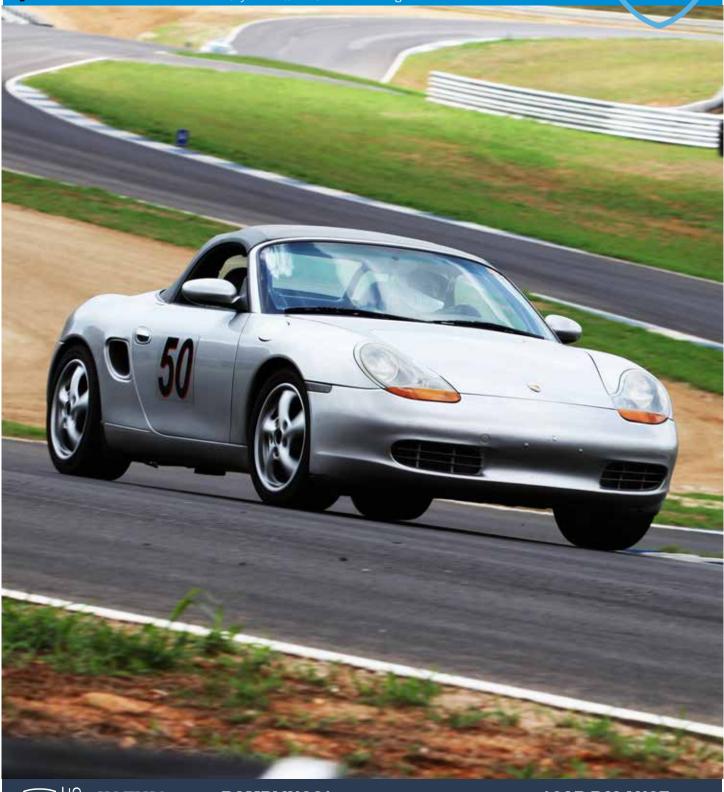
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# From the Driver's Seat

# Brian Powell, President

I will be the first one to tell you that writing copy for a monthly column is not my forte. Writing it is the easy part. deciding what to write about is another story. As far as an introduction, I feel a lot of you know me already from my 10 years as Drivers Education chair. For those that aren't track regulars though, here's my story. I initially joined PCA back in 1985 when I had a 1970 911E. But once the kids started coming along, I sold the E and let my PCA membership lapse. I picked it up again in 1997 when I jumped back into Porsche ownership with a 1983 911SC Targa. It's been a member of the family since and is still the garage queen. It led me into a number of PCA activities. from the then known-as-Porschefest to Fall Tours, and eventually to Drivers Ed events. Along the way, it was joined by a 944 Turbo as a daily driver/DE car. At a quarter million miles the 944 Turbo decided it was time for an engine rebuild. so it was replaced by a 2001 Boxster S. My wife, Angela tolerates my gearhead addiction well. As vices go, tinkering with mechanics is probably pretty low on the list of dangerous lifestyles. Instead of working on my golf swing, I might be found in the garage changing out brake pads on the Boxster. Some guys go hunting for the weekend, I go to VIR. Angela and I have 3 children who have all grown up in PCA and count several of you as their "PCA grandparents." Our oldest, Ben is stationed in Pensacola, Florida with the US Navy. Carolyn is a senior at Roanoke College in Virginia and Rachel is a junior at Meredith College in Raleigh. All have volunteered at Parades, Club Races and Drivers Ed events as well as being a active participants behind the wheel. Rachel was recently watching a home remodeling program which included a short on-track video of the home owner. She immediately spotted it as VIR. I had to laugh, how many blonde college coeds could tell VIR from Daytona? She made her papa proud. In my day job, I'm an IT project manager at Duke Energy in Charlotte, NC.

Speaking of jobs, we have a number of positions in the region that have new names and faces. For starters, we have a new Executive committee

stepping in. Bill Scarbrough as VP, Sadie Kilcrease as Treasurer and Martha Babinski as Secretary. Sean Steinbrueck has handed over Autocross chair to Wayne Capwell. Sean did a great job rejuvenating our Autocross series, and left big shoes to fill. I'm sure Wayne will continue to grow the program in the same fashion. After several years as Hickory Area Directors, Vince and Vallie Piccirelli are stepping down. Michael Vittorio will assume the Hickory AD role. And Lauren Boylston handed the reins to Peter Graham as Mountain Area Director.

We also have a few roles that are still in transition. Newsletter Editor, Membership and Communications are in need. John, Tammy and Catherine have done a wonderful job, but have expressed a desire to take a break. If you have skills in any of these areas and have a desire to serve, please let me know. The pay is lousy, but the appreciation is priceless.

