# The devil's Advocate

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## Ed's Comments By Ed Won, President Diablo PCA

Hello Diablo Enthusiasts!

Spring has sprung in a big way. The last drives were an absolute sellout with a run to Canepa, Thanks Marc! (Group 2 is this month) and the Crab run to Half Moon Bay, Thanks Anton! We had two full runs with about 70 folks total!

I also just came back from our March track day at Thunderhill, and it has got to be one of the best track days I have been to ever! We had 97 participants on the 5 mile course! We had Diablo Instructors, GGR instructors, other PCA region instructors, HOD help, track photographer, help from the DE team and various Diablo volunteers. And also once again, sponsorship support from Michael Stead Porsche. It all came together great! Thank you to Adam our DE chair!!

Looking ahead, the Filoli tour and Moss Beach tour are almost underway, thank you Ingrid and Susan! Although I can't make those tours, I'm real anxious to see the pictures and the great time on those tours. Besides tours, Kay has her bocce ball game which always produces a great time. And she's also putting together this year's CIA tour.

I'll have a few coming up myself. I'm working with Diablo member, Mike Corriston, on arranging for a display and drive at the Blackhawk Cars and Coffee. More details to follow in eblasts. I'm also working on this year's joint Mercedes Club First Sunday drive for the first Sunday in July. This year Diablo will lead the drive in the North Bay. And again, Diablo will drive down to Mammoth and visit with other PCA regions for a fun filled relaxing 3 day weekend!

I'll put out details in the next few weeks.

In just a few short months, it'll be Wash n Shine time! Dust off your ride and show them your pride and joy. If you would like to volunteer please email our Vice President Brian Adkins, who kind of became the Marshall of the event, <a href="mailto:DiabloPCA.vicepresident@gmail.com">DiabloPCA.vicepresident@gmail.com</a>.

We have a lot in store for you in the upcoming months.

I hope to see you all soon.

#### **Ed** Won



#### Quick Notes From the Editor

### By Kay Maloy



Hey Everyone!

This past month was a very active month for Diablo Region. It seems that we are all ready to jump in our cars and hit the road. Weather doesn't even seem to be a deterrent.

I have a few items I would like to cover since I have your attention. I do have your attention, right?

- ◆ The "Other" Saturday breakfast needs a new location and host. Strizzi's (our current location) is changing their breakfast hours from 8am to 10am. We could do a brunch if you like to eat later. I am the current host, but have other activities on Saturday and will not be able to continue to be at all breakfast dates. Check your calendars and let me know if you are interested. <a href="mailto:maloykay@comcast.net">maloykay@comcast.net</a>
- Be sure to save the following dates and watch for eblasts announcing details:
  - ♦ 5/2 Blackhawk Coffee and Cars
  - ♦ 5/9 Thunderhill Backroads Tour
  - ♦ 6/27 CIA Tour
- Did you purchase a Porsche this year? We would love for you to show your "Porsche Pride" and show off your German beauty. Just take a photo (as if you haven't already taken a million), answer the following questions and forward via email to <a href="maloykay@comcast.net">maloykay@comcast.net</a>. We have many new members and would love to hear about your prized position.
  - ♦ Owner's Name
  - Date Purchased
  - ♦ Year &Type of Porsche
  - Outside Color
  - ◆ Interior Color
  - Transmission Type
  - Other Comments (why did you purchase, is it your first, anything you want to share)
- Finally, I would love to have any articles that you would like to write and have published in the Advocate. Any exciting/unusual trips you have taken, interesting tips we could all benefit from or anything on your mind.
- I would also like to extend an invitation out to our membership to see if there is anyone who would like to be Co-Editor and handle newsletter design or publication of the monthly Advocate. Just let me know or contact me with any questions.

Hope to see you all at many of the exciting events coming up soon.

