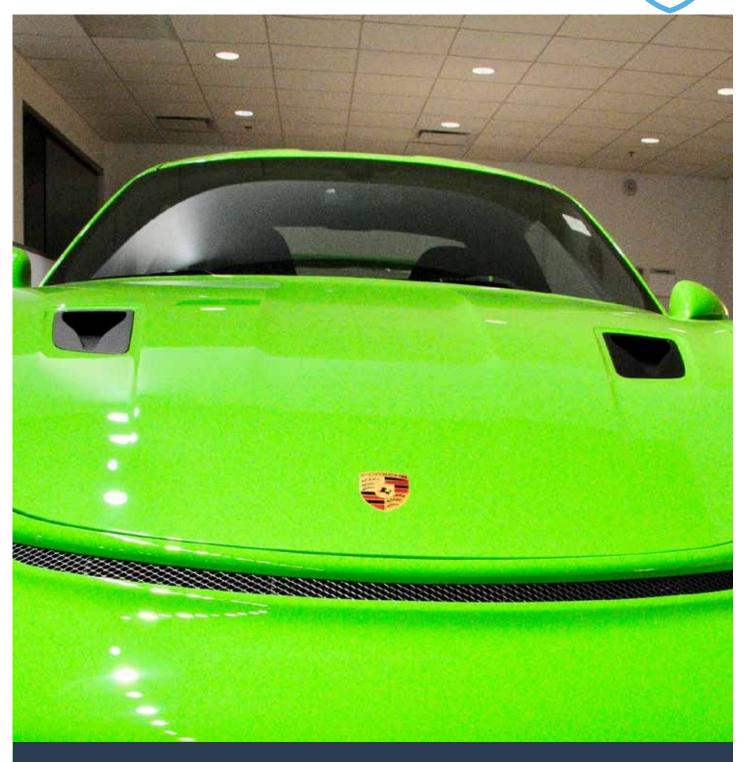




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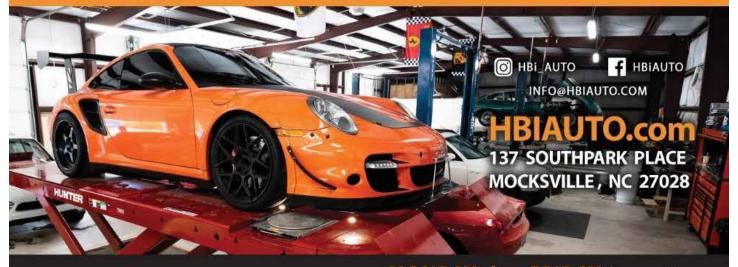


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-FERMAN LOPEZ-



From the Driver's Seat

Sadie Kilcrease, President



As President, one of the things I have on the agenda is to get out in the region and visit all the areas. The Upstate Area invited me to their 17th annual Chili Cook Off to be held at Protech Motorsports in Greer. South Carolina on February 2. I heard they planned to show me how they celebrate the off season.....and that they did. Around 30 crock pots of Chili and I tasted every one of them. This is an extremely competitive event. Not only did they have a Chili Cook Off but also tables of deserts to be judged. By the time I got through 30 tastings of chili, most of the deserts had already been "tasted." I think some started with the desert table first. The event was a lot of fun and great friendly competition. Our Chief Instructor, Shane Tisdale, was one of the Chili winners and Alex Galloway won the desert competition. A big thank you to the Upstate Area for inviting me to this event and to Bill Gerwig and the other members of Protech Motorsports for sponsoring the event every year and extending such a warm welcome to us. I am looking forward to a return trip to the Upstate Area.



Metrolina Area has invited me to join them for a Wine and Shine at Morgan Ridge Winery in Gold Hill on April 13. We are looking forward to visiting with the members of the Metrolina Area at this event. Plans to visit other areas are in the planning stage.

Spring is just a few weeks away and the calendar is filling up quickly. So it is time to dust off that Porsche and get ready for driving on the track or the road. Our 2019 Spring DE is March 16-17 at Carolina Motorsport Park in Kershaw, SC. The weekend begins on Friday, March 15, with a PCA National Instructor School. If you have not signed up, it is not too late to do so. AutoX Events start in May with Event # 1 to be held May 5 in Greensboro. Check the calendar in this issue of Tobacco Roads for additional region and area events.

I would like to welcome Rick Huskins as the Advertising Coordinator. For the past 4 years, along with serving as Treasurer, I have been serving in that position and would like to thank Rick for stepping up to take over this responsibility. Many of you know Rick and his wife, Elaine. They have been members since September, 2011, and attend many of the Region and Area social events.

In January PCA RegionFocus hosted a 90 minute Webcast for new Region Presidents. I thought you might find some of the statics shared with us interesting. PCA was formed in September, 1955 and will celebrate 65 years in 2020. There are now 145 regions and 14 Zones within PCA. Of those presidents participating in the Webcast, 48 are new region presidents and 52 re-occurring presidents. Membership applications and renewals totaled 7,000 for the previous month.

