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



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RUMBLE

Editor's Note

Well it looks like spring has finally sprung. Now if we can just get some dry weather for a few weekends it would be nice. I guess you can't always get what you want. Isn't that a Stones song? Anyhow, we have already had a few nice days and I have had the windows down and the top open cruising a few backroads trying to avoid the plethora of potholes along the way.

We have lot's a great stuff in this months newsletter. Be sure to check out the tech session article by David Patrick hosted at Jim Brandon's garage. If you have something that needs to be done to your vehicle that can be accomplished in a couple of hours you can check with Jim to see if we can get it scheduled in a tech session. These are always fun and educational.

I have included a preview of the Cayman GT4 this month and there is a video link to see the car in action.

Don't forget about Porsche Parade coming up in June. Did anyone else try to register on opening day besides me? Wow, that took forever! I spent almost 6 1/2 hours getting signed up. I hope the folks at PCA have taken a hard look at how it was set up this year and put some procedures in

place to avoid that in the future.

Below you will see some great information from our Past President on how our club communicates. Please read through this and save it somewhere you can easily find. I will make this information a permanent page in Rumble going forward just in case.

Please enjoy this month's Rumble!

Neil Fisher Editor



Club communication, By Ed Steverson

Communicating within the club is key for well attended events and fun for all.

I have recently put forth much effort to develop the club communication channels and I would like to bring you up to speed.

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 last event? 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 or more club communication channels below.

Website

Our recently redesigned website is located at www.bluegrasspca.com

While there you will be able to view the clubs calendar, contact club officials, surf classifieds, check out recent events in our photo section, read the latest Rumble, view all track articles, and more. The site is easily navigated on everything from a desktop version, to a mobile phone or tablet.

Google group

The club uses a closed google group for member questions and conversations. The group name is BluegrassPCA. You must be invited to join the group. Anyone interested please request an invitation from Ed Steverson

ed@abracadabragraphics.us. This is a great place to ask any type of club or Porsche question to fellow Bluegrass members.

Facebook

Search for Bluegrass Region PCA and like us to follow our events and news.

Vice President Mason Wilson does a fine job overseeing our Facebook account

Mason can be reached at wilsonironworks@gmail.com

Instagram

Find us on instagram under bluegrassregionpca Instagram photos feed the latest photos section of the new website <u>bluegrasspca.com</u>.

Often photos get posted while the event is still underway.

Rumble

The Bluegrass Region's multiple award winning newsletter can be viewed at

www.bluegrasspca.com/newsletters/



David Hafley

BOARD MINUTES

MARCH 2ND, 2015 MARIKKA'S - LEXINGTON KENTUCKY

Board Members Present: Ed Steverson, Ken Hold, Mason Wilson Tim McNeely Brant Nystrom, Mike Wilson, Jamie Donaldson, Neil Fisher, JW Wilson

Members Present:

Meeting Convened by President Ken Hold at 5:35pm. There was a quorum present.

Approval of January meeting minutes: Approved by Tim and seconded by Brant as presented.

REPORTS

President Report: February an active month with three of the four events scheduled completed. Jim Brandon cancelled Tech Session due to weather.

Past President Report: Ed will provide a website review at that portion of the meeting.

Vice President Report: Mason reported that he started his car and there is an interesting project at Foreign Affairs—they will be dropping a 3.6ltr 911 motor and turbocharger in a Cayman.

Secretary Report: David Hafley unable to attend. Mike Wilson volunteered to take meeting minutes (without a bribe).

Treasurer Report: Bob unable to attend but provided Ken a printed summary of BGS checking account with a balance of \$3,099.40.

Activity Report: David Patrick unable to attend. A reminder that Porsche Parade registration begins March 17th at noon and usually sells out in a matter of hours. The next

Cars & Coffee will be held at Tom and Connie Jones garage March 7th. It was decided the next Porsche Only Cars & Coffee will be held at Ramsey's March 14th.The next social will be at the Gray Goose in Midway March 22nd. Ed suggested a possible Porsche Drive Winter meeting: Ken discussed to Louisville to Bulleit Distillery.

