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February, 2017...**

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Chat With Carlos

Happy February, Diablo members. January has been spectacularly wet and my wish is that all is well with the membership. January gave me a chance to reflect on 2016 and look forward to 2017.

By the time you read this, we would have held our annual banquet that celebrates Diablo (you) and all the volunteers that help make Diablo what it is and what it offers today and in the past. I had a conversation just the other night with long standing member Ingrid French about how we have changed. Ingrid mentioned, that we should recognize that we have added 200-plus members in the past 2 years. In comparison, we have only 84 members attending our Awards Banquet. So, this is a call for new members to come out and to participate, assist and enjoy the company of Diablo and PCA membership. To all the new membership, again welcome and I hope to meet you in the very near future.

We ended 2016 with a fabulous hosted Holiday Party by Bob and Christi Hilton and started 2016 with the Annual Awards Banquet and which again, is hosted by Marc Giammona. As the current Tour Chair, we had some great events. We had a 5th annual Holiday in the Vineyards that I could only attend ¼ of the way, but it is always a fun event hosted by Paul Smith. For many of the 31 attendees this was their first event or they hadn't been out in a while. That was certainly refreshing.

During the year, we had an operatic serenade at the Chocolate and Wine Tour, always a favorite that Kay Maloy organizes. We had three tour groups go out to the 3rd Grand Island Mansion tour organized by our breakfast host Frank Duran. There was even a cookoff in the gold country called the Taste of Tuscany, with a promise of another one or two runs in 2017. This was remarkable in that not one person was the sole organizer but Diablo friends came together to organize it, headed by Jerry Antolik. We haven't seen that happen too often, but it does encourage you to get together and plan something for the rest of us. I'm waiting for the dinner invite now that Jerry is an accomplished chef, as they may have made 3 trips in planning this event. We had fun with the Tail of the Diablo run – who knew 26 cars was a long line of cars. And, what surprised us all was that we had a Gimmick Rally, the first one in a very long time. Thank you, Dave Gilliss.

So, what Tours will we have in 2017? Start sending over your suggestions, please.

Again, we had some great recurring events, that were coordinated by Marc Giammona and some by Brian Adkins. We had 125 guests who participated in our Oktoberfest, hosted once again by Judy Huggins at her lovely home. We went through the year karting, betting on the 1HP ponies, honored our Vets, played our annual Bocce Ball, Pizza and a Movie plus learned how to detail our cars.

As the Banquet Awards for 2016 have been held, sign up for our Super Bowl LI party. It is pay as you go for drinks. You can register for that and for all events on our home page Diablo-pca.org that will link you to Eventbrite.

Don't forget to sign up for our Drivers' Education days. That team is led by Adam Cipriano, Diablo Director. Our 101 DE day class for Thunderhill is coming up on February 1st. It is a great way to find out what our Drivers' Education is all about. Your source for signups is Motorsportreg.com where all track events are tracked and paid for.

Congratulations go out to those who won an award. My special recognition goes out to all of those who volunteered to run a tour, create an event, and those who assist in Drivers' Education. Special recognition to our main sponsors of those events, Porsche of Livermore and Porsche of Walnut Creek.

Special thank you to Marc Giammona and the 2016 Board: Ed Won, Ingrid French, Bob Hilton, Adam Cipriano and Brian Adkins. Special recognition to our webmaster, Anthony Mendoza! And, special recognition to our baker, wonderful volunteer, and newsletter editor, Kay Maloy!!

For 2017 – I hear a big event is being planned for at the Porsche Experience Center (PEC) in Carson, CA. We will have some cooking classes in the Sierra Foothills, plus another July Tail of the Diablo. I hope to have our Tech Chair come up with some new topics, as well as to have our Concourse Chair educate us on Concours. I expect that we will have a training class for new DE instructors this year. I will be off to the PEC in February as a member of the Driving Tour Committee and participating in PCA National President discussions.

So, you heard from me, now let me hear from you, by phone, email, or text.

