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Welcome!! August New Members

The Carolinas Region would like to welcome new members

Last Name	lame First Name City Sta		State	PCA Carolinas Area
Phillips	Charles	Vilas	NC	Hickory
Schultz	Craig	Newton	NC	Hickory
Schultz	Pam	Newton	NC	Hickory
Bagdiikian	Eric	Cornelius	NC	Lake Norman
Ball	James	Charlotte	NC	Lake Norman
Elahi	Azeem	Concord	NC	Lake Norman
Elahi		Concord	NC	Lake Norman
Evernham	Fayaz Erin	Mooresville	NC	Lake Norman
Forsythe	Donna			Lake Norman
		Denver	NC NC	
Kowalski Kowalski	Joseph	Huntersville		Lake Norman
	Robert	Huntersville	NC	Lake Norman
Retiwalla	Alamir	Concord	NC	Lake Norman
Retiwalla	Ahmed	Concord	NC	Lake Norman
Gramann	Margaret	Matthews	NC	Metrolina
Gramann	Brock	Matthews	NC	Metrolina
King	Spencer	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Levans	David	Clover	SC	Metrolina
Matthews	Mark	Tega Cay	SC	Metrolina
Ngo	Khiem	Pineville	NC	Metrolina
Pirolo	Joseph	Indian Land	SC	Metrolina
Prinsloo	Luke	Rock Hill	SC	Metrolina
Rosen	Mark	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Santos	Antonio	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Schmerge	Scott	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Schmerge	Anderson	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Eddington	Elizabeth	Vass	NC	Sandhills
Eddington	Aaron	Vass	NC	Sandhills
Martin	Steven	Carthage	NC	Sandhills
Martin	Jennifer	Carthage	NC	Sandhills
Schilber	Patrick	Pinehurst	NC	Sandhills
Zimmerman	Pat	Pinehurst	NC	Sandhills
Cathey	Donna	High Point	NC	Triad
Doss	Stacy	Winston Salem	NC	Triad
Doss	William	Winston Salem	NC	Triad
Waterfield	David	Winston Salem	NC	Triad
Bostock	Seth	Pittsboro	NC	Triangle
Hu	Bin	Durham	NC	Triangle
Mchenry	Troy	Chapel Hill	NC	Triangle
Owens	Sarah	Chapel Hill	NC	Triangle
Presson	Thomas	Durham	NC	Triangle
Willett	Christopher	Durham	NC	Triangle
Atwood	Kris	Travelers Rest	SC	Upstate
Decker	James	Greenville	SC	Upstate
Gibson	Warren	Travelers Rest	SC	Upstate
Gibson	Griffin	Travelers Rest	SC	Upstate
Graham	Eric	Greer	SC	Upstate
Green	Meredith	Greenville	SC	Upstate
Haua	Omar	Greenville	SC	Upstate
McRedmond	Ben	Simpsonville	SC	Upstate
Smith	Sheldon	Greer	SC	Upstate
			SC	-
Wright	Becky	Easley	SC	Upstate

September Anniversaries

The Carolinas Region would like to congratulate members celebrating anniversary memberships this month and thank them for their years of PCA dedication. This includes Carolinas PCA Members who live outside of the geographical region.

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Last Name	First Name	City	State	PCA Carolinas Area
30 Year Anniversary	/			
Brunson	Frank	Columbia	SC	Upstate
Brunson	Jo	Columbia	SC	Upstate
20 Year Anniversary	/			
Keyser	Fredrick	Southport	NC	Sandhills
Barraclough	Robert	Kernersville	NC	Triad
Capwell	Brandon	Clemmons	NC	Triad
Capwell	Wayne	Winston-Salem	NC	Triad
Reed	Ron	Winston Salem	NC	Triad
Porter	Annette	Spartanburg	SC	Upstate
Porter	Ellsworth	Spartanburg	SC	Upstate
15 Year Anniversary	/			
Burns	Catherine	Simsbury	CT	Non-Resident
Burns	Robert	Pinehurst	NC	Sandhills
10 Year Anniversary	/			
Neel	Tom	Denver	NC	Lake Norman
Jones	Gina	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Jones	Mark	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
MacKinnon	Sandra	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Mackinnon	W G	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Sims	Katrina	Belmont	NC	Metrolina
Sims	Claude	Belmont	NC	Metrolina
Coons	Andrew	Millersville	MD	Non-Resident
Neel	Linda	Marshall	VA	Non-Resident
Gaffney	Joan	Foxfire Village	NC	Sandhills
Gaffney	Norman	Southern Pines	NC	Sandhills
Tyner	Pam	Hartsville	SC	Sandhills
Tyner	Curtis	Hartsville	SC	Sandhills
Hansen	Kim	Winston-Salem	NC	Triad
Lupton	Barbara	Greensboro	NC	Triad
Lupton	Frederick	Greensboro	NC	Triad

