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Ed's Comments

By Ed Won, President Diablo PCA

Hello Diablo members!

I want to wish you all a very Happy New Year! As you can see on the calendar for 2016, we have a lot of activities planned. By no means is this calendar fixed, as we add and make adjustments throughout the year. If you have suggestions or if you want to organize an event, please let us know. Ideally, we need a month advanced notice to help get everything set up and be able to properly advertise the event.

2016 will be my fourth year and the second term as a Board of Director member. For 2016, the five board members are: Me, serving as your President; Brian Adkins as your Vice President; Ingrid French as your Secretary; Bob Hilton as your Treasurer, and Adam Cipriano as your Director at Large. Leaving the board is Jeff Kreutzer. Jeff has served as a board member for the last two years and some time as an interim board member. I want to personally thank Jeff for all his past contributions to the club as a board member. Jeff will continue in his role as the Sponsorship Chair for our club.

I also want to thank the new chairs that have stepped up as well as those who stepped up to new roles. Andre Bourse has been in the Membership role for about five months taking over from Deb Suttkis. Deb has done an awesome job and I want to thank her for all she's accomplished in that role. Andre will continue on welcoming new members and answering questions. The remarkable thing is that Andre has just joined Diablo a little over a year ago!

Also stepping into new Chair roles are: Dylan Sawchuk as the Tech Chair (Dylan will be taking over from me). Debby Clary will also take on the Communication Chair role last held by Charles and Anthony Mendoza has taken on the Webmaster role.

On the DE team, Mike Ciopyk has returned to the role of Track Registrar. Jack Bean has taken on the role of Concourse Chair as well and will work with the Zone 7 events.

I want to thank all of these folks for stepping up to volunteer; this helps Diablo tremendously to bring you quality events! The new PCA slogan, "Fueled by volunteers," is very appropriate. Chair positions are not elected and are appointed to volunteers that raise their

hands and want to help. If there's something you want to help with, please let a board member know!

The karting get-together organized by Malcolm is just a few weeks away on January 16. Please sign up if you intend to go. It's filling up quickly and promises to be an excellent time!

The Annual Awards luncheon on January 24 is shaping up nicely thanks to Event Chair, Marc Giammona. We have stellar speakers, including Singer Cars and Porsche Cars North America. It doesn't matter if you like air cooled or water cooled, we have you covered.

I hope you stay warm and see you soon!

Ed Won,

President

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2016 Quarterly Event Calendar

1/23—Drive to Go-Karting
1/24—Annual Awards Luncheon

January

2/7—Super Bowl Party???

Non-Diablo Events

2/20—DE Golden Gate Instructor
Instruction-Thunderhill

2/27—Zone 7 PCA Awards

February

3/12—Movie Night

3/25—Diablo DE @ Thunderhill

Non-Diablo Events

3/12-13—GGR De @ Thunderhill

3/26-27—AX School & Event @ Marina

March

Monthly Events:

- **Walnut Creek Breakfast: Every Saturday**
7:30am
Buttercup Pantry, 660 Ygnacio Valley Blvd., Walnut Creek
- **Board Meeting: 2nd Monday**
6:30pm
12893 Alcosta Blvd., San Ramon
- **Monthly Dinner: 3rd Thursday**
6:30pm
Faz, 600 Hartz Ave., Danville



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GRAND PRIX FORMAT

12 Lap Practice

14 Lap Qualifying Race

16 Lap Final Race



K1SPEED

RESTRICTED TO 36 PARTICIPANTS

We are heading to K1 Speed in South San Francisco for some indoor kart racing.

We chose the electric kart venue to celebrate the Porsche 919 Hybrid World Endurance Championship.

K1 Speed has a collection of high-performance, zero-emission, environmentally friendly all-electric go-karts.

- Our race time is as an Adult run group
- Adult kart requirements: 58" tall and +13 years old
- Junior and adult karts are not mixed on the course
- Closed toed shoes are recommended
- There will be a designated Diablo PCA-only parking area

Signup at Diablo PCA web
Organizer: Malcolm Adkins

Join Us For Breakfast!