Elsewhere in this issue, you'll see an announcement for MSX2015. This is an opportunity to join fellow PCA members and racers at the world's ONLY amateur racing expo and conference – MSX, the North American MotorSports Expo! Hear racing legends speak, see amazing competition cars on display, and discover the newest products and services to help you go faster. We may even have some of your fellow PCA member cars on display too. MSX will be held February 20-21, 2015 at the Charlotte Convention Center.

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The 2015 events calendar is currently in the planning phase, see this space in coming issues, or check the PCA website.

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#### Upstate

1st Monday of Month Quaker Steak and Lube, Greenville, SC

### **Sun Fun**

3rd Tuesday of Month Rotating Location, See Area

### **Triad**

3rd Tuesday of month, 7:00pm River Ridge Tap House 1480 River Ridge Road Clemmons, NC

#### **Triangle**

4th Thursday of month 6:30pm Tobacco Road Sports Cafe 1118 Environ Way Chapel Hill, NC 27517

### **Hickory**

2nd Tuesday of Month Davinci's, Hickory, NC

### **Mountain Area**

Check monthly area report for location changes. Contact: mountain-ad@ carolinas-pca.com

### **Metrolina**

3rd Wednesday of Month (or check email updates)

#### **Sand Hills**

4th Tuesday of every odd numbered Month Rotating Meeting Location, refer to Area Report for details

# Recurring Cars and Coffees & Shine and Shows By Area:

### Asheville

**3rd Saturday of each month**, 9AM - 11AM, Starbucks, 1378 Hendersonville Road, Asheville, NC

# Triangle Area

**2nd Saturday of each month**, 8:30AM, Panera Bread Patterson Place S/C 3603 Witherspoon Blvd Durham, NC 27707

### Triad Area

2nd Saturday of each month - 9am to noon Reynolda Village - Park on the Lawn

**3rd Saturday of each month** (March to November), 8:30am to 10:30am at Jefferson Village (off New Garden) in Greensboro. NC.

## **Metrolina Area**

**3rd Sunday Monthly** - 9AM - Noon, Foxcroft East Shopping Center located at 7814 Fairview Road

### **Upstate**

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# **December 2014** New Members and Anniversary Memberships

The Carolinas Region would like to welcome new members and transferring members. In addition, we would like to congratulate members celebrating anniversary memberships this month for five, ten, fifteen, twenty, thirty, or more years of PCA dedication.

New Members					
Paul	Reginaldi	Greensboro	NC	2015	911 Carrera 4S Cabriolet
Jenny	Wood	Pinehurst	NC		
Randy	Collins	Anderson	SC	2006	Cayman S
Rhonda	Vitale	Anderson	SC		
Sergey	Mityakov	Clemson	SC	2012	Cayenne S Hybrid
Margarita	Portnykh	Goleta	CA		
Rebecca-Ayme	Hughes	Durham	NC	1960	356
Nick	lannuzzi	Lewisville	NC	2013	911 Carrera 4S
Linda	Uchtmann	Waynesville	NC		
Fred	Fischer	Mooresville	NC	2005	Cayenne Turbo
Jackson	Tupper	Durham	NC		
Kevin	Ryals	Matthews	NC	2014	911 Carrera
Stephanie	Cates	Lake Wylie	SC		
Steve	Strelko	Elkin	NC	2007	911 Carrera 4
Todd	King	Hendersonville	NC		
Heidi	Luebke Dent	Southern Pines	NC	2015	Macan S
Clint	Davis	Spartanburg	SC		
Ted	Cawood	Chapin	SC	2007	Cayman
Chris	Cawood	Chapin	SC		
Luann	Brooks	Stanfield	NC		
Tom	Hartung	Winston Salem	NC	2008	Cayman S
Jerry	Hornowski	Asheville	NC	2001	911 Turbo
Scott	Remmel	Huntersville	NC	2014	Cayman S
Mark	Johnson	Roebuck	SC	2010	Panamera S

Anniversarie	es				
45 Years					
Silvia	Mammone	Greenville	SC		
40 Years					
Richard	Norman	Linville	NC		
25 Years					
Eileen	Powell	Hillsborough	NC	2003	Boxster
20 Years					
Michael	Parsons	NORTH WILKESBORO	NC		
15 Years					
Robert	Kim	Apex	NC	1999	911 Carrera
James	Hill	PINEHURST	NC	2002	911 Carrera
10 Years					
Clifton	Homesley	Mooresville	NC	1999	911 Carrera
Bob	Burr	Saint Matthews	SC	1971	911S
Karl	Sease	Columbia	SC	1995	911 Carrera
Steven	Rudnicki	Columbia	SC	1999	Boxster
Al	Aldecoa	Candler	NC	2004	Boxster S
5 Years					
Emily	Barbee	Indian Valley	VA		
Dale	Ostrander	Elon	NC	1987	944
Brandon	Shriver	Lexington	NC		
William	Johnson	Easley	SC	1987	944 Turbo
M.	Martin	Simpsonville	SC	2009	911 Carrera S
Louis	Smith	Denver	NC		
Kevin	Snyder	Matthews	NC		
Stephen	Avery	Piedmont	SC	2002	911 Carrera
Jason	Ardus	Huntersville	NC	2006	911 Carrera

