

The devil's Advocate

September, 2014



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2014 Event Calendar

September

9/17-DE 101/201

9/26-Thunderhill DE

October

10/4-CIA Tour—Kay

10/11-12-Groveland Overnight
Tour—Susan & Carol

10/16-Oktoberfest

November

11/15 –Paso Robles Tour-Bob

TBD-Planning Party

11/26-Laguna Seca Raceway DE





Ed's Comments

Wow! It's been hot but we had some nice weather for the 30th Anniversary Picnic. Thank you to Bob and Christi Hilton for leading the picnic team! The team was also Brian Adkins, Jeff Kreutzer, Ingrid French, Ted French, Deb Suttkus, Randal Suttkus and I. I'll send out a blast with a link to the pictures of the event. Thanks Kelly for making the rounds and taking the pics. There's a picture of the team in the album.

A special thanks to our dealers: Michael Stead Porsche, Fremont Porsche and Livermore Porsche for their continued support of Diablo's events through the years. They donated lots of wonderful prizes for the raffle.

Cabana Dave's did a great job keeping us fed and without a BBQ grill we spared the air and no smoke in the picnic areas. Our very own Dan Lederman of Lederman Productions brought his DJ gear and filled the park with tunes from Frank Sinatra to songs you can get down to... He had music from every decade and you can see who was in to it with the head bobs to the music... I was taking notes.

Looking forward, we have DE coming up this month at Thunderhill on the 26th. Don't forget we'll have a DE101/102 class a couple weeks prior to the event. Look for an upcoming blast with details. This is open to anyone interested in a track day whether you are signed up or not. This is a middle of the week night and we'll serve you pizza to keep you going. I want to thank Mike Soria at Michael Stead Porsche for sponsoring the track day!

On the topic of track, did you know that we have Porsche girls in a Lemons Race team? Paula, Kelly and Eugenie are our own. The other two gals are Mary and Sandrine. Paula and Eugenie drive Caymans and Kelly, a Carrera S. Sandrine has a R8 so she's at least related. The girls race for breast cancer awareness in a car that has bras riveted to the car and plastic buoys resembling breasts to flash the boys and distract them when

passing.

It's quite a funny sight like most of the Lemons race cars in the field. They can use your support. I'm sending out a blast that has a link for donations.

We also have some tors coming up as well. Kay's CIA tour on October 4th has to be one of the quickest to sell out tours we have had. It was up for about a day and half before it reached the Maximum of 20 people and then another day to reach the extension to 30 people. Great Job! And I know all the lucky participants can't wait.

Also on October 11th Susan and Carol is leading the Groveland tour to the gold country and Music in the Fall for a one day or two day excursion. Susan and Carol have arranged for discount lodging, so please check for details in the event page signup at the goodie Store.

It's election time again. Please send your inquiries to Marc or Deb Suttikus! There's a flyer in this issue of the Advocate that has details. Diablo needs you.

Last but certainly not least, Brian Adkins and Marc are putting together details on an Oktoberfest. Details will come out in a blast, but this year we'll probably have it at FAZ's along with our normal monthly dinner. They are working on a special menu and once the event is firmed up we'll get the details out.

I hope to see you soon!

Ed

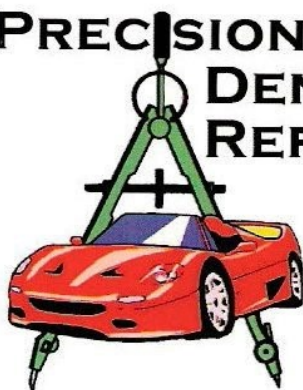


Put in your Nomination for the
Board TODAY!

