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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

President's Message

Bv Ken Hold

Man was June a fantastic Porsche month! It started with a very cool first Saturday C&C and finished with a 1,400 mile long weekend jaunt in a 1987 928S. We thought that with all the local events going on June 6th that our multi-marque C&C would have sparse attendance. We were wrong. We had another overfull parking lot. There were several new attendees with BMW's having the most cars. We even had one custom motorcycle. This great problem reinforced the need for us to move the monthly event to a new location. I announced at this C&C that our July 4 event will be held in the large parking lot in front of the Value City Furniture store in Hamburg. This area is adjacent to the Cosi Restaurant which makes it easy for our attendees to get coffee and breakfast if they wish. Our intent is to continue in warm months at the new location.









On June 12, the Keeneland Concours, LugNuts and the Legends teamed for a very neat event called RBI's and RPM's. Do you know how many sports cars can be parked in a line around the Whitaker Bank Baseball infield? The answer is 40. We had another very good turnout. This event had a good showing of Porsches, but at an even dozen, Corvette was the major marque.







The Porsche Parade in French Lick, Indiana filled a solid week from June 21 through 27. We had some neat happenings at the event. Key and Felicia Willson, attending their first Parade won their class in concours with their 1990 964 Cabriolet. Great job Key and Felicia! Other cars on display were Larry Woods' 911 Anniversary Edition in the Historics, Robert McClelland's 1969 911E in the 60 4 60, and my 2006 Cayenne TurboS in the 60 4 60. The vehicles displayed at the concours, Historics, and 60 4 60 were fantastic. My personal favorite is always the GT1 but the 918 was breathtaking. Thanks to Patrick Meyer for leading a 6 car drive from Lexington to French Lick on Monday June 22 to see the outstanding display of Porsches. Folks who attended got to see Porsches at their best. Also, it was really cool to shake hands with Wolfgang Porsche while he was checking out the cars! I believe French Lick was the best, friendliest Parade I've attended. West Baden is a fantastic hotel and if you get a chance to visit the area, you will definitely enjoy the visit.



RUMBLE

President's Message

By Ken Hold











We had to leave the Parade early so that Robert McClelland and I could attend the Fox Valley Region's 25th Anniversary in Egg Harbor, Wisconsin. We were treated to a judged 30 car show, a six hour photo rally, and a spectacular tour of Door County, Wisconsin. It was fun to be with these really neat Fox Valley folks and to participate in their celebration.





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Get ready because July will really be a blast with at least one Porsche car event every week. Our region's key event will be the 12th annual Keeneland Concours d'Elegance on Saturday, July 18. We're expecting over 100 Porsches to be there. I hope your Porsche will be one of them! Let's have too much Porsche fun this month! Ken Hold

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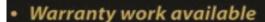
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MEMBERSHIP NEWS



Tim McNeely Membership Chair

196 Total members!

Two new members this past month!!! Please join me in welcoming:

Reunion & P2O coming up quickly...watch google groups for updates.

Joseph Au of Lexington 2012 Cayenne 5 Dave May of Danville 2006 911 5

Also, please recognize the following Member Anniversary dates:

We also had a transfer in from the Ohio Valley Region, Chris Cashen of Lexington. Chris is an avid track guy and has been very involved in PCA for many years.

Our membership is at 119 Regular Members and 77 Family & Affiliate Members, making our total membership 196.

If you didn't drop by Parade in French Lick last month, you missed a treat. Red Brick

Mike McNalley	2007
Gary Whitaker	2008
Bob Lovejoy	2008
James Gilmore	2010
Mason Childers	2012
Frank Entwisle	2013
James Kalb	2013
Michelle Martel	2014
Brian Glover	2014

Club Communication

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 Bluegrass-

PCA. 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/

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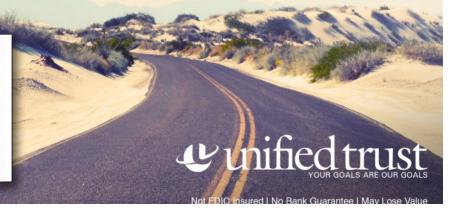
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We had our Porsche Cars and Coffee at Ramsey's off Harrodsburg road once again. It was a nice morning and we had good attendance. New club members Joseph "Rey" Au and his wife Helena were in attendance. Thanks to Rey for taking these photos for us and welcome to the club!





