



# Porsche Club of America

SMOKY MOUNTAIN REGION

IT'S NOT JUST THE CARS — IT'S THE PEOPLE

## Smoke Signals - The Newsletter of the Smoky Mountain Region – April 2022

### FROM THE REGION PRESIDENT

Spring has arrived... first signaled by the start of Daylight Savings Time on Sunday March 13th and then by the first official day of spring on March 20th. Springtime is also evidenced by people getting outside to walk, run, and bike. It is also evidenced by folks getting their sports cars out, dropping the tops (or opening the sunroof and rolling the windows down) and enjoying a drive on some of our infamous twisty roads!

A few days ago, I sent out a "Two Week Look Ahead" message. I likely will be sending out more of those type messages. Now that our "driving season" is upon us, we have a lot of activities planned. My intent is simply to make you aware of what we have planned and hope that you will be able to balance those activities with all of your other non-Porsche activities.

Smoky Mountain Region's signature event, [Spring Thing](#) is right around the corner. If you have not already done so, please register for this event. Regardless of your preference for concours, driving tours, autocross, socials and dining, this event truly provides something for everyone. In addition, we are rolling out a Gimmick Rally at this year's Spring Thing. If you have never participated in a Gimmick Rally, think of it as a scavenger hunt on wheels. Registration is easy. Simply [visit the registration website](#) and register!

Beyond Spring Thing, we will be having our monthly cars & coffee events, driving tours and monthly socials. We have an overnight driving tour scheduled in [August for Banner Elk](#). This two-night event promises lots of good food, great driving roads and laughs for everyone.

In closing, I want to remind everyone that this is your club. It is leadership's role to take your suggestions and make them into reality. Please email me with ideas that you have for driving locations, places to dine, events, etc. I need and want to hear from each of you!

As always, if you have any questions or suggestions for drives, socials, etc., please contact me at [baughbob@yahoo.com](mailto:baughbob@yahoo.com). *Safe Travels, Bob*

### PCA NATIONAL UPDATES

- Porsche Parade 2022 – June 12–18, 2022 at the KALAHARI RESORT in Pocono Manor, PA  
Keep up with all the [National PCA events](#).

### EVENTS COMING UP: APR & MAY 2022

- 4/23 – SMTPCA Board Meeting
  - 4/23 - [April Driving Tour](#) to Bush Beans Café
  - 4/24– Harper Auto Square's Cars & Coffee
  - 4/26 - [April Social](#) at Green Meadow Country Club
  - 5/15 - Children's Museum of Oak Ridge
  - 5/20-22 – [SPRING THING!!](#) Get READY!!
- Keep up with the details on the [SMTPCA Calendar](#).

### CLUB SUPPORTED CHARITY GROUPS

As you know, the Smoky Mountain Region has been incredibly supportive of the Kingswood Home for Children for quite some time. We are expanding our generosity, sponsoring camp scholarships for the [Children's Museum of Oak Ridge](#) (CMOR). CMOR is a hands-on museum of history, art, science, and culture for all ages. As part of their "STEAM outreach" (STEM+Art) they have offered free admission to low-income children in the area and offered scholarships for their Summer and Fall 2022 Imagination Station camps. Our donation will greatly help with that!

To kick things off, on Sunday May 15, 2022, CMOR will be hosting museum tours for our group (3-4pm is the official time, they open at 1PM feel free to come out earlier - they have trains!!), providing us with "Porsche Parking," and use of their gym for socializing and light refreshments. Please plan to come on out and kick off this endeavor and take a nice drive to Oak Ridge. Details on the museum and our aid are in this month's Parting Shot, and the museum is located at [461 W Outer Dr](#) in Oak Ridge. Let [Michael know you are coming \(msmsmish@aol.com\)](#) so we can plan accordingly.

### NEW MEMBER ROUNDUP

#### MARCH 2022

Henry & Jessica B	1972 911E
Heather G	1987 911 Carrera
William & Lori M	2002 911 Targa
Gary S	2002 911 Carrera
Robert C	2019 718 Cayman
Kelly H	1986 944 Turbo

*Say "Hi! How are you?" to our new members!*

### AUTOCROSS HAPPENINGS!

- John McDermott

Well with spring here and the weather breaking, autocross and drivers' education events are underway! Here is an update recent happenings.



# Porsche Club of America

SMOKY MOUNTAIN REGION

IT'S NOT JUST THE CARS — IT'S THE PEOPLE

## Smoke Signals - The Newsletter of the Smoky Mountain Region – April 2022

While the club continues to look for its own autocross location (anybody have a large parking lot or paved area to lend out?), March 5th and 6th opened up the autocross season of East Tennessee Region SCCA at Bristol Motor Speedway. At the beginning of the season, ETSCCA held a “test and tune” on Saturday, March 5th. Unfortunately, it was limited to the first 45 cars to register; however, if you were one of the 45, you were able to run a shorten autocross course. With the smaller group and the shortened course, you were able to run as many times as you would like. This event provided the opportunity to get some of the driving cobwebs out and to assess your car (tire condition, tire pressure, and other mechanical factors). Some of us had over 20 runs! Jamie Parton, Rusty Little, and John McDermott were the club members who participated.

