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EDITOR'S NEWS & NOTES

BY SHELLEY MATTHEWS, NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Correction!! - in Nov-Dec 2021 issue, in the COTA article, the 914-6 was mistakenly identified belonging to Rich Roy when it actually belongs to, and is driven by, Stephen Salata. Sorry Stephen!

There's a **new social committee** in LHR!! See the new, regular Roundup column on page 11 and watch for updates to see what's coming up!



Monthly meetings are back on! At least for now. February's location is Pompei Italian Restaurant and Chester's Hamburgers will host us in March. Come reconnect with friends, enjoy a great dinner, and win some door prizes.

Several **event registrations are coming up**. Treffen registration starts February 16. It will be held April 27-30 in Colorado Springs at the Broadmoor Resort. Porsche parade Phase I registration starts February 2. Take note that Parade is being held June 10-18 which is earlier than normal. Both events tend to sell out quickly so if you're interested in taking some trips, look into both of these events.

We've got some **great local events** going on also! Fiesta Challenge, Boxstoberfest, Horseshoe Bay weekend. There will also be DEs at COTA and autocrosses with the Austin group. Check out the calendar each issue - and the LHR website - for the most up-to-date information and added events!

Lastly, **I cannot do the Roundup without YOU!** I need articles and pictures. Planning an epic trip in your Porsche - write an article about it and include pictures! Going on a fun drive? Take pictures and write a short article. Restoring your favorite Porsche, write an article showing off your work and the outcome. Find a great weekend location - let everyone know. Love to write but just don't know what to write about? Contact me for ideas! This newsletter belongs to everyone and the more people that contribute, the more interesting and informative it will be.

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ON THE COVER

New kind of tire?? No - something Texans don't normally see - snow chains! Chuck Bush was prepared for the winter weather as he and Susie drove their Panamera to Colorado to ski.

2022 CALENDAR

LONGHORN REGION EVENTS

2022 EVENTS: *Subject to change*

For full calendar and latest information go to www.longhornpca.com

2022

January:

22 - Drive to Leakey & Twisted Sisters

February:

10 - Monthly meeting - Pompeii Italian Restaurant

14 - Happy Valentine's Day

26 - Breakfast & short drive

March:

3 - Monthly meeting - Chester's Hamburgers

26 - Longhorn Cavern picnic

April:

9 & 10 - Fiesta Challenge

7 - Monthly meeting - TBD

May:

5 - Monthly meeting - TBD

7 - Kingsbury Fly-in

14 - Drive to Laurel Tree

20 - Track Day

June:

2 - Monthly meeting - TBD

12-18 - Porsche Parade - Pocono Mt.

25 - Drive - BBQ in Lockhart

July:

7 - Monthly meeting - TBD

16 - Drive - Beach Cruise

August:

4 - Monthly meeting - TBD

6 - Drive - Progressive Dinner

20 - Drive - Blanco Quilt Shop

September:

1 - Monthly meeting - TBD

9-10 - Boxstoberfest in Fredericksburg

October:

6 - Monthly meeting - TBD

8-9 - Drive to Horseshoe Bay/Marble Falls

21 - Track Day

November:

3 - Monthly meeting - TBD

5 - Drive to Canyon of the Eagles Buchanan Lake

December:

3 - Drive - Shopping Trip to Fredericksburg

10 - Christmas party - Club at Sonterra



Please note that all events are tentative and may change due to any new Covid restrictions. Additional events will be added throughout the year. Check the most up-to-date information at longhornpca.org.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

BY JUD WALFORD, LONGHORN REGION PRESIDENT



Happy New Year!

There is much to be excited about in the coming year for our Region. For starters, our club has expanded to over 540 primary members.

This does not count our co-members... and by the way, be sure and register a co-member for your PCA membership. It is free and a way to get more people involved in our club.

The activity plans for the year are coming together fast with drives every month, monthly membership meetings and some special events. In spite of the scarcity of available track time, we have procured two track day dates for the year at Harris Hill Raceway, one in May and one in October. Look for those on club registration as they will fill up fast. In addition, our neighboring regions have invited us to join in a track DE program at Circuit of the Americas Track in Austin in February. Details are at clubregistration, Austin.

We are working on two different venues for autocross sites and we should have some solid information soon.

We also have a new and exciting plan for Fiesta Challenge, our biggest event of the year. We will have a concours, rally, silent auction at the Porsche Center and also a new event the following day...our first annual Fiesta Challenge Golf Tournament. We have procured one of the most beautiful courses in San Antonio, The Quarry, for this event. It will be a scramble format so you can bring your favorite golfers with you to

compete in this fun event which along with the other Fiesta Challenge events will benefit local charities. More information will be forthcoming on all of these programs soon.