March will be a busy month with a full calendar of activities. We will be having our Regional 1Q2019 Board Meeting on March 9 in Hickory. Jerry and I will be attending the Spring DE at Carolina Motorsports Park March 16 – 17 and the Zone 3 meeting in Dawsonville, Georgia on March 29. Hope to see you around the Region.

Sadie

sadiek@triad.rr.com

May 2-5, 2019. Tri-Region Spring Tour

This event is currently SOLD OUT! If you would like to be put on the wait list, see registration and contact information below.

Registration/information: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tri-region-spring-tour-2019-tickets-48574959010 Questions: vicandtjbusiness@gmail.com, tel. (919) 403-2013



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New Members and Anniversary Memberships

Recurring Cars and Coffees & Shine and Shows By Area:

Metrolina Area

2nd Saturday: 9 am to **11** am Stuttgart Saturday hosted at Hendrick Porsche

Hickory Area

None at this time

Triangle Area

3rd Saturday Monthly: 8:30AM, Panera Bread Patterson Place S/C 3603 Witherspoon Blvd Durham, NC 27707

Triad Area

2nd Saturday Monthly 9AM to 12PM Winston-Salem Cars 'n' Coffee at Reynolda Village. April to October.

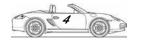
3rd Saturday Monthly: 8am- 10am. Greensboro Cars 'n' Coffee at UNC-Greensboro. 550 Tate St., which is lot 7 behind the Weatherspoon Art Museum. Year round.

Upstate

4th Saturday Monthly: 8AM to 11AM, Michelin North America Headquarters
1 Parkway South & Pelham Road
Next to Marriott Hotel Intersection of Pelham Road and The Parkway at Exit 54 of I-85 in Greenville, SC.

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.

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	City	State	PCA Carolina's Area
Albrecht, Jr	William	Greenville	SC	Upstate
Batson	Jeremy	Greenville	SC	Upstate
Blume	Jenny	Advance	NC NC	Triad
Byrne	Robert	Charlotte	NC NC	Metrolina
Calder Gilbert	Cathy	Burlington	NC NC	Triangle
Carpenter	James	Albemarle	NC NC	Metrolina
Cranfill	Bill	Advance	NC NC	Triad
Curtin	Brian	Charlotte	NC NC	Metrolina
DeWinne	Erik	Charlotte	NC NC	Lake Norman
Everhart	Janet	Lexington	NC NC	Triad
Fox	Anthony	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Henderson	Blayne	Greenville	SC	Upstate
Hilderbran	Jeff	Greer	SC	Upstate
Hillard	Stephanie	Whispering Pines	NC NC	Sandhills
Hillard III	George O.	Whispering Pines	NC	Metrolina
Jacobs	Jason	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Jeffries	Eric	Clover	SC	Metrolina
Litsey	Jim	Mooresville	NC.	Lake Norman
Lohr	Noah	Colfax	NC	Triad
Marin	Jack	Durham	NC	Triangle
Pampillonio	Carmine	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Patterson	Scott	Indian Trail	NC	Metrolina
Porter	Ami	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Riccardo	Terrell	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Rich	Robert	Cary	NC	Triangle
Sanders	Chuck	Greer	SC	Upstate
Sandhu III	Navi	Durham	NC	Triangle
Shukla	Rachit	Durham	NC	Triangle
Sutika	Bradley	Winston Salem	NC	Triad
Tishchenko	Dmitriy	Indian Trail	NC	Metrolina
Whitney	James	Chapel Hill	NC	Triangle
Wiethop	Josh	Simpsonville	SC	Upstate
Wright	David	Weddington	NC	Metrolina
Zupruk	Andrea	Greensboro	NC	Triad
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Last Name	First Name	City	State	PCA Carolina's Area
35 year anniversary				
Clarke	Judy	PEMBROKE PINES	FL	NONE
Clarke	Steven	Pinehurst	NC	Sandhills
25 year anniversary				
McCarty	Eugene	Mooresville	NC	Lake Norman
McCarty	Susie	Waxhaw	NC	Metrolina
20 year anniversary				
Brown	Chris	Marvin	NC	Metrolina
Brown	Jennifer	WAXHAW	NC	Metrolina
Little	Richard	Valdese	NC	Hickory
Little	Barbara	Valdese	NC	Hickory
15 year anniversary				
Roach	Steve	Easley	SC	Upstate
Roach	Marion	EASLEY	SC	Upstate
Sigmon	Michael	HICKORY	NC	Hickory
Sigmon	Alex	HICKORY	NC	Hickory
Slavin	Stephanie	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Williams	Max	Bradenton	FL	NONE
10 year anniversary				
Barber	Tom	Augusta	GA	NONE
Barrier	Steve	Columbia	SC	Upstate
Barrier	Kellie	Columbia	SC	Upstate
Collins	Jerry	Greensboro	NC	Triad
Collins	Tammy H.	Greensboro	NC	Triad
Kiser	Delmar	Maiden	NC	Hickory
Kiser	Denise	Maiden	NC	Hickory
Snyder	Ron	West End	NC	Sandhills
Snyder	Stephanie	seven lakes	NC	Sandhills
Vittorio	Michael	Granite Falls	NC	Hickory
Vittorio	Jane	Granite Falls	NC	Hickory
5 year anniversary				
Duffin	Rose Mary	Lexington	NC	Triad
Joye	Arthur	Lexington	NC	Triad
Majszak	Anthony	Anderson	SC	Upstate
Majszak	Laura	Anderson	SC	Upstate
Pillai	Srikumar	Chicago	IL	NONE
Smith	Alwyn	Matthews	NC	Metrolina
Smith	Julie	Matthews	NC	Metrolina
Tanis	Dirk	Rock Hill	SC	Sandhills
Wilson	Todd	Cary	NC	Triangle



