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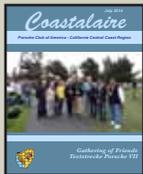
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Each year, PCA conducts a nationwide newsletter contest. Much like a racing event, the Regions compete within classes by membership-size. There are five classes, Class V representing the largest Regions. CCCR is in Class III. Not all Regions enter the competition. This year, 45 Regions competed. Scoring is based on several factors, including content criteria as well as layout and design. The highest score, 623 points, was awarded Upper Canada Region of Zone 1 in Class V. 404 points was the lowest score overall. Of the 15 competing Regions in Class III, CCCR received 511 points and was ranked 9<sup>th</sup>. To put this in perspective, a few of the largest Regions have budgets that afford them the luxury to hire a professional editor/designer. Of course, CCCR's "staff" is completely volunteer. For the past three years, Bob Kitamura has served as one of the judges for the national newsletter contest. He noted that this year the newsletters in general have taken a very large step forward in quality and content. Some were very professional compared to the years before, which is great for the PCA.

That brings us to our talented and hardworking editor and chief, Bob "Kit" Kitamura. My first introduction to CCCR came four years ago when Kit asked if I would consider photographing for Coastalair. Since then, I've developed an increasing appreciation for his editorial skills, his dedication, and his patience. Of all of the duties performed by our Board of Directors and other volunteers, responsibilities of the newsletter editor are arguably the most demanding. Kit's contribution to the growth and vitality of CCCR has been crucial.

Although Kit wants to continue to contribute as a writer and photographer, he has informed me that the December issue of Coastalair will be his last as editor.

Whether on paper or digital, Coastalair will remain a key element in CCCR's communications and organization. With Kit's resignation, we desperately need someone to take the reigns of the newsletter editor for 2015. Qualifications include the usual layout, literary, and photographic skills associated with editing such a publication, but also personal time, leadership, enthusiasm, organization, and a calm resolve are essential. Here's a wonderful opportunity to make a major contribution to the operation and history of CCCR. It is not necessary to serve on the Board of Directors in this position.

Applications accepted immediately.

## Board Meetings

All members are welcome to attend the CCCR Board Meetings. Time is available for non-board members to have input during these meetings.

### Location

San Luis Obispo  
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### Date and Time

First Wednesday of the month  
at 6:30 PM

# 2014 Calendar of Events

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	INFO / CONTACT
<b>JULY</b>				
7/2	6:30 PM	Board Meeting	SLO Country Club	
7/12	9:00 AM	Breakfast Club	Shell Café	
7/12		FAST - Antique Fords Motor Racing	Santa Margarita	
7/13		Gathering of Friends	Laguna Lake	
7/26	TBD	Teststrecke Porsche VII	Santa Maria Airport	
<b>AUGUST</b>				
8/6	6:30 PM	Board Meeting	SLO Country Club	
8/9	9:00 AM	Breakfast Club	The Grill at Hunter Ranch GC	
8/9-8/11	varies	Monterey Pre-Historics	Monterey	
8/14-8/17	varies	Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion	Laguna Seca	
8/15	7:00 AM	Werks Reunion	Rancho Canada Golf Club, Monterey	
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>				
9/3	6:30 PM	Board Meeting	SLO Country Club	
9/6	TBD	Train Ride/Wine Tasting	Pomar Junction	
9/13	9:00 AM	Breakfast Club	Shell Café	
9/20	TBD	Teststrecke Porsche VIII	Santa Maria Airport	
<b>OCTOBER</b>				
10/1	6:30 PM	Board Meeting	SLO Country Club	
10/4	TBD	Octoberfest / New Member	TBD	
10/11	9:00 AM	Breakfast Club	Shell Café	
10/25	TBD	A Run Up the Coast	Ragged Point Lunch	
<b>NOVEMBER</b>				
11/5	6:30 PM	Board Meeting	SLO Country Club	
11/8	9:00 AM	Brunch Club	The Loading Chute Creston	
<b>DECEMBER</b>				
12/3	6:30 PM	Board Meeting	SLO Country Club	
12/7	TBD	Holiday Party	SLO Country Club	
12/13	9:00 AM	Breakfast Club	The Shell Café	

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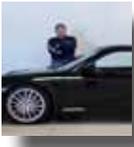
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## Editor's Exhaust

Bob "Kit" Kitamura, Editor

So many Porsches, so little time. Many of our club was able to attend the recent Porsche Parade in Monterey. It was a great time for many of us to experience the event together. There are differing opinions but what I experienced was a volunteer-run major event well done with some glitches. The weather and parking are always out of the venue's control depending on the location. I decided to avoid the parking issues and use the shuttle that was provided from the local community college. It was very well run and very easy to get to the Hyatt where many of the events were taking place.

