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Last Spring Autocross

By Ryan Golom

What a perfect day for friendly competition! On May 9th, twenty-two drivers arrived at the Visalia Airport to push their cars to the limit. The morning started out cool with some welcome cloud-cover but, as usual, the central valley sun came shining through and brought temperature up to the high 70's. This particular course was more challenging than usual, but the open-concept layout and fun nature of the design led to a great day of driving. Most cars were hitting their rev-limiters in 2nd

gear at the end of the first straight and many drivers were fully engaging their ABS after crossing the finish line. The best time of the day went to PCA member David Mendez driving his shifter kart. All things considered, PCA member Ken Vaughn in his 2011 Cayman and Trevor Dykstra in his 2004 Corvette ZO6 were not far behind.

That does it for our spring autocross series. Stay tuned to this newsletter and our PCA website for updates on our fall autocross series. Saturday's event was the best



Last Spring Autocross

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turnout we've had in years and our goal is to continue this steady growth. If you don't know what autocross is about or are curious in any way, come out to one of the fall events for just an hour and check it out. Many of our drivers will be more than happy to give you a ride in their cars and show you what our Porsches are capable of.

Very respectfully,
Ryan Golom
PCA Sequoia Region Autocross Director, Retired

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Sequoia - Giving Back

By Steven Williams

Photos:

(Upper Right) Susan Williams presents a check for \$1,750 to Corey Scholtes



(Lower Left) Dave Ogden presents a check for \$500 to Elsabe Kruger



Charity 2015



The Fresno & Madera Agency on Aging, Clovis Botanical Garden and Fresno State's SAE Student Race Team are this year's recipients of the Sequoia PCA charitable contribution. Representatives from the Agency on Aging and the Clovis Botanical Garden attended the May dinner where they were awarded our charitable contribution for this year. Cory Scholtes, Program Coordinator for the Fresno & Madera Agency on Aging, introduced by Susan Williams, gave members an overview of his agency's mission, specifically their home-delivered meals program. Dave Ogden introduced Elsabe Kruger representing the Clovis Botanical Garden, she gave the members an overview of their project the development and construction of a sensory garden as an learning experience for children with special needs.



President's Letter

Members,

This has been one of the fastest and most active years I have been involved with many many events and yet more to come!

We had our last Autocross of the spring this month and thanks to our parting Director Ryan Golom everybody had a great time and again we got blessed with awesome weather.

Every month we have had great turnout and weather for our tours. The April tour was the Coulterville tour which had plenty of curves and smooth roads to treat all that joined us to a fabulous day. Lunch was in an ideal location outside with a nice cool breeze. Too see more pictures of this and other events click on our facebook or website and check out the pictures Steve Williams captures for us. This Saturday I will be taking cars up to Kings Canyon National park for a picnic and hopefully get to see some water rushing down the river. Look for more info on how this event went.

For June's tour, Steve Williams will be leading up to Ducey's at Bass Lake on June 13th. Meet Steve at the dealership by 9:00a.m. for coffee and

snacks before the short drive up for a sandwich buffet at the Lodge. We will have a special guest coming with us, Paul Czopek our Zone 7 rep.

I missed this month's coffee and by the headcount it was our biggest turnout so far with over 30 cars and based on the tab we picked up, plenty of coffee was consumed! This event is going well and to expand on it Ed Suarez has a FOOD drive scheduled Oct 3rd which is our normal First Sat Coffee day. The Clovis Chamber and local business are going to support us with blocking off the street and allowing us to have a "show & shine" Car show. So make sure you get the wax out and have your car ready for this event. Ed will have a flyer for us in June that we will post the details but mark your calendars now.

Charity money was handed out this month to the three local charities. You can read more about them in this newsletter and see pictures as we presented them with the checks. We raise our charity money throughout the year. Our biggest fund raiser is the Oktoberfest (Oct 17th). Then next largest provider of fund raising is from the dinner raffles where 50% goes to the charity fund and the balance goes into the

checking account for other events like the food Drive and Christmas dinner which the club subsidizes to help keep the cost down to members.

As I write this we are packing for a track-day at Buttonwillow and 12 members are coming out to enjoy a fun time with their cars. We are jumping in with Central Coast Region who is putting on this DE day. So far, they have over 85 cars coming out for a day on the track. Make sure you talk to either Vince N. or Leon M. and Barry L. about a DE day in the future for you. We have Laguna and Thunderhill on the books later this year.

