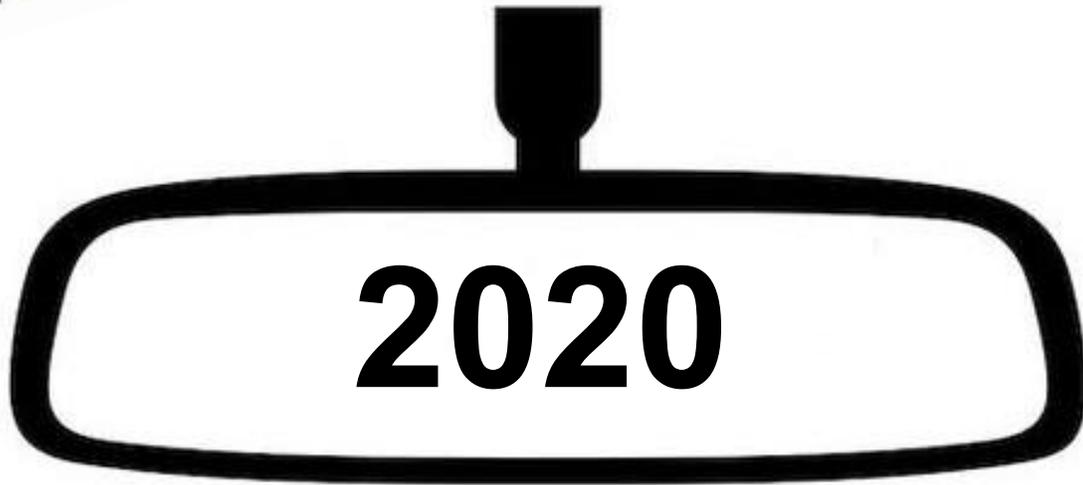


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## Letter from the Editor

*Our cat Piper inspecting my annual 911 spring cleaning -- can't forget the corner vents!*

While 2020 is in our rear-view mirror, 2021 has shown we're not quite back to "normal" but getting closer. And that means ... PCA Diablo has **resumed** our tours, HPDE program, Porsche & Pastries, weekly breakfast at the Buttercup, and monthly dinner at Faz!! (Yes, there are COVID restrictions in place, but at least we can see each other!)

**REMEMBER:** Please check the PCA Diablo web site's [calendar](#) for **the most current listing** of events. Each event listing will have important details and a point of contact.

### **Are you getting our email blast every Wednesday?**

Our weekly eblast is how we communicate the latest information to our 1,533 PCA Diablo members. If you ARE NOT receiving the email, please contact our current President, [Brian Adkins](#), and he will make sure you are signed up!

We also have a new vision statement, that will be our North Star:

*Provide a welcoming and engaging community that enriches our member's Porsche ownership experience.*

Welcome back to our "regular" schedule of events and looking forward to seeing you on the road! Our PCA Diablo web site has various people's contact info, our latest calendar of events and links to our social media: <https://www.diablo-pca.org/>

Wishing you all good health and start your engines!



## **In the Zone**

May 2021

By: Collin Fat, Zone 7 Representative  
Sacramento Valley Region  
cfat1952@gmail.com  
Photos by Collin Fat

### **PCA National Event Updates:**

With the Covid vaccine being available for all persons 16 years of age and older and a plentiful supply of two vaccines, case rates in the State of California have held steady in Zone 7 at approximately 5-12 cases per 100K with the positivity rate falling to 1.3% in the state. Four counties in Zone 7 have gone to the orange tier including Mono, Fresno, and Kings while most other counties in Zone 7 remain in the more restrictive red tier.

At the monthly Zone Rep meeting held with the PCA executive council, it was informative to hear that many Zones and states are opening while just a few like Michigan are experiencing a significant uptick in cases. PCA National president, Tom Gorsuch reminded us all to continue to be vigilant and to continue to social distance, where a face mask, get your vaccine and wash your hands. Parade in French Lick is sold out and phase two of registration went smoothly, apart from a website glitch that caused some delay early in the registration process. Treffen Scottsdale is scheduled for May 6-9th and is on schedule with over 140 cars registered. Werks Reunion Monterey will likely open registration in June and chair Tom Provasi is very encouraged with the Monterey County and in dealing with the Covid pandemic. No restrictions other than social distancing, face masks, and handwashing are being anticipated. This is a big change since Tom reported to the Zone Reps last month when everything was dependent on the conditions in Monterey. They have improved significantly and the fact that Governor Newsom wants to open all the state up by June 15th is a huge indication of the positive direction the entire state is going in relation to containing the Covid virus.

