

The Devil's Advocate

Aug/Sept 2017



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Chat With Carlos

Our wonderful Advocate editor and exemplary volunteer, Kay, will be going to a 2-month Advocate publication, as travel and life get in the way. Kay is a strong believer of living life to the fullest, and she does. Why am I bringing this up?

For one, whatever I write here wasn't done in August but in July. But also, to ask for a new Editor, as Kay has done this for a long time and has asked that she be replaced. Otherwise we may have to go to an organization that will do it for us at \$350 a month. In part, it almost seems like disrespect to me, so where are you future publisher?

As a region and/or club we are growing. We will probably have or have had the greatest gathering of Diablo Members at the annual picnic, as we exceeded 150. I am encouraged by many of the new members that took advantage of coming out. Hats off to our one-man Events Chair – Marc Giammona and his small team of volunteers.

Never hesitate to say thank you to our Board of Directors, Active Chairs (Tours, Communication, Membership, Advertising and Historian), as well as past Directors. Don't know them, please do introduce yourself.

Talking about volunteers, our Chief Driving Instructor, Jeff Urnes took us on a quick tour, but very relaxing Wine Country Tour July 22nd that included a picnic at the Dutcher Winery. Dave Gilliss had a successful Gimmick Rally. I'm grateful that we kicked off July activities – thank you. Other people have been volunteering, we have a Pup Tour that is dog friendly put together by our Webmaster.

I went back a couple of years in our Advocates to see what was cooking in the summer for Diablo. It doesn't change much. It appears that everyone has Werks (you signed up, didn't you?) and Car Week on their mind. I hope you do too. Monterey, Salinas and Carmel are really close by in your Porsche. Ask yourself, do I know what Werks and Car Week is all about? Have you been to Laguna Seca to look at those classic multi-branded cars? As a Diablo member, it is always fun to have impromptu get togethers and just bumping into other members having a great time at Werks and Car Week.

Speaking of Porsche, the ALMS Porsche just had their first victory in the RS – at Lime Rock. Plus, it was fun seeing Jorg Bergmeister along with Patrick Long scoring podiums in GTD.

Bob Hilton, Vice President is working the upcoming elections. Bob will not run again, so we will have two board positions open. If you decide to submit your name for election, please don't do it for the glory, do it because you want to engage the membership, the regions in Zone 7 and engage PCA in general. You should know what it takes to put tours together, participate in other driving events, and volunteer along the way in one, two or more events. As a 10-year member, I have some great backing from our experienced Directors and Ed Won, past president, does a great job in mentoring. Our two newest Directors are great 1-year volunteers – they are everywhere and having a great time. In the spirit of things, hats off to you Pam Richards and Mark Imbertson.

What am I doing? I have set up a Tech Session with Elephant Suspension (need a tech chair), looking to have monthly cars and coffees down in Pleasanton sponsored by Sugarie Bakery (look them up – yummy). I am doing the Tail of the Diablo on August 26th, but I may have to alter the route. With Calaveras Road being closed pretty much until next year – it takes the fun out of it. So, I will probably cut it down from 3 hours to 2 by altering the route. I hope to make the Driver Education 5 miler at Thunderhill, September 29th and my wife hopes to have a new car there. On another note, I'm thinking we may have time between now and January to kick off the photo contest again. Most towns visited from A to Z (must have your Porsche in the post office/town hall). That will be an August Board Topic.

Done reading? Please continue your reading. The most important topic for this newsletter is – make sure your other half, the Associate Member has their own email associated with their PCA number – and not your email as main member and associate member. Each of you has a unique membership number. I keep hearing that Associate Members don't get the information of what is going on with Diablo or PCA. Let them in, please, as Associate Members have 100% say in what happens at Diablo. Let's keep communicating and keep driving your Porsche safely and wisely. If unwise, we have an award for you.

Carlos, Diablo President

1st Annual Porsche & Pups (P&P) Tour

When: Saturday, September 9, 2017

Where:

Start @ Fremont Denny's

5280 Mowry Ave

Fremont, CA 94538

Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/64n795xECrQ2>

End @ Bubba Gump Shrimp Co

720 Cannery Row

Monterey, CA 93940

Menu: <http://bubbagump.com/menus/daily/?loc=BGMR>



Cost: Pay As You Go-+\$4% lunch fee

Parking: \$15 / lot or \$1.50/hr Meters

Key Times:

Driver Meeting @ 8:45am

Leave Denny's @ 9am

Arrive Pitstop @ 10am

Arrive into Monterey @ 11:15-11:30am

Lunch @ 12pm

How to Register: www.diablo-pca.org

Deadline to Register: Must have final people count by September 2, 2017

Who to Ask Questions: Anthony Mendoza (iam@anthonymendoza.com)

Notes:

We will be making 1 stop in Morgan Hill/Gilroy area for human and pup potty break (about 30 mins stop).

Dog not required!! However, you might want to be dog allergy free.

Dogs Must be on Leashes!

This time of year will be cool and we'll be sitting on the deck with an ocean view.



DIABLO REGION



SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 30

6-10PM

Come out for some fun and enjoy Bratwurst, Sauerkraut, Refreshments and, of course, the usual Diablo Region camaraderie!

Cost: \$40 per person

Please sign up on Diablo website www.diablo-pca.org and click on the Oktoberfest button. Sign up by September 23. **Register early!** This event typically sells out.

Location: Ruby Hill Community Center
2900 W. Ruby Hills Drive
Pleasanton

Activities will include:

- Car Display
- Reception with appetizers
- Live German polka, waltzes & Oktoberfest music
- Traditional Oktoberfest meal
- Award for the most authentic Oktoberfest costume
- Beer & soft drinks. Bring your own wine.

