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Are you ready? Do you have your calendar all lined out?

Well like I told you it would last month, it's getting warmer! Could it be because the Cats won a game? No!! It's because we're getting to that Porsche time of year in Kentucky. As you can probably tell from the volume of messages on chat, the trackies are really getting restless. It's a real charge to see the increase in numbers of Bluegrass folks who have been bitten by the "Track Bug". If you think you might be interested in learning more about Driver Education, check our published track schedule and contact anyone who is attending an event. These folks will "steer" you to the right event for you. A couple of great contacts in the club are Benson Miller our Track Chair, and Gary Hackney our resident "trackspert".

If you are interested in car shows, we've got at least 4 good ones on the schedule. Again look on our calendar and contact the event chair to get the best scoop on each show. We've got everything from the prestigious Ault Park show in Cincinnati, to the social BBQ blast with the Tennessee Tubs in Nashville to our annual signature event at Keeneland.

And don't forget the drives. Ed Steverson is already working a KY Speedway/Belterra drive. Tim and Trish McNeely are getting their annual drive scheduled to a new winery. (The only way Tim could be happier is if he could schedule a visit to a cigar factory on the way!). We are also working hard on a new drive and event at the Horse Park. More info to come on this one.

Sooo, get your P-car ready for more fun than any one person can have. The great part of being in our club is that there are already club members who enjoy the same activities you do. And, if you want to experience new Porsche activities there are plenty of folks who would enjoy sharing their expertise with you. Your participation is what makes our club great for all of us. You don't need to attend every event we've got planned, but come on out and join us in the ones that torque your interest.

See ya at an event soon.

Just for the fun of it!

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Editors Column by Ed Steverson

I think the weather is just about to turn for the good, and I'm excited! Top down country roads at XXX mph! What fun!

Along with the nice weather comes the most active time of the year for the club. I'm looking forward for the chance to see some cool cars and some friends again. There are several events already scheduled and we are open to suggestions for new ones. Check out Mark's activities calendar in this Rumble and if you have any suggestions for future activities, give Mark a call. I do not have all the details, but it looks like the guys and gals at POL will have something else for us to do in April. I will get the full details to Mark as soon as I have them. They will then be added to the calendar online, place in April's Rumble, and a chat will go out in email. Hey don't forget you can always check out what's happing with the club at our web address: bgs.pca.org.

We still have a possible additional position within the club. That would be a historian for lack of better terms. Someone that would be interested taking photos, collecting photos shot by others, and archiving them. This would be a valuable position for the club. If any of you have an interest in being more active with the club, enjoy photography, and would like to try out the historian position, call Ken Hold at 859.396.3502 or myself at 502.320.2655 to discuss. See you soon!

Drive it, Ed



Membership by Tim McNeely

Unfortunately, we did not sign up any new members this past month. Our membership stands at 116 members (assuming we get 8 renewals this month), 75 Family Members, and 6 Affiliate Members. Join me recognizing the following

Member Anniversary dates:

Jim Brandon	1998
P.R. Gerrow	2001
Bruce Cobb	2002
Becke Cleaver	2003
Ed Gridley	2003
Jerry Woodward	2004
Mike Shepherd	2005
Paula Hollingsworth	2006
Tim Howard	2006
Rex Lantz	2006
Clyde Sloan	2006

Upcoming Club Events

Board Meeting, March 5th

Board Meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George. For more details contact Ken Hold 859.396.3502

Membership Meeting, March 18th

Membership Meeting, 5:30pm, Portabello's Richmond Road Lexington. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

Drive the Track at Kentucky Speedway and Belterra Casino Drive April 21st.

Drive the Track at Kentucky Speedway and Belterra Casino Drive. For more details contact Ed Steverson 502-320-2655. Please RVSP by April 7th. We will meet at Jim's Seafood on Wilkinson Blvd. in Frankfort at 10am, Drive to the track and continue to Belterra for lunch and a quick try at luck!

Visit to Jas's garage

BGR Member Jas Dhillion has graciously offered to host a spring event for the club at his home/garage. The date is June 2. We will start at 3 as a social visit while admiring everyones cars, early evening we will enjoy a meal followed by a movie. You won't wanna miss this one! Mark your calendar. Below are some teasers of some of the occupants of his garage.





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On the cover

2008 Cayenne at Porsche of Lexington



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Track Action by Benson Miller



Driver's Education - Why Participate?

Before getting into the main focus of my article, there is an important change in the PCA Standard regarding seats and restraints for PCA Driver Education Events. The PCA Standard has always required the driver and instructor to have the same restraint (seat belt) system. Factory supplied seat belt systems are OK and meet the requirement (remember...you're not racing in a DE...just driving fast). But, if you are like me and installed a racing seat and harnesses then the Standard change may apply to you.