PCA is updating its website for a new and improved image and functionality. It was down on April 21st and 22nd for updates and by the time you read this article should be up and running. The main emphasis of the update is to hide most of the administrative functions used by national staff and make it more forward facing for anyone who has an interest in learning more about the Porsche Club of America.



Map Courtesy of ABCNews.com

### Zone 7 Concours Series Updates:

Roy Schauben and Simone Kopitzki have been working diligently since last month on getting dates for the annual Concours school as well as confirmed dates for 6 events this year. Thank you to the region concours chairs and for the several dealerships that have stepped up to provide the site to hold several of these events. The concours school will be held in two parts with the first being a virtual judging school while the second part will focus on hands on judging. The judging school part 1 will be held on May 16th while the dates and locations of the part two school will be announced shortly. Regions hosting a Concours event now include Monterey Bay, Sierra Nevada, Sacramento Valley, Redwood, Diablo, and Golden Gate regions. The dates are list below:

### 2021 Concours Series Calendar:

| Date           | Host Region              | Location                       |
|----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| May 16th       | Judging School - Phase 1 | ZOOM                           |
| May 23rd       | Judging School - Phase 2 | Porsche Stevens Creek          |
| June 6th       | Judging School - Phase 2 | Porsche Redwood City           |
| June 13th      | Judging School - Phase 2 | Hi Tech Automotive, San Rafael |
| July 18th      | Monterey Bay Region      | Carmel Community Park          |
| August 28-29th | Sierra Nevada Region     | Rancho Santa Fe Regional Park  |
| September 12th | Sacramento Valley Region | Porsche Rocklin                |
| September 26th | Redwood Region           | Tbd                            |
| October 17th   | Diablo Region            | Porsche of Livermore           |
| October 24th   | Golden Gate Region       | Porsche Redwood City           |
| November 7th   | Loma Prieta Region       | Porsche Stevens Creek          |
| November ???   | Zone 7 Awards Banquet    | tbd                            |

## Zone 7 Autocross Series Gets Off with a Great Start:

Sacramento Valley hosted Event #1 of the 9-event series at Thunderhill Raceway Park in Willows, Ca. With 59 drivers competing for championship points the autocross team of SVR led by chair **John Leet** and his crew did an outstanding job of running the event with drivers getting a total of 10 runs. The course for the two- day event was designed by Redwood Region's **Drew Powers** and was both challenging, technical, and fun! Top time of the day honors went to Monty Pack with a blistering time of 43.562 followed closed by Drew Powers, 43.780, Dave Dunwoodie, 44.151, Chris Boynton, 44.334, and Steve Forshay with a 44.370.

Redwood Region hosted Event #2 of the 2-day weekend with 47 drivers participating. The course was run in the reverse direction and it seemed to take the drivers a few runs to figure out the course. Top time of day for the Porsche contingent went to Monty Pack with a time of 43.596 followed closely by Drew Powers, 43.700, Steve Forshay, 43.785, Chris Boynton, 44.127, and David Borden, 44.658.

I organized a dinner buffet at the Thunderhill Café that was well attended and a great time to share some stories about the day's activities and do some off the course bench racing.

The weather conditions were mostly ideal with temperatures in the mid 80's on Saturday and getting up to the 90's on Sunday. All in all, all the drivers had a great time and I assume they will be back at our next Zone AX weekend at the Cow Palace on June 12-13th.





Zone 7 Autocross Chair, Grady Carter

## Events of Interest:

- 1) Loma Prieta Region 50th (plus 1) Anniversary Gala, June 19
- 2) Monterey Bay Region 60th Anniversary, TBD
- 3) Sierra Nevada Region Mammoth Lakes Tour, June 18-20th; email [missmillie44@icloud.com](mailto:missmillie44@icloud.com)
- 4) Porsche Parade at French Lick, Indiana, July 11-17; [porscheparade.org](http://porscheparade.org), **Wait list**
- 5) PCA Werks Reunion, August 13; Monterey; [werksreunion.com](http://werksreunion.com), Registration opens in June
- 6) Monterey Historic, Porsche Platz Corral August 14-15th. Tickets at [weathertechraceway.com](http://weathertechraceway.com)
- 7) PCA Fall Treffen at the American Club, Kohler, Wisconsin, October 13-17; [treffen.pca.org](http://treffen.pca.org)
- 8) PCA Spring Treffen at the BROADMOOR, Colorado Springs, Colorado, April 27-May 1, 2022
- 9) Sacramento Valley Region 60th Anniversary Celebration, May 7, 2022

Note that past Treffens have sold out in as little as one hour due to their popularity. Registration for the Treffens typically opens 3-4 months prior to the event.

