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Cover Photo:

Vicki and Stephen Moore in their white 2006 911 Carrera Cabriolet.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Ken Hold

August was definitely our most active month! We started with our monthly First Saturday Multi-Marque Cars & Coffee on August 6. With 170 attendees, we were down from our July event's 210 attendees. The diverse automotive displays were super. We had all types of sports cars: Austin Healey, BMW, Corvette, Ferrari, Mustang, Porsche, and Sunbeam to name a few. There were lots of American classics, such as vintage Ford, Chevy and Pontiac. We even had great examples of motorcycles. You might recognize one of our Bluegrass members who chose to sport the bike. Just a reminder that we are coming to the end of our outdoor season and will be looking for winter meeting locations. If you have any suggestions as to a location for one of our winter meetings, let me know. Also, I'm interested in finding a possible sponsor for our coffee and donuts consumed at the meetings. We will gladly trade positive publicity for food!!

Several of us took a drive to Berea on August 7. It was neat to discover the Kentucky Region on one of their drives to Hall's on the River. Neil Fisher has been talking with T.H. Morris, the Kentucky Region Events Chair, about doing some joint region events. More to come on that.

The August 13, 14 weekend was major busy! On Saturday, August 13, Tim McNeely once again led a drive to Oxford, Ohio to attend the annual Red Brick Reunion. This is always a fun event that draws regions from Ohio, Indiana, and Kentucky.

We also had several members attend the Crave Lexington Event at Masterson Station Park on August 13 and 14. More information on that later.

Jim Brandon put on a very neat Tech Session Saturday, August 20. He led the attendees through a total tear down of an early model VW engine that was similar to early model Porsche engines. Great session Jim!!

Neil Fisher arranged our monthly Social at The Pub on Sunday, August 21. I think he decided it was time for us to sample some British refreshments, just saying! It was a small gathering with ten attendees in five Porsches.

We probably had our most successful Porsche Cars & Coffee on August 27. I guess you could say it was a "Big Ass Event". We were hosted by Big Ass Solutions at their Administration/Research Building located at 2348 Innovation Drive in Lexington. We were very impressed by their product lines for commercial, industrial, and residential fans. We were especially interested in their line of garage LED lighting. More later.

August, with seven events for our member, will be a hard month to beat! But we do have some very fun events planned for September. You have decisions for attending two monthly Cars & Coffees, and a very neat Membership Appreciation Celebration. Ed Stevenson will again be chairing the Membership Appreciation drive and dinner on September 11. Don't miss the fun!

See you at a September event.

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The Bluegrass Region PCA Board Members meet on the first Monday of each month. Dinner and business at 5:30 p.m.
Members are welcome. See Event Calendar for more details.



BOARD MINUTES

by Mike Wilson

Date: August 1, 2016

LOCATION: Marikka's Restaurant and Bar

A.) Meeting Start:

Meeting was convened by Ken Hold at 5:35pm

1. Verified quorum: Attending: Ken Hold, Neil Fisher, Jamie Donaldson, Patrick Meyer, Rey Au, Helena Hau, Mike Wilson, Bob Lovejoy, J.W. Wilson, Bill Larkin, and Brant Nystrom
2. Motion to approve the July BOD minutes by Patrick Meyer and 2nd by Jamie Donaldson.

B.) Board Reports:

- 1) President Report
- 2) Vice President Report
- 3) Secretary Report
- 4) Treasurer Report - Bob Lovejoy reported \$2,406.60 in the checking account and provided an itemized report.
- 5) Past President Report - Ken shared information provided by Ed Steverson; The Membership Appreciation dinner will be held September 11th and the Fall Charity Drive will be October 1st.
- 6) Director Reports
- 7) Safety Report
- 8) Activities Report - Neil covered this month's activities; Multi Marque Cars & Coffee is this Saturday, Tim McNeely will lead a drive to the Red Brick Reunion next Saturday the 13th departing the Georgetown WalMart at 7:30am. Lexington Crave will also be the same weekend, both Saturday and Sunday at Masterson Station. Porsche C&C has been moved to the 27th at Big Ass Fans.
- 9) Historian Report
- 10) Membership Report - Ken reported we have 215 members and added 3 this month

