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From the Driver's Seat

Sadie Kilcrease, President



With Spring less than 30 days away, we can feel the excitement building. Spring is my favorite season....things are coming alive...flowers and trees are blooming and budding out with new life. The same is true with the Carolinas Region. The calendar is filling up with events all around the Region. Yesterday I attended the Triad Area Tech Session hosted by Porsche Greensboro at their facility in Greensboro. Over 50 people were in attendance, including members from the Sandhills Area, Hickory Area and Metrolina area. Even had members of the Ferrari Club drop by. I met 2 gentlemen that drove all the way up from Fayetteville to attend the event. We signed up 2 new members and a possible new Test Drive Participant. The new all electric 2020 Taycan Turbo S was on display and attendees posed for pictures in the car and were given the opportunity to drive the car. While there was a lot of excitement about the Taycan, in speaking with many of the members, there is also a lot of excitement and anticipation about the upcoming events in the Carolinas Region. Check the calendar and contact Area Directors for detail as there are too many events for me to list in my allotted space.

By the time you read this, we anticipate that registration for our 60th Anniversary Celebration will be open on Club Registration. Our Event Chair, Charlie Massler, has been working very hard on the event for several months. There are many "behind the scenes" details that have to be worked out but we are almost there. As soon as it is posted and open for Registration, I will send an email to all Carolinas Region members. September 26, 2020 is the Big Day—Register early and make your Reservations early as we are anticipating a large turnout.

In March, my plans are to start scheduling visits to attend monthly meeting and events around the Region. We enjoyed meeting members all around the region last year and look forward to our visits in 2020. I look forward to visiting with all of you as we travel around the region. In the meantime, get the car out and enjoy the Brand. Find an event or meeting that you think you may enjoy and participate. See you around the Region.

Sadie Kilcrease, President, Carolinas Region

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Recurring Cars and Coffees & Shine and Shows By Area:

Metrolina Area

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

Triangle Area

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

Wright

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January

Hickory Area

None at this time

Lake Norman Area

2nd Saturday: 8:00 - 10:00

- Waterbean Coffee in Cornelius
- Stuttgart Saturday 9:00 11:00 at Hendrick Porsche
- 3rd Sunday: 8:00 10:00 at Maggiano's

Triad Area

TBA

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.

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	January			
LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	City	State	PCA Carolina's Area
Badgett	Joseph	Kernersville	NC	Triad
Bell	Darren	Chapel Hill	NC	Triangle
Boyd	Richard	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Brown	Cameron	Mooresville	NC	Lake Norman
Clark	Justin	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Colon	Jesse	Johns Island	SC	Upstate
Croom	Bill	Asheboro	NC	Triad
Croom	Robin	Asheboro	NC	Triad
Downing	Brien	York	SC	Metrolina
Elahi	Azeem	Concord	NC	Lake Norman
Englebreth	Bill	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Fairbank	Peyton	Greensboro	NC	Triad
Faust	David	Staley	NC	Triangle
Faw	Chris	Harrisburg	NC	Metrolina
Graven	Steven	Summerfield	NC	Triad
Hunt	Richard	Durham	NC	Triangle
Jones	Richard	Greensboro	NC	Triad
Kober	John	Pinehurst	NC	Sandhills
Lipari	Billy	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
McIntosh	Brian	Denver	NC	Lake Norman
McKinney	Cole	Rock Hill	SC	Sandhills
Meggs	Tommy	Norwood	NC	Metrolina
Meggs	Misty	Norwood	NC	Metrolina
Olmsted	Matthew	Mebane	NC	Triangle
Quist	David	Clemson	SC	Upstate
Rudd	Brodie	Bermuda Run	NC	Triad
Shaw	Darnell	Charlotte	NC	Lake Norman
Smith	Justin	Fort Mill	SC	Metrolina
Smith	Melissa	Fort Mill	SC	Metrolina
Taylor	Brian	Durham	NC	Triangle
Wellington	William JC	Fort Mill	SC	Metrolina
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Lake Norman

