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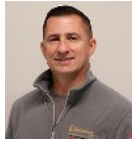
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From the Driver's Seat

Jerry Widner, President



My fellow Carolinians we have made it to March! The trees are budding out, tulips are soon to break the surface and warmer weather is upon us. Carolina Motorsports Park will be alive with the sounds of Porsche once again! Allow me to pick back up on "Our PCA story":

10 plus years of multiple deployments and time spent overseas would elapse quickly. We found ourselves settling down in the Charlotte area. Our decision making, while some would think on the crazy side did involve proximity to "tracks", great mountain vistas (uh, hmmm, read "driving") as well as the beach. Tip toe forward a few more years to 2012 and the NEED for a dedicated #33 track car led me to Portland International Jetport in Maine.

I had always wanted a Guards Red 968 with cashmere interior... Speedline wheels...ahhh, yes! The factory 968 Turbo RS car had been on my mind since I first saw one in print in the mid 90's. Ironically enough the very first 968 I laid eyes on was at Roebing Road while attending a track event with my pal Dan in 1998.



For Sale in Maine – still has front plates.

Back to Maine and my version of the 1987 classic "Planes, Trains and Automobiles" (more on that in an upcoming TR); I arrange the deal over the phone for the perfect track candidate and begin planning "the trip". My plan was to fly into Portland, meet up at the airport and drive back home to Carolina. Can you believe that the mileage from the airport to my home was – 968 miles? I am not making that up nor stretching the truth one click of the odometer. FACT! This was a perfect sign.

As the wheels of the airplane made that distinctive contact sound on the runway...I felt eager to meet the Civil Engineer, "now former owner" of my 968. I could see the distinctive Guards Red parked up near the front of the airport as the plane landed. I gathered my luggage and we proceeded to the DMV...I walk in the building and take a number; would you also believe my number that day was #33? Is this real...this keeps happening? Insert the sounds of Mrs. Donovan teaching the Peanuts gang and NOW I'm driving south. OH MY...I believe I had underestimated the "track candidates suspension condition".



Actual DMV "take a number" tag.

Truth be known, I don't have enough writing space for the specifics, lets skip ahead to it being a wonderful luxury to have a good friend in Boston, that so happens to own a white glove car delivery service. I stopped by my buddy David McLaughlin's place...and he was happy to ship it the remainder of the journey for me. I boarded a train to Jersey...got on a plane there, flew home...and awaited my find.

A few weeks later, (in May 2012 to narrow down the month), the Guards Red "Monster" (to be) was in the garage. Again, the wonderful People of the PCA provided answers to my exhaustive research on "what to get" and "what not to get"...and my NEED for a dedicated track car was reality. The build proceeded. ... To be continued ;)

March will provide some wonderful driving opportunities to enjoy across the Region, be sure and check the Area Director updates section for specifics.

I want to impress upon all, the importance of having your personal information correct in the PCA Databases. I will be sending out a link to a one-page instructional document that will walk you through this process.

As I want to continue pointing out, here a few things we are working on for the Region:

- New YouTube Channel content: (What do you have to contribute to our upcoming channel; email me with your thoughts and ideas)
- Street Survival Driver Training
- 4x4 SUV Events (Contact your Area Director with your desire to participate in some Macan, Cayenne specific events (we are not talking "rock crawling" here...just a fun off-roading environment))
- Presidents Project Page (Always looking for the next story; share yours with your Area Director; look forward to seeing what projects are going on out there)



Recent Region Bylaws revision by the Board of Directors is posted on our Carolinas Region website. Your vote, via electronic ballot is now requested. Primary and Family/Associate Member PCA# is required. Voting will run from March 1st through March 21st. See additional flyer in this edition of Tobacco Roads.

Leadership Positions Vacancies throughout the Region:

Area Director/Triangle Area – we have an opening for this position, all interested contact me via email or phone to discuss.

Advertising Chair – if you are interested please email our Vice President, Jim Hess, he will be glad to speak with you about this opportunity.

AutoX Co-Chair – looking for a motivated AX'er to assist in running multiple events throughout the year, contact me to discuss (the Season is upon us)

I ask that you look through the pages here and find AT LEAST ONE event to attend. We have the BEST roads around...the BEST people around...the BEST FAMILY around. Enjoy!