TaTa for now,

Kay

# 2015 Quarterly Event Calendar

#### APRIL

4/4 FIOLI TOUR—INGRID

4/11 MOSS BEACH TOUR—SUSAN/CAROL

4/18 BOCCE BALL-KAY

4/25 CANEPA TOUR-MARC

#### MAY

5/2 BLACKHAWK CARS & COFFEE W/LUNCH TOUR—ED/MIKE 5/9 THUNDERHILL BACKROADS TOUR—CARLOS 5/24 WASH 'N SHINE

TBD AUTOCROSS & TOUR—BRIAN & MALCOM

#### JUNE

6/19-6/21 MAMMOTH LAKES JOINT TOUR-ED 6/27 - CIA TOUR-KAY

#### Monthly Events:

• Walnut Creek Breakfast: Every Saturday

7:30am

Buttercup Pantry, 660 Ygnacio Valley Blvd., Walnut Creek

Pleasanton Breakfast: 2nd & 4th Saturday

8:30am

NEXT DATE AND LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED

Board Meeting: 2nd Monday

7pm

12893 Alcosta Blvd., San Ramon

Monthly Dinner: 3rd Thursday

6:30pm

Faz, 600 Hartz Ave., Danville





# "Half Moon Bay Tour" Hosted By Susan George

Let's discover the mystery of the Moss Beach Distillery and enjoy wine tasting at Barterra Winery

DATE: Saturday, April 11, 2015

TIME: 9am (or earlier if you want to have breakfast) Drivers' meeting at 9am

and we leave at 9:15am sharp

LOCATION: IHOP, 4567 First Street, Livermore, CA 94568 (925)-606-8887

TOUR: We will take Hwy 84 through Livermore, Niles Canyon, across the Dumbarton Bridge, through Woodside, La Honda to Hwy 1 and head north to Moss Beach Distillery, 140 Beach Way, Moss Beach, CA. A pit stop is planned along the way.

Lunch at the Moss Beach Distillery, haunted by the "blue" lady. Our seating is in a private room overlooking the ocean and beach. Lunch is 12:00—2:00pm.

Menu choices: 1) fish 'n chips, 2) veggie quesadilla, 3) burger and fries 4) chicken Caesar salad or 5) Bowl of Clam Chowder with Bread.

Our driving tour will finalize at Barterra Winery, 643 Main St, Half Moon Bay at 2:15 p.m.

COST: Lunch: \$36.50 pp, tax, tip, soft drinks, tea and coffee included.

Wine tasting, \$10 pp. Free angled street parking.

#### ENJOY THE HALF MOON BAY SHOPS AFTER!

REGISTRATION: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pca-diablo-half-moon-bay-tour-tickets-15884825942

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS APRIL 1ST

For questions, please contact Susan George at (925)-784-6637 or sgeorge12@comcast.net.

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### **Monthly Dinner**

Join us on the 3rd Thursday of each month to enjoy the company of Diablo Region members and have a good meal.

**Where: Faz Restaurant** 

**600 Hartz Avenue** 

**Danville** 

Time: 6:30pm

Next Dinner: April 16, 2015

Food and Fun is always a great combo!







#### It's Bocce Ball Timell

Saturday, April 18, 2015

Players and Cheerleaders are all welcome to sign up and join in the fun!

Don't miss the most competitive event of the year. Come join us for another fun evening at Campo di Bocce in Livermore.

3:00—4:15 pm - Private Barrel Room tasting at Rubino Estate Winery They will be offering reserve wines, barrel tasting and light snacks. A 10% discount will be available for any

wine purchases made.

4:30—6:00 pm - Bocce Ball at Campo di Bocce (Extended time)

6:00-7:30 pm -Italian Family Style Dinner - includes Salad, two Pasta dishes (one meatless),

dessert platter and non-alcoholic beverages.

Cost: Wine Tasting \$10 per person (waived for Gem members) Pay at the winery

Bocce Ball and Dinner - \$47 per person.

To Register: <a href="https://eventbrite.com/event/15954276671/2">https://eventbrite.com/event/15954276671/2</a>

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m term=eventurl text

Questions: Contact Kay Maloy at maloykay@comcast.net or call 510-410-1481

Deadline: April 7, 2015

SIGN UP SOON!

#### Note:

Want to know more about the game of Bocce ball?

Check out this link:

www.campodibocce.com/livermore/bocce/index.html







Experience the open roads and breathtaking scenery of The Eastern High Sierra in your Porsche with other Porsche enthusiasts.

When: Friday June 19, Saturday June 20 and Sunday June 21, 2015

Who: All PCA members, all Regions invited.

Where: Mammoth Lakes, CA. in the scenic Eastern High Sierra www.visitmammoth.com

Registration: There is no registration or fees. This is a "pay as you go" event.