In February, our club will celebrate a milestone for one of our members, R. J. Wilmoth, who will complete 50 years of PCA membership and action. R.J. is one of our most celebrated members, having served not only as a regional officer and chair, but as PCA Club Historian for the past 10 years. R.J. and partner Linda received special recognition from PCA at last year's Parade for their outstanding work in organizing and creating a functioning exhibit of PCA history. R.J. was also recognized by our region at our Christmas Party with a special award for Outstanding Service for 50 years of PCA support.

As you can see from this impressive list of activities, there is no reason for you not to be involved in our club. Driving or social events abound, just check our schedule on the website or right here in the Roundup. I look forward to seeing you there!

Watch for information on the 1st Annual LHR Golf Tournament on April 10 at the Quarry Golf Club.



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Primary members:	542
Affiliate/Family members:	276
Total:	818
Jr PCA members:	11



NEW MEMBERS as of January 1, 2022

Ken Applegate	2018	911 Carrera S
Jesse Beinhower	1984	944
Matthew Besfer	2017	911 Carrera 4 GTS
Jacob Chandler	2018	Carrera S
Stephen Collins	2014	911 Turbo S
Tazewell Crawford	2019	Cayenne
William Curran	2011	Cayman S
Bobby & Rebecca Keen	2011	Cayman S
Brad Laue	2003	911 Carrera
Humbert & Veronica Lobo	2021	718 Cayman GT4
James Mcfadden	2003	911 Carrera
Timothy Pate	2018	911 Carrera 4 GTS
& Kathryn Mulholland		
Alvaro Pereira	2003	Boxster S
Tom Petreca	2015	911 Carrera GTS
Bryson Reno	2006	Carrera
Adam Rocha	2018	Panamera 4S
Paul Saenz	2018	718 Boxster S
Helen Sanders	2022	718 Cayman
Ed Smith	2020	718 Cayman GTS 4.0
John Strieby	2021	718 Boxster
Jill Thompson	2021	911 Carrera 4 Cabriolet
Terica Tober	2022	911 Turbo S Cabriolet
Marcos Villarreal	2001	Boxster
Lou Venditti	2007	911 Turbo

TRANSFERS IN:

Robert & Pamela Dunlap	1987 & 1975	928 S4, 914 1.8
James Guidry	2007	Cayman
Herbert & Melissa Langston	2015	Macan
William & Bettye-Lynn Pollard	2018, 2004	Carrera 4S
Frank & Judy Stevens	2003	911 Carrera 4S
Jim & Andy Weidenbaum	2022	718 Spyder
Van Wells & Ali Elro	2000	Boxster

TRANSFERS OUT:

Todd Spiva	2002	911 Carrera
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MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES

January:

35 years

J. Brewer
Sandy Ewald

15 years

Mohammad &
Sulaman Chaudhry

10 years

Michael &
Barbara Janssen
John Binion

5 years

Glenn Kerr
Michael Shepard

1 year

J. Grant Gillum
Donald Nichols
James Macie
Jeffrey Koehne
Rodrigo Morales
Rhon Dawkins
Daniel Rader
Sharon Vanderbur
Barbara
Abbott-Dormer

February:

50 years

RJ Wilmoth &
Linda Bosco

15 years

Jack & Sandy Merrell

10 years

Margaret Edwards
Robert Dormer

5 years

Will Hancock
Chuck McAleer
Davelyn Robbins

1 year

Matt Hartnett
Davis Jones
Joel Kennedy
Fred Saunders
Adam Reyes
Milton Cassreino
James McNeel
Frank Thomas
Leslie Montano
Kristin Long
Elijah Woods



ZONE 5 NOTES



CHUCK BUSH, ZONE 5 REP

Happy New Year! Hope you are able to get out and enjoy your Porsche this winter! We are very fortunate in Zone 5 that we don't have to bundle up our cars and store them over the winter until spring arrives and the roads are cleared of ice and snow.

Consequently, we have many activities going on this time of year - tours, autocrosses, track days, and socials.