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Jerry Widner sends...
Carolinas Region, President
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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

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

Triad Area

TBA

Upstate

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



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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.

February Anniversaries

Last Name	First Name	City	State	PCA Carolina's Area
45 year anniversary				
Tullos	Frank	CLEMMONS	NC	Triad
Tullos	Karen	CLEMMONS	NC	Triad
30 year anniversary				
Rahn	Stephen	TOWNVILLE	SC	Upstate
Rahn	Pamela	TOWNVILLE	SC	Upstate
25 year anniversary				
Fisher	Michael	Concord	NC	Lake Norman
Fisher	France	Cornelius	NC	Lake Norman
20 year anniversary				
Nisbet	Albert	EFLAND	NC	Triangle
Nisbet	Laura	EFLAND	NC	Triangle
Queen	John	Monroe	NC	Metrolina
15 year anniversary				
Bjorneboe	Jason	Indian Trail	NC	Metrolina
Fortner	Donald	Salisbury	NC	Metrolina
Fortner	Bethany	Salisbury	NC	Metrolina
Graham	Douglas	Indian Trail	NC	Metrolina
Porter	C	Greensboro	NC	Triad
Porter	William	Greensboro	NC	Triad
10 year anniversary				
Alexander	Lynne	Durham	NC	Triangle
Bedder	Paul	Conover	NC	Hickory
Bedder	Gregory	Conover	NC	Hickory
Krause	Peter	Durham	NC	Triangle
5 year anniversary				
Akan	Obasi	Greensboro	NC	Triad
Allwine	David	Fort Mill	SC	Metrolina
Allwine	Jeff	Fort Mill	SC	Metrolina
Helmick	Ches	Galax	VA	NONE
Higgins	Erik	Concord	NC	Lake Norman
Horvat	Andy	Lincolnton	NC	Hickory
Jarrett	Peter	Davidson	NC	Lake Norman
Kroll	Jonathan	Waxhaw	NC	Metrolina
Kroll	Steven	Waxhaw	NC	Metrolina
Mitsopoulos	Angelo	Fort Mill	SC	Metrolina
Rhyne	Mike	Blowing Rock	NC	Hickory
Rhyne	Ann	Blowing Rock	NC	Hickory
Sagraves	Steve	GREENSBORO	NC	Triad
Sagraves	Teresa	Greensboro	NC	Triad
Samayoa	Javier	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Weaver	Billy	Greenville	SC	Upstate



Carolinas Region ByLaws Proposed Revision

The proposed bylaws revision is recommended by the Board of Directors and voting by the membership is now requested. View and Vote by electronic ballot on Carolinas' Region website: www.carolinas-pca.com

Primary and Family/Assoc Member PCA # is required.

Voting will open on March 1 and close March 21, 2021.



New Members ... willkommen

January New Members

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	City	State	PCA Carolina's Area
Bibb	David	Simpsonville	SC	Upstate
Bogdanski	Jeff	Greenville	SC	Upstate
Bright	Chris	Mooreville	NC	Lake Norman
Catoe	Wayne	Banner Elk	NC	Hickory
Craig	J.	Greensboro	NC	Triad
Crouse	Danny G.	State Road	NC	Triad
Cunningham	Jessica	Simpsonville	SC	Upstate
Curry	Michael	Walnut Cove	NC	Triad
Gardner	Brian	Simpsonville	SC	Upstate
Goggans	Edward	Fort Mill	SC	Metrolina
Grant	Bud	Easley	SC	Upstate
Grant	David	Easley	SC	Upstate
Gualtieri	Katelyn	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Hamrick	Don	Winston Salem	NC	Triad
Hine	Brian	Matthews	NC	Metrolina
Hines	Daniel	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Hintze	Robert	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Hintze	Theresa	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Horn	Henry	Mocksville	NC	Triad
Kearns	Alan	Tryon	NC	Upstate
Keenan	Nora	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Kees	John	Fort Mill	SC	Metrolina
Krause	John	Waxhaw	NC	Metrolina
Lee	Young	Spartanburg	SC	Upstate
Livingston	Joyanna	Hillsborough	NC	Triangle
McVay	Rob	Pinehurst	NC	Sandhills
Monteiro	Robert	Chapel Hill	NC	Triangle
Monteiro	Malachi	Chapel Hill	NC	Triangle
Paeper	Rolf	Cornelius	NC	Lake Norman
Rast	Ben	Columbia	SC	Upstate
Richardson	Linda	Mocksville	NC	Triad
Simpson	Bob	Concord	NC	Lake Norman
Tettmar	Julie	Matthews	NC	Metrolina
White	Stacy	Charlotte	NC	Lake Norman
Whitney	Dale	Cornelius	NC	Lake Norman
Wilson	William	Clemmons	NC	Triad
Witowski	Jerry	Greenville	SC	Upstate