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# **Hysterical Ramblings**

# By Howard Wasserman

### **Last Month's Trivia Question**

Besides the type-of-course distinguishing element (oval, road or street) there is another highly significant characteristic-taking only one of two forms-which describes a racecourse. Of the ten U. S. F1 tracks mentioned (previously), only the Indianapolis Motor Speedway utilized both forms of this characteristic. Can you name it?

Mark Wishart of the Sun Fun Area could. The F1 Indy race was run counterclockwise on the Oval from 1950 to 1960 and clockwise through the infield/oval course from 2000 to 2007. Congratulations Mark. You are the winner of the 2014 Hysterical Ramblings Trivia Contest. Thanks to all who entered, especially the five other entrants who were in the running right up to the December question.

# **Did You Know?**

Of the other nine courses used in the U.S F1 race from 1950 to present, five were run counterclockwise as is the general practice in the United States-Phoenix, Dallas, Detroit, Las Vegas and the Circuit of the Americas. Four were run clockwise, as is the not-quite-so-general practice in the rest of the world-Watkins Glen, Sebring, Riverside and Long Beach. If you are a Formula 1 fan, try to figure out, from memory only, which 2014 courses were run CW and which were run CCW.

# Your Porsche!

This month's personal story is from Brian Powell, newly installed as President of the Carolinas Region. In his own words:

# A FAMILY AFFAIR

When I was approached to ramble on about a particular Porsche or vehicle in my past, I really didn't know where to start. I could mention my first Porsche, a 1970 911E that would probably make a good example of what not to do with finding and owning your first Porsche. Angela still laughs at how the windshield wipers ran all the time unless you unplugged the wiring harness. Honestly, who checks the wipers when on a test drive? After the 911E came and went,

I purchased a 1983 911SC Targa in Kiln Red in 1997. I think I did it right that time around as the Targa still resides in the garage. That car has a lot of memories for our family. The year after I bought it, I had it repainted and got it back on a Thursday-the Thursday right before Porschefest 1998. Angela and I had less than 24 hours to wash, wax, scrub, shine, polish and vacuum out all the shop dirt before entering it in the concours on Saturday morning. I can't recall where we finished. It wasn't first and it wasn't last. We settled into a Porschefest routine for the next few years. I'd wash and wax for the concours, Angela would join me for the Gimmick Rally where we won a few and lost a few. We enjoyed weekend drives, Fall Tours and on special occasions, it served as school bus, taking our 3 kids to school. Boys being boys, Ben always wanted a ride to school in the 911.

It was the SC that took me to my first Drivers Education event at Carolina Motorsports Park in Kershaw, SC. I still laugh recalling "a screamin' tire is a happy tire!" coming from my instructor, Walter Dennis sitting in the right seat as we lapped CMP. It was also the Targa that taught me 911 dynamics when the tail end decided to go first through Left Hook at VIR a few events later. Track duties moved on to a 944 Turbo and then on to a Boxster S, both fun cars and quicker. But there is just something about the SC. Get it right and Oh Boy, what a grin!

And then in 2005, the 911SC took us to our first Parade in Hershey, Pa. Having a family of five meant we had to take two cars. Having a 80's vintage 911 meant A/C was wishful thinking. Older daughter Carolyn and I sweated it out on the summertime ride up I-81 while everybody else rode with Mom in the van. Hershey was my son Ben's first opportunity to Autocross. I don't recall where we placed, it wasn't important. During the week, he and I volunteered at a TSD rally checkpoint. Angela and the girls helped out at the Goodie Store. We repeated our success as a family in the Gimmick Rally, the Honda Odyssey coming in third in the family-sized class. Somewhere in the week, one of the girls complained,



At the Hershey Parade Concours-the 911SC and Ben, Rachel & Carolyn. .



"do we have to go look at more cars?" We stayed till the very end, though. Both girls standing with the other workers at the volunteer party, it was sad to see the close of our first Parade.

Carolyn & Rachel at the Savannah Parade Concours.

In the years since, Ben and I attended numerous DE's together in the 944 Turbo. He since joined the US Navy and went on to

his own 944S. Carolyn and Rachel continue to volunteer at our annual Club Race and join me at other PCA activities as their college schedule allows. And next summer, hopefully you'll join Angela and I at the 60th Parade at French Lick, Indiana. Can't say what we'll be driving, but I can say a 30 year-old 911SC started it all.

Do you have a photo of your Porsche and an interesting story to tell involving it? I'd like to print it here. Please email me at howard@hwasserman.com.

