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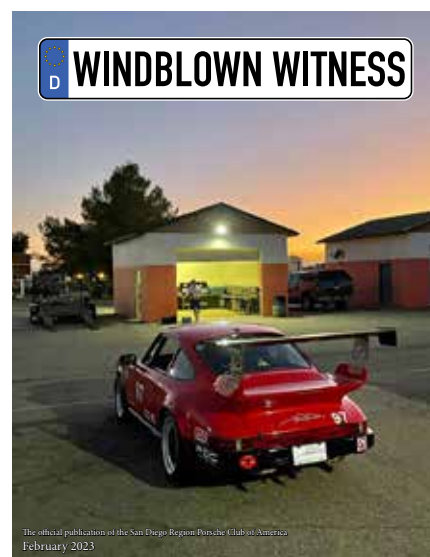
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At the end of a Willow Springs track day
by Greg Phillips

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Through The Windshield

Tom Brown
SDR President

Another new year is upon us. The third stone from the sun has made yet another circuit of the heavens. Along with that comes the usual changes. The first thing I'd like to emphasize is that we are short a few volunteers. For example, we could use a Webmaster. If you are familiar with WordPress and want to keep the site current with event photos, a few articles, and other misc. items, this job is for you! (Note, calendar updates are already being handled.) Do you like to help others who are less fortunate? We could use a new Charity Chair to plan and direct how we give back to our community. Do you frequent our events, not just one type, but most of them? How would you like to submit a short monthly summary to our national magazine, Panorama? If you are a social media whiz, you could also keep our Facebook and Instagram accounts up-to-date. Good at selling? Our Witness team can use an advertising sales manager. Fortunately, billing is already handled; we need someone to find more ads to fill up the pages. Finally, and so very important, our social team could still use some help. If you like to throw a party, this is a job you can't turn down. Our social events are so much fun—please join the team. If you have any interest or questions about these positions, please write me at president@pcasdr.org

Speaking of change, we started a new program at the end of the year (Steve Eisler's brilliant idea), rewarding long-term members with a discount coupon for our events. Every fifth anniversary you can expect to receive this appreciation award. Our goal is to thank you for your membership and encourage you to try new events. Be sure that your email address is accurate on www.pca.org (our national club website), as we will be notifying you by email.

A question about our board meeting minutes has arisen. The bylaws require that they be published in the Witness, this magazine. As the Witness is only published quarterly, is this soon enough for the minutes? Is it timely? Would you like to see them posted on the website? Or sent via email? Or is it just fine the way things are? We've never received a complaint, as far as I know, but it seems prudent to ask the question. Let me know if you'd like to see a change: president@pcasdr.org

I want to take a moment to remind you that a lot of what we do is made possible by our sponsors. As you read through this, you will see advertisements from local establishments. When you attend events or see event ads and flyers, you will see or hear about the local businesses supporting these events. If you patronize them, be sure to thank them. Let them know you are a club member. Let them know you saw their ad in the Witness. Tell them "Thank you" for supporting an event you enjoyed. I'm sure they'd like to hear about

the event and how wonderful it was. The more they hear back from you about how much their support is appreciated and how much we promote their companies, the more likely they will keep supporting us. Anything you can do to help with this vital aspect of our club's community relations would be much appreciated.

Speaking of community relations, I'd also like to impress upon you the importance of maintaining our club's image and protecting our reputation. When attending our events, please remember that your actions reflect on the club. Acting appropriately and not abusing the situation protects our image and ensures our access to event venues. We wouldn't be able to hold events if the property owners were to decide we are no longer welcome. Actions have consequences, so let's ensure we are doing the right thing. Thank you.

Here is another request for volunteers, but of a different type! We need hosts for our two annual Progressive Dinners. If you have not attended one of these, they are fantastic. As the name suggests, they are dinner events where the participants move around the county. Each dinner typically requires three venues: Appetizer, Main Course, and Dessert. We want to do one in the South/Central part of the county and the other in North County, so it doesn't matter where you live; we'll make the event fit your location. Space is required for 60-80 people, but we'll bring in the catered food and drink and (for the main course) tables and chairs. We need your house. (It helps if you have street parking for the cars, too, of course!) If you would like to be a part of these amazing events, please write: president@pcasdr.org

2023 sees California hosting two world-class Porsche events. The first I'll mention is RennSport Reunion, a reunion that Porsche (the company) hosts every few years in Monterey, where they gather an incredible cornucopia of Porsche vehicles (both street and race) as well as Porsche race car drivers from around the world and across the eras. This is an incredible display of living history, all about Porsche and the fabulous automobiles they make. This is the world's largest gathering of Porsche vehicles and usually sets attendance records at the Laguna Seca racetrack, which hosts this magnificent event. Admission tickets are already on sale on the Laguna Seca website. The only problem, of course, is that hotels quickly become scarce in Monterey and its environs, so if you haven't already, I would start looking immediately. September 28 to October 1 are the dates to remember.

The other major Porsche happening this year is our club's national convention, the annual Porsche Parade, which is coming to southern California. It will be held in La Quinta, June 18 to 24. As I said, this event is hosted by PCA (the club) and

it moves around the country yearly. The last time it was this close was in 2007. By the time you read this, registration will already be open (it opens February 1), guaranteeing your spot and allowing you to book a hotel room. (You must book through our private link to get into our room block with our discount hotel pricing.) More information about this will be coming to you by email. But that's not all! Don't forget that registration will continue on April 5, when you pick the events you want to participate in.

Speaking of email: Please, please, visit www.pca.org to ensure your contact information is correct. If your email is wrong in our database, you will not receive our emails. While you are there, check the email address for your co-member. Both of you should receive our emails. That way, you can be "in the know" about all the mind-blowing activities and other information from your favorite club. (If you don't have an account on www.pca.org, it is time to create one!) Once you have logged in, click on your name (upper right) and then, on the left, click on "Edit My Profile" to

review the information. There is another link there: Manage Communications. Use this link to select which emails you would like to receive from the club: Local (that's us!), Zone, or National. Please check and ensure the settings are what you want them to be. I suggest you keep all of them turned on; you can always delete the emails. It's always frustrating when people don't receive our emails only to find out it is because they were accidentally disabled.

I'll close with the reminder that I am still looking for volunteers—webmaster, social media, social events, Witness advertising, charity, and Panorama submissions. And Progressive dinner hosts too! Please write if interested or if you have questions: president@pcasdr.org

2023 is going to be another terrific year for PCA-SDR. See you at the next event! 🦅



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The PCA-SDR Forum

By Steve Grosekemper

So what exactly is “The Forum?”

The forum, to be exact, is the PCA-SDR member message board that was developed for SDR member communication about events and all things Porsche.

Some crafty, forward-thinking SDR members started this board back in the summer of 2004, when Mark Zuckerberg was still at Harvard and Facebook was still in its infancy. We didn’t have social media as we do today, and the club newsletter took much longer to put together than it does now, and obviously wasn’t online, so fresh information was only relatively fresh.

We were not the first Porsche message board by any stretch of the imagination. Rennlist.com was and still is the king of Porsche message boards, starting way back in 1999 as a website and message board. But it is really huge and serves a national and world market. We wanted something more personal, San Diego related, and easily managed by SDR volunteers.

So the PCA-SDR Forum message board was born. Your current three Forum Administration team members were part of the original members back in the summer of 2004. Back then, the forum was open to anyone interested in Porsches. But over the years we got overrun by individuals attempting to use the forum for financial gain and general web evilness. There were unsolicited ads, spam, and personal attacks by tiny, tiny people hiding behind web aliases.

But all that has changed. Several years ago, the board of directors asked us to correct these issues, and now the forum is only for members of PCA (and primarily for SDR). You must provide a valid PCA membership number to join, which we verify before activating any account. We prefer if your profile name matches your membership name, but it is not required. However, if you use a “handle” you must have a signature file attached to every post so everyone can see who is posting. (This is done automatically in the program). After all, the reason for the forum is community, so we should make it easy for people to get to know who you are on-line and continue the relationship in person at events.

So why would you even want to take a look at the Forum anyway?

The Forum lists information for virtually all our events. This is where the event chairs go to post about registration being open, additional information, and last-minute changes concerning the event. Like when you wake up to a downpour in Cardiff and wonder if the Concours in south bay was cancelled or not. The concours chair can post from his smartphone, “Just a couple puddles on the way down but blue skies at the event site!”

Yes, the main SDR-website is loaded with information and pictures, so why do we need the forum? Mainly because the forum and the main SDR sites are hosted on different servers, so if one goes down, we don’t lose our only vital online link to our membership. Like when the main site goes down for maintenance the webmaster can post “Site down for maintenance midnight to 9 A.M. tomorrow”. Also, the Forum is very easy to use and very informal, making community in the club much easier.

There are also pictures posted from events, links to spy photos of the latest Porsche, as well as info on Porsche-related non-PCA events. Anything that is of interest to our SDR membership is on the forum.