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This '73 914/4 has gone through several changes and challenges, but Dana Boudreault perseveres. See page 12. Photo by Graham Johnson



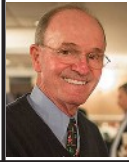
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Area Updates:

March, 2021 (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) 847-9292

Hi Folks: The Triad Area PCA monthly meetings and club activities have been dormant for the past several months, however, things are about to change. We are getting started with the planning process for the rest of this year.... so stay tuned for more Triad Area PCA news as we move forward into 2021. While it might be a while before events and activities get back to pre-COVID, more activities are on the way.

SUPER CAR SATURDAY – SATURDAY, MARCH 20TH, 2021

“Super Car Saturday” is hosted by Porsche Greensboro and they have invited PCA members and guests, along with members of the Ferrari Club and others, to join them at their facility located at 5603 Roanne Way in Greensboro for a Cars and Coffee Event beginning at 8am-10am. Then as part of Porsche Greensboro's 2021 “Roads and Vines Series” those interested are invited to join a drive up to visit the Divine Llama Vineyards and Farm located in East Bend, NC. All COVID 19 guidelines and restrictions will be followed. All attendees will be required to



wear face masks and maintain social distancing at all times. For questions please contact Steve Sudler at ssudler@foreigncarsitalia.com

DRIVE TO VIR; TOURING LAPS & LUNCH – SATURDAY, MAY 22, 2021 –

Please make plans to join us as the Triad Area PCA is hosting the “Drive to VIR; Touring Laps, and Lunch” Event on Saturday, May 22, 2021. Dixon Johnston, Event Chair, has planned another opportunity to visit the premier Virginia International Raceway (VIR) for Touring Laps, Lunch...and afterwards, as a bonus, attendees can watch the MotoAmerica Superbike Races being held on the North Course (no charge). PCA Driving Tour Standards & State, local and PCA COVID 19 guidelines and restrictions will be followed. Registration fee is \$30 and all participants must register on www.clubregistration.net. Registration will for this event will open March 1st, 2021. Any questions please contact Dixon Johnston at Dixon.Johnston@gmail.com. or telephone at 828-308-2888. (Add event flyer in this issue of Tobacco Roads)

NEXT 2021 TRIAD AREA MEETING – APRIL 20TH , 2021

The Triad Area will not host a March monthly meeting. However, we do plan to host our first monthly meeting of 2021 on Tuesday, April 20th, at Kick Back Jack's in Greensboro (1605 Highwoods Blvd). Additionally we are going to also consider this meeting a special “Membership Appreciation”

meeting.... our plan is welcome back all of our members and guests and in appreciation for your club loyalty, patience and understanding....we are going to give away an abundance of outstanding door prizes that were originally planned for our cancelled Christmas Party...

We have reserved the entire patio section for our meeting so with the big garage doors open there will be ample open air seating capacity for everyone. We will start gathering around 6:30pm to socialize; dinner business meeting starts at 7:00pm; then our guest speaker, Spencer Gates, Territory Manager for Hagerty will give us a presentation on Hagerty's Porsche Evaluation/Appraisal System. All attendees will be requested to wear a face mask; maintain social distancing and observe all current COVID 19 guidelines and restrictions. Along with some great door prizes; there will be 50/50 charity split the pot tickets for sale @ \$5 each; and Ron will display past event photographs on the TV monitors;...so if you are comfortable, please make plans to come join us for a fun evening...thanks,

Metrolina Area by Doug Strait



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

SPRING IS ON THE WAY.....

Hello to all,

Not much to report this month, as our Feb. 27 drive will happen after this article is submitted, so watch for our April TR as there will be a follow up on that event with pictures and details.

I am working on a late April “Wine & Shine Car Show” to benefit our 2nd Harvest Food Bank. Details and planning are in the works now, so stay tuned for more details.