Last Name	Name First Name		State	PCA Carolinas Area
10 Year Anniversar	y continued			
Savopoulos	David	Clemmons	NC	Triad
Showalter	Cindy	Advance	NC	Triad
Showalter	Steve	Advance	NC	Triad
beard	clayton	durham	NC	Triangle
Blue	Dennis	Manteo	NC	Triangle
Fountain	Stephanie	Pittsboro	NC	Triangle
Fountain	Greg	Pittsboro	NC	Triangle
Sill	Greg	Roebuck	SC	Upstate
Wall	Anne Marie	Greer	SC	Upstate
Wall	James	Greer	SC	Upstate
5 Year Anniversary				
Heatherly	Timothy	Stony Point	NC	Hickory
Kowalski	Robert	Fort Mill	SC	Metrolina
Radding	Arlene	Fort Mill	SC	Metrolina
Radding	Paul	Fort Mill	SC	Metrolina
Veazey	Scott	Belmont	NC	Metrolina
Weiner	Brandon	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Weiner	Benjamin	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina
Williams	John	Matthews	NC	Metrolina
Williams	Tyler	Hinesville	GA	Non-Resident
Batchelor	Trish	Whispering Pines	NC	Sandhills
Brown Anderson	Karen	Winston Salem	NC	Triad
Savopoulos	Camille	Clemmons	NC	Triad
Douglas	Ronald	Durham	NC	Triangle
Messemer	Robert	Pittsboro	NC	Triangle
Tipton	Jon	Creedmoor	NC	Triangle
Deegan	Bob	Taylors	SC	Upstate
Sill	Florian	Roebuck	SC	Upstate
Slaton	Solika	Spartanburg	SC	Upstate
Wheeler	Penny	Mount Pleasant	SC	Upstate

Welcome Transfer Members!!

The Carolinas Region would like to welcome transferring members.

Last Name	First Name	City	State	PCA Carolinas Area	Transferred From
Gurumurthy	Prasanna	Charlotte	NC	Metrolina	Eastern Buckeye
Kanner	Glenn	Lancaster	SC	Metrolina	Northeast
Schaub	Bernie	Pinehurst	NC	Sandhills	Northern Ohio
Barrows	Gregory	Piedmont	SC	Upstate	Florida Citrus
Brown	Jay	Salem	SC	Upstate	Riverside



Have you bought or sold your Porsche? Has your contact information changed? These updates are handled at the national level of PCA in multiple ways.

To update your PCA Club information:

Go to the national PCA website www.pca.org and sign in to your personal account.

Write to: PCA National Headquarters PO Box 6400 Columbia, MD 21045

Call: 410-381-0911

Email: admin@pca.org

From the Driver's Seat



To preface this, Jim Hess, our Carolinas President, asked I write a column for the October Tobacco Roads. I struggled with what to share, but the following is near and dear to my heart and based on my own personal experiences.

Have you ever been asked why you have the *need* to own a Porsche? I have. Many times. To me, it's obvious, I love how it makes me feel and the smiles they put on my face. I still remember the first time I was asked "why a Porsche?". I'm sure my head cocked in disbelief that anyone could ask such a ridiculous question. Obviously, they had never had a Porsche experience.

Cars can bring out the inner child and I love that Porsches do that for me.

Bear with me when I say Porsches are like candy bars. There is a flavor and price point for everyone along with free opinions. If you haven't before, just lean into the conversations around you when you are at any Porsche event. The debates may run from which models and generations are the best, most desirable and why, color desirability, manual transmission vs Tiptronic vs PDK, and last but not least, prices. The personal choices are endless and I am always fascinated when emotions become elevated during some of these 'discussions' as if there is a definitive right answer.

I once had the pleasure to witness a conversation where someone was adamantly shaking off owning a convertible because they aren't "stiff enough" at high speeds and cornering. I respect their viewpoint. Conversely, though, how many of us will take a chance to ever push a convertible on the street to the point where it makes any difference!? Apparently, this person is looking for something different in their choice of Porsche. That is fine, but projecting a negative perception of a convertible or someone else's choice of a Porsche isn't encouraging engagement or fostering friendships. And, aren't they missing out on an unobstructed view of the sky and the feel the wind on their face and in their hair? I think so.

A friend and I were in the mountains exercising our cars along a route of winding and twisting roads. I followed him in his Boxster, which was so much fun to watch zip and hug the corners. I was keeping up with him for about a 1/3 of the way through the drive and then I started slowing down to take in the beauty of the mountains and scenery around me; squirrel and the nut effect. When I got to the bottom of the long winding route, he was sitting on the side of the road just waiting for me. I pulled up next to him and we smiled and drove on. I really do love speed and cornering, but I am willing to sacrifice some to appreciate all that Mother Naure offers.

So, what is my point? It is human nature to have that drive (no pun intended) and to be competitive. When I started looking at my choice of Porsches through that lens, I don't lament anymore that I don't have a most desirable Porshe model or color or whatever option and that I may slow down to appreciate Mother Nature. I chose my cars or maybe they chose me. Either way, I see myself as a proud caretaker of beautifully crafted cars that make me happy and laugh through corners and I am so grateful to own such amazing rides!