A long time ago I decided not to participate in the autocross and rallies, not because of the issues that sometimes develop but because for me the Parade is more of a passive event that I can take my wife to and involve myself in events she likes as well. She likes more of the wine tasting and dinner route. Now the Porsche Escape is another story. I know that some of you had disappointments during this Parade, I hope you keep going especially if it is within striking distance. It is inspiring to me to see over 1,200 Porsches from all over our nation in one location from a '51 Coupe to the 919.

As some of you already know, I will be stepping down at the

end of this year from my role as the Coastalaire Editor. It has been a very rewarding and challenging experience for me. With higher priorities and increasing time constraints taking place in my life, it is time to pass over the reigns to the next editor of our great publication.

The Coastalaire team, Milt Worthy, Jane Worthy, Chuck Jennings and myself, has been able to develop it into an award-winning monthly publication. Having taken third place in its class nationally last year. To keep it at that level and to constantly look at raising the bar takes a lot of time and effort, which was the most fun for me. 40-50 hours a month for the editor is not an unusual amount of time to spend on publishing our monthly newsletter. As it develops over the coming years the most important reason for the Coastalaire is to provide information to our members about upcoming and past events. Hopefully, someone will step forward before the end of the year to take it over and raise the bar once again.

Cheers!, Kit

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**WHEN:** 7:00 AM — Gates/Field Open for Car Placement  
7:00 AM — 9:00 AM — Car Placement & Light Cleaning  
9:00 AM -- 12:30 PM — Judging and Peoples Choice Balloting 12:30 noon -- Lunch Served  
2:30 PM — Awards Presentation

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Well, where do I start? The main thing I could say about the Parade at Monterey in May is that you should have been there. While this was only my third Porsche Parade, others of the Club attendees are Parade veterans. Ed Swain, for example, has attended more than 30 Porsche Parades. This year's Parade was in Monterey, California: known around the world as THE venue for automotive shows, races, and exhibits. The Monterey Peninsula is a great location for any event, but a spectacular venue for classic cars; however, the weather was a little foggy and cold at times. What do you expect for Monterey in May. Mark Twain's famous statement, "The coldest winter I ever spent was a summer in San Francisco," certainly applied some of the time we were there. Although, I did not attend all of the events, I heard both good and some disappointing reports from veterans in our group about the other events. Janice and I opted for a more social and slower paced Parade. Many of our group were able to place in the competitive events or win raffles which made it even more special.

Here is who was listed as attending from our club; Doug and Judy Brown, Jim Collins, Ray and Sandy Crosno, Tom and Renee Dobyms, John Eskelin and Lisa McConnell, Alfonso and Cheryl Fernandez, Ken Finney, Stephen Heinrich, Ken and Janet Helgren, Terry and Anita Hunt, Chuck Jennings, John and Jan Kepler, Greg La Cava and Rebecca Myers, John and Teresa Larson, Larry Lloyd, Robert and Lora Loggie, Fred and Pamela Lydick,



Dennis Lyons, Hamp and Sue Miller, Dave and Dalna Mills, Ian and Tracy Murton, Bern Singsen, Craig and Kathy Smith, Chuck and Shelly Stevenson, Bill Turner and Deb Linden, Andy and Susan Winterbottom, Greg Young. I did get to see most of the group both together and separately. Many of us were able to sit together at some of the dinner events. There may have been others that were not listed in the program but dropped by at the event.



*By Bob Kitamura*

*Photos by Bob Kitamura unless noted*

**SUNDAY** – Sunday started off with the Welcome Party at the Monterey State Historic Park Custom House Plaza. I can say with confidence that each of the thousands of people that attended the dinner in the outside venue froze to death by the time it was over. But even with the long lines and cold

weather it was a warm welcome. Some of our group were able to tough it out together; others, I heard, were able to find warmth in some of the nearby local bars nursing hot mulled concoctions.

**MONDAY** – The big event on Monday was the Concours d' Elegance at the Del Monte Golf Course, adjacent to the Hyatt Regency. Many of our group participated in the event and some won some prestigious awards. Our own Hamp Miller served as one of the Concours judges.

