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Cars And People



Glenn Cowan
Co-Editor

In May, my wife Kathy and I completed the 30th running of the New England 1000 Vintage Car Rally. We joined two other Potomac families, Tony and Cindy Pagonis and Linda and Craig Davidson, who will report on our adventure in a future DV.

Having recently retired, I have found time to think back on the 50 some years since college graduation. Family, work, travel, friends... and Porsche. The New England 1000 was another instance of how my life has been enriched by Porsche automobiles.

I bought my first car from a buying service while with the US Army in Vietnam – it wasn't a Porsche, but that Fiat 124 Sport Coupe (delivered on my return) was a first glimpse of what a performance car might be. Four years later I purchased a

924 Turbo Cabriolet, followed by eight other Porsches, one of which (continuing a tradition), I ordered on my 65th birthday while in Afghanistan. My 992 S Cabriolet remains a mainstay of my life – as were all the others. I am variably proud or ashamed to acknowledge that I miss my car when I am away!

I am certain that the role Porsche has played in my life has been spectacularly enhanced by my 35-year membership and active engagement in the Potomac region of PCA. Initially my membership consisted solely of reading this magazine. Then, under the leadership of Tony Pagonis, I became active in Autocross for many years. The Davidson's hooked Kathy and me on Rallying. Glenn Havinovski (Glennski to those who know us both) has led us on scores of Drive and Dines.

I am quite certain that I am not unusual in this relationship with sheet metal. In truth, many of you make me look like an uninformed amateur (Steve MacKellar, you know who you are) but I continue to try and learn!

Perhaps most significantly, first with Michael Sherman and now with Alan French, helping manage this magazine for nearly ten years has enhanced my Porsche life (and hopefully yours) beyond measure. It is my plan that it will continue to do so for some years.

None of my non-Potomac friends understand this "obsession" but give me a pass for whatever other attributes I may possess. Kathy variably forgives and/or tries to understand. DV

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What Does the Future Hold for PCA?

As the largest single-marque car club in the world, PCA experienced a record 6% growth in 2021 and now has more than 147,000 members in 147 regions throughout North America, organized into 14 zones. Twice a year, Zone 2 (our zone) holds a President's Meeting to discuss PCA National Strategy and to allow leadership from the 10 regions covering the Mid-Atlantic Area to discuss club activities and issues. It's a great way to get the pulse of the club on both a national and a regional level. Here are some highlights presented earlier this year by Aaron Ambrosino, PCA National Vice President.

PCA strategic initiatives include increasing marketing, engagement and impact across the regions, with a focus on four-door Porsche owners and PCA Juniors.

PCA wants to maintain the highest standards for PCA Media and

continue to improve the technical resources for members, as well as maintaining leadership in Porsche performance driving, e.g., in Club Racing, Drivers' Education, Autocross, and PCA Sim Racing.

In the regions, more coaching and leadership training will be available.

But PCA is also looking ahead to 2030, when 70% of all Porsches will have lithium-ion batteries, and is proactively addressing logistical and safety challenges for EVs on the racetrack, considering activities tailored for EV owners, and discussing the lack of charging stations now and the lack of access to petroleum-based fuel in the future.

PCA anticipates that by 2030, more members will prefer a digital experience, and is looking for ways to increase virtual engagement (i.e., YouTube, Sim Racing).

According to membership trends, PCA will grow to 200,000 total members by 2030, which may cause some regions to split to better provide activities to local members.

National events must continue to evolve and innovate, and PCA will continue to experiment with events such as ÜnSTOCK, a new car show for modified Porsches. New activities will bear new costs, which will mean increased registration fees and the need for more National professional staff.

One constant is what all regions in Zone 2 and across PCA share: We are fueled by volunteers and depend on members who contribute their time and expertise to our programs. We have a wealth of adventures ahead. Please join us in our journey! Contact president@pcapotomac.org to learn more about getting involved with the club! DV



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2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The information below is accurate as of date of publication. Check Potomac's website at pcapotomac.org for further information and the most up-to-date information.