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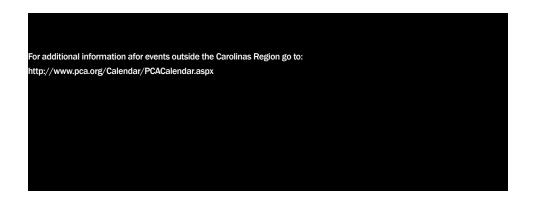
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2019 Event Calendar

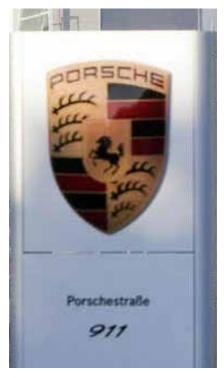


March				
9	Regional Board Meeting - Hickory Kia at 11:00 am			
15	PCA National Instructor School - Carolina Motorsports Park (Kershaw)			
16-17	Spring DE - Carolina Motorsports Park (Kershaw)			
April				
13	Sandhills Festival d'Avion Cars & Planes at Moore County Airport in Pinehurst			
20	Triad and Sandhills Dine and Drive to Pittsboro			
26-28	Smoky Mountain Region SPRING THING http://smtpca.org/calendar/2019-spring-thing/			
May				
2 - 4	Tri-Region Spring Tour, The Resort at Glade Springs, WV			
5	Autocross #1 - Greensboro			
18	Triad and Hickory Picnic at Green Street Campgrounds			
24-26	Sommerfest and Sandhills Motoring Festival at Little River Resort			
June				
9	Autocross #2 - Michelin Proving Grounds in Greenville, SC			
13	Regional Board Meeting - Teleconference at 7:00 pm			
21-23	Roads & Rails			
July				
14	Autocross #3 - Greensboro			
20	Porsche Corral - Children's Home in Lexington, NC			
August				
18	Autocross #4 - Michelin Proving Grounds in Greenville, SC			
Septembe	r			
7-8	Fall DE - Carolina Motorsports Park (Kershaw)			
14	Regional Board Meeting - Charlotte or Concord at 11:00 am			
October				
12	Oktoberfest			
12	Autocross #5 - Greensboro			
November				
1-3	Fall Tour - The Ridges (Hiawassee)			
22	Solo Only DE - Virginia International Raceway (Alton)			
23-24	Season Finale DE - Virginia International Raceway (Alton)			
December				
3	Triad Christmas Party			
7	Regional Board Meeting - Hickory Kia at 11:00 am			



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103 S. Millbrooke Ct Advance, NC 27006

Cell: (336) 577-6838

- 2) All ads will be posted to both Tobacco Roads and to the Regional Website unless otherwise directed. Submissions received by the 23rd of the month will be posted in the following edition. Web and print classifieds work on the same monthly cycle.
- 3) You must provide your current PCA membership number when submitting a classified ad.
- 4) No posting of ads for friends. Immediate family is ok.
- 5) No commercial ads. All commercial ads must be purchased. Contact TR Editor for pricing.
- 6) Ads will run for two months. If the item is not sold within that time frame the seller will need to contact the Editor at

- editor@carolinas-pca.com and request an extension. Each extension will be for one additional month.
- 7) All pictures submitted should be in .JPG format and no larger than 800x600. One picture per submission.
- 8) Pictures will run on the website only.
- 9) All ads will be subject to editing for consistency and length.
- 10) Ads should include:
 - a. An accurate description of the item or items (including VIN preferably if applicable).
 - b. Price (Ads will not be accepted without pricing).
 - c. Where you and the item are located.
 - d. Contact information including name, phone number, and/or email address.

Below is a sample of the format we will utilize:

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Even this Porsche can't get the smill off of its face. Wait 'til you see the driver's smile! Thanks to Ron Reed for this great shot.









