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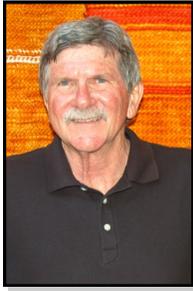
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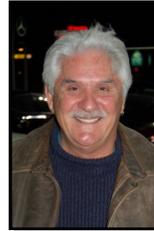
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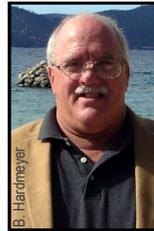
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Toy Drive December 6

The October Cimarron Trail reported December 13 as the date for the annual Toy Drive. Please note the event has been **moved up** to December **6**! This year it's **PCA only**! So pick up a new, unwrapped toy or two or three, and join the caravan at The Church at Battle Creek, 3025 N Aspen, B.A. (North of the B.A. expressway on 145 E. Ave.) Show up around 9:28 a.m. Departure time is 9:44. The Marines will be on hand at our destination, Jackie Cooper Porsche, to collect our "Toys for Tots." Thanks to Jackie Cooper for providing refreshments!



PCA Cimarron Region Member Update

From Rick Hardmeyer, Membership Chair

Reported November 30, 2014

Members: Primary 219 - Supplementary 145
Lifetime 1 = Total 365

Welcome New Members!

Thomas Loken - Muskogee, OK - '07 Cayman S
Ron Snyder - Tulsa, OK - '13 Boxster S



Cimarron Region Briefs



Gala Cimarron Region Christmas Party Saturday, December 13, 6 p.m. 5 Oaks Lodge, 528 E. 121st St, Jenks

Join your fellow PCA members for some Holiday cheer, a wonderful dinner, door prizes and more!

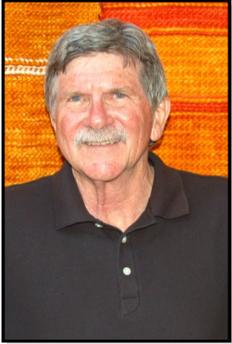
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President's Perspective - December 2014

By Randy Kaplin, CRPCA President



Well it is again fast approaching the end of another year. As is frequently the case at the end of the year, it is a time to reflect on all the accomplishments that have been achieved, as well as all the items that have been overlooked or neglected, and failed to accomplish.

My goal for the past year was pretty simple -- to provide a forum for Porsche enthusiasts to meet, socialize and talk cars. While the common denominator in the group is obviously the Porsche marque, the diversity of people within the group is quite broad. There seem to be, generally speaking, two different types of individuals who are active in the Cimarron Region: The active members tend to either be "Porsche Fanatics" or "Porsche Socialites."

The "Porsche Fanatic" would generally be the individual who is keenly aware of all statistics and facts concerning past to present models, as well as all current and upcoming models. These individuals typically know others not by name, but by car. Since I am terrible with names myself, pretty good with facial recognition, and spot on with car identification, I find myself referencing someone with their car rather than their name. Based on the Dale Carnegie courses I have attended over the years, I know all the tricks to remembering names, and although I have improved over the years, my car to facial recognition skills are still far superior to my name to facial recognition skills.

The "Porsche Socialite" would be an individual who is more of a social animal who just happens to own a Porsche. These individuals typically attend our dinners, drives and breakfasts on a regular basis, and are good with names. The primary motivation for their participation in the club is to interact with the other members in the group in the social environment provided.

One of my goals for 2014 was to get new members of either type to become more involved in the club so there would be a direction and injection of new ideas and leadership. I believe we made some headway in this direction, but I am hopeful that this involvement of new blood in the management of the Cimarron Region will flourish in the future, as this is what needs to happen for the club to grow and prosper.

That said, the leadership of the Cimarron Region will shortly be in the capable hands of President elect Jon Jones, who has in the past done a great job publishing the Cimarron Trail Newsletter, and more recently organizing the Oktoberfest Club Race. I am sure Jon will do a great job of leading the club through the year, and I wish Jon the best of luck as the incoming President of the Cimarron Region for 2015.

But the club has two more events scheduled to finish off the 2014 calendar year -- the annual Toys for Tots run coming up on December 6th, and the annual Christmas Party at Five Oaks Lodge on December 13th. I hope to see all Porsche Fanatics and Socialites at our final events of the year.