## January's Trivia Question

Starting off the 2015 Hysterical Ramblings Trivia Contest is another Formula 1 question. Porsche has won just one F1 race as a constructor. Can you name the type (think higher than 356 and lower than 911), year, race and driver? ALL correct answers received by me within 48 hours of the time stamp on the email announcing the publication of this newsletter will receive 10 points. The FIRST correct respondent will receive 15 points. Let me know your guess at howard@hwasserman.com.

Till next time, practice the following phrase for use the next time we meet: "Howard, I will write a story for your column."



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# Car Balance / Winter Seminar/ DE Schedule

# Words by John Babinski DE Chair

When I first got my Boxster and decided that I wanted to explore DE's with the Porsche club I was interested for a few reasons. First, I knew my 1999 base Boxster with its 2.5L engine wasn't the fastest Porsche but I still wanted to explore speeds faster than street legal in a safe and controlled environment. Second, I had heard what a great handling car it was due to its mid-engine design and near perfect weight balance. So I wanted to get a better understanding of these handling dynamics. Out on a proper road course just seemed like the most logical place to do this. Third, I simply wanted to enjoy the comaraderie of other people with similar interests in Porsche cars and high performance driving.

Having learned to drive on snow and ice covered roads in New Jersey, and being able to slide a car around in a parking lot with the best of them, I thought I had a pretty good understanding of car control. So I was somewhat surprised, and frankly frustrated, when I spun my car going through the carousel at CMP during the second day of my very first DE. No damage to the car which is one of the great advantages of learning car control at the track. They are designed with plenty of run off areas for just such incidents. While I was embarrassed by my spin, my pride was hurt more than anything else. After all, if you can't drive a car around a track without spinning after you've had a driver's license for 35 years. well, what kind of a driver are you really??

The thing that really drove me crazy for days afterwards was trying to recall exactly what caused the spin. I ran the scenario over and over and over again in my mind- trying to recall everything about the situation. Where exactly was I on the track? Where were my hands on the steering wheel? What was I looking at on the track? What was the angle of the front tires? How much throttle was I giving the car? What were the conditions of my tires? And plenty more.

Looking back on that experience now, it taught me one of the fundamental issues of car control. The importance of maintaining balance. By balance, I mean having the maximum grip possible, on as many contact patches as possible, all in the right sequence to properly control the vehicle at its limits. The actual contact surface that a tire makes to the road surface is at best a few square inches per tire. With that little contact patch we expect to be able to control acceleration, braking and turning dynamics - oftentimes all at the same time. And that contact patch area is constantly changing, sometimes getting bigger and sometimes smaller, based on our inputs. For example, we've all experienced the sensation under acceleration of being pushed back into the seat. That's the center of gravity for the car moving. It causes vehicle weight to transfer to the rear tires where the tire contact patches then become larger. Conversely, at the same time the front end of the vehicle gets lighter, and those tires





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contact patch decreases. In the case of my spin, I was going around the carousel which is a long right hand sweeper. Vehicle weight was transferring to the left side and so my biggest contact patches were on that side. Before I had completed that sweeping turn I abruptly accelerated getting ready for the next straight. This threw more vehicle weight to the rear. With the largest contact patch now on the left rear tire and in an accelerating motion it simply gave that left rear tire a lot of torque. Here's an example; take a sheet of paper and put it on a flat surface. Then take your thumb and put it on the lower left corner and give it a good flick forward. The paper should shoot forward and to the right just like my car did that day.

I got thinking about this lessen on balance, car control, and contact patches the other weekend while I was participating in a Chump car race on a very wet and rainy day at VIR. The track was super slippery with many cars spinning and going off course – including ours. I was the third driver in the car and had already heard and seen how tough conditions were. Right on queue on my first lap out as I entered turn 1, the car lost grip and swerved several times before I was able to collect it back up. After a few laps to determine where the handling characteristics of our FWD platform would perform best, where the track had good grip, and where to proceed with utmost caution, I was able to start putting in some good laps times. I attribute this to constantly repeating in the back of my mind "Maintain good balance – look ahead - be smooth." With all three of our drivers using this mental approach (we had all been taught this through the

PCA DE program) we were able to move up 25 positions during the course of that rainy day.

Are you interested in learning more about vehicle dynamics, balance, smoothness and improved car control? Are you interested in becoming a better driver on the track or in daily driving? Want to find out more about the DE program and see for yourself one of the tracks we utilize?