There are four areas: General, Technical, Classifieds and F.A.Q.’s, and here are some of the thread titles:

General: Photos/results for all events, New Z8 rules, Car show, Swap meet, TT in-car video, Rennsport, Porsche Parade, Concours school, etc.

Technical: 964 oil leak, TPMS failure, 16” tire options, Boxster track pads, air bag failure, clutch bleeding, paint-less dent repair etc.

F.A.Q: New posting rules, inserting avatars and images, Membership requirements.

Classifieds: The Classifieds are no longer posted on the forum, they are hosted on the main club web site, but we have an easy link here that you can follow to see if anyone is selling that set of 19” 991 wheels you have been looking for, after you have checked out the latest new posts. Remember that the main club web site at <https://pcasdr.org/> is on a different server, and if you are going to interact there, you need a separate set of login credentials. Your forum username and password does not work there!

So why would you want to register and join the forum when you can just go on-line and see what is new?

Well, seeing what’s new is easier said than done. When you register you have a profile that tracks what you have looked at and gives you additional options. When you look at a thread Monday and go back to see what’s new on Thursday, it only lists the threads/posts that have been added since your last visit. It even starts you reading where you left off on longer threads.

You can also add a feature that will notify you by email if someone comments on a post that you are interested in tracking. Non-members cannot post to the forum or use any of the additional features.

Registering for the Forum:

By now I am sure you are as excited about the forum as I am and can’t wait to join in on the fun!

OK—let’s get started. Log onto the forum page at: <http://forum.pcasdr.org/index.php>

In the upper right corner is the current date and just above that is a link that says Register. Click the Register link and start the process. It will ask you your age and then show you terms and conditions of joining. (Pretty much be nice on-line and no commercial posting—read these rules to keep yourself out of trouble later). Now it’s going to ask you a series of questions:

First question is to choose a username. This is the name you will log on with and what will show up on your postings. I suggest using your real name as this makes things easier down the line. But some people have a handle or nickname they like to use. It will ask you to select a password. Make it easy so you won’t forget it. You can use your PCA profile or Motorsports Registration password to keep things easy. The forum is not connected to either of these databases so there will be no conflicts. Enter your PCA membership number, join date, and so on. After you hit the submit button your application process is started, and one of the Forum team members checks to make sure you are who you say you are and verifies your membership. This process usually takes from 24 minutes to 24 hours. (We are volunteers with jobs and lives after all).

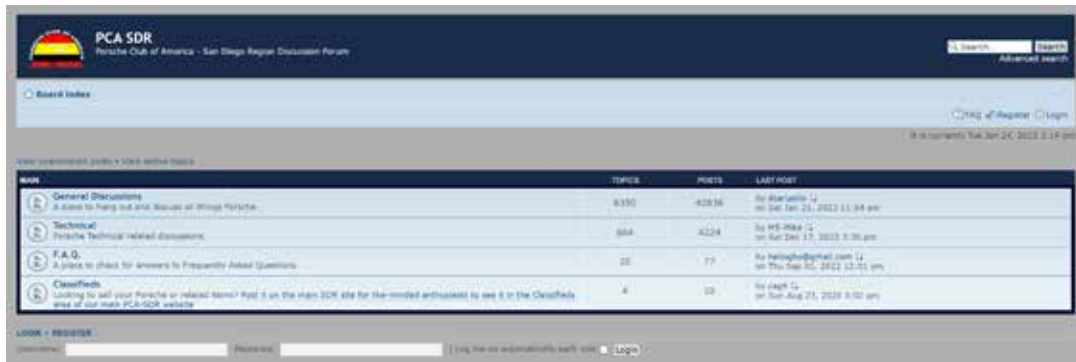
Accepted!

When your account is approved, you will get an email from the forum. Congratulations, you have been accepted! Now what? So here is a little insight in making your forum experience a bit smoother:

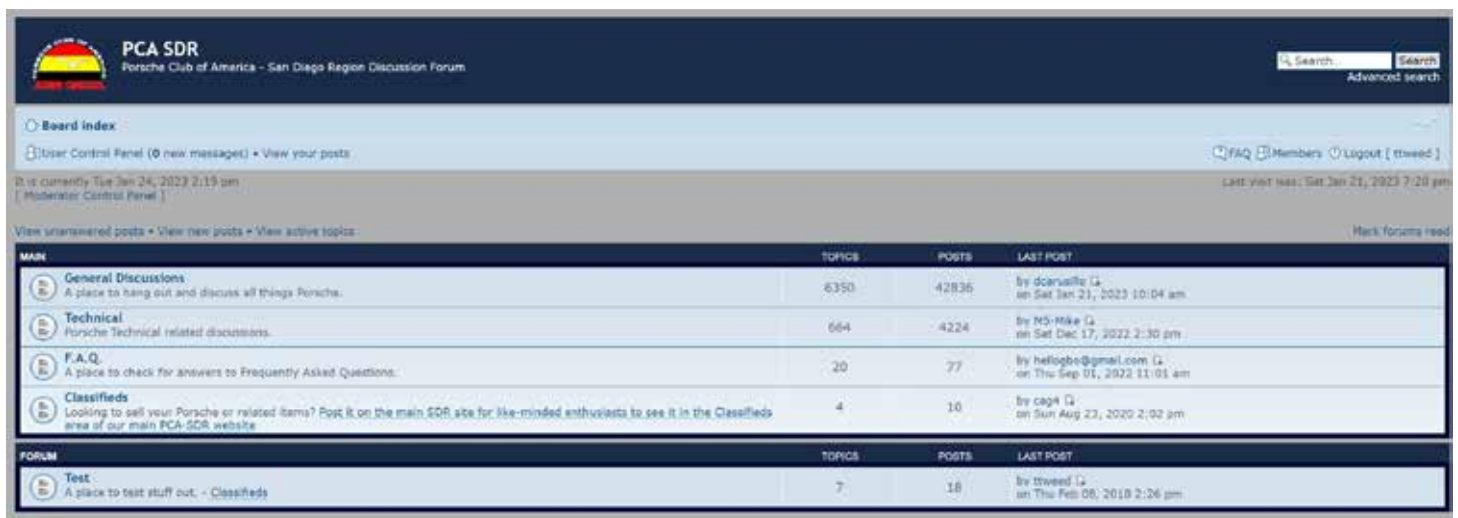
The fast lane:

While you are logging onto the site, hit the “Log me on with each visit” button.

Then you can just click your desktop icon or favorites tab and get right to your account on the forum. On your first visit, spend some time and look around at all the topics that interest you. Then hit the “Mark Forums Read” tab below your name and last visit date in the upper right-hand corner. That will reset your account telling the site you have read all the 7000+ topics and 47,000+ posts (not kidding here). When you go back to the forum on your next visit, hit the “view new topics” button in the upper left-hand section below the current date. When you do this, only the posts that have been added since your last visit will show up on the front page. If you looked at time trial videos yesterday and someone posted a new link last night, it will take you right to it today. You can always go back to the board index to find old stuff at any time, but this “view new topics” button really makes things easier to browse the latest posts.



Forum page as it looks before joining (public view)



Forum page as it looks for a member with additional features (Member view)

A little customization...

The purpose of the forum is really to communicate with members and get to know people online so you can continue that relationship in person. A little user customization makes this easier. With additions of pictures and descriptions you can be more easily recognized at events. Go into your profile and you can add things like a signature line, which you must have if your username is different than your real name. Here is mine:

Steve Grosekemper #97
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Lots of information there—name, car number, club duties, personal website, and cars.

There is a 255-character limit and I used them all!

You can also add an avatar which is just a picture that describes you. Cars are good, a head shot also works so people can pick you out of the crowd at the next last Tuesday social. Some people have cartoons or caricatures; it really doesn't matter as long as you could show it to your mom or 8-year-old daughter. The image must be less than 25kb and 150 pixels square.



Pull out your phone and take a quick look. You know you are dying to!

That's the quick run-through. Get started and look around the site. I am sure you will find it to be a valuable tool to help you enjoy the club and all it has to offer. 

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October Board Meeting

Tuesday October 4, 2022

Location: Veloce Motors/The Vault, 9340 Dowdy Drive #102, San Diego, CA 92126

Attendees: Anastasia Berta, Rob Walker (Zoom), Ann Archibald, Ian McIntyre, Eric Marc-Aurele, Steve Eisler, Rhonda Hicks, Tom Brown

Call to order at 7:02 P.M.

President's Message

I am pleased to announce the winners of the election for the 2023 Board of Directors. In alphabetical order they are Tom Brown, Eric Marc-Aurele, Ian McIntyre, and Fred Yip. A big thank you to all of the candidates who participated, and thank you Ann and Rhonda for assisting me in counting the vote. We received a total of 129 votes, as shown in the table:

	Primary Members		Family Members
Totals			
By Mail	52	20	72
Electronically	38	19	57
Totals	90	39	129

Prior to this meeting, the 2023 Board voted on Board positions for next year. The President, VP, Treasurer, Secretary, and Members-at-Large for 2023 are:

President: Tom

VP: Eric

Treasurer: Ian

Secretary: Fred Yip

Anastasia will be proposing some changes to our protocol to better protect voter privacy that she will circulate to the Board. The board will vote on the proposal at the next Board meeting.

