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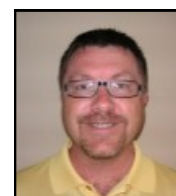
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Wow hasn't the winter of 2014 been eventful! Hopefully spring is just around the corner and we can get out and enjoy some great drives soon.

Even with the crazy weather we have had some great events. The December and February cars & coffee were at Bluegrass Region members Tom and Connie Jones "Toy Chest", and January and March we were at Mike Scanlon's Fleetwood Collection. I want to extend a huge thanks to Tom, Connie, and Mike for their hospitality. Each month had very large attendance. Our Cars & Coffee is a great event that draws all types of car nuts and cool rides. We invite all makes and models. So please tell all of your car friends to join us on the first Saturday of every month. Starting in April we will be back at our home location of the Clarion on Newtown Pike. Cars start rolling in at 9. Coffee is free and a hot buffet bar is only \$4.99.

Jim Brandon will host our next tech session on March 22nd at Foreign Affairs. We will replace balance and timing belts on a 944. Jim does a great job and Foreign Affairs is a great location with plenty of room and lotsa cool cars around. We will start at 10am.

The March Social will be at the new Ramsey's location in Zandale in Lexington.

The date is March 16th at 5:30. Please come out and let's check out their new restaurant.

This spring will be the official launch of the new Macan and I'm sure the dealerships will have a great event. I will get any information out as soon as we have confirmed dates.

As I write this, I'm on my way back from Springfield Illinois at the annual Presidents meeting. In Springfield I met with the other Zone 13 Presidents and our Zone Rep James Jacisin to discuss the happenings inside Zone 13 and PCA. The Springfield Porsche Dealer Isringhausen hosted our meeting. While I was there, some of the eye candy included two new turbo 911's, a new 911 Turbo s cab, and a Carrera Gt. They have even sold three, yes three 918's. Expected delivery of the 918 is



From left to right: Chuck Holstein, Central Wisconsin Region; James Petruska, Lincoln Trail; Keith Clark, insurance chairperson for Chicago Region; Laura Prellwitz, Fox Valley Region; George Kowalski, Milwaukee Region; Ed Stevenson, Bluegrass Region; Phil Green, Southern Indiana Region; Jeff Isring, owner of Isringhausen Porsche dealership (host of the meeting) in Springfield, Illinois.

at the end of the year, so quite possibly one may be there for the 2015 Presidents meeting. That should be enough to

persuade someone to get on the ballot for next year. I'm pleased to report to you that PCA membership is at a record high of 65982. National showed a surplus in 2013 and that will be rebated back to the regions! The new National website pca.org is very near to a go live state. I'm also pleased to tell you that the Bluegrass Region is a shining example of a region. We really do some great things and are



recognized as examples often. I want to thank my board and everyone that helps our region to accomplish this.

Keep your eyes on our calendar as driving season is right around the corner and we will have many great opportunities to get out in your Porsche and have some fun!

Hope to see you at an event soon!

Drive it,
Ed

BOARD MINUTES

FEBRUARY 10 2014
MARIKKA'S – LEXINGTON
KENTUCKY



Ken Hold
*Charter
Secretary*

Board Members Present: Ed Stevenson, Bob Lovejoy, Brant Nystrom, Patrick Meyer, and Jamie Donaldson

Member Present: Ken Hold

Meeting convened by President Ed Stevenson at 5:38 pm

Approval of January meeting minutes: Minutes of January meeting distributed to board members by email and approved by majority of board.

REPORTS

Secretary Report: David Hafley unable to attend meeting. Ken is taking February Meeting Minutes.

Treasurer Report: Bob Lovejoy presented a status of BGS checking account. Our account balance was \$1,880.01 as of January 20, 2014. Thanks to great work by Ed and Jamie for providing an excellent Holiday Party at a net profit to the club of \$100.

Activity Report: David Patrick unable to attend meeting. Ed presented update.

-Monthly Social to be this Sunday at Mi Mexico.

-Our February 1, Cars & Coffee was held at Tom Jones' Toy Box. This third indoor C&C was well attended with nearly 60 attendees. There were at least 7 car clubs

attending. It was a great opportunity for lots of "gear head" talk. Mike Scanlon has volunteered to host the fourth indoor C&C on March 1 at his Fleetwood facility in downtown Lexington. Ed will get out directions and event details via email.

-The March Board meeting will again be held at Marikka's. Ed to check out the new Ramsey location at Zandale for possible future Board meetings.

-Tech Session in March at Foreign Affairs. Topic is Timing/Balance Shaft Belt (Jim)

-Possible Future Activities discussed: Ault Park Concours (Ken), Winery Drive (Tim McNeeley), Annual Membership Appreciation (Ed), Fall Charity Drive (Ed), Mariemont Concours (Ken), Looking at combining drives with C&C.