JULY

-  **8-10**
Mid-Summer Drivers' Education
Summit Point, WV
-  **22-24**
Virginia Highlands Tour
Warm Springs, VA
-  **23**
Tech for Summit Point HPDE
Intersport, Ashburn, VA
-  **29-31**
PorscheFest HPDE
Summit Point, WV
-  **30**
Autocross #4 @PorscheFest
Summit Point-Washington, WV

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AUGUST

-  **12-14**
Dead President's Tour
Charlottesville, VA
- 13**
Food Bank Drive
@Dead President's Tour
- 21**
Gathering of the Faithful Concours
@Augustoberfest
Boonsboro, MD
- 27-28**
Lighthouse Tour
Solomons, MD

Incl uding Vets at PAX Museum
Lexington Park, MD

CLUB Announcements

CONGRATULATIONS

A big THANK YOU to four couples who celebrate many decades of membership:

40 Years - Phil & Nadette Boughton, Stanton & Kevin Fox

50 Years - Karen & Edward Fagan

55 Years - William & Beverly Tate

Thank you for your continued support.

SAVE THE DATE - FALL PICNIC

Sunday, Oct. 16. returns to Circle D Farm in Woodbine, MD

PCA PORSCHE PARADE IN THE POCONOS

The Potomac Region and members came away with several awards from entries in competitions at the Kalahari Resort. A full listing will be included next month.

POTOMAC MONTHLY BRUNCHES & LUNCHESES

Potomac brunches and lunches are an excellent way to (a) have a tasty meal, and (b) make new Porsche friends or renew old friendships. Meetings are low-key with no agenda.

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Potomac Program Highlights

AUTOCROSS



Duyane N. during his FTD winning run in his 911 996

The Watercross Edition

STORY BY: TESSA HALL

PHOTOS BY TESSA HALL & JORDAN STRAIT

If you ever doubted how much tires affect your car's handling while driving, you need to come out to the next "Watercross." A waterlogged Autocross Event #2 gave drivers a fantastic feel for how their cars performed in the wet. The original course event had to be redesigned in certain areas to avoid extra slick spots. (Safety is always our top priority.) With the event as safe as we could make it, we set out to have some fun driving in slippery conditions.

Duyane N. pulled FTD (fastest time of the day) in his 911 996 with

a 50.858 second run. His win shows what a fantastic driver he is, along with what a great rain car the 996 is, even on the summer tires Duyane used.

Juliana W. drove her father's 2012 Turbo S. She tore through the crowded ranks of the S5 class with AWD, all season tires, and a fantastic coach, John Bendekovic. At 17 years old, during her second ever Autocross event, Juliana took first place in S5.

Juliana's father, Ken, said later that he tried unsuccessfully to convince his wife to join him at Autocross. His son previously expressed interest but hasn't made it to an event. Once she was able to participate, Juliana jumped at the chance. As someone also in the S5 class, I am excited to see Juliana's progress.

Steve B. smartly swapped out summer tires for rain tires for the event. Steve supplied the wheels and tires for the event, while his girlfriend, Lexi V., supplied the 2011 Cayman S she just bought. The two shared the car during the event, with Steve adding a masculine touch to Lexi's hot pink number "55" with a dark blue "6" in front of it during his runs.

Autocross #2 Results

May 7th, 2022

Washington Circuit, Summit Point, WV

Fastest Times of Day

Rank	Class	First Name	Last Initial	Car	Best Time (sec)
1	P3	Duyane	N	Porsche 996	50.858
2	S4	Greg	K	Porsche Cayman S	51.265
3	S4	Rafael	G	Porsche Boxster S	52.52

Class Winners

Rank	Class	First Name	Last Initial	Car	Best Time (sec)
1	I	Damon	L	Porsche Cayman	53.566
2	I	John	C	Porsche 996 C4S	54.179
3	I	Robert	S	Porsche Boxster S	56.170
1	P3	Duyane	N	Porsche 996	50.858
2	P3	Lawrence	N	Porsche 996	53.544
3	P3	Phong	N	Porsche Boxster S	61.076
1	P4	Steve	B	Porsche Cayman S	52.785
2	P4	Alexis	V	Porsche Cayman S	56.636
1	P5	Roland	P	Porsche GT4	55.026
2	P5	Chris	R	Porsche Cayman R	60.049
3	P5	Scott	B	Porsche GT3 Touring	60.132
1	S1	John	W	Porsche 986	59.430
1	S2	Barbara	B	Porsche Boxster	59.422
1	S3	John	C	Porsche Cayman	52.989
2	S3	John	B	Porsche 997 Carrera	53.789
3	S3	Pam	C	211 Porsche Cayman	54.699
1	S4	Greg	K	Porsche Cayman S	51.265
2	S4	Rafael	G	Porsche Boxster S	52.520
3	S4	Patrick	C	Porsche Boxster S	52.784
1	S5	Juliana	W	Porsche 911 Turbo S	56.229
2	S5	Gary	B	Porsche GT4	56.940
3	S5	Tessa	H	Porsche GT4	57.106



Juliana Wojcik and her dad, Ken Wojcik, in front of his Turbo S

Gary Baker rode with me in our 2016 GT4 during the first two of my runs. He got kicked out after the second run because he started trying to coach me. Mr. "Add-More-Gas!" didn't realize how slick it was until he did his runs later.

