



The devil's Advocate

August, 2011



This breathtaking view was taken in by the members below. Where were they?





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DIABLO REGION EVENT CALENDAR

AUGUST

Aug 19-21 > Pebble Beach Caravan

Aug 28 > Newcomer & Family Picnic

SEPTEMBER

Sep 10 > Pleasanton Breakfast Tour

Sep 24 > Who is Bosco Tour/Rally?

OCTOBER

Oct 1 > BBQ & John Place Tour

Oct 8 > Oktoberfest

Oct 22 > Castello di Amorosa Tour

Oct 27 > DE Thunderhill

NOVEMBER

Nov 6 > Diablo Football Tailgate

Nov 18 > Diablo PCA Planning Meeting

Nov 19 > SF Auto Show Tour

Nov 27 > SVR Tree Deco Potluck

DECEMBER

Dec 10 Folsom Outlets Shopping Tour

Dec 17 Holiday Potluck / Luminary Tour

JANUARY

Jan 22, 2012 > Black Hawk Museum Extravaganza

Check for details for events on the web site calendar at <http://diablo-pca.org/>

OTHER EVENTS

Sep 15-17 > PCA Escape—Flagstaff, AZ

Oct 15-16 17> Rensport



Words From Walt

By Walt Lietz

The month of July has flown by and Jacquie and I have missed more than our share of events. Our five year old grandson, Scott, is swimming and playing soccer so, just like 25 years ago, we are up to our water-wings in Saturday swim meets. They start early so we even missed a few Saturday morning breakfasts. See you all in August!.

Two important and related items need your attention this month. The Board has asked **Ingrid French**, **Tom Marinshaw**, and **Luis Soler** to be our Board of Directors Nominating Committee for 2012. There are four positions up for election in October and the committee will be asking you for candidates to fill these positions. Call me or one of the members of the committee if you are at all interested in serving on the board.

I think it is important to understand that as a board member you are expected to take on a significant role in running the club. There is a need for various chairpersons and of course tour leadership and event hosting are also needed. I have decided not to run for the Board this election so that the club can build more depth in its leadership ranks.

The club has lots of good news to report as well. The membership has broken the 1,000 member mark several months in a row. This means more money for the club from National and more members willing to attend events. Great work by **Doug Wiebe**, Membership Chairperson, has made this possible. Our July Treasurer's report is also very positive. The club's balance sheet is over \$1,000 positive and I want to thank **Kathy Soler** for all her work putting our finances in order.

August, September, and October are going to be big event months for the PCA. If you have never attended the Pebble Beach Concours and the six other car related events in and around Carmel by the Sea you should try it this year. Jacquie and I are leading a caravan down to Carmel on Friday, August 19. PCA National is putting on Legends of the Autobahn, a joint event with Mercedes and BMW. See our flyer for some of the other events. Just to be clear we are leading a caravan, not a tour. You need to make res-

ervations for the events you would like to attend as well as hotel reservations.

September means Escape 2011. PCA National is hosting a three day event in Flagstaff, Arizona starting on September 15. Members from all over the West Coast will be there but again reservations should have been made already. Jacquie and I will be attending and we hope to see you there.

October means Rennsport IV. This joint PCA National / Porsche of North America event is coming to the West Coast for the first time ever. This is the most prestigious gathering of Porsche race cars and race drivers from the past. It's being held at Laguna Seca Raceway and will be open to the public. Again reservations and lodging need to be made in advance.

Mark your calendars for our first Diablo Family & Newcomer Picnic on SUNDAY, August 28. Games, free food, and meeting other family members will be the order of the day, so bring family, friends, and the family SUV. You can leave the Porsche at home. We have many new members and hope you can join us for a fun filled day.

Our next Board of Directors meeting is on Monday, August 8, 6:30 pm, at The Brass Door in San Ramon. It is open to all members and we would like to see you attend.

As always - Have fun and drive safely!

