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# PCA-Sequoia Region



### ROAD TRI P: DEATH VALLEY



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The Presidents Message: by Fred Scott



We are in full swing with Spring activities. An enthusiastic group set out for a 3-day tour of Death Valley and experienced temperature ranges from 47 degrees along the way to 94 degrees in the valley. We visited Scotty's castle, Badwater, a ghost town, a side trip to Nevada for some gambling, and some fun driving! Thank you Jack and Margie Back and Dave and Tami Ogden for putting this special tour together. We had another successful autocross out in Kerman. A big pat on the back to all the drivers and helpers who came out to support this event. And special thanks to David Crabtree for organizing all of the auto-x events. We

are working to make sure that we have smooth running when we host the Zone 7 autocross October 9. Be sure to mark your calendars for this one!

We had 40 some people at our April dinner meeting at Luna's and about the same for our May Dinner at Chevy's. With our guest speaker from the California Highway Patrol, we learned when the traffic patrol is at it's highest; evening and late, late evening. So be careful out there. We appreciate your turning out and all the planning that Christine and Carole do for these gatherings.

June will soon be here and on Sunday, June 6 we will gather at the Belmont Country Club for the Belmont Concours d'Eleganza. Remember to register online for the event. The price is \$20.00 to get into the event, but the Porsche

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corral parking will be free. We are hoping we can count on you to join us and have a showing of 50 cars. This event will be in place of our regular June dinner meeting. Instead, we will have a lunch together at noon. You may purchase food from the many vendors in attendance or at the clubhouse. There will be tables set up under a tent for us to use. We will have it made in the shade! Now is the time to sign up to participate in the Porsche corral, etc. Go to their website <a href="www.deleganzaevents.com">www.deleganzaevents.com</a> for details and how to pre-register. Be sure to mention Porsche Club in the notes section (this will help them reserve enough space). Rev up your engines join us for a fun time at the Belmont June 6.

SCCA will hold an autocross on June 12 at the Fresno Fairgrounds. Our June tour will be to Boyden Cave on Saturday, June 19. Join us and take a breather from the Valley heat. Our July destination tour will be a 3 day tour to Mammoth. Save July 16 through 18 for this fun trip that according to Dave Ogden may include a stop at Lake Tahoe. Details to follow. There will be another cool 2 day wine tour in August to Sonoma. We are hoping to join up with one of our fellow regions.

Looking a little farther ahead; our Fall autocross season begins on September 26 and will conclude with a 2 day Zone 7 autocross on October 9 and 10 to coincide with our annual Oktoberfest on the evening of October 9. Who will be our beer drinking champion this year?

For our regular monthly dinner meetings, held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month, please contact Christine to make your reservations. Let her know if you would like to be on the permanent reservation list. By being on the list, you will only need to contact her if you cannot attend. Remember to bring your raffle gifts! It is always fun to win and to know that half of the proceeds will go to our year-end charity donation.



### Sequoia Region Calendar & Zone 7 Events

	May 2010							
Date	Event	Location	Contact					
4th	Monthly Board Meeting	Home of Vern Simmons	Vern Simmons (559) 240-6224 Vern.Simmons@sbeglobal.net					
11th	Monthly Dinner Meeting	Chevy's Tex Mex	Christine Richard (559) 645-0501 Richardcmr@hotmail.com					
16th	Sequoia PCA Auto-x	Kerman	David Crabtree doclcsw@gmail.com					
29th	Zone 7 Auto-x	Infineon Raceway Paddock	Bob Peake - bbayou@jps.net					

June 2010						
Date	Event	Location	Contact			
6th	Monthly Board Meeting	Belmont Country Club	to be held before car show 11:00 am			
5th & 6th	Belmont Concours d' Eleganzia	Belmont Country Club	www,deleganzaevents.com			
12th	SCCA Auto-x	Fresno Fair Grounds	David Crabtree doclesw@gmail.com			
19th	Sequoia PCA Day-Tour	Boyds Cavern	Dave Ogden (559) 250-1611 dogden@mvphdratech.com			
19th	Zone 7 & SAC Rally	Sacramento	http://www.derporsche.net/			
26th & 27th	Zone 7 & SAC Concours	Rocklin, CA	Cookie Anderson (916) 988-6534			

