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Cover Photo:

Welcome to new members David and Norma Scarberry. Yes, that's their 2016 Macan Turbo on the cover! David and Norma are great additions to our club. They located in Georgetown ten years ago to be closer to their son (Justin) and daughter-in-law (Shannon). Both families are true sports car lovers who in addition the Macan, have Corvettes and a love for classic muscle cars. Thanks for joining us and already attending our June 4, Multi-Marque Cars & Coffee. - *Ken Hold*

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Ken Hold

May was another busy car month and the start of lots more car fun. We began on the 7th with our Multi-Marque Cars & Coffee at Hamburg. Weather was a very pleasant 70 degrees and sunny. We had approximately 175 vehicles attend with a great mix ranging from hot rods to exotics. This monthly event is proving to be an excellent means for local car clubs to promote their events and get new members. Our club has had several new members join BGS and use it as a way to meet other PCA members. We also see the benefit of having this monthly event attract several family members owning different marques attending together. It is not unusual to have a Porsche owner attend with a family member in their Corvette.



We cancelled our May 14 Porsche Cars & Coffee due to the Scenic Drive to Maker's Mark. David Patrick provided an outstanding event for us. Thank you, David!

Our May 15 Monthly Social at Proud Mary was only lightly attended. The highlight of the meal was Neil Fisher getting his first (and possibly last) taste of crawfish!



The Keeneland Concours got kicked off with two events this month. There was a check presentation from the Concours to the Kentucky Children's Hospital on May 18 and an extremely wet Maserati Mingle on May 20. Details in the Keeneland article.

Hopefully all three of our June regular Porsche events will be dry but this is Kentucky! Note that we have moved our Monthly Social up a week from June 19 to June 12. This was done due to the conflict with Father's Day on the 19th. Check our calendar for specific details.

Also, the Annual Porsche Parade will be held in Jay Peak, Vermont the 19th - 25th. We have at least four members attending and participating. Hope for at least one event winner. One of our members was a concours winner last year at the French Lick Parade. Possibly a repeat this year?

You've got a fun car, now is the time to have car fun!

Ken Hold

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On Wednesday, May 18 the annual check presentation to the Kentucky Children's Hospital was held at KCH. The \$25,000 check for 2015 was the twelfth consecutive annual donation made to KCH, one each year since the concours began in 2004. Shown in the attached photos are Tom and Connie Jones (Co-Chairs of Keeneland Concours and long term members of PCA), Dr. Erich Maul (Chief, Division of Hospital Pediatrics), Ed Howell (President of Sterling British Club) and Ken Hold (President of



Photos provided by Ken Hold

Bluegrass Region Porsche Club of America). Two awards were given to the winners of the 2015 Paddock Challenge. The Challenge Trophy was awarded for the eighth time to the Porsche Club for a donation of \$3,098. (Thank you Tim and crew!) The Challenge Plaque was awarded for the fifth time to the Sterling British Club for the most giving per car of \$37.33. Watch out, rumors are circulating that the Corvette Club will be giving us a run for the Trophy this year! The Corvette Club has won the Trophy twice in the past and want to get a third win!

It's only five weeks till the Keeneland Concours. BGS is getting ready for our biggest annual event. Tim McNeely is polishing the donation bucket and mustering his volunteers. Our club does not fear the

Corvette challenge! Larry Woods has the tent. Thanks to Jamie Donaldson for the tent repairs! In addition to the usual 100+ Porsches attending the event, this year we will have two visitors from PCA National. James Jacisin our Zone 13 Representative and large Concours fan, will be returning for the third time. And, Cindy Jacisin, his sister and our PCA National Secretary will be attending also just to be sure that James has not been exaggerating about how great of an event it really is. Be sure and

expose both of these folks to our Lexington hospitality.

Remember that the Bluegrass PCA region started the Keeneland Concours in 2004 and now it has grown to arguably one of the top 10 concours events in North America. If you have never attended a concours, ours is unique with the 150+ fantastic judged cars and 500 or so extremely cool Sports Car Paddock vehicles. Put July 16 on the calendar for the Keeneland Concours. Check out www.keenelandconcours.com. Let me know if you have any questions.

