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# Prez Says

from President Ross Rampy



Fellow Cascade Porsche Pushers,

As you may know, this year is our club's 55th Anniversary and we are celebrating it April 16th at the Oregon Electric Station in Eugene. The dinner starts at 6pm with a no host cocktail hour with dinner at 7pm. The two chapters are meeting in Roseburg/Winston area for lunch and a drive back to Eugene. Please let me or

Arne know if you are coming. **Please RSVP** me at teeitup@mind.net or Arne at 84-carrera@comcast.net. Come join us for a night a fun and meet members from the other chapter.

We are also working on putting on a driver's skill class in August in Medford and would like to see what interest there is for this event. If you are interested, please let me know at teeitup@mind.net. We don't know the cost yet, and it will depend a lot on the number of participants, so let me know if you would attend. Since we don't have a track nearby, this is good way to learn how to handle your Porsche. As we get more details, we get them out to you.

A lot of good drives and events are scheduled this year, so come join us and support the members who have volunteered their time to organize an event for our enjoyment,.

As always, see you in my mirrors.

*Ross*

## Our Leadership

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President

**John Early**  
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# Crackin' Curves

By Glenn Gumaer, DC  
Membership Chair

In future issues of *der Auspuff*, I hope to provide sharp-witted, insightful, Porsche-enthusiast articles under the new title, **Crackin' Curves**. [*crack•ing (adj.) (krak ing) very fast, at a cracking speed or pace, excellent*] A fitting byline for a chiropractor piloting a Cayman, don't you think? However, for our first issue of 2016, I would like to welcome new members who have joined the fold during the past 12 months and provide an overview of our current membership. The total membership for the Cascade Region of the Porsche Club of America is.... drumroll please... 264 members! There are 162 primary members and 102 co-members. The breakdown between the Central and the Southern Chapters is: 74 primary members, inclusive of Roseburg and north, and 88 primary members south of Roseburg. Both chapters have equally expanded their membership rolls during the past year by 12 and 11 new primary members, respectively. So, in keeping with our motto, "It's not just the cars, it's the people!" I, hereby, welcome the following new members: ...um, and their cars!

Mark Bagnell	Eugene	2003 silver Boxster S
Doug Brooke	Springfield	2007 Cayman
Carter Smith	Eugene	
Keith Fork	Newport	
Mark Kalen	Eugene	
Douglas Livermore	Springfield	1979 white 911 SC
Michael Monroe	Philomath	1965 white 911
David Nichols	Eugene	2013 Agate gray 911 Carrera S
Naoma Parr	Springfield	2016 Carmine red Cayman GT4
Jonathan Rall	Bend	
Peggy Saleeby	Eugene	2015 Macan S
Eric Xu	Eugene	2014 white Cayenne Turbo
John Ball	Central Point	2007 Midnight blue Cayman
Ron Baracker	Eagle Point	
Todd Brown	Grants Pass	2015 Rhodium silver Cayman S
Tim Burggren	Medford	2007 white Carrera 4S
Chris Chavez	Eagle Point	2002 silver Boxster S, 2007 silver Carrera Cabriolet 4S
Robert Ground	Klamath Falls	2005 Seal Grey 911 Carrera
Tim Lane	Ashland	2016 Boxster
Richard McKinley	Medford	2004 Guards red Boxster

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Rick Schmidt  
Jeff Shaw

Medford  
Medford

2013 red over white 911 Carrera Cabriolet 4S  
2006 black Cayman S

Roger Waechter

Tenmile

1999 Forest Green 911 Carrera 996

*Glenn*

## Dinner at Standing Stone, March 21st



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# The Central Chapter Welcomes the 2016 Driving Season

From Arne Berglund, Central Chapter Representative

Here in the Central Chapter, we have typically started the driving season in March. And it's not that the weather is so much better in March, in fact it can often be worse. (Think localized thunderstorms with epic deluges accompanied by small hail. Yuck!).



But after 4 or 5 months since the final drive in the Fall of the previous year, and weeks of gray days, most of us in the West-central valleys are suffering from a bit of cabin fever. We need to get out, and for PCA members there is no better way to do that than to go for a drive with their fellow members.

For many years, the traditional March event has been a back road drive from Eugene to the Long Tom Grange Hall for the Junction City Daffodil Festival. Historically, the festival has set aside special parking for car clubs, and served some really yummy cinnamon rolls. So we got a relatively short, low stress drive to begin the season and good sweets.

This year we the public information was that there would be no onsite club parking at the festival, everyone would park in a nearby quarry and take shuttles to the grange hall. That thought wasn't attractive, so we planned a drive to Florence for lunch as a backup.

In the end, the festival contacted us to say that there would be onsite parking for car clubs, so that was back on the table. But in the mean time, there was so much support for the thought of the drive to the coast that we decided to do both.

The plan was for all to meet in South Eugene, and then drive as a group over the back roads towards Junction City, and then when we got to Hwy 36, those going to the festival would turn East for another 10 miles, and those heading to Florence would turn West to the coast. We made arrangements to have lunch at the Bridgeport Market & Deli on the waterfront.

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So on March 16th all who wanted to drive met in Eugene. The weather was actually pretty nice, and the turnout was good—24 people in 16 cars. As is sometimes the case, one driver/car just came down to chat and see us off, not being able to drive that day. But that still left 15 Porsches to start off as a group.



We drove together for about 45 minutes through the countryside west of Eugene, with the leader (your author) only making one wrong turn. (Visualize 15 Porsches making a U-turn in a church parking lot.)