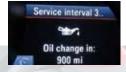


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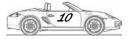
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13th Annual Porsche & BMW Swap Meet Sponsored by Carolinas Region PCA and Sandlapper & Tarheel Chapters BMW CCA



Hosted by
Touring Car Inc.
300-340 Seaboard Drive
Matthews, NC 28104

Date: Saturday, April 27, 2019

Time: Vendor setup from 8 am to 9 am
Swap Meet Shoppers from 9 am to 1 pm

Cost: No charges for Vendors or Shoppers

Contact: John Meek / <u>imeek911@aol.com</u> / 803-324-4994

Directions: - From I-485 take exit 51 onto US 74 East

- Take US 74 (Independence Blvd.) East (toward Monroe (not toward Matthews)
- Turn Right at traffic signal 1.4 miles onto Stallings Rd
- Pass over RR track and turn right onto Industrial Dr.
- Turn Right onto Seaboard Dr.- Touring Cars Inc. is on the left
- Swap Meet is in the back lot between the shops



























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Driver Education:

Winter DE Seminar Report & Spring DE Update by John Babinski





Let the fun begin!! For our experienced drivers, those relatively new to the sport, and a good number of first timers already registered - our first drivers education event of 2019 is at hand and will be held March 16-17, 2019 at Carolina Motorsports Park in Kershaw, SC. Once again we want to thank HBiAuto in Mocksville, NC for their exclusive sponsorship of the event and for hosting the Saturday evening social. See their ad in Tobacco Roads for full details on the services they offer. This promises to be a special weekend, as we pay tribute to Jim Strowd who was one of the early pioneers of the Carolinas Regions driving program and a staunch believer in teen driving safety. https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/9581

After a winter hiatus it's always exciting to shake out the cobwebs and get ourselves and our cars ready for another season of track time. As car enthusiasts, it's pretty common to see drivers performing upgrades on their cars over the off-season. It could be as simple as deciding on trying a new set of more aggressive brake pads. Or it could be more involved. Maybe a bit larger sway bar, some lighter weight rims, grippier tires, new shocks or springs, an IMS bearing replacement, oil sump pump or oil cooler, racing seat and harness, a bigger turbo, an engine tune, or maybe this was the winter you decided it simply was time to invest in a prepped race car. No matter if the upgrades were for aesthetics, performance, or safety we look forward to seeing your car on track and hearing what's been done to make it even better. All these changes are for naught if they don't deliver a more enjoyable experience at the track with improved handling, better reliability, more self-confidence and ultimately an improved lap time thus verifying you are indeed getting better.

While modifying the car is a fun and sometimes easy method for decreasing lap times, you can't overlook the importance of improvements to the driver. What have you done over the off-season to make yourself a better driver? Maybe it was working on losing a few of those extra pounds and doing a little cardio work. That extra blood flow can keep the mind sharper, nerves more relaxed and the body cooler. Those all pays dividends in your comfort and awareness level during your track time. How's your breathing? Do you get nervous in those more challenging sections of the track and find yourself holding your breath and inadvertently placing a death grip on the wheel? I've included several links to Ross Bentleys's free Speed Secrets information in this month's article. Lots of good information there, so look around. Here's a link to a quick tip about the importance of training ourselves to just breathe for a faster lap time.

https://speedsecrets.com/driving-tips/how-to-drive-faster-just-breathe/

Are you taking care of your vision? None of us are getting younger and as we age our vision tends to degrade. Have you had an annual checkup at your local optometrist or ophthalmologist lately? Seeing clearly is great...but how you use your vision can also help improve your track experience. You may have heard an instructor guide you to "look further ahead". It really does make you a better driver. While some regions and programs like to use marker cones on course to point out turn in, apex and track out points...we prefer to not use them. The main reason we don't like them is they train you to look at and drive from point to point in a more abrupt and disruptive manner, rather than driving a smoother and faster natural arc. Here's a couple links to get you thinking about vision.

https://speedsecrets.com/driving-tips/how-performance-drivers-use-their-vision/

https://speedsecrets.com/driving-tips/vision-tricks-to-make-you-a-faster-driver/

Have you practiced your visualization skills? Most of us can't afford going to the track every day, but it costs nothing to visualize being on track. And with enough practice it's surprising how well you can realistically recall entire circuits and even small details about specific corners. Seeing those corners over and over in your mind and visualizing the way you want to approach and go through each corner can make you a better driver when the time comes to actually get on track and drive those corners. It's a technique I've used many times and have watched my teammates use during our endurance races. Before a driver change you'll oftentimes see the next up driver fully suited up sitting in a chair, eyes closed, feet moving, hands steering and shifting, head turning as they visualize driving the course. Link below is to a quick exercise that demonstrates the effectiveness of visualization. https://speedsecrets.com/driving-tips/how-to-drive-fast-use-your-mind/

So now you've got the car prepped, you've lost some weight, you've been doing some visualization exercises to look further ahead and improve your breathing habits through the corners. What's next? How about putting together a formal plan on things to improve while at the track. Sure it's fun to just be on track driving around at fast speeds in our high performance cars. But part of the driver education experience should always be to learn something new to ultimately become a better and safer driver. To get better at anything requires a plan. It reminds me of the quote - "A vision without a plan is just a dream". So if you're serious about improving, you need a detailed plan with actionable items. Not sure where to start? Look over this article and as suggested use your three lowest scoring items as a start.