65th Anniversary Party: Over 250 people have signed up for the 65th Anniversary Party this Saturday October 8! There are many more who wanted to come, but Luftgekuhlt is Sunday, October 9 and many members who are attending that will be trailering their cars there Saturday. We have a nice breezy expansive area at the top of Kate Sessions Park. No private wine will be allowed, but wine will be provided at the venue; security marshals will be there, a fence will be placed to limit entry to members, etc. We are still looking for a photographer.

The twice weekly Consolidated email is now up and running. Headings in the email for events that require registration are direct links to sign up on the Motorsportreg.com

registration page for the associated event.

New chairs request: Tom & Bev Gould have been named National Parade Rally Co-Chairs, starting with the 2023 Parade in Palm Springs. Therefore, they are stepping down from chairing the Charity Committee, and Bev is stepping down as Webmaster. So, we are looking for someone to take over as Webmaster, and we need a new Charity Chair as well. Tom also says we need a Windblown Witness Advertising Manager to handle the contracts, get new advertisers, work with the advertisers and work with the Sponsorship Team, as well. Anyone interested in any of these positions, please speak with either the current President (Anastasia) or President-Elect (Tom Brown).

Secretary

Approval of September Minutes

VOTE: To approve the September board meeting minutes: M/S/P

Treasurer

Review and Approval of Treasurer's Report

VOTE: To approve Treasurer's Report for September: M/S/P

Willow Springs DE/TT was the only real event for September, so not too many costs shown in Sept., and the accounts stayed relatively stable.

A proposal for Anniversary Gift Certificate processing was handed out to the board. Steve presented a method of notifying people what certificate they are getting, how to use it, and transferring the cash to their preferred destination. Ian took over and broke this down into all the possible scenarios in how to transfer money. Since this is a procedure implementing results from a previous vote, a vote is not required for adoption.

New Business

PCA National is now supporting Dual Memberships. Chapters can elect to either: 1) charge the full \$46 for the additional Chapter, or 2) offer a discounted rate for the add-on. Because the second option requires manually adding dual members to all the e-blasts, San Diego Region will adopt option #1; this option is still a very low cost for an annual membership, which also allows adding a family member to San Diego as the additional chapter at no additional price. In addition, we give new members a \$30 welcome certificate, and we are now giving \$75 anniversary gifts

every 5 years, so retaining the full membership charge is reasonable.

Rennsport Reunion VII is September 28 to October 1, 2023. As the last reunion was in 2018, VII is expected to be huge! It's also going to be the 75th anniversary of Rennsport, and the 60th anniversary of the 911. Anastasia submitted an option on a Premier Pit Row Suite, which accommodates up to 40 people. Price with breakfast, lunch, snacks, and all beverages included for all three days is expected to be around \$1962 per person, which gives the club a small profit per person. Anastasia proposed that we send out an exploratory pre-registration to determine whether we could definitely fill the suite with at least 30 people.

Those who pre-registered would be charged a \$1000 per person deposit. If we get at least 20 preregistrations before the deadline to put the deposit down on the Premier Pit Row Suite itself, we would move forward with a deposit to secure the suite and all deposits will be final and non-refundable. If we do not reach at least 20 preregistrations, then the preregistration deposits will be refundable upon request. The deadline to obtain the premier suite is Nov. 1st for the nonrefundable deposit of \$15K. The total bill for our members, would be \$1962/person * 30 people, and we can expand from 30 to 40 people. Once we put down the \$15K for the suite itself on 1 Nov, all deposits are non-refundable.

John Bell: Steve from Dana Point, John Straub, and I rent the same house, and would like to host a SDR party up there.

VOTE: That we conduct pre-registration for Premier Pit Row Hospitality

Suite at Rennsport Reunion VII to determine viability to secure the suite: M/S/P

Chair Reports

Sponsorship

Michael Zurich sent his sponsorship proposal to board members. He noted that we can zoom between meetings, if people want an explanation. Tom was not sure we need a vote, but agreed a discussion may be in order, sometime next week after the party.

Social

Anastasia formally requested the date of Sunday, November 27 for the Volunteer Appreciation Party and a budget of \$100 per person. The party will be at Lions, Tigers, and

Bears which will start with an optional driving convoy to the venue, followed by a feeding tour of the facility and a wonderful Brunch prepared by Chef Ron Oliver. \$5k is required for the park reservation and entry, then she will do the food budget accordingly.

VOTE: To approve Nov 27 for the Volunteer Appreciation Party: M/S/P

Progressive dinner: Victoria noted she will send updates if necessary or need to request replacement entries. She will send the info to Ann for insurance.

DE/TT

Update from Mark Curran

Event at WS, Big Willow, 62 drivers, no incidents, no reason to contact PCA National, team goes above and beyond. Good weather. Heat wave was over by then. Made \$4000-4500 profit.

For our upcoming event in under 3 weeks, at CW, we have 95 participants signed up. Will likely get over 100, typical for CW.

Track dates for next year. We gave our 1, 2, 3 choices to CW and WS. WS has locked in their dates. CW will get back in touch in a week. Buttonwillow will be one of 3 weekends in Nov. They're not yet ready to prepare for scheduling.

Budget questions. Someone looking at the reconciliation asked how the budget went up for "workers". More corner workers were assigned than originally proposed, Mark replied. Price went from \$1700 to \$2220. He noted it was worth having the extra corner workers.

Any concerns about attendance? We expected 80 and got 60... We always get a good turnout at CW. He noted that some of the slowness, and reduction is likely due to AX being on hiatus for several years; it's a feeder program, so we may be losing people that way.

Second factor, long time participants are retiring from racing.

Third factors, we're developing a lot of really good drivers, some of whom are graduating and getting into racing.

We do have 3 dates locked in at WS, 2 at Big Willow, one at Streets, but will wait for the full track plans to be finalized before publishing.

We may want to grow our current 7 track events per year; maybe ask CW for a fourth date expanding it to 8 a year.

In our last January event, the military had scooped up all the CW cabins. This year, Mark guaranteed the track that we will buy all of the cabins for all our events. So, even if military comes in, they'll be told it's already booked.

Mark: They're going to start up a new PCA region in Coachella Valley. Randy F, who is starting up the new region, asked if they could observe our track events. He anticipated 20 cars of spectators; do you mind us observing the event? They would come out on a Saturday while we're at Chuckwalla; would pay the entry fees themselves, separate from our event.

AX

Update from Anastasia

We are close to finalizing dates with Snapdragon stadium. Need another week, not solidified on dates, yet. We are working with the AX committee. We have the same arrangement as with Qualcomm, even with the same people, but now under SDSU instead of City of San Diego.

No news on EVOC. Michael is still waiting for pavement to cure, 4-8 weeks depending on weather.

Tour Chairs

Ian: Date request 11/20

VOTE: To approve 20 Nov for the next driving tour: M/S/P

Ian has received emails from enthusiastic/disgruntled EV, Taycan drivers, saying they need more information on how far the drive will be, where to go to support refueling their cars. Going forward, the registration will include EV comments, will be a half way stop around here...

We should cite "EV Friendly" when we can on our invites.

In the case of EV, if they've driven an hour just to get to the start point, they may need to recharge their vehicles before the tour, closer to the start location.

Richard Trang: update on new tour venues: PECLA was a good turnout, 48 signed up, only 18 showed up. It's a long drive, so he thought that turnout was pretty good. His alarm got turned off, so he arrived late... Good tour, no traffic, group stayed between two lanes, long line on the street waiting to get in, but everyone got in. He stayed for lunch; not all do.

This month's PECLA tour has only about 18 registrants

right now.

The cars and coffee at Fish Market went well; 43 or 48 cars came out. A lot of people liked the idea of moving it around. Two 356s showed up. Very nice, bought some cones from Amazon, to limit the number of other cars mixed in with us, but only as a courtesy; nobody was prevented from parking.

Anastasia: I had a nice conversation with Jessie about not meeting at the bakery every month; we do need to ensure we do at least one at the bakery this upcoming year, and notify them ahead of time.

Richard has tried to get coffee trucks to the Cars and Coffee venues, but they're reluctant. A couple responded, had prearrangements with Farmer's Market, but it was suggested that one person said they could do it on a Sunday, but wanted a \$500 guarantee.

VOTE: To approve up to \$500 to get a coffee truck out to the Cars and Coffee venue: M/S/P

Garrett: Requested 12/3 for an off-road tour.

VOTE: To approve 12/3 for off-road tour: M/S/P

Membership

Update from Rhonda

2933 members now. See the report. Still growing, well on our way to the target of 3000 members by the end of the year.

LTS

Malcolm: Malcolm provided some feedback to the restaurant from participants. The restaurant agreed that Tuesday was not the best evening, per their meat deliveries.

Next month, he is hoping to get a private room at True Foods in Fashion Valley.

Tech Chair

No one has yet agreed to host the tech session to explain all the parts of the tech check list for our track events.

Anything Else?

