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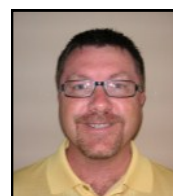
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**The Bluegrass Region PCA Board of Directors meets on the first Monday of each month Dinner and business at 5:30 p.m. Members are welcome. See calendar for details.**

# BOARD MINUTES

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**Patrick Meyer**  
*Director at Large*

## Bluegrass Porsche Club Board Meeting 4-7-2014 Minutes of the Meeting

The April Board of Director's meeting was held on 4-7-14 at Marikka's. President Ed Steverson called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

### Attendees:

Ed Steverson, Mason Wilson, Jamie Donaldson, Neil Fisher, Bob Lovejoy and Patrick Meyer

Ed directed that the minutes of the March Board of Directors meeting be sent to the Board and approved via email vote. The Board Reports followed.

Vice-President's Report: Mason Wilson commented the latest Tech Session at Foreign Affairs went well and once again was very well attended. A big "thank you" goes out to Jim Brandon for organizing it. There were 13 people in attendance at the Tech Session.

There was no Secretary's Report.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Lovejoy provided the latest information on the Club's checking account. Funds are currently at \$1,664.04. Ed noted that the Club will be receiving a reimbursement from the National PCA in the coming quarter and that summertime is when advertising fees are received. As such we expect to see the Club's account balance increase by the end of summer.

Activities Report: Ed and others commented that the April Cars and Coffee (back once again at the Clarion Hotel)

was very well attended and seems to be gaining in popularity among the local car clubs. It was noted that the coral area where we typically park the cars was full and that some members parked in adjacent areas. It was noted that several members of the local Corvette Club were in attendance. The group agreed that we will continue to have the Cars and Coffee event at the Clarion Hotel for the foreseeable future, but potentially moving to an indoor location in the latter part of the year (as was the case this past winter). The next three activities on the docket include:

Pot Luck Dinner (April's Club Social) on April 13 at David and Patricia Patrick's home.

Diners, Dives and Porsche Drives event on April 26. This will be a drive followed by a lunch stop at Windy Corner in Paris, KY.

Cars and Coffee on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Clarion.

The Club will also have a winery drive and a membership celebration later in the summer. As always, details on all upcoming events can be found in the Rumble or via email blast.

Track Report: Bob Lovejoy reported that there wasn't much track-related activity in the first quarter but mentioned more events will be forthcoming in the summer.

Tech Report: There are plans for a Tech Session on May 10 at Lugnutz. More details to follow. There was no Safety Report.

Newsletter Report: Neil is finishing the April Rumble and plans to have it sent out this week. As always, members are requested to submit articles, pictures, etc. to Neil.

Membership Report: Tim McNeely

sent a membership update to Ed. Ed reported the Club has two new members:

Russell Collins of Winchester, KY, with a 2001 Porsche 911 Carrera  
Ron & Key Mobley of Versailles, KY with a 1984 Porsche 944

This brings the membership to 113 regular members, 76 family and affiliate members, for a total of 190 members.

There was no Historian's Report.

Old Business: Ed lead a discussion about the Club's website and suggested we work with an outside contractor (Tommy Shelburne of Eyecandy Visuals) to get a website re-design project underway. Ed received a quote from Mr. Shelburne in the amount of \$500 to get such a project started. A motion was made and seconded to approve the \$500 expenditure. The motion carried. Ed will coordinate next steps with Mr. Shelburne, who will be invited to attend the next Board of Director's meeting for a more in-depth discussion of the project.

New Business: There was additional discussion about the growth of the Cars and Coffee event, with the members agreeing it was best to simply continue having the event at the Clarion Hotel for the foreseeable future. Ed shared some details about the Lugnutz organization and ownership, the site of our upcoming May Tech Session.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Submitted by:  
Patrick Meyer Director at Large



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## President's Message

By Ed Stevenson

**S**pring is just getting started and so are the club events!

Wow! On April 5th we had our first outdoor Cars & Coffee and the attendance was one of the largest ever. The main lot was full and many cars parked in the rear lot. As a reminder, Cars & Coffee is on the first Saturday of each month at The Clarion Hotel on Newtown Pike in Lexington 9-11.



The May 3rd Cars & Coffee attendance also showed the same kind of attendance. I spoke to several first timers. This is becoming a big event for the Central Kentucky car people. We have door prizes at each C&C and I would like to thank Lee and Betty Wegner, Neil Fisher, and Jamie Donaldson for their generosity over the months. Please let me know if you have something to contribute for future prizes.