Then come join us for our "Winter Seminar" at Carolinas Motorsports Park in Kershaw, SC on Sat. Jan. 31st. This is a free informal educational event that explains the purpose of our DE program, describes what happens during a DE, and takes you through the car technical inspection process. We may even be able to get on track for a few slow speed laps. In addition, attendees are eligible to receive a \$100 rebate after completing their first DE. To receive the rebate you must pre-register by submitting your name to driversed@carolinas-pca.com

# The DE schedule for 2015 is now official

March 7-8, 2015 at CMP September 5-6, 2015 at CMP November 13-14-15, 2015 at VIR An announcement regarding the combined club race and DE will be forthcoming.

# Area Updates: December 2014

# Triangle Area By Howard Wasserman

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**Meeting:** Fourth Thursday of Month, Tobacco Road Sports Cafe, 1118 Environ Way, Chapel Hill 27517

Contact: triangle-ad@carolinas-pca.com 919.538.0202

# 2014 Triangle Area Charity Selected

Having raised \$707 in 50-50 raffles during our first year for such an effort, and adding in the region's \$500 matching funds, we will be giving a check for \$1,207 to the Inter Faith Food Shuttle of the Triangle and environs with the money specifically targeted for the Backpack Buddies program in Durham. For many school children, the meals they get at school during the week are the best meals-or even the only meals of consequence-they get. Backpack Buddies give these needy students a backpack filled with food on Friday to help feed them and their families over the weekend.

# **Monthly Dinner Meeting**

Our monthly dinner meeting continues to thrive at our new location the Tobacco Road Café in Chapel Hill. As evidenced by the photos we had our largest group up to that point.

## Following are the Area's recurring events.

Monthly Cars & Coffee on the SECOND Saturday of the month (during January and February due to region scheduling conflicts) to be held at Panera Bread, Patterson Place, 3603 Witherspoon Blvd, Durham 27707. The next meetup is Saturday, January 10 starting at 8:30 am. Don't let inclement weather deter you–just bring your daily driver.

# Sun Fun Area By Melissa Sprouse Brown



**Meeting:** Third Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm Sun Fun's area meeting's rotate, see below for our next meeting location.

Contact Melissa Sprouse-Brown, Area Director sunfun-ad@ carolinas-pca.com

**Check this space next month for Sun Fun Area Report** 

Monthly Dinner Meeting on the fourth Thursday of each month to be held at Tobacco Road Sports Café, 1118 Environ Way, Chapel Hill, 27517. The next meeting is Thursday, January 22 at 6:30 pm. Some folks will be assembling a little earlier on the lower level ramp of the garage for some car gawk and talk.

To be kept current on Triangle Area events, consider joining our meetup group. http://www.meetup.com/Triangle-Area-Carolinas-Region-PCA/. If you're not getting my periodic emails about events, please send your email address to triangle-ad@carolinas-pca.com.



Some of the large crowd at Tobacco Road Sports Café in Chapel Hill for our October dinner meeting. And the November turnout was even larger.

# **Upstate Area** By John Budinich



**Meeting:** First Monday of the month at 6:30pm Quaker Steak & Lube, 10 Chrome Drive Greenville, SC

Contact John Budinich, Area Director upstate-ad@ carolinas-pca.com (864) 915-0011

This month's column will take a somewhat different track from normal reports. I would like to talk about the people who make up the Porsche Club, especially the Upstate Area, who I deal with on a regular basis.

When most people I speak with hear I am involved in the Porsche Club, they tend to think all we do is talk about cars and participate in car related activities. While that may have been the primary reason for joining PCA, we all quickly realize it is more about the relationships and lasting friendships we develop. Through sharing a common interest, the Porsche automobile, we participate in social activities including monthly meetings, Drive & Dines, cars shows and/or track related activities including Autocross, Driver's Ed and Club Racing. A side benefit is some of these activities raise some money for various charities. Be it through food bank donations or 50/50 raffles at meetings, Club members try to remember those less fortunate. As we enjoy our beloved Porsches and the company of fellow members throughout the year, the Holiday Season seems to bring everything together.

All Areas within the Carolinas Region host a Holiday or Christmas party of some sort during Holiday Season. At most, if not all, of these parties, we not only celebrate the Season and welcome in new members, we take the opportunity to help those who need help the most, local charities. If I may, I would like to tell you about this year's Upstate Area Christmas and New Member Appreciation party and how those in attendance stepped up to the plate.

The Upstate Area members decided to hold our party on a Friday night to make it accessible to as many as possible. I was having difficulty finding a venue that would accommodate the expected large group on a Friday, as this is normally a very busy night for restaurants and caterers. One of our members, John Perkins, when hearing of the problems in finding a venue, offered his law office complex in downtown Greenville as a location for the party. He not only opened up his offices, he provided the beer, wine and spirits for the group. I sent out notice for the party and we had 76 people turn out, including 12 members who were attending their first ever PCA event. They were readily welcomed into the fold and made a number of new friends. The food we had catered by Hans & Franz was very tasty and the party was a great success. If that were it, I am sure everyone would have said they had a very enjoyable evening. But in the Upstate Area, that's not all the Holiday Party is about.