Walt

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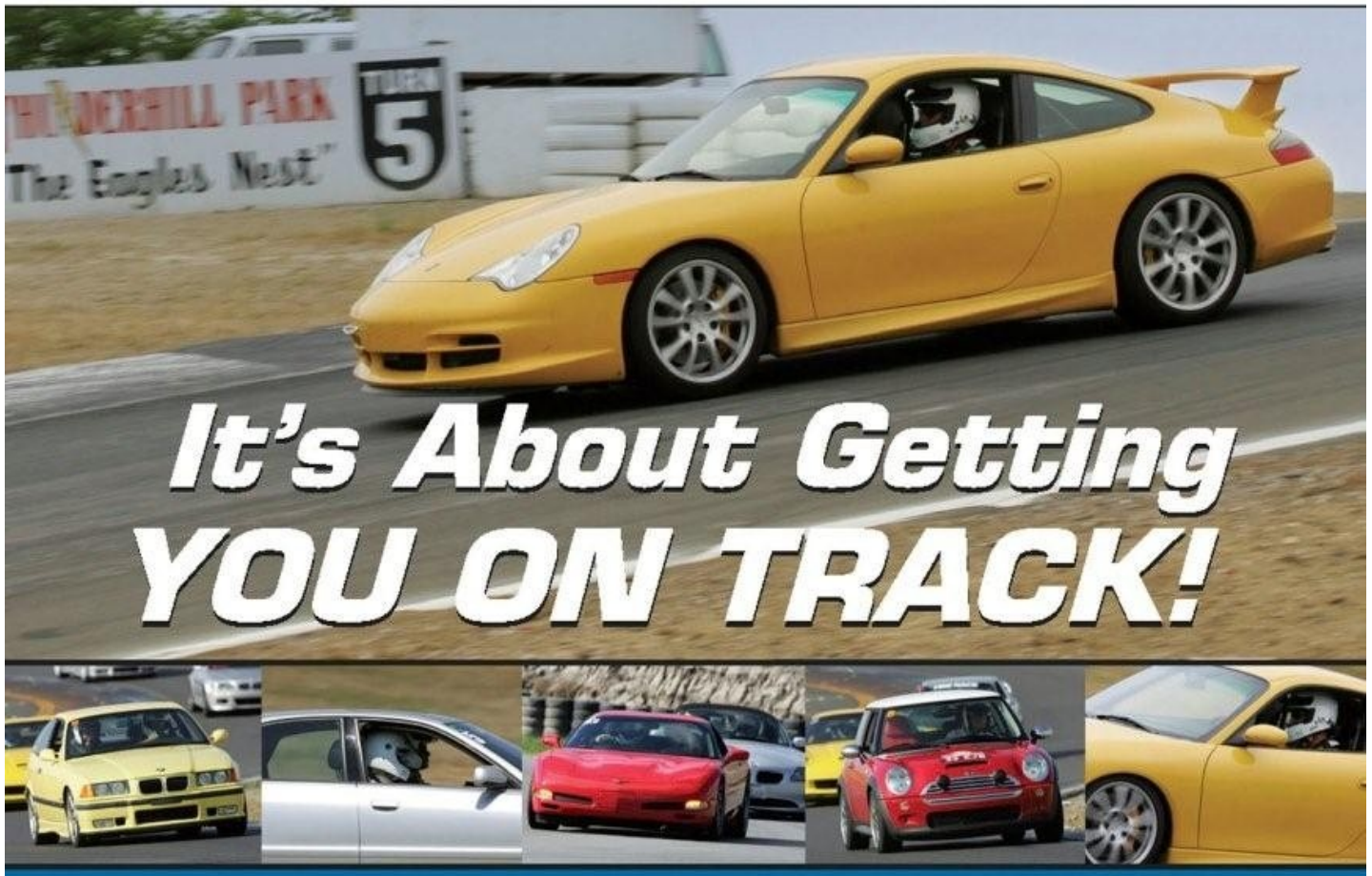


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Power, Efficiency and Performance

By Carlos Bocanegra

Power, efficiency and performance - I am fortunate to receive the Christophorus monthly magazine that reminds of these three words and that reminds me about how Porsche engineers have always approached their work with real passion. Obviously, if you even made it to the first sentence, you have passion and covet power, efficiency and performance. So, no real reminder needed – right? **Wrong.**

Diablo is one of the many regional clubs within the PCA. We give you social, technical and sometimes competitive things to do. Among the many things that is offered courtesy of a small cadre of 'volunteers' you have technical help, social events and our very own Wash and Shine (a variant of a concours event) – but we also do something special that very very very few take advantage of – Driver Education days (often misrepresented by the term Track Days).

We have had two DE days this year, the first Diablo only (open to all Porsche owners members or not) and a combined event with Golden Gate (GGR). Combined events may be the way to go in 2012. Why? These Diablo-only DE days are, unfortunately, money-losing events, but well worth it. We have another money losing event coming up in October. October 27th, a Thursday to be exact. Our ground school is in the form of present documents and a class just prior to the start of the DE event (8am -9am), a class everyone attends. Then we are off to drive in Expert, and Intermediate classes, while the beginners and novices attend further discussions of how to safely drive the track. Novices will get an assigned instructor or share an instructor.