- Larry McVay (2016 911 Carrera)
 - Steven Moore (2006 911 Carrera Cabriolet)
 - Michael Tipton (2007 Cayman S)
- 11) Newsletter Report- Rey said the newsletter is ready except for a couple of key documents.
 - 12) Social Media Report
 - 13) Tech Report
 - 14) Track Report
 - 15) Webmaster Report

C.) Old Business:

- 1) New member Onboarding – Tim
- 2) Spotlight Articles for Advertisers – A discussion revolved around preparing for an upcoming article featuring Foreign Affairs.
- 3) Keeneland/Paddock Highlights – Ken recounted the day and provided insight to the activities. We are proud to say your Bluegrass PCA won the Paddock Challenge again- that's eight years in a row!
- 4) Crave (August 13/14) – Ken outlined the schedule of activities and benefits those who show their cars will receive.
- 5) Big Ass Fans – Ken reviewed the agenda for the Porsche C&C August 27th.
- 6) Membership Appreciation update - Ed

D.) New Business:

PCA/BOD Call 7/18/16 – Ken participated in the first PCA National Board of Directors teleconference call. This was the first time BOD decisions have been made outside of Board meetings since the club was formed in 1955. Key items were voted on and decided by the 159 person board. These included purchase of additional space for the National Office and a new policy relating to Whistle Blowers

E.) Meeting Close:

Motion to adjourn at 6:25 by Jamie Donaldson and 2nd by Bill Larkin.



MEMBERSHIP NEWS by Tim McNeely

210 Total Members!

One new member this past month! Please join me in welcoming:

George Woolwine (Lexington) 2004 911

Our membership is at 131 Regular Members and 79 Family & Affiliate Members, making our total membership 210.

Membership appreciation is coming up. Read about it in the Rumble and come out and participate.

Also, please recognize the following Member Anniversary dates:

Herman Tudor	2004
Mike Spirito	2005
Gregory Bell	2011
Patrick Meyer	2012
Lucien Moody	2013
Key Wilson	2013
Nathan Burns	2014
Greg Hart	2014
Curt Phillips	2014
Bob Gieser	2015

Bluegrass Region Porsche Club of America Name Badge Ordering



Each club member and associate member may order a name badge at no cost to them.

If a replacement badge is needed, it can be obtained at the club's cost to be determined at that time.

Please email Ed Steverson with the name to appear on badge.

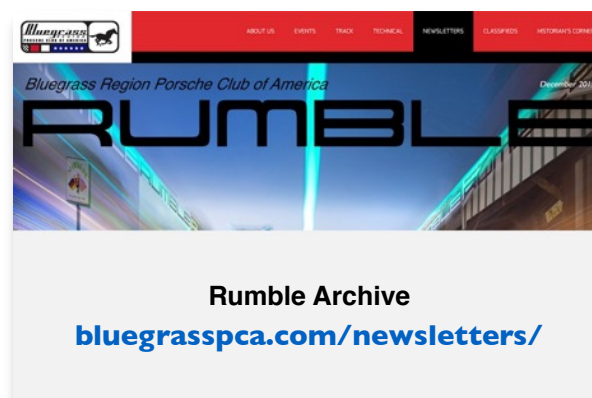
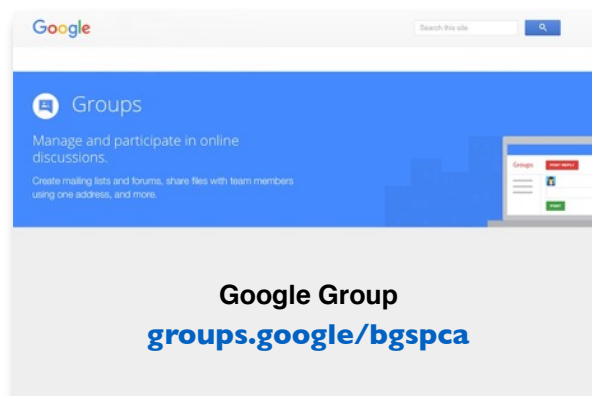
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SOCIAL MEDIA