Also, with the spring weather starting to get better, I'm looking for a nice park where we can hold a Saturday type meeting and get together, to socialize and catch up on club activities and upcoming events. I'm open to suggestions if you have any..

FUTURE PLANS STILL UP IN THE AIR!!!

I will continue to monitor the state and local Covid guidelines for opportunities to get back together and meet as group for our dinner meetings and driving events, and get things re-scheduled.

Any suggestions for things you want to do in 2021, let me know, Thanks!

STAY SANE, STAY HEALTHY, STAY SAFE!!!

Get out and Drive, Drive, Drive... Porsche style!!!



Sandhills Area By Marty Barrett



Meeting: Fourth Tues. of the month at 6:30 PM
Rotating Location - See report below
Contact Marty Barrett, Area Director
Sandhills-ad@carolinas-pca.com

I don't remember a time that in past 20 years more quiet and "un-eventful" than the past 2 months. We still did Cars&Coffee meetups, but lousy weather plagued us too!

Things are looking up over last week or so! Twenty-seven Sandhills members met for dinner on February 23. We celebrated John & Connie Hopkins' (right) 50th PCA anniversary! They shared the highlights of their PCA journey with us.



Including buying their first Porsche at Stoddard Porsche in Ohio...a perfect start! They became friends with Chuck too. Really fun to share those memories of our old cars and old/new Porsche friends!

We are planning a couple driving tours as folks get vaccinated. June 23-27 to Jekyll Island, Ga. Then later in the summer to Waynesville, NC, and maybe a Fall run up Shenandoah Valley, Va.

Sure hope the Region 60th anniversary party will be on the schedule too.

Hickory Area By Michael Vittorio



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

2021 has thus far been a rather damp and dreary affair. I suppose that in itself may not be too unusual for the winter months, but with the addition of COVID, it just seems a little more burdensome. But wait ... the end of February is looming. And with it, the promise of spring. The anticipation of nicer weather and prospect of a diminished threat from COVID means more opportunities to see our Porsche friends and have fun with our cars. Ah, yes ... things are looking up.

Meeting Summary: Our February Hickory Area membership meeting was once again held via ZOOM ... but with a bit of a twist. As our meeting date – February 9th – was close to Valentine's Day, we decided that the meeting would pay tribute to that special day. Participants were asked to join the meeting prepared to tell the story of their most memorable Valentine's Day celebration. A prize was offered to "the best" story as determined by a vote of participants.

As can often be the case, this seemed like a fun idea but we were uncertain whether participants would embrace the concept. To our mild surprise, 22 people joined the fun and nearly everyone was prepared to share their story. Amid a good bit of laughter and an occasional wine toast, it became clear that choosing a winner could be tough. You see,

it quickly became clear that the men and the women of our group had a very different sense of what constitutes a "good" Valentine's story. So, in the spirit of effective conflict resolution, we just avoided it ... and decided to award two prizes.

The ladies awarded their prize to Ann Lucier (of course Jim was an important contributor) who told the story of receiving an artificial rose (from Jim, of course) that opened to reveal a diamond engagement ring and proposal of marriage. How romantic ...

The men awarded their prize to Andy Straw for his story about a special gift for wife Anita that ... Well, suffice it to say, involved a really nice hammer. How very practical ... Ann and Andy each received a bottle of wine along with expressions of sincere appreciation for sharing their stories and being such good sports.

White Iddings won our "door prize" ... a 2021 Porsche calendar. Speaking of calendars ... For the past several years, Porsche of Hickory has given our members Porsche calendars as gifts at our Holiday Party. In 2020, we didn't have a party. Nonetheless, in January, our friends at PoH made these calendars available for pick-up by our members. Thanks, Porsche Hickory for your continued support.

Next Meeting: March 20 (Saturday), 11:30. Beth Eden Lutheran Church, 400 N. Main Ave., Newton NC. Bring your own lunch. We will meet in the picnic shelter for lunch, some social time and a brief meeting followed by a drive led by Bryson and Kathy Kiser. The drive will end back at the shelter where those so inclined can spend some additional social time over a glass of wine (BYO, of course). The shelter is a large covered open-air structure with lots of picnic tables that afford ample room for social distancing. Toilets are also available on site. Bring your mask and join us for our first outing of 2021.