We do enforce tech inspections for your safety, your car's safety and mine. These inspections are made available from our primary sponsor Porsche of Fremont and Kahler's automotive. I can say for a fact that this will be my last DE day as track chair and I want you to come out to Thunderhill to celebrate (not my going away).

I want you to celebrate your passion for power, efficiency and performance. The back road is not the place to celebrate, but do celebrate at Thunderhill Park (Willows, CA route 162). Just donate a little bit of rubber, prepare to drive at or more than highway speeds, use a tank full of gasoline, maybe part of an evening or maybe a few winks, \$175 to \$250, importantly come out and celebrate that you drive a Porsche.

The more of you or the more of us that come out to celebrate, the less expensive it will be and less of a money loser. So, start thinking and start reserving your spot – this could be the last Diablo only DE event. Also start thinking of how to decorate your car in the Halloween spirit – and don't let that car scare you. One final note, we are always limited on instructors and this program depends on novices that keep coming back and back. Do you want to know more? Contact me – Carlos Bocanegra at cb3234@prodigy.net

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**1st annual
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***Sunday, August 28, 2011,
11am to 3 pm***

Where?

- Emerald Glen Park Group Picnic Area
- 4300 Central Parkway, Dublin, CA, 94568
 - From 580E, take Santa Rita Rd. exit, left onto Tassajara Rd., left onto Central Parkway. Parking lot is on the right. Cross field to picnic area.

Food:

- Burgers, hot dogs, drinks provided.
- Pot luck – bring your favorite side dish!
- No alcohol allowed in park.

Activities:

- Bring the family and kids--children's playground and bocce ball courts nearby
- Join in the games; bring kites
- Restrooms, picnic tables, parking close by (short walk from parking area)
- Dogs on leashes allowed
- **RSVP #** coming by Aug. 21, 2011 to Elsie Lum (need head count for food!) ewklum@yahoo.com



New Members

New Members

Fuller, William J.	1986 911, Red
Hickey, W. P. Kim Hickey, Family Member (Affiliate)	2008 Cayman S, Red
Joe, Robert	1971 911, Red
McLeod, David G. Michele McLeod, Family Member (Affiliate)	2004 Carrera, Silver
Phillips, Scott D.	1995 993, Red
Taughinbaugh, James Cathy Taughinbaugh, Family Member (Wife)	2002 911, Silver
Topor, Stephen A.	2006 Carrera 4S, Gray

Total New Members: 7

New Transfer-In Members

Guglielmo, Kelly S. <i>Transfer from California Central Coast (CCC)</i>	2006 Carrera, Black
Hansford Dan L. <i>Transfer from Cal Inland (CAI)</i>	1965 356C, Black
LaBrie, Russel J. <i>Transfer from Cal Inland (CAI)</i>	2001 Boxster S, Gray
Mullick, Lorne J. <i>Transfer from California Central Coast (CCC)</i>	1976 911 S, White
Panero, Robert A. <i>Transfer from California Central Coast (CCC)</i>	2003 Boxster, Gray
Rousselle, Gerald <i>Transfer from California Central Coast (CCC)</i> <i>Meiling Yang, Affiliate Member</i>	2005 Cayenne, Silver

Total New Transfer-In Members: 6

Primary Members: 591
Affiliate Members: 418
Total Members: 1009



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Friday:	9am-8pm
Saturday:	9am-8pm
Sunday:	11am-7pm





JOIN US ON OUR CARAVAN TO CARMEL FOR A FUN FILLED WEEKEND AT PEBBLE BEACH!!! AUGUST 19—21

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

7 AM Meet for coffee at Starbucks (398 Hartz Ave) in Danville

7:15 AM Drive to Carmel By the Sea

9 AM Breakfast at The Cottage (on Lincoln between Ocean & 7th)

10 AM Head to Legends of the Autobahn car coral (\$30)
Sign up at legendsoftheautobahn.org

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

Evening dinner is being planned by Brian Adkins. Location to be announced.

