also check out the 60 second trailer on YouTube, it's pretty cool. https://youtu.be/q_lo1lFlxuc



Ozzie Mirza, Longtime Shop Foreman and Corvette Expert at Empire Chevrolet (formerly Robert Chevrolet in Hicksville) has left the dealership. He is now servicing Corvettes full time at his shop: Elite Performance & Repair (formerly 786 Autocare) at 139 New York Avenue in Huntington. His partner at Elite is Sammy R., and another part-time (two days a week) technician that he trusts. The shop number at Elite is 631-470-6346. Ozzie's cell phone number is 516-458-4498. He is also looking for a larger location. He will also match TireRack prices and has a subcontractor for mobile mounting and balancing that can come to your home.

Ozzie left flyers which offer discounts to LIV members.



Ozzie spoke briefly about the operation of his shop and handed out his business cards. He also spoke of problems with the C8 transmission.

Thank you to **Joe** and **Deborah Cook** for bringing the coffee and donuts to the meeting.

The extremely overqualified **Dr. Martha Baker-Fingerhut** sold tickets for the 50/50 raffle. \$160.00 was collected. New Member **John DeMartino** drew the winning ticket. **Martha** actually held the winning ticket but graciously declined to accept. A second ticket was drawn and oddly no one claimed the prize. Finally, a third ticket was drawn and **Deborah Cook** won the \$80.00 prize and \$80.00 went to the treasury.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 PM.

The next meeting will be held at 7:30 PM on June 1, 2023, at the Bethpage Public Library basement meeting room. Refreshments will be served.

10:25 AM

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Accrual Basis

Long Island Vettes, Ltd.
Statement of Financial Activity
April 2023

	No item	TOTAL
Income		
BFCU Show_Income		
BFCU_platinum_sponsors	1,000.00	1,000.00
BFCU_Preregistrations	19.40	19.40
Total BFCU Show_Income	1,019.40	1,019.40
Dues renewal	400.00	400.00
Total Income	1,419.40	1,419.40
Expense		
bank fees	16.00	16.00
BFCU Show_Expense		
BFCU_flyers	325.86	325.86
BFCU_supplies_misc	15.19	15.19
Total BFCU Show_Expense	341.05	341.05
reimbursement	60.00	60.00
safeguard_self_storage	116.00	116.00
Zoom monthly payment	15.99	15.99
Total Expense	549.04	549.04
Net Income	870.36	870.36