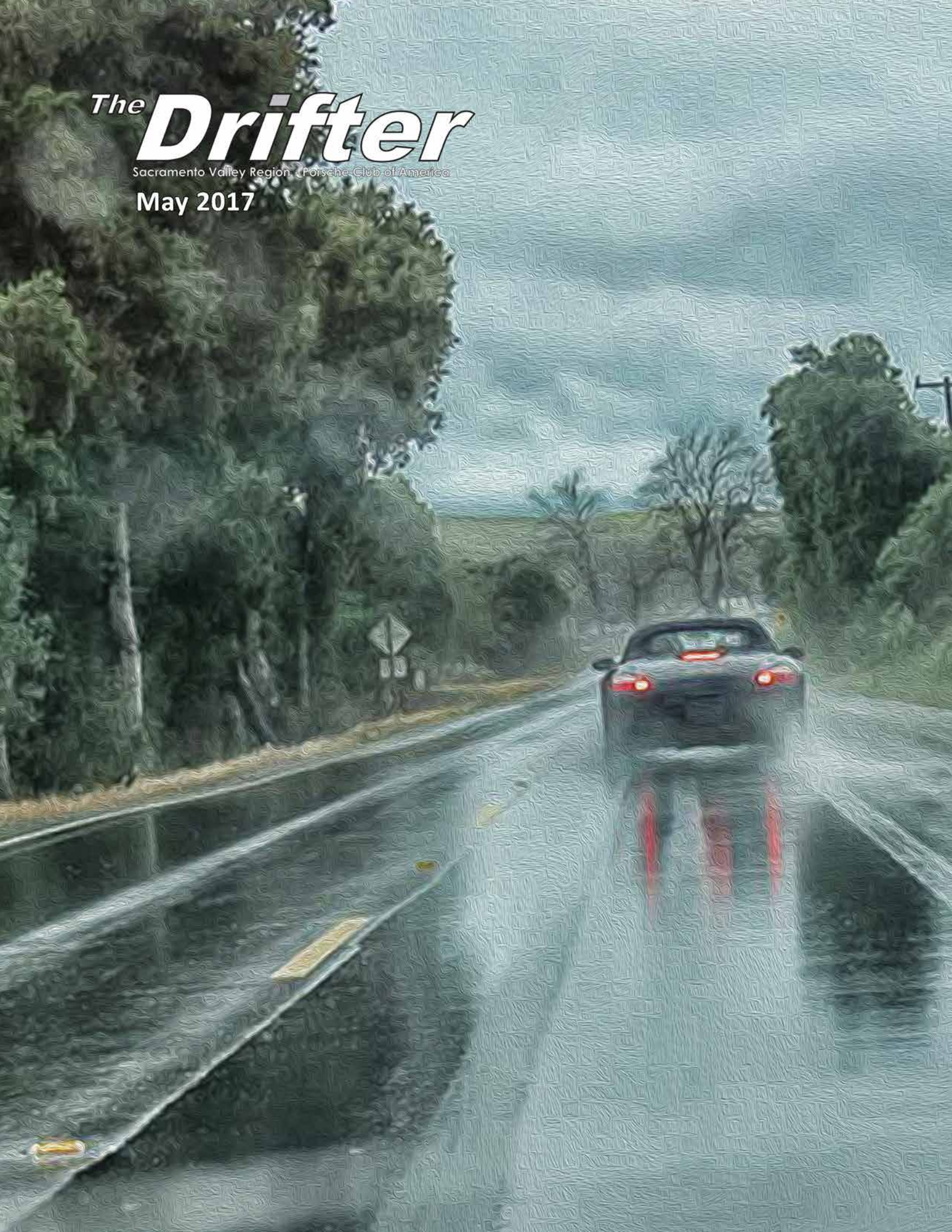


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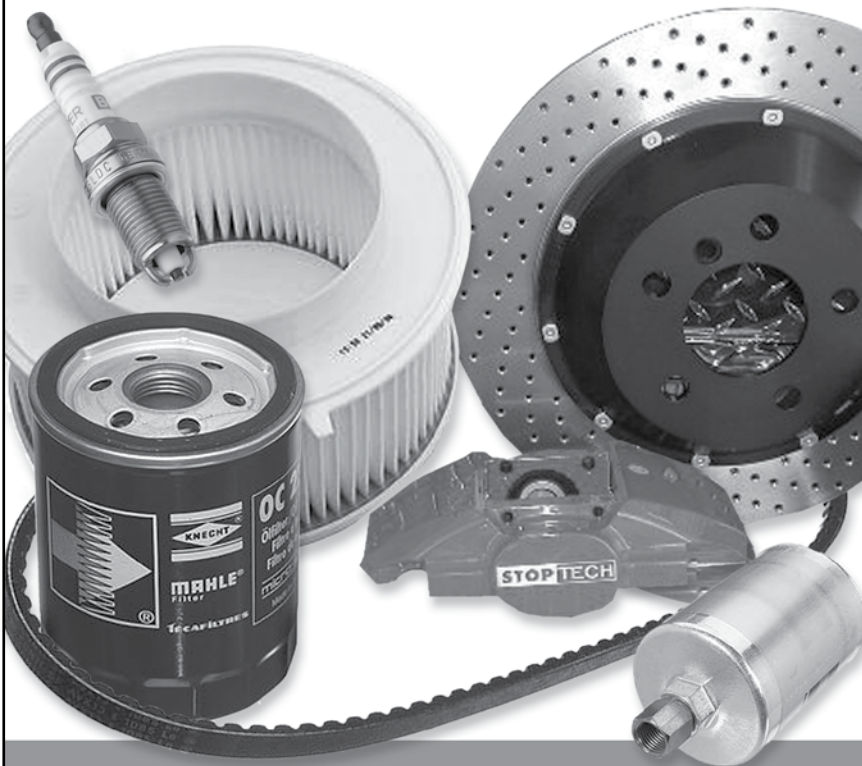
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SVR President's Column

Eduardo Ortega, Jr. SVR President

Photo by Eduardo Ortega, Jr.

Hello SVR members. Many of you might not know this, but in all the 7 years I have belonged to SVR I had never participated in a multi-day tour, that is until last month when I went to the **San Simeon Tour**, hosted by chairs **Mike and Emily Willis** and co-chairs **Gregg and Rebecca Plourde**. Besides this being my first multi-day tour, it was also the first time ever for me to visit the famed **Hearst Castle**, nestled in the hills of **San Simeon**.

After the morning driver's tour, we embarked in the drive to our destination. That Friday was a rainy one, and that did not deter from a gorgeous drive to San Simeon that included a picnic rest stop in a park in the city of **Hollister** and a Porsche-quality tour drive on the legendary **Peach Tree Road**, a highway full of switch backs that slices through the countryside. Because of the winter rains, the scenery was so green that at times I imagined it could be a similar experience if I was driving through Ireland. Except here in California we stopped in **Donati Winery** for hors d'oeuvres and wine tasting (in Ireland it would have been a stop to an Irish Whiskey distillery). Once we arrived at our destination, we had an evening pizza dinner in a very large covered pool area at the **Courtesy Inn** (one of the lodging choices, the other being the **Cavalier Resort** across Highway 1). On Saturday I spent my whole day in Hearst Castle, with the morning tour of the grand rooms and in the evening the night tour. Other members of the tour also chose other touristic attractions such as visiting **Cambria, San Luis Obispo** and other **viniculture destinations** from the many wineries that dot this beautiful area of central California. This tour is offered in a biennial basis. Plan to attend in 2019; the San Simeon Tour is just superb.