What's going on in the club? How do I change my oil? Who are the officers and how do I contact them? Where can I see photos of the latest events? What does it takes to get my Porsche on the track? I wonder if anyone in our club has a Bosch hammer?

All of those questions can be answered in one of the club social media sites or communication channels listed below.





EVENT CALENDAR

by Neil Fisher

September is going to be a busy month. We have several great socials and drives planned.

Hope to see you at one of these events.

If you have an idea for an event, or a good location for a social, shoot me an email at nrfisher@outlook.com

Also be sure to check the calendar on the website for the latest updates.

September 10, Saturday

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Porsche Cars & Coffee

Cosi

1890 Star Shoot Pkwy, Lexington

Join us for a very casual breakfast, Porsche tales, and parking lot spectating.

September 11, Sunday

5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Appreciation Celebration 2016

On September 11 the Bluegrass Region will show appreciation to our great members with a fun drive and a free dinner. We will also have hundreds of dollars of door prizes! This will be a cool event. We will start at the Clarion Hotel parking lot on Newtown Pike (Old location of Cars & Coffee) at 1:30 and take a scenic drive to Frankfort, and if time allows a stop at The Steversons', then enjoy a catered dinner at The Historic Glen Willis House on the Kentucky River. We plan to arrive at The Glen Willis around 5. You are welcome to attend the drive or just meet us for dinner. I need RSVP's by noon on Wednesday the 7th via email ed@abracadabragraphics.us or cell 502-320-2655.

September 17, Saturday

Club Social & Pitch in Dinner

The Patricks' home at 5:30 pm. We will be grilling out and the club will provide the main course. Everyone needs to bring a side dish or dessert. More details to come via email blast.

September 24, Saturday

Barrel House Distillery Tour

The Kentucky Region is planning a visit to Barrel House Distillery which is located at 1170 Manchester Street in Lexington.

They are inviting us to join them. They will stop at Wallace Station in Midway for lunch.

The distillery tour is at 1:30. The distillery owner seems rather excited to have a parking lot full of Porsches and has been most accommodating to a tour request. Immediately next door is the excellent ice cream maker Crank & Boom as well as the Ethereal Brewery and Middle Fork Kitchen. This area is called Pepper Campus and you can learn more about it on their website at www.peppercampus.com.

October 1, Saturday

Fall Charity Drive

We will be having a scenic drive to Steve and Ann Womack's in Eastern Kentucky. More details on page 31.

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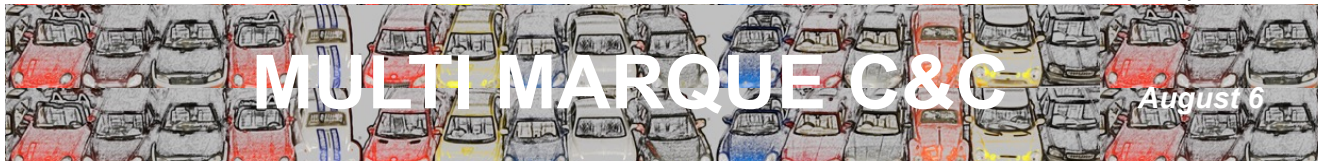


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Ken Hold



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Crave Lexington was a 2-day food and music festival with over 50 food vendors, live music and a car show. Proceeds from the event were donated to GreenHouse17, an advocacy agency committed to ending intimate partner abuse in families and the community. This was the second year that Bluegrass Region members have participated in Crave Lexington. We partnered with Motorsports of Lexington to present four sessions of judged car displays over August 13 and 14. Trophies for People's Choice and Judges Choice were awarded for each of the four sessions. Of the 120 very diverse displays, ten were Porsches. Art Hight, a BGS member won Judges Choice for the Saturday 12 - 4 pm session. His 1974 yellow 911 was a real crowd pleaser. Other very cool cars included: Auburn Boat Tail Speedster, Cobra, DeLorean, Ferrari, Tesla, MG, Dodge Viper, etc., etc. Thanks to the BGS members who participated this year. It was a good cause and lots of fun! We hope to participate in this very fun event next year.

