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# Area Monthly Meetings



DATE	AREA	TIME	LOCATION	MAP Link
10-Dec	Hickory	06:30 - 9:00 PM	Lake Hickory Country Club 430 17th Ave NW Hickory, NC	<a href="#">Google Map Link</a>
09-Dec	Lake Norman	06:00 - 9:00 PM	The Waterman Resturant 9615 Bailey Rd. Cornelius, NC	<a href="#">Google Map Link</a>
07-Dec	Metrolina	6:30 - 11:00 PM	Red Rocks Café 4223 Providence Rd. #8 Charlotte, NC	<a href="#">Google Map Link</a>
03-Dec	Sandhills		Table on the green in Pinehurst	<a href="#">Google Map Link</a>
03-Dec	Triad	6:00 - 10:00 PM	Wyndham Garden 415 S. Road Greensboro, NC	<a href="#">Google Map Link</a>
12-Dec	Triangle		Maggiano's Littly Italy 8030 Renaissance Pkwy #890, Durham, NC 27713	<a href="#">Google Map Link</a>
06-Dec	Upstate	6:00 - 10:00 PM	Thunder Bunny Racing 500 Hartness Drive Greenville SC	<a href="#">Google Map Link</a>

**Lake Norman Area**  
2nd Saturday: 8-10am,  
Waterbean Coffee in Cornelius

Stuttgart Saturday: 9-11am  
Hendrick Porsche

3rd Sunday: 8-10am at Maggiano's

**Triangle Area**  
1st Saturday 9-11am Southpoint Porsche  
122 Kensington Dr, Durham

3rd Saturday Monthly: 8:00am  
Breakaway Cafe in Veranda Shopping Area  
Chapel Hill, NC 27516

Fourth Saturday of the month, 8-10 AM,  
Panera Bread, :3603 Witherspoon Blvd  
Suite 101, Durham, NC 27707

**Metrolina Area**  
Stuttgart Saturday (2nd Sat.): 9 - 11am  
Hendrick Porsche

*Cars & Coffee*

Recurring By Area:

**Triad Area**  
2nd Saturday: 9-11am, Southeastern  
Center for Contemporary Art (SECCA), 750  
Marguerite Dr., Winston-Salem

**Upstate Area**  
Saturday, April 26th  
Saturday, September 27th  
8am- 11am  
Michelin North America Headquarters

Obey the Crave  
Cars and Coffee at Bridgeway station  
2/22, 3/22, 5/24, 6/28, 7/26, 8/23, 10/25,  
11/22

**Sandhills Area**  
3rd Saturday 8-10am  
Pine Scones Cafe in Southern Pines, NC

**Hickory Area**  
None at this time

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## Issue Color Swatch

	Cashmere Beige	Paper
	Amethyst Pearl	Text
	Blue Sky	Feature Story
	Cassis Red	Feature Story
	Guards Red	New Members
	Golden Green	New members

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## COVER PHOTO

The region's Fall Tour took place at the end of OCT. This is a fun drive that has been a tradition in the Region for many years. This year was a bit touch and go due to the storm, but luckily we were able to help support the area and still have our Fall Tour. The colors, and the weather were simply beautiful.



## BACK COVER

We like to say its not just the cars, its the people. What a group of alter egos. Glad folks were able to get together and celebrate. I used the picture twice in this edition because it looks like it was a good bit of fun.

Remember life is better between 3 and 4 thousand RPMs.



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Seems very strange writing this Dec 2024 edition of FTDS for Tobacco Roads. As you may know this 48<sup>th</sup> time will be my final one as the torch will be passed to Jim Hess on 1 Jan 2025.

We've been able to accomplish a lot of things in the past 4 years. A few mentions:

- Brought our AX program BACK!!
- Reestablishing the Carolinas Challenge Club Race after a 10-year absence.
- Saved the Region \$33k annually on printed Tobacco Roads costs ('23 & '24)
- Establishing a NEW tradition, adding a 2<sup>nd</sup> Club Race (VIR) to the schedule for 2025
- Total Membership growth from 3100 in Jan 2021 to 3942 as I type this in late Nov 2024
- Awesome 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Region ('21 delayed from '20)
- Presidents Project Page in TR; very successful segment; very well received by many
- PCA Region of the Year "3<sup>rd</sup> Place" for 2023
- PCA Public Service Award "3<sup>rd</sup> Place" for 2021 & 2023
- PCA Public Service Award "Honorable Mention" for 2022
- Spring Tour '22 & '23 (Jim Hess – kudos)
- The pleasure of presenting THREE new Porsches to PCA Raffle Winners!
- FIRST PCA Region to Host a National Sim Racing Event (over \$35k raised for Veterans)
- Created Instagram Account for PCA Carolinas
- Increased Social Media use/following by 40%

I wanted to take a special moment and give a huge THANK YOU to Kathy Boehm for her more than 10 years as our Regions Goodie Store Chair. The dynamic duo team of Kathy and Herbert Boehm – have set the standard on "how to" have THE BEST Goodie Store in the entire PCA. If only there was such an award; I KNOW we would be a perennial WINNER! Kathy, Herbert – you will be missed! Thank you for your dedication and service to our Carolinas Region Family!

Kathy has recently handed over the reigns to Margie Gottwalt. No pressure Margie...but you certainly have some enormous shoes to fill. I have no doubt you too will succeed and continue on the fine tradition and precedent that has been set.

Doug Seefus, will relinquish the reigns of the Advertising Chair – over the past 3 years he has increased our advertising revenue and outreach to our Regions businesses threefold! Doug has upped the "game" for this role and will

be missed.

The below Leadership Positions are advertised as STILL available. Please take the opportunity to reach out in regards to these.

Newsletter Editor: AKA – the one that publishes Tobacco Roads. We are currently looking for an enthusiastic person with an eye for detail, design, and publishing skills to be our new editor.

Advertising Chair (1 Jan 2025): works with current and potential Tobacco Roads and Region Website advertisers on all specifics relating to the sizes, placement, style, duration and costs.

For the above vacancies, please reach out to our incoming President Jim Hess or incoming Vice President Michael Vittorio to discuss further.

Thanks to everyone that has supported me and encouraged me along this journey. You know who you are! It has been an honor to serve the fine members of the Carolinas Region. I will cherish all the wonderful people that I've met at some great events, venues, drives...it has been a memorable 4 years indeed!

Merry Christmas to All...Happy New Year 2025 and may you all be blessed!

It has been my pleasure to serve You...and remember; Get Out And Drive!!!

Jerry Widner OUT!  
Carolinas Region, President 2021-2024

*Semper Fi!*



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

The information below is accurate on the first day of the month of this issue. Check the Carolinas Region website at [carolinas-pca.com](http://carolinas-pca.com) for the most up to date information.

December

03

Triad Area Christmas Party  
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM  
Wyndham Garden Greensboro,  
415 S. Swing Rd, Greensboro, NC  
27409

[https://clubregistration.net/  
events/signUp.cfm/event/15112](https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/15112)

07

METROLINA PCA CHRISTMAS  
PARTY AT RED ROCKS CAFE  
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
RED ROCKS CAFE ADDRESS:  
4223-8 Providence Rd. Char-  
lotte, NC 28211

[https://clubregistration.net/  
events/signUp.cfm/event/15096](https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/15096)

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Lake Norman Christmas Party  
The Waterman restaurant

[https://clubregistration.net/  
events/signUp.cfm/event/15192](https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/15192)

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Triangle Area Holiday Dinner  
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM  
Maggiano's Little Italy, 8030 Re-  
naissance Pkwy, #890, Durham,  
NC

[https://clubregistration.net/  
events/signUp.cfm/event/14932](https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/14932)

## Club Announcements

Beginning on Jan 1, 2005, the  
following members will serve as  
officers

President: Jim Hess,  
Vice President: Michael Vittorio,  
Treasurer: Sadie Kilcrease  
Secretary: Alex Galloway.

Every Area in the Region will be  
hosting a Holiday party in the  
1st or second week of Decem-  
ber. Many require registration, so  
check out the area reports to learn  
more about your area.

