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David Patrick in his 2005 Carrera with sport chrono. 3.6 liter 325hp. OZ Ultraleggera wheels and Bilstein sport shocks. Bought new and it has 62,812 miles.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Ken Hold

Well after having seven PCA events in March, only having five events in April seems kind of dull. But the events were all either fun and/or informative. As usual our BGS event calendar started with our First Saturday Multi-Marque Cars & Coffee on April 2. Despite the cool (forty degree) temperature and overcast sky, we had our largest event ever with over 200 vehicles participating. If you haven't attended a MM/C&C you should really get to one in the near future.

We covered several topics at our April 4 Board of Director meeting. The items covered are captured in the minutes posted in this issue of Rumble. All BOD Meeting Minutes are posted in Rumble. Note that the BOD meetings are open to all members to attend. If you wish to attend and present a topic for the board, just let me know to include it on the meeting agenda.

Our Porsche Cars & Coffee was held at the Cosi Restaurant in Hamburg on April 9. We had 18 member attendees and a guest. Our guest asked to attend because he is interested in owning a Cayenne. He was able to get some very good ideas about Cayennes and Cayenne ownership from several of the folks at the event.

We held the April Membership Social at Mi Mexico, off New Circle Rd. We had a good array of six Porsches bringing eleven members. The weather was beautiful and sunny with 80 degree temperatures. Perfect for an extended trip to a Porsche meeting!

On April 23, I attended the Spring Executive Council meeting in Chicago. Topics included Parade status and preparation activities, Cautions regarding Social Media and event coverage, Insurance requirements, and National Office information. I also participated in testing a new mode of voting for the club. Participants of the test included Zone Representatives, EC, National Staff and National Office members. The test went very well.

May promises to be a very fun month. David and Patricia Patrick are leading a very cool drive to Makers Mark. Drive details are included in this Rumble issue and on our BGS Calendar. Note that we will be leaving from Ramsey's Restaurant on Saturday, May 14 at 8:45am. For folks attending the Porsche C&C that morning at Ramsey's, if you come a little early, you can see the cars line up for the drive.

On Friday, May 20 the Keeneland Concours folks will be holding their annual Maserati Mingle at the Court House Square in Lexington. I am gathering the cars for display at the Mingle. I plan to build a very diverse field of eye candy. So far I only have four different Porsche models. I'm looking for a 914, 356, various 911's, Cayman, Boxster, 944, 912, etc. Also I can use some volunteers for car placement from 4:30 to 5:30pm. Let me know if you are interested in displaying your Porsche and/or volunteering.

You've just got to be there to have fun!



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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 Patrick Meyer

Date: April 4, 2016

LOCATION: Marikka's Restaurant and Bar

Start: 5:30 pm

The meeting was called to order by President Ken Hold at 5:44 pm. A quorum was verified. Attending: Ken Hold, Patrick Meyer, Jamie Donaldson, Bill Larkin, Rey Au, Helena Hau, Julie Woods, John Schmidt and JW Wilson. In Mike Wilson's absence Patrick Meyer volunteered to take minutes.

Patrick Meyer moved to approve the March BOD minutes (as amended) and 2nd by Jamie Donaldson. The motion carried.

The group welcomed John Schmidt to the Board, this being his first meeting as a Director.

Board Reports:

President's Report: Ken noted that March had been an extremely active month for the Bluegrass PCA, either sponsoring, hosting or participating in 7 PCA events. He noted the successful turnout at both the February Cars & Coffee at Foreign Affairs Autowerks and the March Cars & Coffee at Hamburg. Ken reported that a Facebook posting from Jamie Wexler and/or Jamie's son was responsible for driving some of the new attendees to the March Cars & Coffee. The Fan Fest event held at Whitaker Bank Ballpark attracted about a dozen cars.

Vice-President's Report: Patrick reported on the club drive to NCM Motorsports Park on March 19, noting that the trip was a lot of fun and that Mike Wilson enjoyed seeing members of the club turn out to watch him on the track. Patrick reported that the club social on March 20 at Local Feed was well attended; the food was good but the service suffered a bit due to our large numbers. Patrick also reported that the Bluegrass PCA brochure is still in development and that Ed is hoping to find time to complete a draft soon.