Carlos

2016 Awards

BEST SOCIAL EVENT 2016

Holiday Party—Bob & Christi Hilton
Ingrid & Ted French
Marc & Mary Giammona
Mark & Cindy Imbertson



BEST DAY TOUR 2016

Taste of Tuscany—Jerry & Ilona Antolik
Susan George & Tom Geary
Al & Peggy Arrivas

2016 ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Mark Imbertson

2016 ENTHUSIAST OF THE YEAR

Alaric Sales

2016 PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

Pam Richards

2016 VICE PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Anthony Mendoza

2016 BEST PROGRAM

Car Show—Brian Adkins

DUMMKOPF AWARD

Andre Boursse

2016 Board Special Award

Marc Giammona

2016 DRIVER EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

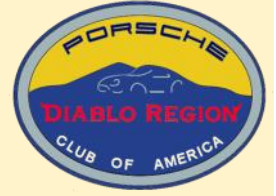
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2016 DRIVER EDUCATION ENTHUSIAST OF THE YEAR

Mike Ciopyk

2016 DRIVER EDUCATION VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR—Kay Maloy





Friday, February 17, 2017

- © Join us for a No Host-dinner on Thursday, February 16 at Casa Ramos in Willows at 6:30. You can use this opportunity to register early.





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Meet @ Marin Yacht Club @ 9:00 AM for a 9:30 AM departure, on Saturday, February 25. Coffee and Muffins will be available for purchase.

We will tour the backroads of Beautiful Marin returning by 11:15 to the Yacht Club for Social & Cheese appetizers compliments of the Diablo Region. Lunch will be served at Noon.

All you can eat Fresh Local Dungeness Crab including Green Salad, Sourdough French Bread, Condiments, and Fresh Melon for dessert \$45, tax & gratuity included. Corkage fee \$10.00.

Registration closes on Sunday, February 19 using MotorsportReg.com (see link below).

Register Early! Limited Seating! Don't Miss Out!

Questions?

Contact Sharon Castle by email: sharoncastle28@gmail.com
phone: 707.975.1419

Marin Yacht Club
24 Summit Ave
San Rafael CA 94901

Registration closes 2/19/2017
(we have to order crab in advance)
<http://msreg.com/2017CrabFeed>

DESIGN Competition

Dummkopf Trophy



We Need A New Trophy

Are you creative? Got good ideas? Diablo needs your help to design a new Dummkopf Trophy.

Each year the club honors one member with the Dummkopf Award for doing something that can be frustrating at the time, but funny after the fact, like being a tour leader and getting lost even with a map and navigator in the car! Running out of gas. Driving your car into a ditch while texting – don't text and drive!

Our trophy has run out of room for recipient names. The exclusive Dummkopf membership is always growing!

Design Competition Guidelines:

1. Picture or hand drawing of what the trophy will look like
2. Detailed description of materials used to make the trophy
3. Trophy must have enough space to engrave 10 names
4. Submit designs to Kay Maloy (maloykay@comcast.net) or Naomi Siu (horizontrekkers@comcast.net). They will confirm that all essential information is included

EXAMPLES





Diablo Knit (Craft) Night

Crafty or not, expert or novice, everyone is welcome to join the Diablo "knit" night. Join a fun, friendly group of women whose talent expands beyond knitting – we have knitters, sewers, and a weaver!

Meet: Every other Tuesday (2/7, 2/21, 3/7, 3/21, etc.)

Location: Panera's in Alamo

Time: 6:30 – 9 pm.

6:30 pm if you want to eat dinner at Panera's and knit/crafts start at 7 pm

Directions: 680 to Stone Valley Road exit. It is in the Safeway shopping center.

Need help choosing or starting a project, we are here for you. *"I joined the group to learn knitting from our own Diablo experts. For me, knit night is eat, knit, laugh, knit, talk story, knit, laugh, talk, talk, laugh, maybe knit some more.... it is easy to get side tracked by the many funny stories and camaraderie."* Naomi Siu





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Porsche Pride

Kartik Jaggi

Purchase Date: August, 2016

Year & Type of Porsche: 2009 Boxster

Exterior Color: Guards Red

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: 6 Speed Manual



Other Comments: I have never really been into cars as such and have always considered them a mechanism to get you from point A to point B. Growing up in meager circumstances can add to your skepticism about peculiarities of a vehicle.