January

**No Events**





### 45 Years

Randell and Robin Christ  
Simpsonville SC Upstate

### 40 Years

Robert Bielan  
Clemson, SC Upstate

Ellen Bielan  
Salem SC Upstate

### 25 Years

Larry and Marylin Cantley  
Winston-Salem, NC Triad

Donald and Deborah Kremer  
Chapel Hill, NC Triangle

Lori Martello  
Charlotte, NC Metrolina

Jerry and Ann Widner  
Olin, NC Hickory

David Richbourg  
New London, NC Sandhills

Miguel Yanez  
Charlotte, NC Metrolina

### 20 Years

David and Krista Williams  
Charlotte, NC Lake Norman

### 15 Years

Sybil Birchfield  
Charlotte, NC Metrolina

James and Rebecca Joseph  
Mooresville, NC Lake Norman

Earl and Florence Leake  
Charlotte, NC Metrolina

### 10 Years

Bobby and Amanda Cranford  
Spartanburg, SC Upstate

Robert Gann  
Clark's Hill, SC Upstate

Brent and Sherry Hoover  
Lewisville, NC Triad

Greg Moore  
Waynesville, NC Hickory

Phillip Smith  
Fort Mill, SC Metrolina

Mitch Still  
Clark's Hill, SC Upstate

Edward Thomas  
Charlotte, NC Metrolina

Keefer and Patricia Welch  
Pinehurst, NC Sandhills

### 5 Years

Adam Watkins  
Denver, NC Lake Norman

Alvin and Adrienne Johnston  
Wilson, NC Triangle

Corinne Gould  
Summerfield, NC Triad

Dave Gisondi  
Banner Elk, NC Hickory

Jeffrey Carr  
High Point, NC Triad

John Clements  
Fort Mill, SC Metrolina

Nick Gomenis  
Charlotte, NC Metrolina

Ronald English  
Anderson, SC Upstate

Ryan Schuetz  
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Boyd	Jonathan	Cameron	NC	Sandhills	Hurricane
Duffy	Gerard	Pinehurst	NC	Sandhills	Everglades
Noiret	Steve	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina	Three Rivers



Last Name	First Name	City	State	PCA Carolina's Area
Diaz	Ivan	Huntersville	NC	Lake Norman
Harper	Sarah	Charlotte	NC	Lake Norman
Loehde	Jason	Huntersville	NC	Lake Norman
Nouri	Kelly	Denver	NC	Lake Norman
Wilkins	Janet	Cornelius	NC	Lake Norman
Anderson	Kay	Waxhaw	NC	Metrolina
Conrad	Don	Cramerton	NC	Metrolina
Dunn	James	Weddington	NC	Metrolina
Ho	Vicki	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Hood	Jason	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Montano Leon	Daniel	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Noiret	Pari	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Phan	Henri	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Proctor	Austin	Waxhaw	NC	Metrolina
Rudy	Robert	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Rudy	Camille	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Spreen	Fred	Matthews	NC	Metrolina
Rodewald	Justin	Carthage	NC	Sandhills
Rodewald	Liza	Carthage	NC	Sandhills
Stewart	William	Whispering Pines	NC	Sandhills
Carr	Brenda	High Point	NC	Triad
Davis	Chevol	Winston-Salem	NC	Triad
Davis	Tracie	Winston-Salem	NC	Triad
Gainey	Fredrick	Greensboro	NC	Triad
Little	Anthony	Chapel Hill	NC	Triangle
Russ	Robert	Durham	NC	Triangle
Yanuck	Samuel	Hillsborough	NC	Triangle
Carton	Daniel	Greenville	SC	Upstate
Goff	Cynthia	Greenwood	SC	Upstate
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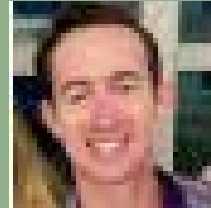
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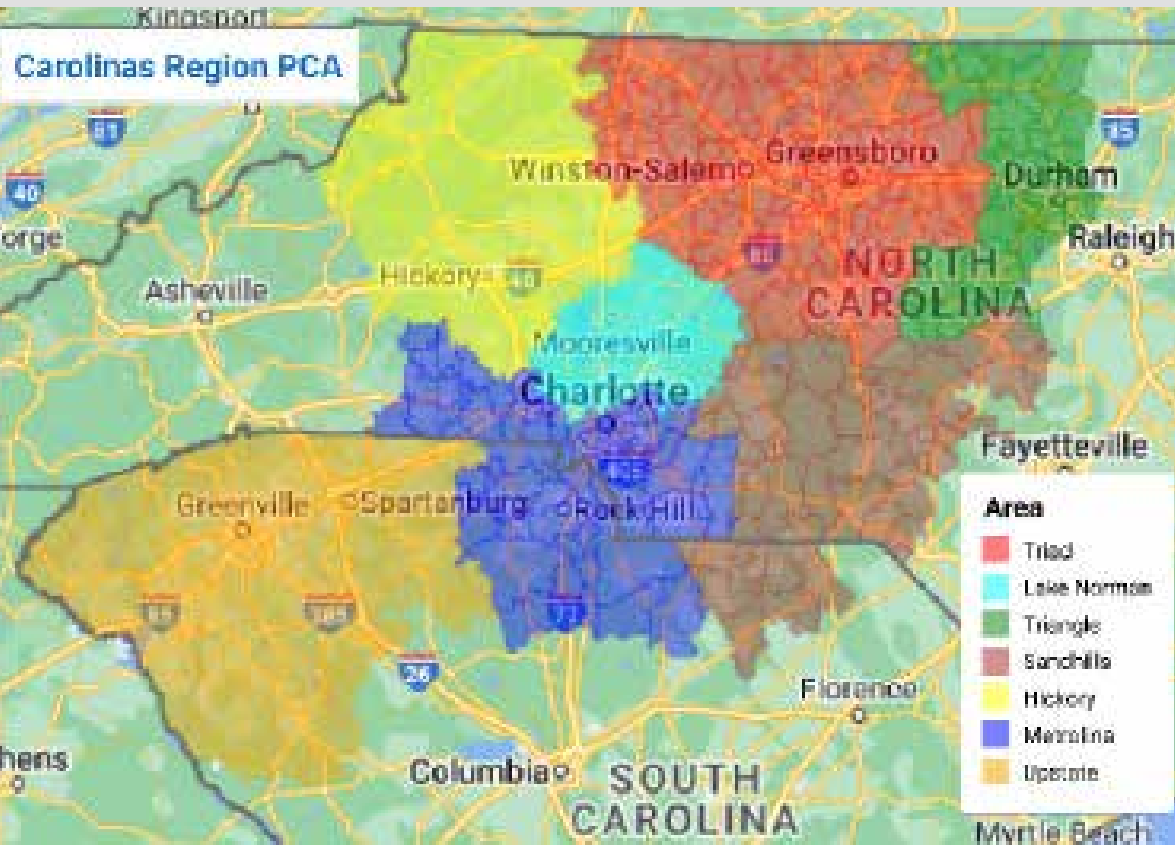
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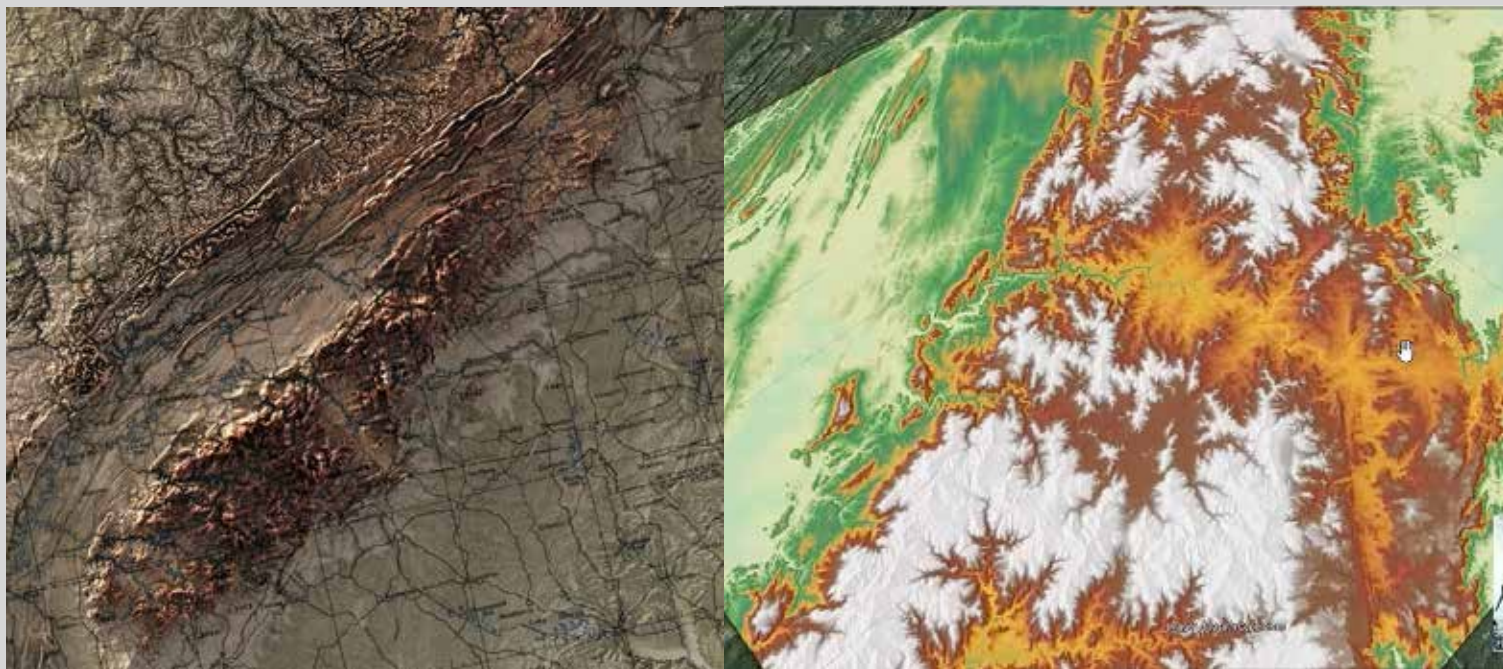