Another development in April was that our Charity Chair **Jeff Birkholz** had to step down from this role due to unexpected changes in his work. I thanked Jeff for having approached the Board in 2016 and volunteered to do the job in the first place and wished him the best in tackling the challenges brought upon him by the new demands of his work. By the time the April Board Meeting rolled around, I had the chance to speak with 2015 Charity Chair **Alma Thompson**, and she graciously accepted to become the **new Charity Chair for 2017**. At this point in time the details

are extremely preliminary, but Alma thinks the Charity Auction will be held in her residency in Loomis approximately in October. For anyone interested in helping Alma in this endeavor, please contact her as-soon-as-possible at charity@svr-pca.org since the calendar window to deliver this auction is very short. For those members looking forward to stretch the legs of their Porsche vehicles in a controlled environment, **fdrmotersports** is offering a discount for SVR members for an upcoming Driver Education (DE) Event in June at the famed **Laguna Seca** track (aka Mazda Raceway) in Monterey. This track is very famous and it is always at the top of the list of Porsche enthusiasts. Please contact **Frederick Rauch** directly at fdr@fdrmotersports.com to take advantage of this offer.

The **April Dinner at Fat's Asia Bistro** in Folsom made its successful comeback after a one year absence. The event occupied an entire wing of the restaurant, and the four-course dinner plus the dessert of legendary banana cream pie satisfied the appetite of the eager crowd that has made this event a success every time it has been offered. During the dinner **Herb and Jan Hoover** were presented with a beautiful glass trophy for them from the 2016 Christmas Party Awards to honor them for their long service to the club. The attendees clapped their approval when Herb picked up the trophy. And talking about trophies, the club is slowly getting reacquainted with the **Dummkopf Trophy**. Chair **Gary Thompson** asked for award nominees at the dinner while holding the storied trophy in his hands. The host of the Dinner, **Cookie Anderson**, nominated **Skip and Mardi Quain** to receive the trophy due to a failure to RSVP for the event. Once again, like I said in previous columns, the Dummkopf award has a long history in SVR and it is given in terms of endearment to forge bonds of friendship, and in cases where the winner event is big enough, past dummkopf award winners do quite

become legendary by their own retelling of the event! Since we have many new members not acquainted with the folklore of this award, if you become the winner, think in a philosophical way that you are already leaving your mark in SVR. Just make sure while you are the custodian of the trophy, to look for nominees that will take it off your hands... as the world turns!

Finally, looking forward the calendar is quite busy with the June 11th **SVR Concours at Niello Porsche**. Contact Chair **Kent Brandon** for more details. Social Director **Mardi Quain** is hosting a **Sacramento River Cats "Infield Parade & VIP Suite"** to view the game on June 18th. SVR will drive the cars on the infield prior to the start of the game. That day will allow you to celebrate Father's Day too! And on June 24th at **Ed and Terri Parra's** home with **Sue Sanders and Tara Jones** being your organizers will bring an encore to their highly successful event held at their residence last year. This year's theme is "Meet and Greet Fiesta", with Mexican Cuisine as the dining fare. Make sure to RSVP for all the events just mentioned. Thank you!

Have a great month of May, and safe travels!





Editor's Corner

Steve McCrory, SVR Drifter Editor
Photo by Barbara McCrory

Pothole Dodger

Being a performance car enthusiast and driving in California, has at times been a challenge over the years. Early California legislature mandated smog control systems were not quite ready for prime time, and domestic and import manufacturers alike scrambled to find the design and engineering solutions to lower vehicle emissions and improve air quality. Horsepower and performance took a dive and the factory muscle car era began to sputter and stall, and to add insult to injury, the insurance industry piled on with higher premiums for performance cars. And then there was the oil embargo that saw long lines at the gas station, and crazy increases in the price of energy. Many drivers in a panic, sold their boulevard cruisers at a loss and bought painfully slow small basic economy cars. A temporary national speed limit continued for years, inspiring one rocker to pen a new anthem **I Can't Drive 55**. Slowly but surely Speed Shops became part of the endangered species list. One very positive note was that California had an excellent road system that was maintained and expanded as needed in a state of increasing population growth and economic prosperity.

So the years rolled by, and eventually performance, mileage and emissions standards reached a state of happy co-existence thanks to new computer driven technologies that give us the best of automotive evolution. But now, there is another problem. As we celebrate the return of the performance automobile, the State of California has gone from the best road quality in the 50 states to the worst. And the problem is now more apparent than ever after a winter of unending rain. If you have a complaint about overcrowded freeways and poorly maintained road surfaces, take a number and get in line, and it's a very long line, and it's filled with taxpayer angst and bureaucratic piracy.

I am a Pothole Dodger. I don't like potholes, and my car doesn't either. It tells me so, on almost every drive we take together now, with a new squeak there, a rattle there, and where is that new vibrating buzz coming from. Shake, Rattle and Roll is a song I remember and is now a new song on the California road surfaces hit parade. Most of



my cars were modified over the years, when the warranty expired. Springs and shocks, sway bars, chips, cold air intakes, headers and chips, and let's not forget new wheels and sticky tires. It was all good. Even the GMC do-it-all utility van found itself with a Chevy performance crate motor and a modified transmission. But, for the last few years, I have been skipping the modifications on the vehicles. Suddenly, the concept of leaving them stock and unmodified looks like part of the solution. New cars today are better than ever, combining performance and practicality for both the daily drive and your next back roads adventure.

Are potholes a safety issue? Absolutely, yes. Looking ahead to avoid the next pothole, our eyes are diverted from the primary task of scanning more important areas; approaching vehicles, pedestrians and bicycles near the edge of the roadway, driveways and side traffic. A deep pothole can cause a vehicle to suddenly change directions or cause a shift of material in a loaded truck bed. The cost of ignoring road repairs has been high for California drivers, and can include damage to tires, wheels, and suspension components. I recently discovered that a new rattle on one of the cars was a broken sway bar link. Be careful out there.

Of interest to SVR members is the annual Nevada City Barn Party Picnic and Dance June 4th hosted by SVR member **Christy Barden**. Dance your socks off on the special dance floor to the music of the **Speedsters**. Hours are 1-5PM, bring your dancing shoes and a pot luck side dish to share. You will find a nice mix of Porsche pushers and local hot rodders displaying their rides. This is not an official SVR club event, but an event of interest.

Other events happening around the SVR zone, include the beginning of concours season, tech events, auto-

cross series, tours, breakfast gatherings and dinners. The choices are many for seasoned members and new members alike. See the updated Calendar for details. I have had the recent pleasure of attending several of the **356CAR Breakfast meetings**; it's a great group that celebrates driving and restoring the iconic cars that first came to America in the 1950s.

In this issue, **Eduardo Ortega** gets the nod for the Drifter Cover with his rainy day photo on the San Simeon Tour. Ace reporter Collin Fat introduces his first People, Places and Porsches, and writes the wrap up on another very successful autocross school. **Skip Quain** brings us the latest news about IMS fixes. Credit for providing information for this article goes to **Nick Lettini** of Frank's Automotive. You will find another **Tech Quiz** to test your knowledge of our favorite cars. And **Kim Nelson** provides a look at the L.A Lit & Toy Show event, which has evolved into a major Porsche related weekend with open houses hosted by restoration shops, tuners and parts suppliers, as well as swap meets and car shows.



Sunday: June 4 Barn Party 1-5 pm
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Nevada City, CA
1 pm Pot Luck picnic, free hot dogs and hamburgers to the first 150 guests.
2 pm Dancing
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Questions? Christy Barden at:
530.263.1001 or ChristyBarden@cs.com
Hwy 49 to Nevada City, continue on 49 by making a left turn at the first opportunity after passing Nevada City. Continue for about 4.5 miles and turn right on Cedarsong Road. Turn right into the first driveway after the two speed bumps.
Park as directed.



PDK (Pretty Darn Kwik)

Rik Larson, SVR Member

DATES! DATES! DATES!

May 1st opens

Porsche Corral at Monterey Histories, <http://msreg.com/rolexcorral2017> event is August 19th and 20th. Ticket to track is a serperate purchase.

May 24th opens

- Asheville Treffen, treffen.pca.org, event is September 20th thru 24th.

June 1st closes

- Raffle for 2018 911 GTS, pca.org

June 11th closes

- Porsche Parade in Spokane, pca.org, July 9th thru 15th. Advance registration is required there is no 'walk-up' registration.