Adjournment

Thanks to The Vault!

Next Meeting: Tuesday November 1 @ The Vault



November Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 1, 2022

Location: Veloce Motors/The Vault, 9340 Dowdy Drive #102, San Diego, CA 92126

Attendees: Anastasia Berta, Rob Walker (Zoom), Ann Archibald, Ian McIntyre, Eric Marc-Aurele, Steve Eisler, Rhonda Hicks

Call to order at 7:05 P.M.

President's Message

Our 65th Anniversary party on Saturday October 8 was a tremendous success, with almost 300 attendees. We had perfect weather, the band & DJ were great, and the food by Chef Ron was amazing! Anastasia offered a huge thanks to our volunteers, especially Tom B who schlepped the kegs, Ryan M & Keith R who assembled the stage, Jufael G who helped with AM set up, Mark & Michelle H who ran the kids tent, Ann A, Angela A, Gisele G, and Liz W who did admissions, and Malcolm, Jim Binford, Mike Miller, Richard T & Eric M-A who took photos, and many others without whose help we could not have gotten it all done!

Secretary

Approval of September Minutes

VOTE: To approve Sept Minutes: M/S/P

Treasurer

Review and Approval of Treasurer's Report

Ian provided a Profit/Loss statement for YTD 10 months as a handout at the meeting.

Steve noted that the DE/TT income was \$48K, but included a \$14,500 deposit prepaid for next month's Button-willow event, which should not count for October. \$33K came in from MSREG yesterday, leaving the CW DE/TT net at about \$8K.

VOTE: To approve Treasurer's Report: M/S/P

New Business

1) Porsche Prom Budget

Our Porsche Prom will be held Saturday, January 14 at Humphrey's Shelter Island. We will be taking over the whole restaurant. The registration price will be \$120 per person. Anastasia requested a Budget of up to \$12,000 for

extras (\$14,929 last year). This price should cover everything as long as we have 125 people who attend.

Steve asked if we had the initial budget form for the event. Anastasia replied that she does have a budget, but it isn't ready to share. She also noted that she has already hired the band, knows what the dinner will cost, and the anticipated bar charge for the first hour, so her estimate should be solid.

VOTE: To approve budget of up to \$12K subsidy for the Porsche Prom: M/S/P

2) Volunteer Appreciation Party Budget Change:

Anastasia originally requested a budget of \$100/head, but would like to change the request to an overall budget of up to \$12,500 total (\$12,550 last year). The event venue plus rentals is costing \$6,500; the remaining \$6,000 would be for food, beverages, and service. So far, we only have 35 people signed up. More may sign up, but this is too close to wait for final numbers to ensure we can pay for it.

VOTE: To approve budget of up to \$12,500 for Volunteer Party: M/S/P

3) Rennsport Hospitality Premier Pit Row

The venue has agreed to exchange or refund already purchased tickets so members can buy tickets to our hospitality suite. The price will be finalized once the catering menu has been released, but Anastasia is anticipating around \$1900/head for Premier Pit Row tickets plus all food and drink in suite. At this price we should make a small profit. Breakfast, lunch, snacks, all drinks (alcoholic and non). They are allowing people to request their already purchased tickets be moved to an account for the hospitality suite; the remaining charges to participants for suite participation will have to be paid separately to the account.

A question led to further explanation of the costs. The total cost for the suite for 30-40 people is \$30K; extra funds are required for the catering, and 30 people at \$1900 or \$1962 should cover it. A deposit of half (\$15K) is required to hold the hospitality suite; the other \$15K is due 60 days prior to the event start, and the catering and other amenities are due from PCA-SDR separately.

VOTE: To approve an immediate deposit of \$15,000 to reserve the hospitality suite (remainder due next year, 60 days prior to the event): M/S/P

4) Event Reconciliations to Drop Box

We will now require that all events submit a reconciliation report to be added to DropBox.

We need a folder on our DropBox account for reconciliation reports. All such reports must be submitted to the Treasurer. The Treasurer will ensure the reports are posted to the DropBox folder.

Chair Reports

Social

Anastasia reported for Victoria:

Progressive Brunch: 65 people attended. The brunch started on the America replica in Shelter Island harbor, then moved to Michael Zurich's place, then finished with dessert at the Agrawal home.

Victoria gave a heartfelt speech at the dinner as her last year as social chair is coming to a close. Reconciliation to come.

Reconciliation for Petersen Automotive: We had 53 people signed up, and reduced the parking fee if paid in advance, so made \$627.44

Reconciliation for 65th Anniversary Party: Almost 300 people attended. There was a snafu with MSREG. MS-REG was adding the children to the adult column, so we paid for 23 adults that were, in fact, children. We had to live with the shortage, because the chef had provided food to address the wrong numbers, resulting in a loss on the party. We have asked MSREG for a refund of the over-spent fees (about \$2K) for the children and are awaiting a response. We did give out lots of door prizes.

DE/TT

Update from Mark C- Chuckwalla and 2023 Track Dates

We had a successful weekend at CW, with 94 drivers. The weather was terrific, the wind didn't pick up too much. No incidents, so no reports with PCA national. The event had a profit of \$12,913 almost \$13K.

The next event (Buttonwillow DE/TT) is only 2 weeks later, this weekend. 80 drivers have signed up at this point. A few have paid late fees. We currently have 20 more people than at the last Buttonwillow event. Historically, we lose money from BW. Last year we cleared a little bit. We may do even a little better this weekend. People from other regions are also signing up.

Mark brought up the Bench Racers' Index (BRI) trophy for AX. He and his team have decided to bring it around for the TT events. He explained it was like a golf handicap.

There's a formula to determine the indices. Gary Burch designed a BRI trophy for our AX, and he renamed it to Racers' Adjusted Time (RAT). The trophy reflects the new name.

Mark also presented the final confirmed 2023 track dates.

Next year:

Jan 28-29: CW

Feb 25-26: SoW

April 22-23: WSIR

May 6-7: CW

Sept 16-17: WSIR

Oct 21-22: CW

Dec 2-3: Buttonwillow

VOTE: To approve the track dates above: M/S/P

Mark did ask, but couldn't get a 4th CW date to expand the number of events next year.

Drivers Awards Dinners: Mark asked to keep 3 dates available for the Drivers' Awards Dinner, as he and Carmen Lopez Brown finalize the plans: 1/22 Sun, weekend of Feb 4-5. Sat/Sun before the Superbowl. It's usually held on a Sunday, but it may depend on the availability of a venue, which they are currently researching.

TT CDI: Andrew Raines is stepping down. Mark has been working with Rob and Adam and proposes he become the replacement TT CDI for Andrew.

VOTE: To approve Mark as TT CDI for 2023: M/S/P

David Aberizk provided a check to be used as a grant for driver awards prizes. Mark and David want to use it to provide ten \$100 prizes to spread it around. They're looking into the types of prizes to provide; restaurant coupons, or other prizes.

The 2022 budget included \$6000 for shirts and jackets. Mark suggested we may want to roll that over to next year.

The tracks are already saying the costs will rise significantly in 2023. We will likely have to increase our entry fees. Our \$350 current fee is a bargain for 2 days. Discussion will be required to determine how best to support the increased costs for the coming year.

Fred Yip added Congratulations to Vinh Ly as an incoming instructor.

AX

Update from Anastasia: Snapdragon has penciled us in for an Instructor day on Saturday, 12/17. We can confirm once he gives us pricing. Awaiting dates for AX for the

first quarter 2023.

Tour Chairs

Ian: We have the backroads tour on 11/20. Registration opened awhile ago, already waitlisting people.

Mark Curran asked if we can re-start the Taste of Track tour with Chuckwalla, where we take a tour group to Palm Springs for overnight on Saturday, and then to the Chuckwalla track on Sunday. Richard Trang and Ian can work on this, and ask Victoria for guidance about sourcing hotels and dining places.

Richard: Cars and coffee.

After some issues, Richard found a woman with a coffee truck who showed up, doing so on a trial basis. We had about 80 cars come, well attended, and she was pleased enough that she said she'd go to the next one. Richard is hoping these numbers keep up. He didn't ask how much she sold. Nobody complained about it. Some said it was great it was there.

He also spoke with Jeff Kilpatrick from Vineyard region. They discussed cars and coffee in Temecula. Richard suggested we convoy up, then go to their Vault type thing up there, where we stopped on a mystery tour. Jeff's offered to host a wine tasting/lunch at his home. He could probably host 50 cars.

Membership

Update from Rhonda

Membership is basically holding a steady monthly increase. The past month gave us 21 new members, with 10 new co-members. Total membership is hovering at 2949.

LTS

Malcolm said the next LTS for November will be at True Foods in Fashion Valley. He is working on getting a separate room for us. They did agree to separate checks.

Malcolm also brought up the idea that since we do a lot of things where we limit the number (e.g., driving tours), can we limit the LTS in order to do an event at a higher end locale with a limited size? While the board agreed that would be nice, we don't want to limit attendance at an LTS; it is intended to host as many members as we can. Perhaps he could start up a separate type of social event, instead of limiting an LTS.