## A 100 year flood

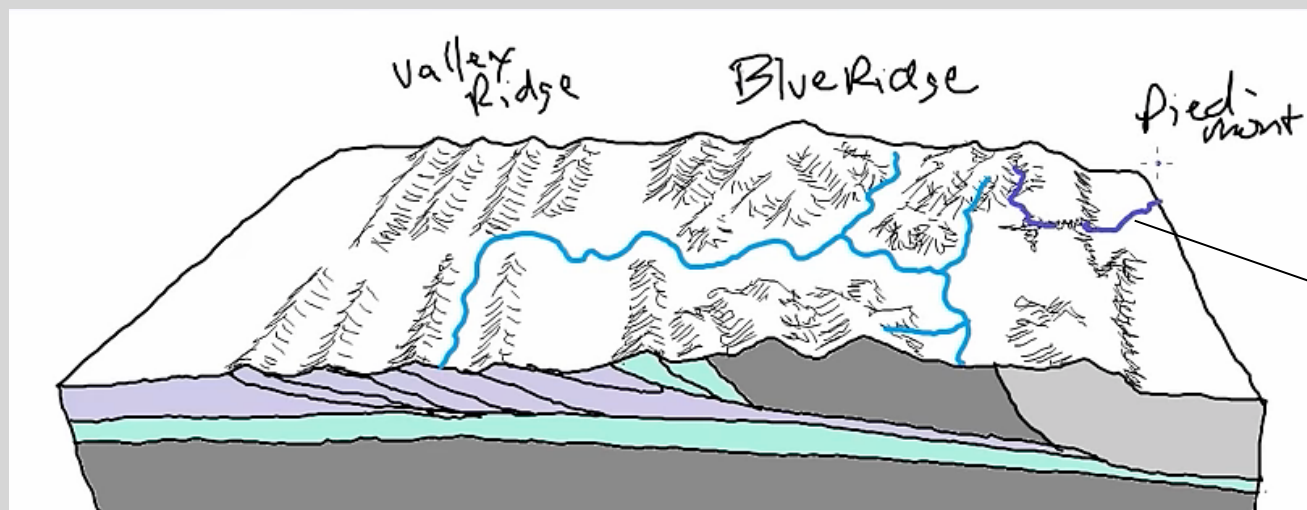
Robert Rainer

### The Topography

The Blue Ridge mountains are old, they are worn down, and have provided me with memorable drives in my Porsches. I found a good source of information where a geologist described the “what” and “why” of Helene in Western NC. The topology is key. There is a quick rise into a broad river valley that has some of the East Coast’s highest mountain elevations on both the north and southern side of this valley. To the northeast the Swannanoa mountains just south of Asheville divides the watersheds of the Atlantic and Mississippi basins. You can see the French Broad River in the image below.



The torrential rains from this hurricane entered the valley at the head waters of the French Broad River just above Spartanburg SC. They moved North over Black Mountain, Little Switzerland, Spruce Pine, Roan Mountain only to exit near Johnson City Tennessee. If you look at the western end of the French Broad River, the effluence travels through a narrow canyon. This pattern is repeated over and over in this area. Lake Lure is at the terminus of the Hickory Nut Gorge, and drains the northern end of the high plateau of the basin into the Atlantic Ocean. The Mississippi Basin catches water in valleys between the ridges.



### CHIMNEY ROCK

You can see the cross of Hickory Nut gorge. At the far right of that gorge lies Lake Lure. You can see the deep erosion, caused by the Broad River flowing to the Atlantic over the escarpment.. You can also see the expansive area feeding this basin, Think of this area as being hit by a pressure washer.



I live in the Piedmont, Spartanburg SC to be exact, and I-26 runs up the Saluda Grade into the French Broad River Basin. This section of the interstate was one of the last sections to open. The area was plagued by landslides. Building this section was difficult, Swiss engineers were brought in to help design the layout of the road. The Saluda grade gains 600 feet in less than three miles and is a constant 6% grade. This is the Blue Ridge Escarpment, one of three elevation changes found in this area. Some of my favorite ascents are up this escarpment. Like the vast majority of western NC, the topology is one where steep rises are coupled with narrow valleys having a small stream in the bottom. These streams would twist and turn their way up the mountain with an accompanying road that let's just say are made for driving in a Porsche.

The mountains continue their rise to the eastern Continental Divide sitting at 2130 ft above sea level. As they lie, the Balsam Mountains are to the south, and the Black Mountains lie to the north, the next level rise is to the Blue Ridge itself. A continuous line that just happens to have a road on it, The Blue Ridge Parkway. Another great road in you Porsche. Often, I can drive relatively alone on this road. It is an hour from my house. Many a Saturday I would do an assault on Mt Mitchell, or lunch in Little Switzerland. The final ascent found in these hills is to the mountain peaks themselves providing great views. Like many mountain roads found throughout the world, you will find roads at the bottom of valleys or traversing a mountain pass to the next ridge. One subject to silting, the other to debris flows.

The Scaring:

I read meteorologists estimated that Helene dropped over 40 trillion gallons of water into the NC mountains. To make matters worse, a preceding storm soaked the area for several days prior to the arrival of the hurricane. Living in Spartanburg, we were at the eastern edge of the storm which extended west for about 90 more miles. The eye wall remained intact until it hit the blue ridge escarpment. The winds were nuts and rain torrential. Who would have thought a hurricane could remain relatively intact after traveling over 300 miles inland. I live in a neighborhood where centuries old oak trees were uprooted and toppled over, often falling into other trees, taking them out. These same winds also crashed into the mountain side along the Blue Ridge felling many trees over 100 miles away.

Looking at the devastation, the winds caused many of the trees to uproot. Oak trees and pecan trees were hit especially hard. I discovered these trees are stiff and have a root system consisting of 3-4 major branches. The force of the wind literally snapped the root system often breaking 8 to 12 in diameter solid oak in two. Those of you who do mechanical work, know what breaking torque feels like. That is what happened to that root. While many of these trees fell and blocked roadways, they were often cleared from the roadways in a day or so. These falling trees also caused over 98% of the people living in the path of the storm to lose electricity as you can see in the image below. While devastating, the entire electrical grid was rebuilt in a week, but the damage done by the water was a different story.

Erosion along the riverbeds is impressive. In Asheville by the North Fork reservoir, the water dug a new channel 25 feet down to break the water main. All the silt was deposited along the river valley downstream leaving mud everywhere. This is what happened in Swannanoa where the river had space to spread out. The North Fork Reservoir was considered to have some of the best drinking water in the country. After the storm it was silted with clay particles so small, they electrostatically repelled each other and will not precipitate, so they remain in suspension. While many areas have roads in wider valley, in other areas the river narrows into a rocky gorge, the sides are steep and the infrastructure is next to the river. There simply was no place for the water to spread out, in these areas and the ground is eroded to bedrock. These areas like Chimney Rock saw unimaginable destruction with destruction of the almost everything next to the riverbed.



The terrain is steep and high, and it impeded the movement of the storm. So, Helene just sat there and dropped rain. If you look at the LIDAR map around Asheville's North Fork Reservoir, you can see the high ridges as well as deep scars in the hillside from prior storms. These are caused by debris flows (AKA landslides). The next set of pictures show the effect of this phenomenon.



At the top of the ridges, as you can see ground just gave away taking all the earth, vegetation and rock with it. As the earth liquefied, it simply left the root system of the plants above. These debris flow often eroded the earth to bedrock and became very wide. The flows took out anything in their path including roads and houses as they tumbled down the hillside. In the middle photos, you can see that underling the surface are tones of flat relatively small rocks. These flowed well, and these flows reached heights of 60 ft and traveled as much as 25 mph scouring the earth and taking everything out in its path, seen in the upper left picture. That one is worth zooming in on. In short they were massive, on a scale that is hard to comprehend, this was a 100 year flood. Looking at a map after the storm, many roads were closed where they crossed a creek. Other roads that ran along rivers in valleys were also closed, but longer sections were involved. One unfortunate outcome is all the numbered roads which traversed elevation changes were affected by debris flows. Washouts are a common sight. The pictures in the lower row show NC80 known as the devil's whip that travels up from Marion to the Blue Ridge Parkway. That's a good road both going up and down as well. Nice shot of the steepness of the terrain, in case you were wondering,





Remember the reservoir in Asheville? The picture just above is of Old US 70. The pipe you see is from Asheville water system supply line. That is a fascinating story about how they rebuilt it. My daughter in East Asheville got her water flowing at right about 2 weeks.

The debris flows often stopped before they emptied into the river valleys and made new fields. However, the water kept flowing down and filled the river valleys which just happened to be full of water from the last storm, and one of two things happened. If the river could spread out, it picked up and moved trees and man-made things while depositing tons of mud as it receded. These areas tended to be the most populated, and filled with cars, trucks and buildings all of which were affected and swept downstream often ending up in trees or along the riverbanks. There is mud and junk everywhere. Or, the flows encounter a narrow gorge and washed out everything. This is what happened to towns like Chimney Rock and the more northern water effluent not managed by the French Broad River. The folks in Hickory are close to these areas.

### The Rebuild:

Reclaiming the roadways was hit or miss. Sometimes the roads simply got lifted and carried away by flotation, You would see large flat sections of roadway scattered in the flood plain. Often the roads were just covered in mud. This type of damage was relatively easy to fix which entailed cleaning the mud off the roads or making a dirt road where a paved one once existed. Getting people moving in the effected areas happened quickly.

More problematic were bridges. With a continuous 25ft wall of water, some bridges got topped, and were swept off their foundations. Sometime the foundations washed away, and other time, the river shifted course, and the bridge spanned a now dry riverbed. To fix this problem, culverts were placed in the river, and the gap was filled with earth to make a temporary dirt road over the river bead. In some areas they are shifting the river by clearing out the old riverbed. Makeshift bridges were built where needed. Many remain closed 30 days after the storm.







