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Mar 4 > DE Thunderhill	May 1 > CRAB 3 Day Event (Sac Valley)
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Words From Walt By Walt Lietz

We are gearing up for Spring! Yea! I am looking forward to driving with the top down and joining our March tech session and tours.

The Awards Dinner was a great success - great Italian food - an interesting room at the new Walnut Creek Library - a great talk by the head mechanic of Porsche of Livermore - and an inspiring talk and video by the founder of the Taylor Heart Camp. We are planning an even bigger event for next year - hopefully at the Blackhawk Auto Museum. Congratulations to all the winners, particularly **Joan and Frank Duran**, they were awarded the John Clever Trophy. Everyone agreed that they truly represented the club's spirit. The Duran's have hosted five Oktoberfests, numerous tours, and are key hosts at our Walnut Creek breakfasts.

The Tour de San Juan is fully booked with 25 Porsches and over 50 members signed up. This month's Panorama has a paragraph on the Loma Prieta tour which we did last Fall. We are copying their success. Also in March is our first **Driver Education (DE)** event of 2011. We need all members to try it and to support the program. It's a great way to learn how your Porsche handles and it is totally safe. Our DE events are designed to have fun as well as teach members how to drive on a track. At \$200 you can't beat the price.

The board has decided to dispose of the **Goodie Store** clothes and sell off the items to our members. I did an inventory of the items and some terrific shirts, hats and coats are available. Let me know if you need some items.

It is time to start planning the 2011 **Wash n Shine**. We had our first planning meeting in February and need your input on a number of issues. Should we move the Wash n Shine to a different weekend, Memorial Day weekend may not be ideal; would you be interested in a fun class for your car; how about non-judged class; we have lot's of new ideas. The Wash n Shine is a major fundraiser for the club and for charity so your participation is key. Last year we had two Boxsters entered in that class (yes, I came in second), two Caymans were entered in their class. This is just not acceptable. What do you need to enter the Wash n Shine?

I want to thank **Ingrid French** for taking on two new roles. As our new Charity Chairperson, Ingrid will lead the effort to raise money for several new causes. Ingrid has also volunteered to take on the Tour Chairperson. She is available to tutor tour leaders on routes, paperwork, prep, and safety issues. So get ready to lead a tour and Ingrid will make sure you get off on the right peddle. Thank you Ingrid!

Did you miss a free breakfast at Vic's in Pleasanton? Yes, **Gunter Feldmeier** of Porsche of Fremont picked up the tab last month. Thank you Gunter, as always, Porsche of Fremont is a great supporter of the Diablo Region.

As always - Have fun and drive safely!

Walt

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Starting off 2011 on the TRACK!

Diablo Region Drivers' Education Event
at Thunderhill Raceway Park
Friday, March 4, 2011



Porsche of Livermore

3100 Las Positas Rd., Livermore, CA 94561

Sponsored By: Porsche of Livermore

Registration Opens: February 7, 2011

Fees: \$200 per driver if payment received by February 25, 2011

\$50 for instructors who will also be driving

Make checks payable to PCA/Diablo Region and mail with Registration form to:

Thunderhill Event Registrar, Attn: Mike Ciopyk, 6756 Paseo Catalina, Pleasanton, CA 94566
(email: ciopyk@comcast.net)

Our next DE Event will be set up for registration and payment to be completed electronically.
Look for instructions to be announced soon.



Free Tech Inspections

Tech inspection scheduled for Thursday, February 17 at Kahlers in Dublin from 6:00-8:30. For directions to Kahlers, go to their web site at:

<http://kahlers.com>

Tech Inspection is also scheduled for Saturday, February 26 at Porsche of Fremont in Fremont from 9-1. For directions to Porsche of Fremont, go to their web site at:

<http://fremont.porschedealer.com/>

For more information on registration: contact the Event Chairperson, Carlos Bocanegra at 925-934-7652 or email at : cb3234@prodiav.net

OR

Check the Diablo Region web site for registration & tech inspection forms at <http://dia.pca.org/>





Everything you wanted to know about your first track day. but were afraid to ask...

By Mike Roberts

Understandably, you may be interested, yet apprehensive about taking your Porsche on the track. Over three years since my first outing at Thunderhill (which I admit was actually in an Infiniti SUV!), I have frequently talked with friends about experiencing over 25 tracks days since. These are the top ten concerns they and I have shared – if any of these are bugging you, hopefully this will help provide answers.