2014 Diablo Proposed Activities Calendar

<p style="text-align: center;">January</p> <p>1/26-Blackhawk Awards Luncheon-Elsie</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">July</p> <p>7/19-Z D Winery Tour-Ingrid 7/18-7/20-Mammoth Lake Tour (Joint)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">February</p> <p>2/2-Super Bowl Party-Walt TBD-Movie Night 2/22-Big Cats & Casino Tour-Lillie</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">August</p> <p>8/3-Mercedes Benz Tour-Ed 8/15-Werks Reunion-Dave 8/31-30th Anniversary Picnic-Bob Hilton</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">March</p> <p>3/1 Tesla Tech Tour/Test Drive-Ed 3/8-Mystery Dinner-Kay 3/14-16-Mendocino-Vern Thomas 3/21-Thunderhill D</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">September</p> <p>9/17-DE 101/201 9/26-Thunderhill DE</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">April</p> <p>4/5-6-Blue Lakes Tour-Lillie 4/12-Bocce Ball-Kay</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">October</p> <p>10/4-CIA Cooking Tour-Kay 10/11-12-Groveland Overnight Tour-Susan 10/16- Oktoberfest</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">May</p> <p>5/10-Luau-Debbie & Randall 5/25-Wash 'N Shine 5/31- El Dorado National Forest Tour-Lillie</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">November</p> <p>11/15 - Paso Robles-Bob TBD-Planning Party 11/26-Laguna Seca Raceway DE</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">June</p> <p>6/15-21-Parade</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">December</p> <p>12/6-Christmas Party-Linda & Patrick</p>

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Diablo Driver Education Program

By Adam Cipriano, DE Chair



Be Safe, Have Fun, Go Fast

When we re-imagined our Drivers Education program two and a half years ago, this motto kind of grew up with us. Since then, we've enjoyed strong participation, better feedback from participants and sponsors and greater interest in our style of track day than ever. In addition to creating a friendly, low-key, safe day for friends and guests alike, we continue to gain wide appeal in and out of our Diablo chapter. Perhaps unique to our club, we limit the size and number of run groups to maximize on-track time and on-track space over the course of the day. Plus, we always find a way to mix in educational and social events (sometimes several) around each track day that not only builds better drivers, its builds better friendships and a better club experience for drivers, guests and sponsors.

DE Calendar

We've scheduled our DE 101 / 201 class for the evening of Wednesday September 17, 2014 (further details to come on our www.diablo-de.org website). Everyone, particularly beginners, are welcome and encouraged to come. Yes, dinner is provided.

*Thunderhill Raceway 5 Mile Track Day, Friday 9-26-14
Sponsored by Michael Stead Porsche*

In case you haven't heard, this will be our club's first outing on the new 2 mile West Loop in addition to the original 3 mile layout. The reviews are in and if you haven't had the chance to come and drive all 5 miles together, join us! And if you've been already, its time to go back!

Sign up on www.motorsportreg.com. Space is limited, groups are filling up fast and time is running short, so if you are coming, now is the time to sign up!

Michael Stead Porsche – Our new Title Sponsor for our 9-26-14 DE Day

Our friends at Michael Stead Porsche in Walnut Creek have generously partnered with us on this event and their

support will go a long way to making this day possible. Thank you Michael Stead Porsche!

And, our friends at Hooked On Driving will be with us to assist you getting on and off the track and with paddock and grid safety. Thank you HOD! They are mighty fine instructors as well...

Dinner Anyone?

Join us for dinner the night before (Thursday 9/25) for a no-host dinner at Casa Ramos in Willows at 6:30pm and you can even sign in early and pick up your registration packet then too. These dinners are always an off-track highlight for drivers, guests and instructors.

Tech Inspections

As always, we ask you to inspect your car and take responsibility for its safe operation on the track. The following three businesses are again generously offering to inspect your cars for free within 30 days of the track date.

Michael Stead Porsche in Walnut Creek – by appt. only
Contact Melissa or Henry at (925) 280-4900 and be sure to mention Diablo PCA Inspection.

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Fremont Porsche – by appt. only
Contact Gunter Feldmeier at (866) 952-8996

For More Information Visit www.diablo-de.org

Check out our resources for our drivers and instructors on our website. It contains a wealth of information about our program, track driving, insurance, schedules, tech forms, video links and more.





Diablo Region Wants YOU!!

It's that time of year again!

Nominations to fill 5 positions on the Diablo Region Board will be needed prior to the October election.

Would you like to have input into the future direction of Diablo PCA?

Positions on the Board are for a 2 year term that will run from January, 2015 through December, 2016.

The Board meets once a month to discuss financial issues, upcoming events, impacts to members, as well as how to ensure members are getting a variety of selections from the monthly calendar.

The Region runs strictly on volunteers and the generosity of giving that precious commodity—TIME to continue to grow and be a successful Region.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact either Marc Giammona at mgcls@sbcglobal.net or Debbie Suttkus at dsuttkus@comcast.net.

Feel free to attend a Board meeting to find out more information. The meetings are held the 2nd Monday each month at 7pm at C&J Fencing, 12983 Alcosta Blvd, San Ramon.