Treasurer's Report: Ken reported the checking account holds \$1,620.77.

Safety Report: JW Wilson reported no incidents and that there were no safety issues at present.

Activities Report: Ken reported the next club social will be April 17 at Mi Mexico just off New Circle Road, near Winchester Road, at 5 pm. No further suggestions were made for May's social.

Historian Report: Julie Woods provided a list of things she has updated on the Bluegrass PCA website, notably recapping events from 2015 in the "Year In Review" section of the website (under the Historian section).

Webmaster Report: Julie also noted she is submitting our website to the National organization for judging in the contest later this summer. She is working hard to assemble pictures and galleries of events and will include

a short note with the submission explaining how we rely on the Rumble to serve as a record of events. It was noted that we want to make available on the website a package of documents necessary to organize a club tour or a tech session.

Newsletter Report: Rey noted the April issue of Rumble is close to being finished and will be one of our biggest issues yet. There was enough content for the April issue such that some articles will be deferred to May. Rey and Helena noted they had many photos from the drive to Bowling Green and of Mike Wilson driving on the track from the March 19 event.

Membership Report: Ken did not have numbers with him at the meeting, but subsequently sent the membership numbers, which are as follows: 127 Primary Members, 79 Affiliate Members, for a total of 206 Members. Jim Potter is a new Member, with a 2002 911 Carrera 4S. There were no reports as follows: Secretary, Past President, Director, Social Media, Tech, Track.

Under Old Business, Patrick reported that the Tour Guidelines promulgated by National and the tour best practices put together by the Bluegrass Region were followed during the trip to Bowling Green. Ken noted the National guidelines as being somewhat formal, while our guidelines seem to be more of a common sense approach. Ken also observed that the two sets of guidelines complement each other, and that efforts will be made to simplify both sets and make them easier for tour leaders to use.

Ken provided the Patch Request letter from Ekkehard Diez. No action was taken.

Under New Business, Ken provided a recap of the Zone 13 Presidents Meeting he attended in Illinois the weekend of March 19. He noted attendees included all 8 Zone 13 Presidents, the Zone Rep, the National Track Chair and the National President, Caren Cooper. Ken noted Ms. Cooper discussed National organization initiatives such as: fostering greater communication between National and the Regions and dealing with the aging population of PCA members overall. She is also interested in helping the National office serve more as a hub for various services to the membership. Ken noted one item discussed at the meeting was that 75% of Macan purchasers are new to the Porsche brand.

Also under New Business Ken suggested we will be taking steps to apply for subsidies from the National organization. Such subsidies will be used to fund membership activities and our charitable activities.

Jamie Donaldson moved to adjourn, seconded by John Schmidt. The meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm.



MEMBERSHIP NEWS by Tim McNeely

208 Total Members!

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

Ron Sellers (Stamping Ground)
- 2006 Cayman S

Our membership is at 128 Regular Members and 80 Family & Affiliate Members, making our total membership 208.

April showers bring May flowers... great time to hit the pavement for a beautiful drive and stretch your P-car's legs. Bring it out to an event.

Also, please recognize the following Member Anniversary dates:

• Ed Merkler	2001
• Stephen Hopkins	2007
• Ken Slone	2007
• David Patrick	2008
• Robert Rowe	2008
• Alex Boone	2015
• Steven Plummer	2015
• Jason Reichenbach	2015

Bluegrass Region Porsche Club of America Name Badge Ordering

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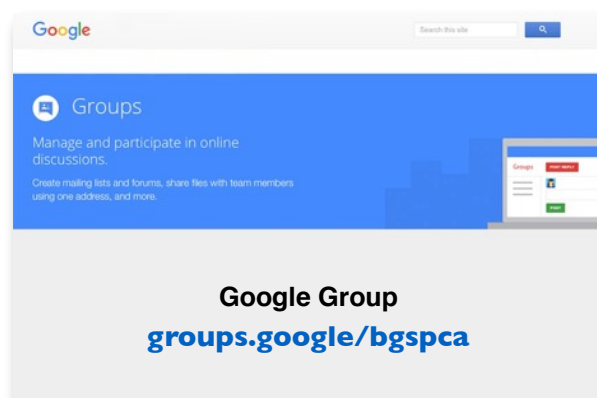
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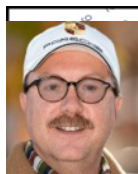
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What's going on in the club? How do I change my oil? Who are the officers and how do I contact them? Where can I see photos of the latest events? What does it take to get my Porsche on the track? I wonder if anyone in our club has a Bosch hammer?