Sometimes we cave to outside pressures and spend more time wanting for something perceived as bigger and better when we should be appreciating all we have today.

Just encouraging you to be you. Be brave. Don't yield. Enjoy every drive in your Porche of choice, nuts and all.

Indulge that inner child!!

Julie

Social Events Calendar



1-Oct	Triad	Girls in Porsches	11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	601 Friendly Center Rd Greensboro, NC
		(GIPs)	Registration:	RSVP to Elaine Huskins at ehuskins@kent.edu or call or text at 330-592-9250
7-Oct	Hickory	Ladies in Porsches	11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	FOURK Restaurant 1410 4th Street NW Hickory, NC
	((LIPS)	Registration:	RSVP to Jane Vittorio at janeann.vittorio@icloud.com or text @ 708-258-6956
11-Oct	Triad	Drive & Dine to benefit Racing for Heroes Charity	8:45 AM -	Start: American Pie Restaurant in Floyd Virginia Destination: Chateau Morisette for wine tasting and music on the patio
		Tieroes Charity	Registration:	YES SIGN UP
18-Oct	Stutto	gart Saturday	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Hendrick Porsche Charlotte 6800 E Independence Blvd Charlotte, NC 28227
			Registration:	NONE
18-Oct	Hickory	Poker Run For Charity	9:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Foreign Cars Europa (formerly Porsche Hickory) 1205 Center Street Hickory, NC.
			Registration:	YES

For information about events outside the Carolinas Region, go to: https://www.pca.org/events

Track Events Schedule

<u>clubregistration.net</u>

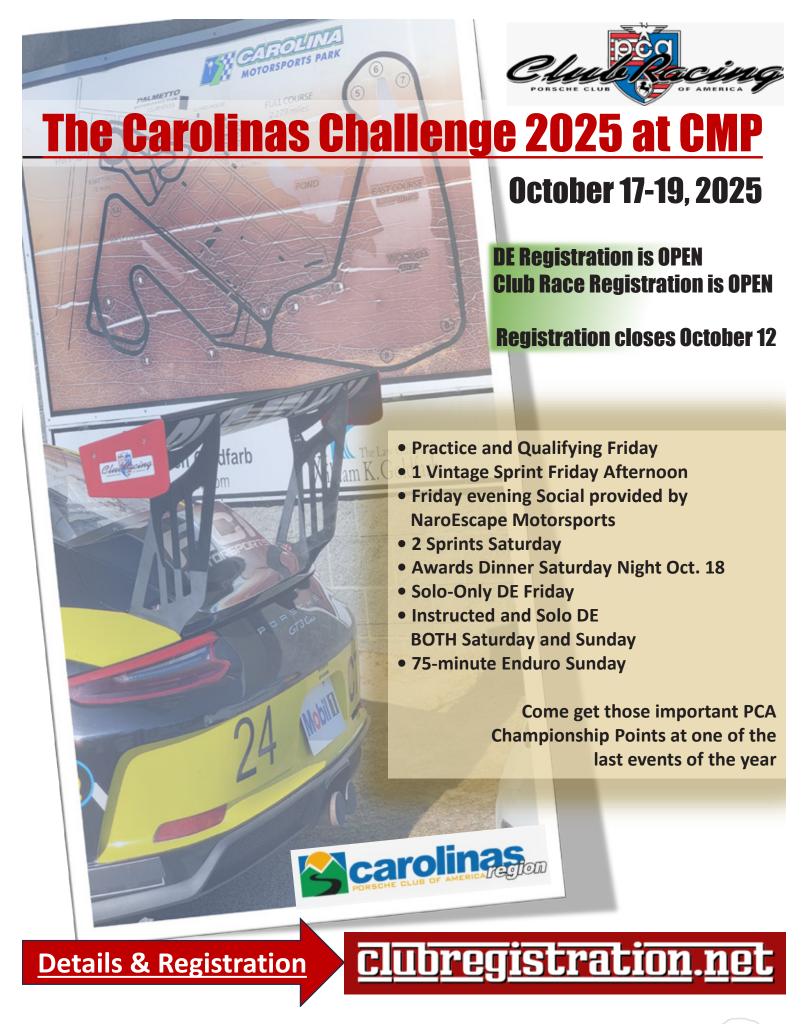
October 17 (Friday)	Club Race	Carolinas Challenge at CMP Club Race 2025
October 27 (Monday)	Social	Triad Area Lunch & Laps at VIR to benefit Racing for Heroes
November 09 (Sunday)	Autocross	Carolinas Region PCA Autocross No.6 Michelin proving grounds - Mountville SC
November 14 (Friday)	Driver's Ed	Carolinas Region PCA National Instructor School
November 14 (Friday)	Driver's Ed	Carolinas November DE Event at VIR
November 15	Driver's Ed	Track Experience!