#### Lodging:

1. Lodging has been arranged at Juniper Springs Resort at a group discounted rate of \$119.00 per night plus 13% TAX and a \$20 resort fee (per night) same as the last 5 years. You can make reservations by calling1-800-626-684 (1-800 MAMMOTH) and referencing "Porsche Club of America" booking #20398.

These are beautiful 1 bedroom (sleeps 4) condominiums with full kitchens, dining area, fire place and private balconies. Resort amenities include, heated pool, sauna, Jacuzzi, weight/work-out room, BBQ and underground private parking. Www.mammothmountain.com click on lodging and then click on Juniper Springs Resort (JSR).

2. Lodging has also been arranged at The Westin Monache Resort at a reduced group rate of \$159.00 (deluxe studio suite) per night plus 13% TAX. The resort fee of \$25 (per night) has been waived. Reservations can be made by calling 1-888-627-8154 or 1-760-934-0454 referencing Mammoth Porsche Tour or e-mail micaela.castranova@westinmammoth.com. www.westin.com/mammoth

The Westin Monache Resort is located in the middle of town, within walking distance to The Village. These are also individual beautiful condominiums with full kitchen, dining room, fireplace and balconies. Resort amenities include: heated pool, Jacuzzi, weight/work-out room BBQ, underground parking. The White Bark restaurant and bar.

For more details on the events for the three days, go to: http://www.mammothporschetour.com

If you have any questions, comments or concerns please feel free to email me at: Coronado@npgcable.com.

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# Porsche Club of America - Diablo Region 31st Annual Porsche Wash & Shine CAR SHOW





# Memorial Day Weekend, Sunday, May 24, 2015

Livery Shopping Center, 400 Sycamore Valley Rd West, Danville Registration begins at 8AM. Show Starts at 10AM, Awards at 1PM

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Best "Theme" (Decoration / car & driver other) & Coolest of the Cool

**SHOW CLASS** (Voted on by fellow participants)

Pre-Register at EventBrite <u>www.eventbrite.com</u> Complete info and pay \$25 Or Late registration (after Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup>) & on Event Day, \$30 Entry Fee

For Latest Wash 'N Shine Info: <a href="http://diablo-pca.org">http://diablo-pca.org</a>
Brian Adkins 510-695-5030 DiabloPCA.VicePresident@gmailcom

## Saturday Breakfasts

Diablo Region offers members a choice when it comes to breakfast on Saturdays. What a great way to start the day!!

There is a breakfast gathering EVERY SATURDAY in Walnut Creek.

Where: Buttercup Pantry

660 Ygnacio Valley Road Walnut Creek, CA 94596

located between N. Broadway and N. Civic Drive.

Time: 7:30am





Another choice would be to attend breakfast in Pleasanton on the 2ND AND 4TH SATURDAYS

Where: TBD

Time: 8:30am

Next Scheduled Breakfast: TBD (April 11TH AND April 25TH)

Fun way to get to know your fellow Diablo members and find out what is happening or coming up. There are even spontaneous drives that happen. Wear your name tag and join the fun!



## BREAKFAST HOST AND LOCATION WANTED

For the month of April, we need a host and location for the Tri-Valley Saturday Breakfast. Strizzi's has changed their breakfast hours to 10am.

If you are interested, please contact Kay Maloy at <u>maloykay@comcast.net</u> or 510-410-1481.

