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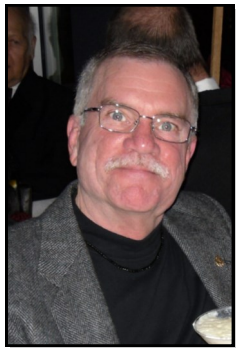
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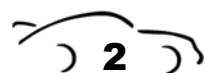
Even though it is actually early March, it seems Spring is somehow already dragging its heels getting here. Just when we got spoiled by "Indian Summer" conditions, Old Man Winter decided to blow in and remind us he's still around. But we all know it is just a matter of time until we'll be enjoying Spring's rebirth, replete with daffodils, azaleas, and lawn equipment!



As Winter hibernation ceases, the atmosphere for club events ramps up, and the month of March exemplifies that re-awakening! Club members always have the option to meet for a weekly breakfast. Our Cimarron Region autocross season gets underway with two practice sessions scheduled this month. All members are invited to monthly region board meetings at Jackie Cooper Porsche. The St. Patrick's dinner at Kilkenny's is always a treat. Look for details on page 5 in this issue of the *Cimarron Trail*. Our region President and Treasurer, Jon and Joy Jones, are hosting a new member welcome party at their Oologah home on March 21; everyone's invited. I encourage you to join your fellow Porsche Club members for one and all of these events, as I echo the mantra, "It's not just the cars, it's the people."

Check out the information in this issue about our Mayfast Driver Education event, May 2 & 3, at Hallett Motor Racing Circuit, and at pca.org/event/2015-01-17/cimarron-region-mayfast-2015. Believe me, your Porsche wants to go!

But wait! There's more, much more. The two major National PCA events for 2015 are more



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than tempting. Registration opens for Porsche Parade at 11:00 a.m. March 17. Visit the website, parade2015.pca.org, and get your ducks in a row so you'll be ready to pull the trigger that day! See page 6.

This Fall, Escape to Rushmore, at Rapid City, SD, will offer opportunities to see historical monuments, including Mount Rushmore, Crazy Horse, and The Badlands, to name a few. Registration will begin for Escape during the Summer months. Check the website for pre-planning at, escape2015.pca.org. See page 7.

Driving your Porsche provides pleasure and excitement. Participation in regional and national events enhances those feelings. And so the popular statement we hear all the time not only describes our automobiles, it says it all about our people too, "Porsche, there is NO substitute!"

Greg Petzet - Editor



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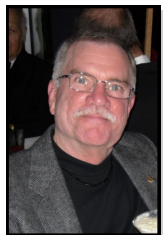
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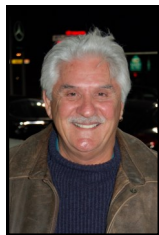
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On the cover:

Gary Bernard kicks up some dust as he leans through an autocross during the 2014 season.

President's Perspective - March 2015

By Jon Jones, CRPCA President

It's been an interesting month here in Cimarron Region, and we have lots of news. Our intrepid newsletter editor, Greg Petzet, will have some items further along in this issue of Cimarron Trail, but I want to cover a few things here.

On Saturday, February 21, Joy and I attended the Zone 5 meeting held this year in Jenks. As a rookie Cimarron president, it was a great opportunity to meet the other region presidents in Zone 5 and compare notes, discuss issues, ask questions, and generally learn about being an effective officer for our membership. The meeting was hosted by the Zone 5 representative, Lynn Friedman, and she did a great job. If you've never had the chance to meet Lynn, she is a tireless PCA volunteer, very enthusiastic and dedicated to our mission. Lynn provided information on many topics including region management, conduct of events, safety, and managing social media.

There were several guest presenters including R.J. Wilmoth, PCA Historian and Archivist, and Tom Gorsuch, PCA Vice President. R.J. provided a wonderful slide show on some of the collection he is in charge of organizing, with many vintage photos and documents from the earliest days of PCA. R.J. is working on a presentation for Parade later this year in honor of PCA's 60th anniversary. If you are headed to Parade, don't miss this exhibition.

Tom briefed the gathered officers on recent activities of the National Board of Directors and the Executive Council. It was interesting to get the perspective of a National official on where PCA has been and where it is headed. While not all of the news from Tom was upbeat, most of it was very positive for the future of PCA. Tom's previous role was National Treasurer and he spoke at length about the importance of the recent adoption of the Manual of National Policy and Procedure – Finance Section, or MNPP for short. This document will help guide the financial future of PCA for many years to come, and thanks to Cimarron Region member Bob Miller who was part of the MNPP development team.



Many of you have attended PCA's Parade in the past and this year's version is shaping up to be memorable. Joy and I have not yet made the trip to one of these classics but it is certainly on our bucket list. Parade is in French Lick, Indiana this year and should be an easy trip for those of us in the central U.S. One particular feature of this year's Parade is recognizing the 60th anniversary of the club and Parade. Part of this celebration is the 60 for 60 program which will gather together a representative Porsche from each model year of the 60 years. Rumor has it there may be a Cimarron Region member's car on display, but National is playing the selection process very close to the vest. We'll see, and good luck! Check out the Parade website at parade2015.pca.org. Registration opens on March 17 at 12 noon EDT.