# 2021 PCA West Coast Race Series Schedule

With Federal and State directives pertaining to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Club Racing schedule is very fluid and subject to change on a day-to-day basis. The racing schedule shown below will be frequently updated with the latest official status of each of our races.

| Dates     | Event               | Status      | Enduro |
|-----------|---------------------|-------------|--------|
| May 22-23 | Buttonwillow        |             |        |
| Jun 12-13 | UMC                 |             |        |
| Jul 03-04 | Sonoma              | Opens 05/17 |        |
| Sep 18-19 | High Plains Raceway |             | ✓      |
| Sep 25-26 | Thunderhill         |             |        |
| Oct 09-10 | Sonoma              |             |        |
| Oct 30-31 | Auto Club           |             |        |



## Zone 7 2021 Autocross Series Calendar

|          |              |               |         |           |
|----------|--------------|---------------|---------|-----------|
| Saturday | April 17     | Thunderhill   | SVR     |           |
| Sunday   | April 18     | Thunderhill   | Redwood |           |
| Saturday | June 12      | Cow Palace    | LPR     | Tentative |
| Sunday   | June 13      | Cow Palace    | GGR     | Tentative |
| Saturday | September 11 | Cow Palace    | GGR     | Tentative |
| Sunday   | September 12 | Cow Palace    | LPR     | Tentative |
| Saturday | October 16   | Thunderhill   | SVR     |           |
| Sunday   | October 17   | Thunderhill   | Redwood |           |
| Sunday   | November 20  | Crows Landing | GGR     |           |

# Treffen at The American Club

## Touring the Autumn Colors of Wisconsin



Autumn in Wisconsin is all about the color and getting out to see it. Wisconsin comes alive in the Fall with gorgeous vistas of colorful foliage, lakes, rivers, and waterfalls. Take in Mother Nature's show as you cruise the beautiful ribbons of asphalt leading through these scenic wonders. Join us in October 2021 as we explore America's Dairyland.

When it's time to take a break from the beautiful landscape surroundings, our host hotel, the historic American Club,

will rise to meet all your needs. Set in the quaint village of Kohler, Wisconsin, just 55 miles north of Milwaukee, this five-star, five-diamond hotel has stood as an icon of gracious hospitality for 100 years. The American Club offers elegant accommodations and unparalleled service in a place that is quintessentially American while seeming a world away. Experience the beauty and the elegance of our 2021 Fall Treffen. See you in Wisconsin!



Dates: October 13-17, 2021  
Venue: The American Club  
419 Highland Dr, Kohler, WI 53044  
Website: [treffen.pca.org](http://treffen.pca.org)  
Registration: Opens August 4, 2021



## Weekly Saturday Morning Breakfast

Start your Saturday with good food and conversation EVERY SATURDAY in Walnut Creek! Have breakfast with fellow Club members then head to the parking lot to kick tires. It's a great way to catch up with your Porsche friends and find out what is happening in the Club.

### Where?

ButtercuP Diner & Bar

660 Ygnacio Valley Road (between N. Broadway & N. Civic Drive), Walnut Creek, 94596

### When?

Every Saturday starting at 7:30AM



For something simpler:  
Buttermilk pancakes



One of their specialties - Frosted Cinnascuit  
(House made biscuit dipped in cinnamon sugar, baked & topped with a cream cheese frosting)

## \*\*\*\*\*COVID RESTRICTIONS (As of 5/2021):

- If a table says "NO SEATING" -- that means YOU CANNOT sit there (NO EXCEPTIONS)
- Once the restaurant reaches maximum occupancy restrictions (50% as of 5/2021), there are NO EXCEPTIONS -- latecomers will have to get our breakfast to go (which isn't a bad thing since you can eat surrounded by our beloved Porsches!)
- DO NOT move tables or chairs -- that violates the restaurant's compliance with local social distancing and capacity guidelines