See you on the road,
Randy



*Wettermann Lächeln auf Porsche Palooza #10

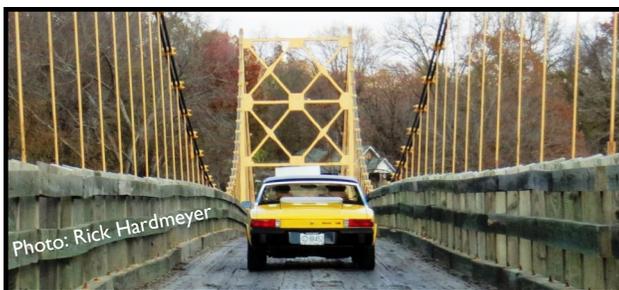
***(Ein Kleines Stück Vom Himmel)*

Advance forecasts threatened rain for the opening day of the 10th Porsche Palooza. But the weatherman came through just in time, and provided copious amounts of sunshine, and only one frosty morning, in and around Eureka Springs, Arkansas, November 7-9. The annual event has become a staple for Porsche people from far and wide, drawing about 500 attendees from more than 20 PCA regions, close to 80 folks from the Cimarron Region alone!



Friday and Saturday mornings revved up the

proceedings with a choice of several drives through tree-lined twisty Arkansas by-ways. Porschesters visited the Mount Bethel and Wiederkehr Wineries, War Eagle Mill, Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Beaver Dam, and Roaring River State Park(MO), some crossing the single lane, Little Golden Gate Bridge en route. Upon returning to home base at the Best Western Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center, car wash stations were available, friends old and new grouped up to enjoy lunch at a plethora of dining establishments around town, and Porsche perusing proved popular.

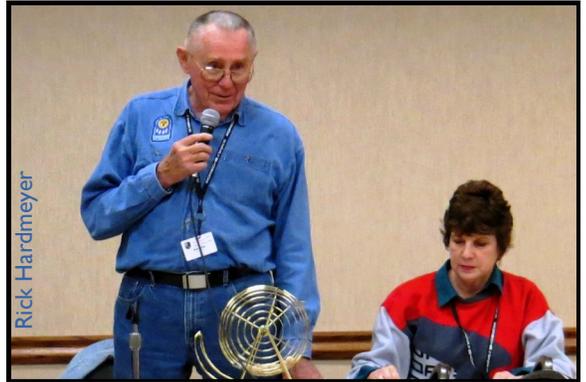


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*Weatherman Smiles Upon Porsche Palooza #10
***A Little Bit of Heaven*

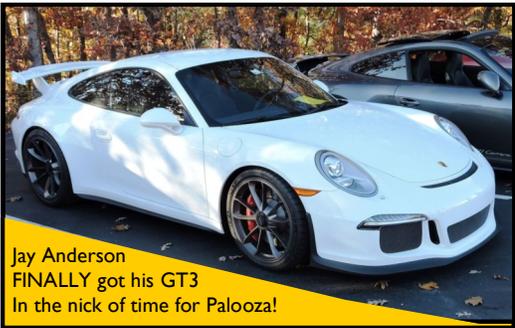
More Porsche Palooza

Friday evening, Bob and Dulcie Miller, Cimarron Region, emceed a popular bingo game downstairs, for fun and prizes.



Official Porsche merchandise was available inside the convention center from Porsche of Springfield (MO), Title Sponsor. Across the room were the Hospitality suite and Palooza Goodie Store. Rick Daes, Ozark Region, popped corn just outside the entrance, where new Porsches of several types were on display. After lunchtime, close to 200 Porsches and their occupants followed a police escort along the Eureka Springs Historic Route, to the delight of onlookers along the way. Upon returning, Porsches were parked mostly by type, just outside the convention center, for the People's Choice balloting, and Tech sessions commenced inside.

At 7 p.m, Porschephiles by the hundreds filled the banquet room for the Taste of the South buffet, which was followed by Sponsor's Choice and People's Choice award presentations, as well as door prize drawings. Cimarron Region award recipients include Randy Kaplin, Dean Day, Brian Thomas, two for Scott Bever, and Rick Hardmeyer! Finally, Les Garrett, White River Region, of Garrett Tire of Springdale, Arkansas, by random drawing, awarded a set of Bridgestone tires of choice to a lucky winner. Congratulations Cimarron Region's Larry and Patty!



Jay Anderson
FINALLY got his GT3
In the nick of time for Palooza!

