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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.



David Hafley Secretary

BOARD MINUTES

NOVEMBER 3 2014
MARIKKA'S – LEXINGTON
KENTUCKY

Board Members Present:

Ed Steverson, David Hafley, Jamie Donaldson, Mason Wilson, Bob Lovejoy, Patrick Meyer

Members present:

Ken Hold, Mike Wilson

Meeting convened by President Ed Steverson at 5:34

Minutes of the October meeting:

Several corrections to the minutes were suggested and noted by the Secretary. Motion to approve by Ed and seconded by Mason. Approved

Secretary's Report:

Unable to report. Too busy looking at Jamie's selfie postings on Facebook.

Vice President's Report:

Mason reported a successful drive to Elk Creek Winery with approximately 12 cars participating. He reported several new participants in both the Elk Creek Drive and the Fall Charity Drive

Treasurer's Report:

Bob Lovejoy reported a balance of \$2,840.45. It was discussed that the Fall Charity Drive netted approximately \$215 less than the \$1,000 needed to start the 529 college savings plan for Aiden. (Two contributions may still be received). The Board approved the club making up the difference, no motion needed. Patrick agreed to investigate establishment of the savings plan and to report back

Tech:

Ed reported he was coordinating with Jim on the November 15th session. One possibility was 911 2.7 engine maintenance and another topic was being investigated.

Activities Report:

David Patrick was not present. Ed led a general discussion of activities, post

and planned. Topics discussed included:

Ed summarized the Fall Charity Drive which was considered very successful. He noted the hospitality offered by Ann and Steve, and the running of cars on a former airstrip.

The October Cars and Coffee took place, poor weather notwithstanding. Turnout was relatively light in light of the weather conditions. The November C and C will be held at COSI at Hamburg.

David Patrick will host a social at his place on November 16th.

Cars and Coffee is planning to move indoors for the winter, beginning with the December event.

The club Christmas party will be January 17, 2015. As in previous years, the club will allocate \$200 for each (2) dealerships for door prizes. It was noted that the \$200 generally secured more than that due to the generosity of the dealerships.

Safety Report:

JW not present. Mason agreed to ensure that insurance is in place for November Tech Session.

Track Report:

Brant not present. It was reported that approximately 10 people from the Lexington area went to Road Atlanta. Distribution of Bruce's ashes took place in a respectful manner with Lexington visitors holding flag in recognition of Bruce's contributions. Track activities are suspended until the spring. It was noted that Brant would likely do an article on Road Atlanta.

Newsletter Report.

Neil reported he has good content for the upcoming issue of Rumble. He is waiting for a track article and the issue will include an article from Jamie.

Membership Report:

Tim not present. Neil reported there is a total of 186 regular and affiliated members. Neil also read the names of 7 club members who have membership anniversaries.

Historian:

No report. Ed reported he has club materials to deliver to Julie.

New Business:

Discussion took place on the topics listed below:

Ed noted the club website has been loaded on the local server. Board members will review this at the December meeting.

Ed will print and distribute ballots for upcoming board and officer elections. Candidate names are listed in the November Board Meeting Agenda. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the November social.

Club members discussed the possibility of moving Board meeting dates to Tuesday's rather than Mondays. No action taken.

Ed noted a 918 was at Porsche of the Village for a short time.

Adjourn:

Motion by Jamie with second by Ed to adjourn at 6:33 pm. Approved.

Submitted by David Hafley, Secretary.

President's Message

By Ed Steverson



What we have been doing

Already in November we have had snow? How crazy was that?

Well, were still able to dodge the weather and have several great events. Two Cars & Coffee's, a tech session on David Hafley's 911, and Pot Luck at the Patrick's made for a busy November.

Also in November we were able to get the 529 education set up for Aiden Naude. \$1000 was raised at the Fall Charity Drive. The club set up and seeded a 529 fund for Aiden with the \$1000. I would like to thank Patrick Meyer for helping make this happen, and everyone that participated and donated. What a great weekend we had.

What we are gonna do

Our monthly cars and coffee has moved inside for the winter months.

December 6th Cars & Coffee will be at Lug Nuts Auto Club located at 391 United Court in Lexington. 9am - 11am.

January 3rd Cars & Coffee will be at our Bluegrass Region friends Tom and Connie Jones collection. Tom and Connie were gracious and hosted us twice last year and will also have us back in March 2015. Always a lot of eye candy inside and out.