I was born in India and moved to the USA in 1986 to do my MBA, ended up staying here as I was offered a job right out of college. Many years of struggle ensued (financial and kids health) that I won't bore you with, but suffice to say, owning a vehicle was mostly a prosaic activity—no hum Civics and the minivan phase. I never had any interest in pursuing a sports car much less a Porsche.

About 6 to 8 months ago, my very close friend (who also happens to be a realtor) showed up at my house in her 1985 Porsche 911 Convertible. She had ordered it from Germany and had it custom made for her. In fact, her name is on a sticker on the driver side door jam. She had the top down (not hers, the car's) and it looked fantastic. I jokingly told her that she should let me borrow it so I could take my wife to Half Moon Bay and get her brunch at the Ritz Carlton. We laughed about it and when she was ready to leave, she told me that I could seriously take the car whenever I wanted. She went on to explain how she never drove it and she wanted someone to take the car out on the road regularly. I hesitatingly accepted her offer. I am always nervous about borrowing anything of high value. I would hate to damage it or cause any other harm to such a nice car.

A few weeks later, the San Francisco Bay Area weather beckoned and on a nice balmy day, I decided to take her car and drive my wife to Half Moon Bay. What transpired that day changed my view about cars forever. I was ruined. I kid you not. I got chased on the freeway by a guy who drove next to me and started shouting from his car asking me how much I wanted for it. I laughed and waved him off. In the ensuing hour that it took me to get to the beach, I must have had 3-4 thumbs up. The car was an instant attention getter (Guards Red with black interior).

That day will remain etched in my memory for a long time. I had several more opportunities to drive her car, but I didn't want to take advantage of her largess and of course, I was worried about the responsibility that comes with driving a car like that. I decided that perhaps it was time for a weekend car. A co-worker is a car and a Porsche enthusiast and helped me narrow it down to several cars. He is also responsible for me joining Rennlist. We looked at many cars and I even bid on a 1996 Porsche 911 Convertible on Bring a Trailer but lost.

Well, on August 14th, 2016, luck was shining on me and I purchased my first sports car and my first Porsche. It's a 2009 Boxster. It's Guards Red with Black Interior. I found it on Porsche's CPO site with a Porsche dealer in Pasadena (Rusnack). The pickup of the car itself is a mini-story. I told my wife I wanted to take her out for a surprise day trip. Took Uber to the airport and when we got there, I told her I was taking her to see a Dodgers game in LA. Landed at Burbank and had the dealer pick us up. He was driving a brand new Cayenne and my wife oohed and aahed about what a fancy car I had arranged. I had told the dealer about the surprise and he played along. Asked questions about what time the game was etc. When we arrived at the dealership, the car was parked up front shrouded with a black Porsche Satin cloth. By this point, she had figured out that I had bought a Porsche. I had her remove the shroud to reveal this gorgeous car. We drove it back to San Francisco and I loved every minute of it. I had no idea what I had been missing all my life. Needless to say, I am smitten.

Don Nobori

Purchase Date: May, 2016

Year & Type of Porsche: 2009 Cayman

Exterior Color: Gray

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: 6 Speed



Other Comments: Thanks for the welcome. I've been a Porscheophile for over 40 years, so I guess it's time I joined PCA. I started looking for the "right" Cayman, nationwide, in the summer of 2015 and found it in Houston, TX last May. I had my fiancé's brother-in-law check it out for me, since he lives close by and is a Corvette owner. Based on his evaluation, numerous pictures, Carfax and service records, I bought it sight unseen, had it shipped here and took possession on May 25th. It's a 2009 Cayman, base, with 20,053 miles (when I bought it,) 6 speed, grey with black interior. The seller was asking \$32k but took off \$500 to split the shipping costs. Since it was garaged and very well cared for, it's in great shape. A couple of rock chips but the finish is has very little spider webbing, so the previous owner did a great job!