The autocross was held on Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> during a wonderful sunny day – warm enough for shorts! Over 100 cars participated! Patrick (Bo) Whaley (1988 924S), Rusty Little (2000 Boxster), Jamie Parton (2021 Cayman GTS 4.0), and John McDermott (2016 Cayman GTS represented our club. Carl Justice (2013 Carrera 4S, Wilderness Trail Region), Terrence Person (2001 Boxster S, Alaskan Region), David Better (2014 Cayman), and Kevin Wenzel (2015 Cayman GTS, PRO class), all wonderfully represented the Porsche brand! After adjusting times based upon car types (this equalizes the car/time differences) Kevin Wenzel had the fastest time of the day and the third fastest raw time! It was a great time with fun people.

April 5th was the second SCCA event held at Smokies Stadium (bit closer for those west of the 81 split). Another wonderful weather day with 70 cars in attendance and boy were they fun to watch! Fewer Porsches represented; however, they did their best to compete. Bo Whaley was there making hay with his 1988 924S, Jamie Parton took his 2021 Cayman GTS 4.0 to the top of the charts, winning his class and fastest overall time (yes, faster than a few of those corvettes!). John McDermott drove his 2016 Cayman GTS to get his first class win. Mike Detota participated in a 2017 Cayman.

Folks at these events are extremely friendly and very helpful to others. Come on out and participate! If you just want to see what it's all about, visit and talk with people. [ETRSCCA.org](http://ETRSCCA.org) has information to help understand what is needed and how to participate. Autocross Guys can be found on Facebook.

The May dates are listed below and SCCA registration can be found on <http://www.motorsportreg.com/>

- May 1- Autocross Guys Smokies
- May 15 - ETR SCCA 3 Bristol
- May 22 - SMT Spring Thing @ Bristol
- May 29 - ETRSCCA 4 Smokies



Photos with our trophies!

### ... AND DRIVERS' EDUCATION

*A.K.A. High Performance Drivers' Education or "DE"*

While several events have taken place, our own Todd Sutton had four fun filled days of driving Porsches. Todd spent two days participating in the Porsche Experience (PE) at Barber Motorsports Park. He had the opportunity to take different Porsches through their paces. Todd drove a Turbo S on the track at over 130 mph (yes that 130+). Todd said that car is FAST! Following the two-day PE, Todd participated in the two-day Alabama PCA Region's DE event at Barber driving his 996. Todd said that he learned a lot about the car and his driving! Learning is what it is all about.

There are additional events throughout the year. However, the next event in which several club members will be participating is June 18 - 19 at Barber. Registration fills up quickly, particularly for the novice group. If you are interested, check out <http://www.clubregistration.net>.

If you are interested or want to know more, do not hesitate to reach out to a club member (Rick Berry, Jamie Parton, or John McDermott).

While the cars are lots of fun.....it's the people that make it GREAT FUN! Hope to see you out there!

### HPDE EVENTS NEAR US

- [The Peachstate Region DE Calendar](#)
- [The Alabama Region DE Calendar](#)



# Porsche Club of America

## SMOKY MOUNTAIN REGION

IT'S NOT JUST THE CARS — IT'S THE PEOPLE

Smoke Signals - The Newsletter of the Smoky Mountain Region – April 2022

**Porsche Club of America** September 3, 2020

Events News Magazine Classifieds Technical

### e-Brake News

Dear e-Brake News subscriber, Porsche Club of America delivers e-Brake News to your inbox every Tuesday. This is the August monthly recap.

Check out the [August issue of Porsche Panorama](#) and scroll down for the top e-Brake articles of the month.

Scroll to the bottom to vote for the Porsche of the Month, and to see July's winning photo.

[Read Issue](#)

[Refer a friend](#)

[Join PCA](#)

[Archive](#)

[Contact Us](#)

[Media Kit](#)

**LIVE STREAM**  
**TECH TACTICS**  
PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

**V1 for 2025 is here!** **GO**

All-new, engineered for RANGE SUPERIORITY



### 1. Six rare and special Porsches you can still afford (for now)

PCA—The Porsche market led the big 2011-2015 resurgence in the collector car market, setting trends that continued over the next slightly cooler five years.

[Read More](#)



### 2. Here are the Spring 2020 Member Only Raffle winners of a Taycan 4S

PCA—Meet the members who won and find out whether they chose the car or the cash prize.

[Read More](#)



### Griot's Garage e-Brake Photo of the Week contest

Are you a member and took a stunning photo you want to share? Submit your pictures to [potw@pca.org](mailto:potw@pca.org). Be sure to include your contact information, your Region name, and a few sentences about your picture.

