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nd just like that, we're off!

Despite the weather playing games of warm ups and cool downs, we've hit the ground running this year. Our first social event at Pasto Italiano in Westfield this past January was well attended. The food was great, the entertainment was

fabulous, and it was wonderful seeing so many familiar faces. But that's just the start!

The February tech session at SONAX is shaping up to be another great event. Last year they amazed us with the wizardry of their products, this year will be just as impressive.

Then, in March, we have a session at MOTORVAULT. A lot of us have seen their social media posts, teasing about their facility. Now we get to check out what they have to offer, a real treat indeed!

In April, we return to Putnam Park for our Spring Brake HPDE. I am very excited for that. We get to drive our cars at speed in a controlled environment. As an instructor, I get to teach someone new how to be a better driver and introduce them to this incredible experience. My Dad will be there too, driving his 911 around the track while I chase him in my Cayman. We'll have smiles on our faces all weekend long.

Following the HPDE, it's the Spring Color Tour. It's a great overnight to the Cincinnati area. Longtime club member Bob Snider, who's worn almost every hat in CIRPCA leadership, will take us on a fun trip, checking out some places in the Cincinnati/Covington area we haven't been to for a while.

Then, in May, we have a weekend of back-to-back events. On May 14th, it's the Indy Grand Prix. CIR has a section, sign up and get your tickets so you don't miss the race!

On the 15th, it's An Evening with Paul Page. The Voice of the 500 himself! Paul will be speaking in an Inside the Actors Studio format, regaling us with stories from his broadcasting career. You don't need to be an Indy 500 fan to appreciate Paul's knowledge; the man knows how to tell a good story! You won't want to miss this.

And that's just the highlights. As the year progresses, keep an eye on our calendar at CIRPCA.org. We'll post the latest details for socials, meals, drives, and everything else. There's a lot to do in Central Indiana, from Bloomington to Westfield, Kokomo to Fort Wayne, keep a lookout for what comes next.

Of course, we can't do anything without you, our members. We love seeing you, so don't be shy, come out with us! Sign up early, make sure you say hello, and most importantly, have fun!



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MOTORVAULT is Indiana's only Authorized Backdraft Racing & Futura Trailers Dealer and an Authorized distributor of Porsche Motorsport racing cars.

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2DITOR'S NOTE

ust after the last issue of CIRcular was published in January, I received a very interesting email from Scott Riddlemoser, a PCA member in New Hampshire. He found my name in the PCA directory as the owner of a 718 Boxster GTS and an Indiana resident and a Central Indiana Region board member. Scott had a fire in his garage that took the life of his beloved red Boxster.



Well, Scott must have a terrific wife because she insisted he needed to replace his treasured Boxster as an immediate solace to life and to get him out of the house. Online, Scott found a yellow 2015 981 Cayman S that had just arrived at a used car dealer Bloomington, Indiana

However, in spite of Hoosier Hospitality, Scott felt he needed someone to check it out for him. Hearing stories of our balmy Indiana winters, he was worried about possible salt damage. No clue where he got that idea?

Well, I passed his note to Pete Walker, our CIR president and owner of a 718 Cayman GTS. Pete then referred him to CIR member Mike Woo, who lives in Bloomington and is the owner a Cayman GT4. Mike hooked Scott up with a local independent shop, Jericho Motorsports, for a pre-purchase inspection. This all happened in less than four hours!



The yellow Cayman passed with flying colors and Scott completed the deal the very next day, with the confidence that he was getting a terrific car for a fair price.

Here is the message Scott sent to the PCA Executive Director, Vu

Nguyen, about our Central Indiana Region:

Subject: Help from my friends Good morning,

Just wanted to let you know the Regional Directory sure came in handy for me over the past couple of days. I found a used 2015 Cayman S in Bloomington IN, I went to the Directory and found a region member in the Indianapolis area, a Mr. Larry Clarino, who connected me the Regional President Pete Walker and then led me to Dr Woo who resides in Bloomington. They were all more than helpful to me, they connected me with a highly recommended local shop that I hired to perform a thorough PPI which led to my purchase yesterday. Yes, once you become a PCA Member it's more than exchanging information, it forms a trusting bond



amongst its membership. I am thankful for that. Have a Great Day.

As Past President Rob Fike said so often, "It is not about the cars; it is about the people." This is what the

PCA stands for. Thanks to Pete and Mike for going out of your way to help a fellow member.





I am sure by now most of you know about the fire and subsequent sinking of the Felicity Ace, an auto transport ship serving the Volkswagen Group. It reminded me of my tracking the VC Siem Cicero in 2020 with our new Cayenne on board as she left Emden Germany to Danville RI, with a stop in Halifax. I even watched the weather in the North Atlantic, thinking, "Hope they

mind the storms with my car." Can't imagine being a new Porsche owner, seeing 'their' ship on fire.

As we all morn the sad loss of some \$401 million in Volkswagen Group vehicles; (1,100 Porsche's, 200 Bentley's, and Lamborghini's, and more than 2800 Audi's and VW's; happily the crew of 22 were all rescued by the Portuguese Navy,) we get word Porsche Automobile Holding SE is exploring a public stock offering (IPO) of at least \$95 million and as much as \$25 billion, 25% of Porsche AG, to help finance future EV development.

It certainly looks like our favorite brand is serious about electric vehicles being in our future. Porsche AG worth is estimated at more than a staggering \$102 billion.

By the end of the year, you could not only own a Porsche you could own a big hunk of Porsche factories!

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Get INVOLVED! The CIR Website is a fantastic resource for Central Indiana Region, Zone 4, and Porsche Club of America national news.

The latest news on upcoming local, regional, and national events, Porsche related wire news, members photos, classified ads, site information and more is just a mouse click away!

Join other members and Like Us on Facebook!



2020 Check out the Club Calendar for detailed information about upcoming events and links to register for events.

The CIR offers free classified ads online for members to advertising selling or wanted Porsche cars, parts, and miscellaneous Porsche related items. Buyers get the peace of mind of purchasing items owned and maintained by club members. Click CLASSIFIED ADS

Peruse current and back issues of the CIRcular newsletters!

It's easy to contact any CIR/PCA Board member. Simply go to the Contact Us page and fill out the form. Your message will be forwarded to the appropriate CIR Team member.

Interested in learning more about what your Porsche car is capable of? The CIR Driver Ed links menu provides links to information about the next DE event, DE FAQs, Putnam Park Info, and DE videos.

Would you like to learn more about the Club itself? The About Us menu has links to the Club's history, CIR By-laws, CIR Philanthropies, and more!



The PCA/Zone4 menu contains links to all Zone 4 events and Zone 4 region websites.

DeadLine For THE JULY 2022 ISSUE OF CIRCULAR IS JUNE 1, 2022.

Do you have an article or photos that might be of interest to our other members? Please send any articles and photos of past or upcoming events to CIRcular Editor, Pam Clarino at https://cirpca.org/contact-us-2/. Please add my name to the subject line. The next full issue will not be until July 2022.

Send photos as separate email attachments (highest resolution possible) and do not imbed them in your articles. We're always looking for good content. You too can be in CIRcular!

A heartfelt thanks to all of the contributors for this issue and past issues. A publication of this quality would not be possible without its members and contributors.

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Events Calendar

Be sure to check the club website; cirpca.org for the latest additions and changes to club events. The monthly club meeting is currently via Zoom due to COVID.