# 2015 Diablo Proposed Activities Calendar

January	July
1/17 – Go Carts-Brian/Malcom	7/5 – Mercedes Tour-Ed
	775 - Welcedes Tour-Lu
1/25- Blackhawk Awards Luncheon- Elsie/Ingrid	
February	August
2/1- Super Bowl Party-Walt	8/1- Virginia City Tour-Jerry Antolik
2/28 – Movie Night-Brian	8/10-8/16-Monterey Auto Week
	8/14 – Werks
	8/29 – Wine Tour-Ted/Diane
	8/30 – Annual Picnic
March	September
3/7- Canepa Tour-Marc/Ted	9/13 – Orinda Car Show
3/22- Half Moon Bay Crab Tour-Anton	9/19 – Cheese Tour-Nancy
3/27 – Thunderhill DE	9/20 – Danville 'd Elegance
	9/25-9/27—Rennsport V
	TBD – Thunderhill DE
	TBD - Rock 'n Weekend-Anton
April	October
4/4 — Filoli Tour-Ingrid	10/17- Russian River Tour-Susan/Carol
4/11- Moss Beach Tour-Susan/Carol	10/25 – Grand Island Mansion Tour-Frank/Joan
4/18 – Bocce Ball-Kay	TBD - Zone 7 Concours-Livermore Porsche
4/25 – Canepa Tour-Marc/Ted	
May	November
5/2 Blackhawk Cars & Coffee w Lunch Tour-Ed	11/14- Planning Party
5/9- Thunderhill Backroads Tour-Carlos	11/15 - Paso Robles-Bob
5/24- Wash 'N Shine	11/24- Laguna Seca Raceway DE
TBD – Autocross & Tour-Brian/Malcom	
June	December
6/19-6/21 Mammoth Lakes Joint Tour-Ed	12/12- Christmas Party-Bob/Cristi
6/27 – CIA Tour-Kay	

#### **Half Moon Bay Crab Feed Tour**

Even if it was a drizzly Sunday morning, two separate groups of hungry Diablo members gathered at Blackhawk Plaza ready for an enjoyable ride to Half Moon Bay for lunch. It was a great turnout and a total sellout for Anton Girande's first tour.

The groups gathered following two separate time schedules to allow for staggered lunches once the destination was reached. Each group followed the same route on Highway 84 through Woodside and La Honda to Highway One. Then headed North to Princeton for the sweetest and freshest crab ever at the Princeton Seafood Company. Imagine about 30 plus cars in each group cruising along the winding roads. Gorgeous rhythms in the curves was a wonderful sight.

The staff at the Princeton Seafood Company were so organized and efficient and made sure we all had lots of luscious crab to feast on and anything else we needed. They are certainly worthy of another visit.

Check out some pictures from Eugene Wong and Ed Won.



Shot of Group Two Getting Ready to Roll



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## Seventy Years Behind the Wheel

#### By Jack Carpenter

Although I finished last month's semi-chronological column with the purchase of my 1st sports car in 1952, I would like to back up to my second sports car race date the same year. The event was Torrey Pines Road Races held a little north of San Diego.



Every road race has a number of turns that if you don't negotiate them properly you will not only find yourself off course, but possibly into a barricade, fence, hay bale, bunch of tires or even a concrete wall. Torrey Pines was unique, because if you missed a turn there, you might end up in the Pacific Ocean after a fifty to one hundred foot free fall.

One of the other things unique about this race was that it introduced the sports car crowd to L A. Porsche Dealer and up-coming race car driver, John Von Neumann. It didn't take long for John to show the crowd that cubic inches were not the only factor in winning road races. He not only had the latest cars from Porsche, but he and his shop came up with some very competitive specials using Porsche components. John went on to make a name for himself up and down the Pacific Coast as well as outside the U. S. Mornings he might win the under 1500 cc race in one of his Porsches. Later in the day he might have similar results in one of his Ferrari's.

Getting back to my more mundane MG TD, with its 1250 cc engine putting out an astonishing 52 HP, my Dad and I got ourselves over to the BMC Dealership on San Francisco's Van Ness Avenue one Saturday morning to pick up my car. Kjell Qvalle owned the dealership then as he did until last year when he died at age 94. Kjell was not only a very well-known Automobile Activist, but was also well known as a horse breeder and racer. You might say he looked at horsepower from more than one viewpoint.

One thing Kjell shared with one of the most important people in my background was his induction into the San Francisco Sports Car Club of America HALL OF FAME as an Inaugural Inductee on June 10, 2006. I'm of course referring to Jan's Father and my Father in-law, Marty Illgen. I always kid Jan that I married her for her folks, but even she can see the logic in that statement. SCCA and the Racing Drivers Club have put on a four hour induro race for the last 30 years in November called the "Illgen Classic" It has rotated from Laguna to Sears Point to Thunderhill and back to Laguna. Margaret and Marty were two of the hardest working, well liked volunteers in SCCA and had worked almost every job from Race Chairman to Flagman for Marty and from Chief of Registration to phone worker for Margaret. They were also the first to arrive at a race and quite often the last to leave.

I find it very hard not to wander while putting this bit together, so I will return to picking up and driving home the MG from SF. Our first stop after crossing the Bay Bridge was Smiths Men's store on Broadway in Oakland.