Panamera Woodie Wagon

April FOOL. The article published on April 1st as part of the e-Brake News was a real eye-catcher. The first thing that caused suspicion was the author (Bob Gutjahr). In an article that ran more than 1,100 words, it only became apparent after the 4th paragraph that

things were getting out of hand. A lot of thought went into the writing. You can place a deposit and get in line for one of the 542 special edition cars by calling 1-800-APR-FOOL.



Zone 7 Website

Besides having all of the events and rules posted (zone7.pca.org) the site now has the results of the two Zone 7 Autocrosses held at Marina in April. Check it out.

Werks Reunion Monterey

I had a chance to check out the new location a few weeks ago. It is definitely easier to get to (traffic wise). Registration opens May 10th.

2017 Membership Directory

You should receive it in the snail-mail in early May. It will have an orange cover (easy to locate) and have the

spiral binding again.

SVR Window Decals

Have we run out of our supply of the 55th anniversary decals yet? Check with Eduardo.

Caravans to the Porsche Parade?

So far, only 2 people have contacted me about what kind of plans anyone is doing. Redwood Region and Loma Prieta Regions have some sketchy plans..... just a question as to whether Parade entrants want to arrive in Spokane on Sunday or Saturday. None of the caravans are official PCA or PCA Region events (at least not as far as I know).

Mammoth Tour?

Seems that the large amount of snow in the Sierras is causing the Sequoia Region organizers to consider having the multi-day tour later in the year....maybe July. Stay tuned.

FIVE years ago in the DRIFTER

We did not publish a DRIFTER for a couple of months. But we did find a new editor and their first issue was the June 2012 DRIFTER.



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For schedule changes, contact Gregg Plourde at vicepresident@svr-pca.org

2017 SVR Events svr-pca.org

- May 7 Gimmick Rally School #1 and Rally, Niello Porsche, Keith McMahan
- May 13 Tech Session, At Detail Maniac, Skip Quain
- May 20 New Member Tour, Sue Sanders and Tara Jones
- May 21 Dominick's, SVR Dinner, Wendy & Ernie Bulhoes
- June 1-4 Zone 7 Tour, Northern California (Wait List)
- June 11 SVR Concours, Niello Porsche, Kent Brandon
- June 18 River Cats, Porsche "Parade" & Parking, Quain's
- June 24 Club Fiesta, Sue Sanders & Tara Jones (contact)
Terri & Ed Parra hosts
- June 25 TSD Rally School, Porsche Livermore, Wetzell
- July 4 4th of July Parade, George & Lisa Okamoto
- Aug. 11 Wooden Boat Tour, Tahoe, Dan Rowland
- Aug 14 SVR Dinner, Mints, Mike & Emily Willis
- Aug 20 TSD Rally, Location TBD, Huckabay, Wetzell
- Sept 12 SVR Dinner, Orchid Thai, Bob & Beth Jacobson

2017 Zone 7 Competition Events zone7.pca.org

CONCOURS

- May 21 Yosemite Region, Lodi
- June 4 Loma Prieta Region, PartsHeaven
- June 11 SVR, Niello Porsche

AUTOCROSS

- May 20 Redwood Region, Santa Rosa
- May 21 Redwood Region, Santa Rosa
- June 3 SVR, Stockton Fairgrounds
- July 1 SVR, Stockton Fairgrounds

WEST COAST RACING SERIES

- May 27-28 Golden Gate Region, Buttonwillow Raceway
- June 2-4 Mazda Laguna Seca Raceway
- June 17-18 High Plains Raceway

ZONE 7 OTHER EVENTS

- June 1-4 Zone 7 Tour, Northern California (wait list)

2017 SVR Autocross Events Contact Collin Fat 916.955.7966 / autocross@svr-pca.org

- May 6 AX Stockton
- June 3 Zone 7 AX, Stockton
- July 1 Zone 7 AX, Stockton
- August 12 AX Stockton
- September 2 AX Stockton
- October 21 Ax Stockton

Upcoming PCA Events 2017

- July 9-15 Porsche Parade, Spokane, Washington
- August 19-20 PCA - Rolex Monterey Car Corral
- September 23 IMSA and Porscheplatz, Laguna Seca
- September 20-24 Treffen Asheville, Asheville, North Carolina
- December 2-3 Tech Tactics West, Location TBD

Recurring SVR Monthly Events

- 1st Saturday **SVR First Saturday Breakfast 8:15 AM**
[Brookfields Restaurant](#) 11135 Folsom Blvd.,
Rancho Cordova. Come by and enjoy a great
time with breakfast. Senior breakfast is also
available. You are welcome to just show up.
Jerry Alter, 530.344.0475
- 2nd Wed. **SVR Board Meeting**
7-9 PM Sacramento Metro Fire Depart.Station 32,
8890 Roediger Lane, Fair Oaks, (Hazel, north of
Sunset Avenue).

Upcoming Events of Interest

- 356CAR Breakfast**, Marie Callender's
Citrus Heights. Jim Hardie;
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- June 4th** Barn Party - See Editor's Column



Tech Session

Saturday, May 13, 2017, 9:30 am

6320 Belleau Wood Ln STE #3, Sacramento, CA 95822

The session will provide SVR members with useful points on detailing and paint protection for your Porsche with Hands-On instruction.

Event starts at 9:30 with doughnuts, coffee and an introduction of Detail Maniac's team. At the end of the detailing demonstration, Man and Ken will have a barbecue for the SVR attendees. After the barbeque, the team will be available to demonstrate their detail techniques on member's Porsches.

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- Chicken Parmigiana
- Veal Marsala
- Petrale Sole Francese
- Portobello Mushroom Parmigiana



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Send check (payable to PCA-SVR) by May 6 2017 with entrée choice(s) to:

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Limited to 54 participants!

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Yosemite/Zone 7 Concours .. and Charity Event

Sunday, May 21, 2017

This is the first Zone 7 Concours for the year. Enter for judging and competition to participate in the year 's Zone 7 Concours Series Awards. Entry classes for concours range from wash n' shine to serious concours preparation. Fee to enter your car for Concours competition and judging is \$45 and includes one lunch.

You can also "show" your car. To show: clean and wax to your heart's content, but no pressure as there will be no judging. Fee for showing your car and a special parking area is \$10 (no lunch included).

And then, there is the Charity aspect of the event. Proceeds from the live and silent auctions will benefit the UC Davis Cancer Center.

To reserve your spot in this event, go to the Eventbrite website and enter "1" for Concours or "1" for Show. Also enter the number of lunches you want to reserve at \$15 each (Concours entries includes one lunch). Lunches will be tri-tip or chicken plus sides and guaranteed to be tasty.

Entry at the door is allowed so all fees and payments will be "at the door", but registration is encouraged so we can better plan the event!

Link - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/yosemite-region-pca-concours-and-charity-for-uc-davis-cancer-research-tickets-33129721890>
or go to the SVR website and follow the links.

For more information, contact Steve Perry (Concours) or Jennifer Pierce (Registration) at <http://yos.pca.org/contact>

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2017 LA Literature, Toy, Memorabilia & Swap Meet

By Kim Nelson, SVR Member

Photos by Kim Nelson

If you haven't been to this annual event in Los Angeles you should put it on your to-do list. This is a 3 day total immersion into everything Porsche from the cars, the parts, toys, and memorabilia and of course, the people. And the Porschephiles come – about 5000 this year, from all parts of the world.

My friend, **Jim Hardie** and I left on Thursday headed for Los Angeles and our first stop – **Sierra Madre Collection**. They were having their open house and a couple of hundred people showed up to take a look at their operation and enjoy the wonderful lunch they had prepared. I had placed a parts order with them earlier in the week so I picked that up and off we headed for the LAX Hilton where the **Lit and Toy show** would be on Saturday. During this weekend all the greater LA Porsche shops have open houses for the 1000's of visitors. Some do lunch and others do dinner but all of them put on wonderful displays. This year on Friday, instead of driving around through LA traffic to the different shops we decided to join one of two tours that were being put on by Stoddard. Our bus tour left at 9:00 am from the Hilton and included **Steve Hogue Fabrications, Calas Rennsport, Klasse 356, Hunziker, Pelican Parts and GT Werk**.