April

- 4 Club Meeting starting at 7:00 p.m.
- **9** Breakfast @ Rosies place in Zionsville starting at 9:00 a.m.
- **20** *Happy Hour* @ Foyt Wine Vault starting at 5:30 p.m.
- **22-24** *Spring Brake* at Putnam Park Road Course
 - **30** Spring Color Tour Weekend to Cincinnati starting Saturday on April 30th

May

- 1 2nd day of the *Spring Color Tour Weekend* to Cincinnati
- 2 Club Meeting starting at 7:00 p.m.
- **7** Breakfast @ Dales Family Restaurant in Indy starting at 9:00 a.m.
- **14** *Indy Grand Prix* 3:30 p.m.
- 15 An Evening with Paul Page presented by SONAX
- **22** Spring Drive to Independence Dam State Park 11:00 a.m.
- **27** Spring Treffen @ The Broadmoor in Colorado Spring, CO. Ending May 1.

June

- **4 Breakfast** @ The Country Post in Huntington starting at 9:00 a.m.
- 6 Club Meeting starting at 7:00 p.m.
- **12-18** *Porsche Parade in the Poconos*
 - **Dinner @ Lahody's steak House** starting at 6:00 p.m.

July

- 4 Pool Party
- 11 Club Meeting starting at 7:00 p.m.
- 9 Lunch @ Baggis in Fort Wayne starting at 11:30 a.m.
- 15-16 Porsche Car Weekend in Ann Arbor, MI
 - **23** Rolling into Roanoke Car Show in Roanoke, IN. starting at 10:00 a.m.



Join us from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Lahody's steakhouse; located about an hour from either Indy or Fort Wayne at 231 South Walnut Street in Muncie, IN.

We have reserved the mezzanine room which overlooks the bar and main dinning room. This classy New York City Bistro has a menu to die-for. Check it out at www.lahodys.com.

Parking is free either on the street or in the two public parking lots in the rear. RSVP NOW on the CIR website:

> www.cirpca.org by June 11.

Check Out These Upcoming Events



April 30 — May 1, 2022.

CIR's Annual Spring Color Auto Tour to Cincinnati is back!

The two-day event includes an optional stay at the Cincinnati Marriott at RiverCenter in Covington, KY with dramatic views of the Cincinnati skyline, Ohio River, and the historic John A. Roebling Bridge.

The tour begins on Saturday, April 30 with an optional Porsche Club lunch at 11:00 AM at the Kopper Kettle Inn, in Morristown, IN. We'll finish the drive around 5:00 PM in Covington, KY, at the Marriott RiverCenter or head on over to the Hofbrauhaus in neighboring Newport, KY for a CIR Group Dinner at 6:30 PM.

Sunday's Driver's Meeting is at 11:30, leaving at Noon for Arboretum, followed by a late lunch at Taft's Ale House, wrapping up around 3:00 for the drive back to Indy.

Cost for the driving tour is \$10, for much more information and to register go to the CIR Calendar Event Page at:

www.CIRPCA.org

To reserve a room, go to https://book.passkey.com/go/porsche22 for the Porsche Club Discount of \$215/night, including a buffet breakfast. CIR rooms will only be available at this private registration website until April 2.

CIR Spring Brake

April 22, 23, 24 2022

The event is open to all licensed drivers, 18 and older, driving any make vehicle. And it is not necessary to be a PCA member to participate.

Our events will provide extensive track time, as well as classroom instruction. Beginning drivers and those with limited experience will have an experienced instructor in the seat next to you, ensuring that you learn the proper line around the track and safe driving techniques. All of our great instructors are dedicated to making your experience FUN & SAFE! At the conclusion of the weekend, you will go home a better driver and you will have a BIG GRIN on your face.

Our last two (HPDE) at Putnam Park Road Course have been sold



out. If you are interested, Participant Sign-Up: registration for all of our events is done via

www.clubregistration.net. Create a free account and then Search by event host "Central Indiana Region PCA". If you are interested to know more contact Mark Westlake at: markwestlake123@gmail.com.

Photo by Larry Clarino

2022 IndyCar Grand Prix at IMS CIR Race Tickets

CIR has a block of 42 Premium Reserved Seats for the Saturday, May 14 IndyCar Grand Prix Race on the Indianapolis Motor Speedway's Road Course! Seats are high up in Stand H, Section 15, Rows CC, DD & EE, directly above Road Course Turn 1 where all the hard braking and jokeying for position is done at the Race Start and every Re-Start. Tickets are \$62 each Face Value and are available now at:

https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/12225. If you do not already have a ClubReq Account, you will have to create one.

The IMS Road Course is a very challenging 2.4-mile,14-Turn racecourse that will showcase all the top IndyCar teams and drivers that you will see later in two weeks at the Indy 500 on May 29.

Race Start is at 2:45 PM EST and will last until 4:45 PM EST (Note earlier times!). Your Race Ticket includes several support races that start in the morning, including Indy Lights. For full race schedule:

https://www.IndianapolisMotorSpeedway.com

"Best seats in the house!" Come sit with your Porsche Club friends and enjoy the most exciting race at Indianapolis!



Photo by Larry Clarino

Top rows go first! Because of demand "14 Additional CIR IndyCar Grand Prix Race Tickets available now!" These additional tickets will be in Row FF, directly above our block for a total of 56 seats. First come, first served until they are all gone! All tickets will be mailed out in late April to your ClubReg Profile address via the US Postal Service.

An Evening with Paul Page

As Race Month arrives in Indy, join us on May 15, 2022, as CIR-PCA spends "An Evening with Paul Page, Voice of the Indianapolis 500"!

Paul's broadcasting career began in local radio, but it hit the accelerator when he moved to WIBC 1070AM in 1968. There, he met the original host of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Radio Network, the legendary Sid Collins, who recruited Paul to join his venerable radio team for the Memorial Day classic.

Paul was mentored by Collins, who asked him to join the Indy 500 radio network in 1974. Paul's rock solid reporting earned Collins' respect, making Paul his chosen successor. Paul anchored the Indy 500 radio broadcast from 1977 to 1987.

Based on the quality of his work, Paul was tabbed by ABC Sports to anchor all their Indy car series telecasts starting in late 1987.

It was here Page's indelible mark on Indy 500 history was made. Joined by former Indy car veterans Bobby Unser and Sam Posey, the ABC Indy broadcasts became Emmy Award winners as well as fan favorites.

Beyond Indy car racing, Paul's career has spanned other forms of motorsports including NASCAR, IROC, NHRA, and others. He was a regular fixture on NBC and ESPN over the years, covering everything from the America's Cup to the Fourth of July Nathan's Famous Hot Dog Eating Contest.

Don't miss this great night of Indy 500 nostalgia and storytelling by this Hoosier broadcasting legend!

"An Evening with Paul Page, Voice of the Indianapolis 500", May 15, 2022, at the Westfield Playhouse, 220 North Union Street, Westfield, IN 46074. "Stay tuned for the greatest spectacle in CIR-PCA events!" CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS



Article & photography by Larry Clarino

More than 60 CIR'ers attended the tech session.

he largest Central Indiana Region (CIR) tech session in memory took place in Westfield, on Saturday, February 26, 2022. SONAX USA hosted more than sixty CIR members and guests to an exciting day that most all car folks count as a Right of Spring, time to clean our cars for the warm weather to soon come.

SONAX teamed up with Indy's Tom Wood Porsche and had a brand new 2022 Taycan and an absolutely beautiful 2019, 911 Turbo Cabriolet on display at SONAX's newly expanded building. They have added more than 70,000 square feet and will be doing all US stocking and shipping out of this location.

