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DIABLO REGION EVENT CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

Sep 10 > Pleasanton Breakfast Tour

Sep 24 > Who is Bosco Tour/Rally?

OCTOBER

Oct 1 > BBQ & John Place Tour

Oct 8 > Oktoberfest

Oct 22 > Castello di Amorosa Tour

Oct 27 > DE Thunderhill

NOVEMBER

Nov 6 > Diablo Football Tailgate

Nov 18 > Diablo PCA Planning Meeting

Nov 19 > SF Auto Show Tour

Nov 27 > SVR Tree Deco Potluck

DECEMBER

Dec 10 Folsom

Outlets Shopping Tour

Dec 17 Holiday Potluck / Luminary Tour

JANUARY

Jan 22, 2012 > Black Hawk Museum Extravaganza

Check for details for events on the web site calendar at <http://diablo-pca.org/>

OTHER EVENTS

Sep 15-17 > PCA Escape—Flagstaff, AZ

Oct 15-16 17> Rensport



Words From Walt

By Walt Lietz

Someone once told me "You plan and then life happens!" So our plans for the Pebble Beach weekend got cancelled, but thanks to **Frank**

Duran the caravan to Carmel by the Sea took off on time. Our plans for Escape 2011, our vacation to New York in October, and our Rennsport plans are on hold. Jacquie has a very painful back problem and while we hope that it gets better before Escape it is not a sure thing. A big thank you to all who have sent her get well wishes.

Our 2012 election process is in full swing. Our Nominating Committee is doing a great job. They have lined up five members to run for the four open positions. Please contact **Ingrid French**, **Luis Soler**, or **Tom Marinshaw** if you are interested in running. I want to thank **Dan Spisak** for his work for the club. Dan has decided to resign from the board due to other commitments. **Nancy Bocanegra** has accepted the board's offer to replace Dan. Welcome to the board, Nancy.

The club's first Family Picnic was a great success. We 70 members show up for free BBQ, bocce ball, games, and lots of fun. Many new members showed up and I want to thank all of you for welcoming our new members to the club. **Satoshi Iwahashi** and **Elsie Lum** did all the planning and prep and got a hand from **Kay Maloy** with the food prep. A special thanks to **Brian Adkins** who provided the Kobe Beef burgers and hot dogs. You really missed a treat if you did not make it to the picnic as the hamburgers were outstanding. Brian also organized a Friday night dinner at Tarpy's Roadhouse in Monterey for the Laguna Seca Historic Races. Everyone enjoyed the meal Jacquie and I are sorry that we missed it.

More good news; We are going to have a second monthly Pleasanton Breakfast. **Dale Miller**

is putting together the details. We will have breakfast on the second and fourth Saturday of the month at Vic's in Pleasanton. We have had great turnouts in Pleasanton and this will give members an additional opportunity to meet. Thanks Dale.

Remember our September tours, the weather is wonderful and we have two local tours planned. **Patrick Schmidt** is leading a Tri-Valley Tour on September 10 from Vic's in Pleasanton. **Phil Eskildsen** and **Rolly Smith** are leading the Bosco Gimmick Rally/Tour on September 24 from the Buttercup Pantry in Walnut Creek. Why not do both!

Our next Board of Directors meeting is on Monday, September 12, 6:30 pm, at The Brass Door in San Ramon. It is open to all members and we would like to see you attend.

As always - Have fun and drive safely!

Walt

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Happy Halloween!



Free Tech Inspections

Tech inspection scheduled for Thursday, October 13 at Kahlers in Dublin from 6:30 -8:30. For directions to Kahlers, go to their web site at:

<http://kahlers.com>

Tech Inspection scheduled for Saturday, October 22 Porsche of Fremont from 9AM-1PM. For directions to Porsche of Fremont, got their web site at:

<http://www.porscheoffremont.com>



For more information on registration, contact the DE Event Chairperson, Carlos Bocanegra at 925-934-7652 or at email: cb3234@prodiav.net

OR

Check the Diablo Region web site for registration & tech inspection forms at <http://dia.pca.org/>

Election Update

Our election day is quickly approaching and we are still in the need of more nominations for the openings on the Board. This year we have to elect four (4) members to ensure we have a Board of 9 members..