◆ Photos: Rick Hardmeyer



Over the years, thousands of Porsche people have made the trip to Eureka Springs for 10 Paloozas! One of the largest events on the entire Porsche calendar, it is the brainchild of Leonard and Melody Zechiedrich, passionate Porsche purveyors! Along with their group of sponsors and willing volunteers, all deserve a generous round of applause for providing so much for so many.

Next Palooza? November 13-15, 2015. Make plans now!

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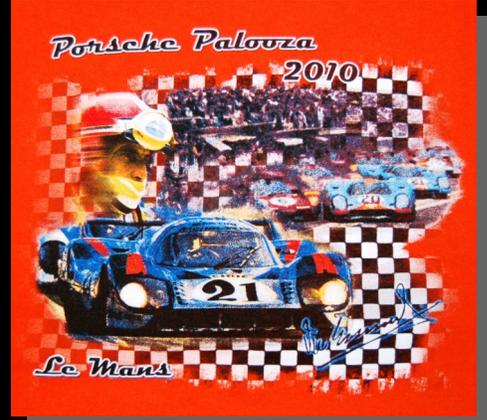
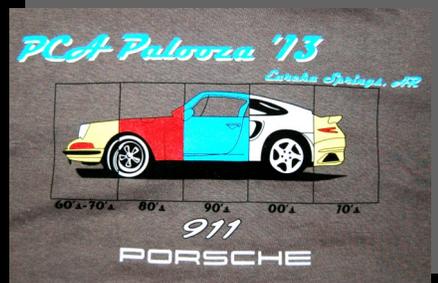
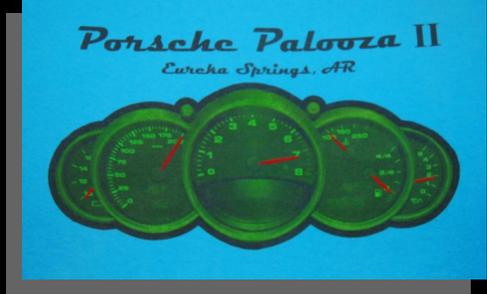
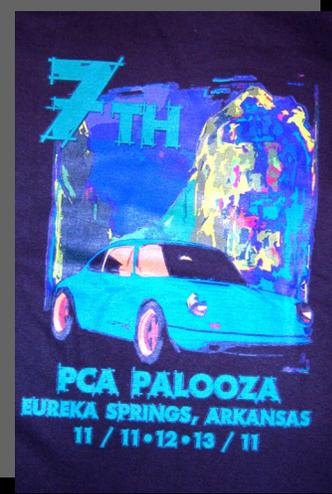
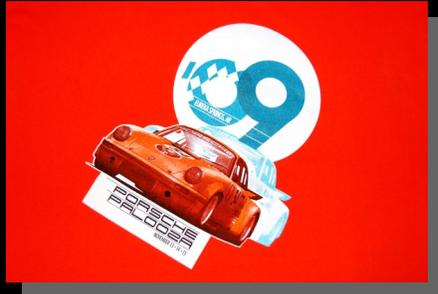
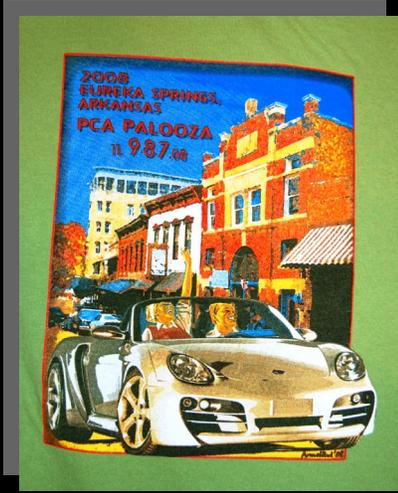
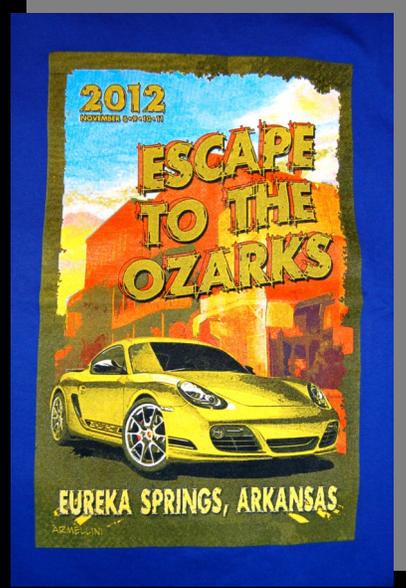
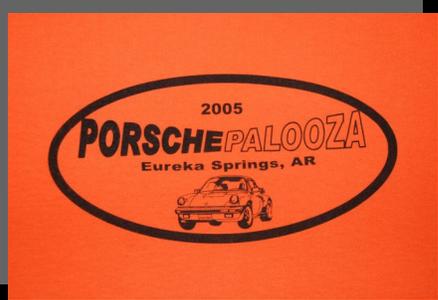
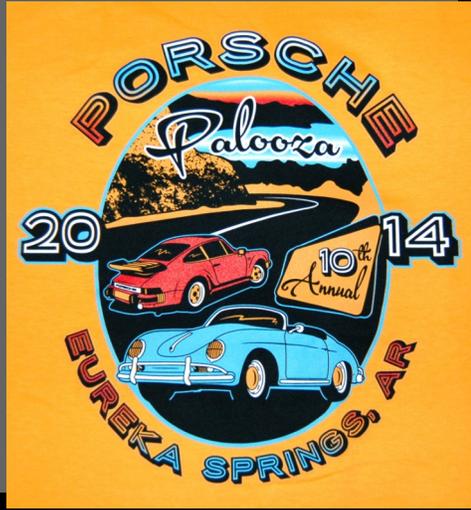
More than 60 Cimarron Region members attended the Saturday banquet, including: (left to right) the Hills, Watsons, and Fugates.