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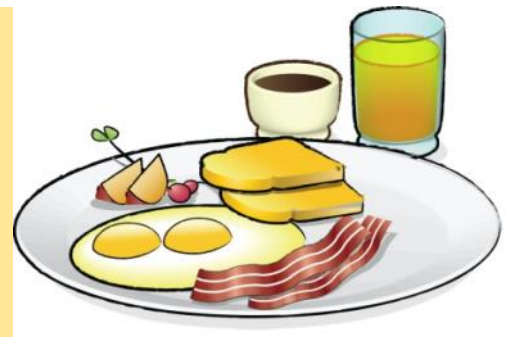
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2016 DIABLO PCA ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON

Crow Canyon Country Club

Date: Sunday, January 24, 2016

Time: 10:30 am - 2:00 pm

Location: Crow Canyon Country Club

711 Silver Lake Drive, Danville, CA 94526

Cost: \$40 per person

Come join us for the club's annual awards banquet and enjoy the company of other Porschephiles and hear what the club is doing in 2016.

Included:

A special display of club member Porsches

10:00AM Selected Cars will begin parking in display area

A Lottery will be used to select cars that will be on display (See below)

10:30-11:00am Club member arrivals

11:00-11:30am Passed Hors d'oeuvres

11:30am-12:30pm Gourmet luncheon

No Host Bar (Sodas, coffee and tea service provided. The club will pick up the corkage fee if you bring your own adult beverage)

Guest Speaker: Matthew Henry, 

A chance to toast your friends as they receive their awards

Luncheon Menu:

Hearts of Romaine Salad with spiced Pecans, Drunken Cherries Gorgonzola Cheese with Sherry Vinaigrette
Sourdough Roll & Butter

Entrees

Grilled Atlantic Salmon with Spinach Florentine Sauce

OR

Chicken Wellington wrapped in Mushroom Duxelle and Red Wine Bordelaise

OR

Stuffed Spinach Raviolis with Tomato, Artichoke Cream Sauce

Dessert

Chocolate Truffle Mousse with Fresh Whipped

You can complete your reservation at

<https://diablo-pca-awards-banquet.eventbrite.com>

Deadline to sign up: January 17, 2016

Email Marc Giammona at diablopca.events@gmail.com to be entered into the drawing for selected parking in display area..



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Porsche Pride

We all love our cars and enjoy learning what other members own too. We are continuing our series of highlighting members who have recently purchased a Porsche or joined Diablo Region. If you want your new passion to be shared with others, contact our Editor, Kay Maloy at maloykay@comcast.net.

Brian Adkins

Purchase Date: October., 2015

Year and Type of Porsche: 1973 914

Outside Color: Sunflower Yellow (L 13 K)

Interior Color: Tan / Black

Transmission Type: 5 Speed Manual

Engine: 1.7 (for now)

Comments: Figured I needed a project ...

I will be building a special interest car. Happy to tell you the LONG version but here it is in a nutshell. As you may know I am a huge Porsche fan, and as many may know a Formula 1 fanatic. The two do meet in the fact that the 1973 914 was the first ever Formula 1 Pace Car. The tribute will highlight that connection. Soon you will see the details of the famous car to mine ... even the big yellow flags !

So I have 2 mid engine, Porsches separated by 34 years. Both yellow.



Tom Ball

Purchase Date: January, 2015

Year and Type of Porsche: 2015 911 Targa 4S

Outside Color: Jet Black

Interior Color: Express/Cognac

Transmission Type: PDK

Comments: My First Porsche! Always wanted one. Love the Coast roads and Mountain "twisties". Absolutely love to drive this car! My wife Trisha does too! Thanks



Chris Chowderoy

Purchase Date: May 2014 in Kaiserslautern Germany
(stationed at that time overseas with the USAF)

Year & Type of Porsche: 2007 Cayman

Exterior Color: Forest Green Metallic

Interior Color - Sand Beige

Transmission Type - Automatic Tiptronic

Comments: This is my first Porsche and enjoyed the car immensely in Germany joining the 150+ MPH Club on a beautiful stretch of the A1 Autobahn between Bremen and Hamburg. Also completed the Nordschleife at the Nurburgring last summer. Looking forward now to enjoying the great roads of Northern California.