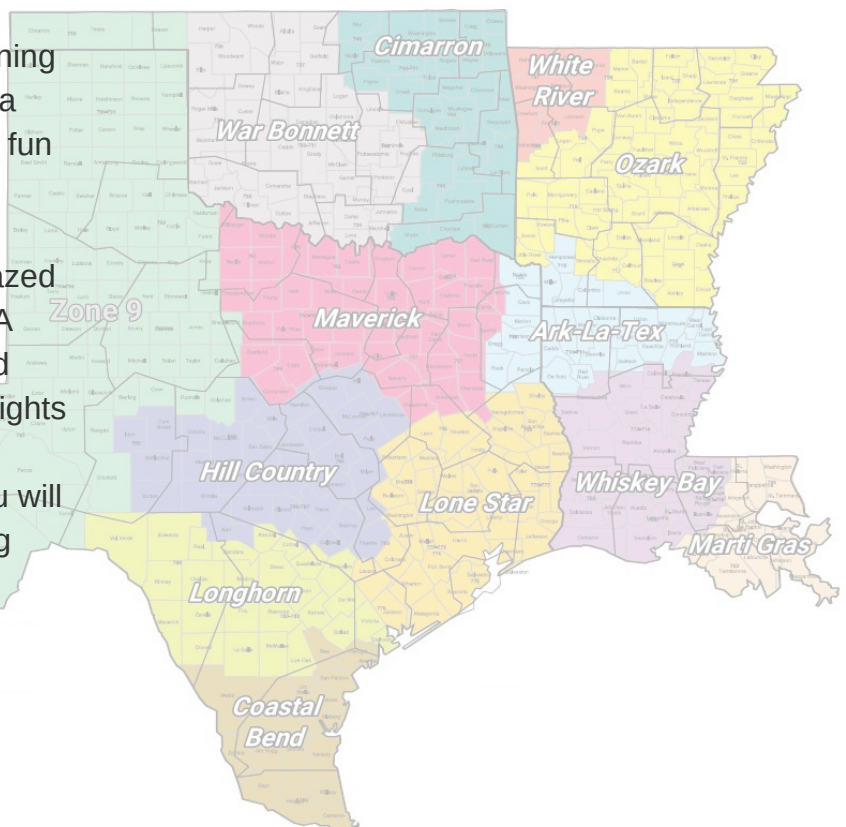
In addition to the many regional events, PCA National has a lot going on as well. Treffen at the Broadmoor in Colorado Springs will be the closest Treffen to Zone 5 for awhile. Registration opens on Feb 16, and more details can be found at treffen.pca.org. Parade in the Poconos is also coming up quickly with registration opening 2 Feb. The Kalahari hotel in the Poconos is a family friendly hotel and it looks to be a very fun parade.

As I mentioned in a previous note, I am amazed at how much content is available on the PCA website. Book reviews, tech tips, an updated mart, and much more. Bi-weekly video spotlights and tons of content on the PCA You-tube channel. Take some time to check it out- you will be impressed with what has been happening online!

All these events and content have translated to PCA growth, with 7% annual growth, breaking another record for PCA with 15,000 new members in 2021. You probably see some of that in your regions with lots of new faces. Take the time to welcome them and make them feel at home.

I hope you have a great 2022, and I look forward to seeing you out in your region!

Chuck Bush
Zone 5 Rep



SOCIALLY SPEAKING

BY DONNA CLEMENT



Hey, everyone! If we haven't met, my name is Donna Clement. Shelley Matthews and I have formed a Longhorn social committee and we will be working together as co-chairs.

The Longhorn Club is not just about the cars, it's also about the people. Although we all love the cars and the drives, it doesn't always give us the best opportunity to get to know each other, especially the co-members.

We have some fun events planned and need your input and your help. We are recruiting volunteers for the committee events. We hope you will join us in making the committee and the activities a huge success.

Currently the list of events we are planning are the following with dates and location to be determined:

Wine Tasting - Spring

Ladies Luncheon – Summer

Annual Club Picnic – Fall

Christmas Party – December 10 – The Club at Sonterra

If you want to volunteer, have suggestions or any ideas, please send an email to dclement@gvtc.com. We are excited and ready to get planning. We will have our first meeting in February.

Autocross – Austin

We are happy to announce our first Autocross event of 2022. This event will take place at the same location, H.E.B. Center in Cedar Park, on Saturday, March 12, 2022. Since the Fall event, we have acquired brand new, state of the art timing equipment. This new equipment is wireless, which allows us much more flexibility with placement of timing, start and finish lines. The “eyes” are easy to align and not temperamental like our old equipment was, which means that we should be able to have more runs for everyone. (We are shooting for 8 runs per driver.) It also has a big, beautiful display which will be placed at the end of the stop box so you will be able to see your finish time immediately after finishing your run.

Although we really enjoyed the crossovers at the last event, many people got confused (yes, that includes your event chair), so the course is more straightforward for this event. That does not mean we have not thrown in a few challenging turns but it does mean that we are putting in a lot of effort to improve the visibility of the course with better and more intuitive cone placement.

Registration is now open at <https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/12088> and the registration fee is \$40 for PCA members, \$50 for non-PCA individuals.

From: Alan Neiman

MOTORSPORT RAMBLINGS

BY JACK MERRELL



Note: This article is re-run from January 2015

January is a dull month as we have just passed the holidays, the weather is normally cold and sometimes wet and there are no driving events. So don't just sit there, use the time to get your car ready for spring and the upcoming autocross and track event season.

Things you can be doing for your Porsche to make it better this year. First a good cleaning is always nice, inside and out. See what goodies have found new homes under the seats. It is also a great time to jack the car, remove the wheels and clean and inspect shocks, brake lines and brakes themselves. If it is been several years since you last checked the brake pads, now is the time rather than wait for the sound of worn pads. Take a good look at the rotors for signs of any cracks or excessive wear. You can also examine the back side of your tires for cracks etc., easier while they are off the car. With the front passenger side tire off, you can look in the forward part of the wheel well on air cooled cars and clean the crud from around the oil cooler, your engine will appreciate that on warmer days to come.

