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Welcome to PCA in 2018

Happy New Year! Not January 1st but March 1st when the Potomac nine month calendar year begins! As you read this February edition of dV we are only 2-3 weeks away from the start of the 2018 driving season. In this issue our program chairs provide a brief look at the many programs Potomac PCA offers over the next nine months. If you have delayed your enjoyment of dV into late February, you are already on the very cusp of March activities. Drive safely and have a great year!

- Autocross – Often referred to as the “gateway intoxicant” to Drivers’ Education and Club Racing. Simply as an end in itself, Autocross is a great way to enjoy your Porsche, improve your skills, and spend time with friends and have a good breakfast and lunch – what more can you ask?

- Rally – 3 events currently planned with gimmicks, great roads, good food and many friends. There is no better way to spend a driving day with your best friend and navigator.

- Drive & Dine – Brunches on 1st and 3rd Saturdays, thirteen scheduled events in four states – you could spend the whole season driving and dining!

- Driver Education – Not quite full-on racing but close enough



Glenn Cowan



Michael Sherman

for all but those truly infected by the “go-fast” bug. 13 events in five states ranging from High Performance Driving Clinics at Summit Point to weekend events at Watkins Glen, VIR and the Pitt Race track

- Concours – Most cars considered “showroom” new wouldn’t do well at a Porsche Concours event. If you like washing and waxing your beauty and enjoy the amazing detail of a prepared car, these 3 events are for you!

- Club Race – This is Porsche “amateur” racing at its pinnacle. It takes the whole year to plan for the “Rock the Summit” Potomac PCA Club race. Drive, flag, watch – enjoy!

- Social – It’s not just about the cars – it’s always about the people be it an awards banquet, picnic or Holiday Party.

This year we also want to highlight many of our loyal advertisers who underwrite the cost of producing what we hope is a high quality magazine. This month we feature a piece on the new Porsche of Bethesda and a technical article on winter tire scrubbing by Casey Parkin from Porsche of Silver Spring. In coming months we will highlight specialty and speed shops, repair facilities and the other Porsche dealers in the Potomac region.

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Hobbies

I occasionally wonder what hobby I would be pursuing today – or what my leisure time would be like had I not become active in Potomac PCA. The people, events, and activities are such an enjoyable and significant part of my life – I know that my life would be very different without them.

Over the years, I've been involved in many different hobbies. My wife Clare would refer to them as the "hobby du jour"; I would be extremely involved for a period of time and then would move on to something else. There were the three years that I was into bicycling. I would do short rides pretty much every evening, and longer rides on the weekend. The peak of my cycling period was the "century" (100 mile ride) that I completed. Eventually my time on the bike dwindled, and the equipment that I had accumulated sat unused.

In 1998, I got my open water certification for scuba diving. Over the next four years, I did 80 open water dives. I completed several advanced certifications. There were group dive trips to the Florida Keys, Bonaire, and Cozumel. Island vacations with Clare would include a day of diving. Since, then, I've done a total of 6 dives. Five of these were in 2006 on a family vacation to the Bahamas when my son Alex was 13 and decided he wanted to get certified so that he could do the "shark dive". My last dive was in 2009 – again with Alex. We did a cruise, and one of our excursions was a dive. Once again, a large amount of gear and equip-



David Dean

ment became something to store.

Other "hobbies du jour" have included my attempt at woodworking and building furniture (nothing ever turned out like the pictures!!!!) and photography (which I do come back to more than any other activity I've done). The postman could probably give you the complete timeline of my hobbies: photography magazine subscriptions were replaced by bicycling magazine subscriptions; these were replaced by dive magazine subscriptions; the dive magazines have given way to Porsche and racing magazine subscriptions. Even my television viewing over the years reflects this same progression of interests. PBS programs on woodworking used to be something I would stop and watch. Now, I'm pretty sure that the only programs I have set to record on my DVR are F1 and IMSA races.

This year will mark my fifteenth year of PCA membership. Admittedly, I didn't participate in any activities or events the first couple of years. After that, it seems that each year I've been a member, the amount of involvement in activities and events has increased. More importantly, the number of members that I've met – and the number of members who I consider my friend – has increased each year.

So while I might wonder what hobby/leisure time I might have without Potomac PCA, I can't imagine my life without it!

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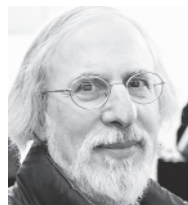
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Potomac's calendar

The information below is accurate as of date of publication. However, you're advised to check Potomac's website at pcapotomac.org for further information and the most up-to-date information.



February

17 Potomac's Maryland Brunch at Glen Echo, Irish Inn, 11am – 1pm.

24 PCA Potomac Volunteer Awards Dinner, Maggiano's, Tysons Corner, VA.

March

10 Instructor and Instructor Candidates Refresher, Jefferson Circuit.

11 HPDC Jefferson Circuit

17 Potomac's Maryland Brunch at Glen Echo, Irish Inn, 11am – 1pm.



Cars & Coffee

Hunt Valley, MD

Saturdays, 8 – 10am, Hunt Valley Towne Centre at Joe's Crab Shack, 118 Shawan Road, Hunt Valley, MD. Many cars of all types.

Burtonsville, MD

Sundays, 7:30 – 10am, "Church of the Holy Donut," Dunkin' Donuts, Route 29 & 198, Burtonsville, MD.

Great Falls, VA

Saturdays, 7 – 9am, Katie's Cars & Coffee located at 760 Walker Road, Great Falls, VA. This is perhaps the premier gathering of interesting cars in the D.C. area. Don't look for many cars if the weather is inclement.

Fairfax, VA

Sundays, 8 – 10:30am, Fairfax Circle Shopping Center. There is a very nice, low key cars and coffee event

Bethesda, MD

Saturdays, 8 – 10am, Corner Bakery Cafe, 10327 Westlake Dr., Bethesda, MD, Westfield Montgomery Shopping Mall.

Potomac Monthly Brunches

Potomac breakfasts and brunches 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.

Virginia: first Saturday of each month, 11am at the City Grille, 10701 Balls Ford Road, Manassas, VA, 20109.

Maryland: third Saturday each month, 11am – 1pm at the Irish Inn, 6119 Tulane Ave., Glen Echo, MD.



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PCA Potomac Concours

Story by Concours Co-Chairs John Truban and Kevin Naughten.

Photos by Charlene Truban.