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

We have lots of cool Porsche events coming up in the next couple of months! Whether you like drives, car shows or socials there will be 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.

May 7, Saturday

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

Multi Marque Cars & Coffee at Cusi in Hamburg, cars park in the Value City parking across from Cusi Restaurant.

May 14, Saturday

Scenic Drive to Makers Mark Distillery. Depart from Ramsey's Restaurant on Old Harrodsburg Rd at 8:45 a.m. and drive US 68 and KY 152 to Maker's Mark. After a tour we will make our way to downtown Springfield and lunch at Mordecai's Restaurant. We will depart from Springfield and head back to Lexington. It will speed up our check in if everyone purchases their tour tickets at www.makersmark.com. Cars & Coffee at Cusi's will be cancelled. However, anyone who would like to meet for Cars & Coffee at Ramsey's instead of going on the drive, Ramsey's will be open at 9:00 am. See more information on page 22.

May 15, Sunday

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

Monthly Social
Proud Mary BBQ
9079 Old Richmond Road, Lexington

May 20, Friday

5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Maserati Mingle
Courthouse Lawn
120 & 150 N. Limestone St., Lexington

Enjoy an evening of exotic automobiles and live music. Food and drinks available for purchase. General Admission is FREE and open to the public.

June 4, Saturday

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

Multi Marque Cars & Coffee at Cusi in Hamburg, cars park in the Value City parking across from Cusi Restaurant.

June 6, Monday

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

Board Meeting
Marikka's
411 Southland Drive, Lexington

June 11, Saturday

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Porsche Cars & Coffee
Cusi
1890 Star Shoot Pkwy, Lexington

June 19, Sunday

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

Monthly Social
Location TBD

June 19, Sunday - June 25, Saturday

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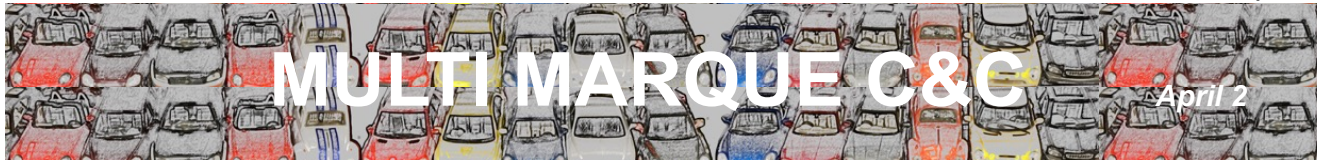
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Wow! Talk about surprises. Our April 2 Multi-Marque Cars & Coffee was a major surprise. It was our first MM/C&C outdoors for 2016. With overcast sky and temperature in the low 40's, I was sure there would only be a dozen or so hardy folks show up. Well, we had our largest gathering ever with over 200 vehicles in attendance! In addition to our usual Porsches, Vettes, Mustangs and muscle cars, there were custom trucks, hot rods, Asian Sports, and motorcycles. There was even an "original" Police car used in a Transformer movie. We had folks down from Cincinnati and over from Louisville. Another surprise for me was when I kept hearing that folks had heard about the MM/C&C from Facebook. Well come to find out, one of our regular MM/C&C attendees, Jamie Wexler and his 10-year-old son, Clay were responsible for the Facebook promotion. About three months ago they (mainly Clay) had created a page called Lex KY Cars and Coffee 2016. This page has nearly 300 members already and is steadily growing. In addition to this promotion, several owners of fun cars have

mentioned that they were informed about our monthly event by word of mouth on the street by strangers. In addition to my monthly MMC&C information email that has a direct distribution of nearly 200, the local car clubs are forwarding it to their members.

Those of you with long memories can recall that we started the Keeneland Concours in 2004 as a means of pulling together the Lexington car community. It has been a success! Our club is continuing to provide another fantastic event every month with our Multi-Marque Cars & Coffee. This is really fun!!