Our April Social was hosted by David and Patricia Patrick. The club provided the meat, Jamie Donaldson was the grill meister and attendees brought a dish.

On April 13th Kettering Court was full of Porsches. Many thanks to the Patrick's for inviting us into their home. It's always a great time on Kettering Court.



### Upcoming events

On Saturday May 10th, Lug Nutz Auto Club has invited us to their facility for a tech session and refreshments. We will have the opportunity to put our cars on a lift and check them for the summer driving season. We will begin at 10:00 and stay till around 1:00.

RSVP by 5-to David Patrick at [ptrckdvd@yahoo.com](mailto:ptrckdvd@yahoo.com).

Wanna go to a movie premiere? Let me tell you what is SUPER COOL about this Premiere, it will be for Horsepowered, The Keeneland Concours! What a great time this will be. Kentucky Theatre has recently went through a renovation, and a film about the concours is gonna be awesome, we might even see a few club members! Seating is limited and RSVP's should go to Ken Hold- 859.396.3502 or [slant@twc.com](mailto:slant@twc.com). I'm really looking forward to this one!

Mark your calendars for May 15th at the Kentucky Theatre, doors open at 6:30 and show at 7:15.

I'm pleased to tell you that we have hired a designer and are currently working on a long overdue website redesign!

Keep an eye on our [events calendar](#) for some great events!



Hope you can come out soon and have some fun!

Drive it,

Ed



## **The 59th Annual Porsche Parade June 15-21, 2014 Monterey, California**

The 59th annual Porsche Parade, PCA's annual convention, will be held in Monterey, California June 15-21, 2014. It is a week-long extravaganza of competitive events, tech sessions, social events and FUN.

**Registration begins April 1, 2014**, and links for registering will be provided on [pca.org](http://pca.org) and [parade2014.pca.org](http://parade2014.pca.org) at that time. Keep checking [parade2014.pca.org](http://parade2014.pca.org) for information on events.

The Hyatt Regency Monterey will host many of Parade's staples (Goodie Store, Tech Sessions, the Art Show, etc.) and two of our five banquets. Three of the banquets will be held at various offsite locations. We have blocks of rooms available at five local hotels, and anticipate that many people will stay throughout the area. Discount rates for Parade entrants for hotels will be available upon the completion of registration. We look forward to a spectacular event, and hope you will join us!

### **QUESTIONS**

If you have questions regarding Parade, please consult the Parade website at [Parade2014.pca.org](http://Parade2014.pca.org). If you are unable to find your answer there, email Kathleen Behrens, Parade Registrar at [registrar@pcaparade.org](mailto:registrar@pcaparade.org) or call 503.579.3423 (please leave a message).





# TRACK TIME

BY BRANT D. NYSTROM

**T**rack season is upon us. It's time to grab a new set of track tires and sign up for your favorite driver education (DE) or racing series event.

This month, we'll concentrate on the learning process. The combination of knowledge, training, and technology all play a part in your track-day experience. Whether you are a first-timer or a seasoned professional, we all want to progress quickly, improve our performance, and strive for a class win or simply a nod of approval from our coach or buddies.

While I am by no means a certified expert in human learning or sports psychology, in my years driving, racing, and instructing for PCA there are a few nuggets of information that I have learned along the way. Most of my learning came from two sources, people (my buddies, competitors, and instructors), and my age-old partner trial-and-error. In the end, your method of learning is really unimportant; it's the results that count. Plus, as I grow wiser, it is abundantly clear to me, that people learn in different ways, and what works best for me doesn't necessarily work best for everyone, or anyone else.

Learning to be good at track driving starts with some basal characteristics of self. To truly learn well, you have to be **MOTIVATED** to do so. If you really don't want to be a strong track driver, you will likely succeed. So assuming the truly uninterested wouldn't have progressed to this point in the first place, I can assume you are motivated. Next we need a process for

finding good information, absorbing such information, and then reinforcing that absorption in order to retain it for the long haul. As if learning alone is not complex, track driving is also a physical activity, so elements of conditioning, practice, and repetition come into play as well. Finally, we should not forget the inhibitors and barriers to learning and driving success. Fear is biggie in motorsports. The fear of speed, wrecks, physical harm, or overcoming a previous bad experience can completely undermine one's ability to make progress.

Okay, enough philosophy, let's just dive in...