Ken Hold





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TRACK TIME

by Bryant D. Nystrom

This year has flown by. As I look to update the following list of *Upcoming Track Events of Interest*, I notice the list is now shrinking as opposed to expanding. The good news is that the cycle continues and we'll soon be faced with another racing off-season. Perhaps you're lucky enough to be considering a new track toy or current car replacement this off-season. Sooner or later, all track junkies have the excitement and consternation associated with a new track vehicle. Many of us have buddies that should experience such excitement a little more frequently as well (sorry, I'm drifting off-topic). If you fall into this category, this month's installment is for you.

As a current track event participant, I have no doubt you have a mile long list of shortcomings of your current vehicle. We never have enough horsepower, down-force, braking power, etc. etc. On the other hand, have you considered all of the positives of your current track car? By the time you consider the next vehicle, the current one has likely undergone a metamorphosis through time. Perhaps you have upgraded suspension, seating, safety equipment, power, tuning, or exhaust. One at a time, such upgrades are barely perceptible, but as a whole, your car is different.

While upgrades in components have changed your vehicle (likely a track killer but a street challenge), have you considered the adaptation of the driver that has taken place as well? As much as we change our vehicle to suit our needs, we adapt our driving style to optimize the results of the car. What does this have to do with my next track day machine? It has

everything to do with it. If you are like most of us, we generally start with a stock vehicle, and slowly add componentry to make it a formidable track-day weapon. Also, like most of us, when you purchase that next vehicle of choice, it will see track duty far before such upgrades have been made.

This is where things get tricky. Trust me, as I have been down this road a time or two. Usually a vehicle upgrade is not from a 924 with harnesses to a new GT2. Generally they are modest upgrades on an original theme. As a result, you may not be as happy with the new ride as you first expected. You may even run slower lap times, and have a little buyer's remorse. Don't get too down at this point. Both the car and you the driver have a long way to go in getting acquainted with one another. I am a firm believer that it's a good process to understand the base vehicle and all of its goods and bads before making upgrades. Additionally, you may wish to start a log-book to track vehicle/driver performance throughout the build-up process.

As the new track car is nearly stock, I would assume it under-steers significantly worse than you expected. Don't worry, that's manufacturer street tuning for safety considerations. You may also be underwhelmed with the result of 75 more horsepower. Again, don't worry she'll come alive later in the process. At this point start understanding the natural response of the new vehicle as you come up to speed. At the same time you'll be retraining the driver on handling a new machine. Be patient, this takes time. As you become more and more familiar with the new car, you can begin to add upgrades. Wheels, tires, coil-

overs, control arms, seats, harnesses, coolers, weight removal, and so on.

Somewhere along the way, you begin setting new personal best lap times. About then it hits you, 'I really like this new car'. Remember it's a journey. Every once in a while that journey includes purchasing a new 'prepared' track car. While the car will initially feel better, the driver requires the same adaptation process. Don't rush the learning and adaptation. There is much to be absorbed along the way about the car,

and even more to be learned about the driver. Good luck, and I hope to see you in that new track-car soon!

If you have interest in joining us at any upcoming event, or would like more information on PCA DE events and what is required to join-in, please feel free to contact me:

brantdnystrom@gmail.com

Brant

Upcoming Track Events of Interest

In the event you may be wondering about what track events to sign-up for, I have compiled a list of near-term events that folks will likely attend that we have familiarity with, or that are from our region or geographic location. If I have left one of your favorite events off the list, please email me, and I'll be sure to update it next month.