We migrated to the large conference room to hold our annual charity auction. The auction raises money for the St. Vincent DePaul Society. This charity is run completely by volunteers and every penny donated goes out to local families in need, be it for help with power bills, food, avoiding foreclosure or other serious needs. The auction consisted of items donated by members or local businesses. Once again, Shane Tisdale acted as auctioneer and he utilized his "chief instructor" skills and humor to get the crowd going. I knew the night would be a success when the first item up for bid, an ice cube tray for Porsche shaped ice cubes, went for \$150. The auction took off from there as various Porsche related items, paintings, wines, etc. went up for bid.

The night was brought to a frenzy when the next to last item, a

metal sign donated by Porsche of Greenville, recognizing Porsche's efforts at LeMans in 1970, went across the block. The bidding was fast and furious as the item approached the \$400 mark. Robert Schucking, Service Manager at Porsche of Greenville, added an exterior & interior detail to the bundle, and bidding got up to \$650. One bidder offered to up the bid to \$1,500 if Darren Martins, Porsche Manager in Training, would include his limited edition Porsche jacket. After a lot of egging on by the group, Darren added the jacket to the bundle and the final hammer price was \$1,610. The auction ended when Paul Lueskow's photo from this year's LeMans race, signed by three Porsche Team drivers, including Patrick Dempsey and Patrick Long, went for \$500. In total, the auction raised \$9,865 for charity. This brought the total raised for charity in the Upstate Area to \$11,175 for 2014.

The point of this story is to recognize PCA membership is about much more than enjoying our favorite cars. It is also about making new friends, sharing good times and giving back to those less fortunate. This social responsibility takes us beyond being just a "car club" and more into being a true contributing factor to the community we live in. This is not unique to the Upstate Area, as it is demonstrated across the Carolinas Region.

In closing, I hope everyone has/had a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year. I, for one, am looking forward to a happy and exciting 2015. Getting to share that with other Porsche Club members is icing on the cake.

Until next month...

**Upcoming Upstate Area Meeting** 

Monday, January 5 at 6:30 pm at Quaker Steak & Lube, Greenville, SC Monday, February 2 at 6:30 pm at Quaker Steak & Lube, Greenville, SC Monday, March 2 at 6:30 pm at Quaker Steak & Lube, Greenville, SC

As always, I would ask members to keep the ideas, suggestions and feedback coming to upstate-ad@Carolinas-pca.com as they can only help to improve our meetings and activities throughout the year.

# Sandhills Area By Marty Barrett



**Meeting**: Every odd month (Jul, Sept, Nov, etc.) Fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm Rotating Location- see report below

Contact Marty Barrett, Area Director sandhills-ad@ carolinas-pca.com

The Sandhills Area December meeting and holiday event was held at Theo's Taverina in Pinehurst on December 2. We had forty-one members and guests! The charity raffle included gift certificates from local shops, thanks to Larry Wolff, and a selection of items from the Carolinas PCA Goodie Store. We were able to add \$390 to the scholarship fund, which now is approaching \$2400. Thank you to all of our generous members!

In January we have arranged a visit to the Ingram Collection in Durham. Only a few Sandhills members have had the opportunity to see this incredible collection of special Porsches. Their 918 Hybrid Spyder arrived in December, so that will be a very special treat.

Plans for a tech session in February and a spring weekend driving event are well underway. Many of us are involved as volunteers with the Pinehurst Concours on May 2, and this year there will be special events for local car clubs as part of the concours.

A Happy and Safe 2015 to all our PCA friends!

# Mountain Area By Lauren Boylston

Monthly Meeting: Activity planned for first Saturday of the month, see Area Report or contact Area Director Check monthly area report for location changes. Contact: mountain-ad@ carolinas-pca.com

### In the Rearview:

December 6th brought the members of the Mountain Area together to celebrate the Holidays, enjoy a fabulous lunch and exchange fun gifts in the Porsche spirit. 50 members descend-

ed on All Souls Pizza in the River Arts District of Asheville for pizza, pressed sandwiches, salads, soups and beers. Thanks to the brilliance of the Carolinas Region Board sharing the National Rebate, the entire luncheon was on the house. What a wonderful event. And what a wonderful way to recognize our members and to pass along the benefits of membership in PCA.

Some pretty hilarious gifts were exchanged and "stolen" via the Naughty Santa Gift Exchange rules. Everyone seemed to have a good time and it was a delightful way for me to end my 2 years as Area Director for the Mountains Area. We did take time out of the frivolity to vote in Peter Graham as the new Area Director for 2015. Peter will do an excellent job representing our Area and providing focus as we charge into the New Year.