So, if you hear yourself saying “*I’d like to do a track day but....*”:

10. “*I’m not sure my car will handle it!*”

- if your car is in good mechanical condition for the road, with tires, brakes, wheels, suspension etc. in good shape and no leaks or obvious issues – and it’s a Porsche, it can handle it! If it’s not, you shouldn’t be on the road, never mind the track!

9. “*I don’t want to be a racer so why would it be useful to me?*”

- actually you’ll be learning new driving skills, good car control and how to think about your car in whole new dimension. Learning to go racing is a different thing...I’m not interested in racing but I love experiencing more of what my car can really do.

8. “*I drive fast on the back roads, that’s where I have my fun...*”

- with other people you don’t know, in all sorts of vehicles, coming the other way? On the track you can put your foot down and not worry about the CHP taking an interest too...

7. “*It’s dangerous and I can’t afford to damage my car!*”

- absolutely! None of us want to put our car or ourselves in harm’s way. I have never seen cars collide at a track day – yet, I have seen several accidents driving on the freeways each day. The road is a far more scary place...too much debris and too many bad drivers. Does your insurance still cover you? Well some will if you can show that it is not a timed event, which DE is not. You will need to look at your particular policy. If there is a concern, there are companies which offer cover on a one time or annual basis.

6. “*I don’t want to devalue my car by tracking it!*”

- when we buy a used car, we all want to find the low mileage, always garaged example that has never been out in the rain. If you bought your car because of the way it drives...hey, it’s a Porsche, it was built for this! That’s why local Porsche dealerships actively sponsor DE/ track days. A good buddy of mine told me he was worried about wear on his car, yet he was regularly lending it to his 18 year old son. I had to ask him whose car was having the tougher time?

5. “*I’m new so I would probably be in everyone’s way!*”

- many people don’t realize that drivers are organized into groups, so you don’t go out and run with faster drivers until you are ready and comfortable. In fact, we won’t let you out on your own until you are ready! By then you will have had lots of coaching time with our nurturing instructors who will make sure you know your way around the track and teach you about the safety rules, flags, signals to other drivers etc. – all the things which contribute to a fun and safe day.

4. “*Track days are only for hard core drivers!*”

- Porsche track days are relaxed, convivial, friendly and fun events. You’ll get to know other people quickly - they are sharing the experience too! Most people I meet at track days are there for the experience of driving their high performance car quickly in a safe and well organized environment. Everyone is asked to drive below their limit – this is not a race, there are no prizes, no places, and no glory. If someone is driving



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3. ***“It’s a guy thing - I don’t think I would find other women doing this!”***

- actually many ladies drive in track days – among them are some of the best drivers I know.

2. ***“I’m a good driver, but it’s other people I don’t trust!”***

- well, I can certainly relate to this out on the road. In a Porsche track day, you’ll find that any reckless behavior which may endanger yourself or others is quickly addressed. There are radio-linked flag marshals deployed around the entire track while cars are running. They are ‘trained professionals’, there to enforce safety and communication with drivers and the track’s central control. If there any hazards, they will rapidly deploy flags to tell drivers where they are and what to do. They will also warn you if faster cars are coming up behind you, so you know when to let someone by.

1. ***“I don’t know what to expect...”***

- I remember my first track day and I was very apprehensive. When I turned up at Thunderhill, I didn’t know where to park and many of the terms were unfamiliar to me – like where exactly is the ‘Paddock’, and the ‘Hot Pits’ were even less welcoming thought. Honestly, I was really nervous about driving with an instructor too – would he or she see just how bad a driver I really was? I turned up at the track and signed in at the gate. Then drove over to the covered garages and took a parking space that was available. From there I walked over to the main building to check in. After that, everything went smoothly, I need not have been concerned. What I was not prepared for was how much I learned and how much fun I had....

So, if you are interested, feel free to contact any of our DE team who will offer a listening ear and help you get involved. You’ll be discovering a new dimension of enjoyment with your Porsche in a safe, well organized environment where drivers of varying experience come together for a great time and learn skills which will also make them better drivers out there on the road.



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How Well Do You Know Your Car?

I think we all drive our cars enough to say " I feel comfortable driving my car well enough to know its potential and can handle just about any situation that should come up". That's what I thought too until I took my car to Thunderhill Raceway. My instructors really helped me understand how much more efficiently I could drive my car and how I could be a better driver.

