



War Bonnet Region War Whoop

News and Events from the Region August 2019 - September 2019

Calendar of Events

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9 Poker Night

10 Club Meeting

11 Autocross

24 Drive to Weatherford

SEPTEMBER

8 Autocross

11 Board Meeting

13 Poker Night

14 Club Meeting

21 Car Show

OCTOBER

11 Poker Night

12 Club Meeting

13 Autocross

25-27 Fall Tour

What's the buy in ? - 7 pm.

Matt Herndon's Poker Table.

Breakfast at Furr's Cafeteria in Moore!

Starts at 9am.

Edmond Fire Department Facility.

Gates open at 8 am. Starts at 9 am.

Drive to Stafford Space Museum

Meet at 9am at NW 39th and Portland.

Edmond Fire Department Facility.

Gates open at 8 am. Starts at 9 am.

Oklahoma Kismet.

Be there at 7pm.

So how much are the red chips worth? - 7 pm.

Matt Herndon's Poker Table.

Breakfast at Pickles in Edmond.

Be there at 9 am.

Guthrie Roads Celebration Car Show

In Guthrie

Don't hide the aces in your sleeves! - 7 pm.

Matt Herndon's Poker Table.

Breakfast at Ingrids.

Be there at 9am. 37th and Youngs.

Edmond Fire Department Facility.

Gates open at 8 am. Starts at 9 am.

Fall Tour 3 day event.

Details coming soon...

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Editor's Notes

am really beginning to hope for a little cooler weather. I hate to say it because I remember not too long ago, I was praying for the weather to warm up.

The 944 turbo is now officially my sons car. He turns 16 at the end of August and he has now mastered the art of driving a stick shift. It took him about 3 months and about 100 times of killing the car but he can now drive it successfully without stalling it at all! Last weekend, he even drove it on the main road and he had to down shift a couple times and he did well driving all the way to his school and back home again.

I am probably going to have to take the car to Dumont's before actually handing him the keys for good so they can do a once over and make sure the car is safe for him. I need to have the AC looked at and also I can't seem to get any air to blow onto the windshield which is a must have in the winter months. Other than that, there isn't really a lot that needs done. He is wanting a new stereo and some seat covers and he wants new window tint. I don't really see the need for those items, but I was 16 once too, so I guess I understand.



Brian Miller - War Whoop Editor

The cost of insurance is doubling for me now that he is driving. I don't know how other parents do this. I thought insurance was outrageous before, but now it is completely insane. I can almost buy him a new car every 6 months for what we pay to insure the one he has now.

I am hoping to make it out to an event or two this fall and I might even have my son drive the car to the event. He will like that.

Hope to see you at one of the events soon --



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President's Podium

he 916 clone is beginning to take shape. As promised in the last issue of the War Whoop, I stated I would have next to nothing done on the 914 and whattya know, I'm not wrong.

After several long glances, quite a few customer cars and barely one sprinkle of rain, I have managed to attach the fenders, fit the bumpers and remove the rest of the big items. Now, putting on fiberglass fenders is quite a challenge as they don't just fit right away. It takes quite a lot of measuring and cutting away the old sheet metal and then you have to align the fenders with the bumpers and rocker panels. The rocker panels were fitted first so that I could gauge where the fenders will lay based on alignment. Then the bumpers were fitted, taken off, refitted and taken off about 5 times to get the right shape. Once all this was together, whattya know, it wasn't right! This is where this story goes beyond pg-13, for mild violence and extreme cussing!

The immovable pieces are the bumpers. They have to be where they belong. The fenders don't slinky, you remember the toy that walked down the stairs with a little push, so they had



Brian Swope - War Bonnet President

to divide the difference between the mounted bumpers and where the rockers had to slide to keep the gaps as close as possible. I found the final differences agreeable.

Now I'm sanding the gel coat and making final preparations for glassing in the fenders. The plan is to mold in the fenders, keep the rockers attached by rivets and make the bumpers removable. In other words, it's suppose to look like a 916.

By the next issue, I hope to have 4 things accomplished. First, I'd like to have my laundry caught up but I realize that's awfully bold. Second, I want to have my own double-secret race car project somewhat closer to 20 percent finished. My next goal is to have Vince's car darn near ready for paint and lastly I hope to finish this Star Wars book I've heard so many talk about.

Thanks and Happy Motoring!





"A Dream come true" or "One off the bucket list"

by Vince Howie

I was very fortunate that a recent business trip took me to Stuttgart Germany, home of Porsche. While there I took some time to visit the Porsche Museum and factory. The museum was better than I could have hoped for since it was during the 917 exhibition featuring thirteen 917 Porsche in full race markings. There was even a 917 cut away car exposing how the car was built. One of the more famous 917's was on display the Gulf-Porsche

wearing #20. One of the more interesting cars figured prominently in the evolution leading to the development of the 917. It was the 917PA which had a monstrous 16 cylinder which produced 880 horsepower. Porsche wanted to get more horsepower from their venerable twelve cylinder engine. So they were experimenting with adding more cylinders or turbocharging the current twelve cylinder. The turbo charged





engine produced 1200+ horsepower and become the 917 race engine. Turbo charging became part of Porsche strategy and the rest is history. By the way sixteen cylinder 917PA never raced.