Do you have any ideas on events you would like to see the Region put on the calendar? Want to bring your energy to a great Region? Do you want to be part of a dynamic fun-loving team who strives to be the best Region in PCA?

Then you definitely need to throw your name into the ring. Contact any one of the following individuals on the Nomination Committee: INGRID FRENCH INGRIDFRENCH@GMAIL.COM, LUIS SOLER SOLER_LUIS@YAHOO.COM, OR TOM MARINSHAW THOMASMARINSHAW@YAHOO.COM, OR WALT LIETZ AT PRESIDENT@DIABLO-PCA.ORG as soon as possible.

We have four (4) members who have stepped up and decided to run. Each of them has submitted a bio and a picture for your use during the election.



Doug Wiebe—Current Board Member & Membership Chairperson

As you may recall, Buying a Porsche AND joining PCA was part of my retirement program. It's now over 3 years later and I have no regrets.

There are some great people in the Region. I have many new friends and have learned a lot about the various cars we drive.

With two track days and an autocross under my belt, I have also learned about what my car can do and how much about driving there is still to learn. I also enjoy the many Region activities including breakfasts, tours, and social events.

In addition to being your current Membership Chairperson, I also send out those e-mail “blasts” to keep you informed of the club’s current and upcoming events.

With your vote, I hope to be able to continue to serve the Region as a Board Member for another 2 year term.

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More Nominees



Ingrid Plooy—Current Advertising Chairperson

I have been a resident of the San Ramon Valley since 1965, when my parents relocated to Dublin from Southern CA. I graduated from California State University, Hayward with a Master's Degree in Biology and

worked in biotechnology research before starting my sales career, selling lab supplies and research products. I met my husband at work (he is in regulatory affairs with a pharmaceutical company) and we have called Livermore home since 2002. Our first Porsche (my 1999 Boxster) joined the family on May 31, 2010. My husband was bitten by the Porsche bug and he bought his own (1999 Carrera) on April 9, 2011. We joined the PCA Diablo Region about a year ago and started going to the breakfasts, and on the tours. We have met a lot of great people and made many friends! I wanted to become more involved with the club and volunteered for the Advertising Chair position two months ago, since sales and marketing is right up my alley. The next step may be a position on the Board of Directors! Thanks for your support and I'm looking forward to many future activities with the club!



Roland (Rolly) Smith—Current Board Member

Hello members,

I am a member of the Diablo PCA for the last six years +/- . I am a car guy and in addition to my 1990 Carrera 2, I own a C5 Corvette and a DeLorean.

I am a retired CPA living in Dublin with my wife. I have experience in serving many types of not-for-profit organizations professionally as a tax consultant and as an auditor. In addition, I have served as a Board member and as President of clubs to which I have belonged.

I have served as a Board member and at times a Board Chairperson of many public benefit corporations. I have served on City and County Commissions and have sometimes been a Chairperson.

If chosen, I will apply my energies to serve you well.

Respectfully submitted,

Roland (Rolly) Smith

More Nominees

Luis Soler



Satoshi Iwahashi (Toshi)

Bio to follow

Luis Soler



I recently announced my candidacy for Board member in the upcoming PCA Diablo Region election. I encourage all members to vote and welcome your support.

I joined the PCA Diablo Region in September of 2006. My membership within PCA coincides with the purchase of my first Porsche. It was a Black 2005 Carrera coupe with only 1,800 miles. For me it was the most beautiful car I had ever owned and any drive, from a couple of blocks to the local Safeway store, 3.5 miles to work at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, or a jaunt on 580 – was an amazing and a joy to drive experience! Since then there have been upgrades to the Porsches my wife Kathy and I drive but I will always remember the first one.

