

The devil's Advocate

November, 2015



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Trouble**

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Ed's Comments

By Ed Won, President Diablo PCA

Hello Diablo Members!

The weather still looks pretty warm to me, not sure when fall is going to get here. But we still have a few activities before the end of the year.

I'm writing to you before the announcement of the election results. So I do want to congratulate the winner on the new board position. For the other two candidates, I want to thank you very much for your interest in running for the board. As you know, PCA runs on the generous contribution of time from its volunteers. PCA is fueled by volunteers.

I want to thank Frank and Joan Duran for another great tour to Grand Island Mansion for brunch. We had a wonderful drive to the Delta and sightseeing around the mansion. I also enjoyed meeting a lot of new members as I have just come back from the Zone Seven presidents' meeting and believe me, there are a number of exciting new events planned with other regions. And speaking of planning we have our annual planning meeting coming up in about three weeks; you'll be seeing email blast reminders. Please come out to this event and help us plan for next year's activities. Bring your ideas, suggestions, activities and volunteer to help put on an event your fellow club members may like to attend. Many tours or events are simply something a member has attended and thinks the drive would be enjoyed by others. We are here to help plan and execute with you. We have in place processes that take out the guess work and keep it fun. After all, we are all here for one thing FUN! The planning meeting is on the <https://www.diablo-pca.org> website for signup, as are all of our events (except for DE) .

Speaking of DE, THANK YOU to Porsche of Livermore for sponsoring the Laguna track day! We have had it on Thanksgiving week in the past and it continues to be a sold out event! Thank you to all the participants! I know it's going to be stellar like the previous years. And of course, Thank You to our DE track chair, Adam Cipriano, for another wonderful year! Thank you to the DE team for pulling this all together.

Also, thank you to Bob and Christi Hilton for running the Paso Robles tour again this year! It was a hit last time and I have no doubt, it will be a great time this year as well!

Thank you Patrick and Linda Schmidt for hosting the Holiday Party at your home! Looks like we may be done early enough to drive and see the holiday lights as well.

I hope to see you all soon and have a Happy Thanksgiving!

Ed Won



**Diablo PCA Drivers Ed
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Track Event

Thanksgiving Week

Monday, November 23, 2015



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- Shared garages rentals are available on a first-come basis for \$50 a spot
- Lunch and bottled water provided courtesy of Porsche of Livermore
- Deadline to register: November 13th

It's a 90db sound limit day. You are responsible for ensuring your car can pass sound. No refunds will be provided for cars that don't pass.

Learn more and sign up for the day and a garage at
motorsportreg.com by November 13.

Join us Nov. 22 for a no-host dinner at Embassy Suites in Seaside at 6pm. We have also reserved a block of rooms at Embassy Suites, 1441 Canyon Del Rey, Seaside. Remember to mention Diablo Porsche Region.

Free Tech Sessions

Pre-event tech inspections are to be done within 30 days of the event. Mention Diablo PCA inspections at:

- Kahlers in Dublin—by appointment only
Contact Ash Reddy at service@kahlers.com or by phone at 925-829-2050
- Livermore Porsche—by appointment only
Contact Kevin or Manni at 866-406-8208
- For questions, email diablopca.dechair@gmail.com and visit www.diablo-de.org.

DE 101 / 201

DE 101 / 201 Classroom Chalk Talk to be held November 11th, 6:30-8:30 pm at Livermore Porsche, 3100 Las Positas Rd, Livermore. Pizza will be served.