SONAX is one of the largest car care companies in the world. It is still a family-owned business, headquartered in Neuburg an der Donau, Germany. They are part of the Hoffmann Group that started in mining that led to industrial grinding and polishing products. The car paint care line grew out of that technology, first with ultra-fine polishes and onto a vast array of products and tools to protect and maintain a better-then-new appearance.

Because of the extraordinary number in attendance three areas were set up for our club's instruction. Starting with paint correction/protection, followed by exterior washing, and interior cleaning. Each





Not only do they advertise in the CIRcular they are the presenting sponsor of our upcoming Evening with Paul Page, Voice of the Indy 500, presented by SONAX.

That is our May 15th event at the Westfield Playhouse, 220 North Union Street, Westfield. Tickets are available at: https://cirpca.org/event/an-evening-with-paul-page-voice-of-the-indianapolis-500-presented-by-sonax/





The art of washing a car.

An Interview with Tony

Article & Photography by Larry Clarino

he CIRcular sat down with Tony George for an exclusive interview to learn about SONAX USA and future projects.

SONAX is a strong supporter of the Central Indiana Region (CIR), but few know the history behind the brand in America. A German based, world-wide car-care line, the SONAX story really started in the US in 2009, when Tony George acquired the United States rights from the German firm. Former Indy 500 and F-1 champion, Jacques Villeneuve and partner, Craig Pollack previously, had the rights. The two Canadians tried re-labeling the products under their own brand name, rather than using the SONAX brand with little success.

In 2008, George, former Chairman, President, and CEO of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway (IMS), through an acquaintance, was introduced to the SONAX name. After a visit to the SEMA automotive products show in Las Vegas. he discovered the US rights were available. Tony saw real possibilities with the product line if marketed correctly. SONAX USA, marketing partner of the German brand was born.

"SONAX didn't have any US market share at the time; the former rights holders, for whatever reasons, wanted to build their own brand, instead of a brand with over fifty-years in the global market. Their business failed," said George. "So, when they (Sonax) looked at me they were extremely cautious, but we got it together. We got off to kind of a slow start; I had no idea what I was getting into. But it became my primary interest and activity. I created Vision Investments, for the SONAX USA brand as well as other things."

Vision Investments is now made up of SONAX USA, the recently acquired Autogeek car-care on-line marketing company and is a partner in the Indy Car team of Ed Carpenter Racing.

While the road ahead was certainly different from running the world's most famous raceway, both Tony and wife, Laura, dove into the new venture with a total commitment to build the SONAX brand as well as continuing family and philanthropic interests. Both are very involved with giving back to the Indiana community through various charitable and humanitarian projects. Also, family is very important

to them, a fact you can tell when he talks about grandkids' hockey.

In 2019 with the sale of IMS and INDYCAR, to Penske Entertainment. they need to relocate the SONAX USA offices from town of Speedway, Indiana, to a new

location. "Our offices were part of the (sold) assets of IMS. Just about then the beginnings of covid hit, and we found this building in Westfield. The best opportunity for us was going north (from Indy) with the growth, it was really the location. It is a growing area; it made sense. We have a house in Indianapolis, but we live in Hamilton County, we go to church here, the kids play hockey here, we have friends here, go to restaurants here, pretty much everything is here."

Managing Director, Rob McCrary added, "Tony called me and said he wanted to show me an existing building, we walked in, it had offices, it had detail wash bays, it had space, it had all the pieces in it. I think without building from scratch, this is everything we needed." McCrary added with a smile, "Being a five-minute commute from my home had nothing to do with my recommendation."

"The existing building gave me a place to move 'stuff' into, but the vacant property behind it gave us the opportunity to expand and establish a headquarters, warehouse, and a perfect place for us to grow," said George. That space now holds a brand new 70,000 square foot addition. We were shipping finished goods that we were importing by container, across the water. Most of our products are water so what we do is ship water, over the water."

They now have room here to do significant repackaging of the final retail products, cutting back on logistic issues. All US distribution will be done from the Westfield location.

SONAX products are available at

Amazon, select Advance Auto Parts stores, and fine car care retailers all over the country.



SONAX Wheel Cleaners
Simply the BEST!
Spray-On...Rinse-Off
Notice the Difference!

The Southern 2003 Bouster 2560 Spyder

Article & Photos by Will Anthony

had been a member of the PCA for a few months and had just switched from the Michiana Region to the Central Indiana Region. I had recently purchased a 987 Cayman and decided to sell my 2000 Boxster and look for a newer model. I was researching special edition models and came across two that were built in 2008. The first was the orange and black special edition. I liked the idea of a limited numbered car, but I didn't know if I could live with that color. The second was the Boxster RS60 Spyder. It came with everything I would want, and I thought the GT Silver with the red interior was stunning.

About a year goes by and I'm at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway on Friday morning for parade laps as part of the Porsche Sportscars Together event. I was chatting with some of the other drivers, and I noticed a silver Boxster RS60 Spyder about six cars behind me. I had to go check it out. The owner told me it was a special edition that he had recently purchased from his friend who wanted a 718 Boxster. He loved it, and I could see why. The car looked even better than in the photos I had looked at. By the end of the day, I decided I had to find one, and the hunt was on.

All the RS60s were GT Silver but you could order a grey interior with a black top or a red interior with a red top. I was determined to find a red over red, manual.

By the time I went to 2021 Treffen in October, I was beginning to lose hope. Then a few days before Halloween I was doing my daily web checks and a RS60 had just popped up at an Audi dealership outside of Philadelphia. I called the Audi dealer as soon as they opened talking to Tony, a salesman, asking if the car was still available. He said it was and he was standing right next to it. I then asked if I could put down a deposit over the phone, and we worked out the deal.



My first look.



Brand new owner.

When I spoke to him the following day, he told me he had more than fifty calls on the car after mine. I wanted some photos of specific parts of the car that were not in the original listing. Primarily, I wanted a shot of the glove box cover. I wanted to know the sequence number of the car. Turned out my new car was number 1936 of 1960.

Tony and I set up everything via email and text over the next few days. I flew out the following Saturday, the day after Halloween, to drive the car home. After signing the paperwork I pulled it into one of their service bays and cleaned/waxed it myself. This allowed me the time to take a really good look at the condition. The prior owner had a bumper-to-bumper paint protection applied. I also found all the receipts for the maintenance done by the prior three owners in the glove compartment.

So, I was off on my 724-mile test drive. I took I-80 West, through the Pocono Mountains, where our 2022 Parade will be. The foliage going through the mountains was near peak color.

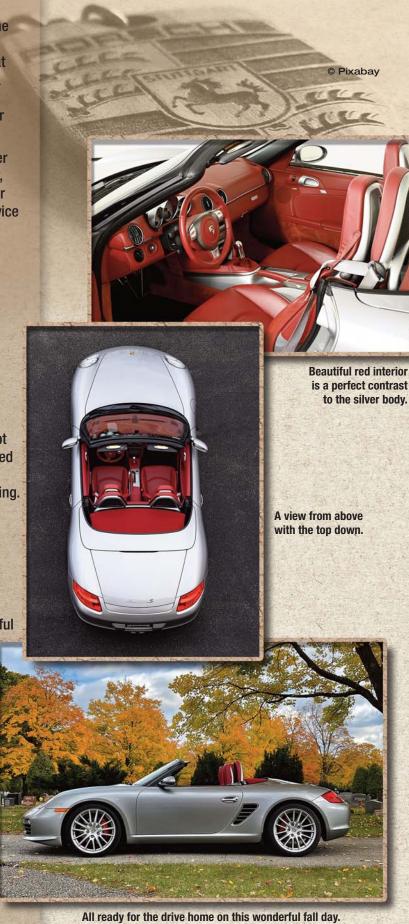
I had originally planned to stop for the night about halfway through the trip, but I felt so good I just kept going. I got looks and comments every time I stopped for gas. People loved the red top. The contrast between the red and the GT Silver of the body is striking.