A decision was made to adopt Brother Wolf Animal Rescue as our charity for 2014. Porsche Cookies given to Mountain Area members at the luncheon With help from Harmony Motors (\$500)

and from our members, we were able to provide over 300 lbs. of dog/cat food and \$1100 (including Region matching funds) in cash for this excellent "nokill" shelter and adoption facility here in Asheville. Peter Graham, Bob Lawrence and I met with Joelle Warren, one of the founders, to present the check. They were so very thankful for the generous donation, especially since it happened to fall in a period where there was a donor MATCHING all donations. This means our \$1100 resulted in a \$2200 overall contribution. BRAVO.

# In the Headlights:

The January meeting, under the leadership of Peter Graham, will be January 10th at 10AM in the conference room at Harmony Motors. Harmony Motors will graciously provide pastries and coffee. This

is a week later than our normal meeting time due to the New Years holiday and probably some football stuff, too.

#### Down the Road:

Well, there is no "down the road" for me this time. The next article will flow from the keyboard of Peter. I have enjoyed getting to know so many of you and for sharing our love of the brand. Thanks for tolerating me and supporting me. See you around the next bend.

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ber), Lauren Lopez Boylston (outgoing Mountain Area Director)



Joelle Warren, BWAR Founder, with Porsches in front of Rescue facility



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# **Hickory Area** By Vincent & Vallie Piccirelli



**Monthly Meeting**: Second Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm Da Vinci's Ristorante 2968 North Center St. Hickory, NC

Contact: Michael Vitorrio, Area Director hickory-ad@ carolinas-pca.com

Greetings from the Hickory Area. This will be our last TR report as Vallie and I are transferring leadership of the Hickory area to Michael Vittorio by the time you read this. Vallie and I have been the Hickory area AD's shortly after Delmar Kiser started this area In 2007, as best as we can remember. We have met many wonderful people over the years and plan to meet many more, however with Vallie's declining health and the demands of my job we are finding it very difficult to keep up with planning and activities.

It has been our joy to work with all the other area AD's, Executive Council and Committee members, Porsche of Hickory, Exclusive Motor Werks and Black Forest Racing. We are confident that Michael Vittorio will do a great job at leading our area to new events going forward. We want to encourage all of our members to participate in what is one of the best groups of people we have ever met. There will be a lot of changes this coming year, with new Officers as well. If you are interested in being a part of the planning please contact Michael and give him your support.

We had a great time at H & M Collision. Thank you to Michael Bradshaw and all the people there. We were able to see the effects of the Cabriolet roll over protection system and discuss the intricacies of joining dissimilar metals. They provided a great Breakfast as well. FYI, this is a first class operation and have plans to expand their operations on Lenoir Rhyne Blvd. They are also certified on many other makes so give them a call if you need your repairs done right the 1st time. Check out http://kandmcollision.com/. Although we did not do any work, we were able to learn many of the details of chassis repair, dent repair and paint finish does and don'ts.

A BIG Thank You to White and Gail Iddings for hosting this year's Christmas Party. They arranged a caterer and had beautiful Christmas decorations in their home. We had 25 members and 1 prior member to be in attendance. We had over 24 door prizes, some of our members brought contributions like die cast cars, Posters and a special cup holder. Porsche of Hickory donated a Porsche Art Calendar. The hickory area treasure chest donated several gifts, from our allowance. Porsche of Hickory helped with our catered heavy Hor Devours and we had \$250 from Carolinas Region allowance for local member recognition party.

We are truly blessed to have members who have contributed their time, talents and expenses to do so much over our tenure. FYI, so far we have raised \$653.50 not counting matching funds, that adds up to \$1153.50 for Charity! Also Members brought around 70lbs of food, which will be donated to Cooperative Christian Mission in Hickory at our Christmas party. Our meeting place and times will be the same, for now, so please come out in January and have a great meal and help us plan 2015. Note: The meeting place may change so please check your emails.

Vallie and I look forward to seeing everyone next year and we wish you a Blessed Year.









Top to bottom: Top three photos- H & M Collision, group on hand early in the visit, next photo, lunch time! Last photo, Hickory Area Christmas party hosted by Gail and White Iddings

# Triad Area By Jerry Kilcrease



**Meeting:**Third Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm, River Ridge Tap House, Clemmons, NC.

Contact Jerry Kilcrease, Area Director triad-ad@ carolinas-pca.com (336) 476-3120

The Triad Area PCA held the 2014 Christmas Party and Membership Appreciation Event at the River Ridge Tap House in Clemmons on Wednesday, December 10th, starting at 6:30pm. Porsche of Greensboro and the Triad Area PCA hosted the event and we had 63 members and guests in attendance. The room was wonderfully decorated and the food was outstanding. We welcomed quite a few members that had not attended a PCA meeting in a long time and we were also pleased that Matt Davis and Steve Howell from Porsche of Greensboro were able to join us. There was no admission charge, everything was free (except the cash bar), however we did ask that each member make a monetary donation for the Greensboro Urban Ministry Food Bank organization. I am pleased to announce that we collected a total of \$1,730.00 that will be donated to the Food Bank on behalf of the Triad Area PCA. After everyone finished desert, we gave away some very nice door prizes including a certificate for a complete oil change/Porsche service at Porsche of Greensboro. Thanks to everyone for attending and for being so generous with your donations.