### PCA Diablo gained 17 new members in April 2021!

Chris C (911 S)  
Jeffrey S (Macan)  
Jayson E (1968 912)  
Kevin F (911 Turbo & Taycan Turbo S)  
Chris L (Macan)  
Kimberly G (Boxster)  
Jason A (911 Cabriolet)  
Simon J (911)  
Todd S (Cayman S)  
Greg Y (Taycan 4S & Cayenne S)  
Jeff T (911 4S)  
Mario L (Cayman S)  
Milan Y (911)  
Abhi K (Cayenne GTS)  
Lev L (Cayenne S)  
Michala D (Cayenne S Hybrid)  
Hana D (911)

### PCA Diablo By The Numbers:

Total Primary Members: 1030  
Affiliate Members: 503  
Total Region Membership: 1533  
PCA Juniors: 94  
Total Cars: *Not enough!*

Click [here](#) to order your name badge!

(If you wear it to our weekly Saturday breakfast you *might* get some PCA swag ....)



# Porsche Club of America **Zone 7**

## **Zone 7 Concours Judges School, Phase 1** **Sunday, May 16, 2021** **9:00 am to 11:00 am**

The Judges School for 2021 will be held in 2 phases. One phase virtually on Zoom and the other in person and hands on. Hands on training will be on May 23rd at Porsche Stevens Creek, June 6th at Porsche Redwood City, and June 13th at Hi Tech Automotive in San Rafael. This is due to restrictions related to Covid 19, and a desire to keep the hands-on training sessions limited to 20 persons. Registration will require that you also choose one of the phase 2 sessions. You may attend any location, space limitations apply. To register go to the MSR link below. Please note that due to Covid 19 restrictions that you cannot bring a guest, spouse or partner to the event without registering individually.

### **Registration Fee**

**\$15** fee person for both parts

*Zoom Class limited to 60 students for Phase 1*

**Registration for phase 1 closes May 14, 2021**  
**You must attend phase #1 to attend phase #2**

### **To Register;**

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/zone-7-concours-clinic-judging-school-zoom-meeting-pca-761586>.

All PCA Zone 7 members are invited to attend the concours judging school. The school will cover the updated rules for the 2021 Zone 7 concours series, tips about how to prepare your car for an event, what to expect and hands-on judging practice. If you are new to the series or just want a refresher, this is a great event to attend prior to the start of the series

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Roy Schauben or Simone Kopitzki at [concourschairs@zone7.pca.org](mailto:concourschairs@zone7.pca.org)

# Redwood Region AX 2021 Season



## Mark your calendars for Redwood's 2021 autocross season!

### Dates & Locations:

- **Sunday, April 18**  
Thunderhill Raceway (Zone weekend with SVR)
- **Sunday, Oct 17**  
Thunderhill Raceway (Zone weekend with SVR)
- **To Be Announced**  
Paddock @ Sonoma Raceway

### Questions? Contact:

Drew: [drew.redwoodax@gmail.com](mailto:drew.redwoodax@gmail.com) or  
Stacy: [pcaredwoodregion@gmail.com](mailto:pcaredwoodregion@gmail.com)

Please note: No driving instruction is permitted due to Covid restrictions— only drivers with prior AX experience can register

Visit [redwoodpca.com](http://redwoodpca.com) for more info on our autocross program

### Events are open to:

- PCA members driving a Porsche
- PCA member driving a non-Porsche
- Non PCA members driving a Porsche

Nearby Thunderhill  
Raceway hotels:  
<http://bit.ly/hotelswillows>

Registration for the April event will open in mid-March  
Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for timely updates

# Contra Costa Backroads Tour

Saturday, April 10, 2021

Article by Susie George and Tom Geary

Photos from Carlos Bocanegra

After what felt like an ice age of hibernation in 2020, Diablo Region members once again raised their garage doors and hit the road. It's been over a year of asphalt abstinence and Saturday marked only the second time in over a year that the Club sponsored a driving tour. Normalcy appears to be just around the corner.

Our adventure began under an azure blue sky and a warming spring breeze at the Danville Park & Ride. After a brief driver's meeting, 27 Porsches carrying over 50 eager members lined up in three run groups to hit 140 miles of less traveled Diablo Region back roads.

What was especially encouraging were so many newer members participating in a Club activity for the first time. Our morning drive took us along some beautiful, winding country roads through Joaquin Miller Regional Park and up to Grizzly Peak for a panoramic view of the San Francisco Bay and skyline. We were not the only car club out for a drive this morning as coming in the opposite direction was the Tesla Car Club with what seemed like an endless conga line of black or white automotive appliances. And people say Porsches all look alike? The nerve!