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Anniversaries January

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Last Name	First Name	City	State	PCA Carolina's Area
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50 year anniversary Mammone	Silvia	Greenville	SC	Upstate
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45 year anniversary				
Norman	Richard	Linville	NC	Hickory
Norman	Jill	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
30 year anniversary			_	
Powell	Eileen	Hillsborough	NC	Triangle
Powell	Jerry	Hillsborough	NC	Triangle
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15 year anniversary				
Burr	Bob	Saint Matthews	SC	Sandhills
Burr	Mary Lou	Saint Matthews	SC	Sandhills
Johnson	Robert	Lancaster	SC	Metrolina
Johnson	Maureen	ROCK HILL	SC	Metrolina
Roberts	Jean 	Lebanon	PA	NONE
Roberts	Earl	Eastley	SC	Upstate
10 year anniversary				
Ardus	Jason	Richmond	VA	NONE
Avery	Stephen	Pendleton	SC	Upstate
Avery	Joanne	Piedmont	SC	Upstate
Watkins	James	Pittsboro	NC	Triangle
5 year anniversary				
Boyd	Kenneth	Pinehurst	NC	Sandhills
Boyd	Millie	Pinehurst	NC	Sandhills
Brown	Deborah Vermillion	Troutman	NC	Lake Norman
Brown	Barry	Troutman	NC	Lake Norman
Cadusch	Alfons	Anderson	SC	Upstate
Church	Barry	Kernersville	NC	Triad
Eichler	John	Hickory	NC	Hickory
Eichler Hardin	Laura	Pine Hickory RALEIGH	NC NC	Hickory
Jones	Terry Dewitt	Greer	SC	Triangle Upstate
Jones	Jenny	Greer	SC	Upstate
Light	Andrew	Cramerton	NC	Metrolina
Maxwell	Ken	Winston Salem	NC	Triad
Maxwell	Tracey	Winston Salem	NC	Triad
Nilstoft	Clas	Harbor Springs	MI	NONE
Nilstoft	Brian	Spartanburg	SC	Upstate
Nobels	Didier	Chapin	SC	Upstate
Parler	Dan	DURHAM	NC	Triangle
Parler	Susan	DURHAM	NC	Triangle
Pierson	Norman	Cornelius	NC	Lake Norman
Pierson	Matt	WEST NYACK	NY	NONE
Price	John Jeffrey	Travelers Rest	SC	Upstate
Price	Linda	Seneca	SC	Upstate
Ray	Wayne Shirley	Pinehurst	NC NC	Sandhills
Ray Reece	Barry	Pinehurst Pittsboro	NC NC	Sandhills Triangle
Winkley	Richard	Pinehurst	NC NC	Sandhills
Winkley	Judith	Pinehurst	NC	Sandhills
Wright	Angela	Kernersville	NC	Triad
Wright	Daniel	Fair Play	SC	Upstate





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2020 Event Calendar

For information about events outside the Carolinas Region go to:

http://www.pca.org/Calendar/PCACalendar.aspx

March				
5 - 8	Hickory Area - Porsches At The Palace - Hickory to New Bern			
13	Carolinas Region - National Instructor School at CMP			
14 - 15	Carolinas Region Spring HPDE - Carolina Motorsports Park			
April				
18	Hickory Area - Drive & Dine - Shatley Springs Restaurant			
23	Triad Area - Porsche Day Drive/Picnic & Wine Tasting			
25	Appalachian Region - Drive & Show - Luft Wasser & Brevard			
May				
1 - 3	Hickory Area - Spring Tour - Wise, VA			
5	Carolinas Region - Board Meeting Conference Call @ 7pm			
22 - 24	Non-PCA - Sandhills Motoring Festival - Pinehurst			
June				
6	Triad Area - Drive to GT World Challenge at VIR			
19 - 21	Triad Area - Roads & Rails Charity Drive			
21 - 27	PCA National - Porsche Parade in Palm Springs, CA			
July				
18	Triad Area - Porsche Corral - American Children's Home Car Show			
August				
1	Triad Area - Drive/Parade Laps & Lunch at VIR			
16 - 21	Hickory Area - Summer Tour - Blue Ridge Parkway Drive			
22	Carolinas Region - Board Meeting - Location TBD			
September				
12 - 13	Carolinas Region HPDE - Carolina Motorsports Park, Kershaw, SC			
26	Carolinas Region 60th Anniversary Celebration			
October				
3	Hickory Area - Poker Run for Charity			
November				
6 - 8	Carolinas Region Fall Tour - The Ridges			
TBD	Triad Area - Oktoberfest			
20 - 22	Carolinas Region HPDE - Virginia International Raceway, Afton, VA			
December				
1	Triad Area - Christmast Party			
5	Carolinas Region - Board Meeting - Location TBD			

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carolinasregionporscheclub.shutterfly.com/

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- 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:

1964 356 Coupe: VIN 12323456. Champagne Yellow w/ Black interior. 150,100 miles. Very good condition. Paint bubbles on lower door skins. 12 volt conversion. \$42,995 firm. Contact Bob Smith, Hickory NC. bsmith@hotmail.com or (704) 555-1212.



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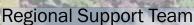
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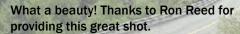
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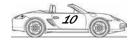


The Club Needs Your HELP!

It has been fun, but at the end of this calendar year I will step down as Editor of Tobacco Roads. We are currently looking for a volunteer to take over as my replacement. In this role, you will:

- Utilize Adobe product InDesign for preparation of the monthly newsletter
- Receive articles and photographs from Area Directors and Club Chairpersons
- Receive advertisements from vendors and place them in the newsletter
- Receive classified ads from members and place them in the newsletter
- Prepare the newsletter between the 23rd and the end of each month (time-sensitive)

If you are interested in volunteering and you are willing to serve the region in this board member position, please contact me at editor@carolinas-pca.com or Sadie Kilcrease at president@carolinas-pca.com. Thank You!!!





THE TRIAD AREA PCA IS HOSTING A DRIVE TO VIR SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH, 2020





All PCA members are invited to participate in a drive up to VIR to attend the GT World Challenge America races. We will enjoy a private Lunch in the South Tower with great views of all races while showing our support for Kevin Boehm the son of Herbert & Kathy Boehm and is a 4 time SCCA National Champion racing in this event for the first time (Kevin will be driving the car shown above).