Ken Hold



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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: May 2, 2016

LOCATION: Marikka's Restaurant and Bar

Start: 5:47 pm

A) Meeting Start - Meeting was convened by Ken Hold at 5:47pm

1. Verified quorum: Attending: Ken Hold, Neil Fisher, Jamie Donaldson, Patrick Meyer, Rey Au, Bill Larkin, Mike Wilson, Tim McNeely, John Schmidt and Ed Steverson
2. Motion to approve April BOD minutes by John Schmidt and 2nd by Bill Larkin.

B) Board Reports:

- 1) President Report
- 2) Vice President Report
- 3) Secretary Report- Mike reported that Patrick did an excellent job filling in as Secretary during last months meeting.
- 4) Treasurer Report- Ken reported the checking account balance is \$1,614.77
- 5) Past President Report
- 6) Director Reports
- 7) Safety Report
- 8) Activities Report- Neil confirmed the group drive to Makers Mark will be held May 14th. Departing from Ramsey's on Old Harrodsburg Road at 8:45am. Porsche Only Cars & Coffee will also be held at the same location. Those not participating in the drive can enjoy breakfast together. David Patrick will chair the drive. The monthly social will be at Proud Mary's on the river. Neil will schedule a short 30minute group drive to the restaurant and apply for insurance through JW Wilson.
- 9) Historian Report
- 10) Membership Report- Tim reported one new member joined this month- Ron Sellers from Stamping Grounds who owns a 2006 Cayman. A discussion was held and agreement to modify the new member welcome email to include a request for information, sending the member a PCA decal and another item such as a name tag or PCA coffee mug.
- 11) Newsletter Report- Rey confirmed the newsletter will be published Thursday evening.
- 12) Social Media Report
- 13) Tech Report

14) Track Report

15) Webmaster Report

C) Old Business:

- 1) Event waivers for Minors –Ken noted it is required that anyone under the age 18 who wish to participate in a group drive must have 2 signatures on the waiver prior to the event.
- 2) Decals for Ekkehard – Ed printed decals and will deliver to Ken on Saturday.
- 3) BGS events in Panorama – Ken is creating an article relating to Keeneland Concours de Elegance to be featured in Panorama.
- 4) Tour Prep for Maker's Mark Drive – See Activities Chair report

D) New Business:

- 1) National Subsidies – Ken led a discussion regarding the use on national subsidies for events. Ken and Neil will meet to finalize details and report back to the BOD.
- 2) Presentation from Winter Meeting – Ken would like to present the information at the annual Member Appreciation event. The group reluctantly approved as long as his time was limited.
- 3) Learnings from Executive Council Meeting – Ken reported that a review of the voting process is currently being discussed at the national office.
- 4) Membership Appreciation Event – Ed led a discussion of possible venues and agreed to chair this years event. He has done an excellent job every year! Details will follow.
- 5) Maserati Mingle- Ken said the event will take place Friday May 20th downtown from 5:30 to 9:00pm. Twenty eight cars are registered so far and more are needed. Volunteers are also needed and should arrive at 4:00 to assist with parking cars.

E) Meeting Close - At 6:55pm Jamie Donaldson motioned the meeting be adjourned and 2nd by Ed Steverson.

Minutes submitted by Mike Wilson, Secretary, PCA Bluegrass Region



MEMBERSHIP NEWS by Ken Hold

214 Total Members!

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

- Joe Akin (Somerset)
2005 Boxster S
- David Alexander (Richmond)
2001 911 Carrera Cabriolet
- William O'Neill (Lexington)
2016 Cayman S
- Jeffrey Sandwith (Richmond)
2014 911 Carrera 4S
- David Scarberry (Georgetown)
2016 Macan Turbo
- James Wiley-Benes (Lexington)
1987 944

Our membership is at 134 Regular Members and 80 Family & Affiliate Members, making our total membership 214.