In the pictures above you can see how a washed out river embankment along US 421 was repaired. A large shelf was constructed at river level, and rock was filled at an angle. A hardened shelf reestablishes the road's shoulder. The first picture below is of Highland Road, one of the ascent roads I rant and rave about. Basically switchbacks up a steep hill side with some straights. Second gear is fun. I like to quip, "Life is better between 3 and 4 thousand rpms". Touch the throttle and acceleration is there, that's a Porsche. The one on the left surprised me, they are using soil nails to stabilize the earth under the road. I first heard about those on the I 40 restoration. Doing my research on this article, I did learn the building of that road in the Pigeon River Basin was quite controversial. The topography is rough and the road has been plagued by... Landslides. Imagine that.



There are many times where I am in awe of nature. We went through a 100 -year flood. In fact, this flood produced water flows that were one and a half foot higher than the last one in 1916. With its wall of water higher than many homes rushing down the river valleys, the debris fields washing out mountain sides turning the earth into an emulsion of water, mud, rocks and trees, Helene caused failure of the earth down embankments leaving broken roadways and washouts that are now filled with crushed rock or reinforced with a cylinder of steel under the roadway. There is a new landscape that's gonna take decades to heal. The roads will essentially take the same path, memories will fade, and the 100 year flood plain will once again be built upon. I am fortunate to live where I can get up on the French Broad River Basin in under an hour. This has afforded me some incredible mountain drives. I have rear windshield emblems of many of the roads I want to remember on the yellow '71 911E. Yes, I have enjoined the ascents up into and within these mountains, basins and watersheds. Long live the Blue Ridge, we are fortunate to have it in our area. Get out and enjoy, you have the perfect car for it, trust me on that one.



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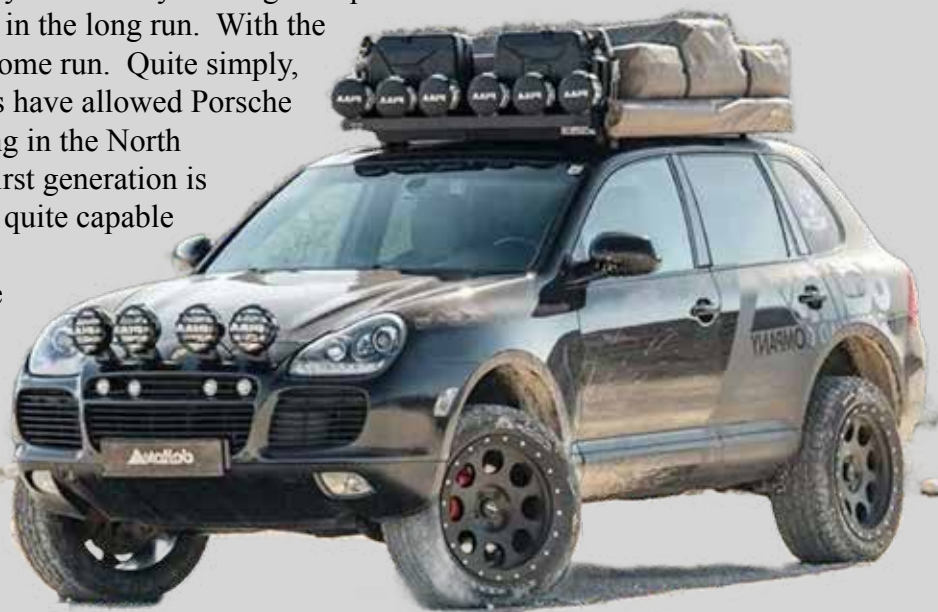




## Porsche Bolt-Ons ?

Robert Rainer

Porsche has had many milestones throughout its storied existence, and a couple of times they faced some existential threats to their very existence. They have always managed to pull some magic trick out of the hat and came out better in the long run. With the introduction of the Cayenne, the brand hit a home run. Quite simply, the Cayenne and the subsequent Macan SUVs have allowed Porsche to enter the cross over space that was emerging in the North American market at just the right time. The first generation is actually a well-designed utility vehicle that is quite capable of going off road. At the time of the decision back in the day, Porsche had to make a choice between a people mover AKA minivan or an SUV.



It made its debut in 2002. Back in 1989 Ferry Porsche laid the groundwork for this idea and he insisted that any off-road capable vehicle will need to meet the standards of quality to have the Porsche crest on the front. The timing of the introduction was perfect, and since 2002, the 955 and the later 957 have been one of the mainstays of the brands global success. In the mid 1990's Porsche had to make some big decisions as it was facing one of the most severe economic crises in its history. It was in the red and delivered only 23,000 automobiles in the 1991/92 fiscal

year. While they made a great car, it was a niche car. They needed to expand their market share.



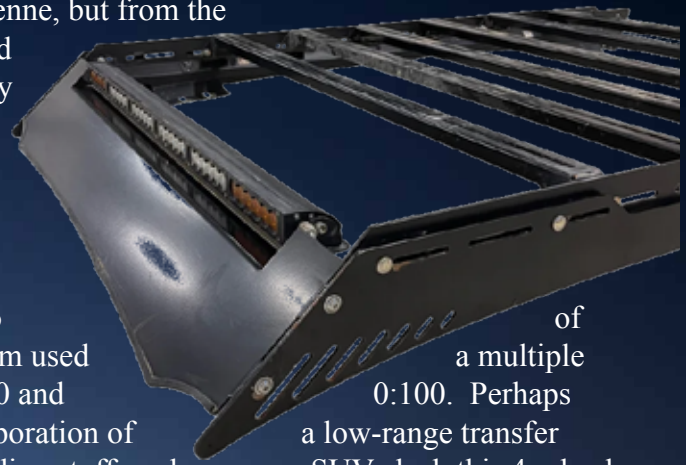
First came the Boxster in 1996 which was well received and got Porsche out of crisis mode. It was affordable, it was fast and nimble. The leaders of the company knew the storied 911 and the more affordable mid-engine Boxster would not be sufficient to keep the company going long term. So, plans for a "third" Porsche began to take shape. The sales organization in the US was pushing corporate to jump on the off-road vehicle band wagon that was beginning to sweep the US market. These cars were also becoming popular in the emerging Asian market as well. So, project "Colorado" was launched.

The decision was made to integrate this effort with Volkswagen and later Audi. Initially the Touareg and Cayenne shared the same platform. While the chassis shared commonality, each manufacturer built its own drivetrain and off road package. Porsche engineers performed most of the design and engineering for the vehicle, and Volkswagen was responsible for scaling up production and handling the actual manufacturing of the platform. Each was doing what they did best. Porsche decided to build the new model in Leipzig while Volkswagen elected to build its SUV in Bratislava,



Slovakia. This was true for the first two generations of the Cayenne, but from the third generation onwards (2017) the two companies consolidated production in Bratislava. As Porsche retooled its Leipzig factory to produce the Macan, a more compact SUV.

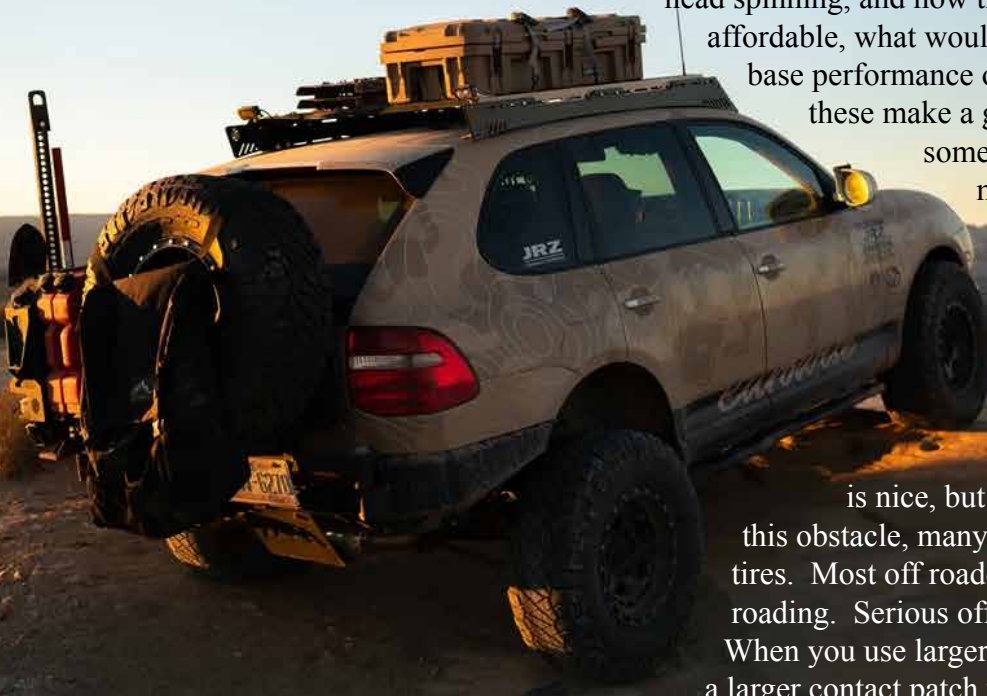
These cars had an inherent high level of performance that made them stand out against other SUVs. More HP, more torque, and the introduction of electronic traction control, Porsche Traction Management (PTM) delivered power at a ratio roughly 60:40 between the front and rear axles. The drive system used a clutch design that could further change the power between 100:0 and 0:100. Perhaps one of the more surprising elements of the Cayenne is the incorporation of a low-range transfer case and a fully locking center differential. This is truly off roading stuff, and many SUVs lack this 4-wheel drive feature. The engineers opted to put in an adjustable height air suspension system that is versatile. This is a long-standing feature found on modern Land Rovers, and the ride height could be adjusted between 21.7 inches and 27.3 inches with independent front and rear.