I then rode with Gary during his first run. He did a lot of sliding. The only words I spoke while I rode with him were, "HA!" "See?" and, "I told you so."

I got kicked out after the first run.

This is a good time to remind you that you can always ask for a ride along with a coach to help familiarize yourself with the course. You can ask for a ride along before, during, or after your heat. (That also applies to other coaches.) It's fun to ride along with others. It helps you pick up on techniques you may not have considered.

My final thoughts for Watercross involve the value of experiencing a spin in your car. I've mentioned this before. It's incredibly informative in dry conditions to know just how much grip you have. This is doubly true in the rain. Some people cancel their registration if the weather is anything but sunny. I implore you to attend an Autocross no matter the weather.

Your Porsche is a wonderfully engineered piece of machinery. Autocross helps to teach you not only the limits of your Porsche, but what you can do to affect those limits. Tires matter – a lot. You can have plenty of tread on your tires, but if they're old they won't have as much grip in dry conditions compared to new rubber. A good set of summer tires feels great on back roads or maybe a run through Skyline Drive, but might get you in trouble on the way back if you run into stormy weather. Tire pressure can affect handling in the dry or the wet. Autocross teaches you more than you ever knew you should know about your car.

Come to Autocross to learn about your Porsche's capabilities, compete with your friends in a fun and safe environment, and set the stage for success wherever you drive next. **DV**



Beth White takes pics in grid, in the rain, with enthusiasm, as usual!



Scott B. in his GT3 Touring



Shawn full throttle up the esses

May 13–15, Watkins Glen International

*There really is nothing like
the long “climbing esses”
at the Glen*

**STORY BY SUSAN KIMMITT AND BOB MULLIGAN,
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Mid-May found many of us in PCA Potomac DE driving the roads to Watkins Glen, New York. This is the second year we have had the pleasure of being at this amazing track in spring rather than our later usual slot in the summer, and it seems to be a terrific time to be in the Finger Lakes Region. The track was in great shape as usual, the weather was great with rain only intermittently on the last day, and the event – including a well-attended track drive / walk on Friday evening – went off without a hitch.

For those of you who have not been to Watkins Glen International, it is a truly iconic grand-prix-level track located near the southern tip of Lake Seneca. This track has been the site



Donna peaks the crest in the esses in her wonderful 964 Euro Cup Car



Some prefer to wing it into the Boot



Track walk of "The Boot" - one of the course's most technical and thrilling turns!

of every type of car racing possible, including IndyCar, IMSA, NASCAR, SCCA, Vintage, and in the past, Formula 1. The area first gave enthusiasts a race course in 1948, when cars ran on 6.6 miles of local public roads; then a permanent dedicated course was developed and built in 1956.

Obviously, it has changed markedly over the decades and now is owned and managed by NASCAR. The present full circuit which we used for our DE is 3.377 miles with 11 turns, including "the boot." The NASCAR short course is formed by bypassing "the boot," resulting in a 2.45 mile 7-turn circuit.

There really is nothing like the long "climbing esses" at the Glen, or the long swooping outer loop leading down into the

"boot" segment of the track. You should strongly consider coming with us next year, and maybe grabbing an extra day to visit the vineyards or hike through the beautiful trails in the area. Once you come, you will return, we guarantee it!

This year, we had 161 drivers split among five run groups from beginning Green through advanced Red. We were able to successfully promote 17 drivers to a higher group during this event. Hope to see you at Summit Point, WV for one or more of our upcoming events. See the PCA Potomac website for more information on the Driver Education Program. DV



Karla about to give a point-by while heading down to the Boot



George takes Turn 3 in the esses

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Intermediate

Advanced



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The 38th Annual Deutsche Marque Concours d'Elegance

STORY BY GARY SIDELL, CONCOURS CHAIR

PHOTOS BY JOHN KLISH, GARY SIDELL, DIANE SULLENBERGER, CHARLENE TRUBAN

On Sunday, May 1, 2022, the 38th Annual Deutsche-Marque was held at Occoquan Regional Park. As in the past, Porsche cars on the field vastly outnumbered BMWs and Mercedes. Despite some last-minute angst concerning possible foul weather, a substantial crowd of visitors and exhibitors appeared for the event. Indeed, there were more cars and many more spectators than at the last Concours in September, 2021. Because we were able to persevere on this less than sunny day, we were able to complete all our judging and awards before the heavens unloaded with the rain that everyone feared would cancel the Concours. And the Pavilion roof provided just enough cover when we needed it so that only the cars got soaked, not us.