Saturday was the big day at the Airport Hilton for the Literature, Toy and Memorabilia show. It starts early

for most people who attend the show. You're up by 6:00 am and standing in line to get into the show by 7:00. Hundreds of people and then thousands. The event takes up two ballrooms with over a hundred vendors and they have everything Porsche from new parts, used parts, books, toys, all sorts of literature and memorabilia,



rooms that are rented out for corporate events, a number of cars from the Porsche Museum and what looks to be a very fun and challenging test track. Later that evening we went over to Costa Mesa and visited the very large open House that European Collectibles was putting on.

Early Sunday morning we were off to the **Phoenix Club in Anaheim** for the outdoor swap meet that is put on by the 356 CLUB of Southern California. If you have a Porsche project car and couldn't find what you were looking for here, well...you just didn't

look hard enough. Again, hundreds of Porsche vendors selling everything from old, rusty worn out parts that you just need to have to brand new parts for your 914.

They also had the local Porsche club come out in droves and put on a very nice car show. This was kind of like a cars and coffee morning with a lot of Porsche parts thrown in for good measure. So by noon our car was full of parts from the lit show and swap meet, our wallets were empty and with rain looming we figured we better hit the road!

It was a great weekend and I'm looking forward to next year!

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Speedster under serious restoration at Steve Hogue Fabrication
Showroom at Pelican Parts



Porsche jackets and t-shirts and literally everything you can imagine and some things you can't imagine! The show

ended at 1:00 and we packed up and headed over to the **Porsche Experience Center**. You've probably already read about Porsche's newest west coast facility elsewhere. It's a pretty cool place and definitely worth visiting. The facility includes several restaurants, a Porsche Design store, several meeting





Drifting Back, 15 years Ago

By Larry Wilson, SVR Member

Photo May 2002 Drifter

May 2002

For a number of years now, **Allen and Dolores Weddle** have organized the annual **Spring Brunch and Champagne Tour** that has been looked forward to and enjoyed by so many Club members. For 2002, however, Allen announced in the May DRIFTER that **Mike and Emily Willis** would lead the tour to Allen's most favorite destination, the **Grand Island Mansion**. We had beautiful, top-down weather. The route was familiar to many of us culminating with a delightful drive alongside various tributaries in the Sacramento River Delta. A garden terrace setting and a delightful springtime menu was waiting. Brunch selections gave us a choice of

1) Italian Toast -- thick slices of sourdough French bread dipped in a batter of sour cream, Amaretto liqueur and eggs, covered in a special sweet butter with toasted almonds and whipped cream; or,

2) Chicken Crepe a la Maison -- a light fluffy crepe filled with diced pieces of chicken, sautéed with green onions and mushrooms, then topped with shi-take sauce Bonne Femme, or

3) Quiche de Jour -- Farm fresh eggs delicately mixed with vegetables, meats and spices & then baked to perfection in its own crust. Of course, Champagne was available. What more could one ask of a perfect Sunday in May?

Chico's Orient Express II Tour, was brought back on May 11th by popular demand and led by SVR member **Jim McMahan**, the "Original Chico-Boy" himself. Jim promised (and delivered) a lovely drive over scenic north valley back roads to Chico while trying to remember Jim's rural road legends. Once in Chico, tour-goers got to visit Orient and Flume, a world-renowned hand blown art glass studio and watch the

artisans at work. Next, they sampled products of Chico's own Sierra Nevada Brewery and got to tour the premises

On Saturday, May 18, Sacramento Valley Region presented **Spring Flowers 2002**, a three-hour time and distance rally. SVR members **Phillip Marks and Rik Larson** were in charge and workers included **George and Nona Morley, Dave and Dolores Johnson, Richard Wetzell, Barbara Bybee, Jessica and J. Toney, and Helen Ashuckian**. Competitors started the event at the Coffee Tree Restaurant in Vacaville and wound their way around Lake Berryessa before finishing later in Fairfield. Registration opened at 9:00 A.M., and the first car was out at 10:01 A.M. Trophies were awarded in five classes: Expert Equipped, Expert-Unequipped, Novice, Beginner, and First-Timer. All classes were required to have a navigator aboard (no solos were permitted).

News from the **Hillsborough Concours d' Elegance** by way of the May 2002 DRIFTER cover (check the "About the Cover" of that issue): May 5, 2002, was a spectacular day in Hillsborough in more ways than one. Porsche was the featured marque and Jerry Seinfeld had a couple of his cars on display at the Hillsborough Concours d'Elegance. From 1955 550 Spyders and the first 356 Carrera ever built to later model Porsche race-cars, the grass was filled with Porsches. Many of the race cars pictured on the June 2002 DRIFTER cover were among several legendary racing Porsches on display that day in May. SVR was well represented by **Bob Murray** with his 1953 356 Cabriolet and **Bob Cannon** and his 1965 356 Coupe, as well as **Phil Lawrence** and his 1972 911. The competition in the A-1 356 class was intense. **Bob Murray took 1st Place, and Bob Cannon took 3rd Place.**


Quite an accomplishment as the field of competitors came from all over California and Nevada. Congratulations!

In 2002, **Tom Sisson** served as SVR's Membership Director. And with his wife, **Jude**, he also served as SVR's Goodie Store co-chair. Tom would provide THE DRIFTER with a monthly membership report PLUS a monthly report market-

ing various goodie store items. And, as reported earlier in this column, tucked away in each month's goodie store marketing report, Tom would include a brief but valuable factoid (sort of an educational moment for SVR members). In the May 2002 issue of THE DRIFTER, Tom explained the origin of the term, "May Pole" and "May Day," both ancient traditions! May Day is a holiday practiced by the Celts in the British Isles. It involved dancing around a May Pole, creating garlands and bowers of flowers, and the playing of bagpipes and drums. More information is available than space here, so I would refer you to Tom's full column on page 5 of the May 2002 issue of THE DRIFTER.

Note to readers: THE DRIFTER is the ONLY source of the information you see here. If the event was not covered by a DRIFTER scribe (e.g. event chair or worker, event participant, club officer), then you'll have no Drifting Back.





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Intermediate Shaft Bearing Failure-aka IMS Failure

By Skip Quain, SVR Tech Chair

Article submitted by Nick Lettini of Frank's Automotive

Some of the most frequently asked questions about early water cooled Porsche boxer engines are, "how do I know when my IMS is failing," "does my car have an IMS problem, and if so, do I need to worry about it?". These are all good questions. I could try to explain this to you in technical mumbo jumbo, but you'd get about half way through it and turn the page. I'm going to do my best to explain it to you in layman's terms based on my observations.

What is an intermediate shaft, you ask? An intermediate shaft is used to transfer motion from one component to another, via chains. In this case, it is transferring motion from the crankshafts to the camshafts. It also keeps everything in time and rotating in unison, like the gears in a finely clock.

Early air cooled Porsches had a short intermediate shaft that is driven off of the front of the engine, transferring that motion to the cam shafts. Both camshafts are driven at the front of the engine. The shaft is supported by bearings that are lubricated by the engine's oil system (Mezger Design). With the introduction of the Boxster,

Porsche went to a long shaft. This configuration drives 1 cam at the front of the engine and 1 cam at the back. It is supported at the front by an oil fed bearing and at the back by a sealed, self contained steel roller bearing. That roller bearing has its own lubricant that is meant to keep the bearing lubricated for the life of the vehicle.

Here is where the problem lies.

Over time, the seals on the bearing fail, the lubricant that is meant to last the life of the engine escapes. Now there is no lubrication, and the friction destroys the steel bearing. This allows the chains to become loose and come out of time. When the engine is out of time, pistons and valves "come into contact" (putting it mildly) with each other, causing catastrophic damage. Just like the gears in a clock, if they become askew, everything will come out of time quickly.

Which cars are affected?

All Boxsters from 1997 to 2008, Normally Aspirated 911's 1999 to 2008, & Caymans 2006 to 2008. 996 & 997 Turbo engines are not affected by the IMS Failures. Their engine design is very similar to the air cooled engines

(Mezger Design) and are not prone to failure.