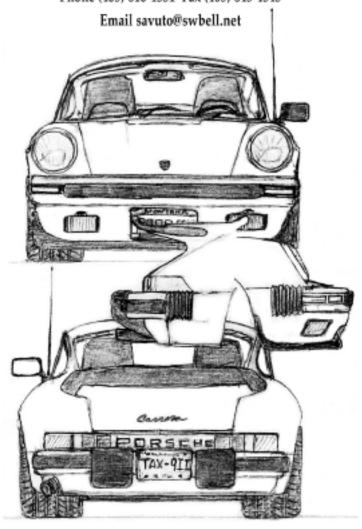
Some of my more favorite cars in the museum was the Dakar Rally 959, beautiful 959 turbo, 1947 Type 360 Cisitalia race car, 356 SL Coupe, 904 Carrera GTS, 718 W-RS Spyder, 550 Spyder, 356 Speedster Prototype, Carrera GT, 918, and many others including the 919 Hybrid Evo, 911 GT1, the first Boxster, and the 1,000,000,000 911 S. If you ever get a chance visit the Porsche museum. Next month I'll update you on my visit to the Porsche factory...





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Between the Cones

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ello all, well we are at mid-year of the 2019 calendar year and our

autocross schedule as well. With that being stated, I would like to invite everyone out to at least one event before this season is over. I know we are in the hot months and the humidity has been brutal, but it will only get cooler from here we hope. I know that we have been having some equipment issues these past few months, but I think that we have finally sorted it all out and don't expect any more problems.

We are approaching the month of August which means we only have three events left this year. I hope that you have made it out to an event this year, that you enjoyed yourself and had fun along with learning the abilities of both you and your car. I know that I have talked to many drivers that have been to the event and from what I have heard and seen from the returning people is that everyone is enjoying themselves. I'm glad to hear that everyone likes the way that I have been setting up the track. Of course, there are also things that could change, and of course, there are things that people would like to see different or more of. I am listening to your comments and trying to incorporate your requests into our upcoming events so that we can



Matt Herndon

evaluate them. I am glad to say that things with this lovely facility are going well. I would like to thank the Edmond Fire Department for letting us use their facility as a means to have fun and learn our cars. We started using this facility a couple of years ago and have had good success. I am confident that things will only get better and grow. I know that there are things that we would like to change, but we are comparing this place to the old one and I think that this one is better. In fact, we now have restrooms that are built in the shade and have clean multiple restrooms. I know that the other place had its good features as well. But in comparison of the whole, there are pros and cons with both. We are happy and fortunate to have this facility to hold our events. And that we need to take care of this site like we did with the other.

I know with new equipment there are always going to be setup periods. For the first month we didn't have everything to run which was a misfortune, but we were still able to run and have a good time. After that, we thought we had got all the missing parts that we needed to run for the next month, but unfortunately, we were wrong. We were still able to run and hold the event; but it wasn't set up the way we were used to. Then we are onto the month of May and I was thinking that the problems were solved, but boy was I wrong. After talking to the manufacturer, we sent all the equipment back to them to get all the bugs worked out, so we hoped. Then June comes around and a new problem happens that wasn't an equipment problem, we were rained out. This was a new experience. I can't remember ever having a summer time rain out. I don't know the last time we were rained out in the summer months, but for April and May that should be a given. We are here in July and I think everything goes well but I'm not a hundred percent correct. I will try again before August and if not, we will try again with the manufacturer and see what in the world is going on.

In conclusion, the autocross calendar year is almost over but that only gives us time to fix and get our toys ready to play with and enjoy next year. As for the equipment, we are always learning. With equipment, newer and better things are always becoming available and we will try to get it. We will try to have the course and the equipment setup and ready to have a smooth, fun and learnable autocross from here on out.



Roster Report

e currently have 215 primary members and 108 affiliate members giving us a total of 323 total members of the War Bonnet Region. These are the exact same numbers from last issue. We have one new member since last issue and we lost one member when he transferred to a different region.

Everyone who has a membership about to expire will receive a notice from National that their membership is about to lapse. Be sure you renew on time. There is no grace period even if you do eventually renew. I will get notice of a member lapsing and then next month I will get notice that a member renewed late. Although it all



Brian Miller - Membership Chairman

works out, National will send notice that you have expired and did a late renew which then adds you back on the database.

Our newest member is Shomari Head and he drives a 2016 Macan. I would like to welcome him to our club! We hope to see him at one of our events in the future!



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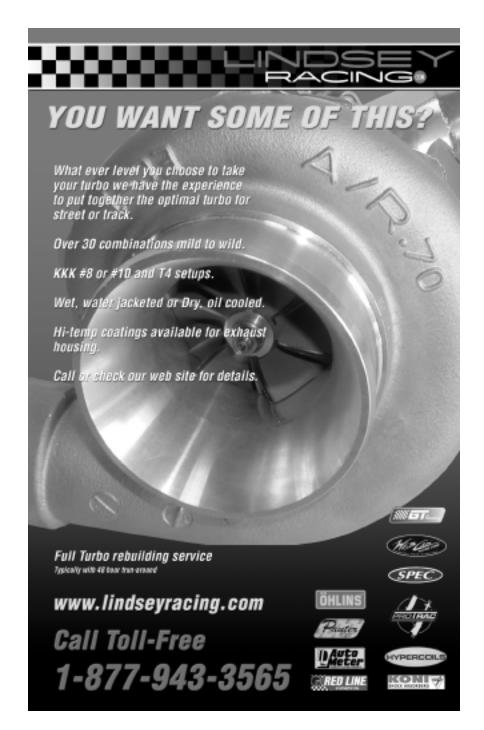
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