Harness Standard revised 2/15/07

Harness Systems

If the participant chooses to install a 5/6 point driving harness (four point systems are not safe and therefore not allowed) several changes to the automobile must be made to create a safe occupant restraint system. Harnesses must include an antisubmarine strap and be mounted in an approved manner consistent the manufacturer's instructions. The Harness system must be used in conjunction with a seat which has the supplied routing holes for the shoulder and anti-submarine belts. All pieces of the restraint system must be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

This means that a seat is required to have the proper routing holes for the harness as supplied by the seat manufacturer for the shoulder and anti-submarine straps. The shoulder straps should be mounted at 90 degrees to the axis of your spine or at most 40 degrees down from horizontal. Because the addition of the harness system means that the occupants are fastened upright in the vehicle, a properly padded roll bar or roll cage is strongly encouraged to complete the SYSTEM. The use of one without the other may result in an unsafe environment and is not a COMPLETE SYSTEM. Due to UV degradation and wear the harness webbing must be replaced every five years.

Unfortunately for me, the seats I purchased a couple of years ago for my 930 do not have the anti-submarine routing holes so I need to replace them.

Now, on with the article: Drivers Education - Why Participate? It has been interesting to meet new people and talk about why they are at the track. Occupations have ranged from a Joint Chief of Staff in the U.S. government to a college student. Some of my most memorable conversations follow:

College Student: A couple of cars down from me in the paddock was a father/daughter team. The dad owned an older 911 and his daughter had only been driving for a couple of years. Her mission was to learn fundamental driving skills. In the first class room session it was clear that she was really nervous about getting out on the race track, as were most of the other 10-12 first time attendees. It was amazing to see the transformation that took place in her during the weekend. She started out as the slowest driver in the run group and ended up as the slowest driver in the run group. But, her driving confidence level soared. The two of them had a great father/daughter weekend and she learned things about driving her dad's Porsche that simply can't be learned safely on the streets. He may actually let her take "his baby" out for a drive by herself after watching her handle the car so safely on the track.

Track Action by Benson Miller Continued

Retiree: With his gold chains, trophy wife, and beautifully restored 911, I had all kinds of pre-conceptions running through my mind when this fellow approached me: "I just purchased my first Porsche and I'm wondering how long you have had yours?" It turns out that he was good guy with a lifelong dream to own a Porsche. He had spun it out trying to avoid an animal in the road and realized that rear-engine cars handle very differently when you suddenly turn and brake at the same time. As a first time DE attendee, he wanted personal instruction on proper driving techniques for 911s and he eagerly sought advice from us long-time 911 owners. Although his wife seemed a bit bored with the weekend, he had a blast. He particularly enjoyed the classroom sessions that helped him understand why rear-engine cars handle so differently and what he should avoid doing with the steering wheel when braking hard. Being able to safely practice the concepts on the track was icing on the cake.

Joint Chief of Staff: I would never have known about the powerful position this unassuming guy held unless I had asked what he did for a living. He drove a new 996 Turbo and was a seasoned DE participant. His motivation for being there was simple, "Being out on the track is a total diversion and stress reliever for me. I enjoy the people and forget about everything else for the weekend."

Amateur Racers: Around 10-20% of the DE drivers are amateur racers. They drive in the "expert" run group and have a wide variety of cars. While they say they are there to tune their cars and get more track time, it looks to me like they enjoy the camaraderie even more. It reminds me of a high school reunion where old friends get together and share their stories and passion. They definitely enjoy "running down" the other guys and gals in their group, forcing them to give a wave-by to pass.

For Me: I just love to haul ass and push the limits. I raced go karts when I was a kid, built a dune buggy, and raced downhill and giant slalom skiing. I've owned my 930 turbo for more than 20 years and have only gotten one speeding ticket in it. The adrenalin rush when the turbo kicks in is fantastic and my head is constantly battling the frustration of being a safe driver on the roads. I have too much to lose to be an idiot on the roads and crash my car, hurt someone else, or end up in jail. So, for me, DEs provide a safe environment to explore the limits of my car and driving ability. My final lapping session last year was the first time I drove in the "expert" run-group. I spun-out twice...a very bad thing to do. It is very rare for anyone to spin during a DE and I was pushing my car way too hard. The first spin, I got flustered by a 996 turbo on my tail that I just knew I could pull away from. (Ya think?) Going into a sharp right hand turn I glanced into my rear view mirror (again) and the distraction caused me to miss my braking point. While spinning off into the grass I was very thankful no guard rails were in the way. My second spin was caused by going into another turn too fast trying to catch back up with the 996. In retrospect, I should have been courteous and waved-by the 996 so he could have fun and so I didn't have the distraction. Even more importantly, I should have left my ego parked at home and stayed focused on my driving skills rather than playing tag. My mission for 2007 is to better control myself, back-off from pushing the limits, and improve braking and consistency.