Also, please recognize the following Member June Anniversary dates:

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|---------------------|------|
| • Thomas McCullough | 1993 |
| • Michael Robinson | 2001 |
| • Robyn D'Alexander | 2004 |
| • Michael Fielding | 2005 |
| • Jack Strifling | 2005 |
| • Ben Prewire | 2006 |
| • Michael Kennedy | 2008 |
| • Neil Fisher | 2008 |
| • Scott Harrison | 2014 |
| • Robert Elliott | 2014 |
| • Steven Dawson | 2014 |
| • Joseph Jarolim | 2014 |
| • Kevin Nelson | 2014 |
| • Dave May | 2016 |
| • Rey Au | 2016 |

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,

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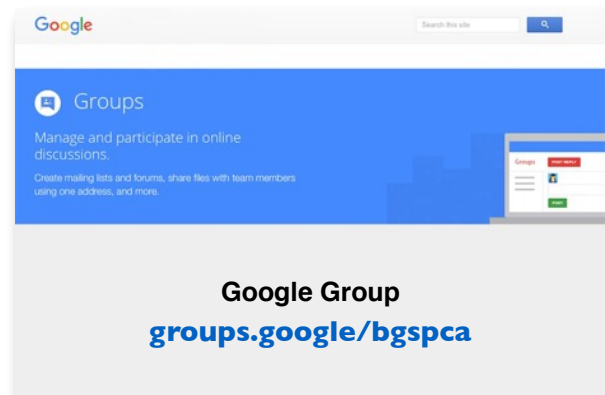
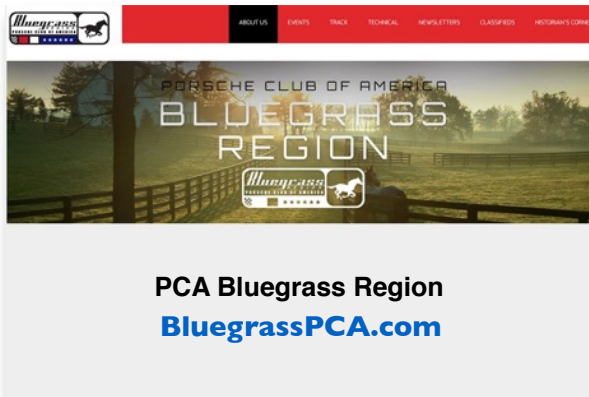
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SOCIAL MEDIA



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.





Come on out this month and join us at a **Cars & Coffee**, a car show, or a scenic drive.
We've got something for everyone.

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.

June 11, Saturday

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

Porsche Cars & Coffee

Cosi

1890 Star Shoot Pkwy, Lexington

June 11, Saturday

starts at 7:00 a.m.

Versailles Cops for Kids Car Show

S. Main Street, Versailles

*Proceeds help the Police Department provide for underprivileged children at Christmas time.

June 12, Sunday

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

Monthly Social

Ricardo's Grill & Pub

110 Frankfort St, Versailles

*We moved our dinner Social up a week because of Father's day being on Sunday, June 19th.

June 18, Saturday

starts at 9:00 a.m.

Mustang Club Car Show

Paul Miller Auto Outlet

974 Beasley Street, Lexington

*Proceeds for UK Children's Hospital, Easter Seals, Cardinal Hill, Sweet Blessings.

www.bluegrassmustang.com

June 19, Sunday - June 25, Saturday

Porsche Parade

Jay Peak, VT

2016parade.pca.org

June 25, Saturday

Scenic drive to Elk Creek Vineyards & Winery

150 KY-330, Owenton

*We will meet at the Kroger in Versailles at 10:30 am and depart at 10:45 am taking the back roads from Versailles through Midway, then through Georgetown and Stamping Ground on the twisty 227. We will visit the Winery and have lunch. Everyone can depart at their own leisure. For more details, see next page.