The one thing I forgot to bring with me was my CD case. I was reduced to searching for a new radio station when the one I was listening to would fade out. I completed the drive in just under nine hours with no issues. The heated seats were a joy. It did take me a little while to get used to driving a stick shift again. And the sport-exhaust sounded wonderful with the top up or down.

The Monday after I brought it home, I stopped in at the local police station to get a VIN inspection, and then dropped if off at my shop for a full evaluation and a fresh oil change.

The Spyder is everything I had hoped for and more. It took many hours of searching, but with a little luck, and the help of my friends in PCA, I found the car a really wanted.

In December I added the Spyder to my listing on the Boxster Registry. My car's number is relatively late in the series. Number 1959 of 1960 was at a dealership in England. I'm always amazed at how widespread and friendly the PCA community is. Whether you're in London England or London Ohio, there is help and advice just around the corner.





A PROPER MAINTENANCE WASH

Article & Photos by Pete Walker and Adam Dearlove

ar people have a different connection than the average person with their automobile. When we look at our vehicles, we feel something, I can't describe it here, but you all know what I am talking about. That "I better turn around and look at it one more time" when you are walking away feeling. Whether you drive your car daily or only bring it out on special occasions, you undoubtedly want your car to look its best. As a result of that pursuit, many of us use additional protections such as paint protection films, ceramic coatings, waxes, or other sealants to protect our cars and reduce maintenance difficulty. Unfortunately. application of these products is not the complete solution. We have to continue to maintain these protections to ensure their performance is maintained. That brings us to this article; How do you properly maintain the exterior surface of your vehicle?

The answer is simple, you wash it. But not in the standard definition. For some of us a wash is a quick stop to the nearest tunnel wash, for others it is a 3-hour therapy session in the driveway, and then there are the rest of us who fall somewhere in between. Most people will complete these different wash methods and look at their vehicle assuming the vehicle is clean. It certainly looks better, and it definitely is "cleaner" than it was when you started, but it isn't entirely clean. Most car wash soaps simply are not

strong enough to fully decontaminate a vehicle surface. Hence, the maintenance wash.

Maintenance washes are a more thorough form of the standard wash. These washes are intended to strip all the contaminants embedded in your clear coat, coating, PPF, and so forth to



Lots of contaminants collect behind the wheels and on the back of your car.

restore the performance of the products installed on your vehicle and to prevent premature deterioration. Think of your vehicle surface as a frying pan. If you use a non-stick pan, you want to keep that surface clean to ensure the non-sticking properties are there for the next time you use it. Any leftover gunk from the last meal will form a new surface for the current meal to stick to. Your paint acts in



The purple droplets are actually iron particles that were attached to the surface.

much the same way. Environmental factors and mechanical particles from vehicles such as rotor iron and road grime all stick to your car and form new surfaces for particles to cling to. These particles embed themselves in your exposed surface and will stay there until a proper maintenance wash is performed.

Most of the contaminants on your vehicle are invisible to the naked eye, but you can feel them with your hands. After you wash and dry your car the next time, put your hand inside a sandwich bag and run your fingers across the hood of your car. You will likely feel bumps; those are contaminants! When you go to the store, you'll see 20 different soaps to use in the shower, thus we need to use more than an all-in-one to clean our car.

Lots of people have their own approach for a maintenance wash. Many of our club sponsors offer their knowledge and service to help. Adam Dearlove, owner of CIRPCA sponsor Mint Detail, is one such resource. From something as basic as a wash was or as high tech as a ceramic coating, he wants every vehicle that comes through Mint's shop to be as perfect as possible. In that pursuit of perfection, his recommended maintenance wash approach involves elements you probably hadn't considered.

Start by cleaning your wheels. As wheels are the dirtiest part of the vehicle, you want to make sure they are fully cleaned and rinsed prior to performing the rest of the wash. Once the wheels are cleaned, spray the leading edges of the vehicle with your favorite bug remover. Let the product sit for a few minutes. Agitate with a microfiber as needed. Without rinsing, coat the entire car with an iron remover, It is important the iron remover be applied to a dry surface in order to properly emulsify any iron particles. Most iron removers turn a purple color when an iron deposit is located. I always find it fascinating how purple the car gets behind each wheel and on the doors. Agitate as needed on the larger deposits but be careful not to drag the iron across your paint. It is metal and will definitely leave "love marks." From here, spray the whole car down with a foam cannon. Adam recommends you mix All Purpose Cleaner (APC) with

a fallout remover to really get an aggressive "strip" on the vehicle. Let that soak for a few minutes but be sure not to let it dry. You will definitely want to perform this wash out of direct sunlight.



Adam Dearlove spraying the car.

After a good soak, rinse the vehicle and perform a standard two-bucket wash method working top to bottom. With the



Wipe the car from top to bottom.

car all soaped up from your wash mitts, grab a mild clay bar and a detail spray and give the car a once over to get any remaining contaminants extracted. Perform a final rinse and pay close attention to how the water is reacting on the surface. You should see consistent water reactivity across the entire car. If you do not, additional clay barring might be required.

Frequency of maintenance washes depends on use of your car. Daily drivers likely need a good wash every six weeks or so, where a weekend/date night driver might only need one a few times a year. If you do not have the equipment or the experience to perform a service like this, consult your favorite detail shop. These services are often performed in less than a few hours and are relatively cheap but are a necessity if you want to increase the life of your exterior protective coatings or films.

Now, you're ready for a drive! Whether you're going to a CIR event, Cars and Coffee, or to the grocery store, your Porsche will be guaranteed to look its best and leave you smiling each time. And remember, if you don't look back, you bought the wrong car.



So clean, it's like a mirror.

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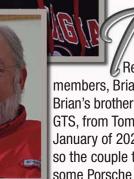




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FIGUS ON Brian & Betsy Davidson

Article & Photography by Larry Clarino



he Central Indiana Region welcomes new members, Brian, and Betsy Davidson. Brian's brother got a new 718 Cayman GTS, from Tom Wood Porsche in January of 2021, near his birthday, so the couple thought, "Let's get some Porsche bling for him as a

car-warming and a birthday gift. Maybe a coffee cup or a jacket, that sort of thing," said Brian; little did he know what was in his future.

"We were looking around at all the pretty cars in the showroom when Barry (Wickliff) came up and said you guys pulled up in an (Audi) e-tron, you need to look at this Taycan. 'What's a Taycan?' I said, Barry showed us, and we took it for a test ride."

Betsy added, "I was the first one to drive it, and after three roundabouts I said, I love this car, I love this car!" So, the couple that came into the dealership to buy a jacket bought a brand-new Porsche Taycan...and the iacket!

"Since we had the all-electric Audi e-tron, we are very comfortable with EV's and the all-electric Taycan," said Brian. Betsy included, "I think of it as a ladies' car, when you are in it and you are driving, you just feel secure, and it is a very solid car. And no pumping gas and that's huge for me, no smelling of the gasoline. Some of your readers probably love smelling gas; I'm not one of them!"