So, here is a short video of what it is like to drive around Thunderhill Raceway. You'll note that Thunderhill is a road course (as opposed to a circle track) which makes it a perfect playground for sports cars! Put yourself behind the wheel and then make the decision to sign up for a Drivers Education (DE) day at Thunderhill with your other enthusiastic Diablo members.

If you aren't quite ready after watching this video, then drive up and sign up for a Taste of the Track. Taste of the Track allows you to ride around the track 3 times with an Instructor for a mere \$15, which goes to a local non-profit organization that Diablo Region is sponsoring. What a great way to discover the *real thrill* of owning a Porsche!

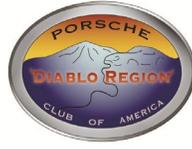
<http://thunderhill.com/mediagallery/media.php?f=0&sort=0&s=20100501001212497>

Not completely ready to make that leap? Check out these videos to see even more reasons why learning more about your car can be great fun!

<http://www.hookedondriving.com/videos/hooked-on-driving-videos>

To make it even easier, we have attached the Taste of the Track form. Just complete and bring it with you to Thunderhill Raceway on Friday, March 4th. We will be waiting for you...





TASTE OF THE TRACK APPLICATION

On a space available basis, non-drivers may participate in a Taste of the Track for a fee of \$15. These “students” will be given an instructional ride with a PCA Regional instructor at reduced speeds in either the Novice or Beginner run group. All Taste of the Track entrants are required to participate in all aspects of the Driver’s Education Program ((attend Driver’s Meeting, accept flagging assignments). Participation is limited to once per individual, per track.

Track _____ Event Date _____

(Please Print Clearly)

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

E-Mail Address _____

PCA Membership # _____ (* optional)

Emergency Contact Name _____ At Event? _____

Emergency Contact Phone _____

I hereby certify that I have no physical or mental problems or impairments that might jeopardize others or myself if I participate in this event.

Entrants Signature

Instructor



New Members

New Members

Berjjs, Faraz	2003 996
Carlson, Nils	2010 911—Black
Fite, Geoffrey	1973 911S—Purple
Kou, Joseph X	2011 Spyder—White
Nickelson, Ryan M Diana Nickelson—Affiliate Member	1988 Carrera—Silver
Reiser, M. Stephen Wendy Reiser—Affiliate Member	2006 911—Gray
Smith, Craig L Kaaren Smith—Affiliate Member	2006 Carrera S—Silver
Won, Edmun M	2006 Cayman S—Black 2008 Cayenne S—Black

Total New Members = 8

New Transfer-In Members

Brooks-Williams, Anthony Transfer from: California Central Coast (CCC)	2007 Carrera S
Thwaytes, Gregory E Transfer from: Cal Inland (CAI)	1969 911—Brown

Total New Transfer-In Members = 2

Primary Members: 573
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 Total Members: 987

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Join us for a Tour to Canepa Design

When: Saturday, March 12, 2011

Where: Leave from Vic's All Star Kitchen after breakfast

Time: 10 AM

Destination: Canepa Design
4900 Scotts Valley Drive
Scotts Valley, CA
831-430-9940

Canepa Design houses a museum of exceptional classic automobiles and historic racing cars. They also create personalized cars, SUV's, hot rods and motorcycles. They also specialize in restoring all types of vehicles for concours competition, as well as racing events.

We will have a personal tour of the museum and the restoration area (most visitors are not allowed in this area).

After the visit to Canepa, we will drive into Santa Cruz for lunch. The location for lunch will be announced during the tour.

Any questions should be addressed to: Luis Soler at soler_luis@yahoo.com.

RSVP to Luis by March 9th.



Focused on Speed

EMC Collision Tech Session



When: March 19, 2011

Time: 10:00 AM

Where: 41041 Albrae Street, Fremont
(Between Stevenson & Auto Mall Parkway)
510-651-8800



The Tech Session will include the following:

- Continental Breakfast (**WOW!**)
- Shop Tour including: automotive repair and maintenance services, ECU lab, new technologies and repair procedures
- Feature their Cellete bench Jig fixture for collision repair
- Describe Performance Enhancement Services, etc.
- Door Prizes (one MUM Sports ECU Custom Tuning package [available tuning only], one Detailing Package, and more
- Q&A

A drive after the Tech Session to a lunch destination will be announced by your Tour Guide, Doug Wiebe.

Please RSVP by March 11 to Doug at membership@diablo-pca.org.