July 2, Saturday

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

Multi Marque Cars & Coffee

Value City Furniture

2321 Sir Barton Way Suite 170, Lexington

*Come join us for some cool cars and cool people!

July 4, Monday

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

Board Meeting

Marikka's

411 Southland Drive, Lexington

Scenic Drive to Elk Creek Winery

Neil Fisher

Join us for a scenic drive to Elk Creek Vineyards and Winery on Saturday June 25th. We will leave from the Kroger parking lot in Versailles. Meet at 10:30 am and leave at 10:45 am. We will take the backroads through Midway, Georgetown and Stamping Ground on our way to Owenton and Elk Creek. We should be just in time for lunch at Elk Creek's Café and hopefully the weather will be sunny so we can hang out on the patio overlooking the Vineyards. Be sure to put this trip on your calendars. It is always a fun drive up old 227.



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Driving to the Multi-Marque Cars & Coffee in pouring rain, I thought I would be the only one to show. Boy was I wrong! We had over 125 cars and beautiful. Nice rides including 356, 930, several Boxsters, a Cayenne Turbo S and a very cool Macon Turbo. Great to see all the BGS folks and to meet David and Norma Scarberry, owners of the Macon and new members to BGS. Great day!

Ken Hold

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TRACK TIME

by Bryant D. Nystrom

Time, the older you get, the faster it goes.

The concept of 'mental time' or the pace at which time passes in our minds is a complex field of study. In the end, the concept of mental time is relative. It took nearly an hour for those last five minutes of the day to pass in grade school. It seems to take forever for that new car you've ordered to arrive at the dealer. However, months of wedding planning results in a day long event that passes in just seconds, and the long holiday weekend seems to fly by in just a few hours.

How about in sports? How often have we heard, "his timing just seemed to be off in that game?" How about during our driving events? When it all goes right, it feels effortless, but when we struggle, everything seems a bit out of sync?

Driving, like all mentally intense sports, requires timing and temporal accuracy to excel. All things tend to have a frequency, or a rhythm associated with them. Likewise, when we're out on the track there is a natural cadence to our actions and a mental pace that synchronizes with (or lacks synchronization to) our movements, thought processes, and physical interaction with the world. In sports car driving, our mental time generally exists within the context of our activity. Or in other words, we think faster than actions in the car actually happen. This gives us time to consider the coming corners, the right line to take, how much brake pressure to use, the itch on our head under our helmet, and a vast array of other inputs that we choose to action or ignore.



Understanding Mental Pace or Cadence Can Improve Your Performance

When our driving is at its best, we hope that it continues to the next session, day, or race? In other words, we hope the mental pace we've enjoyed doesn't change for our next period of performance. What if we've performed poorly, or things just seem out of sync. Oftentimes when I'm faced with those moments, I try to reset my mental cadence. To drive the next lap at what feels like 90%, or to drive through the pits, shake off the current mental state, and reset for the coming laps can be a real help. Oftentimes it's just the ticket to effectively get back on track.

What about training for mental pace? Ever notice how SLOWLY traffic moves driving home after a track event? You just spent a weekend with a greatly increased mental pace, and returning to normal makes everything around you seem very ploddingly slow. A trick that I stumbled upon a few years ago is to train on a simulator in a much faster vehicle than I drive on track. The same effect is achieved. With enough practice time, the fast vehicle will become the new 'normal', and when I return to my track car, everything seems slower. As a result, there is much more time available for decision-making.



When Your Cadence is On, Performance is Effortless

This year, I've decided to try my hand at kart racing, and as I'm writing this, I'm preparing for an upcoming race weekend. After years behind the wheel of a sports car, I am finding the kart to be a unique challenge, and quite different than what I was used to in a car. In a kart, as I imagine is likely the case in an F1 car, my mental time exists outside the context of the

vehicle and my surroundings. There is so much happening at such a quick pace in a kart, that a change in mental model is required. It has taken some time to get used to processing coming actions at a slower pace than influx of information is happening around me. To focus appropriately, I've had to tune out a lot of relevant information. In this setting, more than ever, I find it beneficial to reset my mental cadence whenever I'm seemingly 'out-of-sync'.