The Potomac Porsche Club holds car shows every year that members can participate in by displaying their Porsche. These shows are referred to as a Concours or Concours d'Elegance. Some of our shows are judged, using score sheets and others are just for fun. We encourage everyone to try out at least one of these events so that they can meet other members and learn about other Porsche models, new and old. It is also the perfect way to learn tips and tricks on how to clean your car from experienced members. Your car does not have to be a garage queen to win. We have awards for all types of Porsches that do not always depend on condition. Concours is the best way to see a variety of Porsches in one place.

The 2018 PCA Potomac Concours schedule is made up of three official events:

Sunday May 6th 2018 – “The 35th Deutsche Marque Concours d'Elegance” – Nottaway Park, Vienna, Virginia. The Potomac Porsche Club's premier car show held alongside the Mercedes and BMW Clubs of the DC Region. This is a judged event with trophies and ribbons handed out to winners. This is an all-day event with an awards reception at the end that is catered.

Saturday September 1st 2018 – “The Gathering of the Faithful” – The Bavarian Inn in Shepherdstown, West Virginia. This event is a fun and laid back affair. There is a registration fee that pays for door prizes. Numbers are drawn and everyone wins! There is lunch available at the award winning Bavarian Inn and great opportunities for socializing and displaying

your Porsche.

Saturday September 29th 2018 – “The European Festival” – Valley Health Hospital in Winchester Virginia. This is a charity event that benefits the Valley Health Cancer Center. The Porsche Club is the official car club of the event and has been asked to display vehicles as part of the event. No judging – just showing. The festival has food, vendors and entertainment representing the countries of Germany, Italy and British Isles.

Other Porsche Events being highlighted this year by Potomac Region:

March 9th 2018 “The Werks Reunion” - held during the Amelia Island Car Week at the Omni Amelia Island Plantation Resort in Amelia Island, Florida. The largest gathering of Porsche cars in the world. You should visit at least once in your life.

June 8th - 10th “Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance” celebrating 70 years of Porsche as its featured Marque this year. Submit your Porsche for consideration in this prestigious Mid-Western event. Formally known as the Ault Park Concours. A great opportunity to show your Porsche at a national level Concours.

July 8-14 “The 63rd Porsche Parade” - at the Tan-Tar-A Resort in Osage Beach, Missouri. The premier National Concours event for the Porsche Club. As a Porsche Club member you should attend a Porsche Parade at least once.





2018 Rally Season

This year the Rally committee is planning 3 events, one in April, one in either June or July, and another in the fall. Dates TBD will be posted on the website.

Over the years we have experimented with lots of different formats, and this year will be no different. We hope to continually challenge and entertain you while you enjoy the pleasures of driving your Porsches through all the backroads of the Washington area. We welcome all suggestions for routes, destinations, and gimmicks, and of course help in planning!

The first rally this year will be a “Shortest Distance Rally”. Unlike most of our past events, this one will

NOT include specific directions. You will have an actual MAP and a list of things you must find. We will provide where you can find the answers, but you must put together your own route while driving the least number of miles. All the details are yet to be worked out, but it will probably cover Montgomery and Frederick MD counties. We promise it will be fun for all.

We have seen the rally program soar in popularity since 2010, and we hope this year will be no different. We look forward to seeing lots of new faces, along with all the “veterans”.

Story by Linda and Craig Davidson, Rally Chairs.

Photos by Daniel Pourkesali.





What to Expect at Your First Autocross

Story by Jim Musgrave (PCA Potomac Autocross Chair) and Lara Peirce.

Photos by Tommy Greco.

Many of us in the Potomac PCA own high-performance sports cars; and given that most of us live in a highly congested urban area, we have little opportunity to drive our cars as they are meant to be driven. It's a real shame. So what's the solution? Well, autocross, of course!

Autocross is the best way to learn the limits of your car without spending a lot of money, or causing considerable wear and tear to your car. If you ask the typical driver why they love to autocross, the most common answer is, "It's an adrenaline rush!"

But the reason why people consistently drive PCA Potomac events goes far beyond the rush. We are a friendly and social group of people who gather around common interests, beautiful cars and driving Porsches the way they were meant to be driven. We are also a community where everyone helps each other. Whether you have a question about your car, or need help improving your time, everyone is happy to help.

For those of you who have never driven an autocross, it can be a little intimidating. So what should you expect when you participate in a PCA Potomac autocross event? Let's start with the basics.

The concept is simple . . . a course of orange cones is set up in a large parking lot and you drive the course as fast as you can without hitting the cones. Drivers are given six attempts to drive the course as fast as possible without going off course (DNF or did not finish), or knocking over a cone (a two second penalty).

Autocross is not head-to-head racing; rather, cars proceed one at a time and race the clock. As each autocross course is different, drivers walk the course together before the driving starts to learn the course. The driver who navigates the course the fastest is heralded as having the fastest time of the day or FTD.

Getting involved is easy. You can learn the ropes by attending autocross school on April 29 at Summit Point, or simply register for an event on motorsportreg.com. Be prepared to be at an autocross event from about 7:30 a.m. until about 2:30 p.m. The day generally is divided into two heats – you will drive the course during one heat and work the course for the other heat.

What should you bring to an autocross? We provide water and other beverages throughout the day, as well as continental breakfast and lunch. We also have some loaner helmets if you want to try autocross before committing to purchasing a helmet. In theory, therefore, you could just arrive with you and your car. But many people bring a tire gauge to adjust their tire temperatures between runs, painter's tape for car numbers, a plastic tub in which to put personal items in case it rains, a smartphone to monitor how fast they did each run, sunglasses, and sunscreen.

When you arrive for an event, park your car in the lot in any spot that does not contain someone else's personal items at the front of the space. Unload everything that is loose in your car (e.g., floor mats, water bottle, cell phone, sunglasses) and place them in the spot in front of your car. If you know your car number in advance, use painter's tape to make the numbers 12 inches high on both sides of your car. Then proceed to the registration tent, which is marked with a flag. Remember to bring your driver's license with you.

At registration, we will check that your license is current, you will sign the event waiver, and you will receive a course map, an armband, a raffle ticket, and a work assignment. As a novice, we will invite you to sign the novice list to compete with others who have done four or less autocrosses and will connect you with one of our novice coordinators.



Your next stop is tech, which also is marked with a flag. Drive your car (with numbers on) to the tech line, and the tech team will make sure your car meets basic safety guidelines (e.g., no bald tires, empty of loose items). After tech, you may grab a cup of coffee and a pastry or bagel, which is included in the price of admission.