Tech Chair

Julie Ngo was approached by Porsche SD, attempting to do events with them. Porsche SD came to her, with an event of women driving out to Julian. They didn't have time to organize it, so requested support, but they are sponsoring the tour, along with an apple pie for each car that had a female (driver or passenger) in the car. The tour will be limited to 100, and our region gets 25 cars. Porsche SD requested the date of Nov. 13 for this Porsche San Diego back roads tour to Julian.

VOTE: To approve the PSD Tour to Julian for 11/13: M/S/P

Anything Else?

Adjournment

• Thanks to The Vault!

• Next Meeting: Tuesday December 6 @ The Vault



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December Board Meetings

Tuesday December 6, 2022

Location: Veloce Motors/The Vault, 9340 Dowdy Drive #102, San Diego, CA 92126

Attendees: Anastasia Berta, Tom Brown, Steve Eisler, Rhonda Hicks, Eric Marc-Aurele, Ian McIntyre, Fred Yip

Not Present: Rob Walker

Call to order at 8:00 P.M.

President's Message

Welcome 2023 board

Big thanks to the 2022 board. Thank you, Anastasia, for leading the club and bringing good energy to it.

New Business

List of confirmed chairs and open positions sent to the new board members via email on 12/5/2022.

Additional positions filled:

Val Hanke has taken on the Sponsorship Liaison as well as Social - Mystery Weekend chair for 2023.

Wine dinners to be led by Tom, Anastasia

eBlaster and Web Calendar - Ann Archibald

VOTE to approve the current list of 2023 chairs -- M/S/P

Budget reconciliation process to continue in 2023

Welcoming new club members

Ann, Eric, Steve Eisler, Anastasia took part in calling and welcoming new club members in 2022.

The board would like to continue the practice in 2023.

For 2023, Ann, Eric, Fred, Mark, and Val will take on the caller's role.

Steve to send out the new member list each month and assign them to the callers, starting with the December list.

Process for approving and publishing board meeting minutes

1. Within a week after each board meeting, Fred to send the minutes to the board for review and approval

2. After approval, the minutes will be emailed to the club members and published to the club website each month

3. The minutes will be sent to Susan for printing in the upcoming Witness

Other Business:

Eric: Budget for 2023 driving events prepared

To be reviewed and approved in the January board meeting

Vinh: Suggested returning to members' homes for board meetings

Tom: Noted the advantages of the Vault and suggested maybe in the summer months, with the warm weather and later daylight hours

Mark volunteered to host one or 2 meetings at his home

Board is open to consideration

Bill Behun: AX update

EVOC promising

Snapdragon possible. Bill offered to pay up to \$5000 per event

Feedback from Sam Mayorga (PCA-RSR). He reported Chula Vista AX runs were short

Lake Elsinore - can it be considered? A PCA-SDR member volunteered to tow the trailer to the event which is a plus. Need to survey SDR members for interest.

Ian: lodging for trailer

Currently the trailer is stored at Vollig. Open to considering other options. Ian asked if the change would need board approval.

If the new storage costs more, it'll need board approval. Otherwise, the chair just notifies Tom and the board

Anastasia: check if any member has space to store the trailer, one who is willing to tow it to the events.

The main reason is for the convenience of pickup and drop-off. Cost savings a bonus

Vault sponsorship a possibility

Security a concern. Sometimes the trailer is parked on the

street overnight. Risk of theft of expensive equipment in the trailer.

Adjournment at 9 P.M.

Next Meeting: Tuesday January 3rd, 2023 @ The Vault

PCA-SDR Board Meeting Agenda 2nd Agenda

Tuesday, December 6, 2022

Location: Veloce Motors/The Vault, 9340 Dowdy Drive #102, San Diego, CA 92126

Attendees: Anastasia Berta, Rob Walker (Zoom), Ann Archibald, Ian McIntyre, Eric Marc-Aurele, Steve Eisler, Rhonda Hicks

Call to Order at 7:00 P.M.

President's Message

It has been such a privilege to serve as your President this past year, which has absolutely flown by. In the process of serving in the office and bringing Wine & Food Events, celebrations like our 65th Anniversary Party, Volunteer Appreciation Brunch, and so many more to life, I have met and gotten to know better so many wonderful club members, many of them volunteers who have given so selflessly of their time and talents. Day after day, I am constantly reminded that PCA-SDR members are some of the kindest, friendliest, funniest, and most accomplished people on the planet. We are all so fortunate to have our PCA-SDR friends in our lives. It is with great pleasure and gratitude that I prepare to turn leadership of our esteemed club over to our president for 2023, Tom Brown.

Secretary

Approval of November Minutes

VOTE: to approve November meeting minutes: M/S/P

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve our region on the PCA-SDR board, and to work with the wonderful and supportive board members who have served over the past two years. I have had the pleasure of getting to know even more great club members than before, and learning more about how the board works to provide the region with such a variety of activities. It has been a special pleasure to have participated in calling new members to welcome them personally into the club. It is an honor to belong to a board that strives to bring our members together in cooperation, friendship, and celebration. I look forward to seeing what

our board will be bringing our region for 2023.

Treasurer

Review and Approval of Treasurer's Report

Ian addressed the main contributors to costs and income in November: the main events in Nov were the DE/TT at Buttonwillow, which added to our bottom line, and the quarterly donation from national; these income producing events were offset by expenses for the Volunteer Appreciation party at Lions, Tigers, and Bears in Alpine. The net result was close to a break-even month. The account balances are showing a modest increase over the year.

VOTE: To approve the November 2022 Treasurer's Report: M/S/P

Chair Reports

Charity: Bev was not here to report. She has stepped down from this chair as she takes on the National Rally chair position.

Sponsorship: No sponsorship report was available. Val Henke agreed to take on the sponsorship chair for 2023.

Social

Anastasia presented the reconciliation for the Volunteer Appreciation Party Event: Actual costs came in lower than the projected expenditures. We had 73 members and 8 children attend; 100 were predicted.

Anastasia presented the reconciliation for the Italian Wine & Food event: 58 people attended. We will only count on 48 people in the future, then we may increase the attendance allowance if the waitlist warrants it. This will ensure being able to better predict the wine and food required.

The Installation Dinner (Prom) will be on Jan 14 at Humphrey's By the Bay. The advertisement will be provided soon.

Val Henke agreed to take on planning Mystery Weekends for 2023 as well as the Sponsorship chair noted above.

DE/TT

Mark Curran addressed the Buttonwillow (BW) track event. He presented the reconciliation from the November BW event (thanking Eric for his support). BW historically loses money. Last year we made around \$400-500, and this year we lost \$440. BW is the most expensive track we use.

There were no incidents to report, and we had a decent turnout. Looking to next year, he noted all the tracks are raising their rates. Mark will host a team gathering on Dec 17 at 4 p.m., at his home, to discuss some strategies to make the events even better and discuss how to best deal with the rising rates. Tomorrow evening on a zoom meeting, he is also planning to discuss next year's events with Eric, Vinh, TT and DE CDIs. Topics will include how many events should be DE/TT and how many TT only, as well as other issues; the results of this discussion will be presented to the Dec 17 meeting attendees for wider discussion and solutions.

Mark also addressed his planned awards party. He proposed the Drivers' Awards party be held Feb 5, a Sunday. This puts the party at the weekend after our first DE/TT at CW, and the weekend before the Superbowl. It would be held at Eppig Brewing Company, next door to Point Loma seafoods. The party will be catered, and we will have the entire facility to ourselves. He anticipates a charge of \$40/person, for 2 drink tickets, dinner and dessert. He noted and thanked three generous donors who have donated \$1000 each: Dave Aberizk (ICI), Adam Gill (Vollig), and John Rickard (Black Forest). Their donations led to a visit with the Brigantine group to buy \$50 gift cards, with a bonus, for a total 75 \$50 gift cards. The first 75 people to show up get a gift card that can be used at Brigantine, Miguel's, or Ketch.

The facility usually charges far more than the charge to Mark: He put \$400 down with a \$900 guarantee, an incredible reduction. The trophies cost won't be as high as last year, since we only have 31 trophies this year.

VOTE to approve Sunday Feb 5 for the Driver Awards party: M/S/P

AX

Update from Anastasia: Snapdragon, EVOC, alternative venues.

The EVOC opportunity is in flux, but we know they want us there, and are looking at the spring timeframe. They have scheduled paving for Feb, but scheduling an activity is in the air at this time. Weather may be an issue relative to track erosion, due to the amount of water we had for an earlier rain. Also washed debris onto the track.

Anastasia, Bill Behun, and Gary Burch did meet with Snapdragon. We are negotiating to reduce their excessive parking fees. Scheduling is also problematic, because the sports teams have priority for scheduling there, and he doesn't have their first quarter 2023 requirements yet. We can use the south lot once he has their dates, but it is unlikely we'll get the 12 dates per year. We did talk about cordoning off 2/3 of the lot, if they were having a smaller event. We'd be willing to pay \$3000-3300 for that cordoned

off area.