July 2010						
Date	Event	Location	Contact			
5th	Monthly Board Meeting	to be determined				
13th	Monthly Dinner Meeting	Daily Grill @ Palm & Nees	Christine Richard (559) 645-0501 Richardemr@hotmail.com			
16th to 18th	Sequoia PCA 3-day Tour	Mammoth Mountain	Dave Ogden (559) 250-1611 dogden@mvphdratech.com			
3rd to 9th	PCA Parade	St. Charles, IL	http://www.pea.org/			
24th & 25th	GGR/LPR/Zone 7 Auto-x	Marina Airport	http://zone7.pca.org/			
31st & 1st	GGR Driver's Education	Thunderhill Raceway	http://pca-ggr.org/			

August 2010						
Date	Event	Location	Contact			
2nd	Monthly Board Meeting	to be determined				
10th	Monthly Dinner Meeting	to be determined				
TBD	Sequoia 2-day Wine Tasting To	Sonoma	Dave Ogden (559) 250-1611 dogden@mvphdratech.com			
13 - 15th	Monterey Historics	Leguna Seca	http://www.mazdaraceway.com			

"Retrospective" - by Margie & Jack Back, Historians

"Women and the Porsche Club" or – "hey, why don't we count the women?!"

Sequoia Region Primary Members – 152 Sequoia Region Primary Members who are women – 0 Sequoia Region Affiliate Members who are wives or daughters of Primary Members – 99

Think about it this way: the car is the member - after all, this is a car club.

The women of the Sequoia Region, though listed as affiliate members on the national roster, have been strong and significant leaders in our group. Only once have we had a woman for president ... that was Kathy Benov. She served for two years (1984 and 1985) and was awarded the Enthusiast of the Year honor. However ... many others have served well among us, and we remember their contributions with gratitude.

**As Vice President**: Cheryl Gilpin, Cyndy Spangler, Allyson Taylor, Debilyn Molineaux, Marilyn Pierce, Shari Walker.

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**As Historian:** Margie Back, Adele Benov.

**As Membership**: Margie Back, Candice Brinker, Jeanne Honda, Sonja Smith, Allyson Taylor, Debilyn Molineaux, Sue Rosa, Rita Dienst, Kathy Green.

And (nearly always a woman) as Social: June Maslowski, Marilyn Pierce, Evie Dias, Carol Lillian, Chris Richard, Gale Van Hooser, Sondrea Evilich, Cheryl Gilpin, Shari Walker, Marlene McGrath, Sonja Smith, Debbie McFarland, Lissa Suddjian, Cyndy Spangler, Merilee Amos, Allyson Pielop Taylor, Jan Coon, Sue Rosa, JoAnn Burton, Cindy Oliver, Laura Hewitt, Kathy Green.

**As Board Members:** Marilyn Pierce, Karen Wakefield, Cheryl Gilpin, Marlene McGrath, Sue Green, Lissa Suddjian, Sue Rosa, Sonja Smith, Sue Goerlich.

Manager of Goodie Box Sales: Allyson Taylor, Deanna Bailey, JoAnn Burton, Judy Holm, Jeanne Honda.

As Tour Chair: Shari Walker

Those named on the Roger Bailey Event of the Year Award and/or Enthusiast of the Year: Sue Goerlich, Marilyn Pierce, Shari Walker, Evie Dias, Margie Back, Sonja Smith, Kathy Benov, Fran Collins, Jan Scheidt, Sue Green, Lissa Suddjian, Kathy Taylor.

New Membership & Milestones

### **Welcome to Our New Members**

Winston Scott • 2008 Red Caymen S • April 2010 Gary & Loraine Dorman • 2005 Black Carrera • January 2010

#### Five Year Anniversary – Joined 1995

Brant & Debbie Draper Vince Nolletti Mike & Elijah Mullins Pablo Aleman Pauline Wooliever Lesie Beltz