January 17th is our annual holiday party. We will be at Cherry Blossom Golf Club in Georgetown. 5:30-6:30 social hour. Dinner will be served at 6:30. A request for RSVP's and dinner selection will be sent out via the national emailer a couple of weeks in advance. Go ahead and put the 18th on your calendar. This will be a night you won't want to miss. Cool cars, in a great atmosphere with friends, I'm looking forward to this event.

You will receive your ballot for the 2015 election in the mail.

The slate is:

Ken Hold- President
Mason Wilson- Vice President
David Hafley- Secretary
Bob Lovejoy- Treasurer
Jamie Donaldson- Director
Mike Wilson- Director

Exercise your right and vote!

As I write the last of my last column as your president, I would like thank everyone for the fun times and friendships. I hope you have had as much fun as I have. I would like to also thank my board for attending the monthly board meeting and helping steer this club.

I will still be around and participating often, Just now as your Past President. `

Hope to see you at an event soon.

Drive it, Ed



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Tim McNeely Membership Chair

186 Total members!

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

Ben Kasa of Lexington

1999 911

James Monroe of Lexington

2009 911

Our membership is at 117 Regular Members and 69 Family & Affiliate Members, making our total membership 186.

Hope Santa brings you all some Porsche goodies. Join us for the new year party in January!!!

Please recognize the following Member Anniversary dates:

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Stacy Bearse	1996
Steve Krolak	1999
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Jay Milliom	2006
•	2008
Mike Kennedy	2009
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Cars & Coffee

November 1st, Clarion Hotel, Newtown Pike

It was a cold and rainy morning on November 1st at The Clarion Hotel for our last outdoor Cars & Coffee of the season. The turnout was low but we had a good breakfast and conversation indoors. Our next Cars & Coffee will be indoors at LugNuts Auto Club.









Event Calendar



David Patrick Activities Chair

December 6th Cars & Coffee 9 am - 11 am @ LugNuts Auto Club on United Ct. Lexington. www.lugnutsautoclub.com

January 3rd Cars & Coffee 9 am - 11 am at Tom Jones's Toy Box, see website calendar for directions.

January 5th Board Meeting at Marikka's. 5:30 pm - 7 pm.

January 10th Porsche Cars only Cars& Coffee at Cosi in Hamburg 9 am - 11 am.

January 17th Holiday party @ Cherry Blossom Golf Course Club House. More info to come. Check calendar for updates.

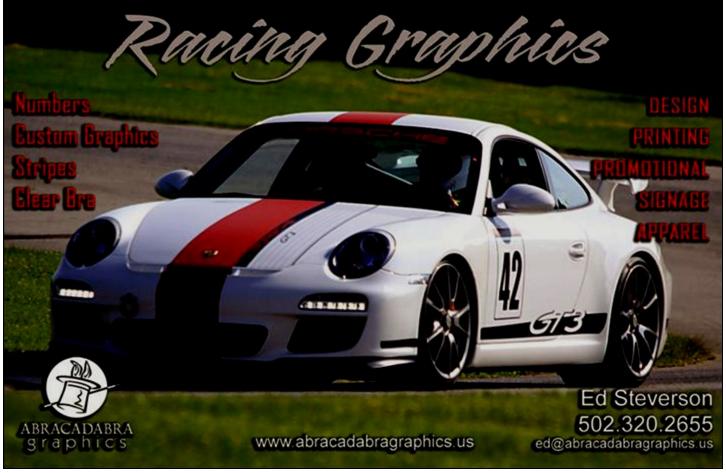
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Porsche Only Cars & Coffee



We held a Porsche Cars only Cars & Coffee At Cosi in Hamburg on November 8th. The weather was mild that day and we had good turnout. We will plan to come back to Cosi on January 10th for a P-Car only Cars & Coffee once again. Looks like we will be making this a regular event. Stay Tuned!







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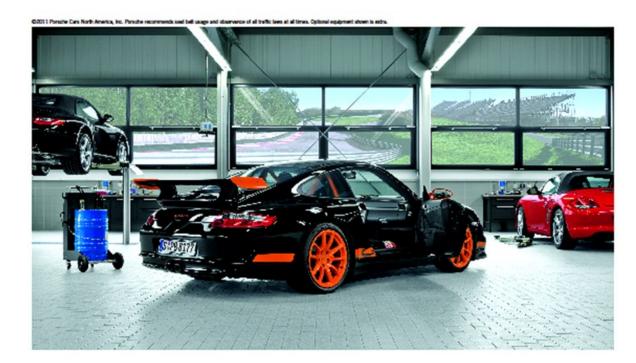
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TRACK TIME

BY BRANT D. NYSTROM

Last month we wrapped-up the local track season, and took a brief look at our final events at Road Atlanta and the National Corvette Museum. Since we are in the official racing off-season, I thought we'd jump back to pro racing to examine the rumors and official moves that will impact not only Porsche, but also the entire worldwide racing structure for the coming year.