## Before Your First Event:

Before you ever drive out into a paddock, there is a ton of learning that can and should take place to ensure your first event is successful. Arrive at the track with a basic working knowledge of a racetrack, race-craft, safety procedures, and the specific layout of the track you'll be attending. There are an endless array of racing technique books available online. Buy a few (most are inexpensive and easy-to-read) and read them cover-to-cover, maybe even twice. Be sure to know your flags and terms like turn-in, apex, and track out long before attending event number one. Also, any information that enhances your knowledge of vehicle dynamics and engineering will be invaluable throughout your driving career.

To have a working knowledge of the layout and pace of the track you'll be driving, watch videos.

YouTube can be a great resource for the track enthusiast. I am sure you can find in-car video for any racetrack on earth, and most track websites provide a track map. Download a few videos and watch them while following along on the track map. You can even find a few of my personal in-car videos by searching "NytroStorm" on YouTube.

Taking time to fully know and understand the basics of track driving is critically important. Not only does it prevent incident and injury, but you can't progress to the individual stylistic elements of driving until these basics have been committed to your subconscious.

## During Your First Few Events:

Any quality event will require classroom training for novice drivers, and all drivers will be required to attend a drivers meeting (even in pro racing). While classroom training can be hard to stomach on your track 'vacation time', and even harder when your nerves are on overdrive, and even worse when you look out the window and see the instructors flying around the track, it is critically important to pay attention. Every training session will reinforce information you already know, and likely provide some that you didn't. Every event has event-specific procedures that you must be aware of.

While driver's meetings seem to be the chic place to catch up on email, avoid the temptation and pay attention. This sport only works if we're all on the same page and under-





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stand the rules. Every year, we witness an incident that stems from a momentary lack of attention or failing to yield to piece of good advice (be sure to let your tires warm up a little longer on cold mornings is a good one).

If you have an instructor, appreciate them. This is the only sport where you can receive a weekend of quality, 1-on-1, hands-on instruction by a proven expert. If you continue on in competitive driving, they'll be gone before you know it, and your free resource will be lost forever. Instructors are all different, and thank goodness that they are. Listen to each and every one of them. Try their lines (even if your buddy thinks its wrong), and follow their approach. There is so much to learn by driving with different styles, and with different perspectives. To this day, I always learn something new by having another driver ride along with me; getting them in the car is much more difficult now.

## At The Track:

Of course, there is a ton to learn at the track. Be sure to take time to check out the paddock and all the cars at the event. If the event offers a warm-up session or track walk early in the morning, take advantage of it. You will be glad you did. Also, be sure to watch the sessions you're not running in. Observe the lines other drivers are using, their car's capabilities, and the lap times they are running – yes, use your watch or smartphone to track lap times. You would be amazed how slow some of the ap-

parently fast cars run, and how fast some of the seemingly slower cars can go.

Speaking of lap times, I believe it is a great idea to get an in-car lap timer early in your driving career. How else can you tell if you're making progress and getting faster? Judging your speed based on feel or based on your progress versus other cars is highly inaccurate, and usually just wrong.

Your best sources of information at the track are the other drivers. You will likely hear the saying, "never trust anyone in racing", and in many ways that is true, but I am confident you will quickly find some buddies to talk shop with. Additionally, take advantage of the instructor crew at DE events. As a whole, instructors tend to be really approachable and nice guys. Ask any questions you may have including the stupid ones. Likely, we have all had the same question and will gladly answer (maybe with a little chuckle). Through time, you will build an extended social circle full of informative folks. Great Resource!

## In Between Events:

Even in the off-season and between events you can advance your driving skills. In addition to the books and videos mentioned above, don't underestimate the value of keeping fit on your driving capabilities. Also, most of us have a PlayStation or Xbox sitting around. Use it! There are some fantastic driving simulators out there and even a few online racing

leagues. These will help you to learn tracks, practice an infinite number of lines and approaches, and perhaps best of all, they help you to understand pace and focus.

Whether at an event or at home for an extended period, keep your head in the game. In the end our brain is our greatest weapon. We all have crazy learning curves and you never know just when inspiration will strike and provide you a huge advancement in lap times.

Well, I could go on for days, but for now I'll just leave you with this. Attitude is the key to growth. A close friend of mine once said, "always believe you can go faster, anyplace on the track, any turn, any straight." He was right. In the end believe in yourself and your ongoing ability to get faster and optimize your driving efficiency. You can and will get faster!

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:

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# MEMBERSHIP NEWS



Tim  
McNeely  
Membership  
Chair

## 190 members!

**N**o new members this past month. What's with that? Usually spring brings some new blood in. Maybe we'll get twice as many next month...sure hope so.

Our membership is at 114 Regular Members and 76 Family & Affiliate Members, making our total membership 190.