Driving Cross-Training Can Expand Mental Pace

Hopefully, this discussion has at least made you think about the concept of mental time. Finding tricks, processes, and resets for your mental pace or cadence may just be the trick to extract greater performance or extended fun from your future track event.

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:

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Phillip Doty

Charter member, Bluegrass Region

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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:
June 3-5	Summer Heat 2016	Putnam Park	Kentucky Region PCA	www.motorsportreg.com
June 10-12	Ohio Valley PCA DE	Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course	Ohio Valley Region PCA	www.clubregistration.net
June 18-19	PCA DE at Barber	Barber Motorsports park	Alabama Region PCA	www.clubregistration.net
June 25-26	NASA @ Gingerman	Gingerman Raceway	NASA	www.nasagreatlakes.com
July 9-10	NASA @ Autobahn	Autobahn Country Club	NASA	www.nasagreatlakes.com
July 9-10	Putnam Park HPDE	Putnam Park	Mid Ohio Region PCA	www.clubregistration.net
August 6-7	NASA @ Gingerman	Gingerman Raceway	NASA	www.nasagreatlakes.com
August 6-7	Rezoom @ Barber	Barber Motorsports Park	Rezoom	www.motorsportreg.com
August 13-14	Peachstate PCA DE	Road Atlanta	Peachstate Region PCA	www.clubregistration.net
August 26-28	NASA @ Mid-Ohio	Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course	NASA	www.nasagreatlakes.com
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Scenic Drive to Maker's

May 14

May 14th started out a cold and rainy day in Lexington. Despite the weather we had 19 members join our tour to Maker's Mark distillery.

Our driver's meeting was short and to the point as it was raining and cold and windy. David Patrick went over the tour directions, and gave a copy to all of the navigators. We distributed radios for communication and designated our lead and sweep cars. This worked out well and we did not lose anyone permanently; though, we did have one driver who was a few minutes behind the rest when we arrived at Maker's Mark.

Once on the road we had some light rain at the start but it cleared up as we got going down US 68 toward Harrodsburg. This is a beautiful drive as we wind down to the KY River and through the cliff's, ahem Palisades. Passing Shaker Town and historic Fort Harrod on the way to Maker's Mark Distillery via Springfield.

The grounds at Maker's are really nice. It is a beautiful setting with a fun tour that teaches us the history of the brand and the "how to" on making the spirits. The tour ends with a tasting and the opportunity to dip your own bottle in the iconic red wax.

After the tour we drove to Mordecai's Restaurant for a relaxed lunch before the drive home. I'd like to thank everyone who attended the tour and showed us all that, you CAN drive a Porsche (even a 356 or two) in the rain. I really enjoyed the day and hope everyone else did too.

David Patrick

Photos by Jamie Donaldson, Neil Fisher,
David Patrick and Robert Rowe





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Maserati Mingle

May 20



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On Friday, May 20 we held a very, very wet Maserati Mingle. The Mingle is an annual promotion event to spark interest in attending/participating in the Keeneland Concoors. Despite having 57 exceptionally neat cars cancel due to the weather, we were able to display 21 very worthy cars for the pleasure of the hearty spectators who braved the rain. My thanks to all the folks who spent much time and effort in car preparation and then were forced to cancel. And also thanks to the folks who could display their cars and to the volunteers who stayed in the rain placing those cars. Several of our Bluegrass PCA members displayed cars and volunteered to assist with very wet parking. If you want to see the Mingle on line, check out topsinlex/MaseratiMingle Enjoy.