One area of discussion during the Zone meeting deserves mention here and that is the issue of safety and risk management. PCA has an excellent insurance program for "moving car events" – one that has been reasonably priced and very successful. But it will only continue to be successful if we all participate in being aware of PCA policy and minimizing our exposure to risky activities. While we have strict policies for track events such as DE and Club Racing, and competitive events like autocross, some of the most exposure occurs during street driving events and tours. PCA and Porsche policy both require compliance with all traffic laws while operating our favorite vehicles. While it may be tempting to stretch our cars legs, so to speak, we have to remember that while on a PCA-organized event, we represent both our Club and our marque. As happened recently in another state, the media loves to label Porsche owners as speed-crazed maniacs and will not hesitate to portray us as such in any accident or law enforcement encounter. Remember, our club works very hard to provide events where you can test yourself and your cars limits. Autocross, DE, and Club Racing provide the only avenues for PCA-sanctioned speed events.

Things will begin to heat up in the Cimarron Region world soon, and we hope to see you at an upcoming event. The autocross season begins on March 8 at the Corporate Woods site with a practice event. Having done autocross in the past, I can tell you that it is F – U – N. There is no better way to learn about driving than through navigating a course of cones with your Porsche steering wheel in your hands. While there is a time element to autocross, it is not about speed. There is more finesse involved than speed and you learn about brakes, taking the proper line through corners, and throttle application. Some people are intimidated by the concept of autocross, not wanting to look "silly" or unskilled, but we have a great autocross group in Cimarron Region whose only interest is in helping you enjoy your cars. Take the plunge and join us, won't you? On March 21st, we will host the New Member event in Oologah. Our interest is in welcoming our new members and introducing them to all of the fun things that we do. Data shows that the first two years are critical for new members as they navigate the new world of PCA membership. Everyone is welcome, so let's show our new folks how much fun being a Porsche owner can be.

Registration will open in early March for Mayfest 2015, and our DE chair Orlando Dumalag is working hard to continue the success of this annual event. Please help out if you can. Contact Orlando at orlando@callorlando.com.

For additional information on this or any other event, please check out our website at cimarronregionpca.org. Please contact me at jjone20@aol.com or (918) 740-7951 with any comments, concerns, or suggestions.

- Jon Jones

Cimarron Region Briefs



Annual St. Pat's Dinner Scheduled at Kilkenny's

When: Saturday, March 7, 6:30 p.m.

**Where: Kilkenny's Irish Pub
1413 E 15th St**

Join your fellow Cimarron Region Porsche Club members for some lively conversation, luck o' the Irish goings-on, and themed dishes from across the pond. Whether you choose steak, seafood, fowl, or none of the above, you're bound to have a good time. R.S.V.P. to Social Chair, Steve Canada, scanada@cox.net, or at cimarronregionpca.org.



(R.S.V.P. Now!)

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New Member Welcome Event

When: March 21, 2015 @ 1 p.m.

Where: Joy & Jon Jones 4990 E 410 Rd, Oologah, OK 74053

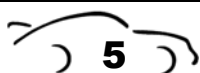
R.S.V.P. To jjone20@aol.com or (918) 740-7951

We hope you will join us at the Joneses in Oologah for a chance to meet your Cimarron Region officers and Chairpersons. PCA has so much to offer the Porsche enthusiast—here's your chance to find out all of the great activities we do every year. While the focus may be on new members, if you have been a Cimarron Region member for awhile but haven't been able to attend one of our events, we hope you will be there, too! **All Cimarron Region members are invited!** Just by coincidence, the 12 Hours of Sebring will be on the big screen as well, so we can all cheer on the Porsche teams at the classic event. Nibbles and soft drinks provided. Come and join the fun! **R.S.V.P. Now!**

Cimarron Region Ladies Luncheon

Weekly club breakfasts at Wild Fork are open to all members. However, attendance is traditionally all male. Member Kathy Hume invites all Cimarron Region ladies to meet at Cedar Ridge Country Club, Saturday, March 28, at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and "around-the-table talk." Kathy hopes the weather might even be nice enough to sit outside. But either way, there will be plenty of room for a comfortable get-together. No need to be a Cedar Ridge member! Please R.S.V.P. to Kathy, so she'll know how many are coming. Phone her at (918) 636-4156, or send email to loves2read12@cox.net.

Bon Appetit!





- ♦ **March 7** - St. Patrick's Dinner - Kilkenny's - 6:30 p.m. (Page 5)
- ♦ **March 8 & 22** - Autocross (practice) - Corporate Woods - 8:30 a.m. (Page 9)
- ♦ **March 21** - New Member Welcome Event @ The Joneses - 1:00 p.m. (Page 5)
- ♦ **March 28** - Ladies Luncheon @ Cedar Ridge Country Club - 11:30 a.m. (Page 5)
- ♦ **May 2 & 3** - Mayfast Driver's Education 2015 - Hallett Motor Racing Circuit (Pages 14-17)
- ♦ **May 16** - Devil's Den Picnic Drive - Watch for Details! (Page 7)
- ♦ **June 13 & 14** - 24 Hours of Le Mans
- ♦ **June 21-27** - Porsche Parade 2015 - French Lick, Indiana (Below)
- ♦ **September 18 & 19** - World Endurance Championship - Lone Star Le Mans - C.O.T.A.
- ♦ **October 1-3** - PCA Escape to Rushmore (Page 7)
- ♦ **October 2-4** - Oktoberfest Club Race - Hallett Motor Racing Circuit
- ♦ **November 13-15** - PCA Palooza - Best Western Inn of the Ozarks - Eureka Springs, AR
- ♦ **December 12** - Cimarron Region Christmas Party - Five Oaks Lodge - 6:00 p.m.