Down the Road: April 17 (Saturday), 11:30. April Membership Meeting, Beth Eden Lutheran Church, 400 N. Main Ave., Newton NC. We will once again meet in the picnic shelter for a catered lunch, meeting and drive. Additional details to follow.

Upstate Area By Jeff Price



Meeting: Second Tues. 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

The Upstate Area held its February meeting on Sunday, February 14th "Valentine's Day" at Quaker Steak & Lube, 10 Chrome Drive, Greenville. The meeting was held in combination with our "Love Run" Time-Speed-Distance (TSD) Rally. While the weather did not cooperate for the outdoor Cars & Coffee format meeting, it was fine for the TSD Rally.

Attendance for the meeting was mostly comprised of participants in the "Love Run", yet there were a few members that came out to watch the event. Tour Coordinator Robert Rainer did a nice job developing the Rally route and coordinating the Rally events. 13 cars participated in the Rally, and all had a great time, even with some of the "special route directions" that Robert gave them....

Rally times and prize winners were;



• 1st Place Juan Mojica & Cynthia Fonseca 88 Seconds
\$250 Gift Cert to Porsche of Greenville (Right)

• 2nd Place Maurice & Karen Perea 92 Seconds
\$50 Gift Cert to Griot's Garage

• 3rd Place Gary & Debbie Wells 117 Seconds
\$25 Gift Cert to Quaker Steak & Lube



Many Thanks to Porsche of Greenville for the 1st Place Prize of a \$250 Gift Certificate.

Future "Drive & Dines"

Robert & I will be working on a repeat of the "Devil's Whip & Blue Ridge Parkway Picnic" that we previously held. Hopefully we will have better weather than the first run of this event. Look for information on this Drive & Dine in Late March or early April.

PCA Carolinas Region - Triad Area is hosting a drive to Virginia International Raceway (VIR) (May 22nd), followed by TOURING LAPS, a catered lunch, and an exciting Bonus! Eight (8) cars from the Upstate Area have already signed-up for this event. Several cars are planning to drive up to Greensboro the night before for easier logistics. I will send further information to those Upstate Area members who sign-up to see if others are interested. See event details at Clubregistration.net - Search under "Carolinas".

"Build Your Porsche" Raffle

Entries for the "Build Your Porsche" Raffle contest has ended. All entries must have been received by Sunday, February 28th, Midnight. Over 40 entries had been received at the time of this writing!

The winner will be selected at random (by raffle) from all entries received at our March meeting. The name of the winning entry along with their Model & Configuration will be listed in our Upstate Area News Email & Tobacco Roads Newsletter (April edition). Many Thanks to Porsche of Greenville for sponsoring this contest and providing the Grand Prize of a Porsche Experience Center (Atlanta) Certificate worth up to \$500.00!

Porsche of Greenville - PCA Member Only Tire Special

Dean Petersen, Service Director, from Porsche of Greenville, tells me that they have been selling lots of tires in February, so the PCA Tire Special must be a big hit!! For those of you who might have missed the announcement - here are the details on the Special Tire Deal for PCA Members only.

- Beat Tire Rack Price on any current production tire by 5%.
- Tires include a 2 Year Prorated Tire Hazard Warranty.
- Mount & Road Force Balance @ \$30 each. That's only \$120 for a set of 4!
- 4 Wheel Alignment for only \$229. That 15% off their normal cost!

This PCA Member Only Tire Special will be good through

March 31st, 2021. So, if you need new tires for this coming spring, now is the time to get them. Just call Steve Saunders, Porsche Service Advisor @ (864) 478-1444 and ask for their PCA Member Tire Special. ... Drive Safe.

Triangle Area By Adam Morrison



Monthly Meeting: Fourth Thursday of Month
Nantucket Grill
5925 Farmington Rd Durham NC
Contact Adam Morrison, Area Director
triangle-ad@carolinas-pca.com

This month the Triangle Area says thank-you and goodbye to our Area Director, Rick Lutz. Rick's positive and gracious demeanor has shown through in all our events. Rick led our Area through the pandemic keeping members as engaged as is possible. He and Laura even hosted a holiday party which exceeded all our expectations. They coordinated a food truck and a local tap room with a grand firepit in heaters on the patio. These events satisfied our hunger and thirst but also the drive to connect as humans. While we hate to see Rick and Laura go; we know that the opportunities they've been offered in East TN are too good to pass up. We thank Rick & Laura for the time they shared with us and wish them the very best.