While you have the rear tires off check the exhaust system and, for older air cooled cars, take a good

look at the oil tank and its hoses. I would guess you will find mud build up around them that should be cleaned off. It will make it easier to check for leaky hoses and fittings.

Newer cars are not out of the woods as there is plenty to look at and clean. Coolant lines should be examined for leaks and cracks which will lead to leaks. Likewise while you are at it cleaning debris that has built up around the radiators is a great idea and will also allow you to check the radiators themselves for any damage.

Now, when was the last time you had your brakes flushed and new fluid put in? Porsche recommends this be done every two years and if you track your car, more frequently than that. Likewise, if you have one of the earlier water cooled cars flushing the coolant system never hurts.

Your beloved Porsche is now clean, fluids have been serviced, brakes are good and all service requirements are up to date. GREAT. Now how are your tires (and I don't mean round and with some tread)? How old are they and how is the tread wear, even? While experts say tire safe service life is five years, tires age and after about three years they lose grip and get noisy, so you might think about new ones if you want to get serious about autox etc this year. While I'm helping you spend your money on your treasure, it probably is time for a good alignment. Our roads are bumpy and have their share, or more, of potholes and each one gently "adjusts" your alignment. A good alignment with maybe a little more negative camber up front will make the car handle better all the time and track truer in windy conditions on the highway. Wow, lots to do and only a month and a half until our first autocross better get busy. Drive safe and with a smile.

Meet the Longhorn - Mike & Donna Clement

Tell us a bit about yourself/family/background?

We are both native Texans and transplants from North Texas. We have a 41-year son, John that is as passionate about Porsches as his father and we are looking forward to someday become doting grandparents 😊. We miss our sweet Golden Retriever, Leo and have since been adopted by Mojo, the cat diva.

Mike grew up in Dallas and attended North Texas State University. I grew up in the small Northeast Texas town of Honey Grove and moved to Dallas soon after HS. I went to work in the accounting field where I worked until we moved to San Antonio in the early 90s. The move was precipitated by Mike's business in the consumer electronics industry, but we fell in love with South Texas and the Hill Country. We decided to make it our permanent home after Mike retired in 2011. Once in San Antonio, I studied real estate at Trinity University and built a long successful career in the industry that kept me very busy. Mike joined me as a partner after retiring from the electronics business and we both retired from real estate in 2021.

What year did you join PCA?

2013

What other regions have you belonged to?

None

What Porsche(s) do you/have you owned?

1978 924 Turbo

2002 Boxster S

2007 Cayman S

Currently a 2007 Carrera S

What's your favorite Porsche memory?

I guess it would be when we attended our first Boxtoberfest in Fredericksburg. We decided to do the drive with the fast drive group through Leakey that included a lot of sharp curves and beautiful views of the Hill Country. It was about a 6-hour drive including stopping for lunch. It was

a very fast, intense drive with lots of gripping arm rests and steering wheel thru some of the sharpest curves resulting in a few sore muscles the next day. But we loved it! It was a lot of fun, and we met a lot of nice people from other regions. We have continued to go to the event each year and have already booked the hotel for 2022. If you haven't been, you are missing out on a very fun weekend.

What LHR events do you enjoy most?

Mike loves just driving the Porsche and enjoys discussing cars with the other members. I like getting to explore the Hill Country, making new friends, and discovering new places to eat and visit. Our favorite event is the Annual Boxtoberfest in Fredericksburg each year. It is always a fun weekend getaway.

What's your favorite Porsche?

The current Carrera S

What non-Porsche activities do you enjoy/participate in?

Mike loves golf, although that activity has been limited the last couple of years due to back issues. He loves anything to do with cars and is an avid History Channel buff. We are both "foodies" and enjoy going out to restaurants. We also love going to the beach and we look forward to traveling and are planning a river cruise as soon as possible, considering today's world. I am discovering that I enjoy just relaxing, reading, gardening and the freedom retirement brings. I recently joined the Longhorn Social Committee to meet more ladies in the Club and help plan fun social events!



Christmas and Toys

Article by Shelley Matthews

One hundred members gathered for the annual Christmas party and Toys 4 Tots drive at the Petroleum Club in SA. After appetizers and dinner, Jud Walford welcomed everyone and introduced the 2022 officers. Jud will once again hold the office of president; James Bricken is vice president, Chris Royter takes over the secretary position, and Ignacio Fortuno retains the checkbook as treasurer. After the officers were introduced, Jud introduced the new chairs – James Bricken is the track and safety chair, Michael Sorbera is drive chair, Donna Clement and Shelley Matthews will co-chair the social committee, Michael Vriesenga is rally and elections chair, Jack Merrell remains dealer liaison and marketing chair, and Shelley Matthews is membership chair.

A special award of appreciation was given to Susie Bush for her years of service as LHR's secretary.