Come Join Us for a Week of Fun! June 21-27, 2015

Activities you can enjoy:

- Autocross
- Concours
- Rallies
- Tours
- Tech Sessions
- Social Events
- Kids Events
- More

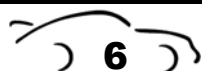
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by Historic Hotels of America, 2013

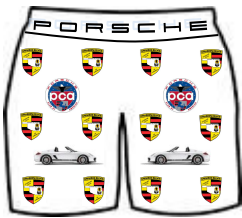
Spas • Golf • Casino • Stables • Carriage Rides • Trolley



Registration opens
March 17, 2015
at 12:00 Noon EST

Learn More and Register at parade2015.pca.org





More Cimarron Region Briefs

(Or maybe you'd prefer Boxster Boxers)

LOOKING AHEAD:

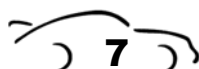
Devil's Den Picnic/Drive

Steve Canada, Cimarron Region Social Chair, has set our annual Spring picnic outing over to Western Arkansas at the beautiful Devil's Den State Park, alongside Lee Creek, for Saturday, **May 16**. We'll meet at the Church at Battle Creek, 3025 N. Aspen, Broken Arrow, at 9:11 a.m. The club will supply the burgers and brats, and you'll supply the sides (last names M-Z) and desserts (last names A-L). More info next month. Save the date!



Looking Way Ahead

Remember Escape to the Ozarks in Eureka Springs, AR, back in 2012? PCA Escape is the 'other' National PCA event besides Parade. This year PCA Escape to Rushmore will be held in and around Rapid City, SD, October 1-3. Information will become increasingly available during the coming months. Check it out at escape2015.pca.org.



PCA Cimarron Region Member Update

From Rick Hardmeyer, Membership Chair

Reported March 1, 2015

Primary Members: 221

Affiliate Members: 142

Life Members: 1

Total 364

Welcome New Members!

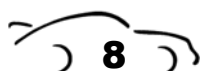
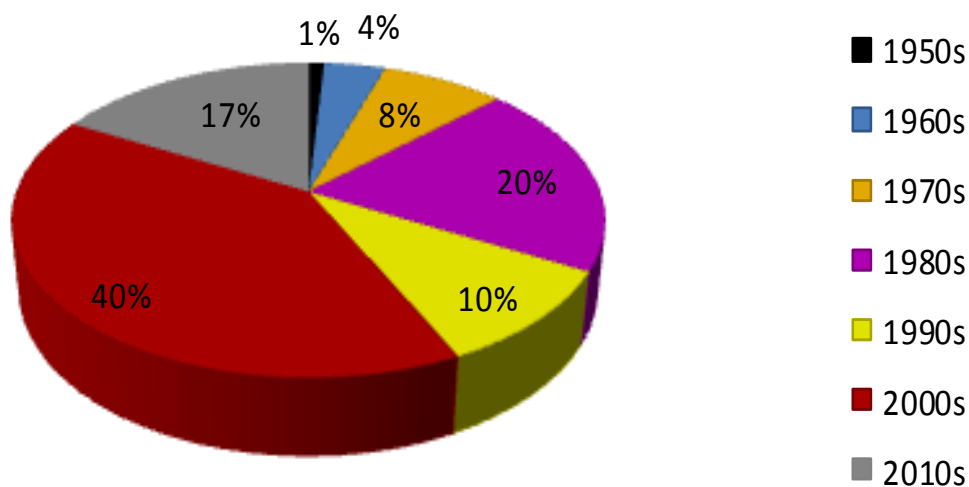
Eric Davis - Tulsa, OK - '15 911 GT3

Stewart Field - Tulsa, OK - '10 Cayman

Keith Jesiolowski - Broken Arrow, OK - '15 Boxster S

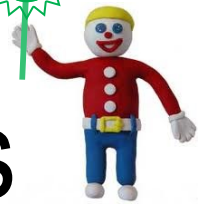
Colin Winkley - Owasso, OK - '07 911 Turbo

Cimarron Region PCA Member Porsche Ownership By Year





Mr. Bill's (Jacobi)



Autocross News

Autocrossers Unite!