Brian commented, "So we've enjoyed the car immensely; it's a fun car to drive. We thought the e-tron was pretty sporty and smooth, until we got into the Porsche; it was like, holy-cow, what a step up."

The Carmel, Indiana residents heard about the CIR from Barry Wickliff, their sales advisor at Tom Wood Porsche. and joined as soon as they got the new black Porsche. They are most impressed with the number of fun activities the club does and the friendliness of the members.

The first club event the Davidson's attended was our January lunch at Pasto Italiano, which happens to be their favorite local restaurant. They are looking forward to the various upcoming events. Both Brian and Betsy are hoping to get in a DE at Putnam. We would not be surprised if another Porsche or two is in their future.

Brian is the president of Flotec Inc. an Indianapolis manufacture of respiratory products and gas regulator systems that supply products around the world. During the Covid pandemic they provided equipment for over 7000 hospital beds supplying flow meters and respiratory equipment for pop-up hospitals all over the globe.

That includes the sixty-eight-bed emergency hospital set up in New York City's Central Park last year. It included triage, intensive care, surgery, and recovery units. "We make the flow-meters, vacuum regulators, medical air regulators and all the lines that delivered the gases to the patent so they could treat everyone. We do systems that encompassed oxygen from both compressed and liquid-oxygen, medical air, and gases for laparoscopy. Even nitrous oxide, laughing gas; that is always a fun day at the office."

Who would have known that right here in Indy we have a company that is literally saving lives, every minute of every day, all around the world.

So welcome to the CIR-PCA to the Davidson's, hope to see you guys a lot.



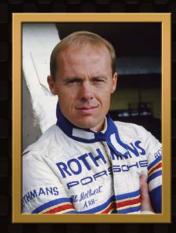






Honored as Namesake of Porsche Carrera Cup North America Trophy

Article By Tom Moore, Consultant with Porsche Cars North America in Motorsport Public Relations



tlanta, Georgia. Porsche Motorsport North America announced today that the championship winning trophy for the Porsche Carrera Cup North America Presented by the Cayman Islands will honor Porsche legend and North American motorsports pioneer Al Holbert.

The Al Holbert Cup has been created in recognition of Holbert's commitment, inspiration and leadership in the formation and organization of Porsche motorsports in North America. The silver cup carrying his name has been crafted as a timeless and traditional trophy to commemorate each Pro class champion of the Porsche Carrera Cup North America Presented by the Cayman Islands starting with this inaugural season.

The Al Holbert Cup will be engraved each year with the champion's name and year of the championship. This original cup will be on display at Porsche Motorsport North American (PMNA) headquarters in Carson, California. A replica trophy will be presented to the champion as their tangible reminder of their milestone season. This award recognizes the true racing spirit of Al Holbert conveying his professional driver's skill, engineer's precision, and a gentleman racer's passion. A true link between the past, present and future of Porsche.

A storied racer and one of the all-time leaders in IMSA race victories (63) and pole positions (27), Al Holbert was a consummate engineer-racer. The Warrington, Pennsylvania-native earned three 24 Hour of Le Mans overall titles as well as two Rolex 24 At Daytona and Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring victories racing with Porsche.

He became synonymous with the brand and became an intricate part of IMSA racing in the 1980s. Through his skills as a driver, owner, and businessman the wildly popular No. 14 Holbert Racing Porsche 962 prototypes, remain iconic today.



As the first Director of Motorsports for Porsche North America — today's equivalent position to PMNA president and CEO — Holbert outlined the future of the German sports car manufacturer's North American racing endeavors. He

guided the brand to a fulltime foray in Indy car racing and managed its position as a sports car juggernaut.

While tragically killed on September 30, 1988, in a private plane crash, Al Holbert's vision for the marque in the United States and Canada lives on. Following his path, the Porsche Motorsport North America Pyramid continues to allow drivers, teams, and partners to climb the ranks from novice to club racer and one-make champion to ultimately ascend, beginning in 2023, to prototype racing against full-factory efforts at Daytona, Sebring, and Le Mans all behind the wheel of a Porsche.





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PCA JUNIORS PROGRAM

Article Bob Snider, CIR Historian

The Porsche Club of America's PCA Juniors Program is just for kids under 18. The only requirement is that they are related to you, the Primary Member, your child, grandchild, niece, nephew, or cousin. And it's Free!

The program was created so kids can enjoy PCA events, learn about Porsches and build the enthusiasm that runs through all of

the Porsche Club of America.

Just login to *www.PCA.org*, using your login that came with your PCA Membership Card, and on the homepage hover over the Membership tab and select the PCA Juniors tab. Fill in the necessary info on the form and then click on the yellow Add PCA Junior tab at the bottom. Or use this direct link *PCA Juniors I The Porsche Club of America*.

Porsche Parade and other big national and regional events now have activities designed just for PCA Juniors and they even have their own Facebook and Instagram pages: *FACEBOOK INSTAGRAM*.



Maureen Arata' and her 1969 "Greenbean" 912 at Porsche Parade.

CIR's Maureen Arata's 1969 "Greenbean" 912 won the PCA Juniors 1st Place Award at last year's Porsche Parade Concours in French Lick!

Our region currently has 38 members that have among them, 43 PCA Junior Members You can have more than one PCA Junior Member per PCA Membership.

The PCA Juniors Program is sponsored by Hagerty Insurance Youth Programs.

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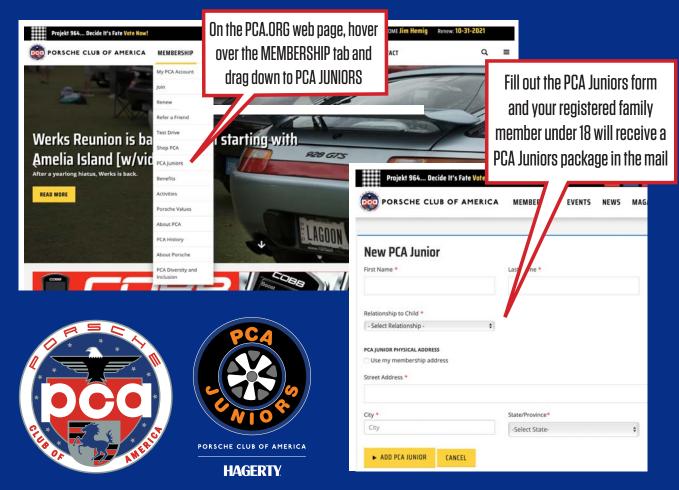


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The Longest Test Drive

Article & Photos by Will Anthony

arly last year I read an article that stated the Porsche Macan was one of the fastest SUVs made. I had purchased my first 911 the previous fall, but I had never looked into Porsche SUVs before. We have had several Honda CRVs over the years, and I was familiar with the Cayenne, but I had never heard of a Macan, the small Porsche SUV. The local CARMAX store had a pretty metallic red 2016 Macan S, with just 37,000 miles on the clock.

It had a valve cover leak, common in the Macan, so it spent the next couple of weeks getting fixed and the service brought up to date. By the first week in April we had it back and decided to take it on a little test drive...to Arizona!

It was Spring Break with my wife off work for the week and we were both weary of winter, so we decided to road trip to the condo my sister and I own in southern Arizona. It's about eighteen hundred miles from South Bend, our home. We planned for two days down, two days there, and two days back, a real challenging first drive for the new Macan.

We got an early start and made it to Oklahoma City by 6pm in time to find a great local BBQ place for dinner. Having owned over sixty cars through the years, the Macan is the

most comfortable car we ever had. The interior is extremely well designed, and it handles like the true Porsche it is.