What changed after 2008? With the introduction of the 2009 models, Porsche redesigned or retro-designed their engines. They scrapped the long shaft design and returned to the original short shaft design. Bearings are lubricated by the engine's oil system, no longer relying on a self contained bearing.

Which cars have serviceable IMS Bearings? From 1997 to 2004 all normally aspirated boxer engines have IMS's that are serviceable. On the earlier cars, the most opportune time to replace them is during a clutch job, because in order to get to the IMS Bearing, the clutch & flywheel have to be removed. Unfortunately, on Tiptronic cars, there really is never an ideal time to do it. The transmission and flex plate will need to be removed. Later cars (2005 to 2008), require dismantling the engine to replace the bearing. This is because the bearing cannot be pulled through the case opening like the earlier cars. A boss prevents the bearing from being pulled out through the case opening.

How can I tell if my IMS Bearing is failing? This can be difficult. Monitor oil leaks, especially from the bellhousing area. This could indicate that your bearing is or has failed. When the bearing begins to wobble, oil will leak from the support shaft. You should have your oil filter inspected at every oil change. By cutting the end caps off, opening the filter up you can look between the pleats. If you see any silvery metal in the pleats this could be a sign that your IMS is failing. The only problem with this method it is only a snapshot in time. Weeks or days later your bearing can start to fail, and you may have no idea. We have noticed that most failures occur with lower mileage cars, Tiptronic cars, cars that are driven in lower rpm range. This is not to say high mileage cars or manuals are exempt from the problem, but it is a trend that we've noticed over time.

What else can I do to be proactive?

There are monitoring systems on the market. LN engineering (lnengineering.com) has developed an early warning system that can detect ferrous material in the oiling system. Once it detects the presence of material, it sets off a warning light. This allows you to shut the engine off, have it towed to a



shop to perform an IMS Update hopefully in time. LN Engineering is at the forefront of IMS Bearing failure analyst and solutions. They currently have 2 retrofit options available. The first option is for single row or double row bearings. It is a Ceramic Ball bearing design. Ceramic bearings are harder, more durable than steel bearings. This design is recommended to be replaced every 75,000 miles or 6 years. The second option is a plain bearing that is oil fed, like the main and rod bearings in your engine. This setup is a more involved, requiring a new spin on oil filter, oil line installation and modification to the engine case. It is a bit more involved, but it's also designed to last the life of the engine.

How to extend the life of your IMS?

First, DRIVE YOUR CAR! As stated earlier, the lower mileage vehicles seem to have the highest rates of failure. Second, drive your car like it was meant to be driven. Low rpm's tend to be detrimental to the IMS. The analogy we use is, "you own a thoroughbred not a plough horse." They are meant to be driven at the higher rpm range. We recommend keeping the rpm's up above 2500 rpm. This may lower your fuel mileage, but if you're concerned about fuel mileage, buy a hybrid. Lastly, ALWAYS do your routine oil changes.

Splitting the recommended service interval in half, or changing your engine oil at least once a year allows us to keep an eye on debris in the filter, which is always beneficial.

So what can we take from all of this? The earlier design had some inherent problems, but even then, the failure rate hovers around 10%. It is a bit of hit and miss whether your car will be affected or not. If you own an early car (1997 to 2004), it is a good idea to have your IMS updated, especially when performing any clutch work or anytime your transmission has to be removed. Have your oil filter inspected at every oil change and have your oil changed more frequently. If you drive your Porsche as a daily driver, we recommend splitting that interval at least in half. If it's not driven as much, have it changed once a year. Check for

oil leaks noting where they are coming from. Finally, enjoy your Porsche! Drive your car, and by all means, drive it the way it was meant to be driven, Obey All Traffic Laws (wink wink), but keep the rpms up. SVR-PCA events, like tours and rallies, are a perfect way to stretch your Porsche's legs. It may sound counter-intuitive, but you'll find the more you drive your Porsche the fewer problems you will have. Neglect and underuse are the enemies of all vehicles.

Get out there, drive and enjoy!





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People, Places, and Porsches

By Collin Fat, Drifter Reporter
text and photos C. Fat

Liz and Ray Houser hosted the March dinner at hot spot Paul Martin's Bistro in Roseville for a wonderful event attended by over 40 members. New members in attendance were Rosemary Wu, Milt and Gail Green, Colby and Annie Clegg, Gary and Marie Koehler, Tom Perry-Smith with friend Nancy Olson, and Mark Davidian with friend Jon Walker. Paul Martin's is one of Roseville's hottest restaurants with a very upscale décor and urban vibe. The food and service was excellent!



Front L/R Tara and Eric Jones
Back L/R Maria and Hector Chavez



Early Birds Enjoying Happy Hour

Seems to me that the 2 most attended social events for SVR are dinners, and tours. Included in those statistics are the fact that SVR members simply enjoy the many social aspects the club offers and certainly enjoy food, drinks and cars.

Speaking of tours, watch our website and the Drifter for upcoming events! The May dinner is at Dominick's in Granite Bay.



Great View from our dining area to the lounge

Members found friends new and old to hang out with and enjoy plenty of Porsche discussion as well as the obligatory self – introductions of members. Topics ranged from what do you do, where do you live, are you retired or still working, and how long you have been a member of the club?

Most new members are actually quite surprised at how many events are scheduled each month. Don't forget, dinners are one of the key reasons we were PCA Region of the Year in 2016.



L/R Jim and Linda McMahan
Margarita and Eduardo Ortega



Having too much fun!



L/R Tom Perry-Smith,
Nancy Olson, Larry Moore



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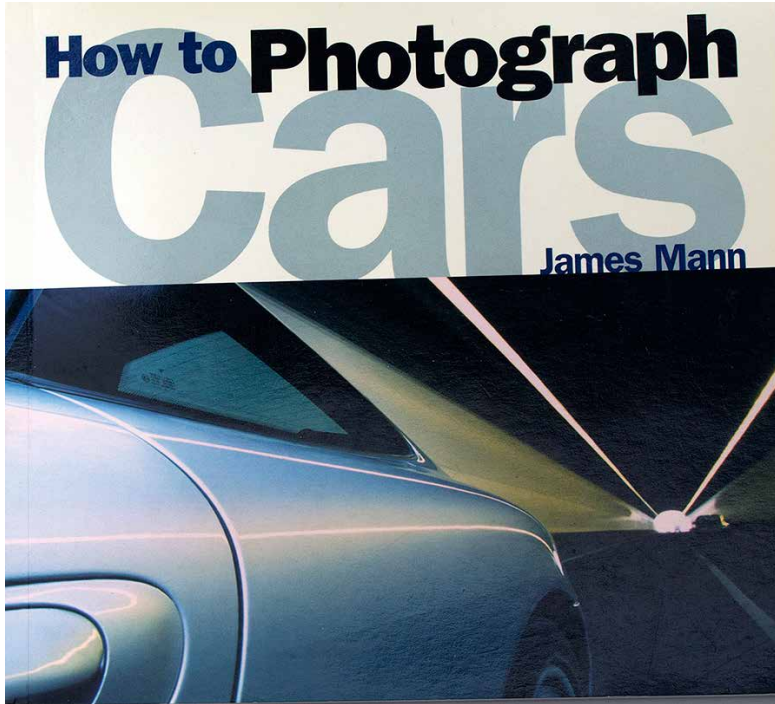
From the Editor's Bookshelf

By Steve McCrory, Drifter Editor

Photos by Barbara McCrory

A wise man once said you can never have too many automotive books, or magazines. Here are several selections from the bookshelf that many Porsche club members will enjoy. They are not newly published releases, but are still available and provide valuable information.

How To Photograph Cars by James Mann covers all the bases of creating excellent automobile photography for personal enjoyment or professional use. Starting with needed equipment and basic camera techniques, he moves on to cover action photo techniques and creation of still shots that show cars in their best light. Also covered are studio techniques, taking photos of people and cars, and groups of cars and how to plan your race and rally photography sessions. Forward is by Jesse Alexander. If you are interested in taking better pictures to accompany your automotive passions, start here.

