



Porsche Club of America

SMOKY MOUNTAIN REGION

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone had a fantastic 4th of July weekend. Summer is in full swing for PCA with Parade underway in OKC; I look forward to hearing how it all went from our members who are braving the heat out there. Meanwhile, back at home, we are looking forward to the [Harper Auto Square Cars & Coffee](#) on the 13th. We will be in our usual spot trying to hold down a couple of rows for our members.

On the 15th we have our monthly social at Cheers on Chota. This is a new spot for the club but a fun spot that Pam and I used to frequent when we lived closer, I hope to see many of you there. Our [July driving tour](#), "Farmlands and Taverns," will be on the 19th. And finally, for those interested in the classics, [Harper will be unveiling their latest restoration](#) on the 24th. Details for all events are on our website.

If you are thinking about HPDE, there will be a group from our region participating at Mid-Ohio Sportscar Course Aug 29 - 31, another group participating Sep 12-14, and a group at Road Atlanta Sep 19-21. We would love to see more members hanging out with us in the paddock and experiencing track driving! Registration is open on motorsportreg.com for the Sep 12 event, and on clubregistration.net for the other two. If you have any questions about DE's, [check out the FAQs](#) on our website or reach out to our DE chair, Carl Justice.

Happy motoring, I'll see you on the roads!
Safe Travels, *Todd*

WHAT IS COMING UP?

The calendar is filling up. If you have ideas and are willing to run with it or help, [let us know!](#)

- July 12 — [Quarterly Board Meeting](#) CANCELLED
- July 15 — Monthly Social, [Cheers on Chota](#)
 - PLEASE NOTE VENUE CHANGE!
- July 13 — [Harper Auto Square's Cars & Coffee](#)
- July 19 — [Farmlands Driving Tour](#)
- July 24 — Harper's [Restoration Unveiling](#)
- August 08-10 — Overnight Driving Tour, Bristol, VA
- September 20 — [Murphy Overnight Driving Tour](#)
Keep an eye on our [calendar](#) for more!

NEW MEMBER ROUNDUP – WELCOME!

JUNE 2024 - Say "Hi!" to our new members!

- Jason H. 2017 Cayman S
- Ralph C. 2011 911 Turbo S Cab

- Ralph C. (car #2) 1992 911 Carrera 2
- Chuck V. 2014 Cayman S
- Benjamin B. 2025 911 Carrera T
- Steve S. 2002 911 Turbo
- Laurence S. 2013 Boxster
- Jeff & Tracy W. 2004 911 Carrera
- Ana B. 2006 911 Carrera
- Susan G. 2022 718 Boxster GTS 4.0
- Michael & Heather D. 1993 911 RS America
- Mike L. 2010 911 Carrera S Cab

Speaking of new members...

Need a Name Tag? Check [the website](#) and order away!

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

By Teresa Fischer

Get the most of out your PCA membership by signing up a CO-MEMBER to share your membership. Co-members are welcome to share your PCA experience at no additional cost; they are invited to PCA events and receive their own user account on <https://www.pca.org>. When there are two people looking at the calendar of events, you are less likely to miss an event.

To add a co-member, simply email a request to membership@pca.org and include your PCA member number, the name of person you would like to add, the relationship of the person you would like to share the membership with, and your email address. Note that co-members must be at least 18 years of age and can be a spouse, significant other, family member, or friend. Drive happy with a co-member!

SMOKY MOUNTAIN PCA WEBSITE

As most of you know, [we have a website](#). It lists upcoming events, links to details for those events as available, documents our drives, socials, and other escapades, and is also a resource for many things PCA and Porsche. Some also may have noticed its basic structure has not changed in a while. Improvements and refinements have been made, but it has been noted that the website may be a little "stale" in style.

To that end, we are petitioning you, the SMTPCA Membership to review it and give an honest appraisal, and offer suggestions. An email will be coming out soon with a more detailed request, so keep an eye out for that. Thanks in advance for your help.



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PORSCHE PARADE 2025

IS IN FULL SWING!! If you went and would like to share your experience, and/or some pix, [let us know!](#)

OVERNIGHT POTLUCK DRIVING TOUR

The Woontners and Fischers are doing it again at their side-by-side mountaintop cabins outside of Murphy, NC, hosting a potluck soiree. The September 20-21 tour will entail a led driving tour to the cabins on some of East Tennessee's and West North Carolina's gorgeous roads, followed by a potluck supper. All [the details are online](#); sign up soon as space is limited.



LADIES DRIVING TOUR

Mid-June saw eight cars and a dozen SMTPCA Ladies have their somewhat annual Ladies Driving Tour. They met early and cruised the entire length of the Foothills Parkway, taking in the sights at various overlooks.

The weather was perfect, the road was clear, the company was great, and a good time was had by all! The tour ended at Peaceful Side Social in Townsend, where dining and libations ensued.



TRACK & PERFORMANCE EVENTS

Below is our schedule of 2025 events some drivers will be attending.

- August 29 – 31 Mid-Ohio for a few folks
- [September 12-14 Mid-Ohio](#) for a few folks
- [September 20/21 Road Atlanta](#)
- VIR is still TBD

If you are interested in going, or have questions, please [contact our HPDE Chair](#).

Remember, smooth is fast, and shiny side up!



The [2025 Autocross schedule](#) is out there, so keep in touch. Next one: September 25, 2025.

PENSKE-PORSCHE 963

By Harvey Goranson

This is a model of the 2024 Daytona-winning Penske-Porsche 963, with team drivers Cameron, Campbell, Nasr, and Newgarden. This model is by Spark (Porsche No. WAP0203200R963) and is available from Porsche Design of America.





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New Porsche 911 Club Coupe celebrates 70 Years of PCA — 70 cars for 70 members

The Porsche Club of America is proud to announce the third 911 Club Coupe, a collaboration with Porsche AG to celebrate our club's 70th anniversary. As with the 50th and 60th anniversary Club Coupes, this Club Coupe contains many unique features that one cannot not find on other Porsches. 70 units will be produced and exclusively offered for sale to PCA members through a raffle system.

Stay tuned to PCA.org for more information and updates on this incredible opportunity for PCA members. Consider expressing your interest to become a PCA70 911 Club Coupe owner when the raffle opens July 11.

More about the Club Coupe at pca.org/news/pca70-club-coupe



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PARTING SHOT – Just a little Cut & Paste...

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There is no substitute.





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