DATE:	NAME:	LOCATION:	SPONSOR:	SIGNUP:
Sept. 9-11	Fall Festival 2016	Putnam Park	Kentucky Region PCA	www.motorsportreg.com
October 1-2	Rezoom @ NCM	National Corvette Museum Track	Rezoom	www.motorsportreg.com
October 14-16	Ohio Valley PCA DE	Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course	Ohio Valley Region PCA	www.clubregistration.net
October 22-23	NASA @ NCM	National Corvette Museum Track	NASA	www.nasagreatlakes.com
Nov. 5-6	Rezoom @ Barber	Barber Motorsports Park	Rezoom	www.motorsportreg.com
Dec. 9-11	Rezoom @ Daytona	Daytona International Speedway	Rezoom & Ohio Audi Club	www.motorsportreg.com



RED BRICK REUNION *August 13*

On Saturday August 13, the BGPCA held its ninth annual drive to Oxford Ohio. That's right, 9 years now....we've never missed one. This was originally a Mid-Ohio Region event started in 2005 as "Porsches to Oxford" or "p2o". In 2012, the Mid-Ohio Region moved "p2o" to Granville Ohio... about 30 miles east of Columbus. The town of Oxford had a two-year sabbatical, but in 2014 the Ohio Valley Region resurrected the Oxford event as "Red Brick Reunion".



some 10 mph switch back turns. The weather turned out to be picture perfect for the entire event.

We ended up in downtown Oxford, OH, home of Miami-Ohio University. As usual, the entire downtown square and adjacent area was blocked off for the "Casual Porsche Party". I'm guessing about 200 Porsches parked on the streets of Oxford....Porsche Heaven!!!

Four Porsches met at Wal-Mart in Georgetown to begin a curvaceous excursion thru four Kentucky Counties and two Ohio Counties. The 140 mile drive (yeah, I know it's not that far, but we didn't exactly take the direct route) was quite beautiful...we had some awesome views of the Ohio River as our route took a stretch following the bends of the Ohio...including

I'm so glad that the OVR brought this event back. We had a GREAT time as we always do. If you only have time to do one club event during the year, this is certainly one that deserves strong consideration...so don't miss out in 2017!!!

Tim McNeely



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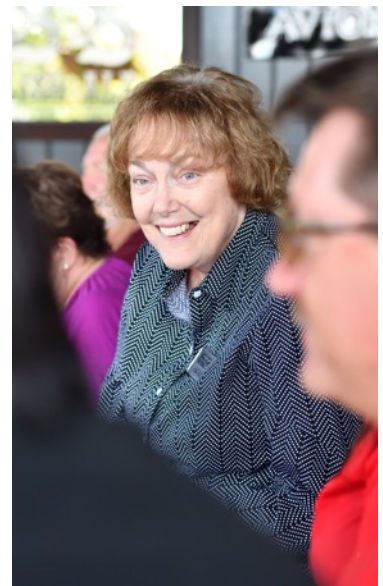
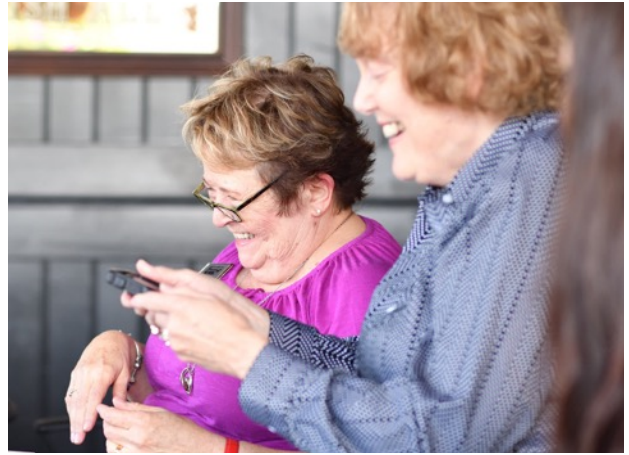




Small gathering at The Pub in Lexington with ten attendees in five Porsches.