Here are the details:

- Attendees to meet at the Lowe's parking lot (2005 E Cone Blvd. Greensboro) by 8:00 for drivers meeting, sign insurance waivers, and leave at 8:30 and drive to VIR on "Porsche roads" as a group.
- Enjoy a Private Lunch in the South Tower ... Porsche parking nearby
- Attendees are responsible to purchase VIR tickets in advance at: https://virnow.com/events/blancpain-world-challenge/
- Attendees must register & pay \$25.00 in advance for lunch at <u>ClubRegistration.net</u>
 Questions? Contact Dixon Johnston, event chair @ (828) 308 2888 <u>Dixon.Johnston@gmail.com</u>

GIRLS in PORSCHES

The Triad Area GIP (Girls in Porsches) held their February monthly meeting in Greensboro at Kau Restaurant located at the Revolution Mill. It was a rainy, nasty day but 12 ladies joined us for fun and great food. The March GIP meeting will be held at Giadas in Kernersville on March 4. We will meet at 11:30 AM. The Triad Area GIP meets the first Tuesday of the month but location for the meeting rotates each month. If you are interested in participating, contact me and we will add you to the email distribution.

Sadie Kilcrease

Email: sadiek@triad.rr.com



Area Updates:

March, 2020 (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

Even though it was a rainy and misty evening, the Triad Area PCA welcomed 47 members and guests to our February 18th, monthly meeting. As our members were socializing, Tonya Reed was selling 50/50 Split the pot charity tickets and free door prize tickets were being handed out to everyone. At the end of the meeting the lucky door 50/50 split the pot ticket was drawn and it belonged to Pat McGill. Happy Birthday greetings were passed along to Marilyn Cantley and Brad Faircloth and they also received a birthday desert along with the group singing Happy Birthday. After discussions with the group about upcoming events and activities, club President Sadie Kilcrease reminded and encouraged members to attend the upcoming Carolinas Region 60th Anniversary Celebration. Charlie Massler, Committee Chairman, also gave a short update on the plans and details of the activities taking place during the 60th Anniversary Celebration which will be held at the Grandover Resort in Greensboro, NC. Our guest speaker for the meeting was Steve Sudler, Director of Marketing for Porsche Greensboro. Unfortunately, we could not get his laptop to connect with the TV monitor so Steve had to improvise since he could not use his power point presentation. In spite of this issue, Steve did a great job presenting a verbal overview of the Porsche Family history and shared some interesting facts and details about the development history of the Porsche cars and associated engineering aspects. Steve also gave some very nice prizes to those knowledgeable members that were able to answer trivia type questions asked during his talk. Our thanks go out to Steve as everyone enjoyed his presentation. Before we closed the meeting, door prize winners were drawn and lucky winners were Charlie Massler, Pat McGill, Billy Wenk and Debbie Hellmann. Thanks to everyone that came to the meeting. We hope to see you again soon at a PCA hosted event, and bring a friend.







PAST TRIAD AREA HOSTED EVENT: Tech Session - The Triad Area hosted a tech session sponsored by Porsche Greensboro at their facility in Greensboro on Saturday, February 22, 2020. We were pleased to welcome 53 PCA members and guests to the event. We gathered in the showroom around 10:30am where opening remarks were delivered by Steve Sudler, Director of Marketing. Afterwards we were broken into several groups and moved into the service area. Porsche Technicians were on hand to explain how to use and understand the technical information programs that are included on newer Porsches. But the biggest interest of the day zeroed in on the new Taycan Turbo S that was on display in the service area. Most folks had never seen a Taycan and just the opportunity to be able to sit in one and check it out was very exciting. To make the experience more exciting and complete, Henry, on-site Porsche Technician, was on hand to explain the general functions to the 2020 Taycan and to answer any questions about the car, of which there were many. Afterwards everyone moved back into the showroom area for a very nice catered lunch along with a few closing comments. Thanks again to Matt Davis, Jason Hausler, Steve Sudler and the rest of the staff at Porsche Greensboro for hosting the tech session. (add photos as space permits









NEXT UPCOMING TRIAD AREA EVENT: Porsche Day Drive/Picnic & Wine Tasting- Sponsored by Porsche Greensboro - Thursday, April 23, 2020 - Several other PCA areas in the Carolinas Region are hosting "during the week" drives, luncheons, and other activities and they have proved to be successful. So the Triad Area is going to give it a go! All PCA members and guests that have an interest and would like to join in, we are planning to host our first "during the week" event on Thursday, April 23rd, 2020. Here is the plan:

- Participants gather in showroom at Porsche Greensboro by 3:00 pm
- Leave 3:30 pm and Caravan back roads to "The Barn at Royal Gait" (www.RoyalGait.com) located in Trinity, NC.
- Arrive 4:30pm; Stage cars and enjoy picnic style food,

beverages, wine tasting.

- On-site demo & discussions "Porsche Connect".
- No registration fee/no cost but RSVP required to jkilcrease@triad.rr.com NLT April 18th, 2020.

We hope you will make plans to join us.