2015 Quarterly Event Calendar

NOVEMBER

- 11/7—ZIPLINE
- 11/11—DE 101
- 11/14-11/15—PASO ROBLES TOUR—BOB/CRISTI
- 11/21—PLANNING PARTY
- 11/23—LAGUNA SECA RACEWAY DE

DECEMBER

- 12/6—HOLIDAY VINEYARD TOUR—PAUL SMITH
- 12/12—HOLIDAY PARTY—PATRICK/LINDA

Monthly Events:

- **Walnut Creek Breakfast: Every Saturday**
7:30am
Buttercup Pantry, 660 Ygnacio Valley Blvd., Walnut Creek
- **South Region Breakfast: TBD (If you would like to host a breakfast, contact Kay Maloy at maloykay@comcast.net)**
- **Board Meeting: 2nd Monday**
6:30pm
12893 Alcosta Blvd., San Ramon
- **Monthly Dinner: 3rd Thursday**
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Faz, 600 Hartz Ave., Danville

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2016 Tour Planning



As Diablo PCA is getting ready for its annual Events planning (Tours and Events), it is a good time for you to think about and contribute to Events and/or Tours. I'll let Marc handle the Events. If you visit the Diablo home page, you will find a button that will get to Eventbrite so that you can register. This is not a commitment, but to allow us to get a 'food-headcount.'

Don't have any ideas? Well, show up for a social event that could very well have you come up with an idea or contribute to an idea. Your individual life experiences and knowledge assist in making everyone's Porsche life better. Are you new to PCA? Come join us and find out what it is like to plan a year in advance.

Keep in mind that you are not held to the tour and there are no repercussions to a tour being cancelled. Has this happened? I have seen people cancel for one reason or another as life gets in the way.

I am here to assist you with the planning, if necessary. We have a form available to help understand any expenses associated with a tour. Pay-as-you-go is always preferred. Sometimes that is not viable. As an example, we have the never tried before tour & event: Zip Line on November 7th; that requires a deposit. This event required prior board approval with a down payment.

The next piece is Eventbrite. Why Eventbrite for tours and planning? First of all the Web App allows for us to capture headcount. Why is headcount needed? For formal PCA Tours, we have to file for PCA supplied insurance. This means we are also under the umbrella and guidance of PCA (safety & speed control). Eventbrite allows us to pre-collect money for an event. Yes, there is a surcharge associated with it, but the convenience to a tour leader is great. There is no money to collect at the last minute and time is spent instead on the driver's meetings.

Please don't confuse events like the Mercedes Tour or the New Year Livermore or the Go-Karting events. So any conclusion you came about these events – they were not sanctioned by Diablo or PCA. You merely were invited by Diablo and non-Diablo folks to participate in what was described as a fun event or drive.

High speed driving is not permitted by PCA. That is not to say you can organize your own non-Diablo events, we have one member who has her peeps for special fast runs, but they are outside of Diablo. They have fun too.

Don't be afraid to have things go wrong in the sense of a wrong turn or a missed milestone on your way somewhere. Practice the runs with a co-pilot or ask me to come along. Just don't try to kidnap me, as I may like it. Get a Delorme California map, don't rely on GPS. Don't do a GPS and map run at the same time as it will get you confused. There is nothing worse or funnier than the tour leader getting lost. If you really screw up – we have an award for you "The Dummkopf." There are many PCA luminaries on the list – it is in jest, but real. ***November 21 is your planning date – sign up and be there.***

The Tour has one thing that can't be replaced for you and others. It is about the ride.



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part!
of it.

Election Results

Thank you to all Diablo members who took the time to vote for the candidates running to fill the opening on the Board of Directors. We actually had one of the best voter turnouts since we began voting electronically.

The race was close, but the candidate with the most votes was Adam Cipriano. Adam is currently a Board Member and Diablo's DE (Drivers' Education) Chair. Congratulations Adam!! Be sure to congratulate him when you see him.

Adam Cipriano



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Oktoberfest Diablo Style

A local home was transformed into Deutschland recently to the delight of many Diablo members in attendance. The hosts, Judy Huggins and Rolf, did a great job of decorating and making sure everyone had a great time. Thank you also to Marc Giammona and Brian Adkins for your usual support and assistance. Check out the pictures.





Monthly Dinner

Join us on the 3rd Thursday of each month to enjoy the company of Diablo Region members and have a good meal.

