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# Up Front-Where the Engine Belongs

I hate deadlines. And why is there usually a fun event on the last weekend of the month when I should be working on the Witness? This month it was an excursion to wine country for a track weekend at Sonoma raceway at Sears Point. Several local drivers have stated that it is their favorite track and I was looking for an event when I got an e-mail from the GGR track team. They were having a run group in conjunction with NASA at the end of October. It was conveniently located between our Chuckwalla date and the Buttonwillow date. It seemed perfect; well except for this Witness thing.

I did try to do some work while at the track. but it is not the same as working at home on dual displays with fast internet. So now I am home from Sonoma and finishing up the November issue.

I did have fun at the

track, although I was not lucky with weather. I drove up to Fresno area on Thursday night and hit some rain then and again Friday morning when I drove on to the track. The paddock was already filling up for a busy weekend when I arrived but there were only a few cars on track which was wet although the rain had stopped. Friday night was in Vallejo and it rained in the early morning and was still wet as I headed back to the track in the pre-dawn light. Tune in next month for a full report of the track.

This month we have coverage from the Concours along with our return to Chuckwalla Valley Raceway for the DE/TT series. Over 100 drivers made it out to the desert, in spite of the lack of lodging in the Coachella Valley due to the Desert trip concerts. Lots of campers at the track and the rest were off to Blythe for the weekend. Congrats

to Dwain Dement of Vision Motorsports for his TTOD performance.

Now for a few housekeeping items to discuss. Members have been kind enough to send photos of events or to go with their articles. But for some, and I think it is mostly Mac people; their e-mail attachments in Outlook do not come as a separate file but as a photo in the body of the email message. I can't just save a file to my Drop-Box, but now I need to right-click on the image and copy it to the clipboard. I can then open Mi-

> crosoft Word and paste it into a blank document. and then save that file as a ipeg or other photo file to be used with InDesign it is, but when I tried to

skip a step and just copy them from Word into InDesign, it seemed to work fine until I tried to print the file and it failed to produce a PDF and dumped me out with an error log. After some trial and error I was able to figure out the problem and the above work around.

I did go looking on Google and found this was an issue with Macs, whether it is just Microsoft messing with Apple, I don't know, but it is a problem for me.

They did give some work-arounds, but I think the simplest recommendation I would ask would be if people could use a Zip compression program like iZip for Mac or PeaZip for PC's to compress and package their photos before sending me the e-mail. If you get an e-mail asking for zipped photos, now you know what I am talking about.









### HAMMER DOWN

Dan Carusillo, SDR President

# Ch-ch-ch-ch-Changes (Turn and face the strange)

To paraphrase the ancient philosopher Heraclitus, there is only one constant....change. Or if you're in the mood to sing, David Bowie captured the wisdom with a tune. Well, change is in the wind (blown Witness) for SDR and the results are in.

Congratulations and Godspeed to the 2017 Board of Directors!

\*Sara Gengler, Volunteer Chair and \*Matt Schiller, Calendar coordinator and Social committee workhorse will return for their second and final years.

And a big round of applause to your new incoming Board Members. After the general election and the largest voter turnout in years, the 2017 Board by unanimous vote elected the following Officers:

\*Karen Garcia Raines, President

\*Tom Gould, Vice President

\*Tom Brown, Treasurer

\*Keith Rampmeier, Secretary

But wait there's more... In order to fulfil my Past President and Advisor role, next year I will be stepping down from my Member at large position. For my replacement the 2016 Board of Directors has selected:

\*Bob Hallett, Goodie Store Chair

Accolades to the new Board Members, Officers and all who donate their time and effort volunteering for Our Club!

With the inevitability of change, also comes the promise of progress. I am confident Our Club will continue to entertain and educate us, the Members.

Time may change me, But I can't trace time I said that time may change me, But I can't trace time

Hammer Down, Dan Carusillo President PCASDR





# Buttonwillow Double Crown PCA Club Race - November 12-13,2016

Registration opens Monday, Sept 26, 2016 7:00 pm PDT ClubRegistration.net http://register.pca.org

Latest info at www.pcasdr.org
The points races will count towards the West Coast Championship Series as well as the PCA National Championship Series





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# 13" ANNUAL TOY DRIVE FOR RADY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL NOV. 1 thru DEC. 18



Breakfast is Sunday Dec. 18, 9am-11am, at "Mimi's Cafe" in Mission Valley, then caravan to Rady Children's Hospital



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## October Board Meeting

October 5, 2016

**2016 Board - Call to Order at 7:27pm Board members Present:** Dan Carusillo, Matt Schiller, Keith Verlaque, Rick Richardson, Sara Gengler. Absent: Bruce Wing, Karen Garcia Raines

**Secretary**: Approval of prior meeting minutes. M/S/P. There were two email votes between meetings: Tech Session with SD Wrap, Elite Finish Detailing and AutoArmor approved as a club supported event on 10/8/16, and Bev Gould appointed as Sponsorship Chair.

**Treasurer**: **Bruce Wing** provided Treasurers Report. M/S/P. Bruce clarified that there was no income on Gimmick Rally.

Old Business: Dan Carusillo reported that work continue on the Windblown Witness Editor Plaque. Dan Carusillo proposed tentative 2017 track dates to reserve: 5 DE/TT, possibly 1 club race at the following tracks; Chuckwalla 1/28/17-1/29/17, Chuckwalla 3/11/17 to 3/12/17, Streets of Willow 5/20/17-5/21/17, Big Willow 9/30/17 to 10/1/17 and Chuckwalla 10/21/17 to 10/21/17, Fontana California Festival of Speed 4/20/17 to 4/23/17. M/S/P. Karen Garcia-Raines reported the Zone 8 Award Banquet is scheduled 1/21/17.