REMAINING TRIAD AREA EVENTS 2020:

- 1. Drive to VIR June 6-GT World Challenge Race -Flyer in TR
- 2. Roads & Rails June 19-21 Details later
- 3. Porsche Corral July 18, 2020 Details later
- 4. Drive/Parade Laps/lunch at VIR August 1st details later
- 5. Oktoberfest Date and details later
- 6. Christmas Party December 1st Details later

NEXT TRIAD AREA MEETING - TUESDAY, MARCH 17TH, 2020 -

Our next official monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 17th, 2020, at Capt. Tom's Seafood in Kernersville. We start gathering around 6:00 to socialize; our business meeting with open discussions around 7:00pm. Ron will post event photos on the overhead monitor and Tonya will also be selling 50/50 split the pot tickets and free tickets for door prizes. Look forward to seeing you then.



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

Our February 11 meeting was held at Paramount Classic Cars. PCC is, of course, owned by Paramount Automotive - the dealership group that also owns generous PCA sponsors Porsche Hickory and Porsche Greensboro. Located in a repurposed Hickory warehouse, Classic Cars is part museum, part sales showroom and part storage for Paramount's private collection. Regardless how it might be characterized, it is a great place to see a diverse collection of more than 50 (primarily) sports cars including Sunbeam Tigers, Cobras, Porsches, Ferrari's and others. There's even a vintage NASCAR race car (Paramount also owns the Hickory Motor Speedway).





Forty plus members and friends attended our meeting that included a catered dinner compliments of our good friends at Porsche Hickory. Jim Lucier (Stainless wine tumbler) and Andy Straw (Porsche wine stopper) were our door prize winners. Guest Clinton Annas won our 50/50 drawing that resulted in in a \$95.00 contribution to Crossnore School.



Following dinner and our usual club "business", attendees had an opportunity to tour the collection. We were also given access to Paramount Classic Cars' restoration shop located in the same building. Manager Ray and Technician Taylor took great pride in sharing the details of two of their current projects - a "bare metal" restoration of an XKE Jaguar and a 1958 Ferrari Testa Rossa 250TR resto-mod. Though the Jag is beautiful and a great build, the Ferrari seemed to get the most attention. Based on a fiberglass reproduction of the original 250TR, Ray and company has fabricated a custom frame and incorporated suspension components and drive train from a late model (wrecked) Ferrari. When completed, this 580hp, 2600 pound beast will be quite a beauty.





Many thanks to the folks at Paramount Automotive and Porsche Hickory for inviting us to Classic Cars. Thanks also to Ray and Taylor for taking their time to show us around and respond to our many questions about their ongoing projects.



Our scheduled (Feb 20) Drive and Dine to Lake Lure and on to Blue Ridge Distillery was cancelled due to the threat of snow and ice. It is anticipated that this event will be rescheduled for later in the spring.

Next Meeting ...

> March 10, Tuesday, 6:30 ~ 8:30 – Fourk Restaurant, 1410 4th St Dr NW, Hickory, NC 28601. Please join us for dinner and some social time with friends.

Coming up ...

> March 5 - 8: "Porsches at the Palace": A Winter Tour to New Bern, NC. Sponsored by the Hickory Area PCA and Porsche Hickory.

Join us for the first of the Hickory Area's 2020 Tours. On Thursday, March 5, participants will leave from Porsche Hickory and drive to New Bern, NC where waterfront lodging has been arranged. On Friday, visit lovely New Bern with its great shopping, historic sights and restaurants. For those interested, short drives will be available to explore the surrounding countryside. On Saturday, we will be joined by local members of the Hurricane Region as we display our cars on the front lawn of Tryon Palace for a photo opportunity and promotional event in support of the Palace.

Register today – only two spaces left! Additional information and registration at: www.clubregistration.net

OR https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/10404

Down the Road ...

> May 1 - 3: Spring Tour to Wise, VA. Sponsored by the Hickory Area PCA and Porsche Hickory.

On Friday, May 1, participants will leave from Porsche Hickory and travel via scenic back roads to Bristol, TN where they will visit the Birthplace of Country Music. From here, the Tour will travel on to Wise, VA where they will stay at the Inn at Wise. A variety of drives and local attractions will be available on Saturday. Return on Sunday.

Additional information and registration at: www.clubregistration. net

OR https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/10538

Lake Norman Area by Christian Roedlich



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

The write up for our February meeting will be in the April TR issue since it was after the March issue deadline. Steve Mann with Hendrick Porsche introduced the new Taycan to the LKN PCA community at the February meeting.

On February 15, Hendrick Porsche and Cars and Cappuccino

hosted a special charity event at our LKN PCA member David van Epps' shop, Sonderwerks in Cornelius. This event featured ride alongs in the new all electric Porsche Taycan Turbo S, benefiting the 24 Foundation, a local Cancer Navigation and Survivorship Services Charity associated with the Levine Hospital. Attendance was fantastic as the Sonderwerks facility offered ample parking and great surroundings. However, the real start of the morning was the Taycan, truly a beast. It is rated at 2.8 seconds 0 to 60 which seems just like a number until one really experiences this type of acceleration firsthand. To put it in perspective, my friends' Ducati racing motorcycle is rated at 2.9 seconds!