Questions regarding this event, contact: Bob Hilton at
rhilton@hfh-consultants.com

Questions regarding registration, contact: Carolyn Wong at
1BlueMacan@gmail.com

Concours d'Elegance



Zone 7



Diablo Region



Event Type: Concours and Car Show and Lunch

Prizes: Trophies for Concours and Car Show

Fee: \$35 per vehicle (includes 2 lunches)

Date and Time: Sunday, October 1, 2017
8:00am to 2pm

Location: Porsche of Livermore
3100 Las Positas Road
Livermore, California 94551
Phone: 1.925.344.5488

Sign Up: www.diablo-pca.org

Deadline: Be sure to sign up by **September 23, 2017**

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Elephant Racing Club

Tech Session

Suspension Clinic

When: Saturday, October 7 10am—12pm

Where: Elephant Racing Club

625 Nuttman Street

Santa Clara, CA 95054

Cost: Free

Elephant Racing is a leading provider of high performance products for Porsche cars. They design, develop, manufacture and install performance products focusing on performance products focusing on performance suspension systems and oil cooling systems.

The Suspension Clinic will feature:

- Newer and older cars on lifts with suspension components visible
- Show car on the floor
- Suspension education talk by Chuck
- Gifts/Raffles (for ticket holders only)

Join members from Diablo PCA and Loma Prieta PCA Regions for an informative morning and lunch hosted by Elephant Racing.

Register: www.diablo-pca.org

Deadline: Monday, September 18, 2017

Questions: Event: Carlos Bocanegra - daboxster@att.net

Registration: Carolyn Wong - 1BlueMacan@gmail.com



Paso Robles 2 Day Tour

Saturday, November 18, 2017 and

Sunday, November 19, 2017



This is a 2-day tour which heads south from Pleasanton to Paso Robles with visits to the Sculpterra Winery and Sculpture Garden, the 805 Brewery and the Tooth and Nail Winery . There is an over-night stay at the Holiday Inn Express in Atascadero and a pedestrian Gimmick Rally.

Departure: Cubby's Dog Park on Bernal & West Lagoon on the West side of 680 Freeway at 8:00am

Cost: \$75.75/person + \$5.15 EB fees. This includes:

- Lunch and wine tasting at Sculpterra Winery (pre-paid)
- 805 Brewery tour (pre-paid)
- Tooth and Nail wine tasting (pre-paid)

All other expenses are pay-as-you-go:

- Your room at the Holiday Inn Express Atascadero (\$126 plus tax & includes breakfast) or wherever you make a reservation
- Dinner (Saturday, November 18)
- Lunch at Tooth & Nail Winery

Register: www.diablo-pca.org

Deadline: Register by Saturday, November 11, 2017

Any questions regarding this event, contact Bob Hilton at rhilton@hfh-consultants.com or Susie George at diablopca.tours@gmail.com.

Any questions regarding registration, contact Carolyn Wong at 1BlueMacan@gmail.com.





Get Ready to Start Your Engines!!

Diablo Thunderhill DE (5 mile Track Configuration)

Friday, September 29, 2017

Sponsored By Porsche Walnut Creek

- ⊙ Registration: \$325 for drivers \$100 for driving Instructors
- ⊙ Deadline to register: Sept. 24 No refunds after Sept. 19
- ⊙ Refunds are subject to \$75 cancellation fee
- ⊙ Register at Motorsportreg.com. The current Tech Inspection form can be found at this site or on the Diablo-DE.org website. Register Today.

Mandatory Safety Inspection to be completed within 30 days of the event.

Free Inspections by appointment only at:

Porsche Walnut Creek: Call 925-280-4363 or stop by the dealership to make an appointment

Kahlers: Call 925-829-2050 or service@kahlers.com to set up an appointment.

- ⊙ Join us for a No Host-dinner on Thursday, September 28 at Casa Ramos in Willows at 6:30. You can use this opportunity to register today.
- ⊙ Get more information at the DE 101/201 Classroom Chalk Talk on Wednesday, September 13 at Porsche Walnut Creek from 6:30pm—8:30pm. Hosted pizza dinner.





Diablo Threads and Treads

When: Every other Tuesday (8/8, 8/22, 9/5, 9/26), 6:30-9 pm. Future dates will be posted on www.diablo-pca.org.

Where: Panera's in Alamo, Stone Valley Road exit, by Safeway.

Knit night has been so much fun that it has taken on a life of its own!

New name, "Diablo Threads and Treads", thanks to Judy Huggins' witty and creative mind!

Our very cool logo, a generous gift from artist Jim Harley. Check out Jim's artwork at www.spiritof44.com and follow [Spirit of 44 on Facebook](#) to see his amazing pencil drawings of WWII aviation. Jim's work also includes painting WWII nose art on airplanes and bomber squadron insignias on leather bomber jackets.

Contact Jim at jfhar43@gmail.com for custom art work. A home is not complete without a drawing of you driving your Porsche!



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LIFE BEYOND YOUR CAR

Bill Packwood



There are many threads that make the whole, but one common and consistent thread in my life has been motor sport and performance cars. We all have professional careers, families, military service and many competing interests but one enduring enjoyment has always been the first of the month, with the latest edition of Excellence, Panorama, Road and Track or Auto week.



My progression in sports cars was like many others my age; Austin Healey, MG and a succession of early Porsches including two Speedsters, before they were collectables. I even built and raced a couple of specials. One was Chrysler Hemi powered and had a Ferrari Lusso look, the other had twin mercury outboard engines and competed with the Porsche spyders. My Brother is presently restoring the Hemi Powered "Packwood".