None at this time

Lake Norman Area

2nd Saturday: 9-11am, Stuttgart Saturday **Hendrick Porsche**

3rd Sunday: 8-10am South Park Mall - Cars & Cappuccino

Metrolina Area

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

Sandhills Area

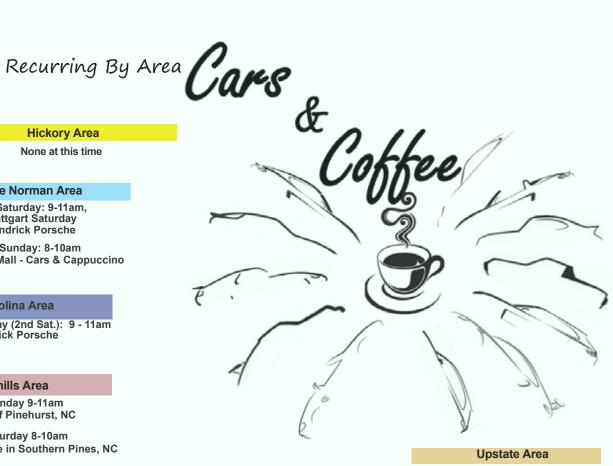
1st Sunday 9-11am Village of Pinehurst, NC

3rd Saturday 8-10am ine Scones Cafe in Southern Pines, NC

Triad Area

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

> 4th Saturday 8-10am 1720 West Gate City Blvd Greensboro, NC



Triangle Area

1st Saturday 9-11am Southpoint Porsche 122 Kensington Dr, Durham, NC

2nd Saturday 9-11am Carbs and Carburetors, Leland Little 502 Cornerstone Ct., Hillsborough

> 3rd Saturday, 8-10 am Panera Bread 3301 Watkins Rd. Durham, NC 27707

4th Saturday, 8-10 am **Breakaway Café** 58 Chapelton Ct, Ste 100 Chapel Hill, NC 27516

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

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Area Monthly Meetings

AREA DIRECTORS**	DATE	START TIME	LOCATION	REGISTRATION
Hickory Michael Vittorio (704) 258-3772 hickory-ad@carolinas-pca.com	14-Oct	6:30-8:00 PM	FOURK Restaurant 1410 4th Street NW Hickory, NC.	NO
Lake Norman Christian Roedlich christianroedlich@carolinas-pca.com	14-Oct	6:00 PM	Lakehouse Bar & Grill 18665 Harborside Dr. Cornelius, NC	RSVP: christianroedlich@hotmail.com
Metrolina Doug Strait (803) 558-0330 metroling-ad@carolinas-pca.com	15-Oct	6:00 PM	Red Rocks Café 4223 Providence Rd #8 Charlotte, NC 28211	RSVP: carerra9972@gmail.com
Sandhills Marty Barrett sandhills-ad@carolinas-pca.com	28-Oct	6:00 PM	TBD	NO
Triad Alan Teague (336) 493-1597 triad-ad@carolinas-pca.com	21-Oct	6-8:00 PM	The Barn at Royal Gait 6495 Kennedy Rd Trinity, NC 27370	First annual Chili Cook-off SIGN UP Please sign up to bring chili, dessert or an appetizer.
Triangle Vic Friedmann traingle-ad@carolinas-pca.com	23-Oct	6:30 PM	Carolina Ale House, 3911 Durham Chapel Hill Rd, Durham, NC	NO
Upstate SC Jeff Price upstate-ad@carolinas-pca.com	14-Oct	5:30-7:00 PM (Meet & Greet) to 8:00 PM (Meeting)	Quaker Steak & Lube 10 Chrome Drive Greenville, SC	NO

^{**}For a complete listing of the current Officers, Board of Directors, and Chairs, please see the Carolinas website



Make your plans now. Join us at four exciting events at VIR Lunch & Laps to Benefit Racing for Heroes





At A Glance

Here is the schedule:

Two Ways to Get There:

- Meet at Porsche of Greensboro. We leave by 9:30 to drive with the gang, on
- Drive to VIR on your own but arrive no later than 11:00 am.

Either way please Sign in at Gate and meet at the Skid Pad at VIR.

11:50 am – Drivers' meeting to review track rules.

12:10 – 12:40 Track time (30 Minutes on 3.27 mile Full Course!)

1:00 Lunch – Buffet at the Barn

All proceeds from event (after expenses) will be donated to Racing for Heroes

Cost is \$50.00 per person (not per car). Register and pay on Clubregistration.net Questions: Contact Dixon Johnston (828) 308-2888 Dixon.Johnston@gmail.com

AREA REPORTS

October 2025

(check Carolinas Region PCA Calendar for any event updates)



By Doug Strait Área Director



MEETING HIGHLIGHTS...Our 50/50 Split the Pot winner this month was Arnie Watchempino, in addition Robert Wisenbaker won a Porsche tote bag, Rick Hannigan won a nice set of Porsche slate coasters, Barbara Vanmeerten won a Porsche wine bag and Jim Everett won a \$25 Autozone gift card, Congrats to all!

FALL COLORS & DRIVES ARE HERE....