Coronado Speed Festival: Katie Kinninger provided a report and reconciliation regarding the Coronado Speed Festival reconciliation. The event was very successful with approximately 118 cars Saturday and 90 on Sunday. UCSD students were paid to park cars and active duty military were welcomed into the club tent for refreshments.

**Social: Dan Carusillo** reported on behalf of Victoria Varon that Tapas and Chocolate was a successful event with the event selling out, but 3 people cancelled at the last minute. The chocolatier worked with us on the cancellations so the club lost no money. The Porsche Cruise on 10/6/16 has a total of 8 people confirmed. The Halloween progressive dinner is scheduled October 29<sup>th</sup> and is filling up fast. Costumes are encouraged. The Cars and Cigars event will move

to a new venue on one Sunday a month and the name of the event will change to Cars and SDR at Vinz Wine Bar, on Grand Ave in Escondido. M/S/P. The Vinz Owner is willing to block parking for us every Sunday for us during football season. They sell all types of drink, food, and cigars. The New Member and Volunteer Dinner events are scheduled on 11/5/16, volunteers should email Victoria with their RSVP as soon as possible. The Mystery Weekend is sold out. One location for lodging and meal fell through therefore alternate locations were required at a greater cost of \$650. M/S/P. Planning for the Member Winter Formal continues and the event will be on Motorsport.reg soon. Board motion to obligate the club for 10 rooms at \$279 for reservation by club members. M/S/P. After further discussion, board motion to eliminate obligation for 10 rooms and instead utilize a discount provided by the Hotel Del Coronado. M/S/P.

**Concours: Kara Greco** provided a reconciliation report on the recent Concours: 38 participants pre-registered and 32 showed up for judging, with 138 display cars, including a Porsche San Diego display car. The Goodie store attended with strong sales. Dan Carusillo described the event as a top shelf event and complimented the Concours Team for conducting a premier event. **Bev Gould** reported that the Concours team would like to keep the Concours scheduled about the same time each year, the first week of October. Insurance: Dan Carusillo reported that club insurance is up to date and reminded chairs that if you have an event with cars moving or wheels off the ground to request insurance coverage from the insurance chair. **Keith Verlague** reminded the board and members that waivers must be original, in color, and may be ordered from PCA national at no cost.

**CDIQ: Keith Verlaque** reported on the PDS. The event was highly successful but mentioned the attrition of 7 cars due to chunking tires. The club will provide autocross certificates to those drivers. The suggestion was made to use two water trucks when temperatures were extremely hot.

Keith discussed the idea of increasing the number of drivers to 48 for future PDS.

**Tours: Keith Verlaque** reported on the upcoming tour scheduled for 10/9/16.

Charity: Lori Chesley reported that the next Monarch School Dinner will occur in three weeks and she has enough volunteers. Lori also reported that Rady's Children's Hospital requests no stuffed animals for future toy drives. The delivery of toys is scheduled on 12/18/16 with drivers meeting Mimi's Café then delivery of toys to Rady's Children's Hospital.

**Membership:** Report from **Gisela Gonzalez** and **Genette McGown**: 1617 Primary Members and 978 Affiliate Member for a total of 2595 members.

President's Report/New Business. Dan Carusillo discussed the Autocross Instructor Day and that the club should consider including in the budget for next year. Dan announced the names of the candidates elected as incoming Directors: Tom Brown, Tom Gould, Karen Garcia-Raines, and Keith Rampmeier. 90 valid votes were cast in the election. Next the office of 2017 Past President/advisor was addressed. It is noted that for 2017 Dan will be in the second year of his 2 year BOD term. Thereby preventing him from holding the past President/advisor office. The option of Dan resigning from the second year BOD position to assume the vacant past President position was broached. Discussing ensued regarding the bylaws about board vacancies and how vacancies are filled. Bev Gould reported that historically, the person filling the vacancy filled the remaining term of the vacating board member. Motion: On December 7th, contingent on Dan Carusillo's resignation and transition to past president, the board will fill the vacancy by selecting the 2017 board election candidate with the 5th highest votes, and, if that candidate declines, the board would fill the vacancy with the candidate with the 6<sup>th</sup> highest votes. M/S/P.

NRS: Webmaster: Greg, E Master: Bev, Historian: John Legal: Jim, Safety: Mark Rondeau, Witness Billing: Tom, Forum: Steve G, Archivist & Policy: Tom Brown, Witness Editor: Greg, Volunteer: Sara, Driver's Awards: Katina & Tami, Social Media: Marc, Military: Rick, Spon-

sor: Bev, Goodie Store: Bob, Equipment: Keith R. AX: Mark, Club Race: Greg, Museum: Mike, VP: Karen, Rally: Eric & Craig, 60<sup>th</sup> Comm: Tom Announcements: *THANK YOU to* Bruce and Cindy for hosting!

Adjournment: 8:57pm

**Next Meeting:** The Next board meeting will be hosted by the Powells on 11/2/16. The address is 8373 Sugarman Dr., La Jolla, CA 92037, 619-985-2997.