February's Triangle Cars & Coffee was frigid. The temp was 28 F. You can imagine my surprise when one by one we ended up with five cars. We gave away some PCA swag, visited, welcomed a new member, and even talked cars a little. Y'all certainly embody the spirit of "It's not the cars; it's the people". You are what make this club to valuable.

Next month we welcome Spring along with it warmer temps. Stay tuned for more activities and news.

Recurring events:

Cars & Coffee: 3rd Saturday, 8:30am @ Panera Bread 3603 Witherspoon Rd Durham, NC

Very Respectfully, Adam P. Morrison

Lake Norman Area by Christian Roedlich



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

We continue conducting our monthly meetings outside in the Porsche corral of PYC as we have been doing since June 2020. We very much hope that by later this summer we can possibly return to meeting in the Porsche corral followed by an indoor meeting with dinner.

We plan on having our next PCA meeting on March 11 in the Porsche corral of PYC at 6:00 pm, weather permitting. (address: Peninsula Yacht Club, 18501 Harbor Light Blvd., Cornelius, phone 704-892-9858). We are also planning to return to a pre-pandemic format with speakers at our meetings. As mentioned, PYC will host a car and boat show on April 24 with Porsche being the featured car brand. Organizer and a PCA member Chris Slocum will share more specifics during our April 8 monthly meeting. So, please mark your calendars and plan to attend both events.



Perseverance



Car History: 1973 914/4 – Converted to race car circa 1989, raced initially by Kevin Wheeler (currently the owner of KMW Motorsport), 3-time SCCA Gold Coast E - Production Champion 1989, 1990, 1991. This car is also in the book “Caught By Camera” Porsche 914 written by Dick Reef and Ernst-Jan Mastenbroek.

The Chassis: Gumby. When I bought the car in 2014, it was affectionately adorned with huge vinyl green Gumby stickers. Anyone remember that old cartoon? The engine in the car at the time of purchase was a 1.8L with racing history. The body has fiber glass bumpers, deck lids, rockers, flared fenders, 22-gallon fuel cell, dual master brake set up with a Tilton brake proportion, autometer Pro Gauges, 911 brakes and front suspension. I'm a sucker for flared fenders, it makes almost any car look sexy and muscular, with the 914 being no exception!

During its lifetime, this 914 has had many different engines in it: both 4s and 6s. It currently has a 2.0L mated to a 5-speed side shifter transmission. This car has been white, green, and I have found red/orange hiding underneath in places.

My Stewardship: This is a sad story that will be tough to read even if you are only a little empathetic to a stranger's struggles. To be honest, if this experience was with your retirement Mutual Fund, you would have fired your fund advisor, at worst mistake two. Throughout reading this you will most likely cringe at least twice, wonder how stubborn and naive the author must be, and maybe realize that time your mechanic over torqued your oil pan bolt wasn't that big a deal.

While watching racing on television, along with the encouragement of a friend down the street who spent years racing in SCCA endurance, I was convinced that “I can do this!”. At the time I owned an '87 Targa that I thought would make excellent seed money for an amateur racing hobby. Yeah, I know, in 2014 the prices were just starting to climb on the air-cooled 911, and two more years I would have doubled my money, but try to hang with me, the emotion-based decisions keep coming....

When I bought Gumby, she had been sitting for a long time and I had a lot of items to refresh. I replaced the brake master cylinder, rebuilt all brake calipers, added a new seat with reinforced fasteners, fire extinguisher system, tow hooks, battery, exhaust, wired in a transponder, added back the crossmembers to the roll cage that at some point were cut off. I tried to track down and correct some minor oil leaks. I'm sure there's more, but you get the idea...it was a major refresh, except the engine.

I found some extra wheels for rain tires, a tow vehicle and enclosed trailer, mostly paid for with the 911 money. I was going all-in with both feet! The plan was to add Martini Racing livery for a fine vintage racer and make some mods and updates as my driving skills grew. My vision was that this was to be the perfect beginner's race car, simple and affordable. I outfitted myself with the required safety gear and headed off to an Autocross to get a feel for the car. It sounded a little odd, and others noticed it also, but the pre-purchase inspection shop assured me the engine was just a little tired, so I pressed on with a driver's school for SCCA Club Racing in the winter of 2015.