Track Report: Brant Nystrom pointed out that it is winter, cold and everyone is ready for track season to finally get here. A group is going to Barber Motorsports Park the end of March.

Tech Report: The next Tech session will be March 21 at Jim's garage on David Patrick's 911 and will include a spark plug change and changing the transaxle fluid

Safety Report:

Newsletter Report: Neil Fisher said the deadline for submission is in a few days. After 3 years of doing a great job, Neil would like to find a successor to replace him as editor. He would like to have someone trained and ready to go by the end of December.

Website Report: Ed Steverson provided a terrific live presentation of the new website on multiple devices including an iPad, Tablet, mobile devices, etc. It was impressive. New website address is www.Bluegrasspca.com, "Try it, you'll like it"!

Membership Report: Ken suggested we pair up current members with like cars with new and potential members and encourage them to participate in an upcoming event.

Historian Report: Ken has asked

Julie to put together a chronology of club officers and significant events for possible placing on new website.

OLD BUSINESS:

summary from the National Winter meeting. Highlights were status of club finances, work on staffing the new Finance Committee, and Burton Propp issue..

Bylaw discussion: Discussed pros/cons of changing terms for officers to a 2 year term and an additional successive 2 year term. Discussion tabled for future consideration.

As the meeting ran long, Jamie felt compelled to remind everyone of Parliamentary procedure and Roberts Rules of Order. The meeting quickly got back on track.

NEW BUSINESS:

Zone 13 Presidents meeting: Ken will be attending the March 21 meeting at the Isinghausen Porsche dealership in Springfield Illinois

Keeneland Concours: James Jacisin our Zone 13 Rep will be attending for the third consecutive vear...

Maserati Mingle will be held in downtown Lexington on May 15. All clubs invited to present display cars.

Adjourn: Motion by Ed and seconded by Mike Wilson at 7:02pm

Submitted by Mike Wilson.

President's Message

By Ken Hold



Boy am I glad March is over! The month started out as a major snow and cold Lion and left as a very wet Lamb. Our first event for the month on the 7th was our Winter Indoor Multi-marque Cars & Coffee season finale. Tom and Connie Jones hosted the event and Old Man Winter did his best to give us a challenge. Despite 15 inches of snow on the ground 24 hours before our C & C, we had really good attendance with around 30 folks enjoying the cars, coffee and comradery. Our Multi-marque C & C's are really appreciated by the local auto community. We are getting great exposure for our club and new members referred by other car clubs. This monthly event continues to be a major positive for us.

The next Saturday, March 14 we had our Porsche Breakfast. Ramsey's at Old Harrodsburg Road provided a fun informal setting for good food and great company. We had eight members attend on a cold rainy morning.

Our monthly social at the Grey Goose in Midway was really our first opportunity to sport our Porsches in good driving weather. We had a very respectable turnout with 21 members attending.

In case you have not heard, National had very poor performance from the Parade registration system. Several members experienced registration periods on their computers exceeding four hours. The Parade sold out and several members, after attempting to register were placed on a "standby" list. This is obviously unacceptable. National has received lots of negative feedback and must improve this registration process. Note that it is not necessary to register for Parade to enjoy several of the Parade attractions. Items to see without registering include: The Art

Show, Goodie Store, Concours (Monday only), 60 4 60 Display (Monday only), Autocross (Wednesday and Thursday), and Porsches to Paoli (Saturday). All you need in order to visit these attractions is your PCA membership card. Patrick Meyer is planning to drive to Parade on Monday, the 22nd and will chair a drive if enough members are interested. Let Patrick know if you are interested in attending. You can contact him at pimeyer4@gmail.com.

A big thanks to Ed Steverson for his work at improving and summarizing our region communication systems for all of us to better understand and use. In addition to distributing this work via the Rumble, it will be included in our Welcome Letter to all new members.