Past Presidents of PCA-SDR -- If you still have your club yearbook from your year as president, I would like to borrow it for use in our 60th Anniversary celebration. (If you want to clean out the garage and donate to the club, all the better!) Please contact Tom Brown, tb911@tb-software.net

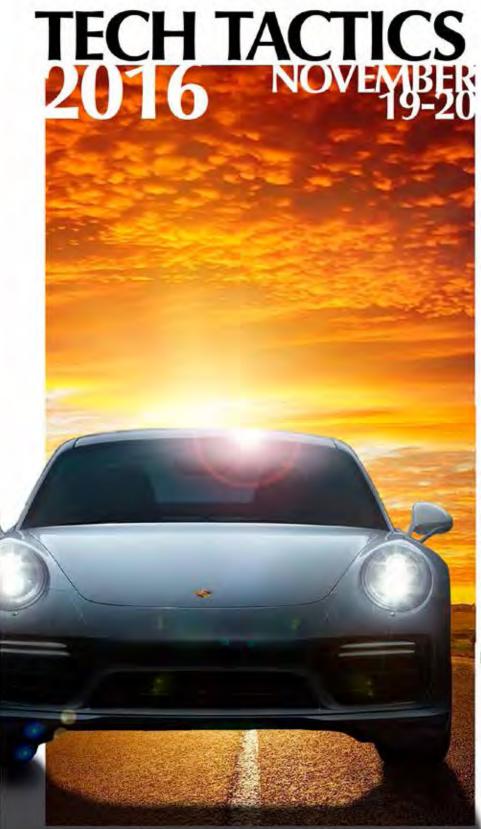
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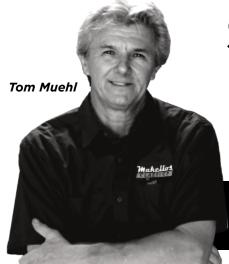
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## November 2016 - December 2016

#### Nov 2 Wednesday **Board & Member Meeting**

Time: Dinner starts at 6:00PM. Meeting starts at 7:00PM.

Place: Powell home, 8373 Sugarman Drive La Jolla, CA 92037

Details: Bring your own beer and wine. Meet the board and see how the club operates and decisions are

made.

#### Nov 5 Saturday **PCA-SDR New Member**

Party (Old members welcome too!) Time: Starts at 3:00pm, to 6:00pm Place: Stone Brewing World Bistro and Gardens, 1999 W Citracado Pkwy Escondido, CA 92029

Details: NEW MEMBER PARTY!!! (Old members welcome too!) Are you a new member to the PCASDR this year? Looking for a fun party to come and socialize and meet other club members? Look no further! We are hosting a party for ALL club members in honor of our newest club members! Join us for a fun afternoon with free food, beer flights and wine.

#### Nov 5 Saturday **PCA-SDR Volunteer Party**

Time: Starts at 7:00PM.

Place: Stone Brewing World Bistro and Gardens, 1999 W Citracado Pkwy Escondido, CA 92029

**Details**: First of all, thank you for your service this year. This has been yet another busy year for the club AND it would not have been possible to accomplish all that we have accomplished if not for YOU! That being said, it's time to celebrate and be served!

#### Nov 12-13 Sat-Sun PCA-SDR Buttonwillow Club Race & Time Trial

Buttonwillow Raceway, 24551 Lerdo Hwy Buttonwillow, CA 93206

In November we determine season champions at our annual Time Trial and Club Race at Buttonwillow Raceway Park! This year we will be running the popular configuration 13 clockwise. TT Registration opens October 2 at http://msreg.com/BW16.

#### Nov 19-20 Sat Sun Porsche Tech Tactics West - PCNA Open House

Time: Starts at 8:00Aм. Place: 5100 Ontario Mills Pkwy,

Ontario CA 91764

**Details**: See flyer for registration details

#### Nov 20 Sunday AutoCross West Lot

-You will be required to show your PCA member card and driver license in the tech line.-Autocross fee is \$60 pre-registered, Walk Up fee is \$90 (not available to PCA members with "student" status).-No Show/Cancellation fee is \$20 if not cancelled online the Wednesday prior to the event by 11:59 PM.

Tech Inspection opens at 6:30 am and closes at 7:30. If you are not in line by 7:15, you will be charged a \$20 late fee

Nov 1 -Dec 13 Radys Toy Drive - see flver

#### Nov 19-20 Weekend **SDR Mystery Weekend**

Time: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**Details**: Back by popular demand is the infamous Mystery Weekend!! We will be hosting a weekend tour to a super secret destination beginning at 9am on Saturday, November 19th to Sunday, November 20th. Here's what the weekend will look like: we will start off at 9am at a location that will be announced (in San Diego) and begin our caravan tour through some of California's most amazing roads to a super secret destination, making lots of fun and exciting pit stops along the

## Nov 27 Sunday

Cars & SDR

Time: Starts at 10:00AM-NOON.

Place: Vinz Wine Bar, 201 E. Grand Ave, Escondido, CA 92025 **Details**: Meet with other SDR members to socialize, check out each other's cars, and discuss all things Porsche

#### Nov 29 Tuesday

LTS - Adams Avenue Grill

Time: Starts at 6:30PM.

Place: 2201 Adams Avenue San

Diego, CA 92104

**Details**: Meet up with your Porsche club social friends. Cocktails at 6:30,

dinner at 7pm

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#### Dec 4 Sunday

#### **Back Country Roads Tour**

Time: Starts at 8:00AM

Place: TBD

Details: Meet up with your Porsche club friends for great tour of some of our best roads in Sand Diego County. Pre-registration on Motorsportreg required.

#### Dec 7 Wednesday **Board & Member Meeting**

Time: Dinner starts at 6:00pm. Meeting starts at 7:00pm.

Place: Varon home, 5859 Ranch View Rd, Oceanside, CA 92057

**Details**: Bring your own beer and wine. Meet the board and see how the club operates and decisions are made.

#### Dec 11 Sun Tech Session - Porsche of San Diego

Time: Starts at 9:00AM - 11:00 AM.

Place: 9020 Miramar Road, San Diego,

CA 92126

Details: Save the date. More informa-

tion is coming.

#### Dec 12 Saturday AutoCross South East Lot

-You will be required to show your PCA member card and driver license in the tech line.-Autocross fee is \$60 pre-registered, Walk Up fee is \$90 (not available to PCA members with "student" status).-No Show/ Cancellation fee is \$20 if not cancelled online the Wednesday prior to the event by 11:59 PM.