Our big purchase was two men's British wool, snap down visor caps. We returned to the MG, folded down the windscreen and made sure we were wearing our sun glasses and new caps. We then headed into the Oakland hills back roads on the longest possible route to Castro Valley. With fifteen more miles to go in beautiful sunny weather, the MG coughed and quit. As some of you may know, early MG's did not have a gas gauge, only a warning light that was supposed to come on when you were down to a gallon or so. I found a long straight branch by the side of the road and inserted it in the tank opening that was between the back of the body and the spare tire. Needless to say my improvised gas gauge came out dry. While my dad, also named Jack, stayed with the car, I took off hitch hiking for Castro Valley. After I found a station and a gas can, I reversed the process and

headed back to the car managing to get there before dark. Any of us who have owned British or Italian cars are familiar with Lucas or Marelli electrical components. In this case my first problem with Lucas was a burnt out globe.

Hope to see many of you next month on May 2nd at the WC Library. Details can be found in this issue of the Advocate.

Best Regards,

Jack





## **Welcome New Members!!**

Primary Members: 749
Affiliate Members: 419
Total Members: 1168

	NEW MEMBERS			
Brown, Matt	2015 911 GT3, Sapphire Blue			
Galizia, Thomas	2014 911 Carrera S Cabriolet, Basalt Black			
Gruell, Philip	2015 911 Carrera GTS, Jet Black Metallic			
Hoyt, Brian	2008 911 Carrera S			
Infante, Afonso	2011 911 Turbo S Cabriolet, Black			
Licup, Edgar	2015 911 GT3, White			
Luecht, Phil	2015 911 GT3, White			
Mederds, John	2009 911 Carrera S Cabriolet, Silver			
Pritchard, Blair	2008 911 Carrera S, Black			
TOTAL:9				
TRANSFERS IN				
Montgomery, Barry F. <i>Transfer from Northeast (NE)</i>	1978 911 SC			
TOTAL: 1				

# OPEN INVITATION TO ALL BAY AREA PCA MEMBRS A SPECIAL GERMAN PORSCHE FACTORY AND MUSEUM NARRATED SLIDE SHOW. PRESENTED BY JACK CARPENTER, TWO TERM PAST PRESIDENT OF DIABLO REGION

Jack and his wife of 59 years, Jan, recently returned from four weeks in Germany where they visited and photographed a large portion of our favorite car places including: The Prototype Museum in Hamburg [80% Porsche related], The Autostadt in Wolfsburg [VW Headquarters], featuring a NEW PORSCHE PAVILION, The BMW WERK'S / MUSEUM in Munich and the new PORSCHE MUSEUM IN STUTTGART. along with the 4000 acres of Porsche

Highlights in Leipzig., including many acres of Beautiful Black Angus grazing on green grass. Although this showing will primarily feature both old and new Porsches, many other cars, trucks and even Fire Engines can trace their roots to the Porsche Family. If you would like to be brought up to date on some of the latest Porsche happenings in Germany be sure and join us for this FREE event in Walnut Creek.

WHEN: Saturday, May 2nd, 2015

WHERE: Walnut Creek, Main Library, 1644 N. Broadway

TIME: 2 to 4 PM-ADMISSION: PCA Membership card.

PARKING: Covered parking in basement garage. One dollar per hour.

Should you wish to park and have a bite to eat before the show, there is a sandwich shop on the 1st Floor.

Maybe you have recently been to Germany and have seen some or all of the above facilities. In any case, bring a friend you enjoy traveling with and you just might get them to join you on your next visit.





#### Thunderhill DE

Did you feel the excitement in the air? I am sure it generated enough energy to send vibrations all the way to the East Bay. Surely, the ninety plus drivers and cars made enough noise to indicate all the fun and enthusiasm streaming from the paddock and classroom.

Compliments for the Diablo DE Program were flowing from all areas: other Regions, drivers, instructors, HOD support. Great job Adam and Team!! Big Thank You to our sponsor, Michael Stead Porsche!

Check out the pictures from Ed Won.





DE 101/102 Meeting with Adam leading the Troops.



Getting the Day Started in the Classroom



Lined Up and Ready for the Parade Lap





Peek at the Parade Lap



Debbie Riding the Parade Lap with Kelly