OTHER EVENTS AVAILABLE FOR SIGN UP:

- The Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion (Historic Races) at Laguna Seca, Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Sign up at www.mazdaraceway.com/pages/Reunion_pictures.
- LPR Autocross at Marina Airport—Sunday. Sign up at lor.pca.org/src/ax.html.
- Free exhibits and test drives at Pebble Beach Golf Course—Saturday
- Pacific Grove Rally and BBQ Dinner—Friday. Sign up at pgautorally.org.
- Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance—Sunday. Sign up at pebblebeachconcours.net/pages/3014.
- Auctions, auctions, and more auctions—Friday night, Saturday, Sunday
- Get a room **(BOOK IT NOW)** Some members are staying at the Motel 6, Marina. Sign up at www.Motel6.com/MontereyCA.

It will be a fun filled weekend with lots going on for car enthusiasts!

Please RSVP to Walt or Jacquie Lietz if you plan to caravan, have breakfast or join us for Saturday night dinner. Phone: 925-256-7620 or email walter.lietz@yahoo.com.



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

Great food and great people! What more could you ask for! Be sure to mark your calendar to attend at least one dining opportunity.



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.

The next breakfast is scheduled for August 13th. 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!!



July Breakfast Tour

On July 9, Patrick Schmidt led a group of Diablo Region members on a brief tour, leaving from Vic's in Pleasanton. Their destination was the Lick Observatory atop Mount Hamilton. It was a gorgeous day for a drive, especially to a location with a view. The group fueled their trip with a filling breakfast at Vic's.



Ready to get started, it was time to line up and hit the road.



The road to the top of Mount Hamilton is a winding one, but our cars are built for the curves and excel on these types of roads.



The reward for having fun and for skillfully handling the numerous twists in the road was a fantastic view and a chance to win some wine.



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The Program is called "Project Ready to Learn". This Program has been running for at least 10 years, but with the current economy there is a short supply of materials, backpacks and money.

What can we do?

Each member can donate a backpack, supplies, money or any combination. There is a list of suggested supplies at the bottom of this flyer. There are several stores (Target, WalMart, Office Max, Staples) that have reasonable prices and a good variety of materials.

How do I get the donation to the right people?

Bring your donation to any of the scheduled Saturday breakfasts or events. If you are donating money, you can make the check payable to Diablo/PCA with the notation "Project Ready to Learn" on the check and mail it to: P.O. Box 1047, Livermore, CA 94551-1047.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

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1 box of Colored Pencils	Highlighters (1 yellow, 1 other color)	Highlighters (1 yellow, 1 other color)
1 box of Crayons	1 box of colored pencils	4 Spiral notebooks College ruled
Scissors	Zipper pouch	Three Ring Binder
Glue Sticks	Spiral notebooks (3)	3 Folders
Ruler	Paperback dictionary & thesaurus (optional)	Binder paper (College ruled)
Pencil Box	Three Ring Binder	Scientific calculator
Dictionary (Optional)	Binder Paper (College ruled)	Eraser
Three Ring Binder	Simple business calculator	Math kit (Compass, protractor, etc)
Binder Paper (Wide ruled)	2 or 3 Pee Chee type folders	Index cards
2 Folders	2 Glue Sticks	Post-Its
	Ruler	

Please use masking tape on the outside of the backpack and write the following information:

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The tour will be followed by a no-host lunch at the Silverado Brewing Company just down the road.



The tour will leave from Marie Callender's at 8:30 AM.

Limited to 24 participants. RSVP to Dan Spisak at 925-631-1596 or dspisak9@comcast.net by October 1st. Make your check payable to Diablo Region PCA and mail it to:

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PCA Escape 2011

Flagstaff, Arizona
September 15th -18th, 2011



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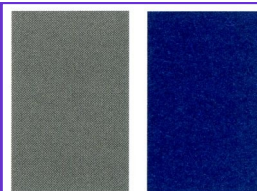
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Diablo Region Needs You



Yes, it is that time of year again! Diablo Region holds annual elections in October and it is time to consider running for the Board of Directors. In order for the Region to continue to offer fun and exciting events, support Zone 7 events, and contribute to our communities, we need to ensure we have members on the Board who are dedicated to that agenda.

A position on the Board is voluntary and it does require some time and responsibility commitment. The amount of time commitment depends on the actual position held, but there is a minimum expectation. In order to stay connected to what is happening in the Region, contribute valuable feedback and ideas, attending the monthly Board meeting is definitely expected. Attending an occasional breakfast or monthly dinner helps the other members stay in touch with the Board and also allows them to see members of the Board actually attend some events.

We all have other obligations and can't afford to always attend everything the Region schedules, but a reasonable amount of visibility and involvement helps keep the Region strong, diverse and growing.