Forty-eight registered cars appeared with a few additional last minute entries, with about half each for display only and

to be judged. As always, all cars arrived spotless, representing an excellent cross section of the brand. Indeed, this year we even had a big red Porsche diesel tractor, which appeared courtesy of Sal Fanelli, who was awarded the original "One of a Kind" trophy. Sal had to bring his 318 (3 cylinder) Master when a part for his 418 (4 cylinder) did not arrive in time. This certainly gives a different perspective to ownership of multiple Porsches!

While we did not convince any Taycan owners to participate this year, we did have a full complement of all of the 11 other car categories, with some very special cars. While the awards are listed below with their owners and cars, the Best of Marque winner was an immaculate car with a gorgeous, if not flawless, re-paint job: a 1969 911E in Bahama yellow, as fully restored by Greg Schebish. Greg also was the winner



The mid air-cooled ('77-'89) category was won by Bob Guhtjar and Ellen Beck for their beautiful Byzantine Gold Metallic 911SC

with this car for the early air cooled (1964-1976) category, so he left with his hands full of trophies.

Other multiple winners included Pete Russell and his silver 1962 356B for both the 356 class and the Chairman's Award. Pete is the original owner of this car, which is approaching 300,000 miles on the clock – but you would never know it by looking at it (or Pete)! Bob Gutjahr and Ellen Beck were also multiple winners for their 1980 911SC in Byzantine gold metallic in the mid air-cooled category (1977-1989) and as the Most Significant Porsche award. Bob and Ellen were also gracious enough to act as 22% of our judging staff for the day. Our complete judging crew, under the able direction of John Truban, former Concours Chair, included Barry Deuel, Donna Brandt, George Mrad, Tarek Shamounki, Lewis Hauser,

Adrian Kessler and Darryl Nichols. We thank them for their efforts, because without their expertise, there would be no Concours – and for John's comedic relief that brightened our spirits on a cloudy day.

Our next "Concours" will be the Fun Concours at the annual picnic in October so watch for registration. While this will not involve the super clean car presentation of the Deutsche-Marque weekend, it will be one with completely humorous categories and is always a big draw. While not strictly a "concours" event, we will be having a highly curated show of cars as part of the festivities at PorscheFest on July 30, 2022 at Summit Point. Those cars that won their categories at the Deutsche-Marque, plus Grand Award winners, are invited to participate.



The 38th Deutsche Marque Concours Judges

CONCOURS



Two of the four Targas at Deutsche Marque this year



Sal Fanelli won the "One of a Kind" trophy for his Porsche 318 Master tractor



The Benjamin family: Robert, Jessica and Porsche driver to be, two month old Shep, appropriately attired for the occasion



The late air-cooled 911's (1990-1998)

Award Winners

38th Annual Deutsche Marque Concours d'Elegance

Occoquan Regional Park, VA

Grand Award	Name	Car	Color
Chairman's Award	Pete Russell	1962 356B	Silver
Best Design Award	Bob Borden	1972 911T	Grey
Most Significant Award	Bob Gutjahr	1980 911SC	Byzantine Gold Metallic
Best of Marque Award	Greg Schebish	1969 911E	Bahama Yellow
People's Choice Award	Kevin Roldan	2015 Cayman	White (with stripes)

Class Awards	Name	Car	Color
Outlaw	Tony Connor	1956 356A Peking to Paris Rally	Java Brown
914	Gary Sidell	1975 914	Ancona Blue
Boxster/Cayman	Don Arehart	2008 Boxster	White
924/928/944/968	Percy White	1990 944 S2	Red
Modern Production	Bob Manka	2021 Macan	Sapphire Blue
Current 911 (2012-Present)	John Klish	2014 911S	Gulf Orange
Modern 911 ('99-'11)	Darren Coleman	2011 911 cab	Red
Late air cooled ('90-'98)	George Mrad	911 GTS turbo	Speed Yellow
Mid air cooled ('77-'89)	Bob Gutjahr Ellen Beck	1980 911SC	Byzantine Gold Metallic
Late air cooled ('64-'76)	Greg Schebish	1969 911E	Bahama Yellow
356	Pete Russell	1962 356B	Silver
One of a Kind	Sal Fanelli	318 Master (Diesel tractor!)	Red