The Track, Driver's School #1: I prepared the car as best I could, and studied the rule book, brought my old racing friend with me for support, and almost immediately battled engine problems. From timing issues due to a loosening distributor to bigger



problems with power loss, I spent most of my down time working on the car to get it to at least run right. Not how I wanted my first experience to go! As it turns out, the car died as I pulled into the paddock just before the end of the weekend. DNF.

Engine #2: At home, I dropped the engine, and found a deal for a rebuild that was too good to be true. You know how many times you let your reasoning keep you from doing something stupid? Me too! Except this time. I crated my engine and shipped it to Texas, where it was to be blueprinted and rebuilt. The fellow responded to emails, sent along occasional pictures of the progress...all the things a good conman will do to keep you on the hook. I wasn't listening to the voice inside my head until about a year passed and still no product. To boot, the responses came back delayed if at all, so I decided to grab my friend, hop in the SUV and drive 15 hours to Dallas to get my engine back. I took what I was told was a completed product and drove home the next day.

It's now late Summer 2016, engine ing down the engine I found a Test few laps, power was way down, ing as best I could, I attempted to Flagged for more oil leaks! I de-fixed trackside, and with a sinking again into the trailer and headed pointing leak down tests, I pulled search for a reputable and afford-

By Turn 7 the flames were in my rear-view mirror, and I remember thinking "someone behind me is on fire. Wait, I'M ON FIRE!"

installed and with hopes of shak- & Tune day at CMP. After only a and oil leaks discovered. Work-fix the issues. Later, I was Black terminated this was not going to be feeling loaded a broken car once home, dejected. After disap-the engine out and started a new able shop.

Engine #3: With a new found Porsche shop, and an owner who had his own race car, once again, the engine was torn down, I was shown all the terrible parts that were used by the crook in Texas, and a rebuild proceeded. The months ticked by into 2017, but this time, I had high hopes and I would break the engine in on a dyno before taking the chance at the track. All was done and everything looked good, with the car making more power than it ever had before, all that was left to do was to get back to racing!

Not so fast! Financial and personal disasters suffered in 2015 & 2016 kept the car dormant until Winter 2018. Since time had passed, I decided it would be wise to go back to Roebing with the car, so off I went with my friend, car in tow, and a positive attitude! 3rd time is a charm, after all!

The weekend started out great, but trouble loomed around the next corner. Again, power was down, she was running rough, and the clutch cable started sticking. It turns out the shop decided to route the clutch cable too close to the exhaust manifold



and didn't protect it from heat!

Spending more time on my back under the car than in the driver's seat, I got her running well enough to join my run group in the afternoon. The plan was to do a few laps, come to the pits and have my "pit crew" look it over while I sat in the car. He did and gave me a thumbs up. I remember yelling to him that power seemed down, and together along with my instructor I was convinced to go back out and try to finish the session.

That turned out to be a bad decision and by Turn 4 a fire started in the engine bay, but I was never flagged! By Turn 7 the flames were in my rear-view mirror, and I remember thinking "someone behind me is on fire. Wait, I'M ON FIRE!"

Later, a forensic examination revealed a stuck intake valve seat as the culprit, allowing the burning fuel to travel upstream to the carburetor. To this day I have frustrating nights as I try to sleep, thinking about what I should have done differently in those moments, but you can't change the past, and I was unharmed. Nothing but a hurt ego.

The Reckoning: Due to financial and life challenges, the car sat for another year just as it was. I couldn't look at it, pain was too great, the disappointment even greater. This is the moment where I started to contemplate whether my dream would be realized, or if I should take my licks and move on. Many restless nights brought me back often to the trials and experiences with this particular car. As my life and financial situation began to rebound, 2018 gave me resolve to do this one more time.

Engine #4: I had the engine removed, the damaged bodywork replaced and repainted, and yet another engine rebuild. In 2019 we sported a freshly rebuilt 2.0 with supposedly better parts more suitable for racing. The engine was in, but the wiring, hoses, carburetors, throttle linkage...everything that connected the power plant to the driver still needed to be replaced. Every time I walked past, the painful memories forced their way back, as if it happened yesterday and I was transported to that fateful day in February 2018.