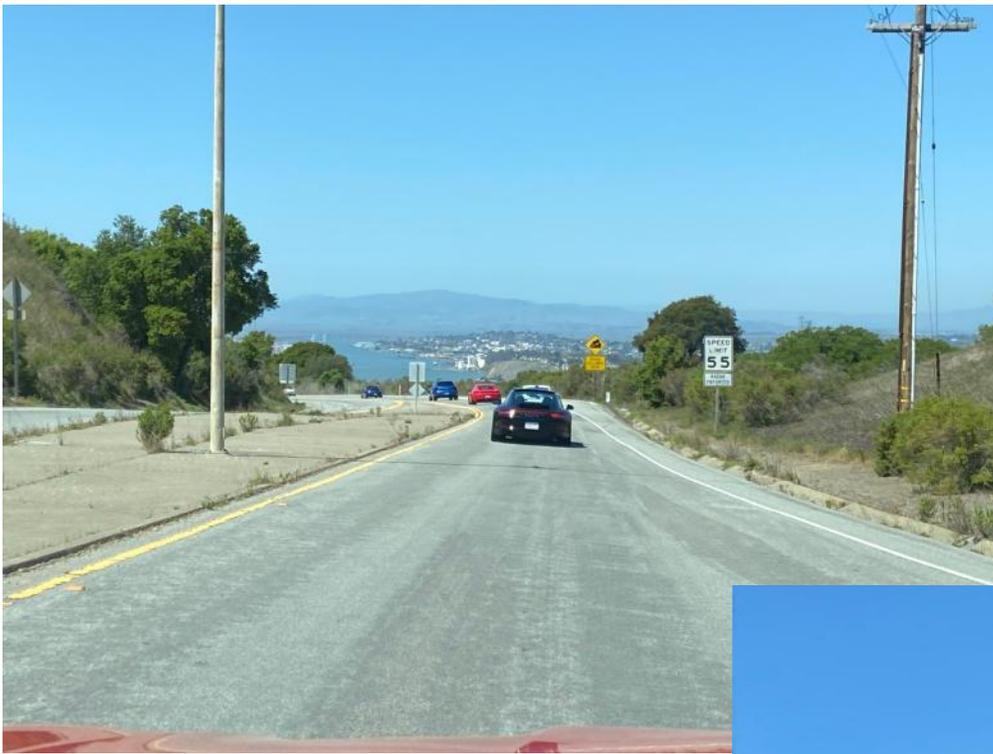
Traversing through Tilden Park, and it being such a gorgeous day, the park was packed with golfers, and hikers, picnickers and joggers, botanists, birdwatchers and yes cyclists. Exiting the park, we turn west and quicken the pace down San Pablo Dam Road past the San Pablo Reservoir and El Sobrante. Next, we head to the rolling hills and valleys of West County opening up the throttles for a spirited ride along Alhambra Valley and Bear Creek Roads before heading to Heather Farms Park where we all gathered on a wide expanse of grass to enjoy our BYO picnic lunches in socially distanced bliss.



Willie Nelson's classic song, "On the Road Again" came to mind for the afternoon leg of the tour. Again, after a brief drivers' meeting, the three groups left Heather Farms Park and Walnut Creek behind heading West to historic Martinez. Driving up the Franklin Canyon, to catch glimpses of the rolling ranch land along the Cummings Skyway above the San Pablo Bay before descending into Crocket and a bird's eye view of Mare Island, the Napa River, and the Carquinez Strait. From there it was some tight and twisty curves following the shoreline and over the rolling hills to get us back to Martinez.



Like any back roads tour in the Bay Area, one must endure a bit of freeway drudgery to get to the perfect back road. Those twenty freeway miles out to Antioch were our longest and speediest yet ho-hum stretch. But think of it as that long tedious paddle out to catch that perfect surf break at Sunset Beach on the North Shore. In our case that "beach" was Deer Valley and March Creek Roads where we had that perfect ribbon of freshly minted smooth pavement to stretch our Porsches' legs and to enjoy that gorgeous view of the back side of Mt. Diablo (which probably some of us may have not seen before). The tour concluded back at Heather Farms where stories were told and promises made to hit the road again as soon as possible.