If you haven't made it to a MM/C&C yet, plan on attending one soon. We hold them the first Saturday of each month at the lot in front of Value City Furniture in Hamburg. See ya there.

Ken Hold



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TRACK TIME

by Brant D. Nystrom

Last month we began a discussion about wet weather driving. So far, we've covered equipment and mindset for tackling a wet racetrack. This month we'll talk technical.



Pro drivers all experience driving in the rain

Performance driving in the rain is a unique experience. A normally competitive and assertive field of drivers quickly polarizes into two camps – the worried and hating it, and the opportunistic that love it. The combined influence of limited visibility, significantly reduced levels of grip, and the need to highly modify one's driving style results in a setting where the easily adaptable driver can excel. The biggest obstacle in wet weather driving is the lack of tire grip. Acceleration is more difficult (it's easy to induce over-steer or wheel spin); deceleration is more difficult (it's easy to hydroplane when braking); turning is more difficult (tires have reduced slip angle and an associated reduction in margin for error).



Avoid puddles or standing water where possible

Because of the lack-of-grip, it is important to focus on the track conditions and areas of grip on the surface. Because of rubber and oil buildup, the typical dry racing line will likely be the slickest part of the track. So focus on driving 'off the line'. Great idea, until you realize the need to cross the racing line in most turns. Typically, you should focus of driving as straight a line as possible (especially under braking). When executing turns, use an exaggerated late apex approach that offers straight braking into the turn and late rotation off the typical racing line. This late apex technique will also provide for a straighter acceleration zone out of the turn. When crossing the usual racing line, concentrate on doing so with as straight a line as possible. If you notice water pooling on the track or rivers forming across it, avoid such areas even if they are off the racing line. Be sure to look for higher banked areas of turns that may never be driven in the dry, as they may be free of standing water and excellent opportunities to find a little extra grip.



In the wet, drive off the normal line

In addition to finding the best line for traction, it is important to change your feel for the car as well. As always, it is important to remain smooth, but in the rain, smooth is everything. Gently roll on and off the accelerator and brake pedals. However, a grippy feeling car is a slow car in the rain. While we all have the initial 'wah-ohhh' feeling as soon as the car begins to slide, it is important to embrace the feeling of sliding in the wet. Driving with a little slide in your turns is not only faster in the wet, but it

adds a factor of control. When you are controlling a known slide, you are less likely to be shocked by an unexpected slip. As you grow used to it, it feels like sliding around in a snowy parking lot. Fear will give way to fun (especially if you're gaining on and passing the other cars).



All cars slide more readily in the rain

A few other factors should be considered as well. Depending on the amount of spray, try not to directly follow the car ahead. Choose an off-line zone that staggers you from the preceding car to optimize visibility of the track ahead. Speaking of visibility, use any means at your disposal to avoid fogging of your windshield or visor. Run with the defroster on, take advantage of surfactant sprays for windshields, and be sure your visor is clean and ventilation ports are open. Finally, don't panic should you

begin to slide or hydroplane. Should a slide occur, try to keep the wheel as straight as possible, and avoid any sudden changes in throttle, brake, or gearshifts. If all else fails and you find yourself off-track, be calm and be smart. Use your corner workers and awareness of the cars around you to ensure a smooth and uneventful return to the racing surface.



With a little planning, wet driving can be successful driving

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

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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:
May 13-15	Mid-Ohio HPDE	Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course	Mid-Ohio Region PCA	www.clubregistration.net
May 14-15	10/10ths @ NCM	National Corvette Museum	10/10ths Motorsports	www.1010thsmotorsports.com
May 21-22	NASA @ Road America	Road America	NASA	www.nasagreatlakes.com
May 28-29	Peachstate PCA DE	Road Atlanta	Peachstate Region PCA	www.clubregistration.net
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
Sept. 9-11	Fall Festival 2016	Putnam Park	Kentucky Region PCA	www.motorsportreg.com

PORSCHE C&C *April 9*



"Hey! At 35 degrees we had a great turnout for our Porsche Cars & Coffee on April 9 at Cosi's. Nineteen attendees including one guest and thirteen Porsches. Jenny Super won our "Long Distance" award, flying in from Dallas, TX and 85 degree weather. You might notice that Davy Jones had the hard top on his Boxster. And yes, Neil Fisher had the top up on his new red Boxster! Sure was fun. Join us next month.