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PORSCHE 996TT TO SCOTTSDALE

By Tom Marinshaw

I left my home in Danville on January 17 heading for Scottsdale with a side trip to Sun City (Riverside area) for an overnight visit with my younger brother. I drove with poor visibility due to the fog, which strangely disappeared as I reached the summit going over the grapevine and reappeared a week later as I crossed the summit of the Tehachapi's heading back home. The sun came out and the temperature rose from mid 50's to 80 in about a mile, reaching a high of 93 degrees in Los Angeles. The next morning I drove the rest of the way to Scottsdale to meet up with Richard Collins, who was flying in from Bowling Green, Kentucky (his home since leaving Pleasanton 3 years ago). My biggest surprise on this trip was not the 25 MPG, while keeping a speed of 70 to 80 MPH, but the fact that my back and legs did not hurt or cramp up. Thanks Porsche for a good Recaro seat! A total of 2100 miles were covered in the week in Arizona with perfect performance from the car.

For the last three years, Richard and I have attended the collector car auction week in either Scottsdale or Palm Beach, FL. This intro leads to the masterfully written article which follows that Richard put together describing our week in Arizona.

Auction Week in Scottsdale Jan 2011

If you have never been to the Scottsdale car auctions and have any interest in cars and beautiful January weather, put it on your 2012 list of resolutions to keep. OK, it competes at about the same time with Key West Race Week if you are a sailor, or the annual Ferrari Cavallino track and show event in West Palm Beach, Florida if you are dazzled by the best of Maranello but Scottsdale is one of a kind event.

My friend, Tom Marinshaw of the PCA Diablo region near San Francisco, drove his 2001 black stealth 996TT to meet me at the Phoenix airport midday Wednesday January 19. Barrett-Jackson, the grand-daddy of all car auctions (it's really a car show as well) was mid way into its second day when we arrived there. We had obtained VIP passes thru a friend so we had full access to the grounds and stage to walk, admire, stare, and shake our heads in wonderment at the more than 1350 cars being offered on the market over a 6 day period. All are offered at no reserve so 100% of the cars are sold to in-house bidders or internet interests. Typically the first few days and odd hours offer the best of lower potential valued cars of all makes and models from classics to imports to rods to pick-up trucks and accessories. I suspect most of you reading this have at least seen the continuous coverage live on Speed channel.

As we entered the huge Main tent which is 50% full of customs cars, accessories, manufacturers goodies, food and beverages I listened and watched on a big screen as a pristine black on black 1979 Porsche 930 Turbo with 52,720 miles on it, was hammered down at \$29.7k, including the buyers commission. This seemed to be at or below market offers and a quick up close visual inspection showed this to be a well maintained PCA club member's car. Being a turbo owner (89 and 94 editions), I didn't know whether to laugh or cry. Later a pretty but supercharged 2001 996 coupe sold at less than \$30k and it too seemed like a reasonable deal for those willing to chance a modified car. Later in the week a 1985 red Euro turbo slant nose cabriolet with only 31,000 miles sold for \$35.2k including buyer's commission.

Older restored 50's and 60's pickup trucks with crate engines in them seem to have become popular over the past several years with many sold in the \$40k range. I had to sit on my hands while a beautiful 1990 white Ferrari Testarossa with the famous 12 cylinder boxer engine and 16k miles went to a new owner for \$51.7k, far below its older multi-million dollar valued cousins. The Testarossa and its newer cousin the 512TR were made in fairly large quantity (almost 2000) by Ferrari so supply is no issue versus demand for the problematic and costly maintenance of these cars.

Thursday we had scheduled a visit to Vivid Racing Company, a Porsche tuner and internet sales company prior to heading over to the RM auction. They had several Porsches on racks getting upgrades, including a 2001 C4S adding turbos and other horsepower goodies. Custom fit headers and exhausts and other bolt-on modifications are all done locally. We were on a tour of the shop and noticed a fad which

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developed in California called “wrapping”. In the shop was a formerly yellow F360 Ferrari “wrapped” completely in a carbon fiber look cover of vinyl made by 3M. Next to it was an olive green BMW M5 wrapped in this same carbon fiber look vinyl. Both looked very stealth and “carbon fiber” light but it was only a cover wrap which can be removed easily or changed without hurting the original paint. I guess it is all a matter of taste and certainly better than the cost of the “real thing” but not my style.

From Vivid Racing we “turboed” over to the RM auction at the Phoenix Biltmore, our favorite auction from the previous year. This was awesome and separates the real money from the amateurs. Buyers were checking out cars with flashlights, verifying cars histories, making notes to set their own bid expectations, etc. Many cars seem to return to RM over the years.