Photos by Joseph Rey Au





TECH SESSION

by Jim Brandon
August 20

VW 101

Bluegrass region held a Tech Session on Saturday, 20 August at Jim Brandon's garage. The subject of the session was the familiarization and disassembly of a 1967 Volkswagen 1500 cc engine. The engine was removed from (coincidentally) a 1967 Porsche 912. The engine had experienced rainwater/rust damage in one cylinder and we are not sure if the engine ever ran in the Porsche. The VW engine was a good candidate for a Tech Session since there are many similarities between the VW 4 cylinder boxer engine and the engines in the Porsche 356, 912, and 914.

The Session was "hands on" so the intrepid few started disassembly by removing the alternator/cooling fan/shroud assembly, followed by the carburetor and intake manifold, fuel pump, oil cooler, and generator pedestal. All parts removed were carefully tossed on the nearest workbench in a neat, orderly pile. The engine was now reduced to a "long block"



The disassemblers then attacked the long block, removing the rocker shafts, pushrods, and heads. At this point we could see the top of the pistons and it was noted that the 1500cc engine had already be up-sized to 1600cc with cylinders and pistons. The piston and cylinders were quickly removed and added to the aforementioned pile. This left just the crankcase, crankshaft and camshaft.

The crankcase was "split" revealing the crankshaft, camshaft and lifters. As with the piston/cylinders, it was noted that the engine had also been fitted with a remanufactured crankshaft which had been modified





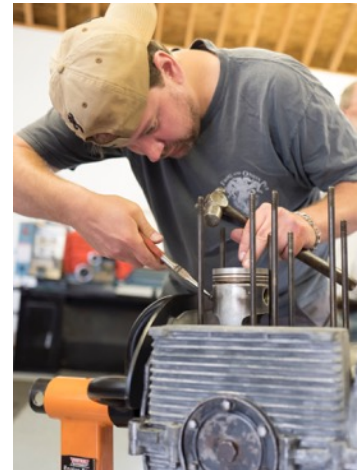
with the addition of welded-on counterweights and additional dowel pins to improve flywheel mounting. At this point the group discussed shimming to control crankshaft endplay, alignment of timing marks, distributor drive and fuel pump drive mechanism. We also reviewed how the camshaft with four lobes can operate eight pushrods and valves.



After about an hour, the group (14 Bluegrass Region members and one guest) had the engine down to a bare crankcase and a big pile of parts on the workbench...mission accomplished.



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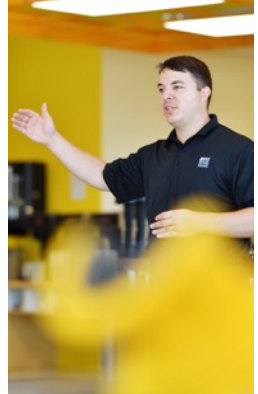
Our event at Big Ass Solutions was one of our most successful.

We had 41 attendees bringing 29 vehicles. It was very neat in that for eight of the attendees, this was their first event. BAS treated us to a sit down coffee and donuts session where they described their very progressive approach to sales, their product lines and their very positive employee work environment. Next they toured us through their well-designed administration facility, describing the over 30 different types of fans in use. With no ventilation duct work and all individual work areas climate controlled by the individual locally, BAS puts their product to practice. We wrapped the visit up with a series of photo shoots. In addition to the group photo taken by Rey and Helena, BAS took individual photos of any BGS member and their car as requested.

Ken Hold









Photos by Joseph Rey Au and Helena Hau

ADVERTISER SHOWCASE

by Patrick Meyer

Foreign Affairs Autowerks has a lot going on these days. They provide repair services to all makes and models of cars, foreign and domestic, but are especially known for servicing Porsches. They have factory Porsche software which enables them to diagnose and repair what ails your car, which is what you would expect when the proprietor is Porsche “gold.”