When we reached Texas on the second day, we started noticing that the rest areas, particularly the welcome centers, were very unique to the state. We stopped for a photo of the Macan at the welcome centers in Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona.

The plan was to follow I-40 to Albuquerque and then take I-25 south to Las Cruces and pick up I-10 west. My route and the GPS matched until we got to the exit for Hatch, New Mexico, on I-25.

The GPS wanted us to get off at Hatch. I was hesitant but ended up getting off the highway. It turned out to be a great decision. I had heard of Hatch Peppers but had no idea where they came from. The city of Hatch turned out to be a great place to stop for a stroll.

Taking the back roads to I-10 at Deming NM from

Hatch was a nice change. The oil indicator light did come on as we were leaving Hatch. Telling me exactly how much oil to add. That was the only problem we had for the entire trip.

The welcome center on I-10 in Arizona was the most beautiful one we visited. With a backdrop of canyons and boulders it is spectacular. We reached the condo in Green Valley AZ about seven that evening, with time to go shopping and pick up something for dinner.

Two days later we were ready to head home. We got an early start and stopped just east of Tulsa. It's incredible how

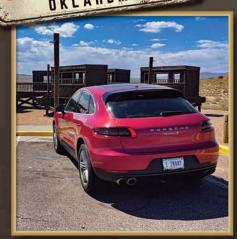


Texas Welcome Center

the landscape changes from Arizona's

canyons to New Mexico's mesas, though the west Texas prairie, and the rolling hills of Oklahoma.

The next day after passing through St. Louis I started running out of steam. We decided it was finally time to turn the wheel over to Kathy. Back on I-55 I started to nod off. Now Kathy drives a Mini Cooper during the summer and a Honda CRV in the winter. She considered the Macan a fancy CRV. As we drove north on I-55 we came upon a long line of



New Mexico Welcome Center

trucks in the right lane. Kathy moved to the left lane and hit the gas. In a CRV if you are doing sixty and you hit the gas, you accelerate to maybe sixty-five.



Arizona Welcome Center

A short time later I came out of my doze and noticed we had passed all the trucks. I looked over at the dash to see how fast we were going. I said "Kat, you've never had a speeding ticket have you?" She said, "No, I never speed." I replied, "Okay, then why are you going ninety-five in a sixty?" Luckily, she just slowed down instead of hitting the breaks. The Macan is so smooth you don't feel the speed creep up on you.

Of all the car's we own, the Macan is Kathy's favorite to travel in. We took it down to see my family in North Carolina in late July.

The trip to Arizona was the longest test drive I have ever taken. It was wonderful and the Macan passed with flying colors. Now as I write this article it's early February in

northern Indiana, and there's a snowstorm going on outside. We are supposed to get more than a foot of new snow. I'd much rather be at that welcome center in Arizona watching the sun begin it's decent over the mountains.

We are looking forward to more adventures with our new Macan, a real Porsche.



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Racer, Driver Coach Dan Clarke, Available at Putnam DE

Article & Photos by Larry Clarino

e in the Central Indiana Region (CIR) are especially lucky with our High-Performance Drivers Education (HPDE) programs because of our location. We have a great training track in Putnam Park Sports Car Course, some terrific volunteer organizers, and an abundance of professional drivers in our area available for private coaching.

One of those is the resident pro at Putnam Park's Country Club operation, Dan Clarke. Dan came to live in

Indianapolis in 2006. The former CART Champ Car World Series driver has a wealth of experience around the world, including A1GP, representing Great Britain, driving for Derrick Walker in Indy Lights, including F-3 and F2 in Europe, Australia, and New Zealand. After moving to Indianapolis in 2006 the Brit moved from driving open wheel, formula cars into the driver-coaching area, while still doing some racing in sportscars.

Dan is now driving one of CIR member, BJ Nicholas' 911 GT3 Cup cars in the Porsche North America Sprint Challenge series. Dan has a close connection to the PCA. In working with CIR DE chair, Mark Westlake Dan has made himself available at our DEs as a pro coach on a per session level.

"To get a pro driver coach it is like \$900 to \$1500 per day, plus expenses; when you add travel, that is quite a lot. This way at HPDE's I am available on a per session bases at \$100. DEs are mostly for driving enthusiasts; not everyone goal is to go professional racing. I enjoy sharing my experience with people that just enjoy driving. Give them more understanding of their vehicle. I can ride right seat or drive their car. Whatever is best for them. My goal is to get them a balanced car that is drivable, so they are having fun and become better, safer drivers. I include a debrief sheet at the end of a session, so they have an idea of what to work on."

Dan continued, "When the club started at Putnam, they needed some coaches because they were getting

country club members that had never driven on a track before. I have become kind of the resident pro, like a golf club pro. That was back in 2013, it's really fun, and I get to drive some interesting cars."

Dan also has set up a SIM race package business. He builds and sells really high-end simulator packages as well as coaching in the SIM racing area. "The setup I use has very accurate wheel feedback and controls. If you clip a curb, get a kickback, you will feel it in the wheel. I am also coaching in SIM racing now too."

Any HPDE driver that wants to get private instruction at Putnam or other tracks, or if you are interested in a SIM setup, you can contact Dan Clarke at www.DanClarke.me.





Pasto Italiano Late Lunch

Article and photos by Larry Clarino

he first social event of the 2022 season took place at Pasto Italiano in Westfield on January 29th. More than fifty Central Indiana Region (CIR) members met for a late lunch at the sold-out neighborhood Italian Bistro.

Kent and Patsy McNall owners of the charming trattoria welcomed the CIR

for the second consecutive year for our initial winter gathering. The entire restaurant was turned over to the group as every seat in the place was spoken for.

"We look forward to having the Porsche Club not just for your business, but because you all are such a friendly happy group," said the McNall's, "We hope this becomes a fixture of both our calendars."

Additionally, as in 2021 Benito DiBartoli entertained the gathering with his jazz guitar. Benito widely known in the Indy area, toured with Eddie Money Band for several years, and is an extraordinary musician.



CIR members filled every seat.



Benito DiBartoli entertained our group.



Article and photos by Larry Clarino

he Central Indiana Region's First Saturday Breakfast for March took place on the second

Saturday of March this year at the First Watch Daytime Cafe on the Northside of Indianapolis. Thirteen CIR members gathered for a fabulous wakeup meal with conversation on all things Porsche.

First Watch is a Florida based chain of breakfast & lunch gastronomic emporiums throughout twenty-eight states.

They highlight really fresh, made to order, dishes, and feature some of the nicest staff around.

Long a tradition with the region is our first Saturday morning get togethers, even if they sometimes don't take place on 'exact' first Saturday.







We typically have a Breakfast the first Saturday of every month and a Happy Hour the third or fourth thursday of every month. Check out our calendar at *cirpca.org* to find out times and locations.

Article by Larry Clarino

n the first paragraph of the preface of A Checkered Past, Al Unser Jr's autobiography, Al says. "For the past few nights, I had taken the gun out of the dresser near my bed and sat it on the coffee table in front of me...It was April 19, 2012. I decided to kill myself on my fiftieth birthday...I put the gun against my head and slowly reached for the trigger."

Take a second to think about that.

This is the life story of a member of America's first family of racers. Nine Indianapolis 500 Mile Races have been won by a man named Unser. That is about 9% of all the Indy 500's ever run!