Your LKN area director was fortunate enough to ride shotgun in the Taycan Turbo S with Albie Blanco (Hendrick Operations Manager) as the very capable pilot (see photo below). The service road in front of Sonderwerks was closed off, thus providing about a half mile of clear road. When we launched, I was holding my phone in front of me to take a shot and it fell out of my hands! We experienced G-Forces of up to 1.27 during our ride with braking being just as impressive as the acceleration. It was also quite remarkable that the Taycan lasted throughout the entire morning accelerating time and again. Of course, afterwards the Taycan was fed his 800 V diet (see photo below).

David van Epps is scheduled to present to our LKN PCA community during our monthly meeting in March. I am sure he will share a few words about this event as well.

We were able to present our LKN charity, Children's Hope Alliance, with a check for \$3,388.14. A very impressive number mostly generated from our 50/50 raffles and due to the generosity of all the winners in 2019 donating their winnings to the ones in need. The photo below shows myself presenting the check to the president of Children's Hope Alliance, Celeste Dominguez. BTW, Children's Hope Alliance will host their annual luncheon on May 12, 2020 off Langtree Road. Anybody interested to learn more about it, please contact me.

The 60th Anniversary of PCA Carolinas will be celebrated on Sept 26, 2020 at the Grandover Resort in Greensboro. This will be an exceptional, well sponsored event with a big gala and several events around it. Our president, Sadie Kilcrease, is putting in a lot of time and effort in planning and organizing this event. So please mark your calendars.

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.

Also every second Saturday from 9:00 am to 11:00 am is Stuttgart Saturday at Hendrick Porsche, free coffee and donuts/crepes are provided.

Cars and Cappuccino, every Third Sunday – South Park Mall, 8:00 am to 10:00 am, for the "European Sports Car". Starts back up in March

Third Friday: Hot Rods & Hops off Bailey Road, 6:00 pm, nice local event with a variety of makes and ages. Beer and Food Trucks on site. Starts back up in March.













Metrolina Area by Doug Strait



Monthly Meeting: Third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM at Cafe Monte

Contact Doug Strait Area Director metrolina-ad@carolinas-pca.com

SPRING IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!!!

Wowser!!! Our February 19th meeting had 44 members in attendance, along with 8 new members join us for dinner and our meeting. The energy and enthusiasm is becoming contagious, with everyone wanting to get involved in the meetings and join in on the comradery, drives and upcoming events.

Our FEB 50/50 Split the Pot raffle had great participation, generating a Jack Pot of \$490, which David Van Epps won, taking home a huge \$245 wad of cash. "Drinks on David next month! \Box

On that note, I would like to again, give a "BIG THANK YOU" to all of our very generous Metrolina PCA members for your participation in our 50/50 Split the Pot. On Feb. 5, we presented the 2nd Harvest Food Bank with a check for \$3807. Ms. Kay Carter-CEO and Ms. Donna Ragan-Marketing & Communications Mgr. both expressed their gratitude for our support, stating that our donation would purchase over 26,000 pounds of food, which would serve those in need within their 24 county service area in both NC & SC. Let's keep the momentum going this year. !!



We had 2 great guest speakers this month, with a very informative presentation from Col. Bryony A. Terrell – Commander of the 145th Airlift Wing for the NC Air National Guard, based right here in Charlotte. The Colonel explained some the many humanitarian missions they fly all over the world, delivering food, medicine and many other support items in their new fleet of C-17 aircraft. It was amazing to learn all of this great work takes place right here in our back yard. Stay tuned, as we may have a fund raising event in which we might arrange photo op, to get a pic our cars next to the huge C-17 cargo planes.

Mr. John Zumbrunnen shared many of his learned insights from a recent event, in which his son Jack's beautiful show caliber 944 was totaled, and how they had to navigate dealing with the insurance companies & adjusters to get a fair value settlement for

their car. By keeping excellent records & receipts, along with winning some Best in Show awards, they were able to prove the cars true value and came out in good shape. Thanks John for sharing the pointers with us, I think we all learned a lot.





Giselle Burner's "Ladies In Porsches" better known as "LIPS" had their first luncheon last month, and it was a great success. They have planned to do luncheons monthly just to get the ladies together and talk Porsche's and other lady stuff! So, Ladies if you want to join the group, contact Giselle at: giselle.burner1@gmail. com for future plans.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

Wednesday MARCH 18, Monthly Metrolina PCA meeting will be held in a private room at Café Monte located in Phillips Place, 6700 Fairview Rd #108, Charlotte, NC 28210. Check out their web site for menu and location: https://cafemonte.net/.. As always, meet & greet at 6:30 in the bar, dinner and meeting starts at 7PM. Our March guest speaker will discuss performance upgrades for our cars, what really adds performance and worth the investment. So, if you have any topics or questions you would like to have addressed, send me a note.

PLANNING FOR 2020: 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.

Sincerely,

Doug Strait-Metrolina Area Director

Upstate Area By Jeff Price



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

Saturday, February 1st was the annual Protech – PCA Chili Cook-Off, held at Protech Motorsports, 211 Riverside Drive in Greer. This year's event was as exciting as ever, with the Protech team doing a fantastic job hosting the event in their super-clean garage.