https://speedsecrets.com/driving-tips/plan-to-improve-your-performance-driving/

Those are your vision items - the things you want to improve. Now it's time for the plan. This needs to be detailed. Not "I want to reduce my lap time by 2 seconds", but specific and actionable. And to stay focused on them, they need to be written down. "Move braking point at T14 50' further down track". Or "Stay far right and look around and through T11", "Use T8 gator - clip it 5' further. Note car compression and track out". Where's the best place to keep those notes? How about on a track map? You can make your notes before the weekend, reference it upon arrival and review or adjust it over the weekend. Quick, easy and accessible. You can even add notes after your session with the results. And guess what? All those little planned adjustments that gave you a .2 second improvement here and a .3 second improvement there, may have gotten you to that overall 2 second improvement you ultimately wanted. Here's a link to track maps you can use.

https://speedsecrets.com/trackmaps/

There's a great example of notes on a map shown at the upper right corner of the linked page. Maps of most tracks in the US are included. Just click the one you want, print off a few copies and start documenting your improvement plans. I look forward to seeing you at the track with your plans in hand and hearing about your successes at the end of the weekend.



Area Updates:

March, 2018 (check website for event updates)

Triad Area By Jerry Kilcrease



Meeting: Third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM Location To Be Determined. See Web and TR Contact Jerry Kilcrease, Area Director triad-ad@carolinas-pca.com (336) 476-3120

The Triad Area held its February 19th monthly meeting at Capt. Tom's Seafood in Kernersville. While the weather forecast for the meeting night called for mixed sleet and rain, attendance was really good as we had 61 members and guests ignore the forecast and show up. We also welcomed first time attendees Arron Elsner, Steve Coe, and Michael and Annette Tilley. We are always happy to have club sponsors attend and last night we were pleased to recognize Jason Hausler from Porsche of Greensboro and Billy Wenk from HBI. Rick and Elaine were out of town so Sadie manned the 50/50 charity split the pot table and Ron had a variety of past event photographs displayed on the overhead for attendees to enjoy. Marilyn Cantley and Richard Agresto celebrated birthdays during the month of February so the group joined in to sing Happy Birthday and they were also treated to a "Birthday desert". Door prize winners were Fran Lumpkin, Annette Tilley, Cindy Mann and Arron Elsner. Sadie and I were the 50/50 charity split the pot winners and we had a difficult time convincing some of the members that the drawing was not rigged. Robert Van Camp talked briefly about the Roads and Rails event and that he is formulating plans for a trip on the Great Smokey Mountain Railroad in June. Wayne Capwell reminded attendees of upcoming Autocross events. After discussions regarding the 2019 events and activities agenda we ended the meeting so attendees could hopefully get an early start home due to the bad weather related driving conditions. Thanks to all for attending.





PAST TRIAD AREA HOSTED EVENTS:

Saturday, February, 23th The Triad Area and the Sandhills area joined up and held a "Tech Session" hosted by Porsche of Greensboro. It was a nasty rainy day but we had 32 members and guests from the Triad and Sandhills in attendance. Early arrivals were welcomed with coffee and a variety of pastries and at about 10:30am the group gathered in the showroom and were greeted by Steve Sudler and Jason Hausler of Porsche of Greensboro. Jason is the Director of Service at POG and he gave the group a short presentation outlining the differences between Porsche factory provided diagnostic equipment and software and other diagnostic equipment and software. His presentation clearly pointed out the advantages and pitfalls when using improper diagnostic equipment and outdated software. After his discussion the attendees were ushered out to the shop where Porsche technicians had pre-arranged to have a Cayman, Boxster S and a 911 Carrera S. Each were hooked up to diagnostic units so that the attendees could check them all out as each Technician explained how they functioned on each of the different model Porsches. Afterwards we all went back into the showroom and were treated to lunch. We all came away more informed and more aware of the importance of using the proper diagnostic equipment and software. Thanks again to Steve, Jason and all of the staff at Porsche of Greensboro for hosting the Technical Session and for their hospitality.







UPCOMING TRIAD AREA HOSTED EVENT:

Saturday, April 20th -The Triad Area and the Sandhills Area are hosting a joint Lunch/Shine & Show Event in Pittsboro, NC. The joint event will be held in the parking lot at Chatham Mills. Triad area members and guests that plan to attend will gather at 8:30am at Porsche of Greensboro on Saturday morning, April 20th for coffee and pastries. The plan is to leave at 9:30am and caravan down to Pittsboro using the back roads. We plan to arrive at 11:00am then stage our cars for the Shine & Show...lunch at 12:00 to 1pm...People's choice voting will start after lunch and awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will be announced at 2:00pm. If you would like to join us please RSVP to jkilcrease@ triad.rr.com so I can get you on the list. Hope you can make it!

Triad Area Events agenda – Below is a listing of 2019 events. If you have any thoughts or ideas for additions please contact Jerry Kilcrease at jkilcrease@triad.rr.com . Details of each event shown below will be posted in Tobacco Roads as we move closer to the event date. Please circle the dates on your calendar and plan to join us when you can!