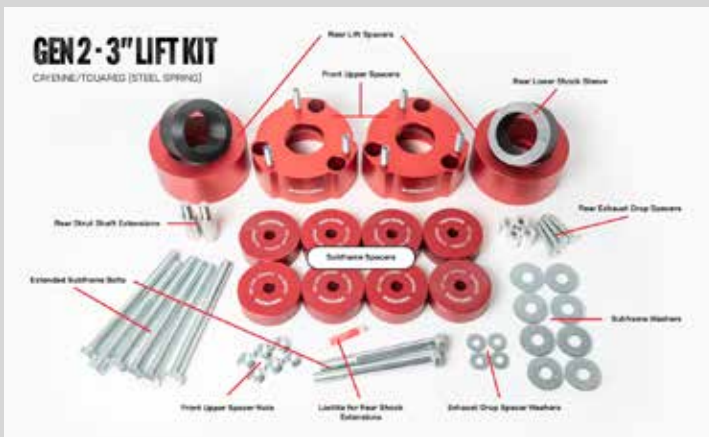
With the second-generation, Porsche introduced a hybrid and plug in hybrid system option. This was a move away from off roading capabilities but improved the ride of the vehicle and the range as well as mile per gallon. While the extra weight of the hybrid system is not ideal for off roading, the Cayenne was still quite capable at this task, and models without this system benefited from the extra power. The third generation went even further towards improving the sportiness and offroad abilities of this model. A three-chamber air suspension system was introduced as well as rear steering. The body shell became all aluminum making the chassis much lighter and agile.

Early in its existence, the Cayenne proved its off road creditably. In 2006, two private teams competed in the Trans-Siberian rally and took first and second place. The following year, 7 Cayennes made it into the top ten at this race. The Cayenne also set the lap record on the Nürburgring ring for an SUV in 2021. So now the Cayenne is over 20 and still going strong. Sales are on par, and often outpace the 911.

One of the things that got me interested in writing this article, related to all of the aftermarket bolt-ons that now exist for the Cayenne. Our poor friends with Jeeps have so many options to accessorize their rides, its head spinning, and now that early Cayenne models are super affordable, what would it take to do a build. Given the base performance of the Porsche over its competition, these make a great trail rider. Given the cost to fix something if it goes wrong, these will not make a good trail rider. Like anything in life, it's a trade off.



Perhaps the biggest thing to consider is how to raise the vehicle. Travel, or how much the suspension can move is a big deal when you get off pavement. The air suspension is nice, but it just will not cut it. To get around this obstacle, many off road enthusiasts will put on larger tires. Most off roaders elect to put 31-inch tires on for off roading. Serious off roaders will opt for even larger tires. When you use larger tires, you get better ground clearance, a larger contact patch where the tire touches the ground, and better floatation on soft surfaces like mud and sand. You will also



open a world of aftermarket rims that can enhance the look of your rig. Some of the downsides are your speed sensor will no longer be accurate, and your air suspension system will throw lots of warning lights. I don't know much about the Cayenne as I have never owned one, but on the couple of vehicles I converted to overlanders, these were some of the things I had to consider when building out an off-road vehicle.

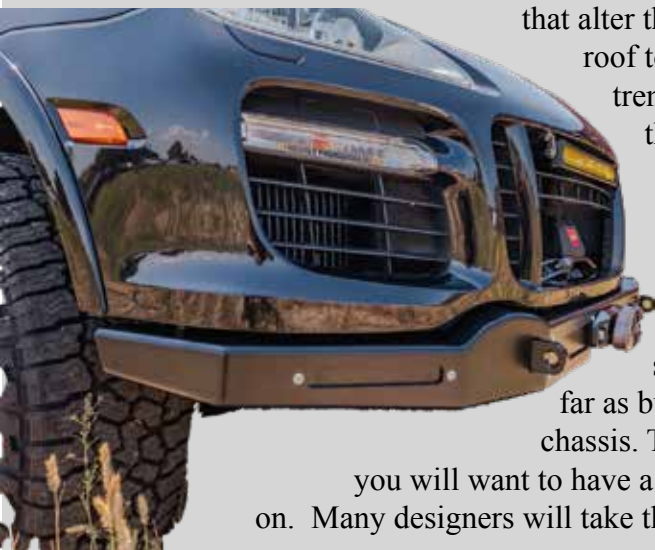
One of the first things you will need to do is lift the suspension. On the Cayenne, this is relatively easy.

I have done lots of suspension work in my driveway, and a lift on the Cayenne seems fairly straightforward. You will need coil overs, and replacing an old tired and worn-out suspension is a good thing to do. The improvement of the ride is very noticeable. Essentially you can put a 1-3 in lift kit on these vehicles by simply dropping the spring/shock unit out and replacing it with a spacer at the top of the unit. Yea it's a Porsche so the bolts will be hard to get to, but it is an easy weekend project. Some people will go even further and put spacers on the sub frame, but they are not really necessary with a 1 or 2 in lift kit, but seem to be needed for a 3 inch kit to maintain the geometry. Yes if you want to do this, you are going to have to learn a bit about the geometry of your suspension and do some research.



Luckily, they make lift kits, and most of what you need to know has already been figured out. A simple lift kit will allow you to run bigger rims and tires and get you more ground clearance. Also, most people do like the looks of a lifted vehicle, and that is what most Jeep and Toyota people do. One of the other things you will need to consider is protection. If you do decide to go off road, you will hit stuff. The stuff you run over with the underside of your vehicle is normally found in the form of boulders, and they don't move! I have seen steering elements, exhaust and other let's say vital components get beat up on the rocks. Most of the time this is not needed, and with a little foresight, you can avoid tearing something up. To help prevent this type of damage, there are a whole series of bolt-on mods called skid plates you can put underneath the vehicle. Another thing to consider, and a mod I highly recommend is to install rock sliders. Again, most of these are bolt-on, and not only will they help protect the side of your Cayenne, they provide an easy step up into the vehicle, and really help with the next accessory.

Another accessory you can add that is both practical, and adds an aesthetic flare is a roof rack. These are just very practical, and will allow you to add an accessory that you can build off of. The obvious functionality that is gained is the increased storage space up top. You can't go crazy, because there are weight considerations that alter the center of gravity of the vehicle, but a lot of people will put a roof top tent and enjoy getting out and car camping. Again, there are a tremendous amount of options for this in the aftermarket space, and this addition is easy to do and will change the look of your Cayenne for relatively little money while adding some functionality.



Bumpers are another bolt-on option that can change the look of your vehicle. Many people have a whole host of ideas, but my belief is that no matter what you add on to your vehicle, you should always be able to go back to a stock configuration. So as far as bumpers go, they again should be able to be bolted on to the existing chassis. This presents a bit of a problem. If you are going to get serious, you will want to have a winch for recovery. This means you may need more than a bolt-on. Many designers will take this into account, but if you want to add a winch with the intent



of recovery, a bumper with just 4 bolts, you may want to add some more structural attachments. The other consideration is clearance and protection. The rear bumper is another area of consideration. You can use this space to carry things. Water, gas, propane, tools and a spare tire can all be accommodated on the rear bumper. Like the front bumper, the rear one should also provide protection for the vehicle. The one thing you want to consider is how much the bumper will extend the length of the vehicle as it might scrape as you go uphill. You will also need to see how the bumper impacts your access into the rear lift gate.

Another area of protection can be achieved by adding rock sliders to the underneath of your Cayenne. This will protect the sides of the vehicle. You can also use these metal rails that extend the side of the vehicle as a step to get into the vehicle or to access items in your roof rack. Some people will also armor the undercarriage by bolting on skid plates. This will protect your oil pan, transmission and differentials.



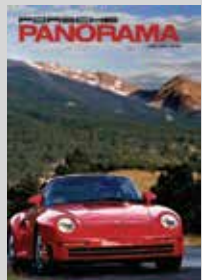
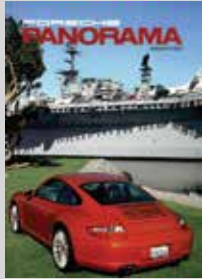
There are options for you to customize your ride. You will have to decide if you want to make a tailgater, a trail rider with various levels of difficulty, or an overlander with camping capabilities. There are numerous options out there, and it can actually be overwhelming. This route does offer you the ability to build a unique vehicle that is quite capable, and you will surprise people. The stories that I have read convince me that the 1st generation Cayenne is a capable off road vehicle that is built with the level of detail that Porsche is famous for and consistently delivers. The entry level to get a used Cayenne is not too bad. To modify your Cayenne, you will probably spend upwards of \$10,000. If you like to work on cars, this is a fun journey to go down that does not involve engine work and tuning. There are also a whole menagerie of bolt-ons for performance upgrades. It's good to see an active aftermarket developing in this space.