Event Calendar



David Patrick Activities Chair

July 6th Board Meeting at Marikka's on Southland Dr. 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm.

July 11th Porsche Cars & Coffee at Cosi in Hamburg 9:00 am start time and leave at 10:00 am for a drive to Blue Licks Battlefield State Park for Lunch.

July 18th Keeneland Concours. Paddock Challenge to raise money for the UK Children's Hospital.

July 25th P2O in Granville Oh. Check out www.morpcaorg for more info and registration.

July 26th Monthly Membership Social at Johnny Carino's on Rojay Drive net to Fayette Mall. 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm.

August 1st Multi Marque Cars & Coffee at Cosi in Hamburg 9:00 am - 11:00 am. Park out in front of Value City.

August 3rd Board Meeting at Marikka's on Southland Dr. 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

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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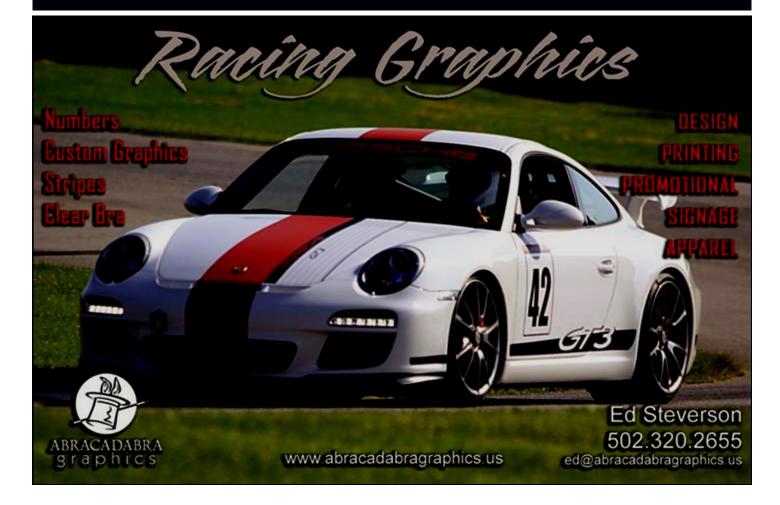
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2015 FRENCH LICK, IN

By:Neil Fisher

I was very excited when I learned that this year's Parade would be located in French Lick, Indiana. Having grown up in Southern Indiana and lived there until 1995 it was nice to have an opportunity to go back to an area that I had not visited for over 30 years. Back in my high school days I used to play golf on the old Donald Ross designed Hill Course. At that time the Hotels in French Lick were no longer suitable for guests. The West Baden Springs Hotel which used to be magnificent up until the stock market crash in 1929 had become run down and the town was no longer a tourist attraction. Around that time however a young professional basketball player by the name of Larry Bird was making quite a name for himself and French Lick was starting to get some newfound attention.



The wealthy Cook family from Bloomington Indiana stepped in and spent almost 500 million dollars renovating both the French Lick and West Baden Hotels. Today the fabulous dome Hotel in West Baden which is a National Historic Landmark has been returned to its grandeur from the early 1900's. The Dome was the largest freestanding dome structure in the world until sometime in the 1950's. It truly is magnificent.

This was my second Parade having attended the 2008 Parade in Charlotte North Carolina. I thought the venue was perfect in French Lick. There were plenty of great backroads close by to take driving tours and the scenery was beautiful. If it weren't for the overabundance of rainfall recently that forced many of the displays indoors it couldn't have been much better in my view.



I only spent a couple of days at Parade this year but had the opportunity to see the Concours and the 60 4 60 displays as well as take part in one of the driving tours. We elected to go on the Ohio River scenic drive through the country and wind up at the famous Schnitzelbank German Restaurant in Jasper Indiana. It has been over 30 years since I had eaten there and the food was excellent just as I remembered. It was also a special treat to have Dr. Wolfgang Porsche go on the drive with us. We had over 125 cars on the driving tour! It was quite a challenge to keep the



2015 FRENCH LICK, IN

By:Neil Fisher

group together. I think we wound up having about 4 subgroups of about 25 to 30 cars each with a little space in between. It was fun driving through the small rural towns on the back roads and watching all the people along the way waving and smiling and giving us the thumbs up sign.