Our day and night there featured British cars while the next day all others were offered. Louisville’s Adam Burckle had his very rare Healey Silverstone there which sold for \$192k including commission. I spoke to him afterward and he was very pleased. It gives him room in his garage to work on his Maserati 3500. An original and US titled red 959 Porsche was there and sold for \$300k, about 25% below what the seller had hoped but still a nice investment return. My favorite, a 1984 512BBi Ferrari, the Testarossa predecessor, sold for \$88k with buyer’s commission, slightly below market in my view. Also of note was a pristine 1994 red 964 Speedster which sold for \$71.5k. Several well done 356 Cabriolets went for strong prices as well.

On Friday, we went to Evolution Motorsports, also a well known Porsche tuner. The TV show Supercar Challenge recently had Tanner Faust drive an Evo tuned twin turbo Audi R8 against an Evo tuned 997 Porsche turbo driven by Indy car racer, Paul Tracy. Both cars reportedly had around 850HP. The Porsche blew away the Audi although both were built by Evo. Paul Tracy exclaimed it was the fastest car he had ever driven while Tanner Faust pouted that something was awry with the supposed equality. Later Evo put the 997 on its dyno and it indicated slightly over 1500HP! They had several cars (Porsche Twin Turbos and GT2’s) in their extremely clean shop getting HP upgrades from 750 to 1000HP. They do beautiful work and make most components in their own tooling shop. To get a stock 997 TT to 1000HP is approximately \$125k. And, they had done quite a few of them, with more in line.

After leaving the impressive Evolution Motorsport shop we drove to the Bob Bondurant Driving School and track. This is quite a large facility. Bob was doing hot laps with a customer in a ZR1, several of which were on loan from Corvette for “stress” testing. They are in process of changing out several C-6 Vettes to GS editions and CTS-V Cadillac’s for newer Camaros. They offer 40% discounts in the summer (120F) and in the three day course they will tech your car so you can jump from their car to yours on the 3rd day. We put this on our maybe list for later contemplation.

From Bondurant’s school we traveled over to the Russo and Steele auction. This 5 day affair with over 600 cars was the one whose main tent was destroyed in a windstorm last year, damaging several hundred cars. Everyone was highly complimentary of the way it was handled by both Russo and Hagerty Insurance, a primary sponsor of the event. While a different clientele than RM, the crowd was no less enthusiastic for the cars being offered. My favorite was a yellow 1973 Porsche IROC recreation of George Follmers #4 race car. This was a true race car and perfect in every detail. Having a clone of an IROC built on a 1975 Carrera tub, this replica was unbelievable in its originality and look. I missed it going over the block and the results of the auction haven’t been posted as I write this. One of our friends had his well done TR3A sell at Russo for \$37.5k with the help of two colorful ladies he had offered the keys to drive it on the floor. I figure he made \$10k with that kind gesture.

On Saturday we decided it was our final day of auctions and attended the second day of the Gooding Company auction. Serious collectors and serious cars were being sold there. Frequently you would hear the English auctioneer open bidding for “a million” and several hands would shoot in the air. A beautiful Porsche 904 GTS went to a new home for \$1.04M, a Ferrari FXX one of 30 built (Cousin to the Enzo) sold for \$2.01M, a 1969 Porsche 911S for \$121k, a 1988 Porsche Cabriolet Turbo slant nose for \$52.8k while a black Carrera GT was hammered at \$352k.

Several auctions, notably Barrett-Jackson and Russo and Steele continued thru mid afternoon on Sunday. My flight back to Nashville left at 5PM and as we were well auctioned out, we stayed at the house to watch the football playoffs but with car stories to last another year.

As I read the wrap-ups of the week, a sort of economic watchdog for the year of car sales, media **Page 15**

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reported a preliminary sales total of \$157 million. 81% or 2325 cars were sold thru although Barrett Jackson is a no reserve auction and makes up more than half the total throughput.

My preference in auctions for quality of cars and serious buying clients ranks Gooding Company the best followed closely by RM. Barrett-Jackson and Russo and Steele are in a different league yet both have great cars but a much larger spectator and carnival atmosphere then the latter. We did not get out to the Silver Auction house so I cannot judge their operation.

One thing for certain, if you are thinking of purchasing a classic or exotic at an auction, do your research beforehand, set your limit and let opportunities pass you by if necessary. The professional bidders are well rehearsed at this although even they get into emotional bidding at times. Amy Lassiter on the Barrett-Jackson stage can be subtly convincing with rival bidders.