RJ Wilmoth, who will celebrate 50 years of membership with PCA and is retiring as national and regional historian, was given an award for his many years of service with LHR. In addition, a special letter was read from PCA president Tom Gorsuch and Past PCA president Caren Cooper thanking RJ and wife Linda Bosco for their many years of service.



Our sponsors are: Porsche of SA, Jones' Autowerks, Lee Michaels Fine Jewelry, Harris Hill Raceway, Associated Collision Center, and XPEL. Those that were in attendance – Chris and Sara White from XPEL, Don and Marsha Faerber from Porsche of San Antonio, and Bob Jones from Jones Autowerks – were presented plaques in appreciation of their support. A new sponsor for 2022 – Luis Lemus from Hagerty – also joined us.



To end the evening, we gathered the numerous toys brought by LHR members to support the U.S. Marines Toys 4 Tots campaign. Sgt. Soto, Sgt. Jones, and retired Gunnery Sgt. Ruiz joined us as the Marine representatives.

LHR rides into 2022 with hope and wishes for a healthy, active, renewed year. Thanks to everyone for being patient and flexible while we navigate the unknowns of the pandemic. Hope to see everyone in the new year!



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9:30 to 10:45 - Eat breakfast

10:45 to 12:00 - Drive Hwy 16 to Kerrville and Hwy 173 back to Bandera

12:00 to 12:30 - Shopping break in Bandera

12:30 to 1:00 - Drive back to Helotes

Total miles – 120

RSVP: RSVP to clubregistration.net for the **Breakfast at O.S.T.** event.
<https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/12032>

When: **Saturday, Feb 26th, 2022.**

8:00-8:40 AM Meet with your fellow Longhorn Region Porsche enthusiasts and Sign-in / Insurance Waiver.

8:45 AM Attend Drivers Meeting in the parking lot.

9:00 AM Line up and depart.

Start: CVS parking lot 12980 Bandera Rd, Helotes, TX 78023-4098.

End: CVS parking lot 12980 Bandera Rd, Helotes, TX 78023-4098

If you have any questions, contact **Michael Sorbera**, email sorbera@gmail.com or (210) 863-4748.

Weather: In case of inclement weather/cancellation you will be notified by email.



Longhorn PCA to the TX Longhorn Cavern State Park

If you haven't ever been, you're missing out on a state treasure. If you're a seasoned vet to the park, then let's explore once more. Hop in the Porsche for a stunning hill country drive. End with lunch with friends and tour the park grounds and the depths of the cavern.

This is an **ALL DAY EVENT**. **Bring your own picnic lunch.** The park has plenty of tables and parking. For inclement weather, the rangers can provide inside seating.

There are only slots for 60 people on the cave tour (\$14/person). Please visit their website for expectations of the tour at <https://visitlonghorncavern.com> The starting point is in Bergheim at Scooter's Coffee behind the Valero Gas Station. We will be taking some beautiful roads on the way to include Willow City Loop with two rest stops in Luckenbach and Llano.

The drive is free, but the cave tour is not. Yes, you can participate in the drive without taking the tour. Instructions for DRIVE and TOUR sign-up located on the CLUB REGISTRATION PAGE.

RSVP BY 10 MARCH to take the cave tour. The first 60 people that sign up for the cave tour will a get a ticket.

WHEN:	SATURDAY, MARCH 26TH
START LOCATION:	SCOOTER'S COFFEE 1 FM 3351 S, SUITE 155, BERGHEIM, TX 77800
COFFEE/WAIVER FORMS:	8:15 - 8:45
DRIVERS MEETING:	9:00
DEPART:	9:15
ARRIVE:	12:30 - 1:00 LONGHORN CAVERN
LUNCH:	1:00 - 1:45 — BRING YOUR OWN
CAVE TOUR:	2:00; ENDING 3:00
DEPART:	US-281 ON YOUR OWN (1 hr 30 min to Boerne or New Braunfels)



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Drive to Leakey

Article by Bill Dorsey

When the KSAT weather guy said there was a chance of freezing in the Hill Country the night before our Twisted Sisters Drive, we thought another route change might be needed. We had changed the route two weeks prior already due to the proposed I-10/46 construction and closure (which of course did not actually happen). Canceling a drive was not how we wanted to start the 2022 Longhorn PCA Drive season. But as always, you can't put all your trust in the San Antonio weather team or TXDOT construction.

Saturday morning, 33 gleamingly clean cars gathered in the CVS parking lot and it was apparent the roads would be clear of ice and excess motorcycles. I'd like to personally thank Brian Lichy for helping me set up the drive and leading the second group, Michael Sorbera for his help, and Chuck Bush for his willingness to be the caboose in a beautiful GT3. Thank you Michael for suggesting The Inn of the Hills for lunch. It did not disappoint.

Another drive in the books and friendships bonded with every mile. See you all on the next trip.



Lunch time and talk at
The Inn of the Hills.