Please note: You must have taken the photo and possess full copyrights to the image. We do not accept photos taken by non-PCA-members.

[Visit GriotsGarage.com](http://Visit.GriotsGarage.com)

### Vote for your favorite Porsche Photo of the Week

Each month, we will feature the Porsche of the Week photos from the previous month. Then we will tally the votes and crown a new Porsche of the Month winner. PCA, in partnership with Griot's Garage, will be giving away a Concours Lawn Kit to contest winners and a PFM Speed Shine Kit to randomly selected voters.

[Click here to vote for your favorite photo](#)

August 4



August 11



## Want to stay up to date on all the latest PCA and Porsche news?

Subscribe to the club's weekly email newsletter, e-Brake News, which includes news articles, exclusive stories, and video from all over the internet.

e-Brake News has a bit of everything, from tech to road tests to motorsports — and you do not have to be a PCA member to subscribe! Every Tuesday evening, e-Brake will have the latest on PCA National events and club programs and entertaining, informative content.

SIGN UP TODAY AND VIEW PAST EDITIONS: [pca.org/e-brake-news](http://pca.org/e-brake-news)



# PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA



# Porsche Club of America

SMOKY MOUNTAIN REGION

IT'S NOT JUST THE CARS — IT'S THE PEOPLE

## Smoke Signals - The Newsletter of the Smoky Mountain Region – April 2022

### **PARTING SHOT – Children's Museum of Oak Ridge (CMOR)**

The CMOR is a hands-on museum of history, art, science, and culture for all ages. Since 1973, CMOR has served visitors through innovative exhibits, classes, camps, special events, and outreach programs. The Museum has come a long way—adding exhibits and programs—and is the location of the Manhattan Project National Historical Park's Visitor Contact Desk. Before the Pandemic, CMOR served over 50,000 people a year, numbers are steadily climbing back to pre-Pandemic levels. CMOR receives no government funding except for highly competitive grants. Support comes from a mixed revenue stream including earned income, corporate and individual donations, trusts, and competitive grants.

### **Why CMOR Matters**

- Learning fun...CMOR has 20 exciting exhibits, plus an environmental center and gardens, train caboose, and solar house. Our exhibits are enjoyed by visitors of all ages.
- Diversity and inclusion...for many years, CMOR has offered free admission to its low-income Highland View neighbors, and to developmentally disabled adult groups. Thanks to a recent corporate donation, this program will soon be expanded to include SNAP recipients (regardless of address).
- Protecting our heritage...CMOR's exhibits, and collections preserve and share Oak Ridge and East Tennessee history.
- STEAM for success...CMOR serves children and families with programs – such as our spring, summer, and fall camps - that promote STEAM (that's STEM + Art) and active learning.



Children's Museum campers exploring the Mars Rocket Room.

### **What Will the Smokey Mountain Region of the Porsche Club of America's Donation Do?**

- Your generous donation will support 10 student scholarships for CMOR's Summer and Fall 2022 Imagination Station camps. A scholarship provides one week of full day camp for a child. Topics range from gardening to physics to Africa to art to ancient culture and more! Camps are for children rising into grades K-2 and grades 3-5. All activities are age appropriate.
- With your donation you are supporting an established program. CMOR has had a camp scholarship program for many years. There is an application and decision process that is administered by CMOR's Education Director.
- By providing camp scholarships, you are providing an experience to children whose families do not have the means to provide this type of enrichment and who will benefit greatly!

You can see our exciting 2022 Summer Camp schedule at: <https://bit.ly/campatcmor>

Thank you for your donation!

### **CMOR Board of Directors**

Kelly Callison (Pres.) • Rob Welton (V. Pres.) • Kristin Waldschlager (Sec.) • Chris Clark (Treas.)  
Brian Arrington • Sasha Benjamin • Ivan Boatner • Karen Goodwin • Mark Holder • Jenifer Laurendine  
Meghan Lovelace • Kirk Renegar • Michael Russell • Michele Sanders • Jennifer Tyrell

*The Children's Museum of Oak Ridge is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.*

Keep up to date with all the latest - <http://smtpca.org/>

Page 4 of 5



# Porsche Club of America

SMOKY MOUNTAIN REGION

IT'S NOT JUST THE CARS — IT'S THE PEOPLE

**Smoke Signals - The Newsletter of the Smoky Mountain Region – April 2022**

**AS ALWAYS...** Remember our Sponsors! They make Spring Thing and other events possible.

*Remember to utilize their services and vote with your wallet.*



PORSCHE

Harper Porsche



**MICHELIN**



**QuickStop**

*Run in when you run out.*



865-693-8911 | EurotechKnoxville.com | 7223 Oak Ridge Hwy



Classic Car Insurance™



**YEE-HAW**  
BREWING CO.