Many car owners stay close to their vehicles, polishing and arranging literature and are very happy to show you their car and talk about its history before it rolls up on the block. Great opportunities do exist at these soirees so it is well worth the effort to attend and enjoy the week!

Pictures furnished by Tom Marinshaw





LOT # 434

Barrett-Jackson

1985 PORSCHE 911 CABRIOLET



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And the Winners Are:

At the recent Diablo Region Awards dinner, the 2010 awards were handed out to the following members:

Best Social Event: Bocci Ball **PAULA CIOYPK**

Best Tour—Feather River Tour **KEN WU**

Enthusiastic Family of the Year **WALT & JACQUIE LIETZ**

Enthusiast of the Year **PATRICK SCHMIDT**

Rookie of the Year **BRIAN ADKINS**

Sponsor of the Year **KAHLERS**

President's Award for Outstanding Achievement **KAY MALOY**

Vice President's Award for Outstanding Contribution **WARREN GARDNER**

Directors' Award for Program of the Year **DE PROGRAM**

John Clever Award **FRANK & JOAN DURAN**

Phtography Contest Award **KEN WU**



Congratulations to you all!!

Hope to see your name here next year!



Award Dinner Pictures From Ken Wu



Buffet Spread provided by Strizzis



Lots of members on the big screen. Fun to watch while we ate.



Guest Speaker: Manni Viana from Porsche of Livermore



The Diablo Region's contribution to Camp Taylor Inc. The young man receiving the check is Taylor with his mom at his side.

More Award Dinner Pictures



Enthusiast of the Year—Patrick Schmidt



Enthusiastic Family of the Year—Walt & Jacquie Lietz



John Clever Award—Frank and Joan Duran



Program of the Year—Driver Education (Luis Soler)



Sponsor of the Year—Kahlers (Munesh Reddy, Owner)



**President's Award for Outstanding Achievement
Kay Maloy**

More Award Dinner Pictures



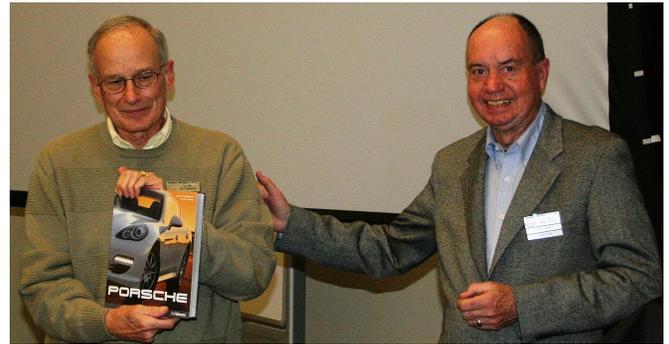
Tour of the Year—Feather River (Ken Wu)



Photography Contest Award—Ken Wu



Membership Chair Doug Wiebe and his wife



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Castle Air Museum Tour

April 9, 2011



Where: Castle Air Museum, Castle Airport, Atwater, California
(Atwater is several miles south of Modesto on Highway 99.)

Cost: \$5/person for Guided Tour.
ENTRANCE FEES: Adults: \$10.00, Seniors (60 & up): \$8.00

Meet in the parking lot at **Marie Callander's** at **9:30 AM sharp** on Saturday, April 9th. We will leave at 10:00 AM.

There are over 40 restored aircraft on the museum grounds that encompass flying history from WWII to the present. The outdoor exhibits sit on 11 acres of land and are complimented by the Indoor Museum which houses a fascinating collection of memorabilia including Army Air Corps and Air Force uniforms and military momentos. A gift shop features a unique collection of aircraft books, videos, and souvenirs. The aircraft include:

- B-25 "Mitchell" bomber (30 seconds over Tokyo)
- B-29 "Superfortress" bomber (and 2 variants: B-50 and KC-97)
- B-2 "Vulcan" bomber (not the stealth! This one is British from the Falklands and James Bond's "Thunderball")
- F-101 "Voodoo" fighter (a 1950s design that went Mach 2 plus)
- F-105 "Thunderchief" fighter/bomber (the legendary "Thud")
- F-80C "Shooting Star" (first operational U.S. jet fighter)
- RB-36 "Peacemaker" bomber (simply the biggest)
and . . .
- SR-71 "Blackbird" reconnaissance aircraft (faster than a speeding bullet: 3,500 feet per second or greater, all titanium)
plus many, many others.

For additional information visit <http://www.elite.net/castle-air/index.htm>.