September 17th meeting had 32 members including 4 new members. We also rocognized some long term members. WG MacKinnon-10 Years and Claude & Catrina Simms-10 Years Congrats kids!!

We welcomed to the family, Scott Veazy, Jeff Henry, Donna Veneziano and Jim Everett.

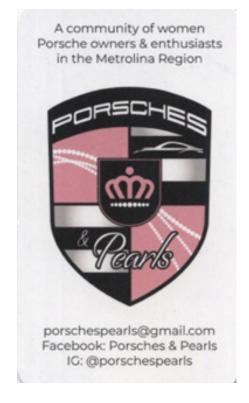
We covered all of the exciting events coming up like the Raffaldini Winery Drive & Picnic, Fall Tour, Club Race and Autocross. Be sure to check out the Carolinas Region website for more details.



Monthly dinner with friends



Happy Winners!



Porsches & Pearls Chair Iris Burnett and our Membership Ambassador &, has her new project off to a great start. This is social group for the ladies.

METROLINA PCA UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 11th, Raffaldini Winery Charity Drive & Picnic

Oct. 15, Metrolina PCA meeting at Red Rocks Café

CHRISTMAS PARTY 12-9 Red Rocks Café 6-10 PM Details to follow later.

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!

Doug Strait - Metrolina Area Director



The September 16th Triad Area PCA meeting was held at a new location called 3 Bulls Steakhouse in Clemmons, NC. Calvin Nikolas, Justin Cothren, and Nick Loomis of Porsche Greensboro attended. There were 50 members who attended. We received very positive feedback related to the new meeting location and quality of food.



Socializing



Socializing

Our first order of meeting business was to welcome everyone, which 2 were new members: Dave and Dianne Brendle.

Next we celebrated September birthdays who were serenaded by Jerry Kilcrease.

- Josh Burcham
- · Charles Branch



Dinner

Josh Burcham our Triad Area Driving Tour Coordinator and I discuss the results of the survey. Of the 65 responses received, people preferred destination drives and 2-4 hours in length. Initially, we will start with scheduling drives on a quarterly basis. We also announced that we would be using an app called Ride with GPS to assist with drives. This is a free app that can be downloaded and routes shared with each car so we won't have to worry about separation from the group during a planned drive. We'll all follow the same route and arrive at our destination safely.

Then I discussed the multitude of upcoming events that are listed below.

At the end of the meeting we held door prize drawings for prizes and the 50/50 charity split the pot drawing, the meeting was concluded.



Door prize and 50/50 winners

PAST EVENTS:

On August 23rd, the American Children's Home had their 27th Annual Show-Off.

Triad Area PCA hosted a Porsche Corral of which we had a People's Choice contest.



People's Choice Winners



People's Choice 1st Place Winner Haywood Miller's GT3



People's Choice 2nd Place Winner Matthew Rutten's GT4RS



People's Choice 3rd Place Winner Jerry Kilcrease's 912E

Triad Area PCA donated a total of \$1,800 to the American Children's Home from the proceeds of the Porsche Corral.



Triad Area Porsche Donation to American Children's Home

UPCOMING EVENTS:

October 1st, Wednesday, at 11:30 AM Girls in Porsches (GIPs) meeting

The next Girls in Porsches (GIPs) meeting will be at Harpers Restaurant located at 601 Friendly Center Rd, Greensboro, on Wednesday October 1st at 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM. GIP's hold a 50/50 Charity Split the Pot raffle at their meetings. If you would like to join the group please RSVP to Elaine Huskins at *ehuskins@kent.edu* or call or text at 330-592-9250.

October 11th, Saturday, at 08:00 – 11:00 AM Drive & Dine to benefit Racing for Heroes Charity

- □ Was originally scheduled for October 4th, but due to conflict with Luftgekuhlt also being held on October 4th, we've moved this event to October 11th.
- ☐ Drive to The American Pie Restaurant in Floyd, VA and then onto the Blue Ridge Parkway to Chateau Morrisette for wine tasting and music on the patio

Please register and pay \$25.00 for the tour on <u>Club</u> <u>Registration Link</u> Lunch will be at your own expense from the menu.

Additional donations for Racing for Hero's Charity can be made on the day of the event by check payable to "Carolinas Region PCA".

Questions? Contact Dixon Johnston 828-308-2888; <u>Dixon.</u> johnston@gmail.com

October 21st, Tuesday at 6:00 – 8:00 PM Triad Area Monthly Meeting 1st Annual Chili Cook-off

Think your chili recipe has what it takes to quell the heat of competition? Or maybe your best dessert is the sweetest in town? Now's your chance to prove it to the whole area!

At the Triad Area's October meeting, we'll be holding our first annual Chili Cook-off. Come put your cooking, baking, and tasting skills to the test. Whether you're a kitchen novice or a seasoned pro, bring your favorite recipe to the table; whether white chicken chili or meaty and full of beans—we want to taste it all!