As you probably know Neil Fisher would like to find a member who would be interested in succeeding him in the Rumble Editor role. He is getting the word out now so that he can work with his successor and coach him while transitioning this award winning newsletter. So if you are interested please contact Neil.

Other areas being worked by the Board of Directors include Membership, Touring Events, Historian Activities, and the Region Bylaws.

I've been getting interest from several folks from the local car clubs to display their vehicles at the May 15 Maserati Mingle. If you are interested in displaying your vehicle let me know asap. I will sort through the requests to present a diverse field of eye catching vehicles. Also, I may need some assistance with car placement and possibly car delivery to and from the event. Let me know if this is something of interest to you.

So lots going on for the Board and lots of activities for all our members!

Let's get together and have some Porsche fun soon.

Ken Hold

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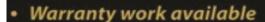
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MEMBERSHIP NEWS



Tim McNeely Membership Chair

188 Total members!

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

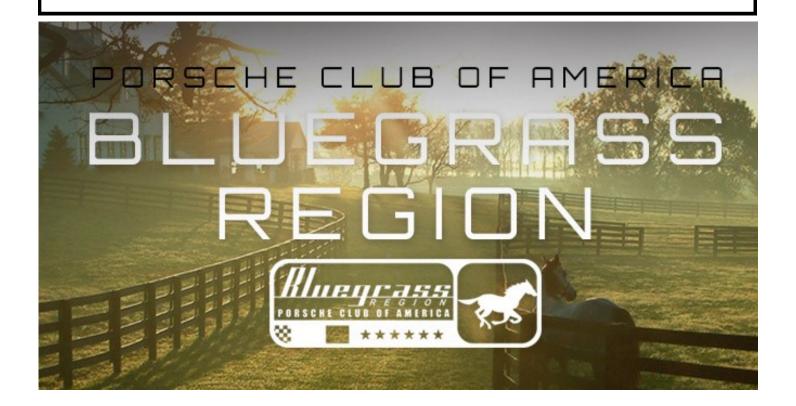
Michael Gossman of Russell 2008 911 Turbo Cab

Our membership is at 117 Regular Members and 71 Family & Affiliate Members, making our total membership 188.

I hope all these April showers (or floods) we've been having will bring some May flowers. We need some dry roads and sunshine so we can hit the blacktop!!!

Also, please recognize the following Member Anniversary dates:

Lee Kerley	1996
Tim McNeely	2003
Mark Kidd .	2004
John Downs	2005
Mike Spirito	2006
Mike Ryan	2009
Christian Ramsey	2011
Rick Music '	2012
Hugh Wilson	2012
Paul Goldfarb	2012
Rae Brown	2013
Greg King	2014



Paul's Foreign Auto would like to announce the addition of Shawn Leonard to our staff. Shawn is widely recognized as one of the premier Porsche techs in the area and we would like to invite you to come by, check out our shop, and get to know us. Personal service and customer satisfaction are among the main criteria that we have focused on for the last 22 years and we have the latest in computer diagnostic capability.

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Cars & Coffee

The March Cars & Coffee was held once again at The Jones's Toy Box. This was our last indoor Cars & Coffee for the year. We return to the Clarion Hotel on Newtown Pike in April for our Cars & Coffee event. Please come out and join us the first Saturday of each month from 9:00 am to 11;00 am. Free coffee and a \$5.00 buffet style breakfast.