#### Ten Year Anniversary – Joined 2000

Christopher Rose

#### Fifteen Year Anniversary – Joined 1995

Tito & Linda Balling

<u>Twenty Year Anniversary – Joined 1990</u>

Sue Green

<u>Twenty-Five Year Anniversary – Joined 1985</u>

None

Thirty Year Anniversary – Joined 1980

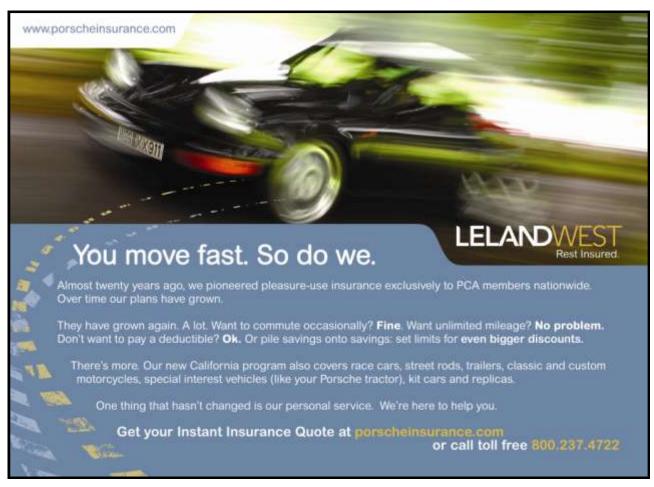
Melvin & Evelyn Dias

Thirty-Five Year Anniversary – Joined 1975

Clint Cummins

Forty Plus Anniversary – Joined 1970 & Earlier (WOW!)

Frank & Phyllis Devin 1967 Carl & Diane Kassabian 1963



Death Valley Trip—by Margie Back

#### SPRING TIME IN DEATH VALLEY

Early Friday morning we gathered at Starbucks at Jensen/99. Dave & Tammy, Jim & Linda, Mike and his trusty four-legged sidekick, Derrick & Carla all heading off to Visalia to meet up with Fred & Nancy, and Jack and me in a rented car which allowed us to bring a table and a few other things the Porsche would not tolerate. It was beautiful weather from the very start of the trip. The first group traveled the back way from Visalia to Lake Isabella, and on to Ridgecrest. One highlight of this part of the trip was sharing the highway with a herd of cattle being driven to a new pasture. Unfortunately, the Porsches picked up wet and smelly cow poop in this encounter.





Jack and I went through Bakersfield, eastbound on 178 and then through Walker River Canyon where the road becomes very narrow and curvy for about 12 miles. (One of those roads that Porsche drivers seem to like.) What a relief when it widens out and you are once again moving more easily on highway 14, back on 178, and you are in Ridgecrest. We beat the other group there and we all found the park and enjoyed our lunches in the outdoors.

Off again, flying over the road, without even stopping at our old rest stop in Trona, arriving in Death Valley mid-afternoon. Spring in the desert is beautiful with the sunshine, light breeze, and flowers blooming. After naps and

getting our bearings, even a little quick site-seeing, we brought out the food and drink for a feast of chicken, meat balls, cheese and crackers, salads, sandwich rolls, deviled eggs, and desserts....and wine. It was very relaxing after the long day of driving. The skies are awesome at night.

Saturday morning we were off to test drive the under-construction highway between Death Valley and Scotty's Castle, and then enjoyed a guided tour of the house. After all this, we were hungry again: some went off to Furnace Creek for lunch at the Inn (they raved about how good it was), others enjoyed "the best" sandwiches at a little place right on the highway in Beatty called KC's Outpost. After that we were off again on individual site-seeing



adventures, naps and swimming until it was time to eat again. We had reservations at the Stove Pipe Wells restaurant, and were served delicious prime rib and baked potatoes. For



wine and dessert, we returned to our picnic table in the parking lot to visit and enjoy the beautiful outdoors.

Sunday we were up and out .... heading on home by the same route as we came. Once again we stopped in Ridgecrest for lunch. Thanks to Dave & Tammy for heading up this tour, and to our old friend Dick Arnold for passing along helpful advice from his many trips in years past.

### Buttonwillow Driver's Education

### Buttonwillow Driver's Education – May 21st through 23rd

We enjoyed a cool 77 degree day at the Central Coast Region's Drivers Education day at the track. As in the past, they had a large turnout and was staffed well with instructors to cover all the cars. Beside myself and my son John in the Miata we had Jim Parnagian and Bruce Ekert (yellow lambo) driving the track all day long. We also had Roy Frye, and his wife, come down to watch in the morning before sneaking off to Harris ranch for lunch.

Our newest member Winston (red Cayman) did the drivers ed on Saturday & Sunday while the club racing was going on. If you've never done a track day or have been thinking about it; just call Jim Parnagian and get his opinion of the day's events. You start off in the class room going over the track and the rules along with learning the different flags used on the track. After that you meet up with your instructor and he either drives the first two laps or has you drive very conservative to learn the proper lines and the flagger stations. This goes for 25 minutes per session and for the day you will be on the track for 4 sessions. That will suck at least ¾ tank of gas and you'll be drained enough to realize you have tasted what your car is capable of doing, which is far more than most of us could ever imagine.