We stopped on the side of the road before splitting up, reorganized a bit, and off we went. I led the larger group (17 people, 11 cars) to Florence, and 3 more Florence area members met us when we got to the deli for lunch.

The group who went on to the festival also had a good time, there was club parking as promised, and all went home happy at the end of the day.

Arne



# 2016 Annual Planning Meeting

Joel Weyhe



Our 2016 planning meeting and brunch were held at *The Inn at the Commons* February 14th. I was a little surprised at the number of ideas offered, so many that not all could be fit into the year. There was quite a bit of discussion before the dust settled. Along with the regular

monthly Monday night dinners, here is the high-level rundown:

**March 19** - Tech Session at Aaron's Autowerks (it was good)

**April 16-17** - 55th Anniversary Dinner and Drive to Eugene (*rooms blocked out until 3/31*)

**April 29-30** - Continental Tire Races at Laguna Seca; contact El Gonzales

**May 21** - Arrive & Drive; details to be announced

**June 18-19** - Trip to the coast via Happy Camp, returning via the Redwood Highway; contacts Chris Chavez & Thad Hodgdon

**July 15** - Oregon Kite Festival in Brookings; contact Glenn Grumaer

**August 6-7** - Oregon Air Show in Hillsboro; contact Glenn Grumaer

**September 6-11** - ESCAPE to Lake Tahoe; contact Bill Kohn

**September 24** - Montague Air Show; contact Glenn Grumaer

**October 8** - Tule Lake drive; contact Ann & Dave McGloon

**November 19** - POTLUCK at John and Suz Early's home in Ashland

**December** - Pizza dinner at Kaleidoscope in Medford

Details on these will be *emailed* or included in *der Auspuff* in the near future.

We also thanked out-going Secretary **Dave Duarte** for his years of enthusiastic commitment to the club. He has been a driving force for us.

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Outgoing Secretary Dave Duarte receives gifts at the Annual Planning Meeting.

## Upcoming Events

[55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Eugene Drive & Dinner with Central Chapter](#)

April 16<sup>th</sup> (see website for details)

[Continental Tire Races at Laguna Seca](#)

April 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>

More information to be provided by El Gonzales (check website)

[Sacramento Region CRAB 36](#)

(visit <http://svr-pca.org/content/crab-36> for more information)

May 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>

[Arrive & Drive](#)

May 21<sup>st</sup> (details forthcoming)

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# Tech Session at Aaron's AutoWerks

Joel Weyhe, March 19th



Our Spring Tech Session at **Aaron's Autowerks** filled the house this year. There were neat cars and enthusiastic people all over the place. I got there a tad late so, if there had been any jelly-filled doughnuts in those boxes, I missed out.

Aaron thanked us for our support and emphasized his maintenance and special projects business. In particular, we heard a good review of the IMS bearing issue and how they have changed out quite a few of these for customers. An important point was that these cars need to be driven, often. I know, we've heard this before but it's true. As an example, the 930 on the lift was one that had super low mileage but was undergoing expensive maintenance (engine out, transaxle rebuild) because of more time in reverence than in revving.

Next up, Michael Hernandez laid out the three-year engine rebuild odyssey that followed his complete engine failure. These things, engine rebuilds that is, aren't cheap and I got the impression that his wife, Barbara, was probably more than simply supportive in making it all happen. The failure was eventually found to be the result of a cracked head. Finding a good used replacement was a part of the odyssey, the other being that Michael decided to upgrade from the 3.4 to a 3.6 litre configuration. Power corrupts.

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Coincidentally, or maybe not, next door sits **Vintage Sportscar Restorations** and they were holding an open house. Vintage focuses on early 911 restorations and it was fun to see the works in progress on a number of these cars. One or two of them were being brought up to a spec way beyond normal production issue, more like the ones you read about in those Porsche magazines. Power corrupts.

If you didn't attend this annual event, some free advice: don't miss it next time.

## ***Zone 6 Drivers Education at Oregon Raceway Park***

**Saturday & Sunday June 18th & 19th  
SPECIAL HPDE OPPORTUNITY**



Join the Inagural Zone 6 High Performance Driver Education event at Oregon Raceway Park (ORP). All PCA members in Zone 6 invited to attend. A fantastic opportunity to drive ORP and meet fellow Zone 6 members.

Our event will be hosted by Hooked on Driving (HOD) with special pricing available only to PCA members.

The event is open to all drivers and all levels of track experience from novice to instructor. Driver and vehicle requirements are very similar to our PNWR DE requirements.

Oregon Raceway is in Grass Valley, Oregon, about 3 hours from Seattle in north central Oregon, 30 miles south of Biggs Junction and the Columbia River.

Porsche of Bend will provide Saturday Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner and Sunday Breakfast and Lunch. Zone 6 has rooms reserved or stay in Biggs Junction or the Dalles.

Any licensed driver minimum age 18. Drivers with no HPDE experience will be provided an HOD coach at a miminal additional cost. Vehicles: Self-inspection through HOD form (similar to PNWR's). All cars ok. Cabs permitted with roll cage or factory roll-over protection.

***Don't miss this unique Zone 6 opportunity to drive ORP, a very special track built in the rolling wheat fields of central Oregon.***

Registration: Special link to HOD website provided in the event listing on the PCA/PNWR calendar. Can register for one or both days.

Cost: PCA Special rate \$250-\$300 per day. For PCA members only.

Maximum Registrants: 60 per day. Sign up soon!

Questions contact: Bill Bauer 206-972-5639 or  
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