This is my fourth Porsche, but I had to include 2 pictures of my first one, a 1972 914. I bought it new from Martin Johnson in Oakland for something like \$4,900 out the door, drove it for 4 years and 60k miles and sold it in 1976, never to see it again. Until last September, that is, when I brought the Cayman to my mechanic in Oakland for some service. As I drove up, this yellow 914 caught my eye and I thought, "no way!" but sure enough, the right license plate and original brown interior, which I special ordered. Turns out ,one of the mechanics bought it from someone whose relative had stored it for a few years. I sold the 914 to buy the silver 1969 912 from Wolfgang Reif, who owned German Competition Motors in Hayward. It was also in prime shape but after about 10 years and 2 kids, had to sell it. A few years later I bought the 1986 944. That was a fun car but expensive to maintain.

The Cayman was my retirement gift to me, which I did a month after I got it. Originally, it was going to be a daily driver ,but with 6 grandkids and needing to be able to haul my bike around, etc., it's become the fun car. All the better! We like taking it out on weekends and short trips or just taking it out when I feel like it. It's been the best combination of power and handling of the four and I love the sound of the engine as you go through the gears! That said, I think I'll take it out today! Happy Driving!



Jay Ward

Purchase Date: August, 2016

Year & Type of Porsche: 1976 911S

Exterior Color: Minerva Blue

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: Original '915' Series 5 Speed

Other Comments: I purchased this car from my neighbor in August of 2016, but this was after spending the two previous years fixing it up for her before I actually bought it. Its sort of been 'my car' since January of 2014.

This is an original Bay Area car sold new in Redwood City and has never left - I'm only the 3rd owner and the first new one since 1980. The car actually sat in a garage for 15 years until I began restoring it for my neighbor. The manuals, tool kit and tire inflator are all original. The cracked and hazed paint is original. Even the Blaupunkt cassette deck was installed in 1980! The original 2.7 CIS motor actually runs very, very strong - (Even with the California smog parts!)

Porsche Option M numbers are:

400 - Pressure cast wheels (Design 90) (Fuchs alloys)

418 - additional decorative strips (chrome trim on wheel arch and rocker trim)

474 - Sport shock absorbers Bilstein

496 - Black colored parts instead of chrome (window and handle trim)

565 - Safety steering wheel 380 mm leather

650 - Electric sun roof

Since purchasing it, I removed the aftermarket fog lamps and filled holes on the front valance, lowered the car to Euro ride height, installed rear Euro bumper tips and filled extra holes, installed front side marker delete strips (Euro), and clear front turn signal. I also installed a factory oil cooler kit in the correct location.



Bill Brenner

I'm a new member but have owned and enjoyed many different Porsche vehicles since 1987.

Currently I have:

1. 1988 Carrera Cab. Silver with black top/burgundy interior. 54k miles, all original and stock. Owned for about 9 years.
2. 1998 Carrera S. Ocean Blue with tan interior, manual transmission. 10k miles, all original and stock. Just purchased this, one owner California car.
3. 2014 911/50 Geyser Gray/black full leather interior, PDK. 8k miles, all original and stock. Owned this car for just over 1 year.
4. 2016 Macan S Black/black full leather, PDK. 6k miles, all original and stock. Daily driver, purchased about 1 month ago.

I enjoy buying, light reconditioning, driving and then selling these vehicles. I've been doing this since 1987. Most of the cars I've owned have been 911's and 928's. I attended Porsche's driving school in December of 2004 at Barber Motorsports Park in Alabama. It was a thrill to drive their 911's on the track but the best part was that Hurley Haywood was there that week and was very involved with each of us in the cars, classroom and around the dinner table.

Thanks and hope to be at the next chapter concours.



Ed Burghardt

Purchase Date: September, 2016

Year & Type of Porsche: 2007 Cayman 987.1

Exterior Color: Silver

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: 5 Speed Manual

Other Comments: I have always loved Porsches and have been an avid autocross racer for over 15 years. After being invited to a number of events and meeting the great people in the PCA I had to pick one up. With a little bit of work I am hoping to make this Porsche a competitive racer in the SCCA class of STU.

Hope to see you at an event soon!