A big thank you to Mikie Alexander who organized the tour, to Carolyn Wong and Kirk Doberenz for being run group leaders and to our relays and sweeps who kept us all together and safe.

If you missed this tour, Diablo Region's Tour Committee has several great drives planned in the next few months. There is still plenty of open space on the calendar though. Tours simply don't happen by themselves. Tours require organization, planning and logistics which translates to volunteers. If you have a favorite driving road or destination that you think others may enjoy, don't be shy, let the Tour Committee know and we would be thrilled to help organize a drive.





## Monthly Diablo Region Dinner

FAZ is happy to have us return for our Monthly Club Dinner. Join fellow Club members in the heart of Danville for great modern Mediterranean food and lively conversation. This is a great opportunity to socialize with both long-term and new Diablo members!

Order your dinner off their menu, bring your own wine to share (**no corkage fee!**), and the restaurant makes it simple with separate checks.

**PLEASE REGISTER** via Eventbrite ([link here](#)) so we can give the restaurant a headcount the Tuesday before our dinner.

### Where?

FAZ Danville, 600 Hartz Ave, Danville 94526

### When?

3rd Thursday of the month @ 6:30PM

### \*\*\*\*\*COVID RESTRICTIONS (As of 5/2021):

- There are NO EXCEPTIONS if a table says "NO SEATING"
- Once the restaurant reaches occupancy restrictions (50% as of 5/2021), there are NO EXCEPTIONS
- DO NOT move tables or chairs -- that violates the restaurant's compliance with local social distancing and capacity guidelines

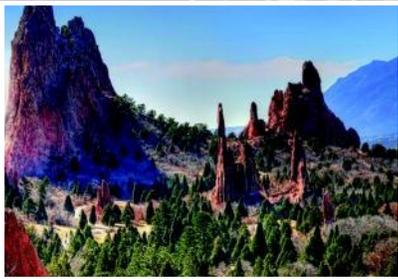
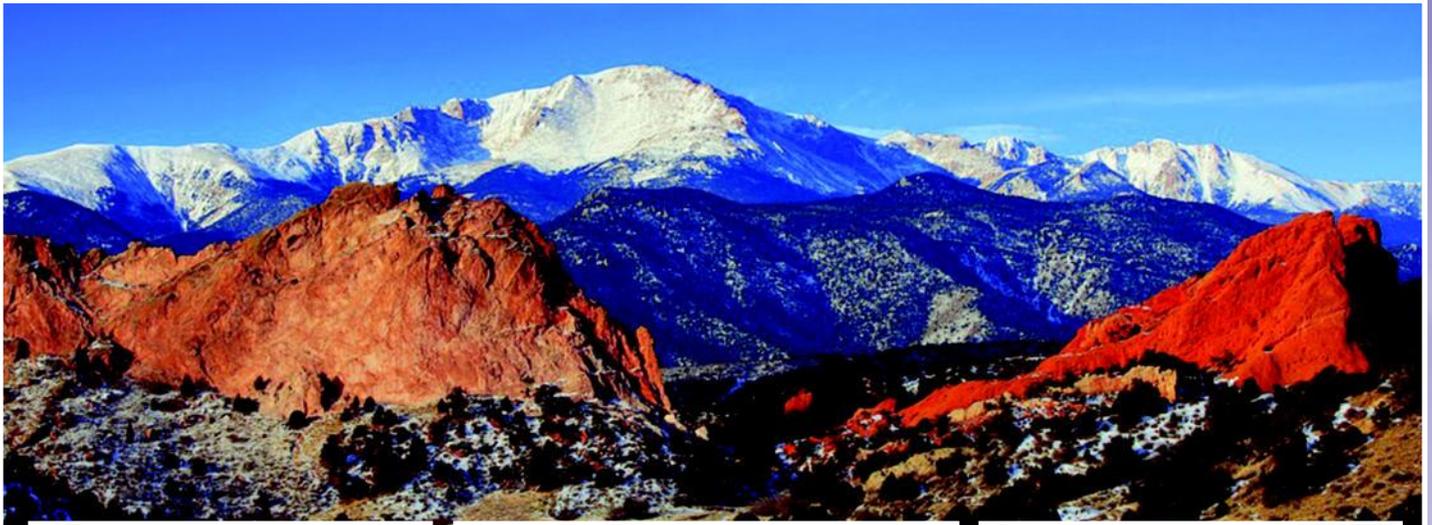
For questions/additional information regarding this event, please contact: [Ingrid French](#)