Please use the following link to sign up to bring chili, dessert or an appetizer.

https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/60B0F48ABA628AAFD0-58581350-triad

We'll see you on Tuesday, October 21st at Royal Gait Farm in Trinity for what will surely be an evening of fun, great company, and a little friendly rivalry.

PCA.....now it's not just the cars and the people, it's the delicious food, too!

October 27th, Monday at 6:00 – 8:00 PM Lunch and Laps @ VIR

To benefit Racing for Heroes the Triad Area, Carolinas Region PCA is hosting a fun day of on-track driving Lunch and Laps at VIR, on Monday, October 27, 2025. This event will be held on the 3.27 mile Full Course of the VIR track!

The fee is \$50 PER PERSON, not per car. Purchase tickets for the driver and all passengers. Register on Clubregistration.net.

Two Ways to Get There:

•Meet at Porsche of Greensboro. We leave at 9:30 to drive up as a group.

Or

•Drive to VIR on your own, but arrive no later than 11:00 AM.

You must sign in at the Gate and meet at the Skid Pad at VIR.

Register and pay on

Club Registration Lunch and Laps Event

Questions: Contact Dixon Johnston (828) 308-2888 <u>Dixon.</u> <u>Johnston@gmail.com</u>

Alan Teague

Triad Area Director



Monthly Membership Meeting: September 9. Fourteen members and friends gathered at FOURK Restaurant in Hickory. Attendance at this month's meeting was a bit sparse. Nonetheless, we were happy to see those who could make it. The event was hosted by Michael and Whitney Moran. We had no formal program planned but did have some discussion about how best to assure future Drive and Dine events remain safe while meeting the expectations of our members. There seemed to be general agreement that groups should be kept small, fewer than 10 cars when possible. In addition, when there are two (or more) groups, their respective departures should be separated by 10-15 minutes so as to avoid "bunch-ups" and excessive distance between cars. Both great suggestions.

For many years, we have held a 50/50 raffle at each of our meetings to raise money for Crossnore School. We also gave away door prizes. A few months ago, we decided to replace the 50/50 and door prize with a raffle wherein the "winners" received "nicer" prizes. This has proven a good strategy for our Club. This month's raffle raised \$110. Winners included Jim Lucier (Porsche umbrella) and Bev Tosi (Porsche drink coasters). Many thanks to all participants for your support of Crossnore Communities for Children.

Monthly Drive and Dine: September 18

As many of you already know, the Carolinas Region has recently decided to subscribe to an app – Ride with GPS – as our primary tool for planning driving tours. In addition to, it is easy to use *planning component*, the app that makes it possible for all participants to get a map along with visual and verbal turn-by-turn directions for any driving tour they wish to join and all on your phone.



Foreign Cars Europa

Twenty-two members and friends in eleven cars met at

Foreign Cars Europa for breakfast, compliments of the dealership. All drivers had downloaded RWGPS. It took a little fine tuning prior to our departure but all managed to access the map and directions for our drive.

The route was planned by Bob Futrell who was unexpectedly unable to join us. So, Michael Vittorio was tasked with leading the group even though he had not previously driven the route. No worries, we had the route on RWGPS. After a brief driver's meeting, we were on our way. Bob's route was scenic and fun to drive. The app worked great and even though the route was unfamiliar, everyone was able to follow along and stay together. Of note ... we missed a turn (due to my lack of attention) but RWGPS automatically charted a path back to our original route. Pretty impressive! Had we not had RWGPS, I believe the outcome might have been very different.



Fantastic scenery

Our group intact, we arrived at Countryside BBQ (Marion, NC) for a nice lunch. The folks at Countryside gave us a room to ourselves and were very accommodating.



Following lunch, we again hit the road for a short drive to Linville Falls Winery for a little afternoon libation. Because it was a weekday, there were few other patrons. We were able to arrange a space that accommodated our entire group and allowed everyone to visit and converse with their fellow Porsche enthusiasts. Most folks stayed until about 2:30 when they began making their own way home. All in all, a very pleasant way to spend a summer afternoon.



Destination Linville Falls!

As to the app, it worked as advertised. There are still a few kinks to be worked out ... mostly on the part of those of us who use it to plan drives. Regardless, it will allow us to provide more and better drives that are safer and more easily followed. A "win, win" for everybody.

Just ahead ...

October 7 (*Tuesday*) - LIPS (Ladies in Porsches) - 11:30AM - 1:00PM @ FOURK Restaurant, 1410 4th Street NW, Hickory, NC. RSVP Jane Vittorio. TEXT 704-258-6956

October 14 (Tuesday) - Monthly Dinner Meeting - 6:30 PM - 8:00PM @ FOURK Restaurant, 1410 4th Street NW, Hickory, NC.

October 18 (Saturday) - 8th Annual "Poker Run for Charity" - 9:00 AM @ Foreign Cars Europa (formerly Porsche Hickory), 1205 Center Street, Hickory, NC. Please join us for our 8th Annual "Poker Run for Charity". A "Poker Run" is a drive wherein participants must find their way to designated checkpoints, drawing a playing card at each. The object is to have the best poker hand at the end of the run. Though the winner(s) will receive a prize compliments of Foreign Cars Europa, the emphasis will be on having fun - and raising money for Crossnore School. For additional information and to register, visit ClubRegistration.net.