Tony Connor's Outlaw 356A, seen here, some 3,850 miles from Paris, France

The Concours Committee thanks those volunteers who assisted with sign placement, car direction and other assorted and sundry but important tasks (Don Arehart, Adrian Kessler, Bob Manka and Steve MacKeller), as well as the many members and friends who came out on a less than magnificent weather day to enjoy a vast collection of super clean and interesting Porsches! **DV**

COMMUNITY SERVICE



Don Keppler collecting Food Drive donations in his Panamera 4S

The second event is Porschefest where we have not one, but two charity activities. Track Heroes will attend the PorscheFest DE! The Track Heroes organization assists vets and first responders in managing their PTSD by creating a positive experience associated with a stressful situation (creating an alternate pathway from the stimulus response by adding an option to cognitively process instead of having a typical PTSD response). Simply put, they are using the DE environment to rewire the brain. Read more here: <https://trackheroes.org/treatment-method/>. Also at Porschefest, we will hold charity laps at the end of the day on Saturday to benefit the Jefferson County Meals on Wheels program.

The third event is gathering auction items for the big fundraiser for the Erin Levitas Foundation in September. If you would like to help hunt for auction items, please let us know ASAP! We would love to have you on the team! **DV**

OUT and ABOUT !

STORY BY PAT KAUNITZ

PHOTOS BY PAT KAUNITZ

Club members were OUT and ABOUT in May doing good things! A Drive and Dine group rendezvoused at Hunter's Head and gave food and cash to be donated to Seven Loaves Food Bank in Middleburg, Virginia. Many members signed up to participate in the Erin Levitas Foundation's Stroll and Roll at Camden Yards Sports Complex in Baltimore. Unfortunately, the first date was rained out (and rescheduled for June) but some folks, including our region president, chose to stroll on the original date anyway!

We have THREE "big deal" events approaching soon...

The first is Camp Porsche on Friday July 8th, a day of fun for local Summit Point kids as part of their week-long day camp through Parks and Recreation. With 35 (wow!) kids coming, we are revamping the whole program. Scavenger Hunt? Fun in the classroom? We hope to inspire these kids to love motorsports as much as we do!



Diane does Stroll and Roll on horseback

COMMUNITY SERVICE 2022



FRIDAY
JULY
8TH



35 Jefferson County, West Virginia youth will be joining us at Summit Point Motorsports Park for a Friday filled with fun and activities.

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Day of Info: Arrive by 4 pm, park your car, walk to grid to check in, sign waivers, and get instructions.

Collecting Auction Items



erin levitas
FOUNDATION



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Chairs: Pat Kaunitz & Don Keppler

DRIVE AND DINE



HUNTER'S HEAD AND BARREL OAK SPRING DRIVING FUN IN THE NOT-SO-SUN

STORY BY GLENN HAVINOVSKI, DRIVE & DINE CHAIR

PHOTOS BY GLENN HAVINOVSKI



Happy participants assemble outside of the Hunter's Head in Upperville, Virginia



Wine at the Barrel Oak Winery. Snacks provided by Chef Dory



Enjoying food at the Hunter's Head

May 2022, for much of the month, was noted for its crisp but dry spring weekdays and its rather soggy weekends. Fortunately, the Potomac Drive & Dine crew dodged most of the raindrops for a wonderful Saturday drive led by Steve Kaye and Dory Thomas (their first event lead) on May 14, which captured the highlights of numerous past drives throughout the deepest of Loudoun, Prince William and Fauquier Counties, along with new twists and turns.

Meeting at a usual spot near Manassas Community College, 40 participants in 20 cars began a 90 minute drive that took two groups of cars up and down southern Loudoun and northern Fauquier Counties till we ended up in Upperville at the historic Hunter's Head Tavern. Greeting the group was PCA Potomac Community Service co-chair Don Keppler, who had his Panamera's tailgate wide open to greet us. Participants provided food donations for Seven Loaves, a part of the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank.

Hunter's Head Tavern, located on the edge of Ayrshire Farm, is a 1700s farmhouse that now houses a "farm-owned Gastropub serving traditional, local, organic food and

heritage breed meats." Our group received its own dining tent in the back, where we enjoyed a mix of pub specialties as well as great conversation.