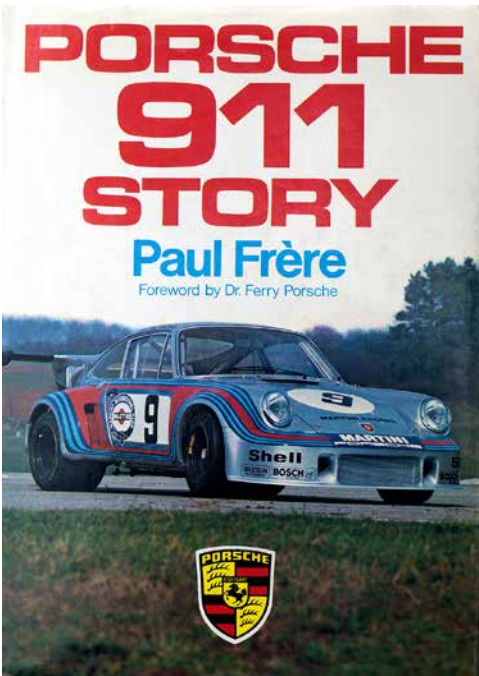


series through the I-series introduction of the 1975 models, and provide information about optional engines, changes to transmissions, performance data, weights and measures, and more. With the continued strong interest in the early 911s, with their recent stunning appreciation in value, this belongs on the bookshelves of enthusiasts of the early cars. Paul Frere was a trusted part of the Porsche sphere, and you will find information here not included in other source materials. Hardbound and 186 pages. Forward is provided by Dr. Ferry Porsche.

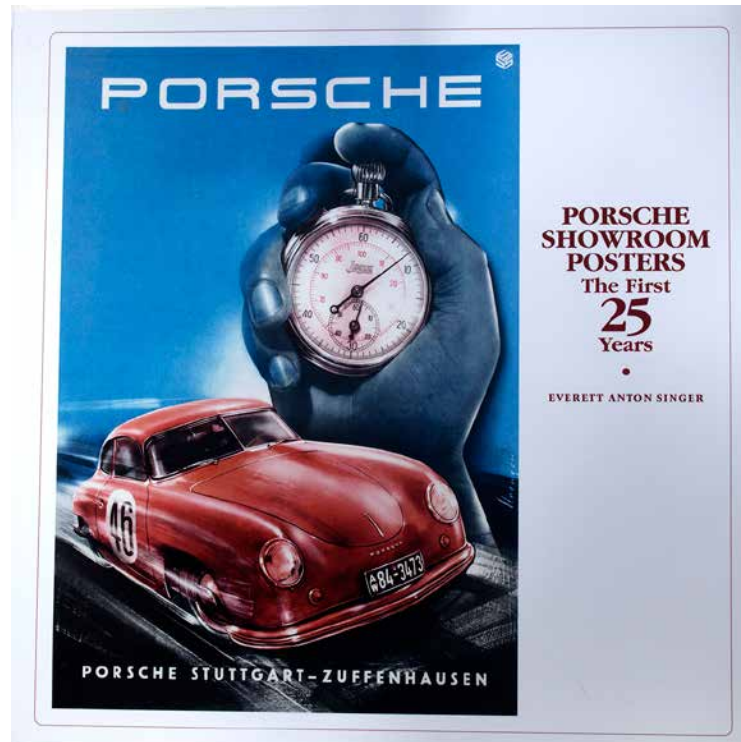
Porsche 911 Story by Paul Frere, is a detailed inside look at the creation of the iconic 911, and the people and the processes that created the successor to the 356, whose pro-

ing philosophy that evolved from the years of the 356 project development. Ten pages of detailed technical specifications are summarized and included in the appendix, covering the original O-

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duction ended in 1965. One cannot look at the early 911, and not see the familiar design lines, concepts and engineer-



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Sunday, June 11th

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Registration: 7:30-9:30 AM

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For additional information contact

Kent Brandon, SVR Concours Chairman 916.663.1702 / concours@svr-pca.org



Driver's Meeting Congratulations to the Niello Autocross School Class of 2017

by Collin Fat, SVR Autocross Chair

Photos by Eduardo Ortega, Jr. and David Leong

The 6th Annual Niello Autocross School was held over two days on February 25th and March 4th with another talented and enthusiastic class of 30 students. The first day of the school was a ground school where the concepts of performance driving were discussed in addition to advice on how to prepare your car for an event and safety issues involved with the sport. The following weekend, all the students were paired with one of our experienced instructors for on course training. In addition to the in car training, students also received training on how to be a skilled course worker with safety stressed while on the course. I would like to congratulate the following drivers for their attendance and support of the school:

Greg Burgeson	2009 Porsche Cayman
James Burton	2007 911 Turbo
Karra Canum	2010 Porsche Targa 4S
Kacy Cleaves	2014 Carrera Cabriolet 911S
Steve Cleaves	2014 Carrera 911S Cabriolet
Colby Clegg	2017 Porsche 911 Carrera 4S
Carlos Costa	2005 Porsche C2S
Tim Cronin	2003 Porsche 996-Series 911
Madison Feaver	1997 BMW M3
Lam Hoang	2015 Porsche 991 4S
Jeff Kajioka	2003 Porsche 911 Turbo
John Leet	2012 Porsche 911
Anthony Merjano	2007 Porsche Cayman
Katelyn Messersmith	2003 Porsche Boxster S
Martin Messersmith	2003 Porsche Boxster S
Timothy Noonan	2005 Porsche Carrera S
George Norwood	2001 Porsche Boxster S
Lincoln Okada	2003 Porsche 911
Eduardo Ortega Jr.	1999 Porsche 996 Carrera Coupe
Mardi Quain	2002 Porsche Carrera 4S
Skip Quain	2002 Porsche Carrera 4S
John Savona	2017 Carrera 911 4S
David Sierra	2004 Porsche Carrera 4S convertible
Chris Silva	2002 Porsche 911 Turbo
Lynne Sperry	2014 Mazda Miata MX-5
Kyle Spring	2002 Porsche Boxster S
Richard Tong	2002 Porsche Boxster S
Tom Tyer	2002 Porsche 911 Turbo
Rosemary Wu	2014 Porsche 911 4S
Jarrod Wyrick	2005 Porsche 997







SVR Web Store Now Open

By Linda Bradford, SVR Goodie Store

The new SVR Web Store is up and running and we have just received our first order to establish our initial list of products. We have some great looking shirts, polos, fleece, and jackets which will go out to the board members, committee chairs, and members very



shortly, and hopefully, they will be worn to our upcoming events. Keep your eyes out for the SVR logo on the front and "PORSCHE" on the back and please check out the Web Store to see what is currently available.

I've measured the items and compared them to the size charts, here are some general observations on the cut and fit between clothing labels, and this applies on both the men's and women's polo and t-shirts. The Eddie Bauer label items are the most fitted items but there is an extra inch to allow for slight shrinkage. The Port Authority or Port and Company items are a more standard and looser fit, with an extra inch or two above Eddie Bauer to start with, and an extra two to three inches on the 100% cotton items for shrinkage. The third label, which applies to only

three items, has different corresponding dress and shirt size ranges, is cut larger to begin with, with more extra inches to allow for shrinkage on the 100% cotton item. I'd recommend sizing down unless you specifically want a larger shirt. The polo shirts, which are Element 095 for men and Accent 092 for women, are a cotton/polyester blend, which shouldn't shrink much. The other item is a V-neck tee shirt for women, Mystique 131, is 100% cotton and will shrink.

Again, if there is an item you want offered on the PCA or another region's list that is not currently on the SVR list, give me a call or send me an e-mail soon, I'm retiring from the Goodie Store very shortly.

Linda Bradford



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Sunday, June 18

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Raley Field
400 Ballpark Drive
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1:05 PM First pitch

Game Ticket \$28 per person

RSVP by June 9 by mailing your check made out to PCA-SVR to your hosts for this event:

Mardi and Skip Quain
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The seats face North, however, the sun will swing around from South to West during the afternoon. There is standing area behind seats that is covered and shaded and some additional seats. We are sitting in the Tito Solon Club section that is exclusive. Brings hats and sunscreen.