BMW is using the Chula Vista North Island Credit Union lot. It may be a good alternative.

Tour Chairs

Ian: Ian noted the last event was Nov 20. The tour went out to Hemet, then to Idyllwild before returning back to Dudley's. They did have one incident, where a person took his 911 through a barbed wire fence and had to have his car towed afterward. They filed an incident report with national and followed up with attempts to contact the driver to confirm all was okay.

VOTE: Requesting a date: Feb 12 for next driving tour. M/S/P

C & C: Richard addressed the South Mission Beach Cars and Coffee, but he noted that he left a little early to go to the Volunteer Appreciation event at Lions, Tigers, and Bears. About 50 showed up to the Cars and Coffee. The coffee lady has agreed to be our coffee truck for our events in 2023.

The next 2 events have already been scheduled. After those, he is looking at Balboa Park, Lake Murray, and Coronado.

Someone was squealing tires and revving the engine at the South Mission Beach event, and was thus creating a bad rep for the club. Richard plans to add something to the emails to note that this is not acceptable at our events.

Anastasia is standing in for Richard as the point person for the March Cars and Coffee, while Richard is out of town, so we are going to go back to Jesse's Bake Shop for the month

There will be no Cars and Coffee for December as Richard is out of town, and the date falls in on XMAS.

Garrett: There was no SUVs and Donuts discussion at the meeting.

Membership

Rhonda noted that November was another generally quiet month. We got 20 new primary and 10 comembers. We are still up from last year, but holding at 2960 members. She was pleased to note that a lot of people are using their rewards at the goodie store. She also noted that one new member is from Romania, and he shipped his car here. He is very interested in a lot of social events.

Anastasia noted that Rhonda should think about a new member party in 1Q 2023. Rhonda plans to talk with Anastasia about it.

LTS

Malcolm reported on the True Food Kitchen LTS: It yielded the lowest turnout of any since he's taken it over. It was a good event and the people who were there had a lot of fun.

He also noted that he has never seen an upscale expensive restaurant used for an LTS, so he is setting up an event at the Pamplemousse Grill for Jan 31.

Tech Chair

Julie requested the date of Saturday, February 18, for a tech

session to be hosted by CPR Classics.

VOTE: To approve Feb 18 for a Tech Session at CPR Classics: M/S/P

Anything Else?

Adjournment 7:54 P.M.

•Next Meeting: Tuesday January 3 @ The Vault





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January Board Meeting

PCA-SDR Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday January 3, 2023

Location: Veloce Motors/The Vault, 9340 Dowdy Drive #102, San Diego, CA 92126

Attendees: Anastasia Berta (via Zoom), Tom Brown, Steve Eisler, Rhonda Hicks, Eric Marc-Aurele, Ian McIntyre, Rob Walker, Fred Yip

Call to order at 7:06 P.M.

President's Message

Welcome! Happy New Year!

Votes between meetings:

- Minutes from Dec: 2022 Board - Approved
- Minutes from Dec: 2023 Board – Approved
- Budgets & Reconciliations – Email Electronic Copies please – Dropbox, time to review
- The club will keep all electronic copies in Dropbox

Secretary

No report

Treasurer

- Review and Approval of Treasurer's Report
- Net income for the year (2022) was \$29k. Total bank balance was higher than that from the end of last year, which is good
- VOTE to approve Treasurer's report: M/S/P

Old Business

La Jolla Concours - Michael Dorvillier

Proposed 'Porsche on Prospect' event on April 21-23. This is not a PCA-SDR event. It has a 75 Porsche limit. Entry fees vary based on the package levels. Special discount available to PCA-SDR members. More info at <https://lajollaconcours.com/>. Request PCA-SDR to promote the event, via membership advertisement (eblast, website)

Vote to promote the La Jolla Concours event – M/S/P

Meeting Minutes Distribution – email, website, Witness?

With Witness being published quarterly, it doesn't allow timely promotion of events like DE/TT events or Driver Award Party

Question was asked to promote via an electronic version of Witness that is published more frequently

Motion to further investigate on e-Witness to be published monthly, include Editor, Susan Brown, in the discussion

COVID warning in club events and communications – do we still need it?

Vote to remove COVID warning – M/S/P.

It was noticed Speedwaiver is still used for some events. It needs to be removed from MSR

New Business

Event Communication

1. There are three independent locations of notification to the membership
 - a. Calendar (on pcasdr.org)
 - b. Eblast (generated through pca.org)
 - c. Registration page (on Motorsportreg.com)
2. For this year, Ann Archibald is the contact for the calendar and eblast; the event chairs are responsible for the registration page for their event, which is hosted by Motorsportreg.com. If you need access or training, let Tom know
3. The calendar usually includes a description of the event, with location name and address, date, time start to time end, any restrictions or requirements, and cost (exception is DE/TT which is a range of costs; provided only on Motorsportreg.com registration page for the event), and the LINK to the registration page of the event on MSREG. In the event of multiple locations (e.g., an event at Jack-In-The-Box), the event chair is responsible for providing the address of the event.
4. The eblast will provide a brief of the event, but not all the details; the reader will be directed to the registration page for full details
5. A MSREG registration page is not required if you are not asking the membership to register for either a guaranteed seat or just to provide the chair with a count of likely attendees. Tech sessions, for instance, rarely require registration, so no MSREG page is needed; Board meetings

require registration only to ensure they have enough food for those planning to eat at the board meeting.

a. If you do not intend to require registration, please let the calendar and eblaster (Ann Archibald this year) know that.

b. If you do intend to require registration, please provide a link to the registration page along with the copy for the calendar and/or eblast. If you want to send an event to calendar and/or eblast with a board-approved date, but without an MSREG, send a “SAVE THE DATE” and no hyperlink to MSREG will be posted to either calendar or eblast until you post a registration page and send the link to the calendar/eblaster.

SDR Awards discount coupons – program description in the stand rules:

Current language:

With board oversight, the membership chair is authorized to provide a benefit (discount coupons, name badges, etc.) of up to \$40 for new members and members who renew their PCA membership at their first anniversary. Name badges may be sent to both Full and Family members. Any discount coupons will only be for SDR entry fees at SDR events or SDR Logo items in our goodie store. They may only be used for one event and expire one year after issuance. Additionally, SDR shall award a \$75 gift certificate good for SDR events (only) to members on every membership anniversary that is divisible by five (5 years, 10 years, 15 years, etc.). This certificate may be used at multiple events, if necessary, until the \$75 value is depleted. The purpose of these financial incentives to SDR events is to encourage participation by the members. These coupons and certificates will only be awarded to the primary member on the membership.

Proposed Language:

With board oversight, the membership chair is authorized to provide a benefit (a \$30 gift certificate, name badges) for new members. Name badges may be sent to both Full and Family members. This gift certificate will only be for SDR entry fees at SDR events or SDR Logo items in our goodie store. Additionally, SDR shall award a \$75 gift certificate good for SDR events (only) to members on every membership anniversary that is divisible by five (5 years, 10 years, 15 years, etc.). This certificate may be used at multiple events, if necessary, until the \$75 value is depleted. The purpose of these financial incentives to SDR events is to encourage participation by the members. These gift certificates will only be awarded to the primary member

on the membership.

Basically, this proposed change alters the language to match what we are currently doing.

Vote to approve the proposed language – M/S/P

Chair Reports

DE/Time Trial

Proposed 3 X \$200 SDR award certificates as prizes at the Driver Awards Party

Vote on \$600 spending on Driver Awards Party – M/S/P

2023 Budget, prepared by Eric

New in this year’s budget – new timing worker (to be hired)

Overall, the budget is higher due to increased cost on track rentals and other expenses Vote to approve budget – M/S/P

First DE/TT event of 2023 is 1/28-29 at Chuckwalla Raceway

Cabins are sold out in Jan, but for future CVR events, the cabins will be guaranteed for PCA-SDR use only

Team member meeting held on 12/17/2022 to discuss improvements in the DE/TT program. Good turnout and participation

Driver Award Party to be held on 2/5/23 – emails sent to members to promote the event

First 75 attendees to arrive will get a \$50 gift certificate

Other raffle gifts available. Expect to break even or profit for this event

Driving Tours

Next event is on 2/12/23 (already approved). Registration opens on 1/18/23.

Membership

Membership for 2022 was up by 100 from last year

Proposed to plan for a New Member Party – date TBD

OffRoad Tours

Date Requested: March 4, 2023

Vote to approve tour date – M/S/P

Social

December Last Tuesday Social – Eugenio's. Good food and great event

Over 30 sign-ups. 8 no-shows despite the event being sold-out with a wait-list - 2 didn't know how to cancel, 1 registered twice for 2 people. Suggested to improve the cancellation process – consider penalty for no-show; require credit card to sign up

January Last Tuesday Social – Pamplermousse. Scheduled on Jan 31, 2023. Suggested to require a credit card to register. Malcolm and Tom to update MSR for future sign-ups

Wine Dinner - March 14

Porsches & Pours – Wine & Tapas Tasting, April 15

Progressive Dinner - June 3

Mystery Weekend - July 15-16

Vote to approve all Social event dates above – M/S/P

PCA-SDR to promote Porsche Prom for the Vineyard region. Date is 1/28/23

Vote to approve – M/S/P

Tech Sessions

Looking to be hosted at Black Forest

Topic is to learn how to classify a Porsche for driving events, how the different modifications could improve the car's performance and handling

Date is TBD. Black Forest asked to schedule at the end of summer

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Thank you to the Vault for hosting us!