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#### Dec 13 Sunday PCA SDR Breakfast with Santa

PCA-SDR Breakfast With Santa at Mimi's Cafe / Toy Delivery – Please bring a toy to donate (no stuffed animals). Bring the kids too!

Time: 9:00 AM - NOON

Place: Meet at 9:00am at Mimi's Café in Mission Valley (5180 Mission Center Rd, (619) 491-0284) for break-

fast with Santa.

Please do not donate any stuffed animals or plush toys as they cannot be used by the hospital.

After breakfast (about 11am), we will caravan with Santa in the lead to Rady Children's Hospital to deliver all the toys we have collected.

#### Jan 14 Saturday **PCA SDR Winter Formal**

Come one, come all to our 2017 **PCASDR Member Winter Formal** (aka Porsche Prom) at the Hotel Del Coronado. This is the first event to kick off the 60 Year Diamond Anniversary of Porsche Club of America, San Diego Region!

Time: 6:30 PM - 11:00 PM Place: Hotel Del Coronado Orange Ave Coronado, CA 92118 **Cost:** \$100 per person and includes a lavish 3 course dinner by award winning chefs at The Hotel Del, 2 glasses of wine, photos at the event, and entertainment. New member certificates are welcome and encouraged! We have received discounted parking as well. Self park for \$15 per car, or valet for \$20 per car.







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The San Diego Region had a chance to take a trip and leave the cars behind. Six SDR members took to the seas, Victoria and Javier Varon; Carmen and Mike Brown; and Karen and Andrew Raines. They were joined by Orange Coast members Steven Shaffer and Keverne Collison. Our little jaunt departed Long Beach on a Thursday and made its way to Ensenada.

We started the fun with a visit to the martini bar where the bartender demonstrated an innovative pouring technique. Do not try this at home without paper towels.

We caught up *and* made new friends over dinner. An early excursion led us all to an early evening. We wanted to be ready for wine tasting the next day.

Our beautiful day in Ensenada began with a scenic drive to La Cetto Winery. We and our fellow cruise mates took a tour of some of the facilities.

We saw the various types of barrels and learned their purpose, and watched bottles being corked.



We walked around the lovely grounds of the winery. We finished in the tasting room where we sampled their delicious wine and olive oil along with some tasty bread and cheese. Many of us bought some wine to go along with our free bottle.

The next winery was more rustic. It was a combination organic winery, general store, and restaurant. Local dancers and musicians entertained us, including a spiritual fire dance by a native Indian.

After driving back to Ensenada, our group did our bit for the local economy with lunch and souvenirs. The evening provided more fun with dinner and a show.

Saturday, the SDR crew camped by the whirlpool where we chatted, ate, read, and most importantly, played games. The evening consisted of an informal dinner and karaoke. You can really bond with people over karaoke and Catchphrase.

And ultimately that's what this trip was about—creating memories, making new friends, deepening established friendships. We all had a great time just being together. Proving once again, we come for the cars, we stay for the people.









Fall Performance Driving School



September 23-25, 2016





While Fleet Week in San Diego marked its 81st anniversary, the Coronado Speed Festival celebrated 19 years of wheel to wheel historic car racing on the 1.7-mile course

on the runways and taxiways of Naval Air Station North Island in Coronado, known as the "Race at the Base".

The PCASDR
Hospitality Tent
& Car Corral
parking was once
again generously
sponsored by a
local dealership,

Porsche of San Diego. The tent was full of happy Club members and their family and guests, as well as many members of the NASNI community, which included Navy personnel and their families.

The Club Corral was beautifully elegant with Porsche cars lining the fence and parked nose to tail, including 356's through 991's. Hospitality was key, as many Naval personnel,

Porsche families and Porsche enthusiasts took advantage of the shade, comradery, cold drinks and Sorbet in the tent.

The honorary Grand Marshall for the event was noted Hollywood actor Gary Sinise, attending as a humanitarian he has been working in support of veterans

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for over thirty years. The "Gary Sinise & the Lt. Dan Band" performed live on stage on Saturday' entertaining Navy and civilians.

In honor of legendary racer, **Tony Adamowicz**, there was a Tribute display featuring his



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Porsche 911 from his legendary 1968 Trans-Am Championship and race memorabilia spanning his long race career.

http://autoweek.com/article/sports-cars/ american-sports-car-champion-tonyadamowicz-dies-75

Next generation PCA members include baby Cooper Carnevale with his parents Chad and Jen Carnevale along 356 row, and Baby Merek Salzman with his parents Justin and Bridget Salzman in the tent.







While the music world was paying attention to the Coachella Polo Grounds and the colloquially known "Oldchella" Concert series featuring The Rolling Stones, The Who, Roger Waters of Pink Floyd, Paul McCartney, Neil Young and Bob Dylan we were heading into the desert for our own Desert trip to Chuckwalla Valley Raceway. After a long summer hiatus it was time to hit the big tracks and resume the 2016 Time Trial series. It was eagerly awaited and was a sellout with some drivers who were slow to sign up being left out of this event.

Although we were well into the fall, the weather was to be warm but not hot with highs in the low 90's predicted. We left early on Friday to beat the other traffic in Palm Springs and caravanned to the El Campanario Restaurant with Dan Chambers and Mark Rondeau. It was a 911 SC only caravan for this trip since Adam Gill had a flat tire and missed the rendezvous and some of the other drivers were coming later and others were taking the back way to Blythe for their lodging. With the music festival filling up all the rooms in the Coachella Valley and the prices spiking,

Blythe was the next best choice for those who were not camping at the track.