Doug Coe

Purchase Date: July, 2015 and delivered in November

Year and Type of Porsche: 2016 911S

Exterior Color: GT Silver

Interior Color: Black Leather

Transmission: Manual

Comments: A bucket list item crossed off. Who-ahh! It's GT silver with polished window trim on black leather interior riding on Carrera Classic wheels. I got the sport mirrors, sport steering wheel, and sport exhaust. Do you sense a trend here? And of course to maximize the driver involvement and experience, I got the manual transmission.

Why? Since 1969, I've lusted after a Porsche, and this is my retirement gift to myself. Although I have 18 months to go to retirement, I didn't want a 991.2, so I ordered one of the last normally aspirated 991s from Zuffenhausen. Love driving CA 1.



Dave Hunt

Year and Type of Porsche: 2015 Cayman GTS

Exterior Color: Yellow

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: Manual

Year and Type of Porsche: 2016 GT4

Exterior Color: Yellow

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: Manual

Chad and Jamie Steinmetz

Purchase Date: November, 2015

Year and Type of Porsche: 2006 Cayman S

Exterior Color: Speed Yellow

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: 6 Speed Manual

Comments: Thank you so much for reaching out to us as new members. Both Jamie and I are very excited to be a part of this group.



Scott Tomkins

Purchase Date: November, 2015

Year and Type of Porsche: 2001 911 Turbo

Exterior Color: Silver

Interior Color: Black

Transmission Type: Manual

Comments: This car's poster hung on my bedroom wall when my wife and I met in 2001, so it's always been a dream. I'm an all around car enthusiast that also has a '55 Suburban in the garage (The grocery getter). This car will be used for track days, dragging my two toddlers around, as well as many road trips. My wife and I have done 9 cross country road trips, and enjoy vacations that involve no end destination; just a map and some back roads.



Annual Holiday Party

Didn't make it to the Diablo Region Annual Holiday Party? Check out the photos of all the members who were able to attend and enjoy their smiles. Make sure you make it next year.





Andre's Edible Artwork

Diablo Region Monthly 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: January 21, 2016

Have You Ordered Your Name Badge(s) Yet?

It is always nice to have people know your name and how easy to know their name too! Ordering and customizing your name tag is so quick and simple to do.

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2016 Diablo Proposed Activities Calendar

<p style="text-align: center;">January</p> <p>1/23 – Drive to Go Carting- Malcolm</p> <p>1/24-Awards Luncheon-Marc</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">July</p> <p>7/16 Sonoma cheese tour- Nancy</p> <p>7/16-17 GGR DE @ Thunderhill</p> <p>7/17 LPR Carmel Valley Concours</p> <p>TBD- Member Picnic/Car show</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">February</p> <p>2/7-Super Bowl Party-???</p> <p>2/20 DE Golden Gate TH (Instructor instruction)</p> <p>2/27 Zone 7 PCA Awards</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">August</p> <p>8/7 GGR Concours @ Carlson Porsche</p> <p>8/19-Werks Reunion-Marc</p> <p>8/21- Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">March</p> <p>3/5 or 12 Movie Night Berkeley</p> <p>3/12-13 GGR DE @ Thunderhill</p> <p>3/25 –Diablo DE @ Thunderhill</p> <p>3/26-27 AX School and Event @ Marina</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">September</p> <p>9/3-4 GGR DE Location TBD</p> <p>9/7-11 Treffen Lake Tahoe, Resort at Squaw Creek</p> <p>TBD-Oktoberfest</p> <p>9/?-Mercedes Benz Tour-Ed</p> <p>9/18 – Redwood-Ledson Concours</p> <p>9/23- Diablo DE @ Thunderhill</p> <p>9/24-25 Zone AX @ Marina</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">April</p> <p>4/2 Movie Night- Brian</p> <p>4/10 - Detail workshop @ Porsche Livermore - Marc</p> <p>4/16-17 Zone AX @ Marina</p> <p>4/23 Bocce Ball Livermore - Kay</p> <p>4/29 – 5/1 Porsche Platz</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">October</p> <p>10/?? Livermore Porsche Concours</p> <p>10/8 Horses not horsepower Golden Gate Fields- Brian</p> <p>10/16 Grand Island Tour -Frank</p> <p>10/22 Zip Line</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">May</p> <p>5/13-15 Zone CRAB Event</p> <p>5/14-15 GGR DE @ Button Willow</p> <p>5/21 – 22 Zone AX Redwood</p> <p>5/29-Wash 'N Shine- Brian</p> <p>5/30 (activity) Bombers @ Livermore Airport- Naomi</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">November</p> <p>11/12 Ramekins Sonoma - Christi</p> <p>11/19 Planning Party</p> <p>11/21 Diablo DE @ Laguna</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">June</p> <p>6/5 Parts Heaven Concours</p> <p>6/11 Gimmick Paul and David</p> <p>6/11 -12 GGR DE @ Laguna</p> <p>6/11 – SVR Concours @ Niello Porsche</p> <p>6/19-26-Parade Jay, Vermont at Jay Peak Resort</p> <p>6/25 Wine tour and chocolate - Kay</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">December</p> <p>12/4 Holiday in the vineyard - Paul</p> <p>12/??-Christmas Party</p>