This is the story of a young kid from Albuquerque, New Mexico trying to live up to the family name. A family that had thousands of race wins, 108 wins in the Indy-car series alone. A famous family. Everyone knew the Unser's, Uncle Bobby, Uncle Jerry, Uncle Louie, dad, Al Sr., even Grandpa Jerry, all racers.

Al Jr's life was tough, bouncing between an extreme perfectionist and disciplinarian father, and a very young mom who lived a thousand miles away. All the kid, even at nine years old, wanted to do was be a racer like his dad. He did not care about getting an education; all that mattered was driving racing cars.

A Checkered Past is Al's own story as told to Jade

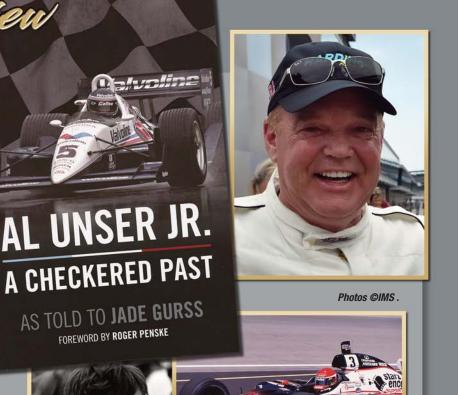
Gurss, an amazingly talented writer with a love of motorsports and a wonderful way with words. This is a gut baring saga of drugs and booze that consumed and nearly defeated Unser from his teenage years through mid-life. Al learned how to separate his public image from a very dark, almost evil side. Professionally he looked to be on top of the world, privately he was a dangerous wreck.

That evil side led to a life of domestic cruelty and violence, financial devastation, and detachment from life that resulted in more than one suicide attempt, until he hit bottom.

But this is also the story of an Al Unser Jr. that starting the long climb up from that bottom. After several false starts, in and out of rehab, Unser found internal strength, finally found help to get his life re-started. This is the story of a racer, and contemporary of many of us in the darkest of times any of us can imagine but it's the happiest of times too. Al found faith, he has found friendships, he has become a mentor and role model for young drivers. He has grown into a leader of men.

He understands the struggle is never over, but there is always hope. Al Unser Jr. today, is a whole different person from that old version of himself. Ultimately this is a happy narrative of a now happy man. This is a story that needs to be read.

A Checkered Past is published by Octane Press and is available online at Amazon or wherever books are sold.



Photos from little Al's racing career.





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MOTORVAULT Open House

Article & Photographyby Larry Clarino

entral Indiana Region sponsor MotorVault teamed up with Hagerty Insurance Territory Manager, Derek Hughes for a tour of the MotorVault facility in Indianapolis, just across the street from Lucas Oil Stadium.

Brian Henry has over twenty years' experience in high-end and exotic consignment car sales and has a deep passion for the Porsche brand. MotorVault started just a little over a year ago when Brian made the decision to venture out on his own.

In addition to the consignment sales part of the business, they are also,

the only Backdraft Racing dealer in Indiana, with the line's custom roadsters that have a striking resemblance to AC Cobras of the '60's but the drivability of a modern classic.

Another Indiana exclusive is MotorVault's dealership of Futura Trailers to tow your Porsche around.

Brian started with a plan to just store cars at his place on McCarty Street near downtown, but it quickly became a consignment operation. He will hunt all over the world for clients looking for that one special car as a buyer's representative as well as working to get the highest value for clients looking to sell. 317-522-8260,

or brian@motorvault.com.

Hagerty's Derek Hughes discussed Hagerty's industry leading lines of agreed valued insurance for not only on-track protection, but classic and exotic vehicles. If you have a special automobile insurance need Hagerty will have an insurance product answer for you. Derek can be reached at (331) 201-1884 or, at dhughes@hagerty.com.



MotorVault's Brian Henry

CIR's Fred Greulich looks at a Backdraft Roadster.





Porsches in the rain.





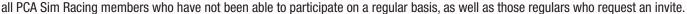
Arrive & Drive — Sim Racing for the Rest of Us

Article by Jim Legault

s a veteran of PCA Sim Racing, I have experienced all of the various PCA Sim Racing activities on offer. Series Racing, Zone Group Racing, and Team Racing are all highly competitive.

As you might expect of competitive events, there is a positive correlation between time spent practicing and preparing, and relative success on the track. Based upon feedback from participants, PCA Sim Racing determined that some of us, because of busy schedules, don't have time to practice, prepare, and participate in the regular competitive series. The Arrive and Drive League is intended to bridge this gap.

The Arrive & Drive League will utilize the same four national classes: PCA Challenge, PCA Sport, PCA Club, and PCA Pro. Invitations to participate in the new league have been sent to



All new PCA Sim Racing members must complete the Entry Class Racing on-boarding program before they can progress to any other Series, including Arrive & Drive.

The focus of Arrive & Drive is Sportsmanship, Camaraderie, No contact racing, and a Fun racing experience using many of the iRacing Porsche vehicles on track that will be familiar to those who follow IMSA, IndyCar, and F1. Road courses, rovals, and ovals will all see action. Some sessions will feature inverted grids, multi class racing with the faster drivers in slower cars, or even "blind" sessions where the car and venue will not be announced until the session goes live!

Two events per week are planned, one on a weeknight and an identical one on the weekend, in order to maximize the opportunity to participate. The first events are scheduled for April 2nd and 4th. Check the PCA Sim Racing Calendar for all the dates and times.

PCA Sim Racing News Brief

The three race 2022 PCA Sim Racing Zone Group Championships concluded on March 4. Up to eight drivers, in each of the four driver classes, from the five Zone Group qualified for the Championships. Individual drivers earn points for their respective Zone Groups, with the ZG winning teams determined on aggregate points. CIRPCA is a member of Zone Group (ZG) 2 & 4, known as the "Founders of Schnell".

- In Pro Class, Founders of Schnell finished second overall.
- Founders of Schnell took top honors in Club Class, with Keith Morgan representing CIRPCA
- In Sport Class, our ZG finished fourth. Yours truly represented CIRPCA in Sport Class.
- The Founders of Schnell finished a strong second place in Challenge Class.

The second ever PCA Team Racing Series, sponsored by Porsche Exchange, kicked off on March 6 at Elkhart Lake's Road America, with a 6 hour event.

PCA Team Racing is a true, multi-car class endurance racing competition, including multiple pit stops, driver changes, and constantly evolving strategies. Teams are comprised of 2 or more PCA Sim Racing members driving in one of three car classes: Porsche 911 GT3R, Porsche 718 Cayman GT4 Clubsport, and 911 GT3 Cup 992.



This writer had the privilege of competing for Mach Schnell Motorsports in the 718 GT4 class and I am delighted to report that my teammates Ivan Gomez, Jochem Bakker, Edward Tripet, and I finished first in class! It was a huge thrill and underscored for me, PCA Sim Racing's motto: The cars aren't real but the racing is!

Also of interest: The first PCA Pro Cup series had its first ever event on March 11 at Sebring. PCA Pro Cup is an interesting concept featuring sprint races pitting the best of PCA Sim Racing Pro Class drivers against real life Porsche GT3 Cup North America team drivers, and occasional special guest drivers, in the iRacing Porsche GT3 Cup 992. Professional Porsche GT3 Cup driver Laurin Heinrich took the victory.

Get the latest information about the expansive PCA Sim

Racing program on the PCA Sim Racing website and subscribe to PCA Sim Racing's YouTube Channel to watch all the action and more!





PCA Test Drive Program

Don't own a Porsche yet?
PCA Test Drive might be for you or a friend!