From the beginning of my association with the Diablo Region I became involved in Club activities. I actively supported and participated in the Diablo Driver's Education Program (including serving as Track Chair), tours, dinners, and just for fun impromptu gatherings with other members and friends. One point of interest is the first tour my wife Kathy and I participated in – the Havana Cuba tour. It was our first tour and we hosted it.

I believe the greatest asset to the PCA Diablo Region is the people. I have always valued performing a service and providing enhancement wherever I can. In my association with the Club I have demonstrated the ability to establish and maintain effective communications and rapport with fellow members, the Board Officers, and National. I have proven business knowledge, as well as customer service, sales, and expediting abilities. In addition, I am efficient, organized, and detail oriented. I also believe in thorough follow-up as a fundamental approach to avoiding 'surprises' in projects I have managed both in the PCA and in business. My experience and education provide a solid base and broad understanding of PCA related operations and practices. I have actively participated in and supported Club activities. I know that as a Board member I can provide refinements and support in achieving the vision of greater participation among its members for the greater good of all.

When I contemplate the friends and acquaintances that have touched my life I find that many have resulted from my association with Porsche. It includes my ongoing association with the Porsche Fremont dealership with friends such as Gunter Feldmeier and the exceptional people I have met and continue to do activities with from our Porsche Club. It's all about Porsches and the people who drive them!



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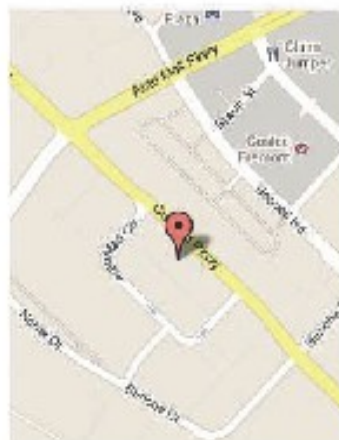


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Sunday:	11am-7pm





Saturday Drive September 10, 2011

Join me for a two hour drive over some of my favorite back roads in the Tri Valley.

Highlights include Morgan Territory and Polomares Canyon Road.

We should be back in Dublin in time for lunch at the Elephant Bar a little after Noon.

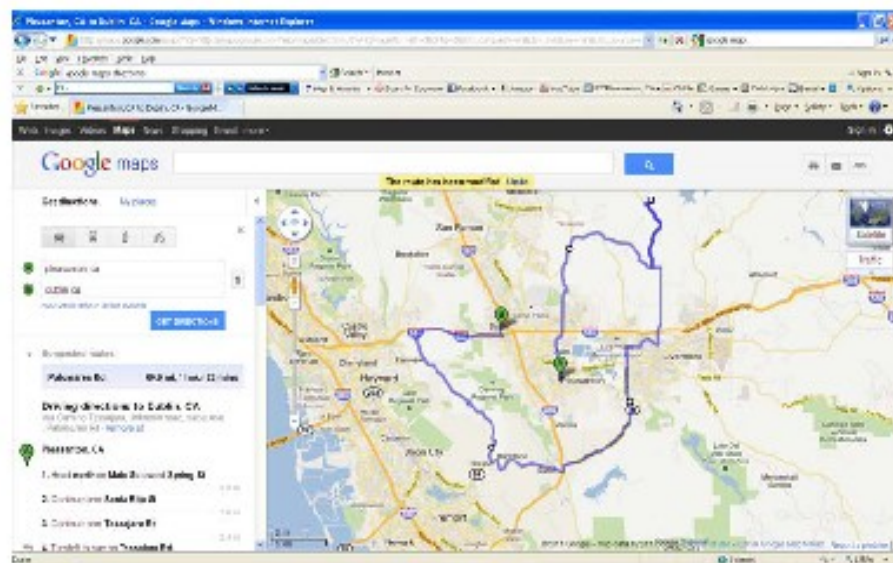
No need to RSVP, just join me with a full tank or enough gas to run for around two hours.

Hope you can join me on Saturday, September 10th. We will leave Vic's at 10 AM.

Auf Wiedersehen!