Cars & Coffee





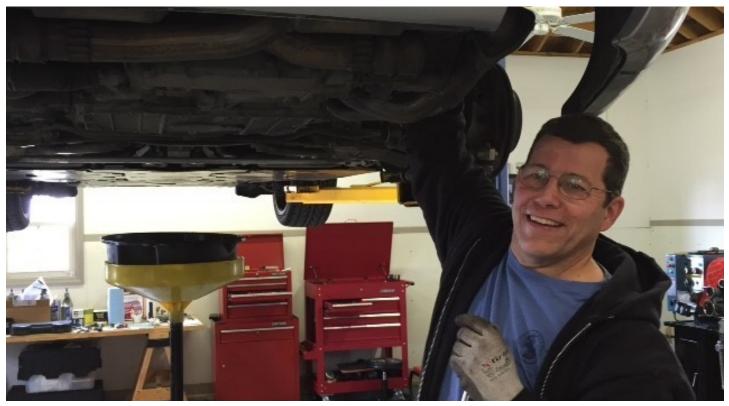






TECHNICAL

Taking a closer look



On Saturday March 21st Jim Brandon hosted a tech session where we changed the spark plugs and transaxle fluid on my 997.1 Carrera; as promised the coffee was hot and the donuts greasy.



Nine members gave up a couple of hours of beautiful spring weather to listen to me complain about how

hard the spark plugs are to access. (At least 2 of them) After trying to get to them I decided to pull the mufflers as I had done before. There were all kinds of opinions and advice from the experts that it could be done with the mufflers in place. I could not get my hand in to disconnect the coil wires. I am sure there is a way, but, as easy as it is to remove the mufflers I feel it is easier and you can see better so less chance of a mistake or stripped plug or bolt. Besides what else do the guys have to do on a beautiful Saturday morning? I was working like I was getting paid by the hour not the job!

Both of these jobs are easy to do and take no special tools. They just take a little time and patience. The transaxle has 3 plugs. One in the bottom to drain, the other two are on the side one is toward the front of the transaxle the other is near the center. These two are at different heights in the side. I broke the upper center plug loose then removed the bottom drain. After the fluid all drained the lower plug was re-installed and both of the side plugs are removed. You add the fluid to the upper center plug and add fluid till it starts to come out of the lower hole toward the front and re-

TECHNICAL

Taking a closer look



install both of these plugs and you are done. The transaxle takes just over 3 quarts. I used Mobil 1 75-90.

My car has a little over 56,000 miles on the odometer so the other members were interested in what maintenance I've had to do to the car. The only item that has broken is the shift cables. This is for some reason a typical problem with the 997.1 with the six speed. Every thing else has been pretty much regular maintenance, oil changes, filters, brake fluid and don't forget the tires. Attached is my maintenance log for the car. As you see I do most of the work myself. Thankfully the 997.1 isn't too tech heavy needing a computer to do the routine stuff.

I have spent a little over \$5300.00 in maintenance on the car this includes about \$2400.00 on tires and one ridiculously expensive service at Porsche of Lexington.

This was the motivation to do my own routine service, that, and I enjoy it!? It works out to around 9 cents a mile or so. Now if I could get the gasoline cost down to 9 cents a mile I would be real happy! Hard to do with Sport Mode engaged and your right foot all the way to the floor.

Next on the to do list is brake pads, brake fluid flush, air filter cleaning and a good spring cleaning including polish (I got a bottle of Griot's #3 for my Birthday) and wax. See how easy I am to please? Now where do I order up a Cayman GT4?



TECHNICAL Taking a closer look

Year	2006
Make	Porsche
Model	Carrera
Vehicle ID No. (VIN)	WP00AA29946S716931
License No.	7791AY