Where: Faz Restaurant

600 Hartz Avenue

Danville

Time: 6:30pm

Next Dinner: November 19, 2015

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Diablo Region 2016 Planning Meeting



Have you enjoyed a great tour? How about a Saturday breakfast gathering or the exhilaration of driving your Porsche on the track? All of these and other great member benefits are all possible because of members like you who had an idea or wanted to contribute to enhancing the ownership experience by supporting one of our many great club activities.

The annual planning meeting is your opportunity to contribute your ideas and support to keep the Diablo Region a great place for our members to find a diversified selection of activities throughout the year. We need your creativity and enthusiasm to sustain our diverse array of offerings. Remember, we are a volunteer organization with members who have many skills to share. Our club environment ensures that you will not have to work alone. There is always many other members to support you and the opportunity to partner with another member to host a new event. Please bring your ideas and assistance and make the 2016 club event calendar a great success !

When: Saturday, November 21, 2015

Time: 6:30 —9:00 pm

Sign up at www.diablo-pca.org, click on “Planning Meeting” and complete registration.

Where: Danville Station Clubhouse

1320 Van Patten Drive, Danville

Take Hwy 680 and exit on Sycamore Valley Rd. East Turn right on Camino Ramon, go 1.4 mile. Turn left on Greenbrook Dr. and go .03 miles. Turn left on Van Patten Dr., go .02 miles. Clubhouse will be on the left.

Pizza, soft drinks and water will be provided. Bring your own “adult” beverages.

See you there!

Holiday in the Vineyards Tour December 6th at 11am



The tour will begin at
Livermore Porsche
3100 Las Positas Rd, Livermore

Coffee and donuts at 11am

Drivers meeting will be at 11:45

This will be a fun, relaxing tour. Bring a jacket and a snack to share. The vineyards will be decorated for the holidays; some will offer treats with the tastings and holiday gifts for sale.

We will end the day with an early casual dinner in Livermore. Wine tasting fees average \$10 and dinner will be moderately priced.

**RSVP : PorschePaul77@gmail.com
By November 30th**

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Paso Robles Touring

November 14-15

Saturday, November 14th

Depart: 8am from Safeway parking lot on Bernal in Pleasanton

- ◆ Enjoy a drive through San Jose and Hollister and the “back side” of Pinnacles State Park
- ◆ Lunch at Calcareous Winery, overlooking the coastal hills to the Pacific (\$15-\$20 pp)
- ◆ Visit more coastal wineries
- ◆ Dinner in Paso Robles (\$20-\$30 pp)



Sunday, November 15th

- ◆ Visit Estrella Warbird Museum/Auto Display or other wineries (your option)
- ◆ Light lunch
- ◆ Dinner at Rocky Point *\$20-\$30+ pp)
- ◆ Drive home via Highway 1



Reservations at the Holiday Inn Express in Atascadero (805-462-0200) should be made by **October 14th**. The rate is \$119.95 and be sure to mention the PCA Diablo Region. Breakfast is included.

All meals are pay as you go.

There are plenty of opportunities to buy your Holiday wines and goodies during the various stops.

Sign up at www.diablo-pca.org.

2015 Diablo Proposed Activities Calendar

January	July
1/17 – Go Carts-Brian/Malcom 1/25- Blackhawk Awards Luncheon- Elsie/Ingrid	7/5 – Mercedes Tour-Ed
February	August
2/1- Super Bowl Party-Walt 2/28 – Movie Night-Brian	8/10-8/16-Monterey Auto Week* 8/14 – Werks* 8/23– Brunch—Brian 8/29 – Jamestown Journey Tour-Jerry Antolik 8/30 – Annual Picnic *Not a Diablo event
March	September
3/7- Canepa Tour-Marc/Ted 3/22- Half Moon Bay Crab Tour-Anton 3/27 – Thunderhill DE	9/13 – Orinda Car Show* 9/19 – CIA Again Tour-Nancy 9/20 – Danville 'd Elegance* 9/25-9/27—Rennsport V* *Not a Diablo event
April	October
4/4 – Filoli Tour-Ingrid 4/11- Moss Beach Tour-Susan/Carol 4/18 – Bocce Ball-Kay 4/25 – Canepa Tour-Marc/Ted	10/4—Zone 7 Concours-Livermore Porsche* *Not a Diablo event 10/10—Oktoberfest-Rolf/Judy 10/17- Russian River Tour-Susan/Carol 10/25 – Grand Island Mansion Tour-Frank/Joan
May	November
5/2 Blackhawk Cars & Coffee w Lunch Tour-Ed 5/24- Wash 'N Shine TBD – Autocross & Tour-Brian/Malcom	11/7- Zip Lining—Naomi 11/11—DE 101 11/14– 11/15- Paso Robles-Bob 11/22—Planning Party 11/23—Laguna Seca Raceway DE
June	December
6/19-6/21 Mammoth Lakes Joint Tour-Ed 6/27 – CIA Tour-Kay	12/6—Holiday in the Vineyards Tour—Paul Smith 12/12- Christmas Party-Patrick/Linda