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Food and Friends

LOCATION CHANGE ALERT! With the closer of Marie Calender's in Walnut Creek, the Region members are now meeting at Buttercup Bar & Grill, 660 Ygnacio Valley Road, Walnut Creek, Ca 94596, located between N. Broadway and N. Civic Drive. Breakfast is every Saturday at 8AM. Be sure to wear your name tag! This is a great way to casually meet other members and catch up on upcoming Region events and Porsche news.

There is a monthly dinner held the 3rd Thursday of each month at Strizzis restaurant at 3456 Camino Tassajara in Danville. The group meets at 6:30PM.

Great food and great people! What more could you ask for! Be sure to mark your calendar to attend at least one dining opportunity.



Pleasanton Saturday Breakfast

Additional Saturday added!

If you can't get up in time to get to the Saturday morning breakfast at Marie Callender's in Walnut Creek, drive over to Pleasanton and join a few hungry members at Vic's All Star Kitchen. We meet each month on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 8:30AM.

The next breakfast is scheduled for September 10th. We hope to see you there. Vic's is located at 201 Main Street, Pleasanton. We have tables reserved in the backroom. Check directions at:

<http://www.vicsallstar.com/about.htm>.

Please RSVP to Ira Madnick at: imadnick@sbcglobal.net so we can get a good headcount. See you there!!



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Lake Sonoma Tour Taking a Perfect Day and Making It Better

By Luis Soler

The Diablo PCA Region conducts numerous tours throughout the year. If you were fortunate to have participated in the Lake Sonoma Tour, hosted by Carlos and Nancy Bocanegra, you would have had a memorable experience. As Carlos likes to say, “this was a wine friendly tour that meandered through the back of Lake Berryessa and through the famous Alexander Valley wine fields to arrive at Lake Sonoma.”

The perfect day continues!

The tour was conducted on July 30, 2011 and began at the Vintage Caffe located at 2522 Mankas Corner Road, Fairfield, CA. This was a rather unique starting point when one considers that most of the Diablo tours originate from our usual breakfast haunts located in Pleasanton or Walnut Creek. However, the starting point



makes sense when you factor in the distance to the final destination and the points of interest on the way to Lake Sonoma. This was an elegant solution to getting the tedious and many times uninteresting portion of driving along major roads out of the way before commencing on the attention grabbing portion of the tour. It allowed participants the opportunity to adjust their driving to whatever time sequence they were comfortable with to arrive at the Vintage Caffe for a delicious breakfast before embarking on the tour.

Great organization and execution of the tour!

Upon arriving at the Vintage Caffe we were rewarded with attentive staff that ushered us into a private sequestered area where we met the other participants and ordered from a menu

tailored specifically for the Porsche Club. The food was delightful and well worth the drive. For myself, I selected the “Joes Special” Omelet and found it to be the very best I have ever had. Other choices on the menu included items such as Crab Cake Benedict and the usual breakfast dishes but with a flair for tickling the palate. It was evident that Carlos and Nancy put a lot of effort into the tour preparation. Introductions were made and each participant received a detailed tour guide that included descriptions, historical notes, areas of interest photos, and maps for each segment of the trip. As an example, did you know that the town of Angwin was named in 1874 for Edwin Angwin who ran a resort on the land the town now occupies? Or that Angwin is a Cornish surname meaning “the white” and is comparable to the English name “White”?



This is where it starts getting better!

Participating in the tour were many of the “usual suspects” you expect to find at our Diablo tours and the same people that make the activity worthwhile. Well this one included a host of new people that most of us had never met. It is always a rewarding experience to have the opportunity to make new friends at Porsche events. Porsches are incredible cars that instill passion in their owners and the Club provides the venue to channel the excitement and enthusiasm felt by their drivers. The new participants were eager and excited about the tour and each one had a great story waiting to be heard about their Porsche experience. I’ve got to tell you,

this is fantastic!