Date	Description of Work	Shop Name	Mileage	Labor Cost	Parts Cost	Total Cost
11/12/2007	Oil and Filter Change		5621		\$68.00	\$68.00
10/1/2008	Oil and Filter Change		8490		\$68.00	\$68.00
5/20/2009	2yr service: Oil, Brake Fluid etc	Porsche of Lexington	9854	\$407.18	\$294.93	\$702.11
10/20/2009	Oil and Filter Change		13000		\$77.06	\$77.06
3/17/2010	Replace Rear Tires	S&Stire	14500		\$707.00	\$707.00
11/30/2010	Oil and Filter Change		21109		\$73.12	\$73.12
12/6/2010	Set Clock, Door Checker bolts replaced	Porsche of the Village	21228	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5/21/2011	Brake System Flush		22617		\$11.82	\$11.82
8/18/2011	Remove Dents LH Qtr Panel	Dent Surgeon Ex- press	24932	\$60.00		\$60.00
9/14/2011	Oil and Filter Change		25806		\$55.62	\$55.62
10/7/2011	Replace all Tires, Front alignment	Ken Towery	26662		\$1,042.57	\$1,042.57
11/18/2011	Replace Cabin Air Filter		27405		\$22.00	\$22.00
3/12/2012	Replace Spark Plugs		28246		\$59.94	\$59.94
4/1/2012	Cleaned K&N Air Filter		28450		\$14.00	\$14.00
6/24/2012	Oil and Filter Change		30984		\$98.73	\$98.73
7/2/2012	4 wheel alignment, replace battery	Foreign Affairs	31045	\$122.50	\$200.34	\$322.84
7/31/2012	Cold Air Intake Kit		31197		\$99.00	\$99.00
1/19/2013	Oil and Filter Change		35104		\$79.52	\$79.52
5/12/2013	Replace Wiper Blades		36743		\$29.00	\$29.00
7/19/2013	Replace Shifter Cables	Foreign Affairs	37884	\$216.00	\$358.56	\$574.56
8/9/2013	Brake System Flush		38462		\$14.01	\$14.01
9/15/2013	Oil and Filter Change		40008		\$83.25	\$83.25
10/28/2013	Replace Cabin Air Filter		42260		\$22.00	\$22.00
12/27/2013	Replace Drive Belt, Clean K&N		43417		\$30.00	\$30.00
2/22/2014	Oil and Filter Change		44500		\$65.24	\$65.24
7/2/2014	Wiper Blades		48132		\$29.00	\$29.00
					Total:	\$4,408.39

CORSCOR COFFEE

Our Porsche Cars only C&C was held at Ramsey's restaurant on Old Harrodsburg Road. Seven Porsches in the parking lot and 9 members. Despite it being a cold and rainy morning it was very well attended. We will continue the event each month on the second Saturday of the month from 9:00 am till 11:00 am. We plan on moving the location around a little bit and may feature a drive after breakfast. Stay tuned to the calendar on the website as well as the club emailer for further details.











Event Calendar



David Patrick Activities Chair

April 11th Porsche Cars only Cars & Coffee at Ramsey's Diner on Old Harrodsburg Road 9 am-11 am.

April 19th Monthly Social at Proud Mary's at 9079 Old Richmond Rd in Richmond. Meet at the Patrick's house 312 Kettering Drive Lexington at 5:00 pm for a drive to the restaurant.

May 2nd Multi Marque Cars & Coffee at The Clarion Hotel on Newtown Pike from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.

May 4th Board Meeting at Marikka's on Southland Drive from 5:30 to 7:00.

May 9th Porsche Cars Only Cars & Coffee at Ramsey's Diner on Old Harrodsburg Rd from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.

Contact David with Porsche related event news: ptrckdvd@yahoo.com Also check the calendar on the website for DE's and other activities.

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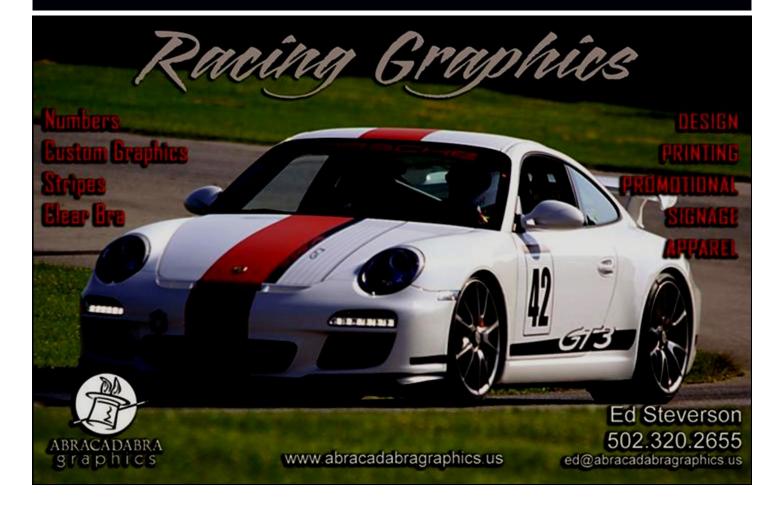
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Membership Social March 15th The Grey Goose Restaurant Midway