Two Practice Sessions Set For March 8 & 22

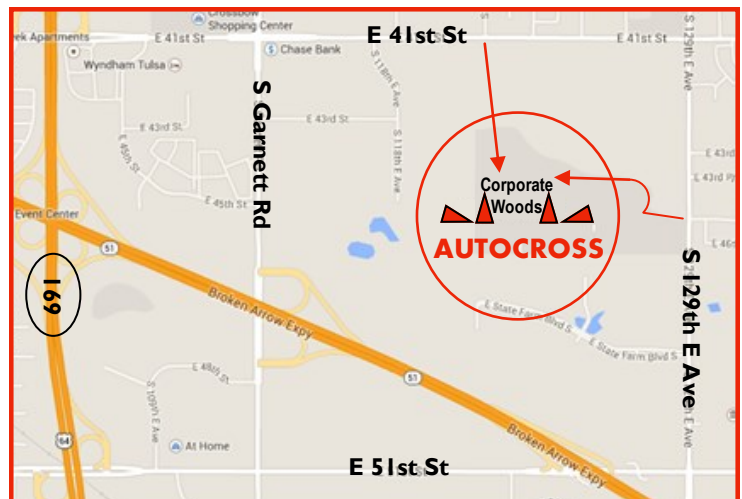
Come one, come all! Our Cimarron Region Autocross season will kick off with two practice sessions this month, weather permitting. Events will once again be held on the parking lot behind Corporate Woods, located at 4500 S. 129th East Ave, Tulsa. We have the use of this lot from 8:30 am to 12:00 noon on Sundays. As in the past, we will begin setting up cones at around 8:30, and begin autocrossing about 9:30. We will be finished by noon or sooner. Practice sessions are FREE! Often times, drivers assemble for a late breakfast afterward.

Autocross is an excellent way to learn car control, driving the proper "line" around the course, and optimum braking and cornering techniques, all on a safe, closed course. It's just you and your Porsche alone through the cones. As in past years, we expect to see Porsches of every type, 356s to the latest incarnation, including Cayennes and Macans. Members may also bring their Chevys, Fords, Ferraris, Yugos, or any other make, but only Porsches qualify for the season long points tally. Official "counting" events begin April 12. A helmet is required, and we have a few loaners available.

Every experienced driver is willing to "show you the ropes" and help familiarize you with autocross. Don't miss this opportunity to have fun driving your Porsche, and schmooze with your fellow enthusiasts! Whether you're a seasoned veteran who tosses your car through the course, or a driver new to the event, you'll learn something every time, your day-to-day driving skill will improve, and all while you're having a great time! Questions? Email Bill Jacobi, bjacobi@sbcglobal.net, or call (918) 694-1261.

Practice Month Counting

8th & 22nd	March	-
-	April	* 12th & 26th *
-	May	* 17th
-	June	* 7th & 14th *
-	July	* 12th & 26th *
-	August	* 9th & 23rd *
-	September	* 13th
11th & 18th	October	-

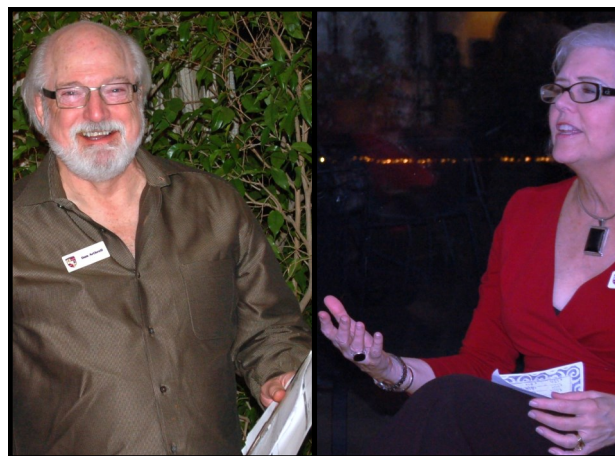




40 PCAers Spice Up Arthrell's 10th Annual Chili / Bunco Fest

News Flasche! Ballot Recount Exposes Actual Chili Winner!

Valentine's Day evening, Dan and Claudia Arthrell graciously welcomed 40 Porsche people into their home for the 10th year in a row, at their traditional Chili/Bunco Contest. Attendees brought a wide variety of delectable chili creations, a plethora of yummy desserts, and beverages of their choice. Upon arrival at the Arthrell's spacious home, folks sampled Claudia's delicious Shrimp Ceviche while they named and arranged their offerings on appropriate chili or dessert tables. Unfamiliar members got acquainted. Snacking on various appetizer contributions ensued. And then it was time for the official chili tasting and voting.

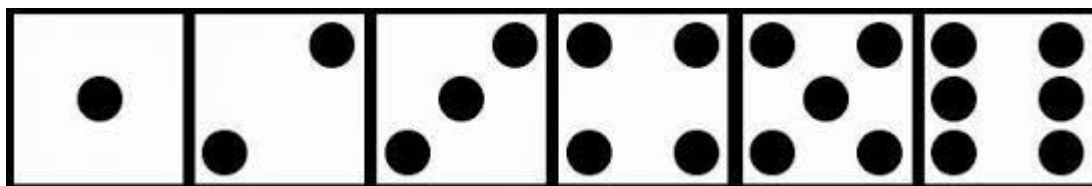


At least 10 chili concoctions graced the tasting table. Samplers worked their way around clockwise, counter-clockwise, and helter-skelter-wise, trying this one and that one, and voted for their top 3 favorites. Something for every preference, there was beef chili, vegetarian, bison, elk, chicken with Swiss chard, venison, spicy chicken, even chili with home made macaroni and cheese! Along side were Fritos, Chee-tos, corn muffins, grated cheese and sour cream. It was truly a chili extravaganza!

Turn the page for more Chili/Bunco > > >



Left to right: Elinor Kaplin, Dulcie Miller and Jim Burroughs at the chili tasting; Pam Petzet, Rhonda Schmidt, Mark Ingram, and Whitney Main line up for chili; Dirk Hume, Keith and Dianna Gucwa discuss the finer points of something!