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Where: Buttercup Pantry
660 Ygnacio Valley Road
Walnut Creek, CA 94596
located between N. Broadway and N. Civic Drive.

Time: 7:30am



OR

ATTENTION ATTENTION ATTENTION **CHANGES TO ALTERNATE BREAKFAST**

In an effort to offer a variety of options to our members, the "alternate" Saturday breakfast is being changed to a Sunday brunch in various locations. There is no breakfast scheduled for November as we have a full calendar.

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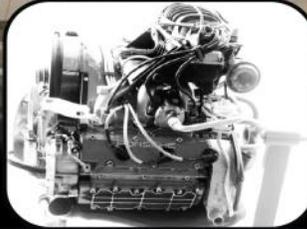
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Welcome New Members!!

Primary Members: 783

Affiliate Members: 452

Total Members: 1235

NEW MEMBERS	
Catella, Cris	2016 911 Carrera GTS, Sapphire Blue
Ahlen, Burton	2016 Cayenne S, White
DuRhee, Chris	2005 911 Carrera, White
Gatto, Dan	2016 Cayman GT4, White
Lee, Sidney	1987 928 S4, Diamond Blue Mtallic
McCullough, Mick	2003 911 Carrera 4S
Miller, Gordon	2014 Turbo, Black
Mueller, Mike	1973 914 1.7, White
Saini, Rinku	2013 911 Carrera, Black
Stratiotis, Frank	2012 911 Carrera S, Black
Williams, Steven	2010 911 Turbo, Black
Wollsen, Will	2012 911 Carrera S, White
TOTAL NEW MEMBERS: 13	
TRANSFERS IN	
Brandy, Mike <i>from Loma Prieta</i>	2008 Boxster, Gray
McCullough, Mick <i>from Golden Gate</i>	2003 911 Carrera 4S
Wong, Carolyn <i>from Loma Prieta</i>	2015 Macan S, Dark Blue Metallic
TOTAL: 3	

Porsche Pride

As we continue in our series of highlighting members who have recently purchased a Porsche or joined Diablo Region, this is a reminder to contact our Editor, Kay Maloy at maloykay@comcast.net.

Jeff Deshon

Purchase Date: August, 2015

Year and Type of Porsche: 2014 991 Turbo S Convertible

Outside Color: Black, Red Fabric Roof

Interior Color: Red

Transmission Type: PDK

Other Comments:

Bought this car because the power is intoxicating and I love driving with the top down. I have owned two Carreras before: 2005 and 2010 C4S.

Nanci Bishop / Paul Smith

Purchase Date: July, 2015

Year and Type of Porsche: 2009 Cayenne S

Outside Color: Black with Silver Trim

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: Tip Tronic

Other Comments:

The main purpose of our purchase was a vehicle to tow our Jagermeister Race Car. I have owned Porsches from 1975 and Nanci from 2003. In addition to the Cayenne S, we have two 1994 Porsche 968 and the Jagermeister 914 Six GT Race Car. We love going on Porsche Club Tours to places like Cambria and Clear Lake. Our most favorite place to visit is our daughter near Branson, MO.