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Friday, September 26

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We are very pleased to announce Michael Stead Porsche will be sponsoring our first DE day experiencing the new 5 mile track at Thunderhill, including lunch and water.

We will still be running 3 run groups as usual with up to 5 on-track sessions per group. Experienced Porsche Instructors will be available for those needing Instructors.

Sign up at www.Motorsportreg.com today!

The DE 101/201 location and date will be announced soon. Plus the locations of the Track Inspections that will be available from our sponsors and supporters prior to the 30 day timeframe.

Our friends and partners at Hooked on Driving will be running the track on the following 2 days (9/27 & 9/28) so you have an opportunity to make it a 2 or 3 day Thunderhill experience.

There will be a no-host get-together dinner at Casa Ramos the night before on Thursday, September 25th at 6:30pm. Join the fun and get to know your fellow track mates.

For more details, see our website at www.diablo-de.org.

Questions: Contact Adam Cipriano at dechain@diablo-pca.org



Welcome New Members!!

New Members

Ahmuty, David	1972 914
Ferro, Todd	2014 911 Carrera 4S, Agate Grey
Jones, Brian	
Maloney, Scott	911 Carrera Cabriolet, White
Mazzola, Sam	2005 Cayenne S, Black
Miller, Miles	1974 911S, Silver
Misson, Sameer	2014 911 GT3, White
Newton, Greg	2005 Boxster S, Grey
Swain, Chris	2007 911 Carrera 4S, Black

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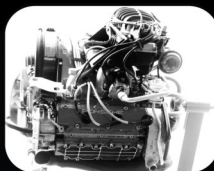


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Don't forget to wear your name tag so everyone knows your name. This is a great way to casually meet other members and catch up on upcoming Region events



Tri-Valley Saturday Breakfast

If you can't get up in time to get to the Saturday morning breakfast at Buttercup Grill & Bar in Walnut Creek, drive over to Pleasanton and join a few hungry members at Strizzi's. We meet each month on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 8:30AM.

The next breakfast is scheduled for **September 13th and again on **September 27th**. We hope to see you there. We have tables reserved in the rear of the restaurant.**

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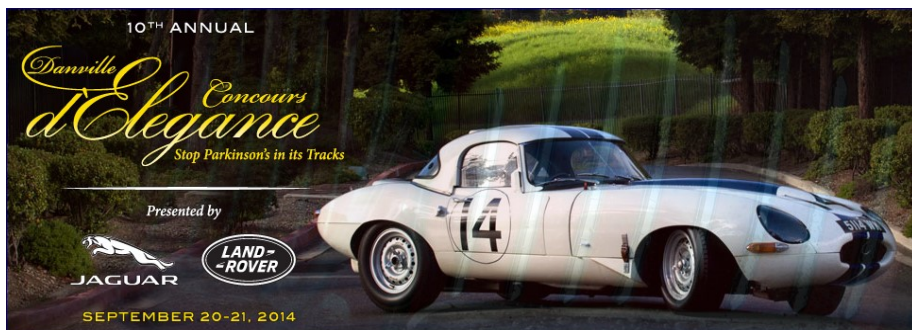
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This gathering designed to raise funds for Parkinsons research and patient care. Join us to enjoy the day and make a difference. Admission is free, however **donations are encouraged** to help us raise funds for the Michael J. Fox Foundation and the Parkinsons Institute in our combined effort to overcome Parkinsons disease and improve the quality of life for those suffering with it.

September 21, 2014

The Calendar Has Openings!!

Time to Plan Some Fun



There are open dates on the Diablo Region Events Calendar in September, October November, and December.

Events can be:

Activities
Tours

Dinners
Autocross

Gimmick Rallies

Your imagination is the only limit to what you can plan.

Remember: Every member can volunteer to put on an event. It is always fun to partner with someone else and share the responsibilities too.

So, put your thinking caps on and put your name on a date.

Contact Ingrid French at
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2ND ANNUAL TOUR

What can I say? We had a great time with our friends at the Mercedes Club! It was so great to see everyone come out and enjoy roads in our very own backyard. This year we started in Castro Valley and traveled through Norris Canyon road to Danville and the backside of Mount Diablo through the Morgan Territory and then through Marsh Creek Road ending at Ed's Mudville Grill in Clayton.

Enjoy the pictures captured by Ed Won and Kelly Guglielmo.