Ken Hold





Photos by Ken Hold

LA Classic: Irvine C&C

2013 vs. 2016



On December 28, 2013 I was sitting in the LA Airport awaiting my flight to Atlanta. The plane was late but I was not concerned because I wanted to put these thoughts to print as soon as possible. Memory and emotion affect an article and this was no exception. I was in California for Christmas with family. My sister-in-law, Lee, lives in Thousand Oaks, about 50 miles north of LA proper. I have been here on 4 prior trips that I recall. It is generally a high net worth area with lots of celebrities around. The pharmaceutical company AMGEN is headquartered in Thousand Oaks and takes up about a half square mile for its campus. All the auto dealerships have locations there. There is the Auto Mall Road to park on and walk to the Porsche, BMW, Mercedes Benz, Rolls Royce, Austin Martin, Cadillac, etc. facilities and pre-owned lots. That year there was a new Bentley dealer to peruse. I had been there for a week and had plenty of time to wander. On the way from LAX (the airport) to Thousand Oaks, we pass the Auto Gallery that we see advertised in some of the Magazines. It always has new and recent Ferraris, Maseratis and Austin Martins that get sold over the web but it is eye candy galore.

Other attractions along the way are the turn off's for Malibu Canyon and Topanga Canyon as well as Mulholland Drive, all famous for quick runs across the mountains to the Pacific Coast and Malibu, where the Paradise Cove Café has the best fish tacos I have ever had. The dinner plates are so big I can't finish even on an empty stomach. "The Works" is a desert that is effectively a quarter of a three-layer chocolate cake with five scoops of ice cream. I

love the drive through Malibu just to see the Porsches and Ferraris parked along the Pacific Coast Highway in front of closed garage doors. [If that is what sits outside, what is inside?]

All this is to say that southern California lives up to its reputation as a car watcher's dream. In all my trips, though, I have always been leaving with my family on Saturday and had not been able to satisfy my bucket list entry of attending the LA area Cars and Coffee. This time, the kids were emancipated, Denise had to fly with her Mom through Springfield, MO and I was scheduled to leave on my own on a 12:15 PM Delta flight to Atlanta. I have had the LA Cars and Coffee in the back of my mind each trip but this was the first time it was really an option. I had read a couple of articles about this 'show' and decided to get on line and see just where it takes place. The reviews were all positive with one exception. Officially it started at 6:00 AM and ran until about 8:30 AM or whenever folks finally left. And most of the comments said I needed to be there at least by 6:00 in order to get a parking spot to see the show. That was beyond my comprehension and frankly, I was suspicious.

"Where is Irvine?" I asked Lee as soon as I hit the door. "It's about an hour and a half south on the 101," she replied. Ugh! That meant I would have to be up and out of the house by 4:30 AM. But then, all week long I knew I would be on Lexington time which meant I was 3 hours ahead and 4:30 was actually 7:30 for me. All week I was up at my usual 3:00 California time (6:00 AM Lexington time). All week, I raised eyebrows going to bed at 8:00 PT.



Don't be deceived, I always had my eye on this Saturday morning in Irvine. Denise and her mom had a flight about an hour after mine and I was sure they would ride with me to the airport even though my sister-in-law was offering to drive them. Without details, that worked out and I was destined to find Irvine on my own at 6:00 AM on Saturday, December 28, 2013.

I wondered what effect being the weekend after Christmas would have on attendance, more for the opportunity ... or less for limited time before returning to work after the holiday. The article I read said there may be as many as 200 cars of all makes and

ages. I thought it would be worth the trip just to document the experience for the Rumble.

At 4:00 AM Saturday mornings the 101 freeway in LA is abandoned. I was on my way immediately as I had packed the night before. I didn't want to wake Denise but that didn't happen and she wished me safe travels. I go nowhere without my GPS. I got confused at one spot going through downtown LA and had to adjust to get back on the right track but easily recovered without traffic to deal with. It was indeed a long trip but at this time of day, it was easy. I passed Disney Avenue and Long Beach where many of the US imports arrive on huge ships. In about the hour and a half Lee had given me, I landed at the first of 9 Irvine exits. I had downloaded the address for C&C from my iphone and the GPS took me right past the spot at 5:35 AM. The cars were already gathering in the lot.