For questions regarding registration on Eventbrite, please contact: [Carolyn Wong](#)

For general questions regarding the Diablo Region PCA, please contact our current President, [Brian Adkins](#)

# Treffen at the Broadmoor

## Touring the Rocky Mountains



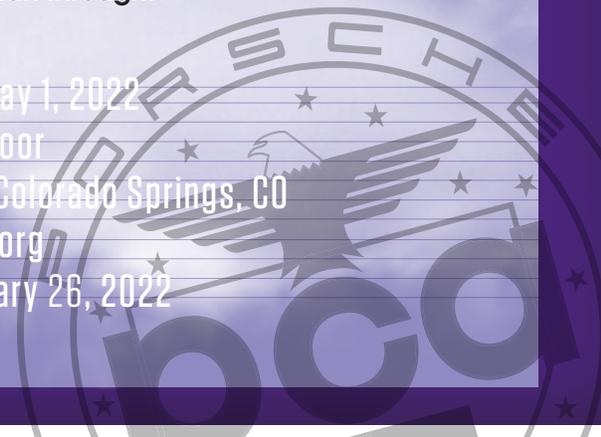
With its purple mountain majesty of the southern Rockies, and its towering red rock formations of Garden of the Gods Park, Colorado Springs is a breathtaking, enchanting, exciting destination full of cultural, educational, and historical attractions for all. Situated near the base of one of the most famous American Mountains, Pikes Peak, Colorado Springs is the ultimate driving getaway for enthusiasts and explorers alike.

Our host hotel for the week is the legendary resort, The Broadmoor, known for its impeccable

service, distinctive amenities, and luxurious accommodations. Here, the spirit of the West inspires the adventurer within, providing endless opportunities to explore the picturesque mountains, streams, and canyons that have inspired generations. Join PCA in the Spring of 2020 as we journey out West. Come with friends, and make some new ones, while exploring this beautiful iconic area whose street names are nods to the mountain ranges surrounding it and the rivers that run through.



Dates: April 27 – May 1, 2022  
Venue: The Broadmoor  
1 Lake Ave, Colorado Springs, CO  
Website: [treffen.pca.org](http://treffen.pca.org)  
Registration: Opens January 26, 2022



# Thoughts Along A Solo Drive (3-Hour Drive from 2020)

Article by Michael Mansour

**Editor's Note:** Due to increased COVID infection rates and additional restrictions, [Carlos](#) had to cancel his 3-Hour Tour originally scheduled for December 2020. Michael drove the tour solo and here's his write up with some beautiful photos. **GREAT NEWS:** The tour has been **RE-SCHEDULED to 6/6/2021** and [here's](#) where you can sign up! (And Michael won't have to do the drive solo again!)

As we continue to take necessary precautions ensuring the safety and health of ourselves and those around us, I'm sure everyone misses moments connecting and sharing our automotive passion with each other. Diablo PCA offers us the opportunity to connect and share our passion in ways interesting to individual members - Tours, Track Days, Social Events, Volunteerism, and more. Recently myself and other tour participants were understandably disappointed a club tour scheduled for December was cancelled in light of recent public health guidelines cancelling social gatherings. I was proud to see our group take the news with stride, but the tour route looked too enticing to pass up. After some thought and reviewing the tour maps a few times I decided to enter the route details into Google Maps, tune into my favorite satellite radio station, gas up the 911, and hit the road on my own!



The tour route was fantastic from start to finish, interestingly the weather was overcast when I left home in Danville but conditions cleared and the sun greeted me many times along the journey. I began by cruising by Porsche of Livermore to check out what's there and was delighted to observe Python Green for the first time on a 992 911 Turbo, worth a look if you've yet to see (socially distanced of course). From there it was off to Mines Rd, conveniently beginning opposite the dealership, which led me past some of Livermore's beautiful wineries before navigating miles of twisties that offer increasing elevation, vast topography, and shifting conditions. Mines road begs one to let off the accelerator soaking up the sights and caution to the shared single lane in the narrowest sections. When making a left onto Del Puerto Canyon Rd and beginning the descent towards Central Valley I observed the landscape's gradual transition from tight twisties through heavily wooded area into broad sweeping roads that traverse majestic photo worthy environments. Traffic conditions were little to light and provided me an opportunity to stop and take photos I would not have on a tour or with increased traffic.