After an excellent meal with carnitas and too many freshly cooked corn tortillas it was back on the road to the track. The first stop was to fill up the gas tanks and gas cans and then off to Desert Center and the track. Unfortunately there was a Jaguar event at the track and so we were waiting in line at the entrance until the paddock was



ready. It did give us time to check out the demo models for the planned casitas the track will soon have for rent. They will be replacing the trailers that were on-site and will be a welcome addition. They each have one bedroom and a sleeper sofa along with kitchen and dining room and are well furnished with AC and big screens. They hope to have them ready by our first 2017 event in late January.

After the paddock was cleared we headed in and started setting up the 911SG compound. Along with the caravan campers, Ethan Dahlkamp and the Ibbetsons would be bringing their toy haulers for us to sleep in. Also in the compound were the Duncans and their 996 along with Cathy Young and Ralph Linares from the Boxster crew. We setup near the restrooms and showers and were next to Robert Baizer's trailer for ease of registration.

After unpacking and the arrival of the toy haulers it was time for tech inspections for the campers and Mark set up the grill for sausage for dinner. There was a beautiful desert sunset and at the same time the full moon was rising in the east. After dinner we enjoyed the comfortable evening before turning in.

Saturday was an early start with another beautiful sunrise and comfortable weather. As we were having breakfast the Blythe contingent was rolling in and setting up for the weekend and more tech inspections were needed before the drivers meeting.

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Jack and Robert reviewed the plan for the weekend and safety issues and then the instructors were assigned their students. I was working with Justine De Mayo who was driving her new BMW M4 in the DE Green group. Since they were not able to assemble the DE drivers for their lecture, they would start with a classroom session and Red would be first out. And that was when all the fun started.

Red was out first but after just a couple of green laps there was a red flag due to a car that was smoking and needed assistance. It made for an eventful session as the lead cars could see the red flag and were slowing and stopping and cars further back in the pack could not see and were still driving quickly and then needed to slow quickly to avoid the stopped cars.



After clearing the track and clean up it was my turn in Orange. The session started well and I was slowly picking up the pace as I remembered which way the track went. Towards the end of the session, it went off the rails. I was chasing a silver BMW and although I was close coming on to the front straight, he pulled away down the straight. But he apparently out-braked himself and as I was entering turn 2 he was off in the dirt outside of turn 2; I jumped off the gas and then onto the brakes and upset my car and now I was also sideways in turn 2. I straightened it up but now I was pointing off track and decided to drive off straight than try to keep it on the track and I joined him in the dirt. He pulled back on and

I followed him onto the track and resumed our lap. Since this was the first session and we were warned that 4 wheels off would end tour session, I was taking it easy heading back in and letting the tires clean off the gravel.



I pointed by cars and stayed mostly off-line and pointed a black Boxster by before the bowl. Now I was following Ralph through the bowl when he is suddenly sideways in the bowl and does a tank-slapper until he gets his car slowed down and is able to keep going. He now points me by and I head into the pits to check with black flag about my off. But black flag is busy with another red flag due to the power steering fluid from Ralph's Boxster in the bowl. Steve's day was just starting to get busy.

Next I was out with Justine for her DE session to do ducks-in-a-row behind Jack Millers Lotus. Her M4 was quite comfortable and she did well. She had done several autocrosses and also done a couple of events at the Thermal Club track with BMW. She left the transmission in automatic and had a good time following the Lotus. And no red flags!

Steve was up next in Red and things went better although he only ended up with 3 laps before coming in to check pressures and setup. This was the shakedown cruise for my 911SC. Over the summer hiatus we took out the bolt-in cage, dropped the motor and transmission, took out all the glass and interior and had Autopower weld in a new cage. Although the cage was the main upgrade, mission creep and reality means it was much more involved than just that. New clutch and windshield, cleaning up the wiring harness,

dash refinishing and strengthening the suspension mounts were just a few of the other tasks keeping Steve busy until just before the event.

The rest of Red was picking up the pace, with Dwain Dement's turbo putting down a very fast time of 1:51.56 followed by Michael Brown's Turbo at 1:55.61 and then Jerry Hoffman at 1:57.74. Steve had a quick time of 2:02.61 as he was scuffing in a new set of RE71R tires and just ahead of Marcus Kramer's 2:02.62. Orange was out next and I was with my student again. This time there were no offs or black flags and I was able to turn a 2:08.68 on my second hot lap. Peter Carides led the session in the Smurf 911 at 2:07.38 with Paul Tordella and Tom Arter close behind.

After the earlier excitement the rest of the morning went smoothly. Justine had a good time with the passing exercise in her DE group and her BMW was running well. Steve had a smooth session in Red and my Orange stint went well. After a break for lunch it was soon time to start the afternoon sessions and Justine enjoyed the open track and was moving well with the traffic.



In Red the X-men were leading as James Gunn-Wilkinson's Viper (1:58.70) and Gabriel Shadid's M3 (1:59.55) were leading the pace. Steve had put on a set of used RA1 tires from Cathy's 911 but he was kept busy in the pits working on cars and did not get out. There was a big pack at 2:05 with Ethan Dahlkamp, Bill Ibbetson, Robert Baizer, Terry Perkins and Mark Rondeau.

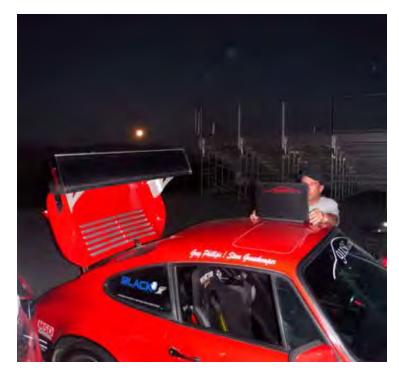
Orange was out and the Toyo tires were working well. It had been a while since we had run them and the reliable feel was reassuring. While not as grippy as the new RE-71R tires, they work well on the big sweepers with plenty of feedback. My best was 2:08.60 and Jim Duncan was leading the group at 2:05.57.