New Year's Day Tradition

Porsche of Livermore continued their tradition of hosting a New Year's Day drive for Porsche owners beginning at their dealership. I don't have the exact number, but there were a lot of cars and drivers willing to get up for a breakfast at 7am and then head out for an enjoyable drive. There were several Diablo members in attendance. If you are curious or thinking about going next year, ask around.





Tech Gespräch

That's German for "Tech Talk"

By Brian Adkins

The PCA was started by a group of people who unofficially called themselves the "The Gripe Group". They had questions and were looking to share information about this infrequently encountered marquee in the land of big American muscle. So lets talk.

I wanted to share a bit about FLUIDS. Particularly; Power Steering fluids.

If your Porsche does have power steering, the reservoir and fill cap may be in bit of an out of the way location. I know you know where to put the Gas, and would think most know where to put Oil, Water (if needed) and Brake Fluid ... even Washer Fluid.

My most recent experience comes from an '07 Cayman. This exact encounter will be true for all Caymans and Boxsters.

The Power Steering reservoir and fill is under the engine cover and often forgotten.

The fluid can run low, you may be lucky enough to hear a growl as you turn the steering wheel and know to check and fill. If you aren't lucky, low fluid can damage the steering rack leading to an expensive fix; the rack itself is over \$1200.

The fist thing that I would suggest is to check your fluid (OK . check them all and learn where they are). For a bit of prevention in any Power Steering system on any car ... change the fluid. Power Steering fluid is hygroscopic (tending to absorb moisture from the air). Many pro mechanics suggest changing it every 5 years or so. There have been recent upgrades for the fluids that Porsche now recommends to use. I was lucky enough to find (when my car was inspected for free for a DE) that fluid was low. Adding fluid helped, but a growl was still there a bit. After using a turkey baster 3 times to remove all the fluid from the reservoir then filling fluid, between just a drive around the block. The growl is gone and steering seems more precise. My fluid recommended had been up graded.

Looking at my service and maintenance books there is NO mention of checking Power Steering levels at ANY of the services !

Low fluid my be a sign of a leak somewhere.

Hope this helps you in some way.

The contained info is to be of education and interest value and should not be taken as the only source of information or singular viewpoint. Do you have a question? Have you discovered something (maybe even the hard way)? Please share your info or feel free to ask a question.



Articles for the Advocate Wanted

Did you find this article informative and interesting? Do you have information or a story you would like to share with our members?

We welcome articles from our members relating their experiences while traveling in their mighty steeds or a piece of Porsche history they may have discovered.

If you would like to submit an article or pictures of any trips, please forward to our Editor, Kay Maloy at maloykay@comcast.net.



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