Kevin Gove

Purchase Date: September, 2015

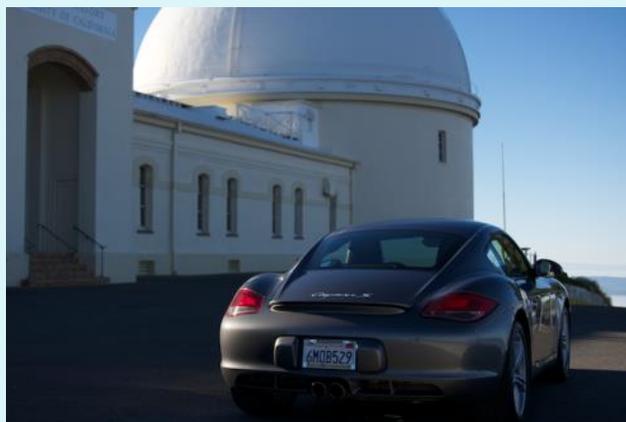
Year & Type of Porsche: 2010 Cayman S

Outside Color: Meteor Grey

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: PDK

Other Comments:



My Cayman is my first Porsche. I have always been a Porscheophile and was drawn to the lightweight and mid-engine of the Cayman. So after quite a bit of searching, I found a well-cared for 2010 S. So far, I find excuses to explore back roads that have lots of twisty turns. Mines Road is a fave. Anyway, I've only had my CS a month and I couldn't be happier with it. (i.e. why you bought your car, have you owned other Porsches, favorite things to do or places to drive, etc.).

John Jordan

Purchase Date: August, 2015

Year & Type of Porsche: 2008 Cayman

Outside Color: Ruby Red Metallic

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: Manual

Other Comments:



This is my first Porsche. I've been obsessed with Porsches since I was a toddler, when my Dad had a 1983 911 SC. I've always loved the musical sound of the Porsche flat 6 and the timeless beauty of the cars. I was finally able to find the perfect used Cayman in excellent condition and my dream of being a Porsche owner finally came true! I love everything about the Cayman. It is a pure driver's car that loves Northern California's twisty backroads and looks fantastic with its beautiful lines.

Ed Won

Purchase Date: October, 2015

Year and Type of Porsche: 2016 Carrera GTS 60th Anniversary Club Coupe

Outside Color: One option-Club Blau

Interior Color: Black w/Alcantara Red and Blue Club Coupe stitching

Transmission Type: 7 Speed Manual

Other Comments:

This is my 4th Porsche . They are addictive. My first one was a 2008 Cayenne S, then a2006 Cayman S and finally a 2011 GT3. I thought I'd keep the GT3 for a very long time, but when Vu contacted me and told me I had an opportunity to purchase an Anniversary Club Coupe, I jumped at the chance.

I will miss the GT3. I filled out the interest form like a lot of folks, right? If Vu ever calls me... PCA holds a special place in my heart. Owning this anniversary mode is a real honor. That's Amy France at Porsche of Livermore in the picture handing me the keys





Saying Goodbye to a Friend

Diablo Region recently lost a member, friend and past Regional President when Walt Lietz passed away. Many Diablo members were able to attend a Celebration of Life luncheon. For those of you who couldn't attend, below is some information the family shared.

Walt Lietz 1942—2015

Walt was born December 25th in 1942 to German immigrants, Walter and Erika Lietz in New York City. The cutest baby boy with chubby cheeks and curly hair, the perfect Christmas present. His parents owned a flower shop in the City and later moved the family to Huntington (Long Island) where they ran a nursery. This helps explain his love for working in his beloved garden and his strong work ethic.

Walt was in for a surprise on the 1st day of Kindergarten when no one else was speaking German. He quickly learned English and pushed himself to excel. He persevered in school and became the first in the Lietz family to graduate college with a degree at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He had a love for all things science and would enjoy reading and researching that subject throughout his entire life. After college, he proudly served his country as an officer in the Core of Engineers stationed in Germany France at the time of the Vietnam War.