When the course has been set up, everyone will learn the course by walking through it a few times. Our novice coordinators will walk with the novices to provide extra guidance. When you are new to autocross, learning the course can be intimidating. For instance, you learn that a standing cone with another cone on its side with its narrow end pointing to the right means you go to the right of the standing cone. With practice, it becomes much easier to see the path your car will drive, rather than a sea of cones. Don't be discouraged. It is just part of the learning process.

Following the course walk, we will have a drivers' meeting. During this meeting, we will discuss safety, logistics, the schedule, and how to work the course. If you are driving in the first heat, you then line your car up in any of three rows (known as the grid). You do not have to line up in any particular order. When your car is getting close to the start, one of our instructors is likely to pop his or her head into your car to ask if you would like an instructor. As a novice, we advise taking an instructor with you on your first few times on course. If an instructor does not come by, wave your hand out of your window and someone will come to help.

As you approach the start, the person working start will have you slowly ease your car to the starting line, indicating with his or her hand how much of a gap you have left before your car is properly lined up. As you are waiting to be released, take a deep breath and look up at the course in front of you, visualizing the first turns ahead of you. When you are released, accelerate when you are ready – the timing is triggered when your car passes a laser beam in front of you. Do your best with speed, but your first priority is to remember where to go! Your instructor will help you with that. When you have finished the course, come to a complete stop inside the finish box, delineated with cones. After giving yourself a pat on the back for trying something new, head to your spot in the grid. You will have 4-5 more chances to decrease your time and stay on course. Ask your instructor what you should focus on your next time out. Don't be surprised if you just need to focus on staying on course – it can take a few autocrosses before you can focus on something else.



After all of your runs are completed, it will be time for lunch, which is provided for all participants. Lunch is a great time to get to know other PCA members and share driving or Porsche stories or tips. After lunch, head to the timing trailer for instructions on heading out onto the course to work, which involves such things as calling in on the radio when a car knocks over a cone and resetting cones. When the second heat is completed, we gather for raffles/awards and to hear who was the fastest novice of the day and the fastest driver of the day.

If you do not feel comfortable jumping in with both feet, then come to your first event as a spectator – you will get a better sense of how the events run, and we can even get you some rides with our instructors. Have more questions? Please email us at autocross@pcapotomac.org. We look forward to meeting you! ■





It's Time to Drive and Dine

Story by Ken Harwood and Glenn Havinowski – D & D Committee Co-Chairs.

Want to enjoy your Porsche without having to install a roll bar, wear a helmet, or replace your tires after every drive? Are you new to the club and want to meet other members for the first time, or catch up with some old friends? Are you a connoisseur of the finest “blue highways”, restaurants, hotels and other diversions in the mid-Atlantic? Then you will enjoy Potomac’s famous Drive and Dine events.

Our D&D events consist of three types of activities:

BRUNCHES

Every month we host informal brunches at 11 am on the first Saturday at CityGrille in Manassas, VA and at 11 am on the third Saturday at the Irish Inn in Glen Echo, MD. Attracting newcomers as well as regulars, these two monthly brunches are an easy way to meet other Potomac Porschephiles, including appearances by various committee chairs and on occasion, club officers. And some often amazing, rarely seen Porsches of all vintages!

SCENIC DRIVE AND DINES

The most common and popular activities consist of our traditional country drives, where we meet at a convenient location and tour together in a leisurely parade through the back roads of northern Virginia and Maryland to a variety of fun destinations including wineries, distilleries, festivals, PCA track events, and various restaurants, taverns and ice cream stands of different shapes and sizes.

OVERNIGHTERS

We have several multi-day overnight activities every season, including scenic drives to places such as the Hershey Porsche-Only Swap Meet in April, resorts such as Nemaocolin Woodlands, and unspoiled places such as picturesque Bath County, Virginia. Each year includes various new and different events. Our tours usually start with a country drive where we parade together through covered bridges, mountains, battlefields, scenic villages and other unique locations. We'll stay in a range of different high-quality hotels, inns and resorts, dine in various local landmark restaurants, and enjoy day drives to various historic places, museums or events (like the swap meet in Hershey where you can potentially arrive in one Porsche and depart in another).

So what's coming up this year? In addition to the

regular brunches, examples of our upcoming events follow:

- Wine Bootcamp / Distillery Visits: April 2018
- Hershey Tour: April 20-22, 2018 (Hotel Hershey, PA)
- Spring Drives to Griffin Tavern (two dates planned): May 2018
- The Lighthouse Tour to Southern Maryland: June 9, 2018
- Nemaocolin Tour: July 5-8, 2018 (Nemaocolin Woodlands Resort, PA)
- Virginia Highlands Tour: July 20-22, 2018
- Drive to PorscheFest (Summit Point): August 4, 2018
- Drive to the Gathering of the Faithful: September 1, 2018 (Bavarian Inn, WV)
- Drive to European Festival: September 29, 2018
- 928 Frenzy!: September 2018
- Fall Foliage Drive to Hagerstown (two dates planned): October/November 2018
- Drive to Morais Winery: November 17, 2018

Check the pcapotomac.org website for the latest details and calendar information on specific dates.

To register for an event, we will first announce the event by the weekly PCA Potomac eBlast along with a posting of details on the pcapotomac.org website. Registration information is indicated in the announcement and the link will point you to the specific item that will also be listed via <http://www.pcapotomac.motorsportreg.com>. Once you have registered, we will provide you additional details for each event. Payment via credit cards is preferred. If you wish to make other arrangements please contact the Drive and Dine Chair. We will require payment in advance for any event that includes a cost. The registration fees for events may vary from free to over \$100/person to cover the cost of the activity, club insurance, and materials for participants. We will either charge a fee upfront, or provide an estimate of dining / hotel costs for each individual event in advance and indicate we are going dutch.

Our events are family-friendly, and open to anyone who wishes to attend them with as many passengers as can be legally and safely seated in the vehicle. Besides having a drivers' license, proper registrations and up-to-date inspections for your car, there are no tech requirements or vehicle restrictions for most events (Porsches preferred of course). But we will be driving on scenic, often twisty, country roads so

please make sure that your vehicle choice is appropriate. Many events are limited by the capacity of the venues, so always try to sign up early to ensure your place. Staying safe and having fun is key to enjoying our Drive and Dines. To achieve these goals we ask everyone to observe the Drive and Dine Rules presented at our meeting point before each event begins.

Most driving events are on a Saturday or Sunday, with overnights typically starting on a Thursday or Friday and extending through the weekend.