Approximately 60 PCA members, with family and the Protech Motorsports team were in attendance. Some members brought appetizers to satisfy the crowd prior to the official Chili tasting and Dessert gorging. (Many thanks for these as I had skipped lunch and needed something to distract me from all the great smelling Chili prior to the official tasting)





17 Chilis were entered into the Cook-off, along with 12 Desserts. Each Chili & Dessert that I tasted was fantastic in its own way. It was obvious that a lot of effort was placed into the preparation for each entry. As usual I over indulged as everything was just so good!





Entertainment (Bingo & Games) was provided by Dr. Dynamo Zooks. Who knew that a Hawk Eye Alignment System could be such a multipurpose machine!



While we waited for the Chili Cookoff and Best Dessert votes to be tabulated, our February monthly meeting was held.

Bryson Kiser gave an update on several PCA Drive and Dine events that are currently open;

"Porsches at the Palace" - Carolinas Region Winter Tour to New Bern, NC - March 5th thru 8th.

"Spring Tour" to Wise Virginia, May 1st thru 3rd, this a weekend driving Tour to Bristol, TN and Wise, VA.

Go to Clubregistration.net for further information or to sign-up for these Drive & Dine events.

John Budinich gave an update on the following Automotive events:

RADwood - March 21 at Michelin's North American Headquarters off of Pelham Road & I-85 in Greenville, SC. RADwood is a celebration of '80s and '90s automotive lifestyle. The car show



that blends period correct dress and music with automotive awesomeness. RADwood is for everyone from the concours Porsche collector, to the passionate CRX owner. To register your 80's or 90's vehicle or for ticket information go to: https://radwoodsc. eventbrite.com.

Cars & Coffee of the Upstate will have Porsche as the Featured Marque at their March 28 event. Location: Michelin North America Headquarters, Main parking lot behind Michelin's Headquarters, Behind the Marriott Hotel, Follow the Signs - Intersection of Pelham Road and The Parkway. Go to: https://www.facebook.com/CarsCoffeeUpstate/ for further information.

Our 50/50 Charity raffle was off the chart this month with a total of \$450 in the pot! The raffle included (2) - \$200 certificates to Protech Motorsports! XX and Herman Jackson were our lucky Protech Certificate winner.

The Raffle also included a \$50 Certificate to the Carolinas Goodie Store and a \$25 Certificate to Ouaker Steak & Lube (Kim



Paquette). The final Raffle drawing was for 50% of the \$450 pot. Jeremy Wight won the 50/50 raffle, and showed Porsche Level Charity by donating his winnings back to our charity. Many thanks Jeremy!

Our monthly meeting for March will be held on Tuesday, March 10th at Quaker Steak & Lube.



6pm – 7pm Meet & Greet in the Parking Area, with the meeting starting around 7pm. Please note that this is a departure from our usual 1st Monday of the month meeting day.

And now for what you have been waiting for...... Our Chili Cook-Off & Best Dessert WINNERS!

Chili 3rd place went to: Josh Robinson



Chili 2nd Place went to: Tim Ziegenfus



Chili 1st Place, with 29 votes, went to: Dennis & Connie Knight



Best Dessert went to..... for the 5th time in 7 years.....: Alex Galloway



Many thanks to Protech Motorsports for hosting this wonderful Chili Cook-Off event!

Please remember that our monthly meeting for March will be held on Tuesday, March 10th at Quaker Steak & Lube.

Drive safe,

Jeff Price

Upstate Area Director

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

Last Saturday, February 15th, the Triangle Area held our first Drive & Dine of the year. We chose a long time favorite destination for the event – the Pik 'n Pig in Carthage, NC. For those who were unable to attend or are unfamiliar with the restaurant, the Pik 'n Pig is well known in the area among car, motorcycle and airplane enthusiasts alike because it's located next to the historic Gilliam-McConnell Airfield. So, people drive and fly into Carthage from all over the state (and beyond) to enjoy barbecue.

Based on our last Dine & Drive in the fall, I expected our event to attract 5-7 cars and approximately 8-10 people. I was incorrect. The weather was great, and the event drew 20 cars and 32 people! It was a wonderful surprise. We enjoyed seeing many of our PCA friends that we haven't seen in a few months, and I was especially happy to see so many friends, spouses and couples attend the event.

We enjoyed a very scenic drive - past Jordan Lake and on scenic country roads most of the way to our destination. Every driver in our group was safe and courteous – especially critical when you have a convoy of 20 Porsches! Special thanks go out to Jim & Mary Sykes and Kelly & Shanti Quisenberry for leading 2 of the 3 groups we created for the drive. I led the 3rd group. We knew

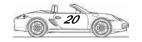
that it would be impossible to keep everyone together along the way. So, breaking up into groups of 6 or 7 cars made more sense.



When our herd of Porsches pulled into the restaurant, we enjoyed the sight of private single-engine airplanes taking off and landing. Inside the restaurant, the staff did a great job of accommodating our large group during their very busy weekend lunch period.