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(October 31 through November 3, 2024)

SATURDAY

Fall. A wonderful time in the Carolinas. Cool weather, bold beautiful colors and, of course, Fall Tour. Our 2024 Fall Tour was slated to be the largest ever with 55 cars registered. Then came Hurricane Helene. After some genuine concern that the event might be canceled, it was ultimately determined that the venue was undamaged and the roads thereto were safe. Nonetheless, a number of folks were affected by the storm and ultimately felt the need to cancel. In the end, forty-four (44) Porsches with eighty-four (84) club members and friends made their way to Hiawassee, Georgia and The Ridges Resort where Fall Tour has now been held for the past seven years. And with good reason ... a beautiful area with great roads and lots of local attractions – a little something for just about everyone. Even for those who just want to “hang out” with Porsche friends.

### THURSDAY

By popular request, this year's Tour began on Thursday instead of Friday as in prior years. An additional day was added to accommodate more drives and/or visits to local attractions. Most participants drove directly from their home to The Ridges. Others took advantage of Porsche Hickory's generous offer and stopped by the dealership for a delicious, boxed lunch while on their way.

Upon arrival at The Ridges, folks received their registration packet with important itinerary and drive information, People's Choice voting ballots, a beautifully carved Charcuterie board made by our very own, Jeff Matthews, and a set of cheese knives. Board and knife set were compliments of our sponsor, Porsche Hickory.

Thursday evening a welcome reception was held to kick off the event. Adult beverages were available along with hors d'oeuvres compliments of The Ridges. Dinner was “own your own” and gave folks an opportunity to try some of the many good restaurants in the area.

### FRIDAY

Friday morning began with a complimentary breakfast buffet followed by a choice of organized drives. Some chose a day-long drive that included the Cherahola Skyway while others were content with either or both of the two shorter drives on offer. Of course, several participants chose to go their own way to visit some of the local attractions (quaint small towns, wineries) in the area or just enjoy the beautiful lake scenery at the Ridges while visiting with friends.

Friday night dinner featured a barbecue (beef, chicken) buffet with all the trimmings. As has become a bit of a tradition, folks gathered after dinner around the fire pit for drinks, s'mores and a bit of socializing. The light rain experienced earlier in the day had subsided and provided for a wonderful evening to sit outside and enjoy.

The morning dawned with the threat of rain that quietly dissipated into a beautiful sun filled day. Following breakfast, Jim Buchanan and Jim Hess directed the placement of cars for the “People's Choice” car show. Participating Porsches were organized into one of four classes and staged on the Resort lawn with Lake Chatuge in the background – a beautiful setting for the show. After parking their cars, participants milled about, socialized and voted for their choice in one of four Classes. With voting complete, all those present gathered for a group photo before heading out for lunch and their afternoon activities.



One of these was organized by Doug Strait, Area Director for the Metrolina Area. He arranged for a sizeable group to lunch at the Wolf Mountain Winery, about an hour drive from the Ridges. In addition to great pizza and wine, attendees were offered a tour of the owner's private car collection that includes some very special Porsches including one previously owned by Olivia Newton John.



By late afternoon, folks had returned to the Resort and were preparing for the big event of the day – the annual dinner/dance and Halloween costume party. What started out three years ago with about 70% of participants in costume has become the highlight of the entire weekend with nearly 100% of folks in some sort of Halloween getup. Some of these were quite elaborate while others much more subtle but all were accompanied by lots of laughter and guessing as to who is who.

After cocktails, a buffet dinner was served consisting of grilled salmon, chicken and beef with assorted side dishes. Raspberry cheesecake was on offer for dessert.

Following dinner, car show winners were announced as follows:

Class 1: Air Cooled – 1976 914 (Summer yellow) owned by Sandy Liles;

Class 2: Water Cooled 911's – 2018 Carrera 4 Targa GTS (GT3 metallic silver) owned by Ray/Mary Williams

Class 3: Boxster/Cayman – 2024 718 Cayman GT4 (Gentian blue metallic) owned by TJ and Margie Gottwolt

Class 4: Suv/Others – 2023 Macan "S" (copper ruby metallic) owned by Sadie Kilcrease

Managers Choice – 2017 911 Carrera "S" (slate blue metallic) owned by Dick and Rebecca Abbott

Each of the class winners took home a large basket containing two bottles of wine and assorted other goodies. The Managers Choice winner was selected by The Ridges General Manager who presented them with a complimentary two-night stay at the Resort.

As in years past, a "50/50 Raffle" was conducted to raise money for the Crossnore Communities for Children, the charity supported by the Hickory Area. Thanks to the generosity of our Club members and to the efforts of ticket sellers Kim and Dale Moses, \$1,200 worth of tickets were sold. The winner of the Raffle and the \$600 prize was Bob and Theresa Hintze of the Lake Norman Area. They graciously donated their "winings" to Crossnore for a total contribution of \$1200.00. Thank you, Bob and Theresa and to all those who participated for supporting the children of Crossnore.

In short order the DJ fired up the music and folks took to the dance floor. Some danced, some just socialized with their old and new Porsche friends, but all seemed to have a great time. It's amazing how much fun can be had with a little wine, a little music and a bit of anonymity. By about 10:00 most partiers had headed off to bed or for a nightcap. It had been a long day.



## SUNDAY

By about 10:00, the majority had finished breakfast, checked out, and said their "goodbyes" before heading home. Many had plans to stop along the way for lunch or to visit one of the small towns in the area. Little doubt folks departed with some great memories of the event and that these will be with them for a long time. And after all, isn't that – good memories – what it's all about?

So, what about a Fall Tour 2025? A date has been set – October 30 to November 2 – and planning has already begun. The Ridges Resort will once again be the venue. Why the Ridges? Because our members love it! The intimate size and design of the lodge, the great roads, nice people and local attractions offer something for everyone. A great place to "hang out" with Porsche friends and create more memories. Hope to see you then.



And finally ... a big THANK YOU to Porsche Hickory for their support and to all the volunteers who worked so hard to make Fall Tour the huge success that it was. A very special thank you goes to Michael and Jane Vittorio for pulling it all together. This was their 11<sup>th</sup> year organizing Fall Tour and it is hoped they will continue to do so for a long time to come.

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# AREA REPORTS

## Metrolina Area



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By Doug Strait  
Area Director



Happy Holidays Metrolina PCA Members.....

We had no November meeting due the Thanksgiving Holiday and our upcoming Christmas Party on Saturday Dec. 7th at Red Rock Café, still a few spots left so sign up on clubregistration.net. \$62 per person.

We will not have a December meeting due to the Christmas Holidays, but we look forward to starting off 2025 in fashion. Our Jan. 15 meeting will be held at Hendrick Porsche, Charlotte 6 PM to 8 PM. Hendrick Porsche will provide light eats and refreshments and update us on whats new with Porsche in the new year.

Feb. 19, Metrolina PCA Meeting back at Red Rock Cafe

Our Carolinas Region donated \$2250 to the WNC Flood relief fund and our Metrolina Area donated \$1000 to Samaritan's Purse to benefit the flood victims. Every little bit helps!. Many thanks for all of your support this year participating in our raffles and charity fund drives, It's much appreciated!!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

CHRISTMAS PARTY – Red Rocks Sat. Dec. 7, 6:30 11PM

Sign up is on clubregistration.net. Cost appr: \$62 per person & closes Dec. 1

[https://clubregistration.net/events/event-details.cfm?event\\_id=15096](https://clubregistration.net/events/event-details.cfm?event_id=15096)

Jan. 15th Metrolina PCA meeting at Hendrick Porsche 6pm to 8 pm

Feb. 19: Metrolina PCA meeting at Red Rock Café 6pm to 8 pm

March 19: Metrolina PCA meeting at Red Rock Café 6pm to 8 pm

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Be sure to check out the calendar on the Carolinas Region PCA website (Carolinas-pca.com) and also watch for updates & announcements on our Carolinas Region PCA Facebook page and in the digital Tobacco Roads.

Thank You all for your Support!

Sincerely,

Doug Strait - Metrolina Area Director

## Sandhills Area



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By Marty Barrett  
Area Director



Sandhills Area members supported Festival D'Avion at Pinehurst Airport on October 26. The event attracts local families and coincides with Halloween activities. Civilian and military aircraft displays, Army Golden Knights parachute team, classic car corral, and plenty of food, candy and beverages lend to the carnival atmosphere. Several thousand spectators and participants, and beautiful weather, made the event a huge success. Fun!

Next were Veterans Day parades in Southern Pines and Seven Lakes. Again, beautiful weather brought out a great gathering of all ages. A few of us participated in the parades driving our special Porsches....along with other marques. It is wonderful to see so many younger families and children lined up along the roads thanking veterans for their service to our country.

On November 16 we had 25 Porsches and a few others at the monthly C&C...in Seven Lakes at Delucia's bakery. After C&C ten of us took a spirited drive north toward Pittsboro and back to an event at the Harley Davidson dealer in Carthage. The bikers appreciate and welcome our Porsche group! B'Hawk distillery brought their mobile bar/pub for a perfect gathering point! Again, spectacular weather helps make the drive more fun and brings out larger groups.

Sandhills member appreciation and holiday party is December 3 at Table On The Green in Pinehurst. We expect at least 50 members, spouses and a few guests. Our thanks to Carolinas Region and national PCA for supporting this event! Our next dinner meeting is January 21, 2025!