It was a mild and sunny day for our Monthly membership social at the Grey Goose Restaurant in Midway. This is always a popular spot and as usual it was well attended. Next Month's Social will be at a new Restaurant called Proud Mary's near Richmond on the KY River. David Patrick be leading a drive from his house along some backroads down to the restaurant. Check the calendar on the website for more details.











Cayman GT4



The Porsche Cayman GT4 may give Cayman fans just what they have been hoping for. This is a serious sports car. A car that can be driven competitively on the track and yet capable of being a daily driver.

The car boasts a 3.8 litre power plant derived from the 911 Carrera S. it produces 385 HP and 309 lb ft of torque at 7400 RPM. Zero to sixty mph comes in just 4.2 seconds.

The GT4 comes with a 6 speed manual gearbox. This combination will surely delight many enthusiasts who have been disappointed in the current direction that has been taken by sports car manufacturers to use a dual clutch automatic. The idea was not to shave another 10th of a second in favor of the good old fashioned fun of shifting gears.

The car is certainly pleasing to the eye. But the exterior changes were carefully executed to achieve maximum results on the track. The car has a more pronounced front spoiler to increase downforce at the front axle. While the fixed rear wing does the same for the rear axle. Large side air intakes help provide more cold air resulting in improved air induction. Check out the video at the link below.





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Event Type:

Multi-Event

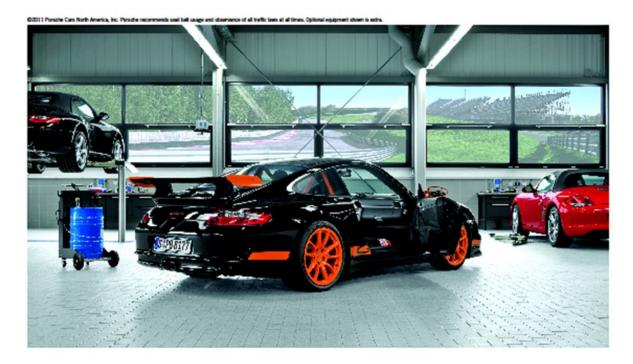
Save the date for the 2015 Porsche Parade: June 21-27. Not only will we be at a beautiful locale this year, the French Lick Resort, we'll also be celebrating the PCA's 60th Anniversary together. You can be assured there will be some must-attend events and surprises for attendees. Porsche fun for the whole family!

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As more information becomes available, we'll update this event page.

Location:

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BY BRANT D. NYSTROM

I am writing this article having freshly returned from my first track event of the year at Barber Motorsports Park. If you have not been to 'Barber', it is perhaps the greatest racing facility in the country. The track grounds and facilities are clean, highly groomed, and pristine. Additionally, the track is slow and twisty with numerous tight turns, elevation changes, and passing zones. While it was cold for our visit, the track's southern and accessible location (just outside Birmingham, AL) makes it the ideal spot for an early season track event.



A view of the Barber Motorsports Park facility

Barber was conceived as a motorcycle track. As such, it is twisty with smooth and inviting curbing. These characteristics combined make for a delightful weekend. Not to mention, the greatest motorcycle collection I've ever seen is featured at the Barber Vintage Motorsports Museum located trackside. Even if you are not a motorcycle fan, the quality of the displays and the history it maintains is impressive to say the least. It is more than a good motorcycle museum; it is an excellent museum period.

Should you have the opportunity to take part in the Porsche Sport Driving School, PSDS and their track-based instruction, those events are mostly held at the Barber facility.