Joyce and Art Miller

Purchase Date: October, 2015

Year & Type of Porsche: 2011 Panamera 4

Exterior Color: Black

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: PDK

Other Comments: We were looking for a car with seats higher off the ground than those of our BMW Z3. Standing up from that close to the ground is hard on our old hips. My first choice was a VW diesel Passat. We each rejected it, but for different reasons. Then we checked out Cadillac, Chevrolet, Audi, Honda and Accura. One or both of us rejected each one. Finally, on the way back to the Honda dealer (Joyce's first choice), Joyce noticed a Panamera ahead of us. She (having noticed my hang-dog expression) suggested that we go to the Porsche dealer, test drive one and get it out of my system. We did; she haggled; we signed. Two days later the VW diesel scandal hit the news.

We love the car, especially driving up the coast in the rain on Hwy 1 for the curves or south on 101 for open spaces with few cars. Passengers like the rear seat leg room.

Our only other significant Porsche experience was a week in Germany and Austria, driving a rented Boxster S with a tour group of Porsche owners. Oh, and a Blue Ridge PCA DE at Charlotte Motor Speedway. But then I was driving a BMW so it may not count.



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2017 Event Calendar

Diablo Events in RED

<p>January</p> <p>1/22-Awards Luncheon-Marc</p> <p>1/14-Detail workshop @ Porsche Livermore-Marc</p>	<p>July</p> <p>7/6-16-2017 Parade-Spokane, WA</p> <p>7/8-Tail of Diablo</p> <p>TBD-Member Picnic/Car Show</p>
<p>February</p> <p>2/5-SuperBowl Party</p> <p>2/17-DE @ Thunderhill</p> <p>2/27-Diablo/Redwood CRAB Feed</p>	<p>August</p> <p>8/12-GGR Concours @ Carlson Porsche</p> <p>8/15-21-Monterey Car Week & Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance</p>
<p>March</p> <p>3/25-Cobra Experience Tour</p> <p>3/29-4/2-Treffen-Austin, TX</p>	<p>September</p> <p>9/2-Mercedes Benz Tour-Ed</p> <p>9/20-24-Treffen-Ashville, NC</p> <p>9/29-DE @ Thunderhill</p> <p>TBD-Oktoberfest</p>
<p>April</p> <p>4/7-DE @ Laguna Seca</p> <p>4/15-Canepa Tour</p> <p>4/15-16-Zone 7 AX @ Marina</p> <p>4/22-Bocce Ball</p>	<p>October</p> <p>TBD-Livermore Porsche Concours</p> <p>TBD-Grand Island Tour</p> <p>10/21-22-Paso Robles</p>
<p>May</p> <p>5/28-Wash 'N Shine-Brian</p>	<p>November</p> <p>11/18-Planning Party</p> <p>11/20-DE@Laguna Seca</p>
<p>June</p> <p>6/8-Parts Heaven Concours</p>	<p>December</p> <p>TBD-Christmas Party</p>

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Start your Saturday with good food and conversation!

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Where: Buttercup Pantry

660 Ygnacio Valley Road

Walnut Creek

Located between N. Broadway and N. Civic Drive

The backroom is where you will find the fun brewing.

Time: 7:30am



Diablo Region Dinner

Join other Diablo members on the 3rd Thursday of each month to enjoy good food and conversation. A great way to spend an evening!

Where: Faz Restaurant

600 Hartz Avenue

Danville

Time: 6:30pm

Next Dinner: February 16, 2017





LIFE BEYOND YOUR CAR

We have so many fascinating club members with talents and interests beyond driving their Porsches (as hard as this is to believe, it is true 🤖)

We added this new section for diversity, connecting members with similar interest, and a way to get more members involved with the Advocate! We hope you will enjoy reading and participating in Life Beyond Your Car.



Diablo Chain Mail

Kay Maloy

Do I enjoy driving my Porsche? Of course! However, one of my other passions in life is spending time in my kitchen. It can be baking or cooking a meal. It can be a tried and true favorite recipe or a brand new one that had intrigued my taste buds as I read it. I know it may sound somewhat strange, but I can “taste” the ingredient mixture as I read the recipe. It could be new ingredients or a unique method of preparation that caught my eye. Thank goodness I have family members who live nearby and they always are willing to accept my experiments.