Michael Vittorio – Hickory Area Director



christ

By Christian Roedlich Area Director



More than 50 PCA members and friends attended our September monthly meeting which was – as usual - at our new "home", the Lakehouse Wine, Bar & Grill. We were blessed with Carolina blue skies and great weather making the Porsche corral even more fun... (please see photos). Of course, how can one not enjoy all the great Porsches on display in the corral – truly a joy for every Porsche fan!





Porsche Corral



Porsche nobility

Again, we did not have a specific agenda for our September meeting but rather a nice social gathering. However, being blessed with true Porsche royalty is always a delight: Jim, Carolinas President, Martin, thee LKN Porsche authority, and Tracy, the best dressed PCA member at the meetings! (please see photo) Of course, the rest of the PCA group is having a great time as well (please see photo).



Group having fun

We conducted our always popular raffle after dinner. Hagerty and GMP contributed several items, and we raffled off many neat items purchased with our AD stipend such as cups, hats, bags, etc.. The grand prize was an oil change donated by John Cleveland with LKN Auto Exchange, which was won by Nelly Hess (please see photo).



Nelly Hess, September raffle winner

The September 2025 raffle raised \$691(including selling some of the airline key chains – see August TR) - the kids and families served by Children's Hope Alliance in Barium Springs will be very grateful.

We have circled in December 9th for our Christmas Party at the Lakehouse. More to come.

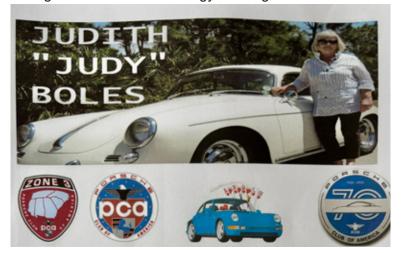
Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday the 14th of October, at 6 pm. This will be our annual gathering at GMP Mooresville. The staff always does such a great job entertaining the PCA group at their wonderful facility.

Porsche Northlake will be starting in October with Cars and Coffee events at their facility scheduled on the first Saturday of each month from 8 to 10 am. I am sure this is going to become a great monthly venue.

Christian Roedlich - Lake Norman Area Director



Sandhills members are dealing with the loss of Judy Boles in August. Judy was the first woman National PCA president 1995-98, and an active leader in Sandhills Area. We are working on a memorial for her at Sandhills Community College Automotive Technology building.



Tribute to Judy Boles

September C&C at Pine Scones cafe in So. Pines was very well attended in support of a Habitat For Humanity flea market.



Wonderful cars to see



Our normal parking area overflowed



Group drive to Pittsboro

Then we had eight cars on a drive to Pittsboro for lunch. Two new members joined us on the drive!



Lunch in Pittsboro

October is FULL....starting with Luft 11 in Durham on the 4th. Village C&C on 5th. VIR track days 6-7. Club Race drive & lunch on 18th. Festival D'Avion car show on 25th, and our dinner meeting on 28th.

On November 8 fifteen of us are headed to Blowing Rock at the invitation of Chip Perry to visit his incredible Porsche collection. Thanks to George Parker for organizing and leading.

Sandhills Member Appreciation and holiday party is December 2 at Table On The Green.

Many thanks to Porsche Greensboro for sponsoring the capstone event for 2025.

Marty Barrett - Sandhills Area Director



Hello Carolinas Region PCA members, our Upstate Area September meeting brought out about 35 folks to enjoy some great weather while socializing with fellow PCA members. Our "Meet & Greet" in the designated Parking Area at Quaker Steak & Lube was its usual enjoyable time to see some interesting Porsche vehicles and chat with fellow PCA members.



By 7pm everyone was hungry and headed inside for a bite to eat and our monthly meeting;



Dining with friends

Future Events

Upstate Area Porsche eBike Charity Raffle: Saturday October 25th, 9am Start, Raffle @ ~10:15am.

Porsche of Greenville has generously agreed to provide their latest model eBike for our Charity Raffle! This model eBike was delivered to Porsche of Greenville this spring, so it is fresh off the truck and ready for some fun riding adventures. The raffle drawing will be held at Porsche of Greenville (PoG), on Saturday morning, 10/25. There will be Coffee and Pastries, so a dual "Porsche Cars & Coffee" plus "eBike Raffle" event. Sounds like a fun morning! So come on out, have a coffee & pastry, kick some tires on the new Porsches at PoG and see who wins the Porsche eBike! Many Thanks to the team at Porsche of Greenville!!

Upstate Area Drive and Dine: Saturday October 18th

Our new Area Driving Tour Coordinator (Jim S.) is in the planning stages for a Drive & Dine on Saturday October 18th. The preliminary route will have 2 starting locations, one west - closer to Clemson, and one east - closer to Greer. The 2 groups will meet up at the "rest point" on their way to the dining venue near Brevard, NC. After Lunch, there will be routes up to the Blue Ridge Parkway, with a stop at the Pisgah Inn to see the spectacular fall colors & views! We will provide more logistic details once Jim has it all planned out - so save the date!