I can't imagine what they were telling their friends the next day about the endless string of Porsche cars driving through their towns where they probably have never seen one Porsche let alone 125 of them. I hope everyone enjoys the photos I took from the Concours and 60 4 60 displays. Oh and by the way, I managed to get a photo with PCA President Caren Cooper while perusing through the almost endless display of magnificent Porsches.



Even though everyone didn't play along with the 60's costumes it was still a good time for all.



The welcome Party was a fun way to kick things off in a 60's theme and many of us decided to do our best to dress like the 60's!





We even had Janis Joplin's famous psychedelic 356 on display.



2015 FRENCH LICK, IN

By:Neil Fisher

Here are a couple more photos of the fabulous Dome structure.



From our balcony on the 6th floor overlooking the main floor below.



Dr. Wolfgang Porsche in the green polo shirt on the far right was on stage along with Mrs. Cook and her son and management of the Hotel. The Cook family spent 500 million on the renovation.



Neil and Michelle posing with the new Macan Turbo. Loaded with every available option. Sticker price around \$135,000.



2015 FRENCH LICK, IN

By:Neil Fisher

Key and Felicia Wilson from the Bluegrass Region took home a first place trophy for their entry in the Conocurs. A Beautiful 964 cabriolet.









Robert McClelland, Ken Hold and Larry Woods all had cars on display at Parade. Robert and Ken's cars were in the 60 4 60 display and Larry's car was in the historical display.



Ken Hold's Cayenne Turbo S on display at the 60 4 60.

2015 FRENCH LICK, IN

By:Neil Fisher



Robert McClelland's 1969 911 at the 60 4 60 display.



Neil Fisher posing next to a 2015 911 Targa.



Larry Woods 40th anniversary 911 on display in the historical display.



One of the benefits of having the 60th Porsche Parade in French Lick, IN was that we could organize a driving tour to the Concours event on Monday, June 22.

Patrick Meyer led a group of 6 cars from the Clarion Hotel in Lexington across the state to Louisville and then north to French Lick. Fellow drivers included Chris Cashen, David Jones, Thomas Barker, Russell Collins and Jamie Donaldson. The tour proved uneventful ... but evasive driving maneuvers were still necessary as at various times the interstate was populated with tire debris, road crews, a stray dog and one very brave turtle.

2015 FRENCH LICK, IN

By:Neil Fisher

These photos were taken at the Concours, the 60 4 60 display and the Historical display.

























Getaway: Destination Asheville

By: David Patrick

Like most of America I was excited to be having a three day weekend for the July 4th holiday. While at Lowes about a month ago Patricia found a magazine by Southern Living titled Best Drives and Dives! (Is she a great wife or what?) It is full of some great ideas for road trips and tips on where to eat and stay while on the trip. This inspired me to put together a road trip that we could do in couple of days.

On Thursday the 2nd we headed out of town after picking the 911 up from Foreign Affairs where it got some much needed love after 58,000 miles and a recent DE at Putnam Park. I took the direct route to Knoxville aka I75.



On Friday we woke up to an overcast and rainy morning. We hit the road early headed to Telico Plains, TN and the Cherohala Skyway. I had made the "smart" decision earlier to change my route due to a train derailment that had closed some roads in the area of my original route. After a short consultation with "Maps" on the all-knowing iPhone I was confident we would actually save some time! You all know where this is going; don't you! I can hear the laughs and chuckles of the "I've been there crowd". Anyway I took a right when I should have taken a left in Lenoir City and it took me about 20 miles to figure out the sun was in the wrong place. After consulting with my Navigator I was told I need to listen better and follow instructions.

After another detour we made it to the Skyway about 35 minutes later than planned. The Cherohala Skyway is a great road that curves its way through the mountains into North Carolina. It was a rainy and foggy day at the higher elevations so we didn't get to see many of the vistas. It was a challenge as visibility was down to maybe 100 feet in places. We had to dodge 2 trees that had fallen over the road but due to the weather we only saw about 3 other cars on our way to Robbinsville, NC.