Brian Wooldridge is a Porsche certified Gold Meister technician. After auto tech school, he attended Porsche’s own technical school and put his talents to work at the Lexington Porsche dealership. When the dealership closed in 2010 he opened Foreign Affairs Autowerks with his brother, Scott, at a small shop on Jefferson Street. After outgrowing that space they moved to their current location at 624 W. 4th Street, at the corner of 4th and Newtown Pike. Scott Wooldridge manages auto detailing services and consignment sales.



“We can work on just about anything.”

- Scott Wooldridge

Scott has been detailing cars since he was 20 years old, first in Southern Indiana and now in Lexington with Foreign Affairs. He offers a full range of detailing services including Concours / Show Prep. Cleaning cars is one thing, “but detailing is like an art,” Scott says. Incidentally, you may have seen Scott judging cars at the Keeneland Concours d’Elegance, so you know he truly understands the



efforts – and the artistry -- needed to make a car stand out.

As for consignment sales, Scott notes “many of our customers have great cars they wish to sell, but don’t want to handle the sales process. We make sure the cars are mechanically sound and clean before they’re put on the market.” Foreign Affairs charges a small fee based on the sales price for consignments (in addition to any preparation and repair costs needed).

At the front desk you’ll find Shane Pope managing the schedule, billing, parts, supplies and a myriad of other tasks. Brian, Scott, Shane and the three main technicians in the shop take pride in their work and are always available for questions and help, but they keep it loose and have fun, too. “I’ve been here 3 years and I’m still being hazed,” laments Shane.

While they’re comfortable with a variety of foreign makes “we have a lot of expertise with Porsche 996s, 997s and Boxsters,” Scott says. Another specialty is alignments. Foreign Affairs has a state of the art alignment rack to straighten out even the trickiest steering systems. “Most people think your



Photos by Joseph Rey Au

car is aligned if your steering wheel is straight. There's a lot more to it than that," Scott adds.

There could be changes on the horizon for Foreign Affairs. Space is becoming limited and they are on the hunt for a new building. "Our landlord has other long-term plans for this property, so we'd like to buy our own place and expand," says Brian. They prefer to stay near downtown Lexington. "A lot of our customers are in this area."

Gazing at the cars in the shop you get a sense of the skills and talent Brian and his team of technicians possess. On the day Rey, Helena and I stopped in for pictures and interview notes the garage was full of an eclectic mix of motoring eye

candy. A Porsche 944 on the rack, a classic Corvette with the hood tilted forward, a red Lamborghini Countach seemingly just in from a bedroom poster shoot, a black Mercedes convertible, a Triumph TR6, a silver Porsche 928 awaiting its return to glory, and an early Maserati Quattroporte that spent much of its life in an Italian car park.



"We can work on just about anything," Scott admits.

"We're like the Gas Monkey Garage," Shane adds with a dry wit, "but without all of the antics."





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One of the great annual events is just around the corner.

On October 1st we will have our Fall Charity Drive.

This will be a blast! We will drive many of Eastern Kentucky's best back roads while enjoying the beautiful fall colors.

We will meet at the Clarion Hotel on Newtown at 8:15 for breakfast and start the drive shortly after 9:00.

Steve and Ann Womack will once again graciously host us at their home after the drive on Saturday with an over the top dinner.

In previous years we have enjoyed driving their horse drawn wagons, shot a 50 Cal, and ran our Porsches down Steve's private air strip.

Not sure what entertainment we will have this year,
but I'm sure it will be fun!

Steve and Ann have invited us to stay in their guest home Saturday night and continue the drive on Sunday.

I always do the two day option, this is a great weekend.

If you are interested in attending, I need a RSVP by September 27th at noon for dinner and/or rooms.

Emails always work at ed@abracadabragraphics.us,
text or cell is also welcome 5023202655.

I'm looking forward to this event.

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