Next Meeting: February 7 at The Vault



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The outgoing Board



Zone 8 Rep Lori DeCristo

Outgoing VP Rob Walker presents
Anastasia with her departure gift



Off Roding Adventures of 10 Porsche SUVs

Article by Garrett Guess



PCA San Diego Region held its first off-road tour for Cayennes 17 years ago when the 955 was introduced, and since then, members have continued to have interest in exercising their Cayennes and Macans on the wide range of off-road trails that our region is fortunate to have access to. Just 45 minutes from the coast is the Cleveland National Forest where this latest off-road tour took place in early December for 8 Cayennes and 2 Macans. It seems the 3rd Generation Cayennes are probably still too new for most owners to risk getting dusty and dirty on these drives, as the group consisted of 4 958s, 3 957s, and 1 955 version Cayenne.

This drive was broken up into stages, with the first stage consisting of a graded dirt road that could be taken at higher speeds, giving drivers the chance to feel Porsche's SUVs at speed on a loose gravel road with gentle bends in the road. It was a great confidence builder for the newer drivers. After the first stage, everyone's paint was now covered in dust, and tires were adjusted to lower pressures for those that wanted a less bumpy ride. Now everyone was ready to proceed with the next more technical stage: the main dirt road branched off to become a narrow single-track rutted road climbing the mountain side that required slow speeds and proper tire placement to avoid excessively deep sections of ruts, and dodge rocks that might scrape the low riding Macans or Cayennes that did not have the benefit of an extra couple inches of clearance, like the Cayennes equipped with air suspension.

Midway along the climbing section, a plateau was reached with a steep berm that had a variable gradient along its length: at its lowest point the height difference was only a couple feet with a gentle grade to the base, and at its most challenging point, the height difference was more than 5 feet high with a steep drop off.

The group spent about an hour at the rutted "obstacle area": strategies for successfully and safely maneuvering up and down a steep berm, in addition to the rationale behind the methods of approach and descent, along with the best ways to optimize the traction control technologies of the Cayennes were discussed, and then a few brave individuals tackled the tall and steep sections, much to the amazement of the participants. Numerous Cayennes went up and down the tall berm at varied levels of difficulty, testing various off-road settings. It was quite a sight to see one wheel of a Cayenne high off the ground as it gracefully descended a steep drop off.

It was just as entertaining to watch as the Cayennes clawed for traction going up the berm, utilizing varied methods of traction control, from varied torque distribution thanks to driveline technology, as well as braking interventions on the wheels suspended many feet in the air. It was impressive and inspiring to watch the first and second generation Cayennes climb up and down this obstacle with truly minimal fuss, and no scraping or damage.

The Macans, with their limited clearance due to aerodynamic ground effects, were happy taking a less dramatic and risky path down the berm. After everyone who wanted to, got to test their own courage and their Cayenne or Macan's abilities, the tour continued along single track trails through desert-like and forest terrains winding through the Cleveland National Forest.

The last leg of the tour was a 7.5 mile high-speed graded dirt road with lots of sharp turns and switch backs, which gave everyone a chance to feel their SUVs at speed on a loose dirt road that had very limited traction.

After three hours of off-road driving, with rear windows and hatches coated in dirt, the group headed to a local barbecue restaurant for lunch.

This off-road tour was PCA-SDR's last off-road drive for 2022, and our club plans to continue its 17 year off-road legacy with 3-4 tours in the coming year. If you happen to be in the area, please come join our adventuresome group to explore the true back country roads of San Diego County, and share in the Porsche SUV passion! 🦅



The *BUZZ*

by Anastasia Berta
PCASDR PAST President



And just like that—a year’s flown by! My first column covered last year’s “Porsche Prom” at the incomparable Birch Aquarium. It was a beautiful, elegant affair, as we collectively emerged from Covid-19 to celebrate together. A year later, I say “Goodbye” as your 2022 President, and hand off the reins to 2023 President Tom Brown. This will be Tom’s hat trick, as he previously served as President in 2021 and 2003, so rest assured, we’re in amazing hands!



Allow me a moment to thank all of you, ***Porsche Club of America San Diego Region***, for an AMAZING year! Yes, it was time-consuming; yes, it was challenging, even difficult at times, (for instance, when I lost the keys to the U-haul while cleaning up after the **65th Anniversary Party!**), but it was TOTALLY worth it, and an experience I wouldn’t trade for anything in the world...other than perhaps a new Speedster convertible!!! 🥳

This past year has showed me in bold relief just how many people give so much of their time and talent to make **PCASDR** the extraordinary club that it is. It was a very ambitious year, with the usual Driving Tours, DE/TT Track weekends, SUVs & Coffee, Porsches & Parks, Wine Country Tour, Volunteer Appreciation Party, Last Tuesday Socials, augmented by Porsches & Pours Wine & Food Events, SUV Off-Road Adventures, a reinvented Cars & Coffee including caravans to PECLA, a tour of the James Bond exhibit at Petersen Automotive Museum, culminating in our eponymous 65th Anniversary Party! All this, and we heard of not one single Covid outbreak as a result of our events—truly a testament to everyone doing their part to keep each other healthy and safe!

Most of all, I was impressed that whenever I put out my “bat-signal Call for Volunteers” for our many events

including the 65th Anniversary party, so many members, some well-known, some newbies, rushed in to help. This is really a testament to the character of the nearly 3,000 members in our Chapter! So give yourselves a hand—I know you will be equally helpful to President Tom Brown in 2023!

This year’s “Prom” and official installation dinner was held at the ***Restaurant at Humphrey’s Half Moon Bay*** on Saturday, January 16. We bought out the place for the night, and it was a beautiful venue indeed, overlooking the moonlit marina. More than 100 **PCASDR** members and their guests feasted on Arugula Salad with Blue Cheese and Candied Walnuts, Macadamia-Crusted Halibut or Beef Shortribs, and Chocolate Blackout Cake or Berries Chantilly.




Speaking of those who give so much to the Club, ***Steve & Kathy Eisler*** were named “2022 Family of the Year” for their seemingly tireless help and participation in nearly every event!





Find the Gull Contest

There were three small seagull icons like this,  hidden in ads in the November issue of the Windblown Witness. Angel Pino won a prize from Ceramic Pro San Diego (formerly 5-Point Auto Spa) and Janie de La Sierra will collect a prize from Porsche San Diego because she was one of the few who checked the back cover! Guy Maddox won an SDR Award worth \$100, sponsored by advertiser TransPac Consulting. SDR Awards are our new way of rewarding members for every 5 years of membership, as prizes at event raffles, and as prizes for other events. Each SDR Award has a dollar value that can be used to pay part, or all, of the registration fee for any PCA-SDR event.

Any member who reads this month's magazine ads and finds a gull that is the same size and shape as the one above, can be a WINNER! Just follow the directions below to enter the contest and win a prize awarded by the advertiser. This could be merchandise, a discount on a service bill, a free tech inspection, an SDR Award, or whatever the advertiser decides to award. There will be one winner drawn randomly for each Gull found. If you find more than one Gull you may make an entry for each Gull you find.

Check all of the ads in this month's magazine and you could be a winner too!

Here are the contest rules:

1. Entries must be received by midnight of the 15th of the month after publication. (March 15)
2. Only active members of PCA-SDR may enter.
3. Only one entry per each gull. If you find more than one gull you may include them all on one entry.
4. Affiliate members may enter but cannot enter the same contest that the Primary member has entered.
5. Winners may transfer their prizes to another active member of PCA-SDR. You must notify the company giving the prize that you are transferring it.
6. One winner will be randomly selected from the entries for each Gull in the magazine.
7. Any information gathered in the process of entering this contest will not be shared or used for any purpose other than determining a winner.

To enter the contest, send an email to findthegull@pcasdr.org . Your email must include:


First and last name.

PCA Member ID and expiration date

The page number where you found the Gull, the name of the advertiser and the color of the Gull.

Your email address and the best phone number to reach you.

Winners will be contacted by the Windblown Witness and by the advertiser with information on how to claim your prize.
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View from the Back:2023

Article by Steve Eisler, photos by Tammy Gildersleeve



Board Secretary Fred Yip

As we embark on a new year, our autocross program is still on hold. That means that the only way for members to learn the capabilities of their Porsche and themselves is through the Driver Education (DE) program at the big tracks. With that in mind, I borrowed the Driver's Education rules from the Peachstate region. I modified rule 3, and present them for all members, particularly those who have not experienced driving your Porsche at your limits in a safe environment.