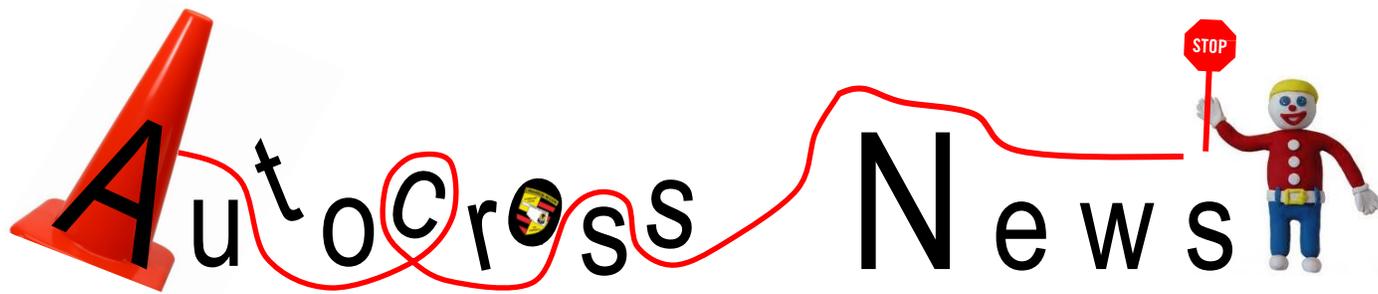
10 Terrific T's



Palooza Shirts Over the Years



AutoCross News



"Mr. Bill" Jacobi,
Cimarron Region Autocross Chair,
is drawing up plans and courses for
the 2015 Autocross season.
Stay tuned for details!

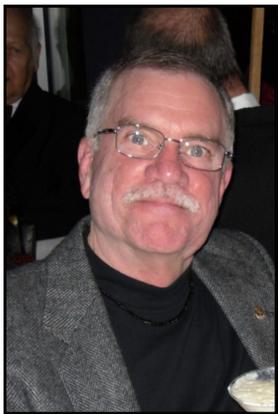


From the Editor:

All of us navigate the ups and downs, the highs and lows, as we ride life's elevator. Trials and tribulations test us, then with any luck at all, elation sets in from time to time when we earn successes or even small victories. Personally, throughout my roller coaster ride over the years, I have attempted to sustain an attitude of optimism. "The darkest hour is just before the dawn," and, "This, too, shall pass," are valuable clichés to harken to when it seems we are dealt a poor hand. The people we "hang" with make a poignant difference in our quality of life. (End of Dr. Phil moment!) Was that scary, or what?!



But speaking of optimism and people, and seeing every day, each new year, as a fresh beginning, the possibilities are exciting! 2014 has been a great time for the Cimarron Region. Thanks to our sitting board members and everyone who volunteered their time and efforts to create opportunities for members' involvement and enjoyment. As this year comes to a close, it certainly appears all the "cosmic tumblers" have aligned to signal a bright 2015.