Photos by Michael Sorbera,
Brian Strang and
Chuck Bush





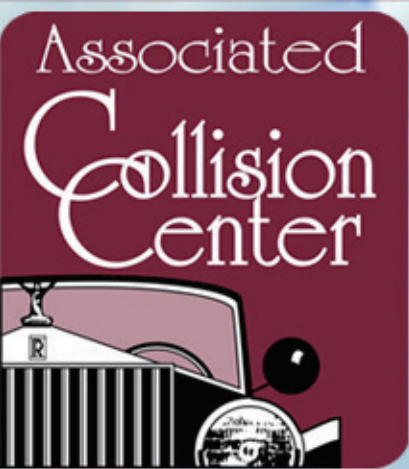
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What goes into planning a drive?

Article by Michael Sorbera

I've been with the Longhorn PCA club for over 20 years and THE MOST FUN thing for me is planning a good tour and leading it! I love seeing the smiles on everyone's faces! It takes a LOT of planning for everyone to be able to enjoy themselves and have a safe experience.

What actually goes into planning a tour? First step is for someone to come up with a proposed drive. Then they contact the tour chair and pitch their idea. Then they work with the club leadership to get an approval and date for the tour. Once approved, the tour master submits the general information about the event to the insurance chair. Not much information is needed, just the event start address and end address, date, and a short description of the tour. The insurance chair then submits that information to PCA and receives an insurance certificate in a few days. An event can't happen without an insurance certificate from PCA.

Next the tour master sends information to the tour chair so the event can be added to the clubregistration.net website. There is quite a bit of information needed to post the event. A few items that are needed:

- Will there be a cost for the drive?
- Will there be a limit to the number of occupants in a car?
- Will there be a limit on the total number of cars?
- Will they need to pre-pay for a meal?

After making the event on clubregistration.net,

general information about the event needs to be sent to the Webmaster and News Editor.

An event needs to be created in the Longhorn Region Facebook group. The link to the clubregistration.net site needs to be included in the event.

Now the fun part, detailed planning! Working with Google Maps/paper maps plan a detailed turn-by-turn route. Be sure to include well-timed restroom breaks and consider whether they have enough facilities for a group of 40 people to be in/out in 15 mins.

Once you have it all planned you, need to pre-drive the route. It's best to drive it 2 weeks prior to the actual tour date. There are always last-minute changes to construction zones, bridges get washed out, etc.

If your route includes a restaurant stop:

- Go there and sample the food if you've never been there before.
- Talk to the manager about a large group.
- Is there a room big enough?
- We prefer to not have to pay extra for the room.
- We prefer to have each person pay their own way on separate tickets.
- Will we need to have the members pre-pay?

Once you've done the pre-drive and have the

route finalized you need to prepare a turn by turn, very detailed map with distances. Whatever program you use to build it, it has to be saved as a PDF. Post/send the PDF to the:

- Webmaster – to go on the website
- Newsletter Editor – to email blast it to the entire club
- Facebook Event

Weather is a big factor! We don't want to be out there in unsafe conditions. Light rain, or some scattered showers are fine, but if it's going to be a gully washer all day, then time to cancel. Keep in mind that even if the day of the drive is clear, if it's been raining heavily in the Hill Country the evening before, good chance some low water crossings may be impassable. It's easy to send a cancellation email to all the participants, if needed.

About two days prior to the event, check the weather outlook and close the event for registration in clubregistration.net.

Ensure the radios will be delivered to the event.

Day of event:

- Get there early
- Bring plenty of the release forms and some minor forms also
- Bring print outs of the route for everyone - phones may be unreliable in the Hill Country
- Designate an Observer
- Pass out the radios

Three radios per run group - lead car/middle/last

- Usual times are:

0800 - 0830 arrive and greet
0845 drivers meeting
0900 group leaves

If multiple groups, keep them about 15 minutes apart

- At drivers meeting have each group leader introduced
- Determine who the middle and last cars are for each group. Last car should be a well-trained tour master.
- Middle car primary duties are to relay messages from last car to leader
- Last car big responsibility! Ready to stop and assist cars.
- Ensure that everyone has their group leader's cell number
- Ensure that the leader/middle/last car knows each other's cell numbers
- Ensure all leaders have the address/phone # of the restaurant
- Ensure an accurate count of cars and bodies for each group

Sign up and waiver sheets:

- All participants, drivers, passengers, 18 and over must sign the PCA adult waiver form. Make sure they print legibly and sign next to it
- Anyone that is under 18 MUST have BOTH parents/guardians sign the "FOR MINORS IN RESTRICTED AREAS, DRIVING OR RIDING"

form. This may be completed so that it is good for the entire season. Fill in the "location" blank with "ALL PCA EVENTS" and the "dates" blank with "ALL DATES." The original should be handed in at the first event, and a copy of the document handed in at each subsequent event.