Starting right at the top of the food chain – Formula 1. This was a tumultuous year in F1. The 4-time reigning champion Sebastian Vettel and his team at Red Bull, were relinquished to "also-rans", as significant rules changes to the power plants upset the balance of power such that the Mercedes-powered cars fully dominated the year. The result was the crowning of another multi-time world champion, Lewis Hamilton, and a not yet complete shuffling of talent in the F1 ranks the extent of which hasn't been seen in a decade.



Formula 1 Ferrari and Red Bull Teams

The shuffling starts at the top with Sebastian Vettel's unexpected move to the most prized seat in all of racing, the number 1 driver at Ferrari. His move to Ferrari, forces out F1 great Fernando Alonso to a currently occupied seat at Maclaren. The musical chairs continues to this day, and is yet unresolved.



Formula 1 Nico Hulkenburg – Future Porsche Driver?

Why discuss Formula 1 you may ask. This is about Porsche. Last year's departure of Mark Webber from the F1 ranks coincided with the reemergence of Porsche in the highest level of endurance racing in the World Endurance Championship (WEC) P1 class. Webber's move to Porsche P1 will be remembered as 'significant' in the racing world, as it signaled a clear driver pecking order from F1 to Le Mans prototypes. As a result, it has been rumored that long-time F1 great Jenson Button may join Webber in WEC if his seat in F1 is lost. Additionally, adding to the complexity, both Nico Hulkenburg and Fernando Alonso have suggested they may be running both Formula 1 and WEC in 2016 (Hulkenburg, one of my personal favorite drivers, has confirmed his ride in the third Porsche P1 car).



Porsche Prototypes Leading the Way

Regarding Porsche and WEC; the Porsche launch back into prototype racing for 2014 was a milestone for the company, but met with lack-luster results. However, their resolve is not shaken as they plan on growing from a 2-car to a 3-car team in 2015. Rumors abound in WEC as well. The AUDI P1 dynasty that has dominated endurance racing for well over a decade has been rumored to be considering a switch to F1. Additionally, this shift will push Porsche into the lead role for VW group in endurance prototype racing. We all believe Nissan will enter into the WEC P1 class for 2015 (their launch will allegedly be made in a Super Bowl commercial), and rumors persist that Ferrari and/or others may join in as well. No matter how this all shakes out, be sure to tune into the 2015 24 Hours of Le Mans race this spring. It should be a great one.



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Porsche WEC Prototype Car

This leads us to Porsche 991 action here in the US. As you may recall from my past articles, the Tudor United SportsCar Championship (TUSC) kicked-off in 2014, and was quite successful. I expect to see that success continue into 2015. As of yet, I have seen very limited announcements from Porsche regarding the series, but we fully expect them to be back in full force. The Porsche teams and drivers ran very solidly in 2015, and racked up more manufacturers points than any other mark in the TUSC. Overall, American road racing is strong and healthy with the TUSC, Pirelli World Challenge, and Continental Tire SportsCar Challenge leading the way.



Porsche 991 RSR Racer Under-the-Lights

If you are interested in racing, the next, and first event of the season here in the United States is the Rolex 24 at Daytona, January 22-25, 2015. Daytona is a huge event that brings out the entire Tudor crowd plus numerous other drivers from different disciplines as well. The event is sure to be televised, and it's a great way to get involved in the Road Racing season from the very beginning.



Porsche at TUSC Race in Indianapolis

I look forward to a great racing year in 2015. Porsche fans will be able to cheer for numerous and increasing cars and drivers. This may be road racing's golden age. 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

The Shark Hunter Chronicles Part Deux

Article by: Patrick Meyer

Local Man Bitten By Great White Shark Part 2 of The Shark Hunter Chronicles

While it's hard to say whether I bagged the shark or it devoured me, the result is this: I bought a 1987 928 S4 and crossed it off my bucket list.

The grande dame in question wears a gleaming white finish – whiter than a dentist's smile, but inside she's dark, mysterious and unpredictable. You can never really know what's coming at you next. She's of a certain age so a slight blemish here and there doesn't detract from the overall package. She's curvier than a Kardashian and faster than a public school cheerleader. I'm not her first and I probably won't be her last. Her former paramours doted upon her and I'm appreciative. She shines and I'm not embarrassed in her presence. What more could a guy ask for in a mistress?