Overall, the food and conversation were great, and everyone who attended seemed to have a wonderful time. Each person thanked me for putting together the drive before they left for home. However, I want to thank everyone who participated for making it a terrific event! You made it possible. When you have an unexpected large group of cars and people, it can be difficult to adapt. But, because several members jumped in to help manage the event with me, we had a wonderful time together.









After drives like this one, I think about the view I had of all the Porsches winding through the countryside with the sunlight reflecting off our amazing cars. It's very special that we have the opportunity to enjoy our cars and each other's company through PCA. I can't wait until our next event together!

See you soon! Bob

Sandhills Area By Marty Barrett



Meeting: Fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM

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

No Area Update This Month - Look for an update in April!



Driver Education:

by John Babinski





Hey, It's John. I'M BACK!!!! Well, not really. Steve asked if I would help him out and write a guest article this month since planning for the upcoming March DE, work, marriage, and a family has him understandably spread pretty thin.

Martha and I are still working to complete "The Great Loop", a circumnavigation of the eastern half of the US on our boat. We've put about 5000 miles under the keel so far and we're currently wintering on the boat in Ft. Myers, FL waiting for a little warmer weather before finishing the final sections that will bring us full circle and home. You can read about our adventure on our blog here: looperasyouwish.blogspot.com.



Our journey so far showing all the stops along the way. Started in Charleston, SC and currently in Ft. Myers, FL

Over the last ten months since starting our trip I've only driven a car a few times and none of it has been on the track...so all I can really talk about is boating. But as I got thinking about it, I was oddly surprised at the commonalities I kept running across between our boating experiences and doing performance driving.

First off, it's about the community. Just as Porsche likes to say - "It's not just the cars, it's the people" - so too it is like that for "Loopers". It is a tight knit group where the people and the trip are more important than the fact that you have a new million

dollar plus yacht or a 40 year old trawler. There are roughly 300 people in progress at any time doing the loop - some just starting, some getting ready to finish, some in the middle. It all depends on where you start from and your timeline. While most cruisers (like us) aim to complete the loop in a year - others do it in sections taking 3-4 years to complete. The one thing we all have in common is we belong to a group called AGLCA -America's Great Loop Cruiser Association. As a member you get a special burgee (flag) to fly on the front of your boat so other members know you're part of the group. Between it and an electronic tracking app called Nebo we're able to keep up with other members and see their locations. Just like a group of drivers heading to the track together for the weekend we'll oftentimes coordinate our travel plans with other boaters from one location to the next. At the end of the day, just like at the track, we'll get together for "docktails" and recant our adventures and stories. It's all very social just like at the track.



Loopers enjoying docktails after a day on the water.

Second is preparation. Every morning before we start up the engine, I do an engine room check. The morning check is pretty straight forward. Check the oil level, check the tranny fluid level, check the coolant level. Check the fuel tank level sight glasses. Check if the prop shaft seal is dripping or if there's any water in the bilge. Overall visual check of things. Just like the morning checks done on your car at the track – fluids are good, tire pressures right, lug nuts torqued, windshields clean. While underway, I do an engine room check every two hours. This is mostly with a pyrometer checking temperatures that would indicate something's not right. Scan the engine block, oil pan, tranny housing, turbo housing, exhaust hoses, prop stuffing box. Just like a driver might check his tires after a session so see if they're set right and performing properly.

"As You Wish" done with morning preps and ready to head out





Next is planning. We always have a short term and long term plan. Short term is where are we going today. Long term may be where are we headed over the next week. Before we hoist anchor or let loose the lines from a marina slip we've loaded a route into the chartplotter, done our engine checks, secured everything in the cabins, fired up all the electronics, checked the tides and currents, reviewed all the weather forecasts one last time, checked for any special opening schedules for upcoming locks or bridges, and finalized arrangements for that nights destination. We do all this to make sure we have a successful day on the water. I look at it the same way at the track. If you want to have a successful day at the track - ie, actually become a better/faster driver - you need a plan. Short term look at what do you want to improve on in the next track session. Maybe brake a little later in T8. Maybe get to full throttle a little sooner out of that turn. Maybe move an inch or two closer to that apex. Maybe take full advantage of the trackout surface. Take one of them and focus on it each session. Long term - your overall goals for the weekend - may be putting all of those things together. But without a plan to work on them you'll just be doing the same old thing driving around the track the same old way.



"Captains Meeting" as we plan our navigation routes and check weather apps,

Let's talk about handling next. There is amazing technology on some new boats that give them unbelievable handling. Twin engines, ungodly horsepower ratings, rotating pod drives, joystick controls, pushbutton hold in position navigation systems,

etc. Sort of like some new cars with their twin turbos, 4-wheel drive/steering systems, self-parking and lane assist cameras, and array of other nanny's that keep the unsuspecting driver out of trouble. My boat is like an old school Porsche. It's a tall boat that catches a lot of wind so can be a little squirrely to handle in close quarters. It has a single small horsepower engine and requires a lot of finesse to get it to do what I want. Docking is like taking an older Porsche through some turns. It's all about finesse, momentum, and application of available power at just the right time. Backing into a marina slip may require multiple maneuvers. A hard turn to port in forward gear with a shot of throttle to initiate the turn. Followed by neutral gear and backing off the rudder to settle the boat. Maybe even a shot into reverse to stop some of that initial momentum. Then another hard turn, back into forward and another hit on the throttle for just a few seconds. Feel the boat. See where it's going. What's the wind doing to it, what's the trajectory I want, what adjustments do I need to make? Sort of the same type questions I'm asking myself as I come around Turn 1 at VIR or thread my way through the uphill esses.