Lots of stuff on the calendar....come out soon and join us for an event!!!

Also, please recognize the following Member Anniversary dates:

Lee Kerley	1996
Stan Simmons	1998
Tim McNeely	2003
Mark Kidd	2004
John Downs	2005
Mike Spirito	2006
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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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Contact David with Porsche related event news: ptrck-dvd@yahoo.com

**May 10th** Tech Session at Lug Nutz Auto Club 391 United Ct, Lexington. 10 am-12 pm.

**May 15th** Horsepowered Premier at KY Theatre, 6:30 pm-8:30 pm. RSVP to Ken Hold at [slant@twc.com](mailto:slant@twc.com).

**May 18th** Membership Social, 5:30-7:30 pm, Grey Goose in Midway

**May 20th** Porsche Macan Launch at Bluegrass Motorsport 4720 Bowling Blvd

Louisville, KY  
6-9 pm RSVP to [macan@bluegrassauto.com](mailto:macan@bluegrassauto.com)

**Jun 2nd** Board Meeting at Marikka's, 5:30-7:30 pm

**Jun 7th** Cars & Coffee, 9-11 am, Clarion Hotel, Newtown Pike

**Jun 7th** Diners Dives & Porsche Drives, location TBD

**Jun 8th** Ault Park Concours, 3600 Observatory Ave, Cincinnati, OH  
More details to come

**Jun 14-15** DE Alabama Region, Barber Motorsports Parkway, Birmingham, AL. Register at [www.clubregistration.net](http://www.clubregistration.net)

**Jun 15-21st** Porsche Parade Monterey CA see page 7 for details

**Jun 28th** Annual winery drive to Elk Creek Winery in Owenton, check calendar on website for details

**Jun 28th** Red Brick Reunion, Oxford Oh, see flyer on page 27

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

**Jul 7th** Board Meeting at Marikka's, 5:30-7:30 pm

**Jul 17-20th** Keeneland Concours, Paddock Challenge

**Jul 25-27th** P2O at Granville OH, pre-registration starts March 1st, check out <http://p2o.morpca.org/>

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# Cars & Coffee

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# Diners Dives and Porsche Drives!

By: David Patrick



What do you get when you throw a detour in with a caravan of 356's, 930's and all manner of 911's and a great lunch location? Well when the weather is perfect and you have 18 or so Porsche nuts you get a fantastic way to spend part of a Saturday morning.

On Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup> we had our first drive of the year. We met at the Clarion Hotel on Newtown Pike in Lexington and took a short drive through Scott and Bourbon Counties to end up back in Fayette at Windy Corner for lunch.

As I pulled off of the interstate on the way to meet at the hotel there was the ominous sight of police cars all over the south bound entrance ramp. A semi had turned over on the ramp! As we were meeting and waiting on members to show up for the drive, Neil and Michael told me that Newtown Pike was a parking lot. Along with the detour

traffic from the semi mishap the Rolex 3 Day Event was happening at the KY Horse Park. So I had to change our route. We had to trade the beautiful drive up Newtown Pike toward Georgetown for I-75. Boring!

Luckily it was a beautiful day and the rest of our drive through the country reminded me how fortunate we are to live in such a beautiful part of the USA! Horse country is unique with its' rolling hills and huge oak savannahs.

We had 15 cars in the caravan. From a 356 cab, early 911's, a salt and pepper set of Slant Nose 930's, Boxster's, 996's and 997's. A total of 18 Bluegrass members made the trip.

As we arrived at Windy Corner we parked across the road in the gravel lot. We arrived at the perfect time.....no one in line and plenty of empty tables. It was a perfect day so we chose to sit outside on the picnic ta-

bles. Some had lunch and some had brunch but we all enjoyed the food!

There were plenty of stories and talk of favorite driving roads. We got to meet some new friends and enjoy each others' company. Again it's not just the car's it's the people!

I plan on hosting several of these Saturday drives this year that we are going to call Diner's, Dives and Porsche Drives. Keep an eye on the Rumble and calendar on the web site for upcoming events. We hope to see you at an event soon! Thanks to everyone who made this drive with us....you made my day!

Drive It Like You STOLE It!  
David

# Diners Dives and Porsche Drives!

By: David Patrick





# Diners Dives and Porsche Drives!

By: David Patrick





# April Membership Social



**On April 13th David and Patricia Patrick hosted our membership social at their home. We had a pot luck pitch in and the club provided the meat for the grill. We had a nice turn out and the weather was perfect. Thanks to the Patrick's for hosting and also to Jamie Donaldson for operating the grill.**







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