-Other Activities of interest to members: Keeneland Concours (July 19), Porsche Parade (June 15), P2O (July 25)

Membership Report: Tim not at meeting. Ed gave update.

-Four new members. No information regarding current membership number.

OLD BUSINESS

-Holiday party well received. Every ticket holder was a winner! There were several new members and friends. We had good support from our dealers and local service vendors in providing door prizes.

Jamie was able to get a very good rental rate for the facilities. Ed and Jamie did a super job of handling this year's event.

-Website: Ed is continuing to explore options for an improved BGS website. He has had discussions with a builder in Word Press. There was discussion regarding other options from other board members. Ed requested that board members look for websites that they feel could be models for BGS and send Ed a link to view the sites before the March BOD meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

-National PCA Awards: Ed mentioned that it is now time to submit for any National Awards consideration. Ed and Ken are reviewing past submissions and will decide on which awards our region should submit applications.

-Porsche Parade 2015: Ken mentioned that the 2015 Parade will be in French Lick, IN. That is part of the Kentucky Region territory and in our backyard. This may be an opportunity for BGS to have some involvement on putting on a National PCA event. Ed will get more information at the upcoming Zone 13 Presidents meeting and Ken will look for more info at the National PCA Winter meeting in San Diego this weekend.

Adjourn: Motion by Jamie and seconded by Ed at 6:30 pm.

Submitted by Ken Hold, Charter Secretary



TRACK TIME

BY BRANT D. NYSTROM

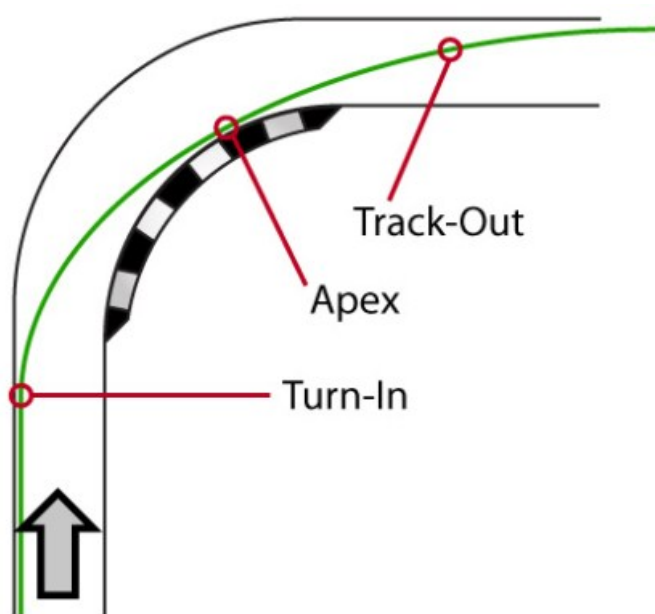
The last few months have focused quite a bit on professional racing, racing series, and the changing face of road racing in the United States. This month, we're returning to the local scene and track driving.

Driver Education (DE) season is upon us. Hopefully, many of you are considering joining the PCA in one of our hundreds of high performance driving events across the country. If you are on the fence, let me assure you, these events are fantastic. Additionally, they cater to new track drivers, and provide the very best opportunity to learn advanced driving techniques at a very reasonable price. Your driving skills will definitely improve, and these skills will translate to greater driving confidence in day-to-day traffic, and emergency driving situations.

Last summer, I described the anatomy of a turn and the three reference points all drivers and instructors pay detailed attention to:

The Turn-In Point
The Apex
Track-Out

Feel free to refer to the following diagram for a quick refresher on the elements of a turn.



Anatomy of a Turn: Driving Reference Points

The turn-in point is exactly as it sounds, the point at which you first turn the steering wheel into the coming turn. The Apex is the point near the center of the turn where you just kiss the inside edge of the track, and the track-out zone is where you straighten the wheel and apply full throttle to get a strong run towards the next turn.

The ideal line through a turn is the driving line that minimizes overall track lap time. The ideal line may or may not

match the geometric line of a turn. In high-speed flat turns the ideal line is generally closest to the geometric line. At slower speeds, a late apex is oftentimes the fastest or ideal line.

This information should all be review, but it is important to re-assess from time to time as it has such a profound impact on track driving success.

Now lets discuss a few pitfalls that drivers encounter when trying to execute the perfect turn. The first of these is missing the apex. Many new track drivers miss the apex, or in other words, they don't drive close enough to the inside at the mid-point of the turn. Missing the apex is typically attributed to either a misjudgment of the corner dynamics, or a mental aversion to cutting the inside of the corner too closely. If you miss the apex consistently, try slowing way down as you execute the turn, and pay very close attention at very controllable speed to your line. As you hit the ideal line, slowly increase your speed to maximum. Remember, advanced drivers oftentimes cut the inside of turns carrying two wheels in the grass. Cutting an apex too closely will rarely upset your vehicle to the point of losing control. So, attack the apex aggressively.