One of my bucket list highlights was being invited to compete with my 914 6 GT in the 1998 Monterey Historics; Porsche's 50th anniversary blowout. The Porsche brand has not always had the cachet that it presently enjoys. In fact it was a bit of a quirky niche car only appreciated by a relative few. Kind of like the early Subaru. We all enjoy the present elevated status that is appreciated world wide and can open many doors, start conversations, and foster friendships.

Our Diablo region is also a constantly changing tapestry of interesting people, changing cars, and comradery. I have been attending Saturday breakfast since 1979 when the Buttercup was a Denny's and there was not a Diablo Region of PCA. These gatherings of different people with different interests has given me much pleasure. There is a commonality among us and as the saying goes "It's not the cars but the people".





LIFE BEYOND YOUR CAR

Judy Huggins



Three years ago I undertook two personal challenges. I decided that I would ride the Cinderella Classic and that I would obtain my Bareboat Cruising Certification. I had no experience with either sport. I fell in love with sailing immediately and was certified in 2014 in the BVI's.

It would be a good bet that I have put more miles on my bicycle than my Boxster since that time. I'm happy in my Boxster when I can put the top down, turn up Sheryl Crow and feel the sun on my face and the wind in my hair. The need for speed is definitely part of my persona, but I find I enjoy that thrill best from the seat of my bicycle or the deck of a sailboat.



I started out road cycling as a novice. Training year one was halted quickly when I was sidelined in January from a skiing 'oops'. Year two came and went with the challenge unfulfilled. This year, I registered again, training almost every Saturday beginning in January gradually adding miles with the Feathered Pedalers. In April, on the big day, I put on my Wonder Woman tutu and through wind, rain, mud, and hail completed an exhilarating 67-mile ride.

I find sailing and road cycling are physical and mental challenges combined with a great outdoor experience. If you want to try either sport, just ring me...
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Diablo PCA

Detailing Clinic

When: Sunday, October 22

Where: Porsche of Livermore

Cost: \$18 to cover the cost for lunch

Register: www.diablo-pca.org

Porscheophiles, it's time to get your Porsche ready for the coming winter months. The great folks at Griot's Garage and Porsche of Livermore will host a detailing clinic. To ensure that we can accommodate everyone we will offer both a morning and afternoon session.

- The morning session will begin at 10:00am in the Porsche Livermore shop and should conclude around 11:30am.
- The afternoon session will begin at 12:30pm and will conclude at 2:00pm.
- The club will have lunch for both groups from 11:30am to 12:30pm. During this time the dealership will have personnel available and will be open and offering a special 15% parts or service discount to all participants.

The professionals from Griot's, using their latest products and processes will show you how to get your Porsche looking concours ready. These sessions are designed to give you a good basic understanding of how to really care for your Porsche including:

- Safe washing and drying
- Clay bar cleansing
- Hand polishing
- Machine polishing
- Waxing and sealing paintwork
- General interior care

So, if you are looking for tips from the pros on how to care for your Porsche, this is the first step to achieving better results.



DESIGN Competition

Dummkopf Trophy



Brian Adkins

WINNER

Earlier this year, the Board a redesign of the Dummkopf more room for nameplates. And **KINS**. Below is Brian's idea

"My thought is that this would tion and pay respect to all the

Simply put the addition of a as possible to match color and finish of the original.

This additional panel could / would have room for more inspiring "art" and a plaque equal to or even larger than the original.

The "art" would represent recent past winners and could include a map, a small traffic cone, and other Knick-Knacks that relate to past winners. I don't recall the details of all but easy to come up with something.

The new panel would be attached with hinges, thus making for easy transport and now the trophy could be free-standing on its own.

Total cost would be less than \$25 and I would volunteer to do the sourcing and assembly."

asked for design ideas on award as there was no the winner is: **BRIAN AD-** and a picture of his design.

keep the original in circula-past winners.

same sized panel, as close



Join Us For Breakfast!

Start your Saturday with good food and conversation!

There is a breakfast gathering **EVERY SATURDAY** in

Walnut Creek. Meet other Diablo members and get your day Porsche powered!