Rule 1: No Racing

Rule 2: No Racing

Rule 3: Have fun

Rule 4: See Rule #1

The mission and purpose of PCA Driver's Education Program "is to provide a safe, structured and controlled teaching and learning environment. The PCA DE Program is designed so that participants can improve their driving abilities and acquire a better understanding of vehicle dynamics and driving safety. Participants will experience first-hand the capabilities of high-performance automobiles in a controlled, closed-course environment and acquire skills that will enhance safer vehicle operation in all driving situations."

These schools are truly the only safe way to learn the engineering dynamics that went into the development of this famous racing marque. However, it is noted that PCA DE events are not racing, nor preparation for racing. No times or placings are recorded, and no awards or prizes are presented; just a lot of fun and camaraderie. Many of the lessons learned from a DE weekend carry over to driving on

the street or freeway, making you a better driver there, as well as increasing your confidence level in your own and your Porsche's abilities.

I have seen many members do one DE weekend or two or three autocrosses and never return to the track. They have become much better drivers than they were before, learned their limits, learned to control the car as it approaches their limits, and had a lot of fun. Ideally, they would return when they get a new Porsche, or every few years for a refresher course. If you are ready to become a Porsche driver, not just a Porsche owner, be advised that there will be DE opportunities at only the three Chuckwalla events and the one Streets of Willow event this year. You had to be a reader of the View From The Back in November to get registered for the January 28-29 event. The other 2 DE Chuckwalla events are scheduled for May 6-7 and October 21-22. The Streets of Willow DE will be on February 25-26, so clear your calendar, reserve a room and get ready for an intense, exciting, and fun learning opportunity.

Seven years ago, when I started writing these articles, one of my goals was to convince more of the membership to participate in the club's many events. Like all of you, we were busy with career, family, and other interests. In 36 years of PCA-SDR membership we attended 3 events. In 2012, Kathy and I began attending social and driving events regularly. It was then that we realized how many great opportunities we had missed in those 36 years. I hope to convince some of you other inactive members to schedule 2 or 3 weekends a

year to tour, track or socialize at a club event. When you take time for more events you will know which ones you enjoyed most, which ones you want to try next, and have some experience in driving correctly and safely.

The second goal of the View from the Back is to encourage all PCA-SDR members to attend some type of driving school. My first DE in 2013 was a disaster. I was much slower than everyone in the DE group, was getting car sick from riding with my instructor, and was not able to execute most of the instructions from my instructor. By noon on Saturday my arms and shoulders were aching from my death grip on the wheel, my stomach was so upset I could not eat, and I was so exhausted I thought my driving days might be over before they started. I took a short nap and managed to struggle through the rest of the weekend. It was not until I started my drive home on the freeway that I realized how much I had really learned! The cars around me did not have a braking system as efficient as mine, did not handle like a Porsche, and had not had a recent Tech inspection. Their drivers had not had instruction since high school, were talking on their cell phones or being distracted by their passengers. As bad as I had been on the track, I felt I was the best driver on the freeway! Whether you attend one of our DE's, an Autocross, go to PECLA, or get some other type of instruction, GO TO DRIVING SCHOOL!

In 2015, there was an Autocross almost every month, 7 or 8 TT/DE's a year, and a *Windblown Witness* published every month. The results of the autocross events were published along with the list of the top BRI times. Articles describing

the competition in the Red and Orange TT groups were published regularly, but nobody mentioned the new drivers at the bottom of the results list. And that was the third reason that The View From the Back was created. I wanted to recognize the new drivers that did very well in their first events, to mention the drivers at the back of the Yellow group who were trying hard to improve, and to emphasize that even the slowest driver of the day was doing better than the members who had not tried at all. Following are some highlights of the Yellow (slowest) group at Buttonwillow.

Buttonwillow is, traditionally, our last TT/DE event of the year. 78 members registered to sharpen their driving skills on the challenging 3.1-mile course, which is located on Interstate 5 just north of the Buttonwillow exit. Four new students had the Green run group to themselves as they and their instructors started with the basics of performance driving and progressed to rapid lapping. Gino Rocca was driving a 911 Coupe 2S, Victor Wong and Dragos Oprica each had GT3s, and AJ Halsey drove a Honda S2000 and won the award for the best racing name! The other 74 drivers were assigned to the Red, Orange, or Yellow groups. Since the track was long and had 5 passing zones, it was easy to get some clear space and good times in most of the nine sessions available.

Alberto Abreu had the fastest practice time in the Yellow group and the fastest Spec Boxster time of 2:09.45. He was followed closely by student Ron Ross driving a Mercedes-Benz AMG GT-S who recorded a best of 2:09.88. Other top times for Yellow group students were 2:18.74 for Michelle



Board member Rob Walker and mechanic Gary Matthews

Huxhold in a 2014 Cayman S, 2:19.18 for Richard Morgan driving a 2019 Acura NSX, 2:21.97 for Paula Fertitta in a 2022 Cayman GT4, and 2:29.52 by Darren Pines driving a 1984 Porsche 944.

Also in the top half of the group were Blake Bastain driving a 1999 Boxster to a time of 2:17.68, Tam Hong in a street stock 2014 Cayman S at 2:18.57, Elizabeth Wilbur recorded a 2:13.74 in the BMW M4, and Dave Aberizk drove a street stock 2020 Carrera S to a best time of 2:13.80.

When the nine practice sessions had been completed, the drivers who had registered for Timed Runs on Sunday afternoon met to review Timed Run procedures. Each

driver's best time in the two-lap, clear track run is used to determine their place and the number of points scored in the season championship for each competition class. Classes are determined, primarily, by the age, horsepower, and the type of modifications made to the car. Drivers who have scored points in at least 4 of the 7 events are eligible for awards at the end of the season.

Here are the 2022 Time Trial Award Qualifiers:

On February 5th the DE/TT Award Distribution Party was held at Eppig Brewing in Pt. Loma. DE/TT Chairman Mark Curran did a great job organizing a fantastic party that was opened to all PCA-SDR members. Participants

CLASS	DRIVER	VEHICLE	POINTS
944 Spec	David Diamond	1983 944 Spec	101
Boxster Spec	Bryan Fraser	1999 Boxster	67
Boxster Spec	Kevin Sechrest	1998 Boxster	59
SS08	David Aberizk	2020 Carrera S	120
CC04	Shawn Flanagan	1987 924S	135
CC04	Bill Behun	1980 911SC	80
CC05	Mike Miller	2003 Boxster	115
CC06	Mark Curran	1984 911SC	140
CC07	Chris Keefer	1997 Spec Boxster	115
CC07	Randy Blaes	2001 Boxster S	54
CC08	Eric Marc-Aurele	2011 Cayman	96
CC08	Victor Burns	2014 981 Cayman	89
CC08	Steve Eisler	2003 Boxster S	84
CC09	Mark Rondeau	1979 911SC	115
CC09	Mark Huxhold	2014 Cayman S	66
CC09	Jake Stone	2002 Boxster S	50
CC10	Vinh Ly	2011 Boxster S Spyder	105
CC10	Steve Grosekemper	1982 911SC	83337
CC10	Dan Chambers	1983 911SC	83
CC10	Greg Phillips	2002 Boxster S	38
CC11	Jamie Fingland	2002 Carrera	117
CC12	Fred Yip	2000 911	120
CC12	John Krylow	2017 911 Carrera S	95
CC15	Murray Wunderly	2001 Turbo	107
CC15	Terry Barnum	2015 GT3	80
CC15	Thomas Beyer	2014 911 GT3	76
CC15	Grant Graber	2018 GT3	42
CC16	Rob Walker	2022 GT3	90
CC17	Rich Gildersleeve	2019 ClubSport	120
CC17L	Tammy Gildersleeve	2019 ClubSport	120
CC18	Walter Vasquez	2021 992 GT3 Cup	100
X	Ashley Andreoli	2008 BMW M3	85



Vice President, Eric Marc-Aurele

Grid - fastest cars on the right




Mike Rozenblatt says Hi!

were treated to adult beverages, a great dinner and dessert. The first 75 arrivals got a \$50 gift certificate to the Brigantine Family of Restaurants courtesy of Dave Aberizk, President of Integrated Consultants, Inc., Adam Gill of Vollig Autowerks, and John Rickard of Black Forest Automotive. During the festivities we had raffle drawings for prizes donated by other PCA-SDR TT/DE supporters. Included in the raffle were six \$100 SDR Awards, funded by the club, which the winners can use to apply to the cost of any PCA-SDR event that they attend.

At the conclusion of the party, special trophies were awarded to:

Driver of the Year—Fred Yip
 Instructor of the Year -- Shawn Flanagan
 Rookie of the Year -- Jake Stone
 Most Improved – Tammy Gildersleeve and Chris Keefer
 Chairman Award -- Thomas Beyer and Ashley Andreoli
 John Deere Award -- Eric Marc-Aurele

Hope to see you all at The Streets of Willow on February 25. If there are any new drivers that have read this far and signed up for your first event, see me at the track for a special surprise! 

BUTTONWILLOW STUDENT – INSTRUCTOR PAIRINGS

Green Run Group

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