As with other committees in Potomac, we are delighted to hear your ideas and welcome new volunteers to help in serving as lead cars for a tour group, as sweepers (last cars in a tour group), and even event leaders or co-leaders! If you have any questions, or you would like to volunteer or help with the Drive and Dine committee, or if you have a suggestion for an event you would like to see happen, please email us at: driveanddine@pcapotomac.org. ■



CityGrille is located at 10701 Balls Ford Road, Manassas, VA and their website address is <http://www.citygrille-manassas.com/>. We meet the 1st Saturday of each month at 11 am.

The Irish Inn is at 6119 Tulane Ave in Glen Echo, MD just off of MacArthur Boulevard. The Irish Inn website is <http://www.irishinnglenecho.com/>. We meet the 3rd Saturday of each month at 11 am.





Drivers' Education (DE)

Story by Dirk Dekker and Bob Mulligan, DE Co Chairs.

Photos by Mike Smalley.

PCA Potomac Drivers Education Program exists to help Porsche owners develop the skills to understand and further appreciate how capable and safe their cars and the drivers really are. Presented here are some details and some basics on the program.

PCA Potomac has one of the longest running High Performance Drivers Education (HPDE) programs in the country and it has developed into one of the best programs in the country. Potomac Region provides an extremely high number of track days, at more tracks than other PCA regions. Potomac's strongly committed corps of Instructors and a host of volunteers help run a safe and fun program. These efforts start weeks before the event and continue till the last participant has arrived home after the event.



More details on schedules and car/safety equipment requirements can be found on the DE webpage of PCAPotomac.org. Briefly, any car (SUV's no longer allowed) that can pass a required Tech Inspections is allowed. The Pre-event tech, which is fairly similar to a State Vehicle Inspection is available to all members and is free of charge. This is offered a week or two before each event at a local Porsche dealership or an independent shop. There is also a brief grid tech each morning of the event.

Potential new drivers for Potomac's Green Run Group are required to have attended one of our March or September High Performance Drivers Clinic or equivalent, or a number of Autocrosses with a recommendation from the Autocross Chairs. This helps both the novice and their instructor be much more comfortable during their first day on the track.

The DE mantra is Have Fun, Be Safe, and Learn. The first two are required to complete the third. Drivers Ed is not racing, it is done in a controlled environment with Instructors who coach the novices and intermediate drivers to safely learn more about their cars and themselves.

Novices start in the Green Run Group with an assigned Instructor for the weekend. At some point, at the Instructor's discretion they may be allowed to do a session solo. Passing is only allowed on the straights with a signal from the car being passed. When available at the host track, skid pad sessions are required as well. Usually after about 10 days of track driving, the novice is promoted to the Blue Run Group, again with an assigned Instructor and further coaching and likely some more solo time to work on their own. At around 20 to 30 track days, Blue group drivers may be checked out to White Run Group which does not require assigned Instructors but white drivers are encouraged to find an instructor of their own choosing every now and then to hone skills and identify bad or unwanted habits. It is often at this stage that the addiction to DE's has set in and additional safety items and performance upgrades are considered. At this time, most drivers realize that even an unmodified car is still more capable than its driver. From White Run Group with some regular coaching and having attained certain skills, a white driver may be advanced to the Black Run Group and if interested may start the process of becoming a PCA Instructor, at the invitation of one of the Chief Instructors.

The Black Run Group is made up largely of Instructors. Drivers in this group are introduced to extended passing, which allows passing anywhere on the tracks with a proper passing signal. From Black Run Group, a driver may be asked to be checked out to Red Run Group which contains the most experienced drivers, not necessarily the fastest, but possess a very high level of situational awareness, with skills necessary to get more out of their cars closer to the cars limits. All passing in all run groups are done only with a correct passing signal from the car being passed.

We run ongoing Driver and instructor improvement programs at each event with mandatory classroom appropriate to the level of run group and also safety classrooms at each event. Our Instructors are required to attend a "refresher" at least once every two years which includes classroom, track exercises and skid pad sessions.

Most of our events take place over 3 days, Friday through Sunday with many events at Summit Point Motorsport Park in nearby West Virginia. Potomac also hosts events at “away tracks”. Away tracks this year will include Virginia International Raceway (VIR) near Danville Virginia, Watkins Glen International in upstate New York, and for the first time last year, we have included Pitt Race near Pittsburgh. This track promises to be a great facility and fun track. Details on events are included on Potomac's DE web page. Away events are highly recommended for all drivers, new and experienced. These events have proven to be a lot of fun, with added “camaraderie” being away from home. For novices and those feeling like an away event might be a little bit tricky, the chances of break downs with a car in good shape are very small and we have never left anyone behind.



Drivers Ed does provide some extra

Getting started with HPDC High Performance Drivers Clinic

Before permitting new drivers to participate in Drivers' Education events, PCA Potomac requires some amount of prior experience. This makes DE events safer and helps drivers facing their first time on a serious racing venue be prepared to take advantage of their instructors tutelage. The best way to meet this requirement is to attend one of our HPDCs. We offer two each season, one coming up Sunday March 11th with registration opening February 1. The second is September 8th.

The program begins early in the morning with a classroom session followed by 3 exercises: 1) braking, getting used to how wheels lock up or ABS engages and controlling each, 2) braking in a turn and 3) “swerve and avoid.” We also run a slalom course with various slaloms around cones to demonstrate how weight transfer from side to side or diagonally affect the car. We finish with skid pad time on a wet circle to learn understeer and oversteer and how to recognize and correct for each. These are all done without helmets, but an instructor in the car with you. You use your own car but the track does not allow SUVs/pickups even Macans and Cayennes.

After lunch cars undergo a brief technical inspection to assure that safety equipment (tires, lug nuts, battery tie downs, etc.) are in working order. The afternoon classroom instructions prepare students for the actual lapping sessions that are run complete with helmets and instructors. These are driven at increasing speeds as you and your instructor get used to the track and one another. Each HPDC event is limited to 33-36 students to allow enough individual training and can be further limited based on available instructors, so signing up early is advantageous. More information is available on pcapotomac.org/DE page including how to sign up on motorsport.reg.

wear on a car's “consumables”, such as tires, brake pads etc. but not much more than doing long spirited touring drives, and DE's are a lot safer. Your cars were designed and actually prefer to be driven, not stuck in a garage to be driven on sunny weekends in the summer. DE's can help you get the most enjoyment out of your car for sure.

DE chairs Dirk Dekker and Bob Mulligan can be reached at dechair@pcapotomac.org. Chief Instructors Dan Dazzo, Steve Wilson, and Don Mattran can be reached at chiefinstructor@pcapotmac.org. Our schedule for 2018 is posted on PCA Potomac website and on www.motorsportreg.com (MSR) with Registration opening initially February 1st 2017. We look forward to seeing new faces as well as familiar ones this coming season.