Walt met Jacquie, the yin to his yang, while playing Pac-Man at a local restaurant in the city. They married on August 22, 1976 and their adventure together began. They honeymooned in Greece, which started their non-stop adventures and love for traveling that included visiting 21 countries together.

Walt left his job at Manufacturers Hanover in 1976 to move cross-country for Levi Strauss in sunny California. Most of his career was spent at Bank of America in computer database administration where he was a beloved co-worker and manager.

When he wasn't fixing computer problems, he was working at home cooking extravagant breakfasts, tending to his garden, throwing parties, correcting homework, tidying up the house, or volunteering as Swim Team Director, Synchro Prop Builder or helping Jacquie in whatever she signed him up for. He was a loyal friend who opened his home for all to enjoy.

While he enjoyed his career, he LOVED retirement. His greatest joy in life was being "Pop" to his 7 beautiful grandchildren: Scott, Tyler, Roman, Kira, Paisley, Blake and Parker. He was their #1 fan and loved taking them on fun adventures and spoiling them each holiday and birthday. His membership in the Porsche Club added more great friends into his life, giving him an excuse to throw more parties and a right to drive in the fast lane.

His greatest success in life was his family. He loved his wife of 38 years, was the most supportive and patient dad, loving grandparent and dedicated friend. His quiet, strong, selfless, supportive presence and love will be missed tremendously and his influence will be carried on for generations to come.

He is survived by his two daughters Heather (Jason Maddox) and Heidi (Danny McMillan); 7 beloved grandchildren, sister Erika (Zoran Barbaric); nephews, Adrian and Evan; loving cousins and loyal friends. We find great comfort that he had a heavenly reunion with his loving wife and parents.

Timber Cove—the Final Destination

By Carlos Bocanegra

On Saturday, October 17, 32 of us jumped into our various Porsche models and planned for a back roads tour to the beautiful California Coast. Our Tour hosts, Carol Dixon and Susie George, planned this trip to take us to Guerneville for a group lunch. The options after lunch were to join for dinner and/or have dinner and an overnight stay at the Jenner Timber Cove resort.

We started out from the Walnut Creek Buttercup Grill parking lot. Our path included route 24 to the San Pablo Dam cutoff. The Richmond Bridge and Marin was our next destination. We had a potty break and meet up at McDonalds in Petaluma. Interestingly, group 2 that was led by Susie arrived before group 1. When these things happen, they provide for a few good laughs and we figure out if we can improve our planning. From here, it was onward and forward to our lunch destination in Guerneville via Route CA 116.



We had lunch at Main Street Bistro in Guerneville. The restaurant bar is located on Main Street – go figure. This small town is always a big hub of activity. We pretty much had the whole restaurant to ourselves. Service was good as this was a large party and they accommodated us in a U-shaped configuration. Thereafter you were on your own prior to the Korbel Champagne tour – many opted for a pie to take home or various flavors of ice cream in the bank building next door. They offered a photo booth – but I never found our photos. Oh well, they may show up in some ad on the Internet someday.



The Korbel Winery, as such the nickname for this tour –Sparkling Tour, was eye opening. This is a long established winery with history in gold and lumbering. One of our recent presidents (well, in the 80's) made Korbel the White House go-to for sparkling wine. We did have a free tasting thereafter and many indulged in small tastes of different varietals of sparkling wine.

While some folks left for home after lunch or after the Korbel tour the rest gathered to caravan to the Timber Cove. We choose to go to Safeway first and then to head for the final destination. Route CA 116 west finds world famous CA 1 where we took a right turn up the coast.

CA 1 provides absolutely picture perfect scenery with great winding roads. CA 1 takes a lot of traffic and combined with Mother Nature can offer some good-sized bumps. There is a section past Jenner that requires you to come to a traffic light for one-way traffic. The wait isn't too bad. I see that sometime in the future, CA 1 may have to be altered, as it could give way to Mother Nature's whims.

The Timber Cove is a bit removed from Jenner, so upon arrival you pass the Timber Cove Trailer Park – and you go, "nah! Can't be!" A short drive away was our final destination. The Timber Cove management team had set cones aside to allow for Porsche only parking.