Some details:

- Route maps will be distributed on the 9th.
- Late lunch or dinner location TBD and is not hosted.

RSVP to Dan Spisak at dspisak9@comcast.net by March 15th.



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Super Bowl Party 2011



For all you sports fans who were unable to attend another fantastic Super Bowl party at the Lietz's, we have a few pictures. There were over 45 members in attendance and an abundance of food fit for the best of football parties.

There is a party every year, so mark your calendars for the 46th Super Bowl happening in 2012.



Some "fans" are actually watching the game!



More of those "enthusiastic" football fans.



Three lucky Pool winners! Ted, Walt, Brian



Big WINNER!! Way to go Brian!



Generations attending the Super Bowl



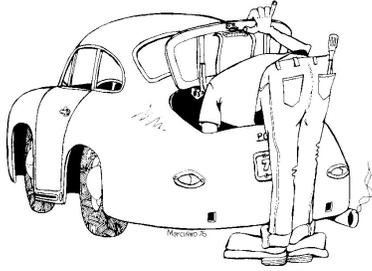
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Tech Know How

We are starting a new section for our members to submit any technical questions they are anxious to know the answers to, but don't know where to ask or are too shy/embarrassed to ask.

The questions will be answered by Manni Viana, the Service Manager from the Livermore Porsche dealership.

So, submit your questions to Kay Maloy at editor-diablo-pca@comcast.net by the 15th of each month. Remember, all members can benefit from the knowledge and as always, **NO QUESTION IS STUPID!**



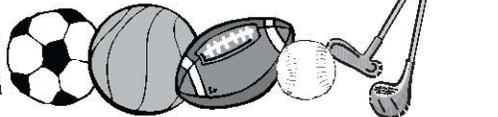
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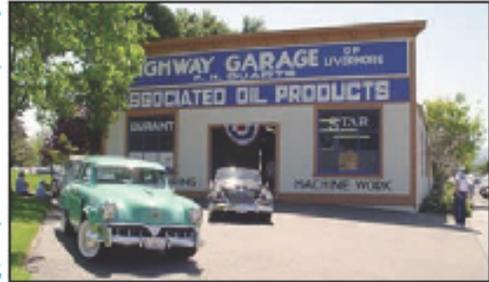
PCA Diablo to Livermore Valley Tour

When: Sunday, April 17, 2011

Time: 10AM

Where: The Paddock in The Livery in Danville

Tour Logistics: There will be a driving tour from The Livery to Duarte Garage in Livermore. The Duarte Garage was established in 1915 and is a local, hidden historical gem.



Then there will be a drive to a local Livermore restaurant (Café Garre), located at Garre Vineyard & Winery for lunch. Look forward to tasting some Mediterranean inspired cuisine. And an opportunity for a self-guided wine tasting of a plethora of fine wines. <http://www.garrewinery.com/>



There will be door prizes and of course, the usual Diablo Camaraderie.

Cost: \$10 per car.

**RSVP by April 11 to: Frank Duran at
925-933-8817 fjnduran@sbcglobal.net**

OR

**Bill Packwood at 925-262-8129
914GT1@sbcglobal.net**

DIRECTIONS:

- Meet at The Paddock, 400 Sycamore Valley West at The Livery.
- 10AM: Depart The Livery and proceed East on Sycamore Valley Road (becomes Tassajara) approx. 9 miles.
- 9 mi – Turn LEFT onto Highland Road (Stay LEFT at the fork towards Livermore).
- 14 mi – Turn LEFT onto Manning Road (becomes N. Livermore Ave.) and proceed under 580.
- 19 mi – Turn RIGHT on Portola Ave; drive approximately one (1) block to Duarte Garage (corner Portola Ave at North L St.); parking in back.
- After garage tour proceed on Livermore Ave South (becomes Tesla Road) to lunch destination.
- 25 mi – Café Garre' 7986 Tesla Road.

Food & Friends

Can't get to a scheduled Diablo Region event, but still want to mingle with and get to know the other members? Try to attend one of the weekly Saturday Breakfasts at Marie Callenders in Walnut Creek. The group meets at about 8AM at 1101 at S. California Blvd. Sometimes there is an impromptu drive afterwards.

There is also a monthly dinner held the 3rd Thursday of each month at Strizzis restaurant at 3456 Camino Tassajara in Danville. The group meets at 6:30.

Great food and great people!! What more could you ask for! Make it a New Year Resolution to come to at least one foodie gathering soon.