Our new officers will be announced at the Gala Christmas Party (see page 4), and take the reins January 1. They'll carry on the traditions of our region, and will doubtless enhance the Porsche experience for us all! Certainly they're anticipating your ideas and assistance in continuing to provide a variety of activities throughout 2015. Their contact information will appear on page 2 of the January issue of *The Cimarron Trail*.

Finally thanks to everyone who contributed ideas, articles, and photographs to this publication. Without your input, *The Cimarron Trail* could not exist. Please keep up the good work!

Have a peaceful Holiday Season! See you at 5 Oaks!
Greg Petzet, cimnews@cox.net



Social Calendar and Upcoming Events



December 2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6  Breakfast Wild Fork 8 am 
7	8 Board Meeting @ Jackie Cooper	9	10	11	12	13  Breakfast Wild Fork 8 am
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Breakfast Wild Fork 8 am
21	22	23	24	25 	26	27 Breakfast Wild Fork 8 am
28	29	30	31	 2015		

December Highlights

- Porsche ONLY Toys For Tots Toy Drive - December 6 (Page 3)
- Cimarron Region Christmas Party @ 5 Oaks Lodge, December 13, 6:00 p.m.
- Saturday Breakfast - Wild Fork @ Utica Square - 8 a.m.
- Cimarron Region Board Meeting @ Jackie Cooper
2nd Monday @ 6:30 p.m.

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January 2015

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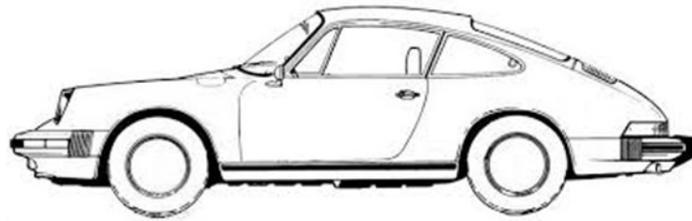
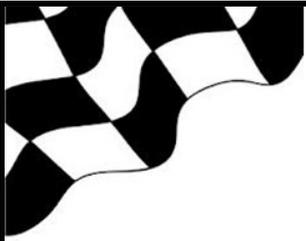
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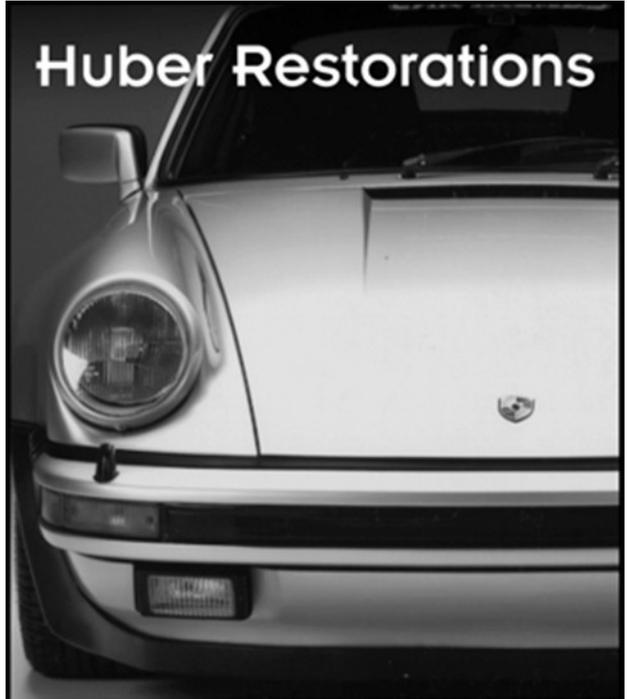