### Concours d' Elegance

Group - Preparation, Class PP08T, Touring  
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1 - Chuck and Shelly Stevenson – 1984





Crosno's '51 Award Winner



La Cava's '57



Smith's GT



Stevenson's Award Winner

Porsche 944

Group – Preparation, Class PP01S, Street Porsche 356

1. Ray and Sandy Crosno, 1951 Porsche 356 Coupe

Entered - Greg La Cava and Rebecca Myers, 1957 Porsche 356 Speedster

Group - Preparation, Class PP03S, Street 911/912, 65-73

Entered - John Eskelin and Lissa McConnell, 1965 Porsche 911

Group – Preparation, Class PP04S, Street 911/912, 74-89

Entered - Lissa McConnell and John Eskelin, 1982 Porsche 911 SC

Group – Preparation, Class PP06S, Street 996/997, 99-12

Entered - Robert and Lora Loggie, 2001 Porsche 996 C4

Group – Preparation, Class PP09S, Street Porsche Boxster/Cayman, 97-12

Entered - Larry Lloyd, 2006 Porsche Cayman S

**TUESDAY** – A day of driving tours, the TSD Rally, radio controlled car runs and the Concours banquet and awards. Many of the runs were the same as we have been on with our club so I am not sure if any of our group went. Hamp and Sue Miller's son (Chris) and grandson (Cole) from the San Diego region placed in the Radio-Controlled Car competition. In the TSD Rally completion we had a couple of our group place and take home some trophies.



Chuck and Shelley Stevenson  
Concour Winners - photo by Greg Phillips

## TSD Rally

R03 Unequipped Navigator  
Award - Doug and Judy Brown  
Entry – Ian and Tracy Murton

R05 Unequipped  
Award - Bill Turner and Deb Linden

**WEDNESDAY** – The Autocross, Golf Tournament, more driving tours, Wine Tasting tour, and Rally Awards Dinner were all happening on this day. Janice and I went on the wine tasting tour, which was very well done. All of the wineries were in the Carmel Valley Village area. We did not have to drive which was also a good thing, especially with a bunch of Porsche



Bill and Deb Rally Winners

photo by Greg Phillips



At the Rally Dinner

drivers after drinking wine all day. At the Rally Awards dinner, "I-Never-Win-Anything-Kitamura" won a two lap drive around the Nurembergring in Germany in a Porsche. Of course I still have to pay my way there, but I am working on it!

## Autocross

- Tom Dobyns
- Clint Smith – Placed first in the 102M Division
- Craig Smith – Placed third in the 102M Division
- John Eskelin
- Ian Murton
- Dave Mills

## Golf Tournament

Chuck Stevenson – member of 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team

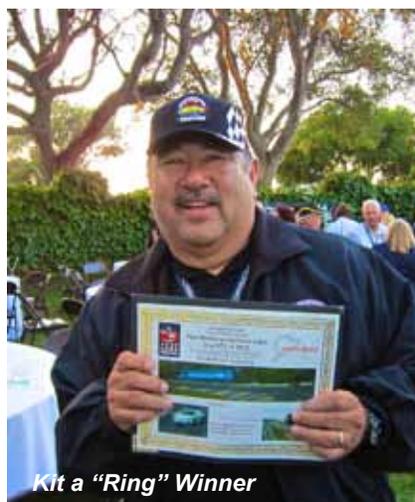
**THURSDAY** – It was another Autocross, driving tour, and Gimmick Rally day

## Gimmick Rally

Entry - Bill Turner and Deb Linden  
Entry - Dave and Dalna Mills

**FRIDAY** - More driving tours, the Tech and Historical Quiz, Tech Academy, and Autocross Awards Party. At the Awards dinner, Dave Mills won four Michelin tires! Now that's a great win!

**SATURDAY** – More driving tours, 5K Run/Walk, Parade of Porsches at Laguna Seca and the Victory Banquet.



Kit a "Ring" Winner

Dave has 4 New Tires!



photo by Greg Phillips

There was a lot more going on than what I listed above, there was something for everyone at the event. On top of that Porsches had the the whole Monterey Bay region to play in: Wine, Porsches, good friends, and the Central California—it just doesn't get any better than that. And this is only the beginning: The Werks Reunion in Monterey is happening this August which



photo by Greg Phillips

should also prove to be a great event. And there is even MORE: Rumors have it that next year is another Rennsport Event will be held at Laguna Seca.