- Keep all signed forms, and make sure the tour chair gets them at the end
- Tour chair will get all the signed forms to the club secretary where they will be kept for at least 94 months

At the end of the event:

- Ensure that an accurate count of people/cars each group
- Keep in mind that members are free to leave the tour at any time

- Gather all the radios

After the event, the next day is preferred:

- Tour master enters the Post Event Report at the PCA.ORG website
- Someone that was the designated observer enters the Observer Report at the PCA.ORG website

- Radios need to be handed back to the club

If you think you'd like to become a tour master, give Michael Sorbera a call!



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Choose Carefully, Part I

Article by Rob Turner, Maverick member

One of my favorite things to do on the web is to go into a car company's web site, head straight to their configurator and build something. Sometimes it will be a stripper, just the basic car to see how cheap I can build it. And more times than not, I go all in adding every option to see how far I can take it to the other extreme. I try different colors, different interiors, different wheels and I spare no expense on the performance options. If you are going to build something, you may as well go big. Right?

I love me some Porsches! Owned twelve of 'em (and counting). But you know what? I've never bought a new one. The Turner master plan says I get to do that at some point in my short life on this revolving globe. Thinking back to the Brand Loyalty series I wrote a couple of month back, you know I've got to get my boys out of college, propped up and on their own. Could take years. It's funny, I even remind them from time to time (like weekly), that they're holding me back. I am joking here, but just barely.

Point is, I love the Porsche configurator. I build cars on it all the time, like maybe 2-3 times per month. OK, maybe 3-4 times per month. But that's all I'm admitting here. I build Carreras (mostly Turbos and GT3s), Boxsters, Caymans (especially Caymans; love 'em), Cayennes (just in case we end up needing a new one), Macans (because they are awesome), Panameras (have you read my action-adventure novels? They factor somewhat in the story line), and 918s (cause they are stupid crazy and it's fun to see if you can configure one to \$1,000,000—yes with reversed pinky held to mouth, Dr. Evil style).

I will build one, giggle and say to my wife, "Hey I

built a new Porsche, wanna see it?" She'll glance over at me, with a sideways look, glasses lowered to her nose, and ask if I went all in this time or not. No I will proudly exclaim that I built an inexpensive Cayenne - for her. Does she want to see it? Then she'll ask if it is like the other dozen I have "built" for her lately and not getting her sarcasm, I'll say this one is different. (Yeah, it's red.) Sometimes she looks, sometimes she doesn't and she reminds me (for like the thousandth time) that we're not doing anything before the aforementioned boys are out of school, cars paid off, bills paid off, ETC. Oh yeah—heard that one before. So then, what the heck, I'll reconfigure the car as a Cayenne Turbo S with every option under the sun. \$180K! Yeah, that'll show her!

The mouse hovers over the "get a quote from your dealer" button and as usual, I do not press it. But man, I wish I could. I know that day will come, that perfect moment when I will be able to press that button and talk to the dealer, to build my dream Porsche. I can feel it coming in a three-to-four-year-off kinda way. See, I have infinite patience when it comes to waiting for my ultimate car. I've got to, I only get one shot.

And on that exhaust note, see you all next time.

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PCA Escape and Treffen North America

A History

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PCA Escape

It started in February 2004 when PCA President Tom Bobbitt met with the zone representatives. A survey of PCA members had shown an interest in having a national event to counterbalance the annual Porsche Parade. It had to be shorter, some distance from Parade and with little emphasis on competition. Over the six months following, the guidelines for the event were defined. It should be held in an area that would be attractive to visit and would not conflict with Parade. The PCA Zone Representatives would oversee the event. It would be called a "PCA Escape."

The concept was simple, Two or three days of tours, a non-judged car show, and a final banquet. The local region would provide the tour routes, tour leaders and volunteers.

In 2012 Doug Pierce, former Zone 10 representative, took on the new position of PCA Escape Coordinator to assist the regions in Escape planning.

Escape was held in the fall over eleven years taking place in nine states and one Canadian province. The locations and event local chairpersons are listed below.

Editor's Note: This article highlights the history of Treffens. Upcoming Treffen's are: Colorado Springs, CO - Apr27-May 1, 2022; Bend, OR - Sept. 14-18; and Adairsville, GA - Spring of 2023. See pca.org/events/treffen for more information.