Another common shortcoming is failing to exit with maximum exit speed. Generally speaking, you will achieve better lap times with a quick turn exit than an aggressive turn entrance. Always address a turn with control in mind, and then as the car rotates, apply the maximum throttle possible on track out. In most cases (unless you are in a very high horsepower vehicle) you won't have to worry about the rear sliding out. Additionally, as you exit with greater acceleration, the center of mass of the vehicle will shift rearward providing even greater rear traction than usual.

My final comment is the one that really prompted this month's column. Use the full track! In other words, start your turn in from the widest approach possible, apex as tightly as possible, and follow through to the edge of the course on track-out. You will be amazed at how much more speed you can carry through a turn with just a couple extra feet of radius.

Remember, the fastest drivers drive smoothly, are not afraid to utilize full throttle and threshold braking in every turn, and utilize the full width of the track to minimize lap times.

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

Brant

MEMBERSHIP NEWS



**Tim
McNeely**
*Membership
Chair*

191 members!

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

John & Ana Schmidt of Lexington

2000 Boxster S

Christopher & Angela Watkins of Frankfort

2011 Cayenne

We also had a transfer in from the Kentucky Region...James & Teri Gadd have moved to

Richmond, KY. They drive a 2007 Cayman S. A warm welcome to the Bluegrass for the Gadd's.

Our membership is at 114 Regular Members and 77 Family & Affiliate Members, making our total

membership 191. It's finally March....just a few weeks until Spring. My P-car can't wait!!!

Also, please recognize the following Member Anniversary dates:

Jim Brandon	1998
PR Gerrow	2001
Mike Shepard	2005
Nigel Soult	2005
Paula Hollingsworth	2006
Tim Howard	2006
Muhammad Saifullah	2007
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Activities
Chair

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Mar 10th Board Meeting at Marik-
ka's, 5:30-7:30 pm

Mar 16th Membership Social,
5:30-&:30 pm, the new Ramsey's in
Zandale

Mar 22nd Tech Session at For-
eign Affairs led by Jim Brandon.
Replacing balance and timing belts
on a 944

Apr 4-6 DE Ohio Valley Region
Mid Ohio Sports Car Course Lex-
ington, OH. Register at
www.clubregistration.net

Apr 5th Cars & Coffee, 9-11 am,
Clarion Hotel, Newtown Pike

Apr 7th Board Meeting at Marik-
ka's, 5:30-7:30 pm

Apr 20th Membership Social,

5:30- 7:30 pm, Place TBD

Apr 25-27 DE Mid Ohio Region
Mid Ohio Sports Car Course Lex-
ington, OH. Register at
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May 2-4 DE Northern Ohio Re-
gion, Mid Ohio Sports Car Course
Lexington, OH. Register at
www.clubregistration.net

May 3rd Cars & Coffee, 9-11 am
at The Clarion Hotel, Newtown Pike

May 5th Board Meeting at Marik-
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May 18th Membership Social,
5:30-7:30 pm, place TBD

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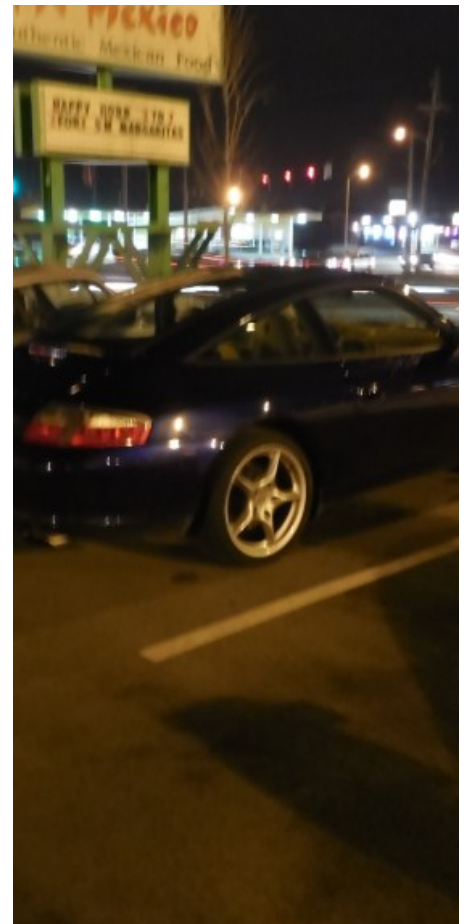
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