Ken Hold

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NORTH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL AUTO SHOW®

by Robert McClelland

My brother Dick is a member of the Southern Michigan Chapter of PCA. Being in Detroit, there are many close to the auto industry. That doesn't hurt when some "inside" help is needed to be a part of something special. In my case, it is being able to get an invite to attend the American premier of new Porsche models. Last year was the introduction of the new Targa. This year was the new 991 Turbo's.

The show is in January and the SMPCA sends out an email giving notice that if members want tickets to the show, they are available. An hour later, they are no longer available. Dick will call me to confirm my interest and then lock in his maximum ... 2 tickets per member.

The show is open for the media the week before but the general public must wait until Saturday. General admission access is at 9:00 AM but the Porsche folks get in at 7:00. Breakfast is sponsored by PCNA and it is fun to have unlimited coffee, tea, yogurt, fruit and



sweet rolls while being able to peruse all the new models.

Once everyone is in and breakfast is well under way, representatives of PCNA introduce all the models with accents of the changes. This year we were introduced to a 991 Turbo Coupe and a 991 Targa Turbo S [as well as all the others.] There was also a beautiful GT 4 to sit in and go



over as well as a new Boxter Spyder with the mechanically power top. Yes, we are allowed to sit in the cars. There is always a freebie for the participants. This year it was a small, classily packaged marketing booklet with all the cars and options identified.

We are confined to the Porsche area until the general public is allowed into the hall. But, then, why leave.

Once the clean-up is started about 8:30, we start reviewing the map of the hall to see what we want to get to early so we can get up close and plucky with the hot cars. I think my favorite this year was a stunning \$200,000 unit prepared by a partnership that includes Bob Lutz. 200 MPH four door sedan. Sorry, I have forgotten the name but it eerily resembles the electric prototype from Porsche.

The stunning Acura NSX is just that ... stunning. As is the Ford GT. Something about the expected prices of these cars leaves me thinking I am missing something in life. The new Lexus supercar coming out next year is also more than necessary but I think I could use it anyway.

Look, all these new cars are amazing, but so are the trucks, which are every bit as expensive.

OK, and yes, they had the basics of the "self-drive" cars. There were two displays with see-

through bodies made of lexan that allowed us to view drivetrain and battery power arrangements. I have to admit it is something to behold. But I like my 1964 356 just as much. Especially with gas at \$1.50 per gallon.

By the time we left, the entire hall (which takes up an entire city block in the middle of Detroit) was shoulder to shoulder with car people. Dick and I had spent 3 hours plodding through Ford and Chevrolet pickup displays along with Aston Martin and Mercedes (and of course Porsche).



Honestly, I think the largest crowd around a new car was for the Corvette. The "coolest" display with the most attractive ladies was the Alfa Romeo display with 4 classic sports cars. Alfa truly knew how to design a body.

Robert McClelland





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Diner's, Dives and **PORSCHE** Drives

**Bluegrass Region PCA
Scenic Drive to Maker's Mark Distillery
Lunch at Mordecai's in Springfield**

May 14th , 2016

We will leave from Ramsey's Restaurant on Old Harrodsburg Rd in Lexington at 8:45am and drive US 68 and KY 152 to Maker's Mark.

After a tour we will make our way to downtown Springfield and Lunch at Mordecai's Restaurant on Main Street. We will depart from Springfield and head back to Lexington.

Maker's is arguably the most scenic distillery in KY, and that is saying a lot. The tour is great with lots of history. After the tour you can buy a bottle and dip it in the Iconic Red Wax to take home with you.

Mordecai's Restaurant is large enough for us to have plenty of room. They have a large menu as well as a buffet on Saturday. From Sandwiches and Salads to Steak they will have something for everyone. This is not a Dive!

The tour is taking the scenic route both going and returning and will take us about an hour and forty five minutes or so depending on traffic of course. Patricia and I drove it on April 10 and enjoyed the scenery as well as a few twisty sections of road. Well, I enjoyed the twisty roads anyway!

So come and join us for what will be a fun drive to a great locale.

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