A safe and wonderful Holiday Season to all!

Marty



Entering the holiday periods of November and December we have suspended our monthly dinner meetings. Monthly dinners will resume Thursday, January 23, 2025.

## DRIVE THE DEVIL'S TRAMPING GROUND

There is a circle on a plot of land south of Pittsboro where no vegetation has ever grown. Legend has it that the Devil walks in that circle every night. The plot is on private property and closed to the public but that doesn't mean we couldn't drive that beautiful country road. We couldn't stop at the Devil's Tramping Ground but we did stop at Southern Supreme Fruitcake and More for a warm welcome and samples of their delicious goods.



TJ at Southern Fruitcake



Doug and Marsha Efland



Entering the sampling room



Enjoying samples

We then drove back to Pittsboro by a different route where we were welcomed at the Carolina Brewery for a delicious lunch.



Lunch at Carolina Brewery



More than fifty people registered for the event. Porsche Hickory served as our starting point and provided a light breakfast for participants. Following a brief introduction and drivers meeting, participants received their first card and were released a few minutes apart. This year's route was planned by Bryson and Kathy Kiser and included three stops along the route for additional cards. After about a two-hour drive, the route ended at member Don Trexler's "car barn" in Lenoir, NC.



The Triangle Area is wrapping up its scheduled events with the Annual Holiday Dinner, December 12, at Maggiano's Little Italy in Durham.: <https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/14932>.

Though it includes workspace and storage areas for his cars, Don's "barn" proved to be a wonderful reception and lunch venue for the event. In truth, it is probably better described as every man's dream "man cave" than a "barn".

The Jingle Bell Run and Toy Drive is scheduled for Dec. 14. Information/Registration: <https://forms.gle/Zcg1B7jyNgzh4TKg8>.

Third and fourth Saturdays Cars and Coffee will continue as usual at the Veranda, 58 Chapelton Court, Chapel Hill, NC 27516 and Panera Bread, 3603 Witherspoon Blvd. Suite 101, Durham.



Some of Don's Cars

## Hickory Area

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**By Michael Vittorio**  
Area Director

LIPS (Ladies in Porsches): November 7 – A group of eight ladies met in the showroom at Porsche Hickory and were served lunch compliments of the dealership. As per usual, there was no agenda other than to visit with friends. Nonetheless, the dealership did set up a kiosk whereby participants could build the "Porsche of their dreams".

Annual Poker Run for Charity: November 9 - Our Annual Fall Poker Run is the Hickory Area's primary fund-raising event. This year's Run – our seventh – was the most successful ever. Thanks to the hard work of our members, the support of our sponsors and the generosity of participants, more than \$4000 was raised in support of our chosen charity, the Crossnore Communities for Children.





"Barn" or "man cave"?



Wes/Cary Cardwell

Upon arrival, the "Runners" received their fifth and last card and were served a catered barbecue lunch. They also had an opportunity to peruse the various items on display for our silent auction. These included service certificates donated by Porsche Hickory, leather designer purses donated by Tim Scopes and wine donated by Don Trexler. In addition to the auction, several other items were available for raffle at \$5 per ticket. Thanks to the generosity of all involved, the raffle and auction were a great success and contributed the bulk of the money raised.

Good weather, good roads, good food, good friends – truly a winning formula for a successful Poker Run. Needless to say, the event would not have been nearly as successful – or fun - without the generosity of our members and the hospitality of Don and Laura Trexler. All this for the benefit of Crossnore School ... the real winner.

Monthly Membership Meeting: November 12 – This month's meeting was held in collaboration with Porsche Hickory and served as the backdrop for their launch of the Macan EV. Twenty-eight Hickory Area members and friends gathered at Notions Restaurant in downtown Hickory. Two new Macan EV's were on display for inspection with Porsche Hickory staff available to answer questions. What a great opportunity to see and learn more about these exciting additions to the Porsche line-up.



Poker Run participants

Oh yes, The Poker Run itself was won by Wes and Cary Cardwell with a "straight". He was awarded a "best hand" plaque provided by sponsor Porsche Hickory.



Macan "launch" dinner

Following cocktails, a delicious buffet dinner was served compliments of Porsche Hickory. All attendees also received a very nice gift bag to celebrate the introduction of the Macan. Though the new Macan was the star of the event, it proved to be a very low-key evening with lots of opportunity to hang out with Porsche friends.

## Next Month

December 3 (Tuesday) – LIPS (Ladies in Porsches)  
– 11:30AM @ Old Hickory Station Restaurant, 232  
Government Ave SW, Hickory, NC. If you would like to  
attend, please RSVP to Jane Vittorio at: janeann.vittorio@  
icloud.com.

December 10 (Tuesday) – Hickory Area Holiday Party.  
6:30PM - 9:00PM @ Lake Hickory Country Club, 430  
17th Avenue NW Hickory NC . Reservation required. See  
Clubregistration.net for additional details and to register.  
About 30 PCA members toured the Hendrick Heritage car  
collection in Concord on November 8<sup>th</sup> (please see photo).  
This venue is a dream for any car enthusiast. Of course,  
it is a little heavy on American muscle, but friends of  
European sports cars will certainly enjoy the car collection  
too. Thank you very much to Hagerty, Spencer Gates and  
Paul Kaperonis, for arranging this great opportunity for our  
PCA members.



### Lake Norman Area

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By Christian Roedlich  
Area Director



Our monthly meeting at GMP Mooresville has become a  
great annual tradition. The venue was properly decorated  
for our PCA group, and I am not talking about all the  
benches and chairs on the shop floor to accommodate us  
– but rather the four state-of-the-art GT3 RSs' and other  
goodies we were dining next to (please see photos). GMP  
was getting the GT3 RSs ready for the DE event at VIR the  
following weekend. The PCA group was treated to plenty  
of refreshments and delicious beef and chicken tacos  
including all the fixings prepared by no other than Quentin  
Boatwright ... Did you know that he is a man of so many  
talents??

It was a wonderful evening as everybody was enjoying  
themselves. And when I say everybody, I am talking about  
a record setting crowd of over 100 PCA members and  
friends. We had a chance to tour the entire facility including  
Tim Lingerfelt's Carolina Coach Crafter's shop that featured  
a Formula 2 race car equipped with a Ferrari engine.

Our raffle was a great success, with plenty of great prizes  
and best of all we raised \$806 for Children's Hope Alliance.  
Our president elect – Mr. Jim Hess – won the grand prize,  
a wonderful Porsche duffle bag and a classic Porsche sign,  
a perfect accessory for any Porsche enthusiast's garage  
(please see photo).

Our Christmas Party will be on Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>  
at The Waterman restaurant in Cornelius from 6 pm to  
9:30 pm. It will be a great event as we have the entire  
restaurant reserved for the PCA group. There will be a  
mouthwatering buffet offered to the group, plus door prizes,  
a silent auction, welcome drinks, speakers!

## Triad Area

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By Alan Teague  
Area Director



Triad Area PCA did not have a monthly meeting in  
November because we intend to have our holiday party  
on Tuesday Dec, 3<sup>rd</sup>. By the time you read this, the party  
may have already occurred. We will resume our monthly  
meetings on Jan 14<sup>th</sup> at Logan's Roadhouse located at  
1300 Bridford Parkway, Greensboro. This different date  
within the month will allow us to have more room at the  
restaurant for our group to meet. After dinner we will hold  
short meeting starting around 7:00pm. We will have door  
prizes, and 50/50 charity split the pot tickets available.

Jim Hess, Dixon Johnston, Jerry and Sadie Kilcrease, Tom  
Neel, met with Mike Evock, Founder and CEO of Racing  
for Heroes. The Triad Area PCA gave Racing for Heroes a  
donation totaling \$2,892.00, proceeds from Lunch and Laps  
@ VIR on November 22<sup>nd</sup> during the DE event at the track.  
The donation is going to be used towards researching  
magnetic based treatment for deep brain injuries for  
veterans that results in Post Traumatic Stress Disorder  
(PTSD).

Racing for Heroes organization assists veterans who have  
suffered in service related PTSD.

PTSD is a disorder in which a person has difficulty  
recovering after experiencing or witnessing a terrifying  
event. The condition may last months or years, with  
triggers that can bring back memories of the trauma  
accompanied by intense emotional and physical reactions.  
Symptoms may include nightmares or unwanted memories  
of the trauma, avoidance of situations that bring back  
memories of the trauma, heightened reactions, anxiety, or  
depressed mood. Treatment includes different types of  
trauma-focused psychotherapy as well as medications to  
manage symptoms.

Hendrick Heritage tour



Porsche Corral





Dinner at GMP Mooresville



Dixon Johnston and Mike Evock



Jerry Kilcrease, Dixon, Mike Evock,  
Sadie Kilcrease, Jim Hess



Grand Prize winners Jim and Nelly Hess



Dixon Johnston, Mike Evock, Sadie Kilcrease,  
Tom Neel, Jim Hess



### PAST TRIAD AREA EVENTS:

#### Wed, Nov 19th – Triad Monthly Meeting:

There was not a monthly meeting in the month of November.