The location was in the FORD regional office building lot, across from the TACO BELL headquarters. Ford opened their doors for restroom facilities. There was a vendor with hot coffee and doughnuts. I think this event supported charitable causes. Eventually the line was at least 100 long waiting for coffee. I had rented a Nissan Altima for the week which didn't admit me into the lot.



Spectators were forwarded to a lot about a quarter mile down the street. Exhibitors only, please.... The web comments warned me but I thought the adjacent lot might be permissible, there were clearly enough slots for 200 – 300 cars. No objections from me, I just asked where to park and was shown the way by a friendly gate keeper. Remember, this is at 5:35 AM and things start at 6. It was still dark.

After parking (I was the second car in the large lot the size of a Walmart lot) I walked in the dark to the event lot. By this time the event lot was half full and cars were lined up at least 200 yards down the street waiting to be passed through the gate, blocked with

pylons. There are several gatekeepers and they had discriminating tastes. That's right, not everyone got in. Older classics and unique cars seem to get priority. Newer Mercedes were not favored. One new AMG was politely asked to park down the street. The driver gave some lip back, then was crowded around by a pack of wolves in protection of the gatekeeper. [Only classy car guys allowed here, fella.] All Porsches and Corvettes seem to have a pass. Ferraris and other Italian exotics a given. Lots of Beetles and several VW vans (21 window and campers), GTRs, Aston Martins, Morgans, customs, street rods, just about any taste was satisfied.



By 6:30 the temperature had reached 56 headed toward another mid 70's day and the lot was simply full. At least 400 cars packed in and the line was still

200 yards waiting to get in. Standing at the gate was like standing on the drive to Freedom Hall during the National Hot Rod meeting in Louisville. At least 200 people were standing/sitting around the gate watching the parade. There had to be 4000 people wandering that lot. The lot was equal in size to our entire paddock for Keeneland. The adjacent lot had filled with exhibit cars as well.



Now some specifics: There was a black 356 Carrara 2 (4 cam) in the auxiliary lot that was as fine as I have ever seen; a real 908 set up and licensed for the street; an original 1973 (fabulous) green 911S with 65,000 miles; a 928 S4 that had nicely re-worked its exhaust to have its pipes exit symmetrically one on each side (I have always wondered why Porsche didn't do that); two Lambo Aventadores side by side at the back of the lot; two (2 seat coupes) cars I had never heard of but classically sports from the early 50's, one German and one French; six of the new Corvettes; two 356 Cabs but no Speedsters; 911s a plenty; 3 GT3 RSs; 1 GT2; 3 550 Spyder kits; lots of Cobra kit cars but



one (modern) real one signed by Carroll Shelby; too many Ferrari's to mention but none as fabulous as

an Enzo; a DB2 and DB5 and DB7 Aston Martins; a beautiful 21 window VW bus; an incredibly clean early Pantera; Nissan Skyline GTR (my first in the flesh); an original real Ford GT40 and



2 modern ones; a gorgeous Packard convertible like the one Doc Brown drove in Back to the Future; a pink '58 Olds; a concours '66 Buick Riviera; TVR with patina; an exotic kit car with a Cadillac Escalade engine in the rear pushing it; a yellow Bug with a Vette V8 being driven from the back seat; a '67 302 Z28; probably 10 Lotus Elises; 4 nice Mercedes 220 SELs; a really nice Austin Healey 3000; two early Morgans; 3 very well restored BMW 3.0 CSs; a wild Chevrolet van with a huge V8



reversed to run a long drive shaft through the front wheels which was a high school Voc Ed project; 2 Shelby 500s; a Ferrari 365 GTB4 in Scuderia dress; a nicely restored Sunbeam Tiger; an early un-restored Model T race roadster; a new Calloway exotic; and my favorite non Porsche was a '67 VW that had been completely worked over, surely one that had been a focus of some magazine article. This car was punched out to 2.3L and produced 180 hp at the wheels. Had a specially manufactured tranny with 5th gear for road use. The owner said he had about \$65,000 tied up in it. It was nice!