The place is rustic yet it is first class in terms of service and amenities. The views are spectacular. There are short hiking trails. You can basically sit outside at the fire pit or walk to a certain peak and just enjoy the fresh cool air and the always magnificent Pacific Ocean. You can do like some of our couples who cuddled outside and took in the views. I know who you were – I have pictures! LOL



Dinner was per table as planned, although not as big a table as we got. Even so, good conversation and good food was enjoyed by everyone. Afterwards, some of us met up at the fire pit for merriment and s'mores, while others enjoyed the night entertainment. Near mid-night, it was off to our rooms and from there on everyone was on there own.

We had a couple of new people join us on the tour and one couple was able to obtain a room and stay over. The Timber Cove was quite accommodating. Quite nearby, I found out from the staff that the tall totem pole is actually an obelisk situated on what may be the tiniest state park called the Bufano Peace Statue Monument.

Until we meet again, I won't know what everyone's Sunday came to be. I know some were heading off to a winery in Sonoma, others for home, other's had plans that unfolded as the day went on. One couple stayed an extra day – lucky them.

The journey to Jenner gave me the opportunity to enjoy the Boxster all the way south on Highway 1 from Jenner. We stopped at what turned out to be a gourmet restaurant, River's End, for the last of the fresh Salmon harvest. Brunch was fantastic and if in the area – give them a try. They have a nice view and I did notice that they accept reservations. To continue, Highway one offers so many potential stops for food and photo opportunities. In Tomales, we stopped at a bakery for fabulous pie. And later in the day it was an oyster stop to top off the day. Sir Frances Drake Blvd brought us to the Richmond Bridge and then home. Thank you to our Tour Leaders Carol and Susie for guiding us to the beautiful coast and for making it a great Saturday and a great weekend.

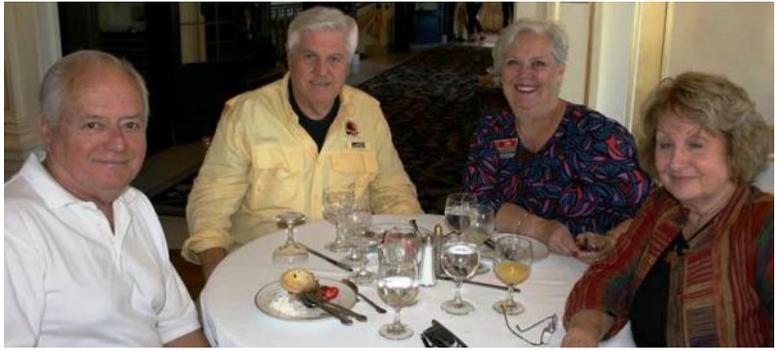


As a note – I know Walter Lietz would have enjoyed this outing and Walt was remembered and will not be forgotten.

Grand Island Brunch Tour

It looks like Frank and Joan Duran have done it again. From all indications, the attending members not only enjoyed a wonderful drive, but also indulged in a delicious buffet of delicacies. Check out the photos from our Club Photographers.





Happy

Thanksgiving

Seventy Years Behind the Wheel

“SPORTS CAR RALLIES, TRIALS and GYMKHANAS”