### **TRIAD AREA 2015 EVENTS AGENDA**

The planning meeting for the Carolinas Region PCA is being held on January 17th and the initial Triad Area agenda with dates will be established at this meeting. So the Triad Area 2015 agenda will be coming out in the February edition of Tobacco Roads.

### **NEXT TRIAD AREA MONTHLY MEETING**

The Triad Area will hold its January 20th, 2015 monthly meeting at the River Ridge Tap House located at 1480 River Ridge Road in Clemmons. We start socializing around 6:30pm with dinner and a short business meeting starting around 7pm. Please contact Jerry Kilcrease at jkilcrease@triad.rr.com if you need directions or have any questions.



**Larry and Marilyn Cantley** 

# **Triad GIP (Girls In Porsche)**

(By Sadie Kilcrease)

On December 4 the GIPs met at the beautiful Grandover Resort for our Christmas Meeting. The resort was beautifully decorated for the Holidays with a 30 ft. Christmas Tree in the entry foyer. This put everyone in a festive mood. After a delicious meal, Carol Wood pulled the 50/50 number and Tommie Lauer was the lucky winner. The proceeds from our "Split The Pot" are donated to Charity and our charity for 2014 is The American Children's Home in Lexington, North Carolina.

Our January, 2015, meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 7, at Village Tavern on Hanes Mall Blvd, Winston Salem. The group is open to all Ladies in the Carolinas Region. Mark your calendar and start the new year off by joining the ladies for fun, food and fellowship while supporting a charity. Hope to see you on January 7. Call or email with any questions.

Sadie Kilcrease

Email: sadiek@triad.rr.com Mobile: 336.847.9293



Fran and Dave Lumpkin



Dinner setting

# **Metrolina Area** By Greg Konney



Monthly meeting: Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM, see report for location Contact: Greg Konney, Area Director

metrolina-ad@ carolinas-pca.com

# Hello Porsche Guys and Ladies!

Our next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday January the 21st

In January we will meet on the South Side at the Waldhorn Restaurant in Pineville. I have already penned in Guest Speakers for January, February and March. Please let me know if you have an interesting idea for a Speaker.

We usually get together about 6:30 PM and dinner orders are taken around 7:00...we are usually done by 9:00.

During our monthly meetings we feature a 50-50 drawing and it seems everyone really enjoys participating and supporting our local charity cause, which is the Second Harvest Food Bank. Our monthly member attendance has been growing which means the pot \$\$\$ has been growing as well!

I am also looking at another more centralized meeting place to help accommodate those folks coming down from the North.

# **Recurring events**

First Saturday of the month -

Cars and Coffee at the Carolina Music Factory in Charlotte, parking lot is next to Mattie's Diner.

Third Sunday of the month -

Cars & Cappuccino Charlotte - at the Foxcroft East Shopping Center located at 7814 Fairview Road, Charlotte, weather permitting. 9-11 AM. Check their web site for exact details.

To see these and other upcoming area events make sure to log onto www.carolinas-pca.com for more details. Tobacco Roads is live and on line for more information as well.

### **Past Events**

2014 Metrolina Area Holiday Party: was at the Speedway Club on December 17th and it took the place of our monthly meeting. We had a great turnout for a lovely and festive evening. The food the friendship and the view were great and it looked like all had fun. We had our 50/50 drawing and it generated even more cash this month for the Second Harvest Food Bank. With our increasing membership the pot keeps getting larger at every meeting and some nice cash and prizes were won as well.

Many thanks to Hendricks Porsche who donated some beautiful PORSCHE water glasses for our celebration!

On another note I would like to reach out to thank all of you for your support and friendship over the past year. I have enjoyed being a member of this Club and I am very open to any and all ideas on how to make this Club even more fun. I understand that everyone has different interests and we are very busy these days. Sometimes we see our Porsche friends just a couple of times a year at special events. I would love



Friends at Metrolina Christmas Party

to hear from you on new ideas about things you would like to do with our Club and even possible new events. This is a great group of car enthusiasts and I challenge you all to think outside of the box!

In 2015 we will have our scheduled PCA hosted events and I will put together some fun Rides and Tech Sessions for us

as well. We hope to see you at our next monthly meeting for more good food and Porsche friendship.

Wishing you all a Healthy and Safe New Year!

See you soon



Cheers to an enjoyable 2014 and looking forward to a great 2015!



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