We've been getting to know one another for the past few weeks. There's awkwardness aplenty. The key goes in the right hand now. There's only one way to shift gears. You stand in front of the car to view the motor.

But as some of you Rumble readers must certainly know, there's a little emptiness that accompanies a purchase; an emptiness I'm certain even cavemen sitting around the fire felt. The kill is never quite as thrilling as the hunt.

One day you are all jazzed up searching the inter-web for every used 928 in the lower 48, painstakingly pouring over photos, reading between the lines of the car descriptions, talking to owners and brokers, making mental lists of all the things you deem important. You're deciphering option codes, researching repair histories, weighing the pros and cons of the color combinations, and seeking advice from the 928 guru himself, Greg Schickel. Finally, the right one comes into focus, squarely in the crosshairs. You pull the trigger. BOOM. It's yours. You got it. You're all smiles and gloating. And then 500 miles later there's a hole in your stomach no bag of Cheetos could ever fill

Kind of ironic isn't it? You spear your shark and all you can think about is getting back in the boat and hooking a marlin. Therein lies the disease. "Savor the win" they say. "Be content – you waited 34 years for this" they say. I'm delighted with my quarry but missing the chase. I'll get over it. I'll learn to be satisfied with what I have. I'll settle in eventually. We'll have some good times. Fast forward a few years and something new will catch my eye and the *grande dame* won't seem so grande anymore. Soon after, we'll rarely be seen in public together. Secretly, a new chase will be underway and the cycle repeats.

The winter will be a great time to plan projects and catch up on deferred maintenance. Come spring time I'll be eager to hit the Kentucky twisties (with a valid spare tire, of course) and let the old gal show me what she's got. Meanwhile, we'll just get better acquainted.

You know -- I hear those old 944 Turbos are a blast to drive. Hmmm. I wonder what it would be like to have one?



Patrick Meyer's 928S4 Great White Shark!

TECHNICAL

Taking a closer look

1977 Targa Winter prep by: David Patrick

When you get the coldest Saturday Morning of the year together with sixteen car nuts you need a victim. On Saturday the 15th of November we awoke to weather in the low 30's but that didn't stop a group of hard-core nuts from getting together for a tech session. We met at 10:00am at Jim Brandon's garage in Georgetown for donuts, coffee and lessons in car maintenance. This was great fun because we learned from other's mistakes and learned about some of the myth's and facts about a 2.7 liter flat 6.

The victim would be David Haffley's 1977 Targa. David was wanting to get it ready for it's winter hibernation with it's friend the trickle charger. The plan was to perform an oil change and brake flush.



The tutorial got off to a great start with Jim patiently answering a plethora of questions about the in's and out's of the car. About 45 minutes in we had barely gotten the drain plug out of the oil tank. There was a lot of interest in the inner workings of the engine and the particulars about the lubrication system.

Being the owner of a water-pumper I had never changed the oil in an air-cooled Porsche. As with all oil changes it is pretty straightforward once you know the steps. First you have to be aware that you have to drain oil from 2 places due to the dry-sump set up. First drain the tank, which is on



the RH side of the engine compartment. The tank holds most of the oil along with being where the oil filter mounts and the dipstick is. Next we pulled the drain plug on the engine itself. Both of the drain plugs are magnetic so make sure to clean this off and keep an eye out for any large



pieces of metal, which could signal a need for more work than a simple oil change. Third remove the oil filter and replace with a new one. Install new "crush" rings on both drain plugs and reinstall. Now for the new oil: we started with 8 quarts of new 20w-50 and started the engine got it to temp and checked the oil level. We continued topping off and checking with the dipstick until we had the correct amount of oil in the engine / tank. Due to the horizontal design of these engines you don't want to overfill. Consensus was

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to leave it about half a quart low. This reduces the oil pooling in the cylinders when the car is sitting.

We were out of time at this point so Jim checked the brake fluid and determined it was in good shape so it will wait till spring tune-up time. That will be another great tech session I'm sure.





As promised the coffee was hot and the donuts greasy!

Thanks to Jim for another great session and for opening his garage, loaning his tools and putting up with all the questions! The tech sessions are



Member Car Spotlight

Three club members recently added to or updated their Porsche stable. Check out the new rides. Who will be next to drive up in something new!



Mike Wilson's 2007 GT3



Ed Steverson's 2002 C4S



Patrick Meyer's 1986 928 S4

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