- 1. April 20th (Sat.) Triad/Sandhills Joint Dine/Car Show Pittsboro, NC
- 2. May 18th (Sat.) Triad/Hickory Areas Picnic/Shine Show Traphill, NC
- 3. June 21st-23rd (Fri Sun) Roads and Rails
- 4. July 20th (Sat.) Porsche Corral/American Children's Home Car Show

- 5. Sept. 21st (Sat.) Greensboro Cars and Coffee Featured Car Club
- 6. Oct. 12th (Sat.) Oktoberfest Porsche of Greensboro
- 7. Dec. 3rd (Sat.) Triad Area Christmas Party.

NEXT TRIAD AREA MEETING - Tuesday, March 19th, 2019

The Triad Area will hold its next monthly meeting at Captain Tom's Seafood in Kernersville on Tuesday, March 19th. We start socializing around 6:00pm and generally begin our business meeting and discussions at 7:00pm. Please make plans to join us.

Hickory Area By Michael Vittorria



Meeting: Second Tuesday each month at 6:30 PM Refer to Monthly Area Report for Location/Detail Contact Michael Vittorrio, Area Director hickory-ad@carolinas-pca.com

An unexpectedly large group gathered on February 12 for our second Membership meeting of the year. Our usual core group showed up along with a number of people new to the Hickory Area.



Four years ago, the Hickory Area Club adopted The Crossnore School and Children's Home (https://www.crossnore.org/aboutus/), a residential facility for NC children in crisis, as our designated charity. Since then, we have donated all proceeds from monthly 50/50 raffles and annual fund raising events to Crossnore. We were therefore honored to have as our guest speaker, Mrs. Carolyn Moretz, Chairperson of the Board of Trustees. Though many in our group had some understanding of Crossnore's mission, Carolyn did a great job of describing in more detail what the School does, for whom and how it functions. Her account of how she came to be involved and the stories of some of the families touched by Crossnore were particularly poignant. As a result of her visit, many of our group came away with a better understanding of the Crossnore story and a heightened commitment to do what we - individually and collectively - can to further the Schools mission.





Michael Vittorio reviewed the Hickory Areas 2019 Plan and events schedule. A copy of this schedule will be sent to each of our Members but some highlights include:

☐ Three Saturday Membership Meetings followed by a Drive and Dine (yes, there will be a winery along the way)

Three Weekday Drive and Dine events

☐ Two evening Membership meetings followed by Tech Sessions provided by Porsche Hickory

☐ A Saturday Tour, Tech Session and lunch sponsored by Porsche Hickory and Paramount Classic Cars

When added to our traditional dinner meetings and Holiday Party, it is clear to see that we have a fun and exciting year ahead. We do hope you will choose to join us.

Charity: Jane Vittorio won the 50/50 raffle - \$130.00 as her share - all of which she donated to The Crossnore School, for a total contribution of \$260.00. Thank you, Jane.

Additional photos can be seen at: https://carolinasregionporscheclub.shutterfly.com/

~ Next Meeting ~

March 23, 2019 (Saturday): 8:30 - Porsche Hickory, 1207 South Center Street, Hickory, NC 28602

Please join us for breakfast (compliments of Porsche Hickory) and a brief membership meeting at 8:30 followed by a 9:30 departure for this years first Drive and Dine event. Keith and Donna Antal will lead us on a leisurely drive to Tryon, NC and a visit to the Tryon International Equestrian Center (https://tryon.coth.com/) for a tour and lunch. There might even be a winery stop on the way back. Feel free to join us for the meeting even if you can't do the drive.

In order to help us better plan for the number of attendees at this event, please RSVP by Thursday, March, 20 using the following link:

March Membership Meeting, Drive and Dine

Upstate Area By Robert Rainer



Meeting: First Monday of the month at 6:30 PM Quaker Steak & Lube 10 Chrome Drive Greenville SC Contact Robert Rainer, Area Director upstate-ad@carolinas-pca.com

Well there are at least 11 of you who do not have your email worked out. If you went to the Feb meeting and it was not the Chili cook off, contact me, and I will try to help you get settled into the mailing list. I have to say the Chili Cook off was a good bit of fun this year. I only had heart burn for about 2 days afterwards, but the crock pots were full of some impressive concoctions. Congrats to:

Lisa Wight for winning first place, Dennis Knight for winning second (it was all the loving care he put into the side items) and Shane Tisdale for gathering enough votes for third. Also with little surprise, Alex Galloway proved his general sweetness once again by winning the best desert. Thanks to everyone who brought a pot and making this event such a success.



Also the winners of our 50/50 raffle was Bratislava Filipi. She graciously donated the money back to the charity. Also Nancy Driver won our Goodie store gift certificate. Again we will hold a few raffles at each meeting.





Well my birthday happened to fall on the same day as our winter dine and drive. This year our Love Run took us to the Sierra Nevada Brewery. We had 17 cars on the drive and the weather was simply stunning. The day started off wet with a good rainstorm, but as we were driving to the meeting place, the skies turned that beautiful Carolina blue. We were able to get a couple of really big tables, and every one had a great time. Tis is the fifth year for the love run and it is always great to have folks show up for the drives.