We all have unique talents in our day-to-day jobs and functions that will bring vitality, excitement and a "breath of fresh air" to the Region. Now is the time to let your special skills be seen and bring together a new **Team** for 2012.

Term: 2 Years

President: Chief Executive Officer and presides at meetings of Diablo Region.

Vice President: Accepts responsibilities of President in the President's absence and any other duties as assigned.

Secretary: Keeps minutes of all business meetings of Diablo and discharges such other duties as may be authorized by the Board, in charge of the Election process, unless running in the election.

Treasurer: Has charge of all funds of Diablo Region and pays all bills for Diablo Region, keeps proper records of receipts and expenditures, which shall be open to the inspection of the Board at all times, presents a report of finances at each meeting and an annual report within thirty (30) days following the close of the fiscal year.

The other 5 Directors serve as Directors-at-Large and can hold Chair positions as needed.

THERE ARE **4** OPENINGS ON THE BOARD THIS YEAR. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SUBMITTING YOUR NAME OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO YOU THINK WOULD BE A GOOD CANDIDATE, CONTACT WALT LIETZ AT PRESIDENT@DIABLO-PCA.ORG OR A MEMBER OF THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE: INGRID FRENCH INGRID-FRENCH@GMAIL.COM, LUIS SOLER SOLER_LUIS@YAHOO.COM, OR TOM MARINSHAW THOMASMARINSHAW@YAHOO.COM, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

REMEMBER—YOU COUNT!

Who is Bosco? A Tour/Gimmick Rally

When: September 24, 2011

Starting Point: Buttercup Bar & Grill, 660 Ygnacio Valley Rd., Walnut Creek, between N. Broadway and N. Civic Drive.

Time: 9:30AM (With a full tank of gas)

Destination: Bosco's Bones & Brews, 11922 Main Stsreet, Sunol

Details: This is not a TSD (time-speed-distance) rally, but a relaxing self-guided tour south to Sunol on interesting Porsche back roads. No highways will be traversed. Bring along a navigator to help you 'spot' interesting things. Prizes may be available.

Cost: \$24/per person for a buffet lunch at "Bosco's Bones & Brew" with fish, fowl, meat and vegetable items (price includes non-alcoholic beverage, soup or salad, dessert, tax and tip).

Make check payable to Treasurer: Diablo PCA and mail to:

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Checks must be received by September 21. No refunds after September 21.

To sign up for this exciting tour, contact either:

Phil Eskildsen (philesk@gmail.com) or Rolly Smith (roland_cpa@yahoo.com) **ASAP** as there is a limit of 20 cars for this tour.



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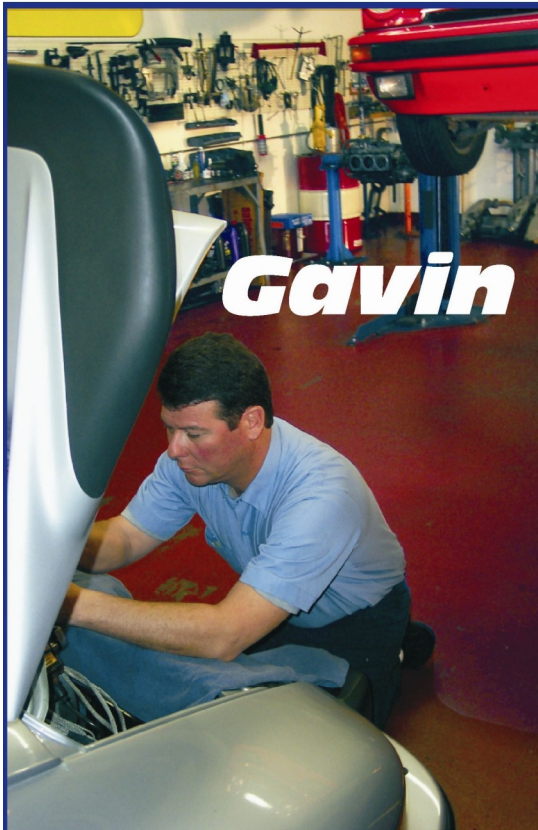
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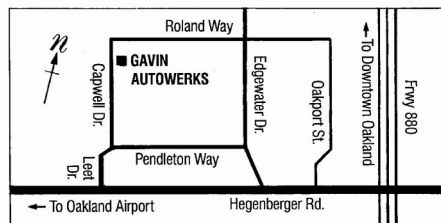


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