Article by Historian Bob Snider

The Porsche Club has announced the PCA Test Drive Program. It's a special membership category for prospective Porsche owners. It is targeted at helping them find a quality car through the club, and naturally, join the PCA.

Prospective Porsche owners can join for \$40 for a six-month probationary membership, and get the monthly Porsche Panorama magazine to help in their search via The Mart. The Mart in Panorama lists only member cars and are often in better condition than typical used Porsche's found thru other sources.

They receive a temporary membership to allow them access to www.pca.org and the monthly Test Drive News email newsletter. When they find their Porsche, they can call PCA National and give them their new VIN and convert to a full PCA Membership.

Do you have a friend, neighbor, relative or co-worker that is looking for a Porsche and might also be interested in joining our club? Just tell them about the PCA Test Drive Program and have them call PCA National at 410-381-0911, or they can sign up online at www.pca.org/Test-Drive/Join.

PCA Test Drive Participants are invited to all our local Central Indiana Region events, get our event emails, can visit our www.cirpca.org website, view our Calendar of Events and access our award-winning CIRcular publication. They will be happy they did!

Test Drive Memberships are renewable until they find that special car.

CIR currently has 12 PCA Test Drive Participants with three recently becoming full members, so the program does work. One of our CIR PCA Test Drive members has been in the program since October, 2016 and keeps renewing. Let's find this guy a car — that is true devotion to the marque!



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From Greg Smith, Membership Chair

Fredrick Adelsperger/Richmond/2007 Cayman S

Cesar & Ana Murillo Balcazar/Fort Wayne/2014 Panamera 4

Andrew Bloom/Carmel/2013 Boxster S

Jack Carr/Indianapolis/2017 911 Carrera 4S

Steve Carroll/Noblesville/1972 911T

Melanie Goode/Greenwood/2006 Cayman S

Matt & Rachel Hallien/Fishers/2002 911 Targa

Roland Hofer/Carmel/2021 Macan GTS

Courtney Holland/Westfield/2014 911 Carrera

Nick Howard/Noblesville/2022 911 Carrera

Thomas Jackson/Indianapolis/2018 718 Cayman GTS

Darryl Jenkins/Fort Wayne/2020 911 Carrera

Reginald McDaniel/Danvillie/2018 911 Carrera 4

Brian McRoberts/West Lafayette/2007 911 Carrera S Cabriolet

Donald Mee/Indianapolis/2004 911 Carrera 4 Cabriolet

Howard Mzumara/Indianapolis/2013 911 Carrera S

John & Sandra Papageorge/Indianapolis/2014 Cayman

James Roberts/Bargersville/2022 718 Cayman

James Roehrdanz/Carmel/2015 911 Carrera

David Walker/Indianapolis/2015 Cayman

Test Drive Participants

Doug Goodman/Franklin

Brandon Porambo/Williams

Nichols Shane/Indianapolis

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2022 Anniversaries Coming Up in the 2nd Quarter

1992 — 30 Years

Paul Ross/Paragon/Jun.

1997 — 25 Years

Kyle & Connie Kracher/Hamilton/Apr. Henry & Lori Riley/AVON/May

2002 — 20 Years

Demaris & J Michael Van Winkle/Rochester/May Kevin & Nina Williams/Indianapolis/Jun. Brian & Joanna Broderick/Bloomington/Jan.

2007 — 15 Years

Eric Bohm/Logansport/Jun. Richard & Rebecca Rutkowski/Fort Wayne/Jun.

2012 — 10 Years

Benjamin & David Lowe/Fishers/May
Diane & Evan Smogor/Indianapolis/May
Roger & Kelley Wilson/Greenwood/May
Keith Brauer/Zionsville,Jun.
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Mark Shupe/Greenwood/Jun.
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Larry and I would like to thank all the people who contributed to this edition of the CIRcular. Because of you folks, we have a jam packed issue of interesting stories and events. Hope we can do the same for the July 2022 issue.

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around the zone

New Zone 4 Representative

Chip Henderson



Hi Zone 4 Friends and Family,

We in our region want to welcome Chip Henderson as our new PCA Zone-4 representative. Chip comes to the job from the Mid-Ohio Region as a past president and very active PCA member.

The former Army helicopter pilot joined the PCA back in 1995 with an interest in autocross and followed by High Performance Driver Education (HPDE) programs. After his first track experience he really and truly drank the Cool-Aid and got hooked on PCA Club Racing.

Starting with a 944 Turbo, Chip now campaigns a 997 Carrera 4S in Club Racing events all over the nation, including at last Fall's Porsche Sports Cars Together weekend at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, right in our region.

Club Racing is a family affair in the Henderson household. Chip's son Connor is Club Racing Business Manager on the full-time staff of the series.

Chip did need to hit the ground running in spite of resent knee surgery. Just a couple of weeks after being appointed to the Zone-4 position he hosted all the Zone presidents and vice-presidents to a conference in Toledo, followed by a HPDE chair meeting. The comments were very positive all around.

We certainly would be remiss if we did not thank our outgoing Zone-4 representative Lori Schutz. She has done some great work within our Zone, most of which is behind the scenes keep the circus running. We wish her the best of luck in her new home on the west coast.



Chip and son, Conner, at Porsche Sportcar Together Fest in Indy.



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ZONE 16 EVENT AD



Horsepower in Horse Country

If you would enjoy attending a concours event with a friendly Southern Hospitality bent, plan to come to the 2022 Keeneland Concours d'Elegance at Lexington, Kentucky. We will be holding this nineteenth annual event on Saturday, July 16, 2022. The Feature Marque, for the first time since the inaugural event in 2004 will be Porsche. Of the twenty classes of juried entrants, four will be devoted to Porsche. In addition to the regular Car Club Parking in the Paddock, the PCA Bluegrass Region will be hosting a PCA Hospitality Park.

You can get more information regarding the concours at their website https://keenelandconcours.com/. Note that the website is currently being refreshed and registration for attending is not open as yet.

**However, if you are interested in nominating a Porsche in classes for Air Cool, Water Cool, 356 or Racing; you can do so now at https://keenelandconcours.com/entrants/nominate-a-car/ **

This year the PCA Bluegrass Region is also hosting for the first time, PCA Friday at Keeneland. The day will include a morning Concours Appreciation Training Session and an Afternoon Drive through the Blue Grass country side. In addition to the structured PCA sessions there are numerous activities both at the venue and nearby locales for visitor attractions.

At Keeneland:

- Morning Thoroughbred exercise on the historic race track.
- Having breakfast, snack or lunch at the popular Track Kitchen for great home cooking.
- Walking tours done self-guided or with assigned guides including Grandstand and Stables. Movie venue of scenes from Seabiscuit and Secretariat.
- Visit the Keeneland Library
- Observe site preparation for the Saturday concours

Locally (within 15 miles of Keeneland)

- Across the street from the Kentucky Aviation Museum
- Numerous Distilleries including Woodford Reserve and Buffalo Trace
- Kentucky Horse Park
- Horse Farm Tours (self-guided or arranged bus tours)
- Distillery Tours (self-guided or arranged bus tours)

Specific details for the events are being finalized. Reservations for neither the concours nor PCA Friday are available to share at this time.

If you would like more information regarding the concours please check the website. If you would like information regarding PCA Friday at Keeneland or parking in the Car Club Paddock, contact me at Kendellhold@twc.com.

Ken Hold PCA Bluegrass Region – President Keeneland Concours – Site Director