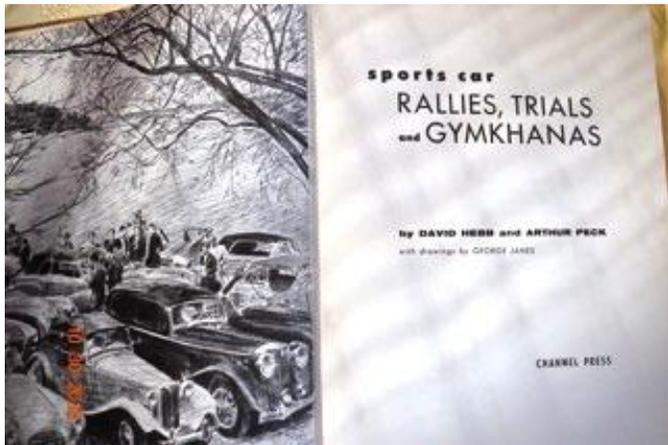
By David Hebb and Arthur Peck

A Book Review by Jack Carpenter



What makes this review more than worthy of inclusion in one of my ancient history columns is the fact that it was published over fifty-nine years ago and most of its information and explanations still hold true today. Although the title doesn't acknowledge it, there is also a lot of information on Concours, Road Races, Auto Crossing, Trials, Gimmick Rallies, Night Rallies, Economy and Regularity Runs and a good idea of the equipment needed to participate in those events some fifty odd years ago. Needless to say the equipment is much more sophisticated these days, thanks to computers versus slide rules and digital timing equipment versus early stop watches.

This 160 page hardback, 8 1/2 by 11 edition published by Channel Press Inc. in 1956 and assigned a Library of Congress Catalog Card number of 56-9475 also included information on many car clubs.



If you have the urge to plan any type of car event and not much experience in doing so, this book would be a good place to start. Possibly the best news I have to offer is that Amazon has 6 or 7 copies available for under \$12. I believe the original price was \$8.95.

By the time you read this the 2015 Rennsport Reunion will be over at Laguna Seca. After a very successful 2011 event at Laguna, I'm not surprised that Porsche decided to come back instead of returning to the East Coast. The beauty of Monterey County and its wonderful lodging and food can only be up-staged by the price of a room. Would you believe that early car events, golf tournaments and jazz concerts allowed

you to stay at Motel 6 for \$6 a night. These days during car week the price was over \$300 for the same room. It's nice to know that good meals can still be had in the area without an equivalent rise in prices. The Monterey area is one of the most beautiful locations in the U.S. Too bad even the surrounding area has to take advantage of the shortage of places to stay by inflating their prices. As a footnote to Rennsport and many years of SCCA racing and race administration, I was surprised and very unhappy to see a handful of drivers in wonderful Porsches late Sunday, doing very high speed demo runs, sans helmets. With that mind set I wondered if their seat belts were fastened?

This last month, Jan and I celebrated our 60th year of marriage. How that relates to this column is the fact that we seemed to have navigated through our lives with the help of our mutual enjoyment of cars, car clubs and events. Did we ever argue, when I was driving and Jan was navigating? Sure. But thanks to our mutual love of the sport and one another, along with our enjoyment of car club people, we are still enjoying ourselves. Although, I would be an idiot not to admit that our three daughters, their husbands and our four grandchildren amount to the frosting on the cake.

Be careful; out there,

Jack

Diablo Region Holiday Party 2015

Saturday, December 12th

From 4 to 7 PM

Location: 7695 Sunwood Drive, Dublin 94568

Hosted by Patrick and Linda Schmidt

Patrick and Linda Schmidt are hosting the Diablo Region Holiday Party and PORSCHE Gift Exchange at their home in Dublin on Saturday, December 12th.

We are looking forward to starting the Party around 4:00 PM and starting with appetizers, followed by a Region hosted main course of Ham and refreshments.

After dinner and dessert, we will have a PORSCHE gift exchange. The theme will be anything PORSCHE. If you bring one gift, you can exchange it for another. If a couple wants to bring two gifts, they can exchange two gifts. The items do not need to be new, but should be of a Porsche theme and in "gift giving" condition.

Linda and I hope you can join us for a fun event.

The attendee list is limited to around 50 or so people, so please RSVP early. If you plan to attend, Please RSVP by Friday, November 30th.to Patrick at:

Schmidt.patrick@comcast.net

Those attending with last names from A to M, please bring an Appetizer or Dessert

Those attending with last names from N to Z, please bring a side dish to complement the Ham.

There is no cost to attend this Party. Diablo Region is sponsoring the Ham, coffee and soft beverages. If you would like to bring some wine or other beverage to enjoy, please do.

Best regards and Happy Holidays!

Patrick and Linda Schmidt

Map and Driving Directions will be sent to all those who would like to attend.

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