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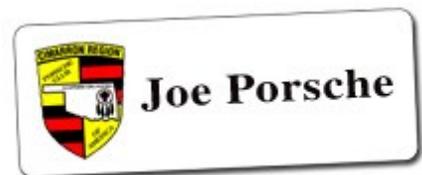
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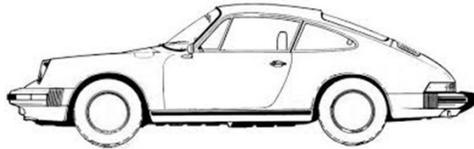
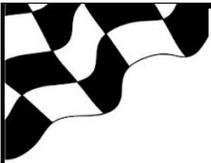
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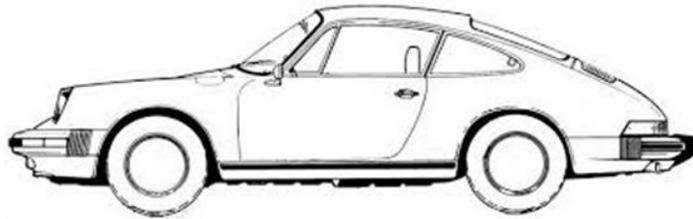
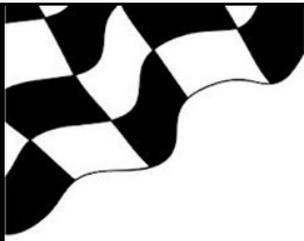
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Motorsports Update



Mission Accomplished

by Jon Jones - CRPCA VP

Porsche has won a race in the 2014 World Endurance Championship, but it was not a perfect victory. At the last round of the 2014 season at the Interlagos Circuit in Sao Paulo, Brazil, Porsche had what looked to be a dream weekend. Dominating practice and qualifying, the two Porsche 919 Hybrid sports cars, built from scratch for Le Mans and the new WEC series, performed flawlessly. Were it not for a huge crash with 30 minutes to go involving Mark Webber in the number 20 car, the victory would have been complete.

The race began with both 919s on the front row. In a slightly different arrangement from other qualifying sessions, it was the number 20 919 driven by Mark Webber, Timo Bernhard and Marc Lieb, setting the combined fastest average time. Porsche set a very fast pace at the outset, led by the 20 car. The sister 919 was not far behind, and the exchange of the race lead both on-track and in the pits was what endurance racing is all about. Just past the halfway mark of the race saw a series of duels between teams and drivers for Toyota, Audi, and Porsche, with each taking a turn at the point. As the sun set in Sao Paulo and the laps clicked off, it was clear that it was not going to be a walk in the park for Porsche. Toyota was consistently strong in challenging the Porsches and should have made it a thrilling race to the end.

With 30 minutes on the clock, Mark Webber collided with a GT Ferrari in the final turn onto the pit straightaway, destroying the number 20 919 Hybrid. Everyone waited as Webber was extracted from the car and transported to the medical center. Meanwhile, the track crews worked to clean up the large debris field and the racers circulated behind the Safety Car. It wasn't clear that the race could be restarted, and thoughts turned to tires punctured by debris, and the restart ability of Porsche driver Niel Jani in the leading number 14. By far, the concern was also for Mark Webber, and as information trickled out, it appeared he was "awake and alert" in the medical center. With the collective sigh of relief also came the news that the race would not restart and finish behind the safety car. While Porsche would have preferred a green flag finish, as would the second place Toyota team, the level of debris on the track included an oil patch from the Porsche Hybrid. It was the right decision, and coupled with the news about Webber, the celebration began in the Porsche pit.

This season has been a significant achievement for Porsche and serves to burnish their racing heritage. The 919 is the most complex racing car they have ever built, and by their own admission, it was a huge challenge. While the results came in the form of qualifying success and podiums, the top result had eluded them until the final race. A fitting cap to the season, and a tremendous way to go into 2015.

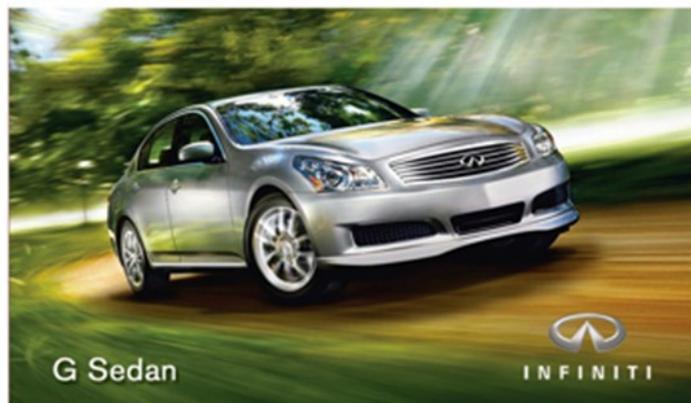
In the interim, let's spare a thought for Mark Webber, and his complete return in the New Year.

(Editor's Note: Thanks to Jon Jones for his monthly column throughout 2014. All of us at The Cimarron Trail look forward to his future reports!)



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