By Bob Kitamura

Photos by Chuck Jennings



# SAN LUIS OBISPO Concours

It was a beautiful day for a concours as the San Luis Obispo Concours d' Elegance occurred on June 8 at the Madonna Meadows at Madonna Inn. As usual there were many different participants at this yearly event.

The First Place Porsche class award went to John Whitworth's 1958 Porsche Speedster. Second Place went to Bob Savic's 1963 Porsche 356 B Coupe.



'63 356 B

There was a Porsche Corral with many cars from our club there.



Porsche Corral and Display Area

The Best of Show, Post World War II went to Nicholas Farros' 1967 Chevrolet Camaro. The Best of Show, Pre-World War II went to Terry Wagner's 1931 Ford Model A.



'58 Speedster



Bruce & Doug w/ 959



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# PORSCHE TECH

## They're Not the Same

by Pedro P. Bonilla (GCR PCA)

Even though you think they are, they're not the same!

I'm referring to the convertible top mechanisms in the Carreras and Boxsters. Because they shared so many parts, at least the first generation Boxster ('97 - '99) and the first waterboxer Carrera in '99 - '00, you would think that the



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soft tops share the same mechanism. You would think wrong.

They're both operated from the same switch in the dash and (at least in the first generation of cars) you had to engage the emergency brake (now you can operate it with the car in motion), but in the Boxsters, an electric motor operates two independent mechanical transmissions (one on each side) via cables, much like the old mechanical speedometer cables. The clamshell or protective shroud that you see first start to raise before the top goes down is operated via the same motor through a set of rigid, ball-jointed arms.



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In the Carreras an electric motor operates a hydraulic pump which sends oil to two hydraulic pistons (one on each side) which then operates the soft top. The clamshell in the Carrera is operated by a second electric motor which starts first, before the hydraulic pump starts to operate.

The systems are quite complex because they just don't put the top up or down, they perform a series of tasks.

In the Boxster:

1.- In the first generation Boxsters the handbrake needed to be engaged and the red light in the dash needed to be lit otherwise no power went to the top's motor.



**HYDRAULIC PISTONS**

2.- Then the top's latch needs to be manually unlatched, which in turn opens a microswitch which allows the windows to drop a few inches and at the same time sends a signal to the central locking unit (CLU - black box under the driver's seat) to let it know that the top is unlatched.

3.- Pressing the top's switch on the dash turns on the top's dash light. Continuing to press the microswitch through the complete cycle starts to open the clamshell and the top's frame begins to fold on its own. Older cars with plastic rear windows should have the plastic "helped" by hand in order for it to fold straight down the middle. Newer cars or older cars that have been upgraded have a glass rear window that obviously doesn't fold but fits inside the top's frame as it comes to rest over the engine. As the top is nearing its resting place, the clamshell begins to close over it until the motor stops on its own and finally the top's light on the dash goes off letting the operator know that the cycle is complete and that the button can be released.

This is all done in a matter of only 12 seconds!

For those that are so impatient that they can't hold the button for that period of time, there is an aftermarket product called the One-Touch that will do it for you with a single touch of the button.

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# PORSCHE TECH

In the Carrera:

When the dash button is pressed, the top's latch automatically drops and unlatches the top's front edge. The windows (all four) start to drop all the way down and the clamshell starts to open. The hydraulic pump pressurizes the system and sends oil to each of the two hydraulic pistons which start to move the top until it reaches its resting place. The clamshell then closes over the top and rests in its original place.

Because they are complex mechanisms, some of the components can and will fail with time and use and could leave you with a non-functioning top in the open position which is not good, especially here in Florida, where we only have two seasons: the rainy season and the very-rainy season.

So, what can fail, and what can you do?

The most common failures we've seen are:

In the Carrera, leaking hydraulic pistons. These tend to leak out the oil through its seals, once they become dry and brittle from age and or lack of use.

You can know they are leaking in one of three ways:

- 1.- The hydraulic pump runs but the top barely moves or doesn't move at all.
- 2.- You can see a puddle of hydraulic oil under the corresponding side, just in front of the rear tire.
- 3.- When the top is down you can actually reach in and feel the pistons. If they are oily, they are leaking.

If you are caught with the top in the Open position and need to close it, while pressing the top's button, hold the front edge of the convertible top and manually pull up and forward assisting the failed hydraulics. Keep the button pressed until the latch securely closes. Now the top is secured in the closed position but you will need to have the hydraulic piston(s) replaced. Not cheap. They can also be rebuilt for a fraction of the cost of new ones.

In the Boxster, there are various failure points.