Driver registration for All PCA Potomac Drivers Ed events are handled via Motorsportreg.com website. Please see Potomac's website for more info on any aspect of the DE Program. <https://pcapotomac.org/activities/drivers-education> ■



Get Ready For The 2018 “ROCK THE SUMMIT” Club Races

Story by Kenneth D’Angelo,
Club Race Chair.

Photo by Glenn Cowan.

Following our very successful 2017 event the PCA-Potomac Club Race Committee is already hard at work to make our 2018 “Rock The Summit” Club Race even more exciting, fun and well... “rocky’er”! I would like to share a few of those details with you, but first let me explain a bit about the program for our newer members.

The PCA Club Racing program is an organized race series presented to those PCA members who want to

take their high-performance driving skills and their cars to the next level. The program was created by one of Potomac Region’s visionary members over twenty-six years ago and is guided by three main principles: the racing should be safe, friendly and consistent across the regions. Since its inception PCA’s program has grown to become one of the largest club racing series in the world.

The PCA Club Race program is overseen by the National Club Race Committee, and the program’s annual track events are hosted by various regions, or combinations of regions, across North America. There are a total of thirty-two different club race events offered in this year’s series at over two-dozen race circuits across the U.S and Canada allowing PCA members the opportunity to travel and compete across the continent while making many new friends in the process. Our region’s event is held in late September every year at our home track in Summit Point, West Virginia, the Summit Point Motorsports Park.

In 2016, through the vision and leadership of one of our former Club Race Chair -Fred Pfeiffer, our region introduced a brand new vehicle class to the PCA Club Racing program, the Vintage Class. This addition to the already thriving program allowed the owners of air-cooled Porsche sports cars manufactured in 1983 or prior, to compete in their own race group for the very first time. And with the ever-increasing power and agility of the more modern Porsche models these drivers



can suddenly enjoy competing with one another on a much more leveled playing field. The Vintage Class program has since expanded to several other regional Club Race events and we were pleased to have a record-setting twenty-seven Vintage Class racers at our event last year. We are looking forward to seeing all of them back this year and hope to see some new faces too.

In an effort to align more with other regions and bring greater consistency to the Club Racing program we introduced a new race schedule to our event in 2017. Changes included increasing the length of the Enduro races from 60 to 90 minutes each, thus allowing racers to make a refueling stop, and reducing the number of points qualifying Sprint races for the standard vehicle classes from three down to a more manageable two. Vintage Class racers, which do not typically participate in the Enduro races, received a total of five Sprint races for their group over the weekend. The revised schedule was so well received this past year that we intend to repeat it again this year.

Just as we have done over the past several years we will be hosting two very special social gatherings this year: A "Volunteer's" Happy Hour and Dinner Friday evening, and a "Racer's and Sponsor's" Awards Happy Hour and Dinner Saturday evening. The specific caterers and menus for these festivities are just a couple of items on a long list of topics that our committee will be discussing at our next meeting. We will also be talking about how we can streamline the event's registration process, on site reception/welcoming and paddock parking procedures. We are also considering adding a couple of organized coffee social gatherings, live music and more. All-in-all, we have a whole lot to work ahead of us for sure, but rest assured there will be plenty of good times to be had by all who come to Summit Point this fall, not-to-mention a few cool surprises.

The 2018 PCA Potomac "Rock The Summit" Club Race will be held on September 21st, 22nd and 23rd, at Summit Point Motorsports Park. We invite all PCA licensed Club Racers to come and race on one of this country's most historic and challenging race circuits – not-to-mention sample the track's brand new asphalt. We also have a whole range of corporate sponsorship opportunities available to those who wish to put their company's name out in front of hundreds of Porsche vehicle owners, their families and their friends. Last, but certainly not least we cannot forget about our event volunteers who are the key to our event's success every year. We welcome the help of over one hundred and twenty volunteers to staff all of the various work teams. These volunteers cover a broad range of roles for us, from racetrack corner workers, registration, paddock marshals, and social event coordi-

inators to technical and grid workers. If you haven't experienced PCA Club Racing yet or lately, come and enjoy the opportunity to be a part of our team. Volunteering at Club Race is THE single best way to get close to all of the action, learn more about the sport of automobile racing and to walk away with some awesome swag too!

To stay up-to-date with the PCA-Potomac Club Race program, join our Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/pcapotomac>. For information about how to register as a racer, corporate sponsor or a volunteer, or for more information about the PCA Potomac Club Race Program in general, contact us at clubrace@pcapotoamc.org. Official registration for our 2018 event will open approximately six weeks prior to the event, and will be announced through all of the various PCA Potomac communication channels, so please stay tuned.

See you at the races!

DE Calendar for 2018

Saturday March 10th - Instructor and Instructor Candidates Refresher, Jefferson Circuit, candidates by invitation

Sunday March 11th - HPDC Jefferson Circuit.

Friday April 6th - National Instructor and Instructor Day Summit Point Main, candidates by invitation

Saturday-Sun April 7&8 – DE Summit Point Main

Friday May 4th-Sunday May 6 – Pitt Race DE

Saturday June 2-3 – DE Shenandoah

Friday June 15 -17 – DE Watkins Glen.

Friday July 6-8 – Summer DE Summit Point Main. Friday may be Solo drivers only

Friday August 3-5 – Porschefest Summit Point Main

Friday August 31-Sept 2 – DE at VIR

Saturday Sept. 8 – HPiDC Jefferson Circuit.

Friday October 19 – DE Volunteer Appreciation day Solo drivers only and by Invitation at Summit Point Main

Saturday 20-21 – DE Summit Point Main

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Social Committee

The Social Committee is looking forward to its four major events this year.

PCA Potomac Awards Banquet – On Saturday February 24th, we will gather again at Maggiano’s of Tysons to celebrate the volunteers and sponsors that have given of themselves so generously this year to create a fun-filled 2017. The coveted Enthusiast of the Year will be announced, along with the President’s Award and Instructor of the Year.

PCA Potomac Picnic - We are moving to Spring and inside the beltway! The picnic will be held on May 12th (the Saturday of Mother's Day weekend) at the Pavilions at Turkey Run in McLean. The new location makes it convenient for all chapter members to join in the fun.

As for the menu, it begins with JR's award winning barbecue and continues on to burgers, dogs, chicken and an assortment of sides. Not enough? There will also be watermelon, popcorn, sno cones and ice cream! All picnic-goers will also get tickets to the Claude Moore Farm attached to the picnic area.