We drove from Robbinsville to Cherokee to pick up the Blue Ridge Parkway. Again more rain and fog at the high elevations but very light traffic. Great road and my best friend with me made it a great drive into Asheville. We made Asheville and had been out of the rain for a while so, after checking into the Indigo Hotel in downtown we walked through town and had a great dinner on the side walk at Modesto's; great pasta and Tiramisu.



Getaway: Destination Asheville

By: David Patrick

On the 4th we ate pastries at City Bakery downtown before hitting the parkway again. We headed north of Asheville. First stop was at Mount Mitchell State Park. This is the highest peak east of the Mississippi so we drove to the summit to check it out. It was fogged in and windy so we could not see more than a couple hundred feet. Heading north to Little Switzerland we stopped at an overlook and up pulled a '72 Targa. I went and talked to the owner. His name is Keith and he is an owner of a restoration shop in Charlotte named Zuffenhous. Keith recommended we drive highway 80, which was just up the Parkway a few more miles.



Little Switzerland is a little tourist area with a hotel some shops and restaurants. We had a sandwich at the hotel restaurant and walked through the shops. Back on the road we headed back South toward Ashville. We stopped at Crabtree Falls and hiked the 3 mile loop with a great waterfall. It was good to get out of the car for a while and stretch our legs. We then headed south to drive highway 80 as Keith recommended. As fate would have it the heavens opened up after about a mile on 80 so we had to take it easy. It was a great Porsche road with one curve after the other.

Back in Ashville it stopped raining finally. We consulted with the concierge about a good local pizza joint.



The recommendation was Asheville Brewing. We sat out on the patio and had great wings and pizza while we watched the eclectic crowd go by.

We had a fun weekend driving 867.2 miles. We will definitely do this again and hopefully have a little bet-



TECH TALK

BY: PHILLIP DOTY

While attending the Porsche Parade in French Lick, Indiana, I had an opportunity to attend the Tech Academy on Friday of Parade week. Set forth are my notes from some of the sessions that I attended. Phillip Doty, Bluegrass Region

"How to Buy a Used Porsche" Chris Powell, PCA's Tech expert for 911's ('78-'96) Porsche Tech since 1974; Seattle Washington/:

70 % of all Porsches made are still on the highways. Before jumping in, ask yourself several questions:

What do you want to do with the Porsche you buy? Collect? Drive? Race it? Commute?

How much can you spend?

Form relationships with Porsche dealers and aftermarket repair shops, as well as with brokers, if available to you.

Be patient! Don't buy over the internet: too many horror stories. If you MUST, be sure to get a Pre Purchase Inspection (PPI) from a reputable dealer or after-market repair shop

Always allow money for repairs after purchasing. AL-WAYS happens. Budget for it.

Be prepared to walk away if you feel uneasy about a deal. Avoid emotions overruling your brain.

Negotiate with seller for any repairs that the PPI locates.

Later Porsche have computers that can be queried by dealers and others using computers to locate over-revolutions of the engine, as well as other histories of use/abuse.

Once done, write a check and drive!

Pre Purchase Inspections:

Older cars take more time to do than later cars. Consider a "leak down test" on all cars being evaluated. Rates vary. [Comment: the PPI is YOURS, not the

current owner's; how much info you share with the owner is up to you, as the owner has no RIGHT to see the details or argue about the findings.] Certified Pre Owned Porsches from a dealer cost about \$2,000 or so more than comparable Porsches in the private market, BUT... you are getting a more thoroughly inspected car, AND one that will have a warranty from Porsche Cars North America.

Aftermarket warranties are getting better. Still expensive and may not cover all defects/issues, but can be valuable. Investigate the company thoroughly before signing the contract and ask other owners for advice.

Late model Porsches with Intermediate Shaft bearings: IF the car has not had an upgrade, consider spending the extra money, and having the shop remove the oil filter and open it up to check for metal debris. Yes, it is expensive since the cost of the filter and oil is on the prospective buyer, BUT, the cost of a new engine is way more than the few dollars you spend to do this! If no issues, but the IMS repair has not been done, then do it, ASAP. Costly? Yep, but this is FAR LESS than a new or rebuilt engine.



Any inspection of a used Porsche:

Appearance, Cleanliness, rock chips, panel gaps, paint (get a paint thickness guage if concerned-factory paint is about 3-7 mils. Repainted Porsches have far more paint, like 10 mils. Use magnet on lower pan-

TECH TALK

BY: PHILLIP DOTY

els to determine presence of body filler.