When I contemplate the friends and acquaintances that have touched my life, I find that many have resulted from my association with Porsche. It includes my ongoing association with the Porsche Fremont dealership with friends such as Gunter Feldmeier and the exceptional people I have met and continue to do activities with from our Porsche Club. It's all about Porsches and the people who drive them!

The driving part of the tour begins!

We formed up into two groups and left Mankas Corner, traveling on Gordon Valley Road for our first rest stop at the Lake Berryessa Visitors Center. This was a "spirited drive" along beautiful countryside many of us had never experienced. Taking Pope Canyon Road, we then stopped at the historic Pope Valley Repair & Towing.



AND---there were snakes! Nobody said anything about snakes! For those interested, there is a rattlesnake exhibit but this author declined.

We then took Angwin Santa Helena Road towards Calistoga. This was for the most part, an energetic drive along twisty and meandering roads as we proceeded to the Lake Sonoma Overlook. As we neared Geyserville, we encountered a massive bicycle race in progress. There was easily 20 miles or more of continuous bicycles and fortunately they were oncoming and on the opposite side of the road.

This is farm country and every so often you could see a chicken attempting to cross the road but impeded by the unrelenting line of bicycles.

The Lake Sonoma Overlook is breathtaking! However, the pit toilets are breath holding. OMG, it was enough to gag a maggot.

The Lake Sonoma Overlook is a very worthwhile stop. There is a wooden walkway that takes you to the multi-level overlook where you can see, from a very high distance, the Sonoma Lake and recreation areas where you can rent houseboats and other water vehicles. It is the kind of place where you might consider taking a book, kicking back, and reading or just plain relaxing for a while.

Celebrating the love of life!





Lake Sonoma



Lake Berryessa

Our next and final stop was at the Francis Coppola Winery and Restaurant located at 300 Archimedes, Geyserville, CA. This is not the place you go for a quick meal and then jump back into your car. The setting of the restaurant is high above the grape vines and the view is fabulous. This IS an offer you cannot refuse! There is a lot to experience:



Lake Sonoma Gang

- Superior dining
- Excellent wines for tasting and purchase
- Bocce Ball
- Opulent pool with bar and cabanas
- Gift shop with many “one-of-a-kind”
- Museum containing Francis Coppola memorabilia from previous films such as the Godfather series



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Our tour group split with half choosing to dine outside and the remainder inside the restaurant. There is much to choose from on the menu and their freshly baked bread is incredible.



There just wasn't enough time for us to use the Bocce Ball court. Just another reminder, you could easily plan on spending an entire day at the Francis Coppola Winery.



The pool is generous in size and amenities. The bar is of the type you would expect to see at a tropical resort. It is round in shape with adequate seating for the thirsty while still allowing views of the pool and the fun being had by all.

Many of us spent the best part of 2 – 3 hours enjoying the views, each other's company, and the activities available at the Francis Coppola Winery. In closing, this was a well executed tour and of the type that even weeks later, thinking about it puts a big smile on my face.



Breakfast shots at Maska's. Great crowd!!

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Total New Members: 4

New Transfer-In Members

Kasche, Mark A. Transfer from: Cal Inland (CAI)	1974 911, Blue
Malhi, Gavin Kristina Maliach, Affiliate <i>Transfer from Sequoia (SEQ)</i>	2000 Boxster, Green
Park, Kenneth W. Pam Park, Member (Wife) <i>Transfer from: Golden Gaate (GGR)</i>	1973 911, White 2009 Boxster, Silver 2007 997 GT3, White

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Time: 9:30AM (With a full tank of gas)

Destination: Bosco's Bones & Brews, 11922 Main Stsreet, Sunol

Details: This is not a TSD (time-speed-distance) rally, but a relaxing self-guided tour south to Sunol on interesting Porsche back roads. No highways will be traversed. Bring along a navigator to help you 'spot' interesting things. Prizes may be available.

Cost: \$24/per person for a buffet lunch at "Bosco's Bones & Brew" with fish, fowl, meat and vegetable items (price includes non-alcoholic beverage, soup or salad, dessert, tax and tip).