More Chili / Bunco

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Following the chili eat-a-thon, guests took seats at card tables to begin the Bunco contest. After the first six rounds of boisterous, lighthearted competition, players took a dessert break, sampling and voting for their top three favorite sweets. There were cheesecakes, brownies, cookies, fudge, cakes, and more. After the dessert tasting, everyone found their places for the second set of six rounds of Bunco.



All ultimately assembled for the culmination of the evening when winners were announced and the prizes were distributed. (See Chili/Bunco results on the next page.)

The Arthrells announced their intentions to downsize to a smaller home, thus likely making it impossible to continue hosting this annual affair after 10 years. If you've ever attended any of these wonderful events, or even if it sounds like too much fun to let a Cimarron Region tradition fall by the wayside, consider hosting Chili/Bunco at your home in 2016. See the contact page in this issue and let someone know you would be interested. It would be a shame to lose this long running get-together.



Clockwise from top left: Bunco tables await contestants - Decadent desserts - Julie Watson and Rod Nordstrom (foreground), Claudia Arthrell, Kathy Hume, Jim Burroughs, Scott Bever (hiding), and Whitney Main - Becky McFall chooses her prize for Happy Hearts cheese cake dessert



Chili/Bunco Fest Results



Chili Winners

1st Place

"Old #7" - Rhonda Schmidt and Whitney Main

2nd Place

"Chi Chi Che Chicken" - Greg and Pam Petzet

3rd Place

"Junk" - Scott Bever and Becky McFall

Dessert Winners

1st Place

"Happy Hearts" - Becky McFall

2nd Place

"Mounds of Love" - Patty Parmeter

3rd Place

"Afternoon Delight" - George Fugate



< Most Buncos

1st-Linda Burroughs

2nd-Jim Burroughs

1st-Most Games Won >

Cordial Hosts>

Claudia & Dan Arthrell



**2nd-Most Games Won >
Mike Fugate**



**< Most Games Lost :(
Mark Ingram**



PCA Zone 5 Presidents Meet

Cimarron Region Hosts Annual Gathering

Special guests, Tom Gorsuch, PCA National Vice-President, and R.J. Wilmoth, PCA National Historian/Archivist, highlighted proceedings at the yearly Zone 5 Presidents meeting, held in Tulsa, Oklahoma on February 21. Zone 5 is made up of 12 regions, and encompasses most of Texas and Oklahoma, and all of Arkansas and Louisiana.

Lynn Friedman, PCA Zone 5 Rep, conducted the all-day program. Regional attendees included:

Kirk Bristol, Ark-La-Tex president; Jon and Joy Jones, Cimarron president and treasurer, respectively; Bryan Kerrick, Coastal Bend president; Tracey Gross, Hill Country president; Jack Merrell, Longhorn president; Jim Falgout and Wendy Shoffit (with husband, James), Maverick president and Secretary, respectively; Dan Crossett and Staton Breidenthal, Ozark president and vice-president, respectively; and Grady Buckhalter and Matt Herndon, War Bonnet president and vice president, respectively.



There were certainly more "hats" than heads on hand, as many PCAers take on multiple voluntary roles in addition to being officers.

Tom Gorsuch, Florida Space Coast region member and National VP, spoke at length, touching on an array of points from a National PCA perspective. Subjects included the importance of adherence to the PCA Code of Ethics and Conduct, and following procedures for properly obtaining event insurance and the completion of waiver forms. Special emphasis on delivering information during safety briefings for tours, drives, and dinners, especially as it relates to alcohol consumption. PCA prohibits alcoholic beverages during these events. Participants should be informed that the insurance is in effect only during the drive, until it ends at a restaurant, for example. Those wishing to then consume alcohol should understand PCA will not be held accountable for any unfortunate incidents following the conclusion of the actual drive. Additionally, descriptive terms like "spirited drive" denote illegal speeding, and should be avoided when referring to a tour or drive. PCA Driver Education, Autocross events, and Club Racing provide numerous opportunities to "stretch it out" in a safe environment intended for such purpose.

R.J. Wilmoth, Longhorn region member and National Museum Curator/Historian/Archivist, presented a slideshow with his narration, reaching back to the infancy of PCA. Included were actual scanned photos from the first two Parades in Washington, D.C. (Gaithersburg, MD) in 1956 & 1957. R.J. is compiling a plethora of historical memorabilia for display at Porsche Parade in June. (That alone will be worth the trip to French Lick!)

Many facets of PCA business were discussed prior to adjournment, and then zone reps met for dinner at the home of Randy and Elinor Kaplin. To end the festivities, everyone drove to a nearby private automobile collection, where dessert was served while folks admired a variety of fine cars, including Porsches and other historic marques.

The 2016 Zone 5 Presidents Meeting will be held about the same time next year, location yet to be decided.



**Cimarron Region
Porsche Club of America**
Presents

Mayfast Driver's Education 2015

Hallett Motor Racing Circuit

May 2-3, 2015

Driver's Education returns to Oklahoma this year with **MAYFAST 2015**. Come join us for two full days of instruction and track time on the fun Hallett circuit. Registration opens in March at

clubregistration.net

Instructors Needed: If you are a DE Instructor, check out our reduced entry fees!

Contacts: DE Chair Orlando Dumalag at (918) 813-2211 or Orlando@callorlando.com

Event Registrar: Joy Jones at (918) 200-4044 or cimarronpca.events@gmail.com

Exactly What Is Mayfast?