All of us got rides with instructors in their race or private cars and this really opened our eyes, just in fear factor. After about the 2nd lap you started to see how skilled the drivers really are and you could enjoy the experience instead of having a panic attack. I plan to post all the upcoming Drivers Education Days at Infineon, Thunderhill and the

end of the summer Laguna Seca!

#### **Buttonwillow Track Facts:**

Three separate tracks

- Combined track configuration of three miles
- Separate west track of 1.86 miles
- Separate east track of 1.06 miles

All tracks can be run in both directions 36' track width, 40' on front straight

Exceptional safety with minimal walls and hazards

Moderate climate allows year round use

Main straight 3,800 feet in length - usable as a test drag strip Various turn bankings up to 10%, negative camber turns, crowned turns similar to street courses and fast elevation changes.

Skid pad 300' x 305'

Multiple (more than 30) race and test configurations, purpose designed to emulate street and road racing courses

A full spectrum of safety equipment on site or available by advance arrangement

Paved and landscaped paddock, accommodates 700 race cars

on pavement Race fuel on site

Concessions and souvenirs available

PASO
ROBLES

Buttonwillow
Raceway Park

SANTA
MARIA

TO
SACRAMENTO

TO
SALINAS

TO
BARRSTOW

TO

The Buttonwillow racetrack is located just 28 miles northwest of Bakersfield and is an easy drive from Fresno.

Mile High Scenic Overlook - Mammoth Pools



May 8th 2010. Backroads trip to the Mile High Scenic Lookout—just north of Fresno. Photos provided by Stephen Dean (Thanks, Steve!)

Left to Right: Keith Harrison, David Crabtree, Tami & Dave Ogden, Marilyn Webb, and Stephen Dean



Mammoth Pools—part of the PG&E hydroelectric generation system

View of Mammoth Mountain in the background. Hard to believe this is just an hour out of Fresno, 30 minutes in a Porsche.

### Belmont Concours d'Eleganza



d'Eleganza Events 1081 N. Maris Avenuz, Suce 104 PMB #346 Tresne, California 93711

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Dear Motorsports Enthusiast,

The Belmont Country Club in Fresno, California, is proud to announce the second annual Belmont Concours d'Eleganza to be held at Belmont Country Club, June 5 and 6, 2010.

The Belmont Concours features a stunning display of more than 200 automobiles and (new for this year) vintage motorcycles, staged alongside the majestic backdrop of Belmont Country Club.

We would like to personally invite you and your exceptional automobile or motorcycle to participate in this SCCA sanctioned event, Sunday June 6, 2010.

Included with this letter, is our entry registration form. An entry fee of \$75 includes a complementary **invitation for two**, to the Belmont Concours Gala Dinner Party hosted by the Belmont Country Club on Saturday evening, June 5 at 6:30p.m. **Due to a sell-out of last year's Gala Party, please indicate on your entry form – if you will be attending.** A limited number of additional Gala tickets will be available at a cost of \$50 per person.

The Belmont Concours would like (the option) to use, a photograph and history of your exceptional automobile / motorcycle in the Belmont Concours event program, which may also be displayed on our web site.

Not only will The Belmont Concours d'Eleganza feature extraordinary automobiles and motorcycles; guests will enjoy a fashion show, silent and/or live auction, live music, terrific food and a fun driving tour.

For the latest **information** and **news**, please visit our web site: www.thebelmontconcours.com or contact us directly.

As fellow enthusiasts, we look forward to having your beautiful motoring vehical on display, bringing with it an American tradition for every generation to appreciate and enjoy!

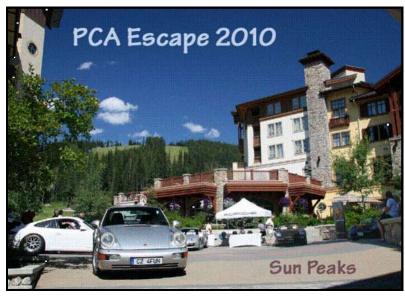
Sincerely,

Ron Von Tersch Selection Committee Co-Chairman Phone #559 917-5555 Armando Lozano Selection Committee Co-Chairman Phone #559 355-6486

### PCA ESCAPE

British Columbia, Canada

Your destination is the beautiful Sun Peaks Resort in the scenic heart of British Columbia, Canada. Hosted by the Canada West Region of the Porsche Club of America and supported by all of the Zone 6 Regions, Escape 2010 will let you discover the warmth and hospitality of this great year-round mountain destination, located close to the city of Kamloops, in the Thompson-Okanagan Region of BC. This area is world renowned for its exquisite wines, a warm micro climate that promises little rain and fertile soil to produce some of the best fruit in the world, great golf, outdoor adventures from hiking to river rafting, spectacular scenery and what we consider the best Porsche driving roads on this side of the planet!