Track Action by Benson Miller Continued

As stated by the PCA, "The mission and purpose of the Driver Education Program is to provide a safe, structured and controlled teaching and learning environment. The PCA DE Program is designed so the participant can improve his or her driving abilities and acquire a better understanding of vehicle dynamics and driving safety at various tracks around the country." This mission means something different to each person who attends.

What would your mission be if you attended a DE?

Until next time, Benson

Tech Quiz

1. The first Porsche Parade enjoyed the presence of Porsche factory service reps that provided technical tips.

True or False

RPM 2004, page 4-T

- 2. The early days of PCA saw a group of members at local and national sports car races. Many PCAers who spent weekends racing their Porsches came out as winners, such drivers as:
- a.Bob Holbert and Lake Underwood
- b.Derek Bell and Vic Elford
- c.Manny Alban and Pete Tremper
- d.None of the above

RPM 2004, pages 4-5-a

- 3. In 1958, the Porsche Parade moved where?
- a.Miami
- b.Los Angeles
- c.New York
- d.Toronto

RPM 2004, page 5-c

4. For the 917-homologation review on April 21, 1969, the Porsche men extended a string the full length of a courtyard and used it to line up how many coupes?

a.10,000

b.500

c.1000

d.25

Excellence, Vol. 2, page 563-d

5. Bosch developed the fuel injection pump for the 917.

True or False

Excellence, Vol. 2, page 570-T

6. The Porsche Club of America is the largest non-factory-supported single marque sports car club in the world.

True or False

RPM 2004, page 7-T





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March 9-10 PCA DE at Barber Motorsports

Gary Hackney

March 15-17 American LeMans 12 Hour Race at Sebring Florida

http://www.americanlemans.com Gary Hackney, Benson Miller

March 16-18 PCA-Zone 2 DE at Virginia Intl. Raceway

http://zone2.pca.org/

March 24 Lee Grimes, 100-Speed at Putnam Park

http://www.100-speed.com Benson Miller

April 14-15 PCA-Ohio Valley Region DE at Mid-Ohio

http://www.pca.org/ovr/

Chris Martin, Benson Miller, Gary Hackney, Ken Hold, Greg Fishman Richard Lane, David Ratliff, John Strifling, Brian Cunningham Note: A group of us are renting a garage in case it rains. Several will leave early Friday morning in hopes of catching a ride with an instructor in the afternoon.

April 20-22 PCA-Central Indiana Region DE at Putnam Park

http://cirpca.org/

Bob Dawson, Sarah Dawson, Gary Hackney, Benson Miller

May 9-10 PCA-Northern New Jersey Region DE at Mid-Ohio

http://www.nnjr-pca.com

May 9-10 PCA-Peachstate Region DE at Road Atlanta

May 25-27 PCA-First Settlers Region DE at VIR

http://fst.pca.org/

June 23-24 PCA-Kentucky Region DE at Putnam Park

September 7-9 PCA-Potomac Region DE at VIR

http://www.pcapotomac.org

November 9-11 PCA-Northern New Jersey Region DE at VIR

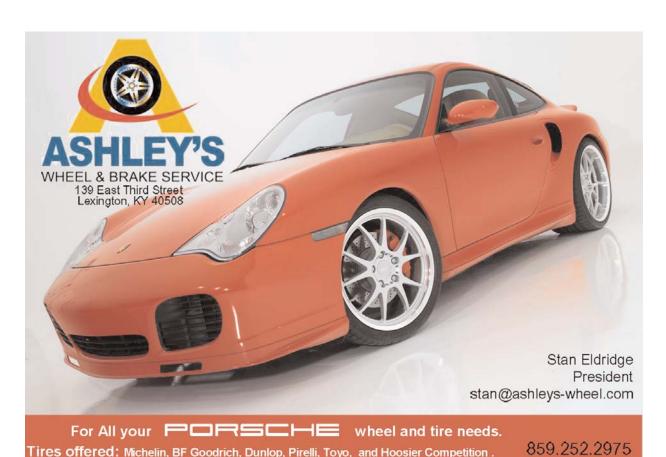
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Please send me an email with the events you plan on attending. I hope to have our event roster on-line sometime in March so keep me posted.