And why you should go!



Cimarron Region Mayfast Chair, Orlando Dumalag says, "**Mayfast** provides a safe, structured, and controlled teaching and learning environment where participants can improve their driving abilities and acquire a better understanding of vehicle dynamics and driving safety. Participants will experience first-hand the capabilities of their automobiles in a controlled, closed-course environment and acquire skills that will enhance safer vehicle operation in all driving situations."

(See following pages for more details.)



David Heston, comes off the Hallett Motor Racing Circuit with his instructor



Gary Bernard, Cimarron Region Chief Driving Instructor, conducts Mayfast Novice Class



Robert Dorn accelerates his 911 SC toward turn 10 at Hallett

Is Mayfast For You?

Have you recently joined PCA? Are you a long time member who loves Porsches? Either way, it's possible you've heard about Mayfast Driver Education, but for one reason or another, you've never attended.

You probably figure the law enforcement community takes more than normal notice when they see a sports car on the road. Porsches look fast even when they're parked! So it is



really hard to explore the potential capabilities of your Porsche when you're out on the streets and highways. How is one supposed to truly learn the best time to brake, the most efficient way to take corners, when to aggressively accelerate? Knowing these aspects of driving and handling your Porsche are most important, not only in order to heighten your motoring enjoyment, but more critically to do so in a safe manner.

Where could you possibly find a safe, controlled environment, and an experienced driver to teach you the ins and outs of driving your prized possession? Where could you go to not have to worry about being pulled over for speeding, or reckless driving?

Mayfast! That's where!

Our Cimarron Region's Mayfast Driver Education, May 2-3, at Hallett Motor Racing Circuit offers all that, and more! Hallett is a wonderful track, 1.8 miles in length, with 10 turns. At Mayfast, drivers are split into 5 groups according to their experience level. You'll share the track with a limited number of other drivers who are also learning the ropes. First-timers, or novices, are required to sit in on a classroom session Saturday morning. You'll learn to see the most efficient "line" around the track, proper cornering techniques, where you may pass, or NOT pass other cars, and how to go about it. Signal flags, which tell you of track conditions: when to go, when to stop, when to slow down, when your last lap begins, etc., will be explained. Safety is paramount at all PCA driving events.



After class, you will be accompanied by an instructor. You and your fellow novices will make several laps of the track at reduced speeds while you and your instructor discuss braking zones, turning points, when to accelerate, spotting corner workers and signal flags, and so on. During these initial laps, you will begin to feel your car's potential. And as you accumulate "track time," your driving knowledge and skill will grow by leaps and bounds.

You will have opportunities to drive several 15-20 minute sessions each day. It is important to keep in mind Mayfast is not a race, it's Driver Education! Progress at your own pace, become "one" with your Porsche, and most of all, have fun!

(Editor's note: I shied away from DE for years, concerned with the wear and tear on my Porsche. When I finally participated, I wondered why I'd waited so long. So although I drive somewhat conservatively at Hallett, always saying, "I have to drive it TO the track, then back home FROM the track, I can say without reservation, "you gotta do it!")

More Mayfast on the next page.

Is Mayfast For Me? . . .

My Porsche story began back in the 1970s, just after high school graduation. I had been a sporty-car fan, owned a "hot" Camaro for awhile, and later some Datsun/Nissan Z cars. One of my numerous jobs prior to a 30+ year career at American Airlines was warehousing at the Jimmie Jones Company, welding supplies. The bigwig at the location was John Conine. His family, along with the Swabs, ran the Porsche/Audi dealership on South Memorial. John would tool to work in a variety of Porsches, mostly 911s if I recall correctly. Two accountants at Jones founded the "Auto Flea Market" for awhile, on the parking lot in front of the Caravan Ballroom at 41st and Memorial. They would display cars for sale by private owners for a weekly fee. I "moonlighted" at their place, and dusted off the cars, and occasionally took owners home after they dropped off their cars for sale. One day a man brought in a '73 911 Targa with Sportomatic transmission to display on the lot. I was asked to ride back to his house with him, and then bring the Porsche back to the lot. It was that day over 40 years ago I said to myself, "Someday I'm going to have one of these." Long story short, 30 years later my dream came true, and Pam and I found exactly the Porsche we (I) wanted in Atlanta, GA, a guards red 1987 Carrera w/45,000 miles. I treated it like a newborn baby. Specks of dust were never welcome. It never saw rain. Surprisingly I didn't wash off the paint, although my neighbors likely thought I was trying. And sure, I'd give it a goose and drive it somewhat spiritedly now and then, but it spent a lot of time in



Pre-Mayfast Garage Queen

my garage. After all, it signified the culmination of a dream, and I wasn't willing to take any chances. If "Lil' Red" could have spoken to me, I'm certain it would have been in German, "Treiben die Porsche!" That was May/2004.

. . . A Resounding YES!

5 years later I realized you don't leave a race horse in the stable. Like a Thoroughbred is born to race, your Porsche hungers for the track! Besides, being on the track in a controlled environment with a handful of drivers with the same goals as you is actually safer than driving on the streets with all those texters, cell phone talkers, law enforcement professionals, etc.