Make check payable to Treasurer: Diablo PCA and mail to:

Diablo PCA

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Checks must be received by September 21. No refunds after September 21.

To sign up for this exciting tour, contact either:

Phil Eskildsen (philesk@gmail.com) or Rolly Smith (roland_cpa@yahoo.com) **ASAP** as there is a limit of 20 cars for this tour.



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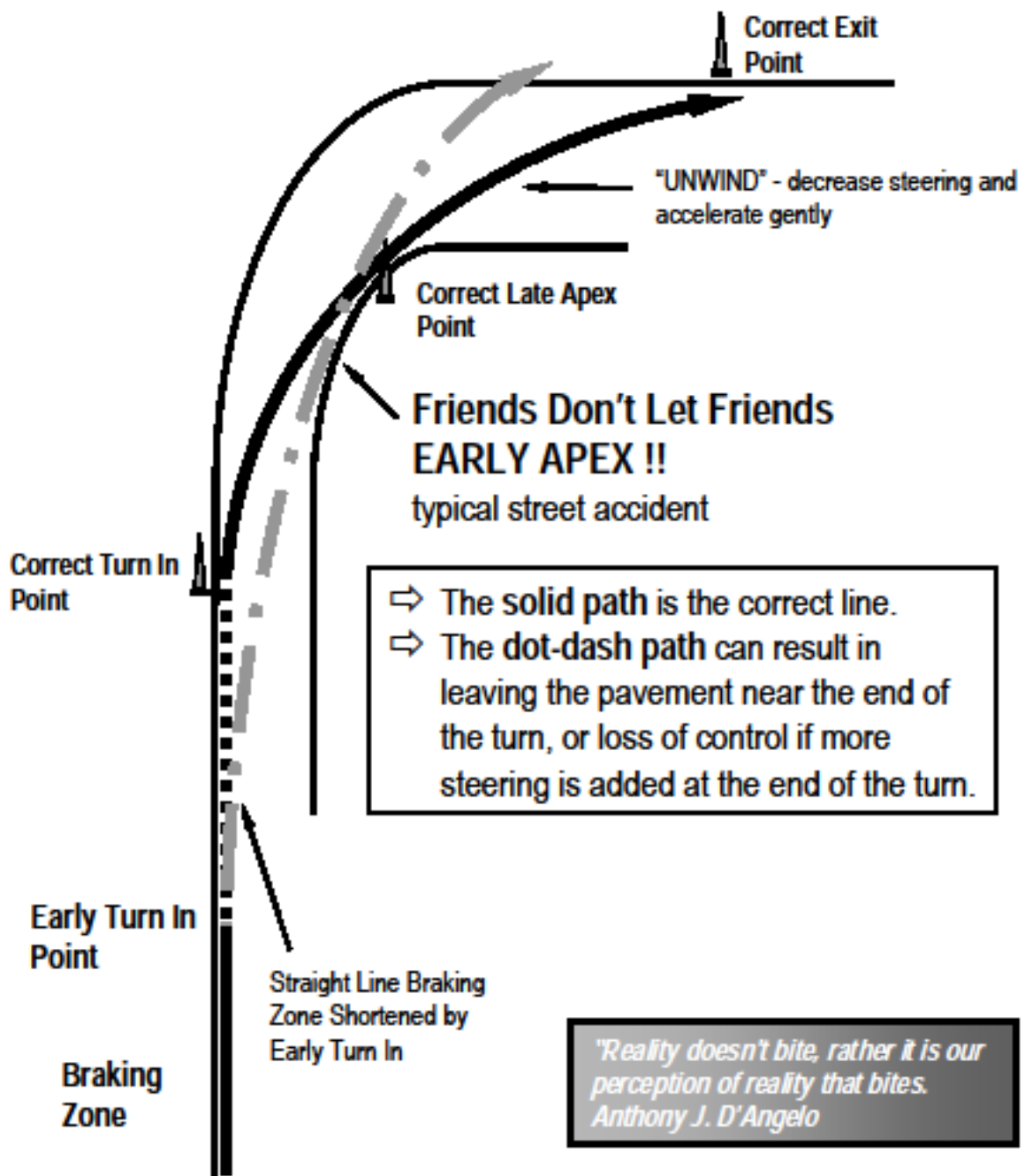