"Effect of Modern Oils and Fuels on Classic Cars," Charles Navarro, founder of LN Engineering:

Oil is the film between moving metal parts in your engine. Wear comes from two areas: Mechanical (incorrect metal to metal contact) and Corrosive (acids, water, etc.)

The federal government, under pressure from auto manufacturers to preserve longevity of catalytic converters covered under factory warranties, reduced the amount of zinc and phosphorus ("ZDDP") in engine oils. All oils have service standards marked on the containers. Current standards are SM or SN that translates to 2,000-2,500 parts per million (ppm) of ZDDP, which Navarro said is too low to protect Porsche engines from wear.

Change your Porsche's oil every 6 months or 2,500 miles. [Comment: A bit stringent in this writer's opinion. I have been told that every twelve months is fine, assuming good oil is used.]

Air cooled Porsche engines should use a 15W/50 or 15W/40 weight oil. Current recommendations from Navarro: Joe Gibbs Racing 15W/50 or 20W/50 Brad Penn.

According to Navarro, the oil being sold by Porsche Cars North America does not maintain its viscosity at high temperatures, and like Mobil 1, should not be used in Porsches. One oil to avoid, due to tendency to leak, is MOTUL.

ers have options for the tuner buttons. Updates to GPS will be done online, no use of DVDs to update. While using a smaller screen than a Garmin or Tom Tom, the GPS display shown to us at the session was fairly readable. The cost was specified at approxi-

"Overview of Porsche Club's 'Upfixin' der Porsche' multi-volume technical book series;" Allan Caldwell, Senior Tech Editor, PCA:

New Porsche are so much more advanced than previously. Technology is advancing rapidly. Even so, if you purchase a used slightly older Porsche, plan to spend \$5,000-7,000 to keep it updated and maintained. Always check with your insurance company about coverage for your Porsche and be sure to check with them whenever considering purchasing another year/model.

When looking to buy, DO YOUR RESEARCH. Each model has some weaknesses in design or manufacture.

Alphabet: All Porsches with PSM, PSAM are excellent options. PSM or Porsche Stability Control CAN save you from an accident. The National Highway Safety Commission has said that PSM (or its variants in other manufacturers) is the single largest safety improvement since seat belts!" Because it automatically partially brakes your car in a turn, in microseconds, you will avoid a spin or loss of control, that otherwise would result in an accident. Allan said that he has tested Porsche with this system turned off on an autocross drive, and then drove the same car with the system "on" and the difference was dramatic.

DFI: (Direct Fuel Injection) is proving to be a valuable improvement in Porsche engine technology. Very few issues have resulted from this. It was available on most Porsches after 2012.

"Porsche Classic Radio & Spare Parts Relaunch Program," Florian Truffner, Porsche Cars AG, Stuttgart.

Porsche is introducing a replacement radio for older 911's and some other models that will fit into the radio opening. The unit will have GPS, Sirius radio capabilities, AM/FM/ Bluetooth capabilities. The design resembles the features in the older cars, and the owners have options for the tuner buttons. Updates to GPS will be done online, no use of DVDs to update. While using a smaller screen than a Garmin or Tom Tom, the GPS display shown to us at the session was fairly readable. The cost was specified at approximately \$1,500, not including labor.

Porsche is aggressively enlarging the parts being offered via the Classic Parts division. New parts are being rolled out and introduced monthly. The Factory is going to original manufacturers and asking them to make the parts. Where the companies are no longer around or refuse, Porsche AG is then seeking out replacement companies. See the ads in Panorama or Excellence about the new parts, including the Classic Oils for older Porsches, mentioned in Charles Navarro's lecture above.