The two groups of cars (one group led by Steve/Dory and the other by D&D chair Glenn Havinovski and his wife Nancie) next took a quick 20 minute jaunt down to Barrel Oak Winery and Farm Taphouse in Delaplane, a charming place some distance off a country lane which parallels I-66 / US-17, and offers panoramic views from the patio that was reserved for the PCA Potomac gang. We enjoyed both the locally-produced wine and brews in a setting overlooking the foothills of the Shenandoah.

Leroy and Marilyn Mills, along with Alan and Jane Banks (on their first D&D event!) served as our intrepid sweepers.

Kudos to Dory and Steve for a great day, which some considered the best ever. They and others on the Drive and Dine Committee will attempt to top it with more events as the year goes on. DV



July means PorscheFest!

PHOTO BY MIA WALSH

PORSCHEFEST PREVIEW

BY MICHAEL KAUNITZ, CHIEF DRIVER AMBASSADOR & PORSCHEFEST COORDINATOR

Summer is here and for those of us who love to gather with our fellow Porsche lovers there are so many opportunities with all the varied programs that PCA Potomac runs. By far the biggest event of the summer is our PorscheFest event being held on July 30th at Summit Point Motorsports Park. This annual event brings together participants from many different programs into a single location where we can all experience all those programs and socialize with the broader PCA Potomac community at the dinner that caps the day.

As always, the event is hosted in the main paddock at Summit Point Motorsports Park where a Driver's Education event will be held. This is a great opportunity to walk through the paddock and see everything from regular street cars to PCA race cars and even a few Porsche factory race cars, then wander out to the track and watch the cars in their native habitat!

Just a few hundred feet from the paddock, the Autocross program will be running an event as well – a really excellent environment to see drivers testing themselves and their cars around a low-speed course defined by traffic cones. Also this year, for the low price of \$1 you can get a "Taste of Autocross" by riding along with an experienced instructor!

But wait – There's more! Drive and Dine will have an event that ends at the track; we will have a car display from the Concours crew; and we will have a diecast car vendor. Wrapping up the day will be Charity Laps on the main circuit, and finally our big social hour and dinner under the big tent.

Go to the activity pages on the Potomac website for details about individual program events and also scan the QR code below to register for the dinner and get your own commemorative t-shirt. DV



Scan here to register for the dinner and get your T-shirt

September 16-18

Summit Point, WV

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Saturday, July 16th!!

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Potomac HPDE Instructor Program

WORDS BY SUSAN KIMMITT, DE CO-CHAIR

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Those of us who have been part of PCA Potomac's instructor corps believe that it has developed into an incredibly strong gem of a program. This has been achieved not through random luck and serendipity, but rather from focused and directed thought, assessment, and activity. Our chief instructors have carefully formed a group of individuals with similar goals and standards in our interactions with students, gradually and with increasing focus on how and what to communicate to our student drivers by assessing what works and what doesn't. Reinforcement of these ideas and approaches happens by communication between students and instructors, and ongoing surveillance by the chief instructors of how things are going during and after our events.

As a cornerstone of this program, we devote a lot of thought and work to identify advanced drivers who might become instructors. Our instructor development team, led by Jay Smith and our chief instructors, has developed a process of mentoring these folks. This includes discussing this option with them and using a fairly lengthy time during the season to gradually provide instruction on how to instruct. These instructor candidates spend time at multiple events talking to experienced instructors who help the candidates to develop the skill set needed to instruct from the right seat. This process includes extensive exposure to right-seat ride-alongs and trial instruction to the experienced instructors, who can catch what might need help and fine tune what is

right. Communication on how these candidates progress and the support they need is ongoing through the season. This yields a group of instructor candidates ready to be tested against criteria developed by PCA National. The "National Instructor Day" usually happens at our first DE (Drivers' Education) of the season, and through this day, the final candidates are provided a last round of classroom instruction and testing on what they have learned and how they are able to perform during in-car instruction. Once they pass this testing day, they will be given a National Instructor Number from PCA National, and they will be seen in student cars with communicators and big smiles.

Frequently asked questions about our instructor program:

Why become an instructor? There are several reasons. First, many of us enjoy sharing our love of this sport with others. It is very rewarding to work with a driver on the track and see him or her understand and feel what we teach. These students often become friends and grow the community that we all enjoy at the track events and beyond. Next, most of us feel a need to pay back into the system that taught us and provided us with so many fun-filled hours and days. The DE community cannot exist without growing and evolving, and it is exciting to be part of this.