Benson

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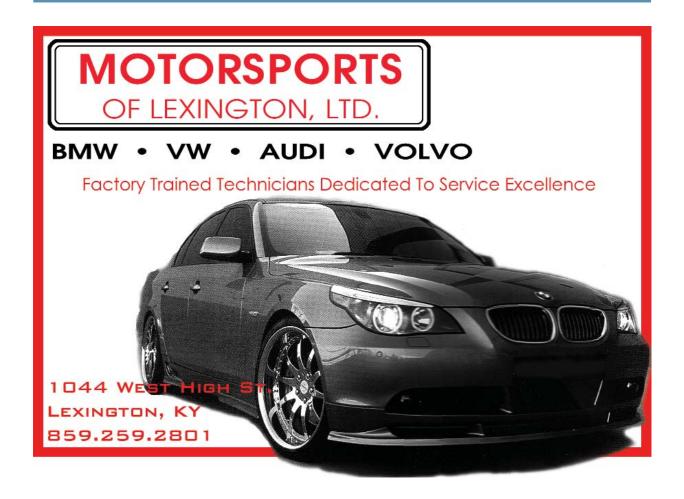




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Recent Club Events

The Porsche of Lexington Rewards of Winning Event. March 3rd by Ed Steverson

The new Cayenne has arrived! What a great time to have a party. On March third Porsche of Lexington hosted The Porsche of Lexington Rewards of Winning Event. The Grand Am Rolex from Mexico city race was broadcasted on a big screen and several Porsche race cars from the area were on display. Food was provided by Ruby Tuesdays. The attendance was strong and they even sold a Cayenne Turbo! Once again a very nice time. Thanks to all at Porsche of Lexington and if you are thinking about a 2008 Cayenne, drop in the dealership for a test drive!



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March

March 5, 2007: Board Meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

March 6, 2007: Registration for 2007 PCA Parade in San Diego Starts. March 9 & 10, 2007: *DE Event at Barber Motorsports hosted by Alabama Region PCA. Registration is online at ala.pca.org.

March 18, 2007: Membership Meeting, 5:30pm, Portabella's Richmond Road Lexington. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

April

April 2, 2007: Board Meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

April 14-15, 2007: *Ohio Valley Region DE at Mid Ohio.

April 15, 2007: Membership Meeting, 5:30pm, Portabella's Richmond Road Lexington. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502 April 20-21, 2007: *Spring Break DE/CIR Brake Event at Putnam, TBA April 21, 2007: Drive the Track at Kentucky Speedway and Belterra Casino Drive. For more details contact Ed Steverson 502-320-2655. Please RVSP by April 7th.

April 28, 2007: Hershey Swap Meet, Hershey Park, Hershey, PA. For more information contact Larry Woods or visit www.cpa-pca.org/swap/.

May

May 7, 2007: Board Meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

May 11-12, 2007: *PCA DE at Mid Ohio. TBA

May 19, 2007: Tennessee Tubs, Details to follow.

May 20, 2007: Membership Meeting, 5:30pm, Portabella's Richmond Road Lexington. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

* Not a Bluegrass Region Event.



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June

June 9, 2007: Board Meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

June 9- 10, 2007: *PCA DE at Mid Ohio. Driving until 8 pm each night to get 3 days of driving in 2 days.

June 9- 10, 2007: *Peachstate Region DE at Road Atlanta.

June 10, 2007: Ault Park Concours, For more information: www.cincy-concours.com. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502.

June 17, 2007: Membership Meeting, 5:30pm, Portabella's Richmond Road Lexington. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

July

July 2, 2007: Board Meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

July 15, 2007: Membership Meeting, 5:30pm, Portabella's, Richmond Road Lexington. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502 **July 28, 2007:** Porsches 2 Oxford, Details to follow. For more details contact Tim McNeely.

August

August 6, 2007: Board Meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

August 11, 2007: Indy Racing League at the Kentucky Speedway, For more information contact Lee Wegner

August 19, 2007: Membership Meeting, 5:30pm, Portabella's Richmond Road Lexington. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

August 25, 2007: Lexington Concours d' Elegance at Keeneland. Marquee car is Jaguar. For more information: www.keenelandconcours.com

September

September 3, 2007: Board Meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

September 16, 2007: Membership Meeting, 5:30pm, Portabella's Richmond Road Lexington. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

Activities calendar continued on page 18

* Not a Bluegrass Region Event.

October

October 1, 2007: Board Meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

October 6, 2007: Cumberland Falls Drive, Details to follow. For more details contact Tim McNeely.

October 20, 2007: Membership Meeting at Xalapa Farm. TBA For more details contact Ed Steverson 502-320-2655.

November

November 5, 2007: Board Meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502.

November 18, 2007: Membership Meeting, 5:30pm, Portabella's Richmond Road Lexington. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502.

November 30, 2007: Lighting of the distillery, Buffalo Trace Distillery Frankfort. Meet at McDonald's next to Brighton Place. Contact Ed Steverson for details 502-320-2655.

December

December 3, 2007: Board Meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George. For more details contact Ken Hold 859-396-3502

December 9, 2007: Christmas Dinner and Membership Meeting. Time and place TBA.

Please welcome Mark Doerr as our new activities coordinator.

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THANKS MARK!

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