BY BRANT D. NYSTROM



The Barber Vintage Motorsports Museum

The first event of the season for me is always full of excitement. However, shielded by that excitement is quite a bit of worry, confusion, and doubt. Did I remember everything, will the car perform, is all my equipment with me, did I bring my keys? Luckily for us, the event went well, though not entirely void of drama. A friend of mine from work joined our group. He is considering getting into high performance driving as a hobby, and I offered my passenger seat to him. I learn many lessons when I have a passenger or student in the car, and the theme of this article reflects that; *Don't Get Careless, Remember the Basics*. About halfway through the event, I realized I was struggling to hit apexes. This realization came when talking with my in-car passenger about what I was doing and why. After I finished scolding myself for sloppy technique, it became clear that in my haste to get back on track again and run competitively, my basics had gone south. It was becoming clear that my lap times were suffering due to my poor technique, and worse yet, I would have continued to be blind to it had I not been talking through my moves with a student.



Porsche crossing the start-finish line



BY BRANT D. NYSTROM

Step one, identify the problem; I had become lazy with my technique over the off-season. Step two, overcoming the issue. When the fundamentals fail you, start again at the beginning. In my mind, I began again like a student. First, I noticed my in-car positioning. Sit up tall in the seat, belts tight and hands firmly on the wheel at 9 and 3. Next, I focus on the feet. Shoes should be comfortable, clean and dry. When not in use, your left foot should be firmly planted against the dead pedal. Next, focus on quality heel-toe downshifts, and work towards exact rev-matching. Once the in-car technique was solid, move to the eyes and vision. Make a specific mental note of all the corner worker locations and their flags. Also, one should concentrate on looking forward and far in front of the car.

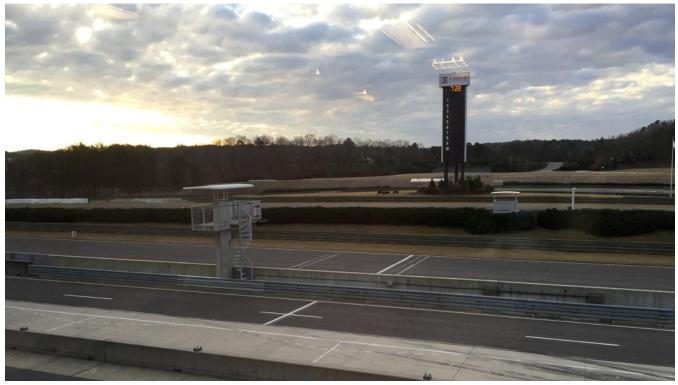


Your author cruising the track on a cold morning

The next step to managing the basics is to concentrate on your racing line. Picking out brake points, turn-in points, and ideal apexes. Focus on smoothly squeezing on and off the gas and brake pedals, as well as ensuring the accelerator is firmly planted on the floor for all acceleration zones. Going back to the beginning and refocusing on the basics can help eliminate the cobwebs, place you into a calm and relaxed mental state, and nip all the speed robbing elements that bad technique brings in the bud. Talking through this process as you go seems to help as well. Whether you talk it through with a passenger or just out loud to yourself, speaking it out loud (like writing down a plan) seems to help it to stick and become a reality.



BY BRANT D. NYSTROM



I wish most mornings began with this view

Soon after this refocusing effort, my lap times began to improve. The final step in the process involved taking it up one more notch to passing and passing technique. When overtaking, focus on being acutely aware of the location and position of nearby vehicles. Try to make your passes clean, predictable, and smart. Be sure to provide enough room for the other cars, and leave a tiny margin for style points.

The process of overcoming the cobwebs of a new season or simple driving carelessness by refocusing on the basic principles of driving really works. Much of the driving process is subconscious and becomes an exercise in muscle memory. Be sure to retrain that unconscious element in your mind should it become lax, and you'll be well on your way to a dominating performance.

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