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5 Cornering Steps - Brake, Turn In, Apex, Accelerate, Exit



10 Questions for the Track Chair

By Carlos Bocanegra

1. Does Porsche have track badges?

Yes. The emblem or badge on your bonnet/hood allows you to track your car at a Diablo Driver's Education Day. Really & When? Thursday, October 27th at Thunderhill Park for \$200.00 Novice through Advanced are invited with a Porsche. About the badge—you really don't need any stinkin' badges. Just bring a Porsche. A wise man said, "This is about Porsches for Porsche owners, and in particular for Diablo members" or was that a wise guy? This question has no real answer.

2. What if I don't have a Porsche?

Please visit our sponsor Porsche of Fremont and work out the details. Yes, this was blatant advertising.

3. What is DE (Driver Education) about?

It is all about just cornering, late breaking, having a good time, making new friends, speeding down the straight-aways at or above 100 mph with no red lights behind you. It is about you improving your Porsche driving skills and really getting to know your Porsche automobile. Participation in your run group is about 15 cars or less, though we prefer more cars. It is about you supporting your club and about you taking advantage of the 2nd of two DE Days this year. This event could be gone tomorrow due to lack of support and you could end up in some outside event driving alongside 'rental cars'.

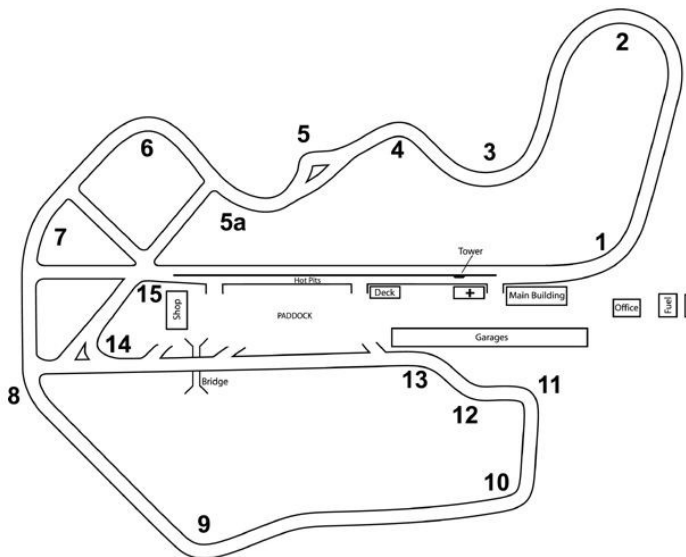
4. Do I need to achieve fast track times or will someone make fun of me if I am slow?

Truth is someone will make fun of you, but you will never know it, as the chatter comes from the corner markers: they have to have fun too! To the point if you are too slow—you will be asked to come into the Pit Area so that you have time to discuss your technique and speed with the instructor. This event is guaranteed to make you smile and not cry. And, it is not easy going fast when you have a lot to concentrate on while on the track.

5. Will this hurt my new or old car?

Believe it or not, this is a concern for brand new car owners as it is for old car owners. You have to understand that you are out there about 4 times in the day for about 20-25 minutes. There is

traffic and passing is controlled. Think in terms of 1 mile on the track will be about 10 road miles, so if you go a maximum 4 laps (track is 3 miles around) in one session, you have traveled about 120 road miles in those 20 minutes. If you do three session, you would have traveled 360 road miles—did that hurt your car? If you are a sloppy shifter—maybe, but just maybe or just time to consider PDK. The answer to the question in "no, this did not hurt my car". One important note, your instructor will drive your car at least once and they will drive it fast. Do not become



Alarmed. They are certified and it is preferred that you do not make them certifiable. Your cooperation is appreciated. It is best if there are at least 1,000 miles on your car unless you own a GT3, etc.