In the mid '90s Martini Racing livery ... (Note the Mustang in the driveway with the open hood).

2020: With the events of 2020 and all "normal" activities slowing down, I started to look at the 914 through a different lens. I finally answered my question to either quit while behind or to double down and go all in. I got to work in the garage in the summer, resolving to do something on the car almost every day, almost like people who resolve to lose weight, I started to make it a routine...the only way towards success!

I was almost finished, when on October 7, 2020, I suffered a bad fall on my mountain bike that separated my right clavicle



**If you've already seen
a Gumby livery, keep moving.**



from my shoulder. With an immobilized arm and surgery later that month, all work came to a grinding halt. The tools were left where they lay October 6, and the car became once again an elusive dream.

Not being able to work on the car myself, I committed a budget to bringing the car to a professional shop for completion. The 914 needs the fuel tank addressed, the oil cooler re-routed and installed, some safety items refreshed, a good tune, and a break-in.

Since I joined the PCA just last year, I have decided to work my way into PCA Racing in the newly created Vintage class.

Moving...forward?: As I write this, the car will be delivered tomorrow for this work to be performed.

All my hopes rest on this. If I can just get some fun out of the thousands of dollars spent and time committed to this passionate project, I will be satisfied! If I can just stop with the engine replacement, I can finally get some seat time and that Martini Racing livery I have always envisioned. The thrill and adrenaline you experience on the track is like no other experience I have ever had, and that is ultimately the reason I won't let this go. Sure, I have other cars that are track worthy HPDE cars, but this 914 has been a challenge in just about every conceivable way, I can't let myself give up. To me, she's still beautiful. Yes, she's worth it.

If you see me out there at a PCA event, stop by to say hello. Share your success story with me! This past week I watched NASA and a team of contributors land a new and improved rover on Mars. This rover is named Perseverance. Maybe the 914 will also be a good story in the end. Maybe the 914 has earned a new name!

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I'll be on the lookout for YOUR story, YOUR project, YOUR passion, and I look forward to travelling around our Carolinas Region to find it. We will put it here!

Until next month.....



Triad Area PCA is Hosting a Drive to VIR; TOURING LAPS, Lunch and a Bonus...

Saturday, May 22, 2021

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1. Up to 45 minutes touring laps on South Course.
2. Delicious catered Lunch plus a Bonus: After lunch attendees can watch the MotoAmerica Superbike Races on North Course (no charge).



Registration: All attendees must register on www.clubregistration.net Cost is \$30 per person.

Details: Participants will meet at Porsche Greensboro for coffee & pastries starting at 8:00am; depart for VIR at 9:00am sharp; attendees can join us at VIR but must call/email Dixon Johnston for instructions; PCA Driving Tour Standards/State/local/ PCA COVID 19 restrictions and guidelines will be followed. Advance registration is required for admission to VIR.



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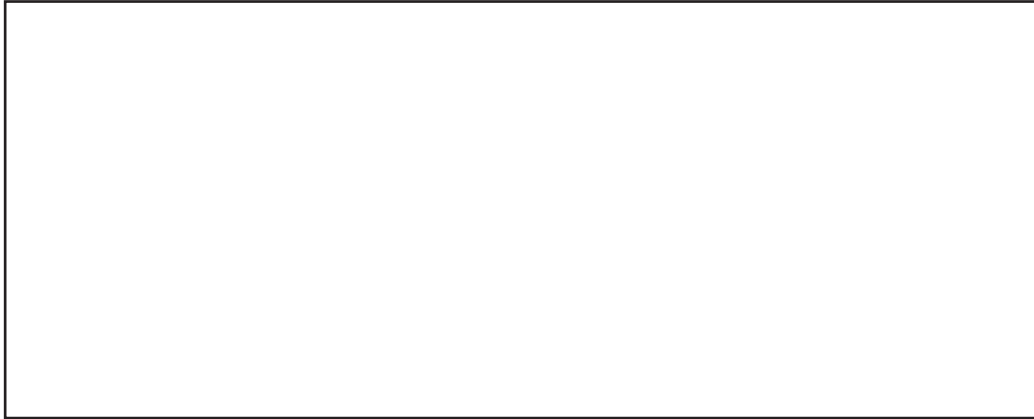


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