Upcoming Events:

March 4th. The monthly March Meeting. Starts at 7Pm at Quaker Steak and Lube.

March 16th Greenville's St Patrick's Day parade. We have been participating in this event since it started, and it is getting bigger and bigger. Hopefully you will consider participating this year. We drive in the parade, then celebrate with some good food and beer afterwards. Again if you are interested, sign up on event-brite.

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/upstate-pca-st-patricks-day-pa-rade-tickets-56013272205

April 27thLuft Wasser and Brevard. This is a fun event organized by the Appalachian region. We will meet in Greenville, and drive up to a meeting point in Brevard. Then we will parade into the downtown area. There is a limit on this event, and there are only about 10 spaces left, so if you are interested, sign up.

http://aprpca.org/356B/index.php/events/appalachian-event/luft-wasser-brevard-190427

July 21 Porsche parade Boca Raton FI. So this one is in driving distance once again. Housing opened up last Monday, so if you are interested, sign up for parade. There is usually a group that heads there every year, and we can get folks in touch with one another.

http://porscheparade.org

Hope to see you soon, - rr

Lake Norman Area by Christian Roedlich



Monthly Meeting: Fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30 Location: The Peninsula Yacht Club (Cornelius) Contact: Christian Roledlich Area Director christianroedlich@hotmail.com

Our monthly meeting in February was after the deadline for the March edition of TR. Please look for a write up in the next issue.

Please let me know if you have any ideas or suggestions for events we may want to plan for the LKN area this year, it will be highly appreciated!

Event Reminders:

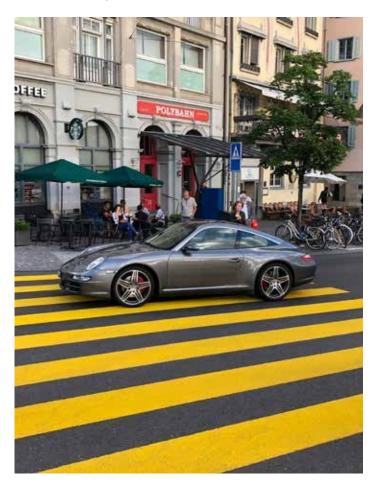
Every second Saturday from 8:00 am to 10:00 am is Cars and Coffee at Waterbean Coffee in Cornelius (at the corner of Catawba Av. and Jeton Dr.). Great local event, about 80 some cars.

Also every second Saturday from 9:00 am to 11:00 am is Stuttgart Saturday at Hendrick Porsche, free coffee and donuts for participants.

Cars and Cappuccino, every Third Sunday – (1609 Elizabeth Av., Charlotte, Earl's Grocery, 9:00 am to 11:00 am), for the "European Sports Car".

Every third Friday, Hot Rods and Hops, great family entertainment with brewery and food vendors (10228 Bailey Rd., Cornelius) starting at 6:00 pm, mostly American muscle cars with a few Europeans too. Starting again in March.

The next PCA meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 28th, 2019 at The Peninsula Yacht Club (6:30 pm), 18501 Harbor Light Blvd., Cornelius, phone 704-892-9858.





Metrolina Area by Doug Strait



Monthly Meeting: Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM, see report for location.
Contact Doug Strait Area Director
metrolina-ad@carolinas-pca.com

Greetings to all,

Thanks to all who ventured out in the nasty rainy weather, to make it to our Feb. 20 meeting at Maggiano's in the South Park Mall. We had nice turn out, even though the weather was heavy. It was nice to see some new members and get acquainted and enjoy a great dinner together. Again, many thanks to Antonio Tillery-Maggiano's Area Director for hosting us and providing the meeting room for us.

MacGyver's Tips & Tricks: A special thanks goes out to WG Mackinnon for arranging this months featured guest speaker, Mr. Mike Pellett-Service Manager at Hendrick Porsche, who covered a lot of great information about the proper tire selections available for our cars, our style of driving and the different types of weather we drive in. It was enlightening to hear just how much Porsche engineers work with the tire companies to make sure we get the best performance and safety possible from our cars. One thing I learned is just how competitive Hendrick Porsche is on tire pricing and that they can be much cheaper than the big box stores, so be sure to call Mike to get pricing on your next set of tires.





February's 50/50 Split the Pot winner was Ms. Giselle Burner, Hal Rings 1st Lady, grabbing a cool \$130.00 and raising another \$130.00 for our featured charity the Second Harvest Food Bank.



MARCH MEETING: Wed. March 20, at Maggiano's South Park mall. Meet & Greet in the bar at 6:30 PM and dinner and meeting starts at 7 PM. Be sure to check your spam folders for emails regarding our events and times if you're not

UPCOMING EVENTS: We have a "Wine & Shine" scheduled for Saturday April 13 at Morgan Ridge Winery located in Gold Hill, NC. Car staging starts at 10:30 AM around the pond and will feature wine tastings, a buffet lunch \$18.00 per person plus wine, tax and tip. We will have Amy & Tommy Baudoin the owners and Kim Love-Manager, doing the judging and there will be prizes for 1st 2nd & 3rd place winners. If are still in the area at 6 PM they will feature a shrimp boil. For more information, please check out their website at: http://morganridgevineyard.com/

More details will follow in next few weeks.