What makes a good instructor? This is a judgment call, but I would say that the instructor must have advanced driving skills and, equally important, good communication



Eyes Up For Our Instructor Corps

RAMBLINGS BY ALAN FRENCH, HPDE STUDENT, ALWAYS

There are skilled performance drivers, and there are skilled educators, but a good DE Instructor has significant competence in both. As a DE student, I see in the paddock, and the right seat of my car, those who have an innate ability, that started teaching their friends how to go faster in a pedal car at kindergarten. But it's more complicated than that...

Imagine being asked to coach someone around a track from a pool of timid to aggressive drivers, that have different learning styles, with cars from an ever-increasing gamut of Porsches (and other marques), including vintage marvels, 2022 rocket ships, EV's, and race cars! Could you drive a car safely from the right-seat using words and hand signals alone?

Clearly, natural ability helps, but to build an instructor corps that can support the huge variety of demands requires an excellent development program.

For the past couple of months, instructors have shared generously with me, their thoughts and experiences. My appreciation of their role and capabilities has grown considerably. There are no secret handshakes required to get these insights – you just need to ask.

Here are just three insights that demonstrate the complexities and capabilities of our instructor corps:

Matching student with instructor – this is not an automated process. It is NOT random. The Chief Instructors spend time matching the needs of the student with the capabilities of the instructors at the event. Considerations include the platform, i.e., Cayman/Boxster/911, vintage/modern, road/race car. Gender – some students express a preference, and special skill requirements like languages, including sign-language for deaf students, and race skills for those who want to go and Club Race.

Communication – your instructor selects the right language at the right cadence (what & when on track you need it). Consider a sequence of turns that you navigate in say, 20 seconds – your instructor must use the most efficient and effective words (and/ or hand signals) at just the right time. One anecdote shared by Kurt Leta, from a session he had with Bill Calcagno, included the line “I don't use the word, great! If you think you heard me say it, I actually said BRAKE!”.

Observation – communication includes non-verbal behaviors. Instructors diagnose issues and opportunities from the feel of the car, and the observation of student inputs to the car to provide corrective coaching. For example, why did the car slide? Why is the car not slowing fastest enough? Why did the traction control engage?

Henry Ford said, “Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young.”

I thank our instructors for reigniting a passion, sharing their skills, knowledge, and experience, and keeping me young! DV

Raises the Bar

skills. You need to know how to be firm but have a good time. It always helps if you can get your student to smile on the track. Time in the seat is important to build the skill set to recognize what the car and student are doing to both identify and to correct an issue. This does not mean the instructor needs to be a club racer; it means experience and time in the seat are key.

How is Potomac PCA different? The main difference in our program is the long learning time during which the instructor candidate is mentored, observed, and coached until the testing day. Most clubs do not provide this amount of time and commitment to get new instructors ready and able to instruct. We pay a lot of attention to feedback from students and work with our established instructor corps to keep current and to identify any areas in which we all can improve.

Why do we need more instructors? Note all the above answers! The club is always growing and changing with new people coming and others leaving. New energy and enthusiasm are always a benefit, especially in something as energetic as in-car instructing. We have quite a few track events each season, and even the most obsessed and committed among our established instructor corps cannot make it to every event. Life interferes. And, the more the merrier. DV