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: Sept 21, 2017

Oct 19, 2017



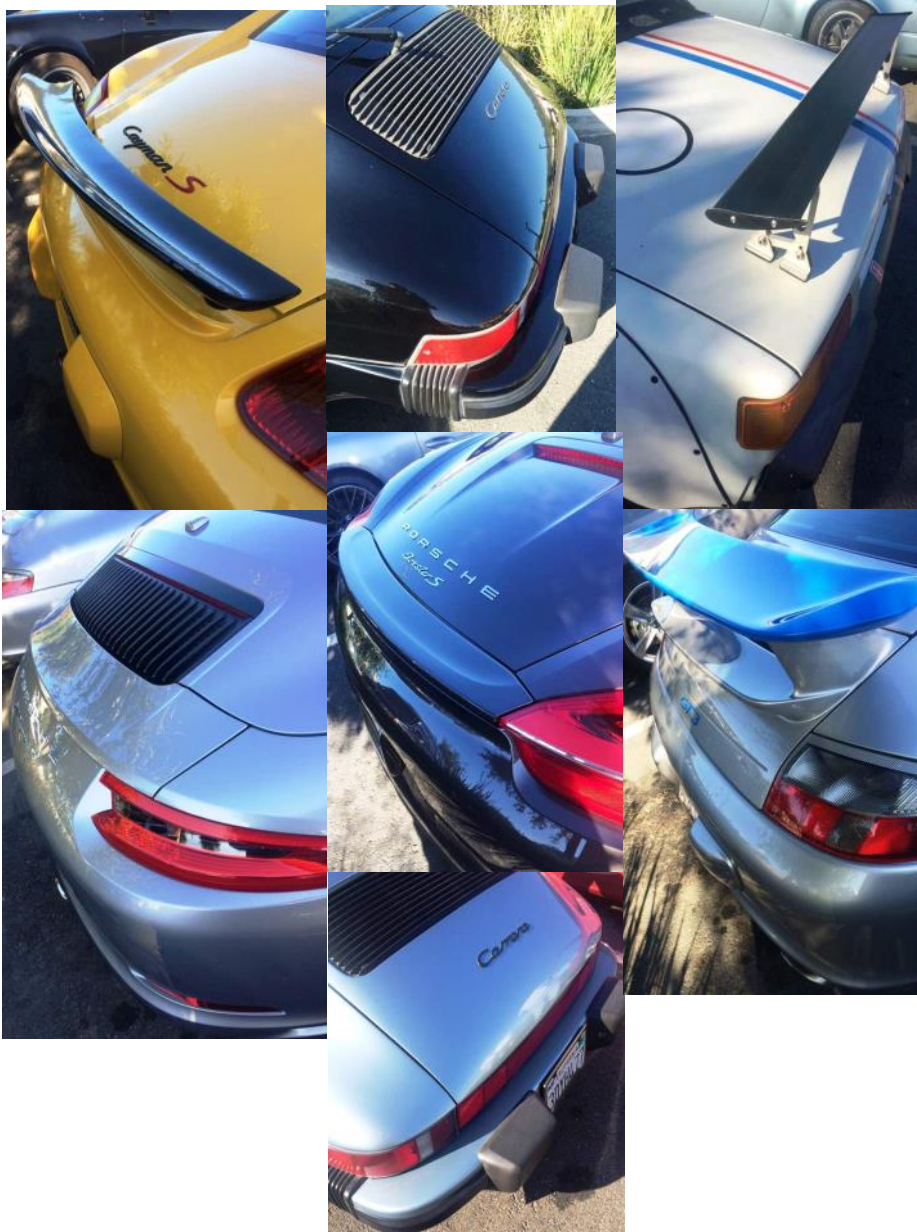


Diablo Region's own Linda Schmidt demonstrated her talent by winning first prize at Parade for her quilt design. Linda has won numerous awards for her quilting skills. She often has quilts on display at the Alameda County Fair. The quilts sometimes have Porsche themes or scenes of locations Linda and her husband, Patrick have traveled. Congratulations, Linda!!



Tail of the Devil

A big Thank You to all those brave drivers who braved the scorching hot weather to join Carlos Bocanegra on a fun drive made for Porsches. This was the second time Carlos put this outing together. Looks like it may become an annual event. Enjoy some shots from the day.





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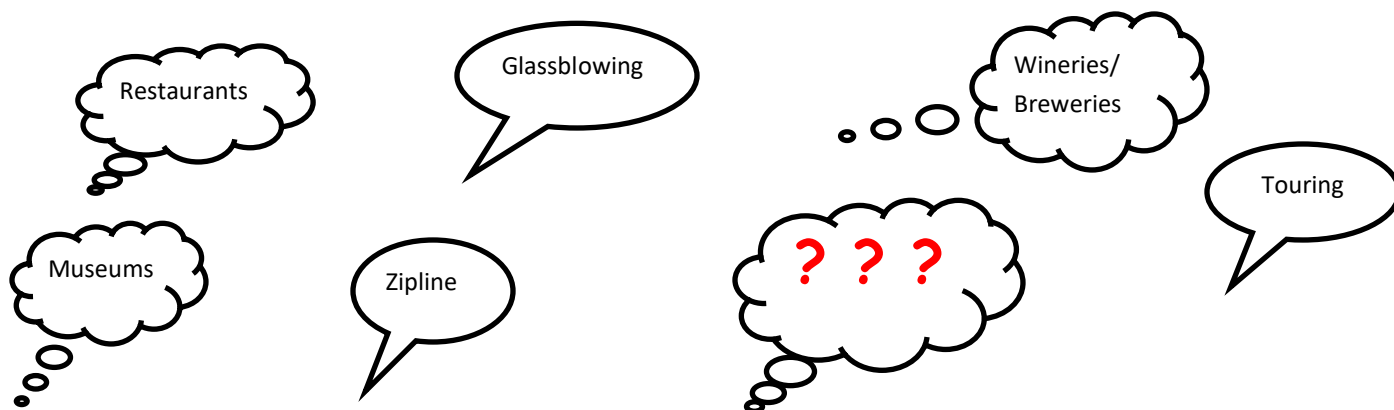
<p>January</p> <p>1/22-Awards Luncheon-Marc</p> <p>1/14-Detail workshop @ Porsche Livermore-Marc</p>	<p>July</p> <p>7/6-16-2017 Parade-Spokane, WA</p> <p>7/11 & 7/25-Knitting/Craft Night</p> <p>7/15-Gimmick Rally</p> <p>7/29-Member Picnic/Car Show</p>
<p>February</p> <p>2/5-SuperBowl Party</p> <p>2/17-DE @ Thunderhill</p> <p>2/27-Diablo/Redwood CRAB Feed</p>	<p>August</p> <p>8/8 & 8/22-Threads & Treads Night</p> <p>8/12-GGR Concours @ Carlson Porsche</p> <p>8/15-21-Monterey Car Week & Pebble Beach Concours d' Elegance</p> <p>8/26-Tail of the Devil</p>
<p>March</p> <p>3/25-Cobra Experience Tour-Marc</p> <p>3/29-4/2-Treffen-Austin, TX</p>	<p>September</p> <p>9/9-People & Pup Tour-Anthony</p> <p>9/5 & 9/26-Threads & Treads Night</p> <p>9/20-24-Treffen-Ashville, NC</p> <p>9/13-DE 101/201</p> <p>9/29-DE @ Thunderhill</p> <p>9/30-Oktoberfest</p>
<p>April</p> <p>4/7-DE @ Laguna Seca</p> <p>4/8-Yankee Cooking School Tour</p> <p>4/15-16-Zone 7 AX @ Marina</p> <p>4/22-Bocce Ball-Kay</p>	<p>October</p> <p>10/1-Livermore Porsche Concours</p> <p>10/3 & 10/17-Threads & Treads Night</p> <p>10/7-Elephant Racing Club Tech Session</p> <p>10/22-Detail Clinic</p>
<p>May</p> <p>5/20-Canepa Tour-Marc</p> <p>5/28-Wash 'N Shine-Brian</p>	<p>November</p> <p>11/14 & 11/28-Threads & Treads Night</p> <p>11/18-19-Paso Robles</p> <p>11/20-DE@Laguna Seca</p>
<p>June</p> <p>6/8-Parts Heaven Concours</p>	<p>December</p> <p>12/2-Planning Party</p> <p>12/9-Holiday Party</p> <p>12/12-Threads & Treads Night</p>