I love to collect recipes. They can be from a magazine, a book, television and of course, Facebook. Recipes are a little like life; you can take it at face value or change things and shake it up a little.

As a result of loving to cook, I tend to look for cooking classes that help me enhance my basic skills and at the same time, reconfirm I am not your average cook. I can thank my mother for giving me the basics for baking at an early age. However, creating a meal, a healthy meal, has been something I have learned and developed myself.

I do bake for some Diablo events from time to time. Perhaps you may taste one of my creations sometime soon and can let me know what you think.



Diablo Chain Mail

Naomi Siu

Some of you know me and my husband Dave from track days. We are the couple that is flipped, I drive while Dave is my pit crew. This should change in the near future. Who am I beyond driving my Cayman? My

longest running and favorite hobby is fossil collecting. I started in college and found my first fossil while hiking around Tuttle Creek Lake in Kansas. While enjoying the view, I looked down and noticed I was standing on a bed of fossilized seashells. I gently dug out a seashell with the toe of my hiking boot and I've been hooked ever since. Last year, we traveled to Republic, WA to dig for redwood fossils, Kemmerer, WY for fish fossils, Cloudcroft, NM for ammonites, and the oddest place is Bakersfield, CA for sharks teeth and whale bones. If you love digging in dirt like a kid, you should try fossil hunting!



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Welcome

Membership Report

Membership Summary
Primary Members: 808
Affiliate Members: 460
Total: 1268

NEW MEMBERS

Borntraeger, Justin	1989 944 S2, Black
Cheng, Jason	2014 911 Carrera S, Agate Gray
Hanna, Nancy	2015 911 Carrera 4S, Black
Hoagland, Melvin	2016 911 Carrera GTS, Metallic Black
Huetter, Nicholas	2016 911 GT3
Larson, Dave	2015 Macan Turbo, Rhodium Silver
Lavell, Steve	2012 Boxster, Black
Louwerse, Alan	1985 9111 Carrera Cabriolet, Grand Prix White
Magbitang, Julius	2016 911 Targa 4 GTS, Agate Grey
Monte, David	2005 911 Carrera S, Slate Grey
Parsons, Jim	2006 911 Carrera 4, Silver
Scheiman, Stephen	2007 Cayman S
Sullivan, Richard	2013 Boxster S, Platinum Silver Metallic
Vandertoolen, Phil	2013 911 Carrera Cabriolet, Dark Blue
Wood, Sloan	2007 911 Carrera S, Meteor Gray Metallic

TOTAL NEW MEMBERS: 15

Transfer In Members

Davidson, Richard-Transfer from Northern New Jersey	2013 911 Carrera
Ferreira, Mary-Transfer from Calif. Inland	2008 911 Carrera S Cabriolet, Black
Peng, Johnny-Transfer from Golden Gate	2007 Cayman, Black
Slack, Roy A.-Transfer from Oregon	2010 Panamera S, Basalt Black 2013 Cayenne GTS, Black

TOTAL TRANSFER IN MEMBERS: 4

TOTAL NEW MEMBERS: 19

Diablo Annual Awards Banquet

By Ed Won and Carlos Bocanegra

At the Diablo Annual Awards Luncheon, members were warmly greeted by our new President, Carlos Bocanegra.

As the outgoing President, I would say, "Good luck and all the best". But I don't think that will be necessary. I know Carlos will do a fantastic job. He has a big heart and truly cares that you are having fun.

In addition to getting to know the new board, we honored our Diablo volunteers and looked back on another fun year with our Porsche Family. If you have a Facebook account, please like our Diablo Region page. We have photos of the Awards Luncheon and other events online.

The Awards luncheon was held at Boundary Oaks Golf Clubhouse this year. Mother nature cooperated and held off the rain. I want to thank Marc Giammona and all the volunteers for setting up another great luncheon. We had about 80 Diablo members join us as we looked back on all the fun times last year.

We were honored to have representatives from our local Porsche dealers join us. We are truly fortunate to have the support from Fremont Porsche, Porsche of Livermore and Porsche of Walnut Creek. Thank you!