PCA ESCAPE HISTORY

2005	Escape to the Wine Country	Redwood	Kurt Fischer
2006	Escape to Finger Lakes	Zone 1	Henry Hoeh
2007	Escape to American History	Potomac	Fred & Starla Phelps
2008	Escape to the Land of Enchantment	Roadrunner	Sean Cridland
2009	Escape to the Birthplace of Aviation	Ohio Valley	Walter Chin & Kathie Hunter
2010	Escape to British Columbia	Canada West	Danny Ilias
2011	Escape to Arizona	Arizona	Mike Eisele
2012	Escape to the Ozarks	Ozark & Cimarron	Leonard & Melody Zechiedrich
2013	Escape to Los Angeles(Pomona, CA)	Grand Prix & San Gabriel Valley	Robert Friedman & Suesan Way
2014	Escape to Magical Orlando	Space Coast/Florida Citrus	Lou Linden
2015	Escape to Rushmore (S. Dakota)	Nord Stern	Arlyce & Jim Lillegard

*Parade of Porsches
through Eureka
Springs Arkansas.
Escape to the
Ozarks 2012*



*The off-road tour
group
Escape to the Land
of Enchantment
2008*





*Part of the car show,
Sun Peak Resort,
Kamloops B.C.
Escape to British
Columbia 2010*

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*Not the greatest
weather for touring
Escape to
Rushmore 2015*

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*The sun sets on the
final PCA Escape.
Escape to
Rushmore 2015*

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Treffen North America

In 2014 the Executive Council (EC) decided to upgrade the PCA Escape events that had been overseen and organized by the PCA Zone Reps since 2005.

The plan was to have the National PCA staff take over the event from the Zone Reps and Regions. This would add the ability to hold events in desirable areas of the country where there wasn't a PCA region that was capable of staging such a large event or wanted to take on the financial risk. A few of the previous PCA Escapes had lost money. It had also been noted that there was a lot of "re-inventing the wheel" with different regions hosting the event each year. Consistency was also a goal. The National office staff had taken control of the PCA Parade in 2010 for the same reasons. The National staff had the expertise in dealing with resorts, contracts, insurance, and the many things, large and small, required to plan and stage large events.

At the 2014 Zone 12 meeting two members of the EC, Tom Gorsuch, and Manny Alban, discussed the possibility of upgrading PCA Escape with David O'Neal. Dave was the Zone 12 representative at the time, and the EC was aware that both he and his wife Ginny were in the Convention and event planning business.

Dave turned over his Zone 12 duties to Dave Herndon and began working on the "New PCA Escape". He re-imagined the event and even the name. His plan was to make the event more like the European Treffens and make it a "Four-star" experience.

The plan was presented to the EC at the February 2015 Winter Board meeting. Dave wanted to rebrand the event to clearly establish it as a new product. The name Treffen North America was chosen. The Treffen name goes back to 1958 for PCA.



**Resort at Squaw Creek; Olympic Valley, CA
September 7-11, 2016**

Another big change was holding two Treffens a year. Dave designed the logo, media plan and website. Richard Baron Design did the final graphics work.

The site selection process, and responsibilities for both the National Treffen staff and the local regions were defined. The Zone Representatives still had a role to play by recommending destinations, validating region qualifications, and appointing a local coordinator.



Part of the plan was to divide the country into nine geographical areas and hold Treffens and Parades in different parts of the country. This would make at least one of the events each year within a reasonable driving distance for most members.

Dave and Ginny worked with Kristy Heath at Conference Direct for help with site selections and DMC's (destination management companies) in

the local areas for places to visit and things to do that aren't necessarily car related.

Local PCA regions provide the driving tours and the many volunteers needed to make it all happen.

The first event was held at the Resort at Squaw Creek near Lake Tahoe in the fall of 2016. The local PCA region, Sierra Nevada, provided the driving tours and volunteers. Craig Kugler was the region president and was so helpful to the O'Neal's that he was asked to help as the Treffen Regional Liaison for the next few events.

The O'Neal's stepped down and Harry Season became the Treffen North America Chair in the spring of 2018. Harry has been the Director of the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta since 1988.

Future events can be found on the Treffen North America web page. <https://treffenn.pca.org/> The spring 2020 event in Colorado Springs was canceled due to COVID-19 and rescheduled for spring 2022..

PCA TREFFEN NORTH AMERICA HISTORY

2016	Treffen Lake Tahoe; Resort at Squaw Creek	Olympic Valley, CA
2017	Treffen Hill Country; Hyatt Lost Pines Resort	Cedar Creek, TX
2017	Treffen Asheville; Omni Grove Park Inn	Asheville, NC
2018	Treffen Tamaya; Hyatt Regency Tamaya	Santa Ana Pueblo, NM
2018	Treffen Banff; Fairmont Banff Springs	Banff, Alberta Canada
2019	Treffen Vermont; Woodstock Inn & Resort	Woodstock, VT
2019	Treffen Santa Barbara; Hilton Ocean Front Resort	Santa Barbara, CA
2020	Treffen at the Greenbrier Resort	White Sulphur Springs, V
2021	Treffen Scottsdale; Camelback Inn	Scottsdale, AZ
2021	Treffen at the American Club	Kohler, WI
2022	Treffen at the Broadmoor	Colorado Springs, CO



*It's Canada, what did you expect!
Treffen Banff 2018*




*The Santa Ana Pueblo Tribal Police assisted with tour traffic.
Treffen Tamyia 2018*





*Omni Grove Park Inn, Host Hotel
Treffen Ashville 2017*

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