The Best Ideas Come From You



Have you ever had a great experience at a destination or taken a wonderful drive? Why not share that same experience or drive with the other members? If you have never planned a tour before, contact Susie George, Diablo's Tour Chair and she can walk you through the process or even find someone to help you. Susie's email is diablopca.tours@gmail.com.

Diablo Region is very lucky to have members who love to drive their cars and explore interesting destinations. So, take that BIG step and share the fun! Or bring that great idea to the Planning Meeting to be held December 2nd. Watch for details.



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Werks Reunion Monterey

Werks Reunion Monterey was recently held on August 18 at the Corral de Tierra Country Club near Laguna Seca Raceway.

Werks Reunion was created by the Porsche Club of America to celebrate both the Porsche marque as well as the camaraderie of car enthusiasts. This is not a contest of who has removed dust from the deepest crevices in their Porsche but rather a judged show that rewards a Porsche that has been lovingly maintained and presents itself well on the field. The judges do not use Porsche Parade Concours score sheets, but rather rank the cars according to certain attributes discussed prior to judging. There are no protest committees. For those who do not wish to have their cars judged, they may park them on display in model-specific corrals, or if the organizers see fit, on the judged field itself. This is a casual gathering of Porsche enthusiasts focused on having fun rather than competing.

Awards will be given to winners in numerous classes, plus several corporate awards. Registrations are expected to sell out for both the judged classes and the display corral well before the event date. Registration opens officially on May 1. As always for Werks Reunion — and a rarity on the Monterey Peninsula during Monterey Car Week — attendance is free.

Several Diablo PCA Region members attended this year with a few coming home winners. Congratulations to:

Marc & Mary Giamonna for winning 1st place for Werks 991 Concours



Bob & Christi Hilton won 2nd place for their 930



Mike and Jane Alexander won 1st place for their Panamera GTS



Other models on display:



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Porsche Pride

Owner: Michael and Jane Alexander

Purchase Date: February, 2017

Year & Type of Porsche: 2014 Panamera GTS

Exterior Color: White

Interior Color: Black/Carrera Red, deviated red stitching, grey alcantara headliner carbon fiber trim

Transmission Type: 7 Speed PDK



Other Comments: In 1980 when Jane and I were dating, I bought a black Mazda RX7. Not to be outdone, several months later, Jane went out and bought her very own white RX7. The “his and hers” sports cars eventually gave way to more familial obligations of marriage and kids i.e. more sedate transportation.

Eventually the mid-life bug bit and a Boxster S came into our lives which we enjoyed immensely for over a decade. The Panamera is now our third Porsche however, in some strange way; I’m more jazzed about this acquisition than even our stunning Basalt Metallic Black Carrera GTS Cabriolet. The Carrera is really “my” car which I love to carve up Northern California’s B roads. Jane’s really not a big car person but, the Panamera allows her to share in the Zen of the Porsche driving experience as her daily driver.

As I tell my mates who own but, don’t drive their “Brand X” vintage Italian cars for fear of devaluing them, once you’ve experienced driving a Porsche, nothing else will do or as the old advertising tagline says, “There is no substitute”.

There have been several times over the years where Jane and I would go on road trips where the Carrera would have been the preferred road tool but, it simply didn’t have the space for all of the things that we needed to bring along. So the Carrera sat in the garage while we saddled up our trusty Mercedes E Class. The Merc is a great car BUT... Repeat after me “there is no substitute”. We needed four doors, four adult sized seats, and a bigger than a bread box trunk but, more importantly, we longed for the feel of a real Porsche to gobble up the miles; In other words, we wanted the automotive equivalent of a unicorn being ridden by a leprechaun at the Kentucky Derby.

Then, Zuffenhausen’s Teutonic engineering brain trust reimagined the grand touring category with the Panamera. The Panamera’s DNA immediately identifies it as a Porsche with design clues dating back to the origins of the species. The shapes are familiar but scaled up and reinterpreted; the sloping hood and roofline, the rounded fenders higher than the hood, the cut lines and the powerful haunches... If still not convinced, a twist of the key located to the left of the steering wheel awakens the rumble of this Swabian muscle car leaving no doubt. Driving this car is like driving a Carrera on steroids from the comfort of a leather wrapped La Z Boy recliner.

To quote Peter Allen the great Australian entertainer’s lyrics: “Whatever is old is new again”. So, after 35 years of marriage, we have come full circle with his and hers sports cars, me with my black Carrera GTS and Jane with her white Panamera GTS.