But still a bit apprehensive, I signed up for Mayfast 2009. Arriving at the track on Saturday morning, I attended the Novice class, which quickly went a long way to putting me more at ease. Then I climbed into my baby with qualified, seasoned driver and instructor, Earl Schott, in the passenger seat. During the first three laps at almost "school zone" speed, he calmly offered pointers and directions one at a time, patiently bringing me along bit by bit, until I gained a little know-how and increased confidence. Then, approaching the start/finish line, we got the green flag, and I was hooked! I knew then I wasn't playing the *Pole Position* video game anymore!

I could try, but there aren't enough words to describe what it's like to navigate your Porsche around that circuit. Attention and alertness reach all



Finally! On track at Hallett.

time highs as you position your car, brake for the turns, feel the Gs, then (my favorite part) give it the gas as you exit the turns. You can actually feel the decades of engineering that make a Porsche a Porsche. As you drive lap after lap, you begin to learn the Porsche language, because it communicates with you in its own way. You don't have to push it to the limit. I still don't know where that is! I'm just sayin', you've gotta try Mayfast!

This year I'll track the '02 Turbo for the first time, and I can't wait. Missing Mayfast will never be one of my regrets. Like I said, words fall short, but if I had to try: IT'S AWESOME!

The Editor

See next page for more!

First Time Mayfast Entrants Get FREE Tech!

You're ready to hit the track, but is your Porsche?

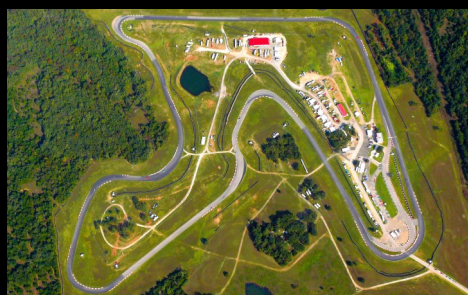
When you register for Mayfast, you will print out a Tech Inspection Sheet, which contains a list of safety items for you to ensure you are in compliance with track day requirements. You will sign off on this sheet, and take it with you to the track, where you will also present your car for a final Tech Inspection prior to driving the event. Volunteers will confirm, for example, lug nuts are properly torqued, storage spaces have been cleared, and the cockpit is free of any superfluous objects, including floor mats, etc. Inspectors will then place a small sticky dot in the upper corner of your windscreen to denote you're good to go, and in which driving group you are assigned.

Rennsport Werkstatt is offering a FREE Tech Inspection to all first-time Mayfast participants. A \$50 value, the guys at Rennsport will look at your Porsche according to the Tech Sheet, and report on any items you might need to attend to prior to gaining access to the track. Your safety and the safety of everyone at the track is number 1. **Tech Inspections are by appointment only!**



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Hallett Motor Racing Circuit



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Jay Jackson signals trailing car to pass on right





Rick Hardmeyer enjoys his day at Hallett!

Social Calendar and Upcoming Events



March 2015

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6 St Patrick's Dinner at Kilkenny's <u>Saturday-Page 5</u>	7 Breakfast Wild Fork 8 am UTICA
8 Autocross Practice 8:30 a.m. 	9 Board Meeting @ Jackie Cooper	10	11	12	13	14 Breakfast Wild Fork 8 am
15	16	17	18	19	20 New Member Welcome Party <u>Saturday-Page 5</u>	21 Breakfast Wild Fork 8 am SQUARE
22 Autocross Practice 8:30 a.m. 	23	24	25	26	27 Cimarron Reg. Ladies Luncheon <u>Saturday-Page 5</u>	28 Breakfast Wild Fork 8 am
29	30	31				

March Highlights

Mayfast Registration Opens - Early March (See Special Mayfast Section)

Saturday Breakfast - Wild Fork @ Utica Square - 8 a.m.

Cimarron Region Board Meeting @ Jackie Cooper-2nd Monday @ 6:30 p.m.

St. Patrick's Dinner @ Kilkenny's - March 7 @ 6:30 p.m. (Page 5)

New Member Welcome Party @ The Joneses - March 21 @ 1:00 p.m. (Page 5)

Autocross Practice @ Corporate Woods - March 8 & 22 @ 8:30 a.m. (Page 9)

**Inaugural Cimarron Region Ladies Luncheon @ Cedar Ridge Country Club
Saturday, March 28 @ 11:30 a.m.
(See Page 5)**

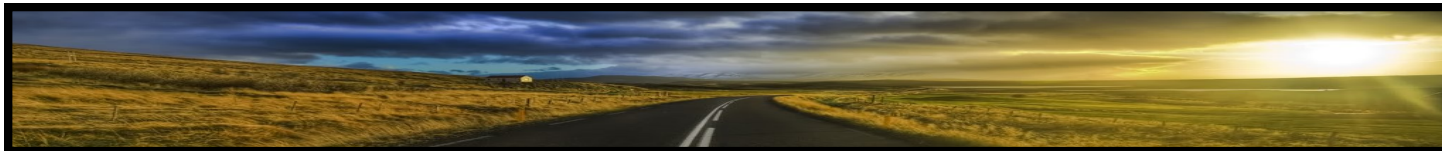
Social Calendar and Upcoming Events



April 2015

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

UTICA SQUARE



April Highlights

Saturday Breakfast - Wild Fork @ Utica Square - 8 a.m.