Justine continued to do well in her M4 and was enjoying the open track aspect. She was passed by a couple of cars but was mostly passing cars during her sessions. The rest of the afternoon continued to go smoothly compared to the morning start although there were still more cars having mechanical troubles and Steve was kept busy. Ralph's Boxster had blown a high pressure power steering hose and they were trying to find a belt to bypass the pump and allow him to run, albeit without power assist. Mark Rondeau's SC developed transmission problems and he was done for the weekend and Dan Chambers' SC motor was running roughly and he was out. Luckily it was not contagious and my SC was running well.



The last session was as dusk was starting and the sun was low and there were only a few cars running. But the tires were still working well and my best time was down to 2:07.17 and Cory Muscat was leading at 2:04.26. After the track was cold it was time to wind down. A full moon was rising in the east as the sun was setting in the west and the desert sky show was impressive.

I headed for the shower and it felt great at the end of the day. While Steve was working on cars the Ibbetsons were putting dinner together with seafood pasta. After dinner it was soon time to put the band together.



At the Wing trailer Dave Hockett and Jack Miller were on guitars with Robert Baizer on drums and Dan Chambers on bass. There were several different singers through the evening and the evening was enjoyed by the campers until it was quiet time and we were turning in for the evening.

Sunday started with another desert sky show as clouds had rolled in overnight and made for a beautiful sunrise to start our day. As we were having breakfast the rest of the drivers were rolling in to start a new day. Ralph had found the proper belt and Steve was able to get the Boxster ready to try. Cathy's Boxster was handling poorly and Steve and she were working on adjustments to improve her oversteer (see related story).





Justine picked up where she left off on Saturday and continued to drive well with a good line and traffic manners. The seats in the M4 were quite comfortable and we were now using a Chatterbox to help with communication. She followed instructions well and was still driving well when I stopped cuing her for the track. Overall she enjoyed her morning's sessions.

Red was out next and Steve was out in Cathy's Boxster for a shakedown. James Gunn-Wilkinson's viper was again on top at 1:57.28 with Rick Levenson, Mike Avitt and Gabriel Shadid all in the 1:58's and Marcus Kramer at 1:59.00.

My first Orange session started slowly as the yellow flag stayed out past the 2 expected opening laps. I was out behind Isabella Busalachi's Spec 944 and she was going quickly and sitting on the tail of a BMW. He was apparently tired of



her filling his mirrors and pointed her by; unfortunately we were still under the yellows. She continued to go quickly and turned a very quick time of 2:07.61 for her best lap of the weekend. Cory Muscat's CC13 911 was in front at 2:06.55. My best lap was a 2:08.87 and so I was double-chicked as Tami Ibbetson was learning the track well and had her best time of 2:08.35! Cathy Young was enjoying the handling of her CC08 Boxster now and she dropped to 2:13.00, just ahead of Mark Curran's CC06 911. Ralph tried the Boxster but without the power assist decided it was not worth the effort and he was done.

Steve was finally able to go out in the next session but only had a few laps but turned a 2:03.58 on the RA-1's. The top was familiar with Gunn-Wilkinson, Shadid, Avitt and Jerry Hoffman leading the way. My next session was a little better as I was able to stay ahead of Tami & Isabella this



time. Steve Eguina had new rubber on his GT2 and led with a 2:01.46 with Jim Duncan next at 2:03.10. I should also mention Fred Yip's car for the weekend. He was in a Ford Focus RS. Although it looked ungainly, it was doing very well and Fred had a best lap of 2:09.57. Mark Rondeau was working with Mark Curran, and apparently he was still contagious as now the Curran car was not running well and he was done.

The rest of the morning was uneventful. Although RA-1's were still working well we had decided to switch back to the Bridgestone RE-71R tires for timed runs over lunch. After the tires were on it was time for the drivers meeting to review the timed lap procedures.



After the meeting Justine had her final session and then I went out to familiarize myself with the new tires. I just did an out lap and then 2 fast laps and came in. The tires felt well and I dropped to a 2:06.97. Steve skipped his last session to save tread and soon it was a call to the grid for timed runs.

There was some close competition, but for TTOD there was no competition. Dwain Dement's CC16 turbocharged Cup car threw down 2 laps under 1:50 with his best at 1:49.21 and the winner was crowned. He also took the top BRI result for a clean sweep. Next went to Jad Duncan's CC13 996 at 1:56.09 just ahead of Gabriel Shadid's M3 at 1:56.19 and Michael Brown's CC16 Turbo at 1:57.71. Jerry Hoffman's CC14 911 was 4<sup>th</sup> at



1:58.03 and then Roland Schmidt's CC16 911 at 1:58.24. Chris MacDuff's CC12 Boxster was next at 1:58.33 followed by Rick Levenson's CC15 GT3 at 1:59.66, Marcus Kramer's CC14 911 at 2:00.11 and Chad Carnevale's CC14 GT3 at 2:01.05. These were impressive times when you take the warm weather into consideration.

Steve was up first for timed runs and turned a 2:02.90 for his best lap. After a quick driver swap I was back out on the grid waiting my turn. After just missing the previous group I was flagged off in the next group. First lap went well and was a 2:06.49. I was pushing harder and did well until the bowl when I got a little loose and had to back out for a 2:06.66 for my second lap. Hoped to be faster but at least that was my best lap of the weekend.