PLANNING FOR 2019: If you have any ideas or events you would like us to set up, please feel free to share them with us, and we can feature your ideas at our upcoming meetings. Please submit your ideas to me via email: carerra9972@gmail.com. If you would like to set up a drive, let me know and we can put together a team to help make it happen.

COMMUNICATIONS ISSUES: We are still experiencing email issues. Many of my emails are kicked back "marked as spam" or undeliverable, as many of the em addresses are business related and the firewalls are blocking them. If you have a personal email address that you can send me, I will update our database. All emails are going our BCC so your em address will not be visible. So, PLEASE SEND ME YOUR UPDATED & CURRENT CONTACT INFORMATION, if you're not getting emails about our meetings etc. send to my personal em: carerra9972@gmail.com.

Thank You for your Support!

Sincerely,

Doug Strait-Metrolina Area Director

Sandhills Area By Marty Barrett



Meeting: Fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30

Rotating Location - See report below Contact Marty Barrett, Area Director

Sandhills Area winter activities focused on preparation for the Sandhills Motoring Festival and Sommerfest on May 24-26. Thanks to the 47 PCA members who have already registered! With Mercedes Club, BMW Club and Ferrari Club just getting going with announcements, we expect 125 cars and at least 220 club members to participate in at least one Sommerfest/SMF event. Highlights will be the PCA Fun Rally..."Curves & Jugs" set up our Rally Masters Bill and Barbara Ainsley, and the Pinehurst Village streets concours. Porsche Greensboro's sponsorship permits us to keep registration cost very low for PCA members! Register on Clubregistration.net

Forty members came out for the January dinner meeting at Filly & Colts restaurant at Little River.

Next event is a tech session Feb 23 at Porsche Greensboro; then Sandhills dinner meeting on Feb 26 at Little River. A few of us are headed to Amelia Island in early March. Then a private track

event at VIR, and CMP for the DE! March starts the busy event season!

The local Cars & Coffees continue to drawl good groups....even in the wet, cold February weather!

Marty







Triangle Area By Bob Kim



Monthly Meeting: Fourth Thursday of Month Nantucket Grill 5925 Farmington Rd Durham NC Contact Bob Kim, Area Director triangle-ad@carolinas-pca.com (919) 360-8561

We had a great group of Triangle Area members at our Saturday, Feb. 16th Cars & Coffee in Durham. Despite the rainy weather, 10 people ventured out to our usual meeting place (Panera) to share stories and insights about past & future events, member communication, and some great Porsche stories.



Rick Woychik introduced us to his friend and Boy Scouts Leader Gary Bird, who invited all Porsche Club members in the area to their annual Touch-a-Truck event in Chapel Hill on Sunday, April 7th, Noon to 4pm. They have a special section set up for sports cars and other collectible vehicles called the "No Touch Zone". They invited car owners to the event last year and it was a big hit with families and kids in attendance. There is no charge for PCA members. If you're interested, please contact Gary Bird at (919) 302-3632 or email Gary at garystjohnbird@gmail.com. You can also visit www.touchatruckchapelhill.com for more information.

Another topic we covered at the Cars & Coffee gathering was scenic drives. I asked before the meeting that members bring their best drives as recommendations for a library of drives that can start in the Triangle Area. The drives will be a combination of 1 day trips of a few hours and 2 day trips with overnight stay. I'm working on finding the right place to store the information so all members can have access to the library whenever they feel the need to take a scenic drive alone or organize a group drive. It should be a great way to add to the fun of being a member! I'll keep everyone updated on our progress. When it's done, any PCA member will be able to download the files.

I only know of one other Triangle Area member (in addition to me) who will be at the HPDE at Carolina Motorsports Park (aka CMP), 3/16-17 in Kershaw, SC. If you are a Triangle Area member and are going, please be sure to let everyone know on our Meetup page for the event. It would be great to get together for dinner with anyone from our area who is going. We can also plan a drive together to or from the track. I'm hoping that the rain stays away that weekend! CMP is kind of a "white whale" for me. Both times



I've been there in the past, I've had brake issues caused by the wrong kind of pads or brake fluid. This time, I'm sure I'll be better prepared!

Our monthly dinner will take place on Thursday night, February 28 at Nantucket Grill in Chapel Hill. It was very well attended last month, with approximately 15 members there. We will continue our conversation regarding the Century Club and how members can participate in this exclusive group who will endeavor to visit the 100 county courthouses in NC! We will also continue the conversation of building the scenic drives library and scheduling a Dine & Drive event this spring.

I will update our Meetup site with more automotive events that are taking place outside of the Triangle Area in the months to come. They have been sent to me by other Area Directors and PCA members. So, be sure to check them out. They look like a lot of fun.

Have a great month, everyone!











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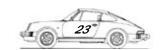


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