You will pay for and order individually from available on site food trucks and vendors or bring your own food.

Parking is \$10 per car unless there are four or more people per car. (See RiverCats website for car pool instructions)



Questions? Contact
Mardi at plumrunr@aol.com or
650.504.4866
Skip: 650.504.4846



SVR Meet and Greet Fiesta

Saturday, June 24
5:00 pm to 9:00 pm

It will be an evening of music by the Speedsters and buffet dining on Carnitas, Chicken Fajitas, salad, chips & lots of salsa. Dinner price also includes margaritas, cerveza and bottled water.

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356

- The firing order of a 356 engine is _____.
 - 1-4-3-2
 - 1-4-2-3
 - 1-3-4-2
 - 1-3-2-4
- The oversteering tendencies of early 356s was decreased by the addition of a front anti-roll bar in November of 1954 for the 1955 model year. What was its diameter?
 - 10mm
 - 14mm
 - 22mm
 - 30mm
- Original equipment Koni 356A shock absorbers were orange in color.
 - True
 - False

911 early

- By 1970 the 911 transmission housing was of?
 - die cast magnesium
 - cast aluminum
 - cad/cam billet machined
 - cast iron
- The Sportomatic transmission was?
 - based on the G.M. hydramatic transmission
 - a standard 4 speed transmission coupled to a torque converter
 - a three speed transmission based on two planetary gear sets
 - an early version sequential type gear box
- All the 72 model year 911 versions (T, E, and S) have the same size intake and exhaust valves.
 - true
 - false

911 Mid

- The 915 transmission, first introduced in 1972 and continuing through 1986, was a derivative of a racing transmission from what race car?
 - 908
 - 917
 - 906
 - 924 GTR
- Like the 911SC, the new 3.3 Turbo of 1978 was equipped with a catalytic converter in the US.
 - True
 - False
- For 1978 the 930 Turbo featured new
 - wider rear fenders
 - a new rear spoiler
 - dual outside mirrors
 - cup holders

911 964-993

- The 993 Turbo S had what color of brake calipers?
 - Yellow
 - Red
 - Silver
 - Body Color
- The 993 AWD system was a carry-over from the system used for the 964 series.
 - True
 - False
- In 1992 Porsche Motorsports North America brought in 45 Carrera Cup cars for an IMSA Porsche Carrera Cups series. The cars were shipped to _____ and modified with more powerful engines.
 - Brumos
 - Champion
 - Traco
 - ANDIAL

911 Late

- What is the name of the unique non-metallic color used on the 2015 911 GTS Club Coupe?
 - Club Blau
 - Minerva Blue
 - Adriatic Blue
 - Club Blue
- For the first time in a 911, the 996's steering gear was placed forward of the front wheel centerline.
 - True
 - False



Answers

- 1a 356 Tech Specs, 3rd Edition, p.13
- 2b EWE, v.1, p.89,1383b
- 3b Neil's Book, The 356A Porsche, Documented Details, Neil Goldberg, p.131. Blue
- 4a E.W.E. vol.2, p. 545
- 5b E.W.E. Ludvigsen vol. 1 pg. 388
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- 9b Porsche 911 Performance Handbook, p. 22
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- 12d Porsche 911 Performance Handbook, p. 34
- 13a PCA Web Site, plus PCA Press Release January 21, 2015
- 14a EWE, Vol 3 p. 1392

TSD Rally School and TSD Rally --- Getting Ready for Spokane

Sunday, June 25, 2017

Porsche of Livermore
 3100 Las Positas Road
 Livermore, CA 94551
 925.447.6400

School Check-in starts at 9:45
 Rally Check-in starts at 12:30



Pre-registration is required. We will have on-site check-in for the school at 9:45 am. The cost is \$15 per car and includes the rally in the afternoon. The school will run from 10 to 11:45 am.

The rally in the afternoon will have check-in at 12:30 pm. Cost is \$15 per car. PCA insurance requires two (or more) people in the vehicle. Our insurance does provide for 16 and 17-year olds to be navigators (contact us for particulars). First car will leave Porsche of Livermore at 1:01 pm.

RSVP to Richard Wetzel rally@svr-pca.org by June 15th for both events by email and confirm by sending a check made out to PCA-SVR by mail to:

Richard Wetzel
 2606 Aspen Valley Lane
 Sacramento, CA 95835

We will use the 2017 Porsche Parade TSD Rally General Instructions as a reference for the school and the rally. Questions? Contact Richard Wetzel at 530.304.6555

This event is for those interested in learning about TSD (time-speed-distance) rallying. The TSD rally is one of the competitive events at the Porsche Parade in July in Spokane. The rules allow for 5 classes so you pick the one that is appropriate to your car's equipment. Built-in navigational systems determine your Class --- even if you don't know how to turn them on. Portable systems and equipment (such as GPS or I-Pad could also determine your Class.

The rally school will be held at Porsche of Livermore, a central location for Zone 7 members. This event is open to PCA members (priority) and to the public.

We will have a 2-hour classroom session in the morning, followed by a lunch break, and then an opportunity to put your newly acquired skills to the test on an actual rally in the afternoon. You can attend both or either one.



Sacramento Valley Region PCA 2017 Autocross Schedule



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|----------------|-------------------------|
| #2 May 6 | Stockton |
| #3 June 3 | Stockton (Zone 7 Event) |
| #4 July 1 | Stockton (Zone 7 Event) |
| #5 August 12 | Stockton |
| #6 September 2 | Stockton |
| #7 October 21 | Stockton |



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April Dinner @ Fat's Folsom

By Kirk Bradford, SVR Member

Photos by Kirk Bradford

For several years now, **Cookie Anderson** has been putting on a truly wonderful dinner event at Fat's restaurant in Folsom. This year's event took place on April 10th, with another large turnout of over 50 enthusiastic participants.

We all knew that we were in for a great meal as soon as the "starter" course came out. Called a "Dim Sum Basket", it featured chicken pot stickers, Crab Rangoon and Pork Shu Mei. Wow! Experienced Fat's diners knew that the rule of the evening was to exercise restraint when it came to dishing up the early courses, because there was much more to come!

The first course of Honey Walnut Prawns and General's Chicken was quickly followed by the second course of Ghengis Khan Beef, Kung Pao Salmon and Hong Kong Chicken Chow Mein. The third course was then served; Wok vegetables and Young Shew Fried Rice.

While everyone was still enjoying their food, **George and Lisa Okamoto** started drawing tickets for Share-The-



Wealth. Many great prizes were donated, and along with many bottles of wine, there was a bottle of Champagne, a Porsche calendar, and other goodies. A big thank you goes to all who donated

to Share-The-Wealth.

As things got going, **Cookie** was moving from table to table trying to figure out why the head-count was off. She appeared at our table a couple of times counting and re-counting and soon we learned what the problem was. It seems our Social Chair and her husband neglected to register for the dinner!

Of course, this presented an opportunity for our new Dummkopf Chair, **Gary Thompson**, to make his move. Congratulations to **Mardi (and Skip) Quain** for being the enviable recipients of the coveted Dummkopf trophy!

Collin took the opportunity to call up **Herb Hoover** and present him with an award recognizing Herb's years of dedicated service putting on the 1st Saturday breakfasts over the years. A job well done for an event that continues to draw great attendance every single month.

As people just couldn't eat anything more, and we all thought we were done, waiters started appearing with servings of Fat's famous banana cream pie! Of course, everyone had to have banana cream pie! Truly wonderful.



A great evening was enjoyed by all. Thanks to Collin for making sure everyone had enough to eat (not ever a problem!), and special thanks goes to Cookie for putting on another great SVR dinner at Fat's.