In 944 Spec Dave Diamond turned a 2:11.93 to beat Patrick Sloan. In CC04 Bill Behun's SC turned a 2:15.95 to beat Mike Miller's Boxster. In CC06 Adam Gill's Boxster had a 2:08.78 to beat Aspasia Zouras in her Boxster. CC07 had a bunch of mechanicals and no one ran for times.

In CC08 Bill Ibbetson's 968 had a 2:06.41 to beat Tami and Dave Hockett's Cayman. In CC10 Ethan Dahlkamp's Boxster turned a 2:01.17 to nip Matt Bernath's Boxster S at 2:01.96. In CC12 Chris MacDuff's Boxster led Bruce Wing and Jim Duncan. In SS06 Shawn Flanagan's Cayman R had a 2:07.77 to beat Andrew Raines' Cayman R. And in SS09 Doug Moreland's GT3 turned a 2:15.69 to beat Mike Moreland.

As timed runs were winding down we were loading up the car and the trailer to head back to San Diego. When we got back to Black Forest to unload the car, there were 3 other 911's to keep Steve busy before our next event at Buttonwillow in mid-November. And we will be back at Chuckwalla in late January, start planning now.



San Diego Region



## **Concours 10-1-16**





Remember that 2002 Boxster S racecar Steve Grosekemper was building? Well she is mine now and her name is Mary Beth after my mom whose inheritance paid for part of her.

Getting a new car is like starting a new relationship. It's exciting and scary and unknown. You know basically how everything is supposed to work but it's not familiar. You don't know where to put the jack to raise the car, where does the oil go and how much? Does it feel right? I don't know? What is right? Then there is performance anxiety. You are supposed to know how to do this and everyone is watching to see if you do. I got to drive her for the first time in an autocross the day after my birthday, June 12. It was not my best outing. I hadn't driven an autocross in many years and it showed. I am used to the big tracks that I know well. To make matters worse it was one of the newfangled tracks with hardly any cones. I nearly killed a corner worker twice! I could not see the track and I was trying to learn a new car and a new track at the same time. The biggest problem for me was the power steering. Up until this time I had driven an '87 911 Targa. A beautiful air cooled car with no power steering or ABS brakes. I was used to throwing the

car around to get it to go where I wanted. That technique did not work so well with the Boxster. Steve was on hand to help with adjustments. I don't even know my times and would prefer not to. I'll blame it on bad tires! Next up was the July Autocross. Steve had done more work to the car and she was ready for another outing. Ralph Linares was my co-driver. He could tell Steve what he was feeling and instruct me in how to manage the new car. We were in the Southeast lot for this event and the steering was better. This time it was the braking that was the problem. For 11 years I have tried very hard NOT to lock up my brakes and flat spot my tires. Brake early and be safe. Not anymore! Now I was being told to go all out much later into a turn and then slam on the brakes. I tried. Even got close to Ralph for a few laps! Back to the shop for more work. One more Autocross in August and then it was time to get ready for the big track, Chuckwalla Oct. 15-16. No excuses about tires or not knowing the track, this time it was all me. We knew the car was fast but could I be fast in the car? Not at first. I got the car ready with a little help from Steve the weekend before. Hitch and trailer, car packed and I was ready to go. The plan was for

Ralph and Andrew Raines and I to head out the 8 on our way to Blythe on Friday afternoon. Ralph got caught up in jury duty so Andrew and I set out alone. It was a nice easy ride. Next morning we were up bright and early (ok it was actually dark) to be one of the first in line at the track when it opened at 6:30. Setting up the car was odd. I had no idea what to do. I was so used to setting up Stella (my 911 – the street car I desire) but I had not even thought about what I needed to do to Mary Beth. Ralph and Steve helped me out. Turns out it is a lot easier to get Mary Beth ready for the track. I was out in Orange and the car felt a bit loose in the back end. Of course I had

it was supposed to feel like. Steve had told me he had set it up so I just expected this was what I had to get used to. I took my student out in the second Orange session and managed a spectacular spin after turn 9 and keeping all 4

no idea what

COST.

wheels on the track. She feigned car sickness and stayed out of my car the rest of the weekend. Oh well. I came back in and Steve showed me how to adjust the rear sway bars. We were making them longer to soften the rear end and give me more stick. I am a bit clumsy and this was not as easy as it sounded but after raising the car higher and burning myself (note to self – don't touch metal on a hot car on a hot day in the desert) I managed to get it done. The car did feel better but it was still a bit loose. Steve took it out the last run session of the day and came back in asking how I could even keep the car on the track it was set

up so poorly. Well I had told him the rear end seemed a bit loose. There was also an exhaust leak which I did not hear. Again, I have no idea how the car should sound on the track so I just thought the deep throaty growl was my fast new race car! Wrong – it was an exhaust leak. That night Steve and Ralph helped me (actually I watched but I offered to help) adjust the front sway bars and repair the exhaust. After some great BBQ in Blyth and a good night's sleep it was time to see what she could do. Steve took her out in the first red session and after 3 laps came in and decided she was all set. Boy was he right. Wow did she feel good. Like a new car! Adjust-

ments were amazing and my times dropped. I didn't have any adjustable parts on Stella so this too is new for me. So much to learn and so little time. Before I knew it the weekend was over but my love affair with my new car is just begin-

ning. I can't wait for Buttonwillow and to learn the nuances of Mary Beth. Stella is going to the "spa" to have a makeover and be brought back to the pristine near concours car that she should be. No more track time for her. From now on it will be just me and Mary Beth learning how to dance around the track with one another. Thanks again Steve for building me the perfect car. I only hope one day I can drive her to her full potential.