Taking over Morgan Territory parking lot.



Drivers' Meeting



Diablo Ladies



The Tour Guide, Mickey tells the group the facts on Morgan Territory



Jack, tour leader, Don, Ed, Porsche President, Gloria, MB President, Shawn, First Sunday Drive Chair, Lillie



Psst!

**Mark your
calendar!**

**October 16th is
the BIG DAY!!**



Let's do something different this year to celebrate Oktoberfest! Come to the monthly dinner at Faz in Danville on October 16th and join your fellow Diablo members as we raise our steins to the country that brought us Porsche.

More details will be announced shortly.



DE 101/201

Ever wonder what all the hype over Drivers' Education is about? Come to DE 101/201 to see videos of the courses, discussions on driving techniques, ask questions and meet the other members who love to drive their Porsches in a controlled safe environment.

When: Wednesday, Sept. 17

Time: 6:30PM

Where: Civic Center Lounge

1375 Civic Drive

Walnut Creek, CA

Pizza and soda will be served. Hope to see you there!

Questions: Contact Adam Cipriano at

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What was I thinking??!! Meeting for a caravan at 5:30AM??!! It is so dark at that hour! Dave Ohst organized the drive to Carmel Valley for those able to rise before the sun. About 14 gorgeous Porsches headed south from Pleasanton, easily gliding towards the coast at a nice pace.



As we entered the golf course parking area, we received a goodie bag and tickets for a chair from Michelin Tires, the key sponsor.

Once you were parked, your eyes took in the row upon row of various models and years of the “Porsche-Only” inaugural event. There were cars in immaculate condition and some that really needed some TLC, but somehow were still running.

Along with the variety of Porsches were the collections of owners who reflected their pride with stories of their vehicles and how they had refurbished them with love and great care.

Enjoy the pictures taken by Ed Won, Dan Spisak and Carlos Bocanegra. Think about attending next year!



Ready to head out in the darkness





Packed and ready to go



Oldies but goodies



Winners of Porsche Driving School



Jeff Urnes, judging cars and one of many Diablo volunteers



Dave Ohst, our caravan leader



Caren Cooper, new PCA National President and our own Ed Won, Diablo President

Porsche Pride

As we continue in our series of highlighting members who have recently purchased a Porsche, we want to remind you if you have purchased a Porsche in 2014, contact our Editor, Kay Maloy at editor@diablo-pca.org.

David Ahmuty

Purchase Date: July, 2014

Year and Type of Porsche: 1972 914 , 1.7

Outside Color: Saturn Chrome Yellow

Interior Color: Black

Transmission: 5 Speed

Comments: The car has the Appearance Package and only 97k on the (working) Odo. It has a roller but needs restoration and right now I am enjoying every minute of the driving experience before I put it on the lift during the winter months and go to work on it.



Chris M. a.k.a. Rennpanzer

Purchase Date: Memorial Day, 2014

Year and Type of Porsche: 1987 (the year I met my wife), 944 Turbo

Outside Color: Stone Grey

Interior Color: Tan, as opposed to that IMHO ridiculous burgundy, and under 60k miles.

Timeline

January, 1986: Read Road & Track prints "Five Part Harmony" article, testing/comparing/contrasting the 911 Cabriolet, 911 Turbo, 928S, 944, and 944 Turbo. The writer observes:

"The 944 Turbo is faster than anything in this group except the 911 Turbo and where that car is like a flung battle ax, the 944 Turbo is a hunting arrow, zoop! right at the target, no fuss."

Something about that passage and the car's 50/50 balance must have connected with me on a pretty deep level, and so the quest/lust began.

1986 - 2014: I spent many years, time, money, and effort attempting to transform an assortment of SCIROCCO's & GTI's into that for which I always truly longed.

Memorial Day 2014: A company vehicle, garage parking, had evolved & stabilized financial status having all lined up, I quit one-cheekin' it, boarded a plane in Oakland, CA, flew to Phoenix, AZ, handed a nice man a cashier's check, and drove home in this:



When I left LA, on the way home I headed straight to Hwy 1 to realize a fantasy scenario I'd contemplated many times over the years: Driving up the coast in a metallic grey 944 turbo, with "phone dial" wheels; watching the sun set; Steely Dan's Aja playing in the tape deck.

NEVER let anyone tell you bucket lists are not worthwhile pursuits. P.S. I do still Love SCIROCCO's though.