This is a real 1700's working farm where you and

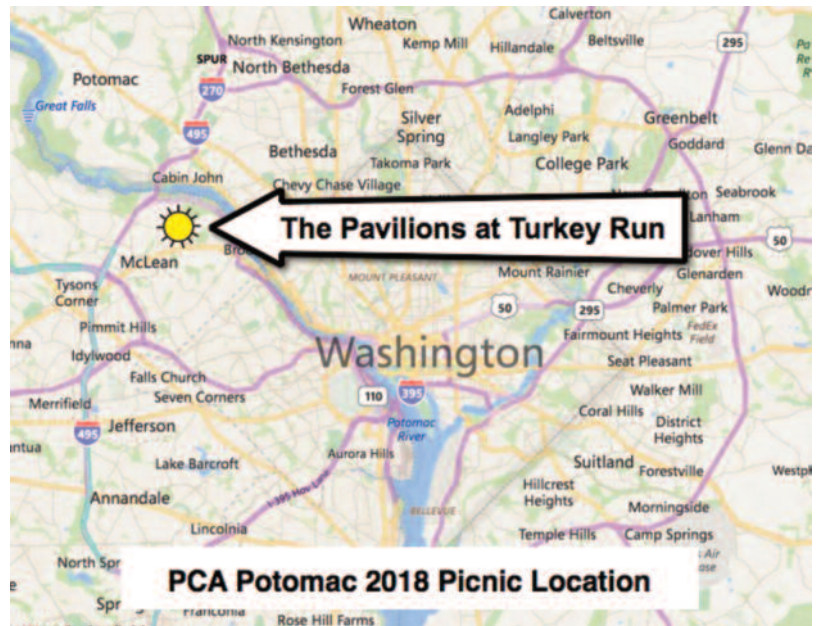


your family can interact with the animals and learn a bit about farming history.

So come join the fun – and you may just even win an award from the Concours Committee!

Porschefest Dinner - Once again the Social Committee will be hosting the Porschefest Dinner on behalf of the Driver's Education program on Saturday August 4th. Everyone is invited to attend! Watch your email for announcements regarding which other programs will be planning activities that day - or just come for the dinner. It is a great day for the DE regulars and a lot of fun for the non-DE members to come and see what all the fuss is about and a good time for all. We have also been negotiating for much better weather this year - but if not, rest assured we will be moving to a drier location.

Story by Pat Kaunitz.



Holiday Party - We will be back at Clyde's of Chevy Chase on Saturday, December 15th. A few quotes from this past year say it all: "Fantastic party. Gets better every year" and "My wife and I and our fellow Porschephiles all thoroughly enjoyed the evening! I never wanted it to end!"



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Our New “911” Macan

The summer drifted away into fall, and the thought of our Carrera's already passive use becoming more of an exercise in hibernation, was burdening me a bit. After all, it's an expensive toy, what with insurance and especially the 4.65% personal property tax to pay here in Virginia whether driven or not. In my case, it's also a toy I like keeping shiny and that's no easy task in the best of conditions. I know many of you out there are blessed with bucket loads of greenbacks, and hey, my wife and I are fortunate enough to own a payment less Porsche, so I'm not taking a shot at abundance. But still, we're not so wealthy that a 911 is just a careless trinket of daily use. Owning a Porsche is special to us, which needs to be balanced with its depreciation and use.

So yes, I'm the crazy guy who only drives his 911 in favorable conditions, on wonderful twisty roads out where I live in the Virginia countryside. The guy who cares where I park it, and upon coming home, cleans it, garages and covers it. Some of you reading this are saying, what a nut! Other's are saying, he's as nutty as me! At least part of it is born out of the hope of maintaining as much value as possible. Part of it is simply pride in ownership.

Okay, yes, yes, I admit the downsides to my meticulous behavior. One is the sheer exhaustion of it all. Being fastidious is a lot of work. It also makes you absolutely bonkers on country roads when stones bounce off the inner wheel wells. Just knowing you are going to take a drive allows forward thinking to creep in as a conversation to one's self on the actual drive time, versus the clean and tuck it back into bed time. This all gets thrown in your face too when you have one 2017 Subaru Outback daily driver, one 17 year old Ford pickup and one 2015 Carrera, as two people are heading out the door in separate directions, both of which include time in door dinging parking lots. Eeny, meeny, miny, moe, the Porsche stays and the old Ford goes! To the parking lot that is. We live on a large piece of property and so a pickup is a must anyway. Trust me, that truck doesn't owe me a thing, it's been a good old girl, but...

Man I wish I could have my cake and eat it too, and for my wife Linda and I, that indulgence may have been achieved. Top reasons for owning a 911 have to do with classic looks, performance (both giddy up! and whoa!) and wonderful handling. You do not own one for extra space, which could come in very handy in the versatility department. So, that's the cake of the matter. Now, how do I get to eat my cake too? Really be able to use and enjoy it? In short, our answer was to buy a Macan S. Which we did, and as we've now realized, for the street it's basically a 911 that sits higher off the ground, with seating for four, and extra space, making

it down right versatile! Really Tom, you're pulling my leg? I'm really not, and I'm honestly taking the time to write this because I know I'm not the only one who has been faced with this decision. Eh hem, maybe it's why it's Porsche best seller by far.

I must admit though, I love this Macan. It's not really a sports car in any sense, but in the automotive world of the broadly defined term - Sport Utility Vehicle, it is certainly the most Sporty among them. It feels every bit as seductive on a country road as the 911. It's turbos are pleasingly linear with limited lag in sport mode. Also, with the push of that sport button, its steering and PDK transmission come alive. It's suspension so well tuned, and with 20" optional wheels, it provides true feel without ever being jaw chattering across the imperfections of country pavement. A very good thing. It is so plainly obvious they built the S version for drivers who love to drive, but are in need of versatility. Trust me, when driving a Macan S, you are not going to arrive to your destination any slower than you would in a 911.

Yes, it's bigger. But let's be frank here, the 911 body has been gaining girth with each new generation and the new 992 on the way, is even porkier. (refer to John Truban's Dec. 2017 dV article on pg. 18). The interior of the Macan and the latest generation of 991.2 especially, have many similarities. The dash, instrument cluster and functionality are much the same. It is roomier overall, but feels like very familiar territory. What you notice the most is your point of view has simply been elevated. Thus, you also slide right into the seat, not down into it. Truthfully though, past the wider button laden console and the taller dash fascia, the two feel much the same and typically Porsche like.