Owner: Michael Chase

Purchase Date: June, 2015

Year & Type of Porsche: 1987 928 S4

Exterior Color: Venetian Blue Metallic

Interior Color: Linen & Dark Blue

Transmission Type: Automatic Transaxle

Other Comments: I was looking to buy a classic car that would hold its value.



Owner: Omar & Jean Hurricane

Purchase Date: February 2017

Year & Type of Porsche: 2016 Cayman (981) - last of the naturally aspirated flat sixes

Outside Color: Carmine Red

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: Manual 6 speed—old school

Other Comments: Bought as my primary commuter car (replaces a 2001 BMW Z3) and the choice was mostly based upon the Cayman's excellent reviews and a size requirement -- it needed to fit into our rather small garage. Anyway, we love to do a lot of outdoorsy stuff and the Cayman is great way to get to parks and cruise the PCH.



Owner: Joseph Jenkins

Purchase Date: May 2017

Year & Type of Porsche: 2017 Porsche 718 Boxster (New)

Outside Color: Sapphire Blue Metallic

Interior Color: Full Black Leather

Transmission Type: PDK

Other Comments: I purchased the Boxster to be my everyday commute car (only 5 mile commute) as well as a weekend fun car. I like going to Cars and Coffee and checking out the vintage Porsches. I look forward to participating in the PCA events. This is my first Porsche, although I have owned VW beetles in the past, and always been a fan of vintage air cooled engines.



Owner: Eduardo Balaguer

Purchase Date: September 2016

Year & Type of Porsche: 2002 911 Carrera

Outside Color: Silver

Interior Color: Black

Transmission: Manual

Other Comments: Bargain price for a real Porsche. Modified and super fun and reliable with 46k miles on it.

Owner: Julie Lee

Purchase Date: November 2016

Year & Type of Porsche: 2013 Boxster

Outside Color: Agate Grey Metallic

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: PDK

Other Comments: This is my second Boxster. I owned my previous Boxster for over 14 years, before I got hit in a minor accident and was forced to get a new car. I am a Porsche loyalist and wouldn't have considered any other brand. In line with my appreciation for beautiful cars, I also have an appreciation for beautiful motorcycles. I ride a Ducati Monster and enjoy taking both my car and my bike on the track.



Owner: John Maniccia

Purchase Date: May 2017

Year & Type of Porsche: 2015 Cayman

Outside Color: Jet Black Metallic

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: PDK



Other Comments: This is number four for us. The first was a 2004 Lapis Blue Cayenne Turbo followed by a 2014 Dark Blue Metallic Panamera. We actually went to test drive the Macan, but we liked the Panamera better. We drove one once while the '04 Cayenne was getting serviced. We traded the Panamera in on another Cayenne Turbo (details below) while getting an oil change on said Panamera. It was my turn for a car and I always wanted a sports car. We love to pick a direction and get lost, but we find ourselves going to a couple places repeatedly... US 1, Napa, Sonoma, Tahoe.

Owner Name: Anna Maniccia

Purchase Date: August 2016

Year & Type of Porsche: 2011 Cayenne Turbo

Outside Color: Meteor Gray Metallic

Interior Color: Espresso Brown

Transmission Type: PDK AWD



Other Comments: We went back to the Cayenne Turbo after the Panamera due to all of our great experiences with the 04 model. My wife and I packed up the '04 Cayenne Turbo with our dog and drove from Atlanta to San Francisco six years ago when we decided to settle down there. It was a great trip and we still talk about it. We plan on driving out to Monument Valley in October this year with a stop in Vegas and the Grand Canyon. We love to drive our cars.

The 2004 Cayenne Turbo was the gateway drug and we still miss it. It was my turn then too. Then, too I also wanted a sports car. But, Anna chimes in and says we need something practical with four doors, an SUV. I relented on the condition I still get to pick the SUV. I found the perfect one on EBAY. I bought sight unseen. This may seem reckless and unadvised, but it was the best thing ever.

Owner: Cathy Martinsen

Purchase Date: September 2016

Year & Type of Porche: 2003 Boxster S

Outside Color: Black

Interior Color: Tan

Transmission Type: 6-Speed Manual



Other Comments: This is my very first Porsche (I call it my "mini-life crisis")! I've always loved Porsches, but only managed to have a poster of one framed on my wall when I was in college. Last August, I saw a listing for this Boxster on Nextdoor and thought, "What the heck? Isn't it time for me to have a convertible again? My boys are older and doing their own thing, so I should as well." As I test drove the car, the grin on my face kept growing bigger--I was hooked! :D As a school teacher, I felt a little awkward about owning a Porsche and initially only drove it on special occasions. But then I reminded myself that the car wasn't some fragile thing; it was begging to be driven. The woman from whom I bought the car (Diane Dunwoodie) mentioned Autocross (her brother Dave is an instructor), and she introduced me to him and the world of Autocross (put on by GGR in Alameda). I brought my 17-year old son the first time, and we rode along on a few thrilling rides with various drivers. Then we signed up for the Autocross in June and boy, was that exhilarating! We had such a blast and plan to make that a monthly event. We are even going to do the Autocross School on July 29 (I'm bummed to miss the Diablo picnic that day). I love driving anywhere and everywhere in my Porsche, especially if the sun is shining and the top is down. :)

Owner: Ryan O'Hara

Purchase Date: September 2016

Year & Type of Porsche: 1985 Porsche 928S

Outside Color: Garnet Red

Interior Color: Brown

Transmission Type: 4 Speed Auto (I wanted a 5 Speed, but none were available)



Other Comments: Saw my first 928 in the early 1990's. I told my buddy that someday I would own one. This is my first Porsche.