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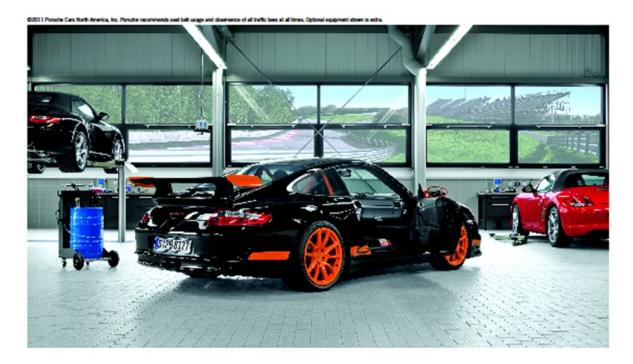


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BY BRANT D. NYSTROM

June 13, 2015 was the 83rd running of the Rolex 24 Hours of Le Mans. Widely regarded as one of the three most important motor races across the globe (The Indy 500, Monaco Grand Prix, and 24 Hours of Le Mans), this race is run each year by teams from around the world that vie for the elusive, career-making victory at the showcase event of the World Endurance Championship (WEC). As Porsche fans, our mark has historically dominated endurance racing at Le Mans. In fact, Porsche has won the overall title at Le Mans 16 times. Sadly, their last victory came in 1998, in the #26 Porsche 911 GT1.



1998 #26 Porsche 911 GT1 Le Mans Winner

In more recent years, Audi has dominated. They have overall race wins in 13 of the past 15 years, including the last 5 consecutive years. Audi would be returning in 2015 with another strong 3-car field in the prototype class, along with their lead driver Andre Lotterer (a 3-time winner at Le Mans). Audi has been a Le Mans powerhouse for over a decade, and is coming uncomfortably close to Porsche's 16-victory record.



BY BRANT D. NYSTROM



The Audi and Porsche LMP1 Cars

As you may recall, Porsche returned to the prototype class (LMP1) last year with the 919 Hybrid. Despite tremendous marketing hype, a driver lineup spearheaded by F1's Mark Webber, and with great expectations the team's 2-car team could muster no better than a disappointing 11th place. Flash forward to 2015, and Porsche was back with three 919 Hybrids and an incredible driver lineup:

Car #17 Porsche 919 Hybrid Timo Bernhard

Brendon Hartley

Mark Webber

Car #18 Porsche 919 Hybrid Marc Lieb

Romain Dumas

Neel Jani

Car #19Porsche 919 Hybrid Earl Bamber

Nick Tandy

Nico Hulkenburg

Again, expectations were high, especially following qualifying, where the Porsches placed 1st, 2nd, and 3rd over the Audi's that sat in 4-6 place, and further followed by Toyota Racing, Rebellion Racing, ByKolles, and the new Nissan Motorsports prototypes.



BY BRANT D. NYSTROM



The Full 2015 Le Mans Grid

As expected in the modern era of endurance racing, the teams all started the race at a flat-out pace, and this pace continued to the end of the 24-hour event. Throughout the day and evening Porsches and Audis traded the top position. Differences in the car's power, tire usage, and fueling created a leap-frog effect for the race lead, that left us all guessing as to who would come out on top. Just as Porsche seemed to have the upper hand, a quick set of pit stops made it clear that Audi was in charge. Either way, both Porsche and Audi were clearly head-and-shoulders better than the rest of the LMP1 field, and both had formidable and reliable racecars.



2015 #19 Porsche 919 Hybrid Le Mans Winner



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As the evening turned into morning, and the laps were counting down, the lead Porsche pulled in for a pit stop, and while the Audi was approaching the pit lane, it hurried the stop and dashed out to regain the lead. This ended the pit-stop shuffle and handed the race to Porsche if they could finish reliably. In the end, not just one, but two of the Porsche cars outpaced their Audi Rivals. The final results were Porsche 1st, 2nd, and 5th, and Audi 3rd, 4th, and 7th. Additionally, the unexpected twist for Porsche was the win by the #19 car piloted by Bamber, Tandy, and Hulkenburg. By winning the 24 Hours of Le Mans as a side event to his Formula 1 career with Force India, Nico Hulkenburg became the first F1 driver to win Le Mans in the same year since 1991.



2015 24 Hours of Le Mans Porsche Team

Porsche had done it. They returned to Le Mans and captured the overall victory in dominating style. In spite of a hard-fought battle with a gracious Audi team, they maintained their composure, and managed to run a brilliant race. All three cars performed exceptionally well. For now, Porsche dominance at Le Mans is alive and well. Hopefully, this was just a glimpse of things to come: our favorite brand winning in the racing category that created the sports cars we love today.



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Porsche Car #18 During a Pit Stop

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