By the way, I know you 4S owners have all four corners covered, but did I mention the Macan is all wheel drive too? Well of course it is. But the icing on the cake is that all of this delightfulness came as a full leather loaded S vehicle, for thousands less than the base price of standard Carrera. SAY WHAT? I know, that's what I said!

Listen, I know there's no true substitute for your 911. They are iconic sports cars, and all of the scrubba, dub, dub aside, they are worth their coin. At times I will miss the one we had, until possibly even another one comes along. But Porsche did a brilliant job with the Macan. I truly tip my hat to them. In their making of endless variations of the 911, they seem to have created a 911 SUV in the way of the Macan. It's hard to know where we could go from here, but here seems a really good choice. As a matter of fact, I'm feeling a bit hungry. Time for some cake!

Story by Tom
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Tire Scrubbing on Modern Porsche Sports Cars

...or Why is the front end of my new Porsche coming apart?

In the late fall/early winter (think cold weather) of 2012 our service department was inundated with calls from worried owners of recently delivered 991/911s. All were reporting various noises and harsh vibrations that sounded and felt like the front end of the car was coming off. A terrible noise and horrible feeling in the steering of the car when the angle of the front wheels was close to full lock. Technically, this is caused by so called "tire scrubbing" but that answer alone was hardly sufficient to calm worried drivers. They needed an explanation. Many of you with late model 911s and 986/987s are likely asking this same question right now.

Porsche Sports Cars are all fitted with summer performance tires that are made to outperform the car and handle speeds in excess of 200 mph. In order to do this the tires on these cars are a purposely softer compound. When it is cold these tires become very hard and have a lot less grip than a tire that is built for lower temperatures. As an analog I use the difference between a dress shoe with a leather sole and casual shoes with rubber soles. The rubber sole (winter/all season tires), grips all of the time. Leather soled shoes (summer/performance tires), have a lot less grip and will slide over surfaces rather than gripping.

So, in the winter, when your steering wheel is turned very close to full lock (when it won't go any fur-

ther) the tire will fight to get traction. When the car is moving forward the car will "understeer" at a very slow speed and that is what causes the feeling in the front end of the car/tire skipping across the road surface.

Porsche outlined this in a technical bulletin a number of years ago. This is their quote:

Cold tires do not grip as well as warm tires. Cold tires also do not deform to absorb lateral loads as easily as warm tires. Tires with a low profile also do not deform as much as a tire with a higher profile. A cold low profile tire is more rigid than a warm high profile tire. So, cold, low profile tires can slip more easily than a warm, high profile tire. ... The tire scrub might feel like a slight dragging due to the lateral movement of the tire over the road surface. This is a normal condition. No repairs are necessary.

So you have a few options as a consumer. You could, of course, not drive in cold weather. You could simply live with the noise and uncomfortable feeling that goes with it knowing that all is well. The best "cure" is to fit winter wheels and appropriate cold weather tires and get year-round enjoyment out of your beautiful Porsche.

Story and photos by Casey Parkin Porsche of Silver Spring, New and Used Car Sales Manager

Below left: This is the original equipment summer tire that comes on a 19" wheel of a new 911 Carrera. The smooth pattern in the tread and the compound of the tire is the culprit for tire scrubbing.

Below right: This is a Porsche N-Spec winter tire that will help alleviate the tire scrubbing sound.



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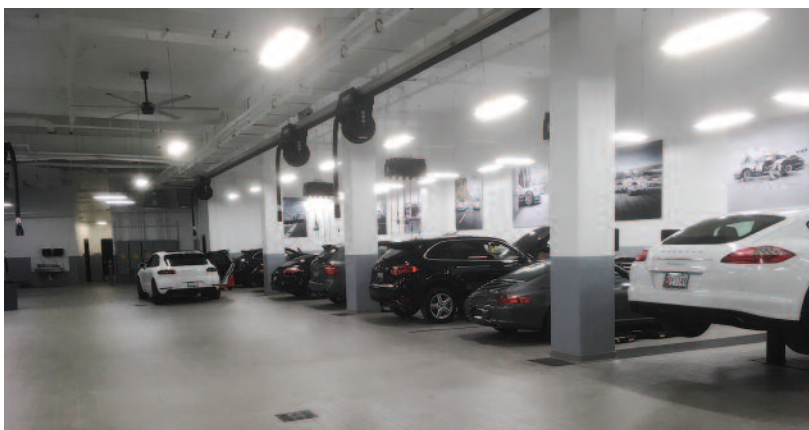
The look and function of a new generation of Porsche stores

The new Porsche Bethesda opened in early December and provides prospective Porsche buyers and existing owners with a sales and service facility designed for the next generation of Porsche automobiles. Located at 11990 Rockville Pike in the burgeoning Pike & Rose development, the 60,000 square foot facility will house as many as 120 new and used vehicles including floor space to display as many as 14 cars. The new 14 bay service facility is designed to permit customers a view of their cars being serviced from the vantage point of an elevated customer lounge equipped with Wi-Fi and computer work stations. Service clientele will appreciate the all indoor service drive where Porsche owners and their vehicles are protected from the elements. The attached garage provides easy access to the showroom, service area and extensive parts department.

New car ordering is enhanced through the use of a “virtual reality” space that permits prospective buyers to design their car including both exterior and interior features and see how their concept works in nearly three dimensions. Car delivery is from a dedicated platform that provides instruction on the owners’ new car with both audio and visual training that is designed to the level of instruction as determined by the owner.

The large space of this store provides for extensive audio and visual presentations permitting innovative on-site events which will be available to private and community organizations in the coming year.