We also enjoyed a presentation from John Ficarra, Marketing Director from Canepa. John came all the way from Scotts Valley, after a winter storm had snarled traffic just the day before. Thank you John, for making the trek, in less than ideal travel conditions to entertain and enthrall us with Bruce's stories plus a glimpse of the other side of the workshop.

John is quite an interesting man himself. As the marketing director for Canepa, John supports all divisions of the Canepa Group, including Canepa, Canepa Design, Canepa Motorsports Museum, Canepa Motorsport and Canepa Concept Transporters. He acts as the Canepa spokesperson for print interviews, television and the web. He manages all aspects of advertising such as design, write, buy and for all printed and online advertising. He maintains the website including all copywriting, inventory, shop walks, new products and video development. In addition to his role at Canepa as Marketing Director and Historian, John Ficarra is the founder of "Studio Sauce" and the founder of a cross continental race event titled "2904."

Congratulations to all the award winners listed on page 5. We couldn't have done it without your dedication, enthusiasm and love of Porsche.

Here's to a great 2017, we're already off to a great start!

Ed Won - Past President / Carlos Bocanegra Current President



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- Watch for eblasts in the near future! There are many events coming up that could fill up quickly.
- Make sure your email address with PCA National is correct and current so you receive all PCA and Diablo emails.
- Check our website for updates too - diablo-pca.org



Zone 7 Presents Autocross Instructor School

When: Saturday, February, 25, 2017

Time: Lunch 12pm / Class 1:00pm

Where: Niele Porsche, 4525 Granite Dr, Rocklin, CA 95677

Cost: \$25, includes Lunch, tax and tip

If you are interested in learning to help Instruct new Autocross attendees or just want to know more about Autocross Instructing, we have the school for you! Larry Sharp will be the Instructor bringing 40 years of Autocrossing and 30 years of High performance driving instruction to the class. We will explain how to teach students and how to improve your own abilities in Autocrossing. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Register on line at MotorSportReg.com PCA-Zone 7 Autocross.

The course is limited to **30** students.

For further information contact:

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Porsche Fun Facts

In 1948, Ferry Porsche (the son of Ferdinand Porsche, founder of Porsche) introduced the company's first production model, the Porsche 356 coupe. It has been a steady ride uphill from there. Featuring sleek curves, luxurious styling, and a powerful engine, Porsches are high-performance cars built to trump other vehicles on the road. The following are six fun facts about Porsches.

6. Unexpected Beginnings

Although Ferdinand Porsche founded the company in 1931, Porsche did not begin to manufacture cars until nearly a decade later. Instead, the company offered motor development and consulting services. For instance, Ferdinand Porsche is credited with the design of the bestselling Volkswagen Beetle. The company also contributed to the design of Tanks during the Second World War.

5. The Most Popular Porsche

The most popular machine from the Porsche factory is the Porsche 911. Introduced in 1963, the car has remained in production, with newer generations featuring fresh upgrades. A notable upgrade was the switch in 1998, after more than three decades, from using air-cooled engines to water-cooled engines—a change that remains with modern Porsches.

4. Unique Colors

Buyers of Porsche can opt to have their cars custom painted in any color (for a set fee). Porsches have been painted Silver, Magenta, Irish Green, Light Yellow, and Peru Red. However, the majority of Porsche cars feature the popular Red, white, and black colors of the company.

3. Forced Name Change

Early versions of the 911 were referred to as Porsche 901s. But after Peugeot successfully challenged the Porsche's naming system, which infringed on their rights to name cars with three-digit numbers marked by a zero in the middle, Porsche changed the name of the 901s to the 911.

2. SUV Success

Porsche did not build an SUV until the 2003, when it launched the Porsche Cayenne. Faced with struggling sales in the sports-car section, the company's CEO made the decision to expand the company's target market. The SUV's superior technology combined with its luxurious styling and the recognition of the Porsche brand ensured that it was an instant success.

1. Logo History

Porsche's coat of arms is not exactly unique to the company. The company drew inspiration of its logo from the Coat of Arms of Stuttgart, at one time the capital of the Free People's State of Württemberg. The horse in the logo references Stuttgart's origin, as the city was built site of a stud farm

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