You will experience the benefits of the long tradition

of the famous Canada West Weekend held both at Whistler and at Sun Peaks. Escape 2010 at Sun Peaks Resort will build on 27 years of experience hosting our annual event. In the spirit of "Escape," we are lightening things up by eliminating competitive events like Autocross and a judged Concours that our Canada West Weekend has traditionally included. As PCA intended, our Escape will be a low-stress high-fun alternative to Parade; a weekend of noncompetitive Events & Activities in a Porsche-friendly locale with driving tours, social activities, a show-and-shine and a special emphasis on enjoying local culture and cuisine with all your great Porsche friends. We promise to deliver an unforgettable experience and memories that will last a lifetime.

**Getting there is an event itself!** With the resort easily accessible from the western provinces of Canada and, at only 4 hours from the US border, an easy jump from the northwestern US. You can choose your route to take advantage of scenic highways or twisty back roads as dictated by your driving mood. To help you plan your trip we'll have lots of options for roads and accommodations detailed on this site over the next few months.

Now that we've got your attention just do a couple of simple things to make sure you keep this event on your planner. First, bookmark this site now so you can check back regularly for details, and next, sign-up for updates to get timely information about registration and event activities. As we carry on with our preparations, keeping the best of our traditional events, enhancing them and adding some special magic, start making your plans to be here when we kick off an "Escape" that will be a truly memorable experience, certainly "worth the drive" from wherever you are to Discover British Columbia, Canada. We look forward to welcoming you!

http://www.pcaescape2010.com/



# PORSCHE

Auto-x Results - Competition Director David Crabtree

#### PCA Kerman Autocross 5/16/2010

Driver	Model	#	Run 1	2	3	4	5	6	Best Run	Average	Total cones	# DNF
Steven Bradford	Miata	10	120.396	113,239	116.395	112,460	109.132	DNF	109.132	114.324	9	1
Dave Nance	911	77	116,139	112,439	112,722	112.912	112.099	111.304	111,304	112.936	1	0
Fred Scott	997 Turbo	33	114.993	DNF	117.446	113.645	112,704	112,443	112.443	114.246	3	1
David Crabtree	Boxster	986x	DNF	114,970	115,548	114.071	119.052	112.798	112.798	115.288	1	1
Ron Branum	Miata	22	120,170	119.544	DNF	121,400	113,393	112,961	112.961	117.494	10	1
Brandon Griggs	VW GTI	21	DNF	114.277	115.203	117,260	112.975	123.389	112.975	116.621	7	1
Joshua Fine	240sx	7	DNF	113,185	123.9	128.97			113,185	122.018	7	1
Leon Maiding	914	14	123,784	118.823	117.706	118.408	117.070	114,635	114.635	118.404	D	0
Vince Nolletti	997 Turbo	93	126,700	120.202	115.270	116.254	DNF	114,960	114.960	118.677	2	1
John Ogden	Miata	11	120.572	122.636	117.389	117.633	116.068	117.239	116.068	118.590	0	0
Bob Bender	911	47	125.546	121.921	119,350	116.841	120,840		116.841	120.900	4	0
James Clenny	GTA	3	DNF	130.490	123,500	125,090	119.036	117.342	117.342	123.092	4	1
Kellen Bush	WRX	11	135,800	126.500	118,755	124,209	121,263	117,985	117.985	124.085	1	0
Jim Pamagian	Boxster S	4	129,300	120,800	118,495	118.755	118,120		118,120	121.094	0	0
Dave Ogden	Miata	411	120.443	119.657	120.628				119.657	120.243	D	0
Scott Winston	Cayman S	25	142,500	DNF	127,573	124,458	123.082	124,228	123.082	128.368	0	0
John Mason	Miata	0	144,715	129.169	126.698	DNF	125.265	125.038	125.038	130.177	4	1
Karl Ludwig	CL500	17	DNF	132,726	DNF	127.923			127.923	130.325	1	2
Erik Ludwig	Storm	1	149,114	148,364	141,160	138.685			138.685	144,331	4	0
Zoë Crabtree	Vibe	71	170.859	146,996	143.556				143.556	153.804	4	0
Gary Pollastrini	JensenHealy	0	DNF	DNF							0	2







For prior Auto-x Results, go to: http://groups.google.com/group/pca-sequoia?hl=en









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