*Story and photos
by Glenn
Cowan.*



November - December 2017 new Potomac members

New Members

Joseph Aquino - 2018 Macan GTS - from Arlington
 Serge Bauer - 2017 Cayenne - from Chevy Chase
 William Blot - 2017 911 Carrera - from Chevy Chase
 Larry Bruneel - 2002 Boxster - from Washington
 Michael Buckner - 1989 944 - from Springfield - transfer from Santa Barbara
 Joe Cadieux - 1976 914 2.0 - from Alexandria
 Bill Cameron - 1971 911T Coupe - from Arlington
 Bruce Caswell - 2017 911 Carrera 4S Cabriolet - from Kensington
 Ronny Chan - 2013 Boxster S - from Kensington
 Clifford Corson - 2001 911 Carrera - from Annapolis - transfer from Allegheny
 Nicholas Craft - 1988 944S - from Ellicott City - transfer from Chesapeake

Rich DeJong - 2007 Boxster S - from Arlington
 Marty DePoy - 2018 Panamera 4S - from Washington
 Gregory Dormitzer - 2002 911 Carrera - from Frederick - transfer from Northeast
 Richard Duncan - 2018 Macan Turbo - from Washington
 Andre Eaddy - 2010 911 Carrera S Coupe - from Washington
 Michael Eaton - 1987 911 Carrera Targa - from Vienna
 Sami Elkabir - 2017 Macan S - from Alexandria
 Anthony Ferreira - 2008 Cayenne GTS - from Hyattsville, Maryland
 Steven Foertsch - 2016 Cayman S - from Arlington
 Dylan French - 1970 911S Coupe - from Chevy Chase
 Bruce Freund - 1961 356 Cabriolet - from Potomac
 Peter Gartner - 2004 911 Carrera 4 Cabriolet - from Winchester

Stephen Gill - 2014 Panamera S-E Hybrid - from Alexandria
 Christopher Ginder - 2013 911 Carrera Coupe - from Falls Church
 Jim Gordon - 1984 911 Carrera Coupe - from Frederick
 Varun Gupta - 2015 911 Turbo - from Ashburn
 Warren Harlow - 2002 911 Carrera 4S - from Alexandria
 Scott Holden - 2017 Cayenne S E-Hybrid - from Alexandria
 Karl Homza - 2006 Cayman S - from Stafford
 Jerry Jurasits - 2007 911 Carrera S Coupe - from Lorton
 Angad Kahlon - 2009 Cayenne GTS - from Herndon
 Brett Kozisek - 2014 911 Carrera 4S Cabriolet - from Fairfax
 Ryan Langley - 2014 Cayman S - from Herndon
 Song Lee - 2013 Cayenne - from Falls Church
 Haichang Lu - 2015 Boxster

GTS - from Ashburn
 Eric Marx - 2017 718 Boxster S - from McLean
 Bryn Merrey - 2017 Panamera 4 - from Kensington
 Robert Poe - 2008 Cayman - from Fairfax Station
 Erlin Reyes - 1998 Boxster - from Aspen Hill
 John Riggs - 2013 911 Carrera 4S - from Arlington
 Norman Ryan - 2011 911 Carrera S - from Vienna - transfer from Gold Coast
 Mary Sampson - 2017 911 Carrera - from Chevy Chase
 Harminder Sandhu - 1975 911S Coupe - from McLean
 Chris Spina - 2015 Macan S - from Clifton
 Jason Torrey - 2006 911 Carrera 4S Cabriolet - from Leesburg
 Peter Walther - 2014 Cayman - from Waterford
 James Zinn - 1987 911 Carrera - from Vienna - transfer from First Settlers

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35 Years

Michael & Teri Maurer
Anthony Rounds & Antoinette Ingram

30 Years

Robert & Evelyn Gaddy
Jason & Tatiana Scott

25 Years

Edward Yourkovich

20 Years

Richard Fontenrose & Robert Suling
Michael & Nancy Giltrud
Raymond & Rebecca Kwong
David Mees & Timothy Jones

15 Years

Joe Chang
Michael & Kimberly Copperthite
Nader Fotouhi & Carolyn Hill-Fotouhi
Timothy & Rheema Garrett
Thomas Joyce
J & Mary Lewis
John & Barbara Magistro
Matthew & Amanda Marks
Vincent & Jo Passione
Alfred Smith
Roderick Wester

10 Years

Charles & Linda Armbrust
Derek & Corinna Benke
Richard & Patsy MacInnes
Colin & Ian Matthews
Erik McGunnigle & Michael Laxineta
Jeff McManus & Scott Frost
Daniel & Laurie Morissette
Matthew Osterhage
Brian & Karen Pawsat
Charlene Pineda & Jackson Bleckley
Chris Prack
J Edward & Jay Slonaker

5 Years

Donald & Chyrl Ayotte
Donald & Andrew Chapman
Rob & Sarah Evers
Donald & Irene Gavin
James Graham
Dieter & Susan Guenter
Albert Harper & Jennifer Wagoner
Robert Lauer
Brian Lettiere
Lee & Beverly Moore
Jeffrey Rothstein
Frank & Thao Sperling
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The Founders' Region, Potomac is the founding region of PCA. The club offers over 100 events each year, including Driver Ed events and free Tech days for all members, Drive 'n Dine and other social events, autocrosses and rallies.

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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 and his wife's trip to Europe for delivery of his new 991.

- 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.

Write your stories, snap your photos, and send them to dveditor@pcapotomac.org. **All photos must be originals digital files; please do not resize or crop them before submission.**

If you are old school, you may also send hardcopy materials to Carrie Albee at 216 Dill Ave, Frederick, MD 21701.

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Readers and Their Cars

Right: Your co-editor and publisher Glenn Cowan with his new 2017 911 Targa 4S.



Below: Your co-editor Michael Sherman in his 2013 911 Carrera at PorscheFest 2017. Photo by Mike Kelley.



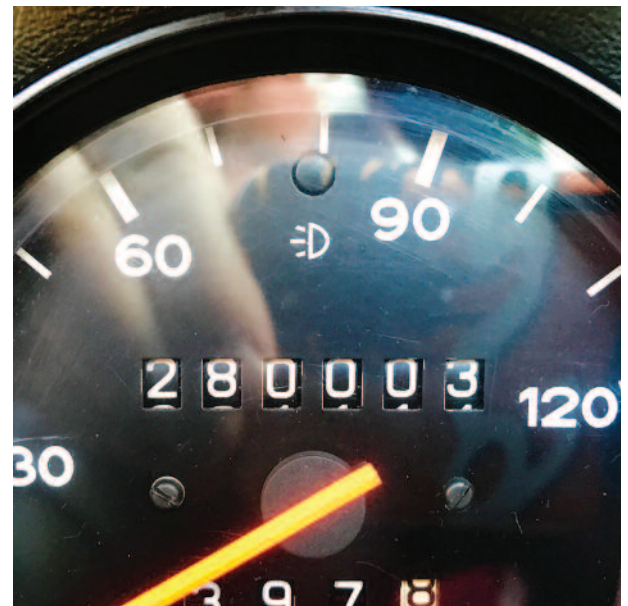
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Left: Readers and their (Toy) Cars? PCA and Porsche display in toy form. RSR, Targa, and Carrera toys come in surprisingly accurate detail.

Below: Kevin Naughten's anti-garage-queen 911 SC Targa with a dusting of the first snow of the season. 280K well-driven miles!

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