Pleasanton Saturday Breakfast

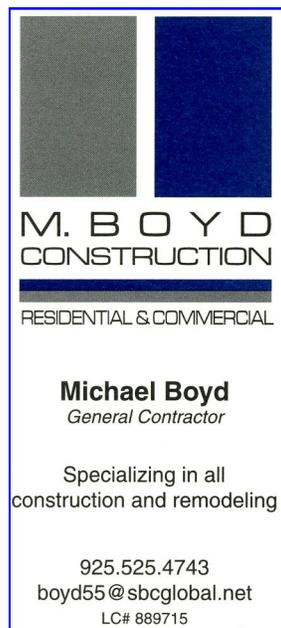
If you can't get up in time to get to the Saturday morning breakfast at Marie Callender's in Walnut Creek, drive over to Pleasanton and join a few hungry members at Vic's All Star Kitchen. We meet each month on the 2nd Saturday at 8:30AM.

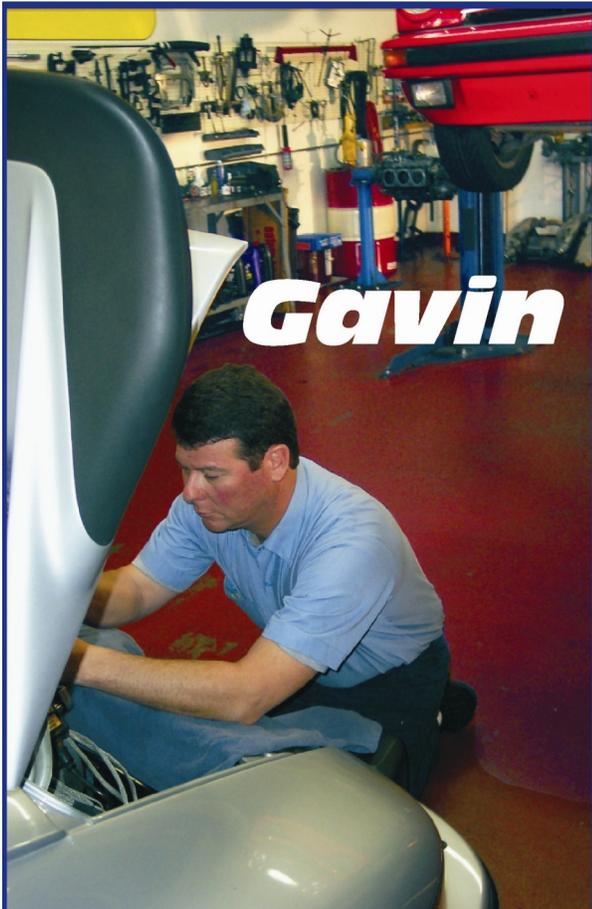
A special **THANK YOU** to Gunter Feldmeier for treating the members in attendance at the February breakfast. We all appreciate his ongoing support and that of Porsche of Fremont.

The next breakfast is scheduled for March 12th. We hope to see you there. Vic's is located at 201 Main Street, Pleasanton. We have tables reserved in the backroom. Check directions at:

<http://www.vicsallstar.com/about.htm>.

Please RSVP to Ira Madnick at: imadnick@sbcglobal.net so we can get a good headcount. See you there!!



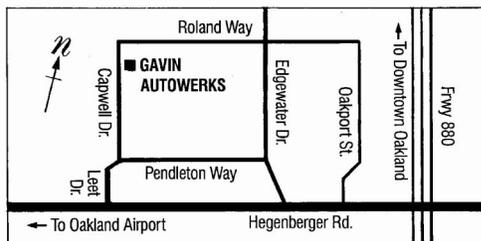


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Hot Topics From Kay

There are a few events coming up that need advanced reminders so you can check your calendars and ensure that you can attend.

- The annual Wash 'N Shine is scheduled to take place on Sunday, May 29th. This is always a great place to show off your car and to see many other spectacular Porsches in one location.
- Porsche Escape to Flagstaff, AZ is scheduled for September 15-18. You won't be able to register until April 20th.
- There will be additional DE events that Diablo will participate with Golden Gate Region. Be alert for blasts that will give you the details.
- Don't forget to submit your tech questions to me for publication and to get the answers you are looking for.
- Remember that all members are invited to attend the monthly Board meetings. The March Board meeting will be held at the Brass Door on the 2nd Tuesday (March 8) at 7PM. Most members meet at 6:30 to grab a quick bite before the meeting begins.

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