Next Upstate Area Meeting:

Our next meeting will on Tuesday evening, October 14th, at Quaker Steak & Lube, 10 Chrome Drive, Greenville. I will be returning from Treffen Jackson Hole and should be available to host our meeting, yet if not, Bill B has "voluntold" to fill-in for me (Many Thanks Bill!). So come on out to socialize with your fellow PCA members, have a bite to eat, and learn about past and future PCA events. Meet & Greet in the parking area starts around 5:30pm, Indoor meeting starts around 7:00pm (or sooner weather dependent).

Drive safe, Jeff Price -Upstate Area Director



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PCA Birthday Bash Sold Out!



It was a beautiful September day for celebrating 70 years for the PCA and 65 years for the Carolinas Region. Members, co-members, children and grand children joined the celebration at Historic Old Mill Farm.



The delicious barbecue lunch was catered by City BBQ of Durham and featured pulled pork, pulled chicken, mac and cheese, bbq beans, coleslaw, potato salad and cookies--something for everyone.

As a bonus, the farm manager agreed to choose the Porsche she would like to drive home and provide a prize for the winner. The winner was announced before the end of the picnic.

We even had music. Local band, Tasty Possum, agreed to play for tips adding a festive note to the celebration.



Farm staff helped direct the parking



Gorgeous cars



Porsches on parade



The crowds are coming



TJ is ready with the attendance roster



Time to eat!



The Tasty Possum Band



Taking a break to eat



Shady picnic tables



TJ and Gretchen Quin



All about Porsches



Thank goodness for shade!



Adults and children alike enjoying the day



Enjoying all the day has to offer with friends!

The Farm manager chose as the winner a 1963 Porsche 356 coupe owned by Conrad Carter. Congratulations, Conrad!



The Winner, 1963 Porsche 356 by Conrad Carter

Meetup at the Zinc House

A new tradition is starting, last Sundays at the Zinc House. The Zinc House is a winery and brewery with music and food trucks on weekends. The venue is simply stunning.



Porsche lineup at the Zinc House



Part of the Porsche group enjoying the day

Monthly dinner meeting

The Carolina Ale House once again hosted our group for dining and camaraderie.



Porsche lineup at the Carolina Ale House

Cars and Coffee

Panera Bread in Patterson Place in Durham was, once again, our venue for our Cars and Coffee meeting.



Upcoming Events

Saturday, Sept. 27, Meetup (Treffen) with the Mercedes Club Raleigh Chapter at Red Oak Brewery. Join car enthusiasts for beer, brats and camaraderie. Information/Registration: https://forms.gle/N24hnDobKnWyJeWeA

Saturday, October 11, Drive the Devil's Tramping Ground. Stop at Southern Fruitcake and More in Bear Creek with an optional lunch at Carolina Brewery in Pittsboro. Information/Registration: https://forms.gle/wp86jhTdX3WgdDz29

Recurring Events

First Saturdays, Porsche Southpoint, 122 Kentington Dr., Durham.

Second Saturdays, Carbs and Carburetors, 9-11 AM, Leland Little, 502 Cornerstone Ct., Hillsborough.

Third Saturday, 8-10 AM, Panera Bread, 3603 3301 Watkins Rd., Durham.

Note: this is a change in address.

Fourth Saturday, 8-10 AM, Breakaway Café, 58 Chapelton Ct., Ste 100 Chapel Hill, NC 27516

Note: this is a change in schedule.

Fourth Thursdays, 6:30 PM, Triangle Area dinner meeting. Carolina Ale House, 3911 Durham-Chapel Hill Blvd., Durham.

Vic Friedmann - Triangle Area Director







Join us Saturday October 4th for a special

Drive & Dine to benefit Racing for Heroes Charity

Racing for Heroes works to reduce Veteran suicide through engagement in motorsports.

Drive: "Porsche" Roads to Floyd, VA

Dine: The American Pie Restaurant

Optional Drive:

Blue Ridge Parkway to Chateau Morisette for wine tasting and music on the patio

Here is the Plan:

- 8:45 to 9:15 Meet at Porsche of Greensboro, socialize. Drivers meeting
- 9:30 Leave for the American Pie Restaurant in Floyd Virginia via "Porsche Roads" (the route will be published before the event).
- 12:00 Arrive for Lunch. Plenty of safe parking.

Optional Drive:

- 1:00 (or when finished with lunch) leave for the Blue Ridge Parkway and Chateau Morisette (20-minute drive on 16 miles of Parkway)
- 2:00+ Winery tour, tasting, visit and enjoy the view, home on your own

Please register and pay \$25.00 for the tour and charity on www.ClubRegistration.net Lunch will be at your own expense after ordering from the menu.

Additional donations for Racing for Hero's Charity on the day of the event can be made by check payable to "Carolinas Region PCA".

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