I am Miki Paul, the proud owner of a 1984 Guards Red 911 Carrera, 2 door, 6 cyl, tan interior, with a whale tail and sun roof. My husband passed away last year which enabled me to move three months ago from the Southern Arizona PCA to Diablo to live closer to my kids and young grandkids.

When I married my late husband, he told me that on our tenth anniversary he would buy me my dream car (old red porsche with the wing.) So he would say "I cannot buy you that bracelet, etc., because I'm saving up for your porsche, hahaha." Well, our tenth anniversary came and went and the fantasy was sadly



ly forgotten (almost). But my husband totally surprised me on our fifteenth wedding anniversary with my dream car! He bought it on ebay and parked it at a friend's house. He had our friends invite us over for lunch. We pulled up and there was my dream porsche parked in the driveway. I thought some very classy people were also invited to the lunch. Our friends came outside and I asked, "who's the owner of that car?" My husband handed me the keys and said, "you are!" I cried with joy.



My car license is AUTOEGO since I am a psychologist by profession. And I named my car Cherries Jubilee because of the gorgeous color. My favorite activity in my porsche since moving is exploring country roads. I also drive my porsche to a local park where I roller blade (granny has wheels and is on wheels). The porsche parade in San Diego was the highlight of all the porsche events I have attended through the years.

Owner: Domingo Pierantoni

Purchase Date: June 2016

Year & Type of Porsche: 2017 Macan GTS

Outside Color: Black

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: PDK

Other Comments: This is our second Porsche, our first was a 2015 Panamera GTS, white on black. We loved the quality and high standard of engineering and service. We love any windy road with little traffic. The Macan's nickname in our house is baby Vader.

Owner: Tanya and John Pinnella

Purchase Date: April 2017

Year & Type of Porsche: 2002 Boxster S

Outside Color: Seal Grey

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: Manual 6 Speed

Owner Comments: I am so excited. I have always wanted a Porsche since I was a little girl and while my husband and I were house shopping, we found our dream house and they were selling the car too! We didn't get the house but I bought the car!!



Owner's Name: Ron Torres

Purchase Date: September 2016

Year & Type of Porsche: 2017 Porsche Macan S

Outside Color: Black

Interior Color: Leather Package in Black/Garnet Red

Transmission Type: 3.0-liter twin-turbocharged V6 with 7-speed Porsche Doppelkupplung (PDK)

Other Comments:

1. I treated myself on my 50th Birthday last September with the Macan S. I wanted my new car to be AWD, sporty, luxurious and one of a kind. I found exactly what I wanted. There were a few runners-up but nothing compared to Porsche...it's a lifestyle thing.
2. This is my first Porsche but not the first one in my family. My wife actually picked up her 2013 Porsche Boxster in July of 2016.
3. I'm an avid golfer although I just started 20 months ago. My wife and I go out and play at least once a week. Of course we take my car (Macan S) since it fits both sets of golf clubs. I also enjoy running (12 miles a week) and working out....Health is wealth! I'm very excited to part of the Porsche family. I've always admired from afar and now I'm in it to stay.





DIABLO ELECTION TIME

Diablo PCA Region Board of Director elections are coming up. There are two (2) positions open.

In the beginning of October you will receive an eblast that will include a link to a web site where you will complete an online ballot.

Listed below are the three (3) members who are running for the open positions on the Board. Please review their information and remember to vote!



Name: Michael Alexander

PCA & Diablo Member since: 2014

Describe positions you have served in the Club:

Currently, I am serving as Advertising Chair for the Region.

Describe other volunteer services to the Club:

I have assisted in revising and updating the Region's Bylaws.

What activities similar to this board position have you performed in other organizations?

I have served on several professional boards and industry working groups during my 40+ year career in the energy business. Since 1990, I have served on several California statewide working groups and coalitions related to energy deregulation, energy efficiency, energy management and service reliability and have testified before multiple state and federal regulatory agencies.

Most recently, I served on the Board of Directors for a national industry association named the Association for Demand Response & Smart Grid headquartered in Washington DC. This organization is comprised of several hundred members ranging from Fortune 500 companies e.g. IBM, Siemens, Johnson Controls, PG&E, Southern Company etc. to individual members from industry and academia. The board was comprised of 10 members representing various diverse membership elements in the electric industry e.g. utilities, equipment and controls manufacturers, consultants, regulators, academics, etc.

I was a member for 25 years and later chaired for 3 years the Load Analytics Technical Committee of the Association of Edison Illuminating Companies' (AEIC). The AEIC was founded by Thomas Edison in 1885 and its current membership is comprised of senior level leaders of 165 utilities across Northamerica and Asia. The organization's membership represents roughly 85% of the electric generating capacity in Northamerica. The Committee is comprised of 30 senior managers representing member utilities across Northamerica. In my capacity as Chair, I represented to Committee on the AEIC's Board of Directors.

In my capacity as a senior manager at PG&E, I often consulted with the utility's Executive Management on matters related to customer energy management and customer care.

As an officer at the international consulting firm Nexant Inc., I consulted with executive leaders at various utility clients throughout Northamerica as well as being involved in the firm's business development and strategic planning.

What talents and skills do you bring to the Board?

- Quantitative and qualitative research methods
- Management and oversight
- Strategic and tactical planning
- Business development
- Talent assessment and acquisition
- Personnel Development
- Team Building

What would you like to achieve while on the Board?