The West Coast Series is a PCA club racing points competition comprised of all the PCA club races that occur on the west coast of the USA. Historically, club racing in the PCA has been most popular on the east coast, and this series was created (starting with the 2014 season) to encourage west coast club members to take up club racing by providing them with the increased competition and sense of camaraderie that comes with having one's own competitive series. All PCA club racers are eligible to participate and all entrants to the listed events are automatically entered into the series. You may review the rules on the Club Racing website <https://www.pca.org/rules-licensing-forms>
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In the Zone

By Sandy Provasi, Zone 7 Representative

Events in Zone 7 are in full swing starting in May. You might need to make a choice or two. Do you want to autocross or attend a concours? Maybe you would like to go for a drive or drive a track? From now to October you can do just about all of it on any given weekend. **Please visit the new and improved zone7.pca.org** site for more info. From the Zone site you can check out any and all of the 10 regions in Zone 7 and see what they are up to that month.

Starting out the month is the **Sacramento Valley Region Gimmick Rally School and Rally, Sunday, May 7, 2017, Niello Porsche, Rocklin.** Good way to get some practice before Spokane.

May brings another **two-day autocross this time in the Redwood Region** in Winsor. Join RR on Saturday and Sunday, May 20 and 21st for Zone events #3 and #4. RR will have a dinner at a local restaurant on Saturday night so we can continue meeting other members.

Also falling on May 21st is the **first Zone Concours** of the year. This will be held at Fields Family Winery in Lodi. Please join Yosemite Region for their charity event and concours. You can come out and show your car or just attend the event to support UC Davis Cancer Research Center.

Golden Gate Region will host their second **Drivers Education and Club Race** for 2017. It will be held at Buttonwillow Raceway Park in Buttonwillow, May 27-28.

Looking toward early June, the first **Zone 7 Tour** will begin in Redwood Region, travel through Shasta Region and end in Sacramento Valley Region from June 1-4th. The tour is sold out, but stay tuned for more tours to be planned.

Golden Gate Region will host another **Drivers Education and Club Race** at Mazda Raceway June 2nd-4th, one weekend after Buttonwillow.

June 3rd will be **Zone Autocross #5** put on by Sacramento Valley Region at Stockton Fairgrounds. Also that weekend on June 4th will be **Zone Concours #2** put on by Loma Prieta at Partsheaven in Hayward. Along with the Concours will be a swap meet and plenty of people to meet.

Looking Forward:

Sacramento Valley Region Concours, Niello Porsche, Zone #3 Rocklin, June 11th

Sacramento Valley Region TSD Rally School and TSD Rally June 25th, Livermore (another tune-up for the Porsche Parade)

Golden Gate Region Drivers Education and Club Race, Sonoma Raceway, June 30-July 2

Sacramento Valley Region Zone Autocross #6, Stockton Fairgrounds, July 1
Spokane Parade July 9-15

Monterey Bay Region, Zone Concours #4, Carmel Valley, July 23

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SVR Board Minutes

By Rebecca Plourde, SVR Secretary

SVR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, April 12, 2017
Sac Metro Fire #32

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Board Members and Event Chairs

Attendees:

President, Eduardo Ortega Jr
Gregg Plourde, Vice President
Rebecca Plourde, Secretary
Collin Fat, Past Pres. Auto cross Chair
Steve McCrory, The Drifter Editor
Joy Nieslony, Treasurer
Mardi Quain, Social Director
Bill Fargo, Webmaster
Richard Wetzel, Rally Chair
Sue Sanders, New Member Chair
Janet Conner, Membership Director
Linda Bradford, Goodie Store
Fredrick Rauch, Driver Education Chair
Bob Lozito, Crab 37 Chair
Alma Thompson, Charity Chair
Gary Thompson, Dummkopf Chair
Excused absence, Matt Deter
Also in attendance: Rik Larson Barbara McCrory, Kirk Bradford, Dick Murphy and Al Price

EMAIL BUSINESS:

Approval of the Minutes from the March meeting approved electronically Dan Rowland submitted a preliminary budget for the New Member tour for approval via email. Collin Fat made the motion to approve, Joy Nieslony seconded. Budget approved on 4/15/2017.

Call To Order

President Eduardo Ortega Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM on April 12th 2017.

New Business

Bob Lozito discussed potential options for Crab 37. California Auto Museum is a leading candidate for the Crab HQ. A Search for an AX site continues.

Sue Sanders presented a preliminary budget for the June 24th "Meet & Greet Fiesta". It will be a catered event with an estimate of 100 people @ \$28.00 per person, with a total of \$2,658.00. Joy Nieslony made a motion for approval. Janet Conner seconded. Budget approved.

President's Report: Eduardo Ortega Jr. mentioned Jeff Birkholz had to step down as Charity Chair & Alma Thompson stepped up to be the new Charity Chair.

Eduardo Ortega Jr. mentioned **Gary Thompson** will be the new Dummkopf Chair.

Jerry Alter was added as the new Saturday Breakfast Chair.

Frederick Rauch discussed potential options for a Drivers Education event for 2018. He offered SVR a discount through fdmotorsports. This idea was liked by the Board for a good option available to the membership (instead of SVR hosting it's own event).

Vice President's Report: Gregg Plourde

Gregg Plourde stated that the Event calendar has been submitted. Insurance was requested for Autocross. Gregg stated no insurance forms are need for the Rubicon Brewery Event.

Secretary's Report: Rebecca Plourde

a) Rebecca handed out new business cards & informed BOD if anyone needs more cards to let her know.

Treasurer's Report: Joy Nieslony

a) Joy Nieslony submitted the March financial report. Collin Fat made a motion to approve, Steve McCrory seconded. Report approved.

Social Director report: Mardi Quain

a) Mardi Quain submitted a budget request for the September 12th dinner @ Orchid Thai, hosted by Bob & Beth Jacobson. An estimate of 40 people @ \$38.00 a person. Bill Fargo made a motion to approve the budget, Gregg Plourde seconded. Budget approved.

b) Mardi Quain proposed to the Board special pins be ordered for long term Members as a recognition. Further discussion will ensue.

c) **Dick Murphy** gave an update on is upcoming Rubicon Brewery event.

Autocross and Past President report: Collin Fat

a) Collin Fat mentioned Autocross is off to a good start. For the Nominating Committee, they have nominees for Treasurer, and are looking for a Drifter Editor.

Competition & Safety: Matt Deter
a) no report

Rally Director: Richard Wetzel

a) Richard Wetzel submitted a preliminary budget for the June Rally school for approval. 20 cars are estimated @ \$15.00 a car, for a total of \$300.00. Collin Fat made the motion to approve the budget. Bill Fargo seconded. Budget approved.

Drifter Report: Steve McCrory

a) Steve McCrory mentioned a new advertiser will be coming on board.

Membership report: Janet Conner

a) Janet Conner submitted the Membership Count. Primary Members 811, Affiliate Members 479, with a total of 1,290 Members.

Technical Chair: Skip Quain

a) Skip Quain submitted his report. Detailing Seminar sponsored by Detail Maniac is being held Saturday May 13th, at 9:30 AM .

b) A Mechanical seminar by Nick Lettini @ Franks Garage in coordination with Colby at Muffler Tech. Is being coordinated by Mike Dunn.

Webmaster: Bill Fargo

a) Bill Fargo reported on the number of hits that the new website was getting. He asked for feedback and/or any changes that might be needed. The website has been entered into the Parade competition.

Meeting adjourned: 9:11 PM
Next meeting: May 10th, 2017

Respectfully Submitted,
Rebecca Plourde 2017 Secretary



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April Membership

Janet Conner, Membership

Membership Report

	April 2017	April 2016
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New Members	9	12
Transfers In	2	1
Transfers Out	0	1

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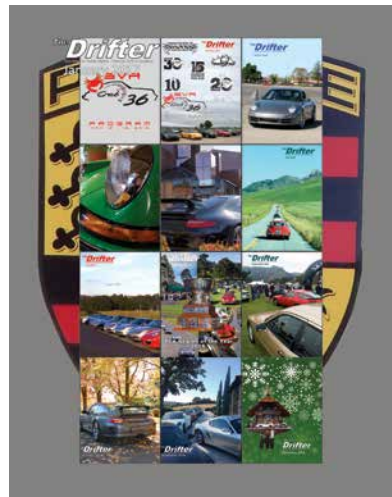
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