MAY
2022



New Potomacans

GRANT ARSENAULT

1989 944 Turbo
from Reston

DENNIS ATKINS

1999 911 Carrera Cabriolet
from Falls Church

MARK BALOGUN

2021 Cayenne GTS
from Frederick

SHAWN BATTLE

2018 911 Carrera
from Linden

BRANDON BROWN

2020 911 Carrera S
from Washington

ROB BULLER

2018 Macan S
from Ashburn

KIMBERLY DAVIS

2014 Cayman
from Bowie

ROBERT GABLE

1990 911 Carrera 2
from Bowie
Transfer from Central Indiana

FREDERICK HANIK

2015 911 Carrera GTS Cabriolet
from Bethesda
Transfer from Gold Coast

CONNOR HENDERSON

2006 Cayman S
from Pickerington
Transfer from Mid Ohio

VICTOR HOLT

2018 911 Turbo S
from Washington

CHRIS JABLONSKI

1999 911 Carrera 4 Cabriolet
from Silver Spring

MICHAEL JACOB

2022 Taycan 4S
from Alexandria

CHRISTIAN KARNER

1997 911 Carrera
from Herndon

THOMAS KERCH

2022 Macan
from Arlington

MINAHM KIM

2022 Taycan
from Fairfax

WALTER KYDD

2012 911 Carrera S
from Clinton

CHARLEY LAKE

1993 911 Carrera 2 Cabriolet
from University Park

PATRICK LOFTUS

1986 911 Carrera Targa
from Great Falls

RODNEY MAKOSKE

2022 911 GT3
from Boyds

JOHN MARGARITIS

2006 911 Carrera
from Palm Beach
Transfer from Connecticut Valley

CLARK MICA

2009 Cayman
from Washington

CHRIS OURAND

1985 911 Carrera
from Ashburn
Transfer from Chesapeake

JOHN PALMUCCI

from Washington
Transfer from Everglades

VERNELL PROCTOR

2006 Cayman S
from Waldorf

MICHAEL RYSCHKEWITSCH

1990 944 S2 Cabriolet
from Chevy Chase

SCOTT STEUART

1986 911 Carrera
from Ashburn

MICHAEL SWARTZELL

2012 911 Carrera S Cabriolet
from Arnold
Transfer from Chesapeake

JOEL VENGRIN

2021 Cayenne E-Hybrid
from Chevy Chase

NEW MEMBERS = 29



PorscheFest is coming!



PCA Potomac Anniversaries

JUNE
2022

50 YEARS

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50 YEARS

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Kenneth Kissell

Angel Lee

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Your favorite Founders' Region monthly magazine can benefit from your experiences with your Porsche.

We are always in need of articles and photographs to help tell Porsche stories.

All around us are wonderful stories just waiting to be told. If you feel you don't have the time or expertise to tell those stories yourself, at least pass along your ideas or photos. Here are some ideas that resonate with readers:

- Travel stories that involve a Porsche. An example is Michael Sherman's and his wife's trip to Europe for delivery of his new 99L.
- Visits to car museums.
- DIY (Do-It-Yourself) articles on some small or large project that you've done. Examples abound, from rebuilding an engine to replacing hood struts.
- Interviews with interesting people who own interesting Porsches such as the one on Sal Fanelli, who owns a Porsche tractor.

- My first experience with PCA Potomac, which could be what your High Performance Driving Clinic was like, or your first Drivers' Education event or just an entertaining Drive 'n Dine.
- Why I Love My Porsche articles are always welcomed. Please include a photo of you with the car.
- Photographs of yourself or fellow Porsche owners enjoying their cars. No low-resolution photos, please; we simply can't use them. Send original sizes.

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25th Augustoberfest

Gathering of the Faithful



STORY BY JOHN KLISH

PHOTOS BY JOHN KLISH AND SUSAN KLISH

Why wait for October? Why go to Germany? The Concours Committee is holding this year's Gathering of the Faithful at the 25th annual Augustoberfest. For those who have attended before, you know how much fun you can have at this fantastic event. This year's celebration will be held in a new, larger location. Previously held in downtown Hagerstown, Maryland, Augustoberfest's new venue will be the Washington County Agricultural Center, located at 7313 Sharpsburg Pike, Boonsboro, Maryland. This year's Gathering will be held on Sunday, August 21st, and the gates will open at 9:30AM. Last call is at 4:30PM, and Augustoberfest festivities end at 5:00PM. We have arranged a dedicated parking area for our Porsches, offering the many Deutschephiles and Germaniacs in attendance a special visual treat.

Augustoberfest is a traditional Oktoberfest celebration. The fest has German bands, dancers including Schuhplattlers, great German food (from Hagerstown's Schmankerl Stube restaurant) and, of course, good beer. It also has food and gift stands, and several activities for the kids including a magic show and a Punch and Judy puppet show. New this year is axe throwing. Be assured that our special parking area is not within axe throwing distance.

So, gather your 356s and all your other Porsches and join in on the fun. By the time you read this, registration should be open and it will close on August 19th. Register at the motorsportreg.com website so that we have a reasonably accurate headcount. There is no registration fee. Updates will be provided in the weekly PCA Potomac e-newsletter. Augustoberfest admission tickets are 10 USD and are free

for children 12 and under. You can pay at the gate or online at the Augustoberfest website. Parking is free. Keep in mind that pets are not allowed – service animals only. The event is rain or shine, but could be canceled if there should be severe weather.

You can email Gary, Concours Chair, and Dr. John, Vice Chair, at concours@pcapotomac.org if you have any questions. Be sure to visit the event website at Augustoberfest.org.

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