### UPCOMING TRIAD AREA EVENTS:

#### Tues, Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> – Triad Area Christmas Party:

The Triad Area Christmas party will be at Wyndham Garden located at 415 S. Swing Road in Greensboro. Porsche Greensboro is sponsoring the Christmas Party again this year and PCA members and guests are invited. While there is no cost or registration fee to attend, we will be accepting donations at the door for the Samaritan's Purse. Cash or checks made payable to "Carolinas Region PCA".

Here are the party details:

This year you must register on line at [www.clubregistration.net](http://www.clubregistration.net) if you are planning to attend. Registration will close on 1st December.

Here is the schedule:

6:00 PM to 7:00 PM –  
Social (Cash Bar); light appetizers

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM –  
Buffet Dinner

8:30 PM to 10:00 PM –  
Program/Door Prizes

Wyndham Garden is offering PCA members a special overnight room rate of \$99.00 per night (plus 12.75% tax) including breakfast. Reservations can be made at 336-315-1506 and you must ask for the Triad Area Christmas Party special rate.

Recommended dress for Christmas Party is business casual.

#### Tues, Dec 17th – Triad Monthly Meeting:

There will not be a monthly meeting in the month of December.

Please have a happy and safe holiday...!

Thank you for supporting the Triad Area Porsche Club of America.

Get out and drive your Porsche, quick, but safely...!

Please reach out to me if you have any questions or comments.

Alan Teague Triad Area Director



Hello Carolinas Region PCA members. November's Upstate Area meeting was held at our usual venue of Quaker Steak & Lube in Greenville. The weather was a nice, and the time change gave us another hour of daylight to enjoy our "Meet & Greet" in the parking area. We had a full house with 45+ members and 27 Cars in attendance.

#### Upcoming events:

The Upstate Area Holiday Party & Charity Raffle/Auction will be our last event in 2024. Wow, another year is almost behind us! As you read this, registration has already closed for this final event, so unless you already signed-up, my apologies but it's too late now. [Thunder Bunny Racing](#) will be hosting this event at their facility. Porsche of Greenville will be staging a few of their cars, with possibly the new EV Macan for you to take a look at. We will have lots of great food and drinks, plus a boat load of raffle prizes and auction items. I look forward to seeing those who register at the party!

Due to our Holiday Party & Charity Raffle/Auction in early December, we will NOT be having our monthly meeting on December 10th. We will see everyone at our January meeting, on Tuesday evening, Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting.

If you are already missing your Cars & Coffee events, well hold on! Porsche of Greenville will be holding a PCA members ONLY Cars & Coffee on Saturday morning, Dec 7<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30am – 11:30am, at their location. So drop on by, grab a cup of coffee & a breakfast snack, then enjoy checking out some great Porsches.

Take care & have a safe holiday season,

Jeff Price  
Director-Upstate Area





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What a great November day for an autocross – blue NC skys and 70F temps – and NO RAIN. Again, we had a good attendance with 29 drivers registered and 28 posting times. Of those 28 running, 17 were Porsche drivers and 12 Non-Porsche drivers. It seems WSFG is a popular location now with its “central” location and popular with other car clubs. I think the word is getting out that we run one of the best AX events in the area. What makes us different is everyone gets 10 runs vs others that offer only 3-4 runs. We provide FREE pizza for everyone. And we have large open venues that allow us to create fast challenging courses.

The timing reports are included with this report as a separate Excel file and will be submitted for posting in TR and our Social Media. The attendees got a direct email from me with the trophy report, and complete times for all runs.

Again, we ran on schedule with first car out at 10:30AM and we finished up by 4:00PM. Everyone got in 10 runs that wanted too. 5 runs for each group in the morning and 5 for afternoon. Pizza and sodas were provided at lunch.

The course was competitive and challenging with run times ranged from FTD 43.691 Secs – up to 57 seconds depending on car and drivers’ skill.

It was a technical layout requiring drivers to exercise patience and pay attention to car control.

Here are all cars times in timing order:

Row #	Pos.	Class	#	Driver	Car Model	Raw	Time
1	1	S05	3	Phillip M	2017 Carrera S		00:43.7
2	1	NP1	101	Mathew P	2023 BRZ		00:45.0
3	1	NP5	6	Mark A 2001	Corvette		00:45.8
4	1	S06	8	Stephen Y	2013 Boxster S		00:46.6
5	2	S05	20	Michael C	2011 Boxster Spyder		00:46.6
6	1	S02	77	Robert N	2009 Cayman		00:47.5
7	1	S03	255	Gary L	2003 Boxster		00:47.7
8	2	NP5	37	Daniel D	2023 chevrolet c8		00:47.9
9	1	P04	611	Mark Ro	2009 911 4S		00:47.9
10	1	NP4	66	George I	2023 Cooper SE		00:48.0
11	2	P04	2	Aaron E	2004 911 Carrera4S		00:48.0
12	2	NP1	100	Tyler G	2023 BRZ		00:48.7
13	3	P04	60	David V	2014 Boxster		00:49.0
14	3	NP5	1	Bryan W	1999 Corvette		00:49.1
15	4	P04	4	Marc R	2009 997.2 cabriolet		00:49.9
16	2	S06	31	Bill V	2016 Boxster S		00:50.0
17	3	S05	89	Jeff C	2015 Cayman		00:50.1
18	2	NP4	88	Tuan D	2019 Mx-5 RF GT		00:50.3
19	1	NP3	777	Vance B	2005 350z		00:50.8
20	4	S05	111	Joe S	2007 911 Carrera 4S		00:51.0
21	3	NP1	10	Tim D	2018 S5		00:51.1
22	4	NP1	11	Drew H	2024 440		00:51.1
23	4	NP5	34	Jason M	2012 SS Camaro		00:51.3
24	5	P04	14	John K	2004 911 C2 CAB		00:51.5
25	2	S02	714	Matthew K	2002 Targa		00:51.6
26	2	S03	986	Tyler G	2002 Boxster S		00:52.4
27	3	NP4	7	Chris H	2024 Civic si		00:52.9
28	6	P04	54	Owen C	2006 Cayman S		00:57.2
29	7	P04	211	Terry C	2005 911		00:00.0



## Top Time Of Day

Raw time:	43.691 S05 3	Phillip M
STOCK:	43.691 S05 3	Phillip M
PRODUCTION:	47.891 P04 611	Mark Ro
STREET:	44.992 NP1 101	Mathew P
CAM:	45.821 NP5 6	Mark A

There were no safety issues to report for the event – which is always good to report.

Thanks to David Harrison and Tom Denegre again for running timing and all those that assisted with running the event.

This was our last of the 6 scheduled autocross events this year. So, looking back on the year, I think we improved in all areas this year over the past 2 years. Better attendance, better location options, other clubs joining us, and more fun!

FYI – looking back to June 14 2014 report, we had 79 drivers registered and this was typical for that period. We should be able to get close to these numbers!

Some things that will make next year better are:

Drivers get registered earlier – we can't wait until the last week to get everyone registered to find we don't have enough to afford to run the event. The venues require that notify them 2 weeks ahead if we are canceling the event or pay the rental fees that are \$1800.

Bring out more of our members to try the sport. With so many new members joining this year there must be a lot that would like to autocross.

Get the word out to the new members

I have started working on dates for the 6 Autocross events for the 2025 season. We will continue with the 3 venues this year and keep our eyes open for a 4th location. The dates will be similar to this year, trying to start early, avoid the hot summer months and finish in the fall. I am also trying to avoid conflicts with our other events like HPDE, weekend outings, and other club events that may compete for drivers on the same weekend.

I look forward to seeing everyone again next year for a super Autocross year.

John Kelly  
Autocross Chair  
864-908-5488





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## (4) Porsche Turbo Twist Solid Spoke wheels

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**Price:** \$600.00

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## Porsche Sport Techno Hollow-Spoke wheels

(4) Porsche Sport Techno Hollow-Spoke wheels (2) are 8J x 18 ET50 – 996.362.136.51 and (2) are 11J x 18 ET63 – 996.362.142.51. Wheels will fit narrow body 996 and wide body 996 with 15-18mm rear spacers. No center caps \$1,000 for all 4.

I have run all of these wheels and know they are straight and true. I used them as track wheels, but they are far above typical track wheels in appearance. Pictures available on request. I will not ship these wheels, in that they have tires mounted. I will however deliver up to 100 miles from Charlotte.

**Price:** \$1,000.00

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## 1989 Porsche 911 Cabriolet

911 Cab

**Price:** \$63,500.00

### Vehicle Info

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Model	911		

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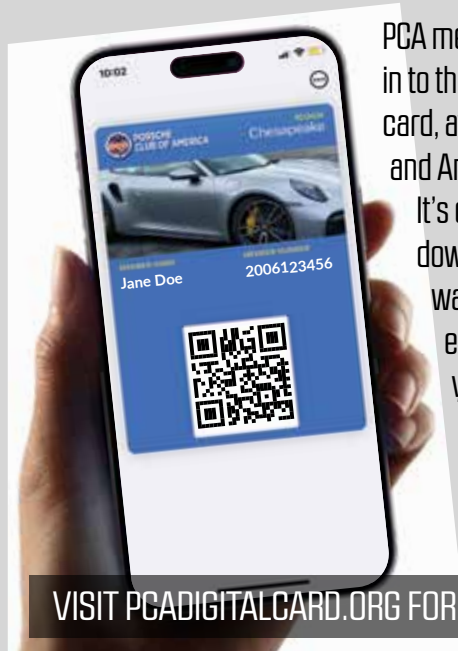
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