- Bring more metrics based decision making to the Board.
 - * Use research e.g. available PCA membership data &/or member surveys to better understand our diverse memberships needs or desires. Conduct short post event surveys to guide future event improvements
 - * Utilize these needs assessment data findings to diversify events, offer new services and engage previously dormant members
- Increase participation by general membership
- Provide services to broader segment of the membership
- Strengthen ties with existing partners and bring on additional new partners to our mutual benefit

What more would you like us to know about your qualifications to serve on the Board?

I have driven Porsches for several decades although my first experience with ownership wasn't until 2004 with our purchase of a 2002 Boxster S. Unfortunately, it took me ten years to join PCA primarily due to some preconceived misconceptions about the membership.

Porsche as a manufacturer has changed radically over the past 20 years with "Wasserkühlung" and several "nontraditional" model lines. The pace of change will surely quicken in the future especially with propulsion systems and additional model lines. That means that Porsche ownership i.e. the face of PCA is also changing. We must be prepared as a club to accept these changes and adapt by meeting the needs of both our traditionalist "Luftgekühlt" members as well as modernist members. Diversity is a wonderful thing but, must be nurtured and managed so as to best meet the needs of our diverse membership. Such changes require leadership and an eye towards embracing the future while respecting and honoring the past.

The most important thing I can bring to the Board is that I never lose sight of the club's objective. We belong to this club to have fun, share in our common interest and love for these wonderful machines, and enjoy the comradery, the joy and freedom that the open road and Porsche ownership brings us.

Although I'm a dyed in the wool "petrol head", I have a diverse set of interests outside of Porsche which provides a sense of balance to my life. These interests include competitive and recreational sailing, marine fish keeping, rugby, culinary arts, wine, reading history and of course my obsession with Formula One! I possess the skills and personal characteristics to strengthen the Board; with a sense of humor, minimal ego, pragmatism, and respect for others, I'm easy to work with which can only help in continuing to make Diablo Region PCA an organization that Porsche owners will want to join and partners will want to associate with.



Name: Adam Cipriano

PCA and Diablo Region Member since: 2008

Describe positions you have served in the Club:

I have served as a voting member of the Board for almost 5 years and prior to that as a member of the Drivers Education Volunteer group. I was the Drivers Education Registrar (4 years) and am currently the Drivers Education Chair (since Jan 2014).

What activities similar to this board position have you performed in other organizations?

In the last 15 years I have served on non-profit boards as follows: I have been a Board Member, the Treasurer and the President of the Bollinger Canyon Education Fund (6 years). I have been a Board Member and the Vice President and the President of the San Ramon Valley Education Foundation (6 years). I have served on the Citizens Committee for Quality Schools in San Ramon Valley. I currently serve on the Citizens Fiscal Task Force in San Ramon (appointed by the City Council). I currently serve on two Advisory Boards; The San Ramon Valley Education Foundation and the Sandra J Wing Healing Therapies Foundation.

What talents and skills do you bring to the Board?

My professional background is in Banking and Management Consulting with a particular focus on finance, organi-

zational design, strategy and negotiations. I bring almost 30 years of analytical skill, organizational leadership and an appreciation for the value of camaraderie and fun around something you love to do.

What would you like to achieve while on the Board?

I'd like to continue to develop the volunteer network of active club members and encourage more members to take advantage of the many opportunities to play that our club provides in addition to DE. I'd also like to continue to help the board to manage the organization in an efficient and fun way. Lastly, I'd like to continue to expand the appeal, relevance and reach of our DE program events to serve even more of our members.

What more would you like us to know about your qualifications to serve on the Board?

More than the DE program that our team has built, I'm most proud of the Diablo DE team itself we have engaged (more than 25 strong) and the reach we have into not only Diablo but now each of the Zone 7 PCA clubs. From Diablo alone we have more than 125 regular volunteers, drivers, instructors and guests that participate in our events each year. In addition, we have forged strong partnerships with Livermore and Walnut Creek Porsche, Hooked On Driving and our sister clubs including most notably Golden Gate PCA.



Name: Alaric "Alex" Sales

PCA and Diablo Region Member since: 2014

Describe other volunteer services to the Club:

Photographer / live video of events in which we are involved in, social media advertisement and promotion.

What activities similar to this board position have you performed in other organizations?

Social media promotion, advertisement, involvement in other car clubs, event production and management.

What talents and skills do you bring to the Board?

Younger generation, enthusiasm, my love for cars in general, getting to know people, and what they do, what makes their car special? I have an automotive background as commercial sales director, so I also bring vendor resources (paint-less dent repair, wheel curb rash fixes, etc.). I also am a neat freak, I like things to be in order and am well organized.

I also have event production, field marketing and a logistics background. Although it is a lot of work to do for one person, I have years of experience in hosting events.

What would you like to achieve while on the Board?

Obtain additional leadership skills, develop and create events geared toward younger generation, contribute to website, or social media to have viewers or visitors looking at our website. Our website should have a modern dynamic to it, that would showcase its founders, its growth, club members cars, stories, past events, upcoming events (not so cluttered), and events that may spark others interest that may not be club related.

I would also like to assist in the growth of PCA - Diablo, spread word of how awesome our club is and how much of a diverse demographic we have that caters to pretty much anyone's interests.

I want to meet all 1500+ of our members, learn more about them, their history, their cars, what makes their car so shiny, and what best maintenance practices they use, so that I can preserve mine as long as they have theirs.

What more would you like us to know about your qualifications to serve on the Board?

I want to be more involved, and am able to assist when needed. I have the patience to learn, and grow steadfast. I look forward to meeting more folks, and sharing my experience with them in the high regard of Diablo and its members.

Members Having Fun

Here are some shots of Diablo members having a great time at the annual picnic. It was a great day to enjoy great company, awesome food and checking out the array of cars in attendance. Make sure you attend next year if you were absent.