**Cimarron Region Board Meeting @ Jackie Cooper
2nd Monday @ 6:30 p.m.**

**Autocross *Counting* Sessions (2) - April 12 & 26
@ Corporate Woods - 8:30 a.m.**

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A Porsche Only PCA Event Open to All Regions

Fiesta Challenge - April 11-12, 2015

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This year the Fiesta Challenge weekend will once again benefit the Warrior and Family Support Center. The concours, lunch and rally will be April 11 at the Porsche of San Antonio dealership. Take westbound I-10 exit 561 at Medical/Wurzbach, or eastbound exit 562 at Medical/Callaghan. Your participation will support this worthy project. This is a "top only" event, no undercarriages or engine compartments; only interiors, exteriors and trunk areas. Come join in the fun and compete against other Porsche enthusiasts. This is the opportunity to give your Porsche(s) the good, thorough cleaning it/they deserve! Join us for the day!

We hope to get 50 or more cars registered for the concours. You don't have to have a show car to enter; many entrants drive their cars daily. Just clean it up and come show it off.

For newer members, this is an opportunity for everyone to see your Porsche. Competing with fellow "Porsche Pushers," and the thrill of possibly winning an award for having a nicely prepared Porsche is well worth the effort and the bragging rights that go with it.

Concours classes will be based on the number and models entered. Classes may be combined for competitive purposes. Examples of possible classes are:

4 Cylinders (356, 914, 912)

Early 911 (1965-1973)

911 and SC (1974-1983)

911 Carrera (1984-1989)

964, 993, 993 Turbo, 996, 996 Turbo, 997, 991

924, 928, 968 (water pumpers)

Boxsters

Caymans (may be combined with Boxsters depending on number of entries)

Cayenne, Panamera, Macan

Race/Modified

There will also be an area for displaying cars not entered in the concours. These will not compete for awards, and will be "display only." Porsche Club members tend to be very competitive. Register and let us see your Porsche and provide the competitive spirit I know is in all of you.

There will be a catered luncheon served for those who would like to purchase one. The registration form will have all the information on this event. There will be a Rally following the concours. It will terminate at Pompeii's Italian Grill, 16109 N Nacogdoches Rd, San Antonio, TX, 78247, where we will present rally awards. There will be an autocross on April 12, at Retama Lot #4, located at One Retama Parkway, Selma, TX, 78154, to round out the weekend. All events/costs are mentioned in the registration form. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to call me. Access the Longhorn Region website via longhornpca.org for complete event information to be posted soon.

Ron McAtee, Fiesta Challenge Chairman

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Joe Porsche



Motorsports Update

Heresy

by Jon Jones - CRPCA President



Here at Motorsports Report, we generally don't celebrate the efforts of the competition. But something happened last month that, as a racing purist, warrants some attention. Nissan launched their World Endurance Championship LMP1 HY car in a commercial during the Super Bowl. While spy shots had appeared, most notably from secret testing at the Circuit of the Americas, the roll out of this car was a shock. Not that Nissan entering the WEC was especially earth-shattering, they'd been rumored to be considering it for some time, it was the car that was notable. Designed by Ben Bowlby of Deltawing fame, this car represents a radical interpretation of the ACO LMP rules. And a radical racing machine it is. The car is a front-engine design, and while the engine location is farther aft than your average Altima, it is still unorthodox in today's motorsport world. Last seen in the Panoz LMP-1 "aircraft carrier" cars of the '90s, the design is generally undesirable from a weight distribution standpoint. The car is also front-wheel drive. More correctly, all-wheel drive, but the front tires carry the bulk of the drive power. Long-time IMSA fans might remember the front-wheel drive Dodge Daytona in GTU in the '80s with their odd-ball big front tires, but this concept was abandoned shortly thereafter. Because it didn't work. Now here we are in 2015 and there it is again. What's the saying, "what's old is new again"?

Looking at the Nissan there is a very good reason for the radical design. According to Bowlby, it allows the design to duct the air from the front of the car *through* the body work via enclosed ducts. The front engine allows space to route the air around the engine, down alongside the driver's compartment, and out the back. The front drive arrangement allows narrower rear tires to be used which frees up space for the ducts and associated air flow. The Hybrid component of the car drives the front tires, along with the twin-turbo V6, but also the rear tires under certain circumstances – most notably when the car is stable exiting a corner. This stability is important since Nissan is reportedly shooting for the 8 mega-joule hybrid category, the highest allowed under LMP rules. Where does the engine exhaust go, you ask? Why, out the top of the engine cover, naturally.



This is such an interesting LMP concept that we just can't wait to see it race. And while we hope Porsche wins, this is a testament to WEC and what racing should be about. F1 used to welcome innovation and novel designs; Indianapolis used to welcome the small operator or the genius designer, but they are both more spec series than not. Congratulations to the ACO and WEC for allowing such innovation.

- Porsche factory driver Earl Bamber has been promoted to the third 919 for Spa and Le Mans. Apparently his indiscretion at Daytona didn't cause a crisis in confidence in the Porsche camp.
- Pre-season testing of the new 919 at Bahrain and Abu Dhabi went well, according to Porsche. Despite sandstorms and other factors the team sounds upbeat about the new version of the car, Porsche having addressed understeer and drivability issues. The cars will be on track at the WEC Prologue on March 27-28 at Paul Ricard. The first race is April 12th at Silverstone.



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