When meeting Interstate 5 in Patterson I immediately found and stopped at Almond Wood Artisan BBQ to address the grumbling stomach, they were open for guests in person or togo, the food was delicious and now on my must do list the next time I'm in the area.

It was my first time taking this route and I highly suggest anyone who hasn't give it a try or if you have, it might be worth revisiting. We continue to live in times that require precaution but I encourage members to find ways to unplug the trickle charger and get out there enjoying the sights and sounds of driving in ways you're personally comfortable with. Have fun out there and I look forward to gathering again when appropriate!



# Casey Moyer End of 2020 Season Race Report

Article by Chris Moyer  
(Diablo PCA Member since 2014)

**Editor's Note:** *Diablo member Chris Moyer's son Casey is an avid Kart Driver (in addition to a PCA Junior). This article is not Porsche-specific, related to or sponsored by PCA National, Diablo PCA or PCA Juniors but highlights how COVID-19 affected everyone. This article was originally going to be published at the beginning of 2021.*

2020 was a challenging racing season in more ways than one. First and foremost, COVID-19 played havoc on some of the schedules, depending on the venue locations. Events were moved, canceled, re-scheduled, rumors flew, different rules and limitations for different series at the same location, you name it. Suffice it to say/write, few of us will likely be very sad to put this solar lap in our rearview mirrors.



*Casey sets up for a left-hander at ROK the Rio in Las Vegas - Nov. 2020*

Even more daunting however, were the goals we set for ourselves. Despite his relatively low finish in the Sonoma ROK series in 2019, we felt like it was a productive year for Casey in terms of his growth as a Driver, especially after having the opportunity to race at the ROK Cup World Finals in Italy, as some of you may remember. Given that, we decided to take some big bites and run more national level races in 2020. The thought being, the tougher competition would push Casey to learn and grow more. We soon found out that big bites can be quite a bit harder to chew. Casey did a lot of chewing but unfortunately, not as much standing on the podium as he's been used to in the past. Ultimately though, his spirit and love for the sport and competition proved remarkably resilient, through it all.

This doesn't mean that the year was not without its highlights. One of the races was back in the mid-west, giving my Dad the opportunity to watch him race live (and smell that glorious 2-stroke smoke). We also bolted a 125cc, water-cooled Rotax motor onto one of his practice Karts, to have some fun with on practice days and at two and a half times the horsepower of his race motors, he did indeed have fun with it – the thing was a rocket ship. Casey was also able to scoop up a couple of trophies when he dropped back into some local Sonoma races. He even managed to win one of them on a flat rear tire. Perhaps there's something to be said for the national experience he got.



*Leading his Teammate into turn 1 at Sonoma - August 2020*

The original plan was for Casey to race in the Cadet class through the 2021 season but a growth spurt has made him sit a little tall in the seat and a lot of his friends are moving up. So, next year Diablo's PCA Jr./someday (knock wood) professional Racer will be driving a full-size chassis and his motor will have increased from 60 to 100cc – still air cooled & 2 stroke. Hopefully some of the Rotax-powered, Rocket Kart experience will come in handy.

At the Formula One Laureus Awards banquet in 2016, Nikki Lauda was given a lifetime achievement award. His speech wasn't long but it was amazing. Here's part of it: "I'd like to dedicate this award to the losers. Because, I'll tell you from my own experience. Winning is one thing but, out of losing, I always learned more for the future. So I got stronger in losing."



*Gulf bodywork from RRVI brought out of retirement for training with the new full-size chassis - Jan 2021*

I'd like to think 2020 made Casey stronger.  
I'd like to think it made all of us who survived it a little stronger.  
Here's to a fresh new start for 2021.

Chris Moyer  
MOYER RENNSPORT Team Principal  
Diablo Member since 2014

R.I.P. Nikki Lauda

The image features three signs. At the top left is a yellow sign with a black border and a small circle at the top, hanging from a string, with the word 'OPEN' in bold black letters. To its right is a similar yellow sign with the word 'SALE' in bold black letters. Below these two signs is a red stamp with a distressed, ink-like texture that reads 'HELP WANTED' in bold white capital letters.

We need volunteers to help revamp our website! Here are the three main goals (so far):

- Cleanup of current information to bring up to date
- Changes/additions to site content
- Changes/updates to site design

We are still forming our team, but please contact our current President, [Brian Adkins](#) with any questions or to volunteer!

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