All in all, it was a once in a lifetime experience for me. As I was moving toward the gate to head to the car, I drove a familiar car that I had seen in almost every Porsche magazine I buy. The long stringy hair



Photos by Robert McClelland



was unmistakably Magnus Walker in his #277 911T. The "Urban Outlaw." Uh, he didn't wait in line.... Truly a unique morning and it was only 8:00 AM. Still a line coming in but as told, a stream was heading out. Still there were at least 100 in line for doughnuts and coffee. As I reached the spectator parking lot the size of a Walmart lot, it was full and overflowing into the next lot down the street.

On the way to LAX I made a detour to see the Queen Mary in Long Beach.... I guess speed isn't everything. But then, as I was finishing this article at 37,022 feet, the screen indicated we were going 550 mph.

This trip was well worth getting up at 4 AM, even Lexington time.



Irvine Cars and Coffee 2.0 ... 2016

I spend the first weekend of February, 2016 in Newport Beach, California, sitting in a classroom with 300 other lawyers listening to such things as how the Myers-Briggs can help us work better with our elderly clients. Rather than share that experience with you, dear reader, I think you might find the following more to your palate.

As my Saturday program was to start at 9:00 AM, I realized that I might be able to slip up to Irvine for another round of Cars and Coffee as I had in December 2013. My recollection was that it all started (well before the scheduled) 6:00 AM time.

Not absolutely sure of the directions (though not the 1 ½ hour trip I made in 2013) I went to Google Irvine Cars and Coffee. To my surprise, I found that the overwhelming success of the event was its own demise. The authorities had asked that the event be disbanded because of crowd control. It simply became too big to handle. Apparently I was just in time to experience it when I had.

However, although several smaller Cars and Coffee events had sprung up around So. Cal. Devotees had not been satisfied. I surmised that as a result, some of the more influential powers had leveraged on the community, mainly the folks who manage the fairgrounds, to open the gates to us car people and lets us play and chat about our hobby. The Peterson Museum [if you don't know it, find it and read about it]; McGuire's (the auto shine people) and Ruby's Café all had ganged up on the fairground board and coerced them to allow Cars and Coffee to re-form.

I asked Denise if she wanted to go. Because there is a HUGE outdoor market adjacent to the lot, she thought it a good idea and we were off.

When we arrived, there were 10 cars, three late model Porsches and a nice 1967 912, a few muscle cars and a Coffee and breakfast burrito stand sponsored by Ruby's Café. Great coffee, by the way, and I needed a large. While Denise when to the market, I stood and talked with a guy who had brought his 1968 Olds 442. He was originally from Indiana, a Purdue engineering grad who came to So. Calif. to build a nuclear plant and stayed for the next 40 years. Our conversation spanned nuclear plant construction (I suppose that was a little one sided if I am honest) to how he got his car and what kind of car(s) I have (also one-sided, I guess.) Anyway, I moved on to more cars which had arrived over that half-hour.

I knew we were early so I headed for the market as well. When I returned a half hour later there were still only about 30 cars/trucks, but of all flavors and ages. A wonderful stake-bed truck from the late 30's and an early VW bus that had a "For Sale" sign, but no price. They have really gotten expensive though. A Pantera was there and couple of GTRs. My favorite was a black 3.8 993 Turbo. I would like to drive it back to Lexington.

Frankly, I was disappointed in the event because I expected a repeat of what I saw in 2013 but it was not to be. I think that on a good day, our Cars and Coffee is competitive with this Saturday's draw. Of course it was January and they do this every week. I just expected more. But, then, I AM a "car guy" and if there are cars ... I'm in!

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While driving in our rental car south bound on U.S. Route 101 in San Francisco on May 19, Helena and I joked about the odds of getting a shot of a Porsche on the Golden Gate Bridge. Minutes later, two miles out, we spotted this white 911. With some creative rush hour driving, we were able to get behind it in the nick of time, and Helena took care of the rest.

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