Tight quarters handling as we enter a lock – not much room for errors.

How about that line? On a boat there's all sorts of lines – bow lines, stern lines, spring lines, anchor lines, etc. All very important and each serves a specific need but I'm more interested in the driving line. On the track that's a very specific line where you want to place the car as you're driving around. While you could drive around the entire track staying perfectly centered on the surface it wouldn't be the fastest way around. Every track has a preferred charted way around that is optimal. It's sort of like that in boating. Our goal is usually to stay on an optimal charted path. Instead of an asphalt surface guiding us we have channel markers floating in the water that show us the way through the deepest water. Go outside those markers and you're liable to run into a sandbar - much like a car going off track and getting caught in a gravel trap. The one area I found most like being on track was going downstream on the flooded section of the Mississippi River. Because it floods so often the river bottom is constantly changing with the flow, so the navigation charts rarely show a proper channel and certainly very few channel markers. What we learned to do was simply to follow the outside contour of the bends to stay in the deepest fastest flowing water. You could stay in the middle and likely be safe... but by taking advantage of the proper line through each bend

 the outside curve - we caught the most flow generating extra speed and also the deepest most scoured and safest passage.
 It's the exact opposite of track driving where we want to hit an apex in the middle of a bend to minimize distance. The apex in a river bend actually has the slowest flowing and shallowest water.
 So the takeaway is to make sure you know the right place to be at all times - on the river or on the track.



Chartplotter screen shot on the Tenn-Tom waterway. Note the red radar feedback can't "see" around the bend. Deep water is on the outside edge of the bends so no cutting corners allowed.

Then there's always the need for situational awareness - eye's up!! On the track it's all about keeping your eye's up, looking ahead and looking where you want to go. The old saying "where your eyes are looking is where you'll be going" has kept many a drivers off course mistake from becoming much worse by simply looking at a clear path to safety instead of looking at potential crash points. It's OK to do a quick gauge check and shake out your hands when on a straightway but paying too much attention to the gauges or gadgets like data collection devices at the wrong time can be a distraction with bad consequences. It's the same on our boat. Plenty of gadgets - rudder indicators, dual chart plotters, depth finder, radar, radios, etc. But keeping eye's up and looking out the windshield is just as important as on the track. On the rivers it's not uncommon for a 3x5 tow (3 barges wide x 5 barges long measuring roughly 120' wide and 1000' long not including the tow vehicle pushing it) to come around a blind corner. None of those gadgets - not even the radar- picks it up ahead of time. You need to have that constant visual "eye's up" looking at the water up ahead to stay safe.

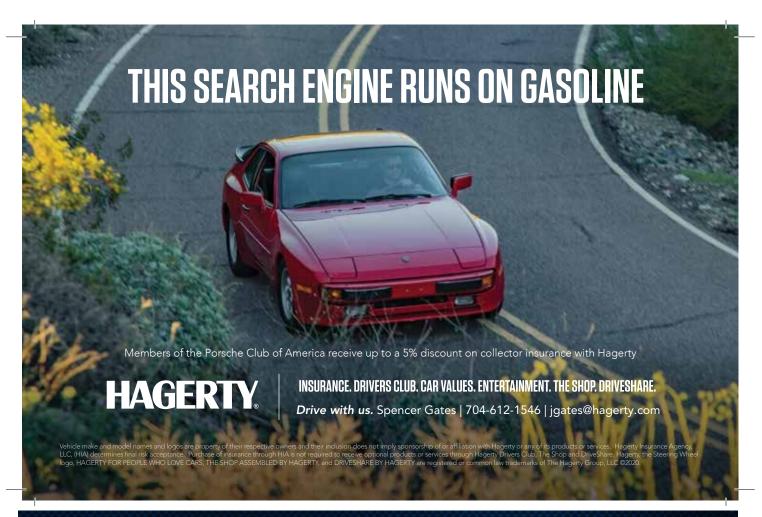


A simple small tow rounds the bend as we head downstream

One last similarity – both a DE experience and this boating adventure can make you feel alive. I remember the excitement and apprehension I had at my first DE. Trying something new, learning new skills, meeting new people, testing myself, feeling the speed – it was all an adrenaline rush. And it's been the same as we started this trip. Well, except for that speed thing. We plod along on the boat at a leisurely 8mph. But the new skills, new people, and taking on a new life adventure are the same. While you may not be into boats, you likely at least have a car. If you're looking to start a new adventure and get out of that same old rut, why not try attending one of the Carolinas Regions upcoming DE's? No prior experience required, no special requirements for your car, reasonable pricing for a full weekend of fun, great comradery and you'll even get your very own instructor all weekend. Check out the region calendar for dates and locations.



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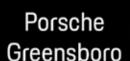


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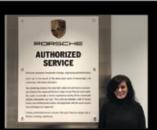




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