6. Will I crash my car?

I doubt it—and your instructor will appreciate you not crashing into anything, as a matter of fact they are quite happy when you stay on the track and this is usually the case. Certified not certifiable is the key. By the way, there are no walls to speak of at the park. Yes, there are swings at the park. Just Kidding!

7. Do I need to buy a helmet?

No, but you can rent one at the track, as you are required to wear one. And, yes, you will have a bad hair day.

8. If I have a cabriolet/convertible, can I drive with the top down?

No. Rules are Roles (I dislike this rule).

9. You can't make me participate in a DE Day, if I am a Diablo member—right?

That is correct I can't make you participate, but I want you to take advantage of something very important—tech inspections at Kahler's and Porsche of Fremont. Even if you have a new car, please take advantage of this event. First of all it is mandatory to have sign-off to attend, but take a moment to look under your car—you do not want surprises. Remember, you are in a mechanical animal with moving parts and anything could be going wrong; e.g., nails in tires, loose lug nuts, oil leak, etc. **Don't believe me? Show up and we will show you.** It is important to remember a Porsche is low to the ground (cayenne expected) and difficult to get underneath to do your own inspections.

10. Why do you have to be silly?

Because, I can't sing and I'm keeping my day job. I don't have a dog named "Spot". It is very difficult to reach out to over 1,000 members. Honestly, I don't know how to make you come to the track. It is a great opportunity and something to try once in a Porsche old or new or somewhere in-between. *What are your 10 Questions? Carlos Bocanegra—se habla espanol*



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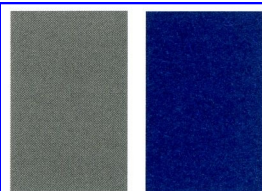
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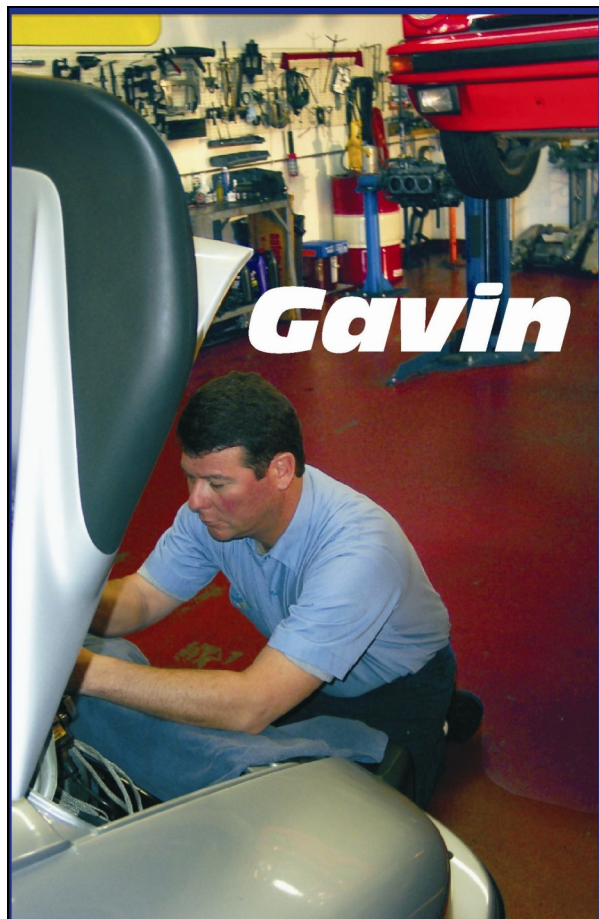
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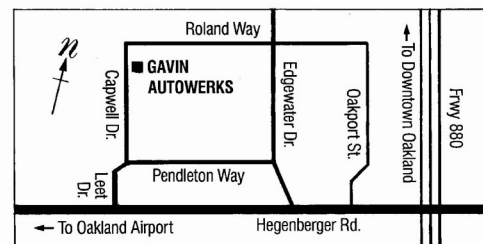


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