1.- The transmissions have internal nylon sprockets designed to break before causing damage by an improperly operating top.

2.- The transmission cables tend to stretch their outer shrouds and disengage with the transmission thereby rendering the corresponding transmission immobile and warping the top since only one side works.

3.- The convertible's plastic link ends (black and or red) break causing the top to open/close one side only.

If any of these things happen, there is an emergency procedure to allow you to manually close your convertible top:

Remove the black plastic link covers on the outer edge of the convertible top. Using a large, flat screwdriver, or pry-bar, pry off the black-tipped link on either side of the top. This allows you to manually lift back the "clamshell". Using the same screwdriver or pry-bar, pry off the red-tipped link on either side of the top. This allows you to manually raise the convertible top.

After the convertible top is closed, securely latch it and then close the clamshell by hand. Because the clamshell is not properly secure maintain a safe maximum speed of less than 60 mph until you can have the top repaired. Not too expensive.

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Happy Porsche'ing,  
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## I GET AROUND

a column by Dick Badler

RMR/PCA June 2014

### The Best Supporting Vehicle Oscar

No, the line isn't mine. Although I wish it was. I came across it, doing a time waste of a search on-line for films where the car is integral to the story... but not what the story is about.

Think Steve McQueen's 911S in the film *Le Mans*. The story really revolves around the race cars, Porsche 917s and the Ferrari 512s. But the 911 in the opening sequences sets it up. It's the automotive equivalent of a supporting actor. Get the idea?

What got me started on this subject was a film I just saw. *Locke*.

Never heard of it? You probably have a lot of company. Because it's a small, British film which has been playing art houses. By the time you read this, it will probably have already been relegated to deep-cover searches on iTunes.

Which is too bad. Because the film uses a fascinating narrative device. The entire visual element of the film is of a guy driving his BMW X-5 at night on a motorway in the UK. That's it.

There's more. The film takes place in virtually real time - his entire drive is virtually identical to the running time of the film.

And he's the only actor you actually see.

And the X-5 is perfect. He spends literally the entire picture talking on the speakerphone to various characters you only hear, through the speakers. And that's how the story is told.

It works.

So I started searching around for other films in which the car is an iconic adornment to the theme of the movie. And what I discovered, as if I should have been surprised, is that, like everything else in this wonder world we live in, many have already weighed in with their own choices... and websites... on this very subject. It figures.

Here's mine.

*Locke* definitely belongs.

Next? It has to be *The Graduate*. If for no other reason than the fact that the film kept the Alfa on sale in the US for, what, 20+ years, which was long, long after it should have been relegated to the dump of dated design. Can you say that about any other car... or movie?

How about the Ferrari 250 California in *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*? Did you wince when it fell into the ravine? It's kinda like watching a protagonist get killed off, isn't it.

Same for the Porsche 928 in *Risky Business*. With the immortal line, "Who's the U-Boat Commander?"

Then there are the *Transporter* films, at least the first two, in which Jason Statham deftly manhandles his BMW 735i through Europe. Does he ever take off those string-back driving gloves? I don't remember.

The Aston Martin DB5 that Bond drove in *Goldfinger*. I mean, please. The knock-off wheel bolts that extended out to shred both tires on one side of the Mustang. The ejector seat that worked. The machine guns. The.... lines. "Do you expect me to talk?" "No, Mr. Bond, I expect you to die."

Sorry, I digress.

The DeLorean DMC-12 in *Back to the Future*, although it could be disqualified for heavy modification.

The original, British version of *The Italian Job*. For the Minis. The driving stunts. The double entendre of a cliffhanger, literally, at the end of the film.

How about Steve McQueen's Mustang in *Bullitt*? Yes? Well, then, would you include the Mustang named Eleanor in the remake of *Gone with the Wind*? Is that a cameo role? The car had a lot of company.

Am I getting too serious?

Ok, then. Take the cop Plymouth in *The Blues Brothers*. Repeat after me: "It's got a cop motor, a 440 cubic inch plant, it's got cop tires, cop suspension, cop shocks. It's a model made before catalytic converters so it'll run good on regular gas. What do you say, is it the new Bluesmobile or what?" "Fix the cigarette lighter."

Let me veer off to the Boob Tube, briefly.

Buzz and Tod's Corvettes in *Route 66*. The 308 GTS in *Magnum PI*. The Testa Rossa in *Miami Vice*.