## Membership

#### **New Members**

Christian Balzer San Diego, CA 2013 911 Carrera S Cabriolet

Johnny Blankenship San Diego, CA 2010 911 Carrera

Art Bowen San Diego, CA 2014 911 Carrera 4S Cabriolet

Rodger Bright San Diego, CA 2005 911 Carrera

James Brown & Nancy Brown Fallbrook, CA 1994 968 Coupe

Dale Christensen La Jolla, CA 1979 911 SC Targa

Tim Coats Carlsbad, CA 2016 Cayman GT4 Coupe

Ricardo Da Rosa & Hanna Da Rosa San Diego, CA 2014 911 Turbo

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Steven Elia San Diego, CA 2010 Panamera 4S

Kevin Hoehn Carlsbad, CA 2014 Panamera

Randye Howard Fallbrook, CA 2000 911 Carrera Cabriolet

Max Jacobs Santee, CA 2016 Panamera Edition Stuart Kass Encinitas, CA 2017 911 Carrera 2+2

Ron Kelly Rancho Santa Fe, CA 2014 911 Carrera S 991

Martin Martinez National City, CA 2012 911 Carrera S

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Bill Neff San Diego, CA 1969 911E

Tim Polacek Carlsbad, CA 2003 911 Carrera 4 Cabriolet

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Todd Schneider San Diego, CA 2013 Boxster S

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Billyjoe Travis San Diego, CA 2014 Cayman S

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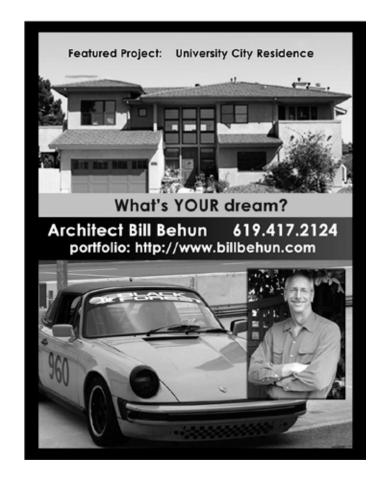
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## SDR Winter Formal January 14, 2017



Come one, come all to our 2017 PCASDR Member Winter Formal (a.ka. Porsche Prom) at the Hotel Del Coronado. This is the first event to kick off the 60 Year Diamond Anniversary of Porsche Club of America, San Diego Region! Our Winter Formal is an opportunity to get dressed up (formal), meet new members, connect with old friends, have delicious dinner and drinks, and dance the night away! Let us roll out the red carpet for you, and celebrate the evening in style! We will have a formal red carpet style photographer there to snap your photos with our PCASDR backdrop. Dinner and wine will be served, and our favorite band, Superbad will top off the night with some funk and disco tunes to help us dance the night away! This evening is even more special as we will also be celebrating the Board Members of 2016 and all of our club accomplishments, and then welcoming and introducing our 2017 Board, so that you can get to know all of the volunteers who will be serving you in 2017. This joyous event will take place on Saturday, January 14, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m.

We are hosting this evening of dinner, dancing, and celebration at the infamous Hotel Del Coronado! Hotel del Coronado is an iconic destination at the Pacific's edge just minutes from downtown San Diego. Its Coronado Island setting captures the relaxed beauty and seaside charms of the quintessential Southern California coastal lifestyle. We will be dining and celebrating in the exquisite Crown Room, ornamented with crown chandeliers designed by The Wonderful Wizard of Oz author L. Frank Baum, original wood walls and ceiling.

The cost of this event is \$100 per person and includes a lavish 3 course dinner by award winning chefs at The Hotel Del, 2 glasses of wine, photos at the event, and entertainment. New member certificates are welcome and encouraged! We have received discounted parking as well. Self park for \$15 per car, or valet for \$20 per car.

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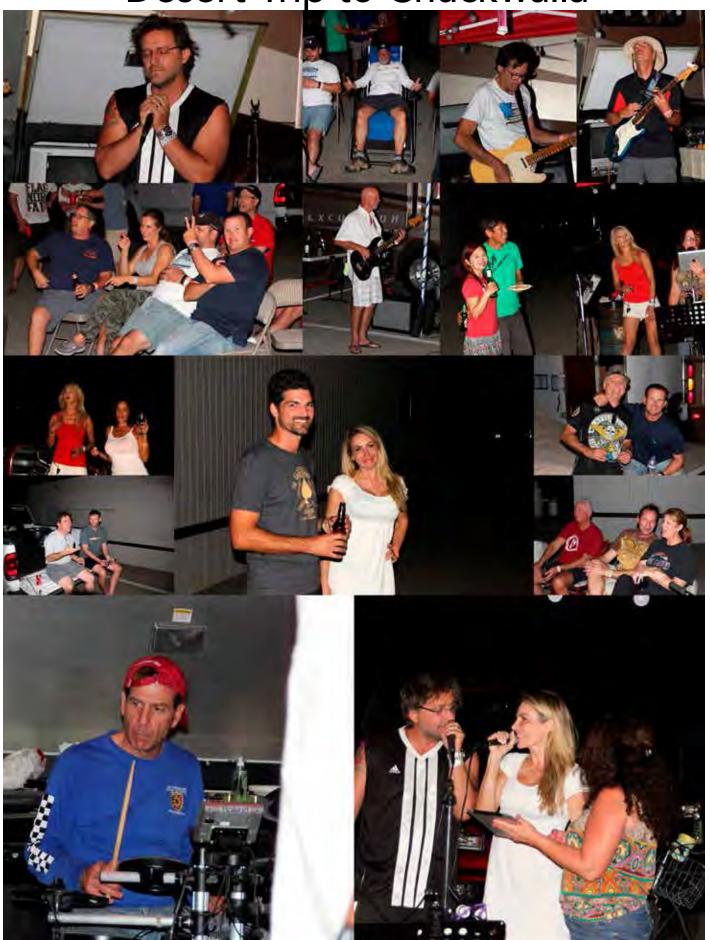


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