Do not, I repeat, do not say *My Mother the Car*. And the same goes for K.I.T.T. in *Knight Rider*, the General Lee in the *Dukes of Hazzard* and Herbie in *The Love Bug*.

The Trans Am in *Smokey and the Bandit*? Here's my answer. I've never seen more than five minutes of the franchise. And then only because I couldn't find the remote.

What about Raul Julia's Daytona convertible in *The Gumball Rally*? "And now my friend, the first-a rule of Italian driving." He rips off his rear-view mirror and throws it out of the car. "What's-a behind me is not important."

Any cars in any of the three *Cannonball Run* movies that followed?

I don't know, and I don't care. The films are embarrassing.

Aah, this is fun. Too bad the closing credits are rolling. I have real work to do.

# CCCR-PCA Board Meeting Minutes

May 7, 2014

Meeting was called to order 6:35 pm

**In Attendance:** Bruce Bero, Sanja Brewer, Ken Finney, Chuck Jennings, Joe Korpiel, Chuck Stevenson, Gary Thies, Andy Winterbottom and Guest Members; Jon Milledge and Tom Dobyns

**Absent:** Jim Collins, Rich Halvorson, Eric Ruzius

April minutes were approved by Joe Korpiel and seconded by Ken Finney.

**Historian :** No report

**Treasurer:** We ended the month with \$6,437.66. Our autocross income was \$3,790.35 and expenses were \$1,773.98.

Treasurer's report was approved by Andy W. and seconded by Chuck Stevenson.

**Membership :** This month we have 308 Primary Members, 225 Affiliate Members and 534 Total Members. Joe sent welcome letters to 3 New Members. PCA National is on a membership drive to reach 70,000 members.

**Safety:** The observation report has been sent for the autocross. Registration for DE has been submitted. We will apply for insurance for the May 17, Santa Ynez Valley Horse & Mission Tour.

**Driving:** Buttonwillow is ready to proceed on May 9th.

**Activities:** Chuck Stevenson discussed the upcoming calendar of events. Bruce Berro mentioned that we only have six Porsche entries for the Porsche corral at the Concourse. We would like to see a larger participation of Porsches for this event.

**Vice President:** Pomar Junction train ride over the grade has been paid. It is on September 6, and the cost will be \$54 for one wine tasting and \$59 for two. When the train returns to SLO, there will be members heading to Cafe Roma for dinner.

**Coastalraire** feedback: No feedback yet from non-board advertisers.

**President:** The website is about to be transferred to the new site. When that happens, we will be able to host our own site.

A suggestion was made by Ken Finney that we should start our club Facebook. This will be discussed at a later time.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

Respectfully submitted by: Sanja Brewer



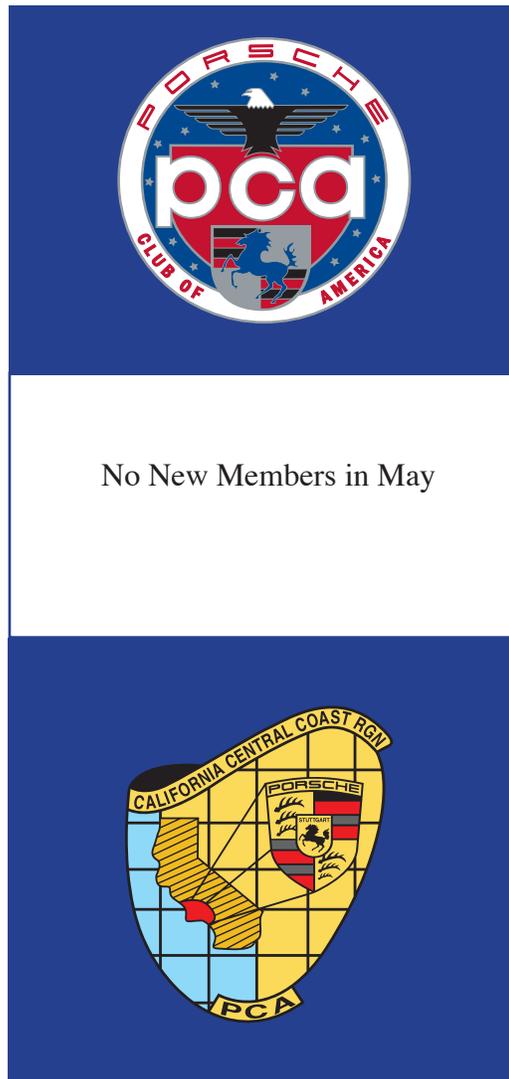
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