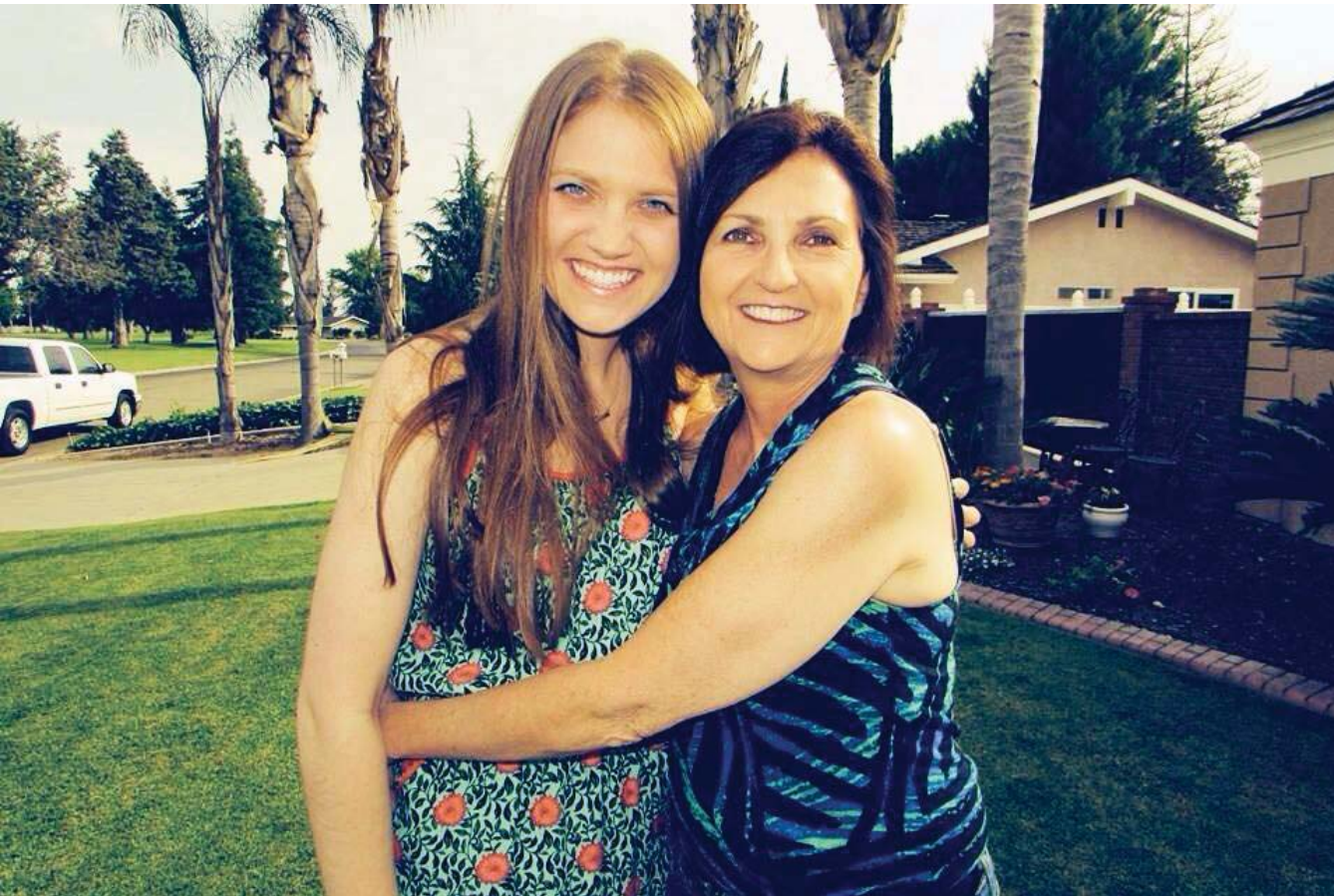
Make sure you check our calendar in this newsletter for upcoming events and their dates. Here are some of the biggies!

August 14th	WERKS in Monterey
Sept. 25-27th	Rennsport Reunion
Oct. 17th	Oktoberfest

Regards,

Dave Ogden
Sequoia Region President

Meet your Social Chairs: Janet and Jenna



Janet Chilingierian and daughter, Jenna joined the PCA Sequoia Region- Porsche Cayenne (2006)- in September 2014.

The mother-daughter duo split duties as Social Chair, scheduling and planning monthly dinners for chapter members. The second Tuesday of every month, 20-40 our members gather for a fun evening of drinks, dinner, and raffles at a restaurant in the Sequoia Region.

Please contact Jenna at:
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to suggest venues for future club dinners.



Buttonwillow DE track-day with Central Coast Region (CCR)

By Dave Ogden

Friday May 15th there were 12 of us that trekked out the HPDE school at Buttonwillow organized by the CCR.

We have attended now for several years for the weather always seems to be pleasant and this year was no exception.

The drive down Thursday night was a bit sketchy with several thunderstorms which brought I-5 down to a crawl.

But Friday we had 65 degrees and blue skies for most of the day. We did have a lunch time down pour which cleared the track except for a few brave souls wanting some wet weather laps!

At the end of the day there was nothing but smiling faces and empty gas tanks from another fun time with others at the track, join us next time for some spirited driving and skill set learning!

Regards,
Dave

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Boyden Caves/ 180 Tour

By Dave Ogden

Well my car got a few miles racked up with Buttonwillow on Friday and quick bath and back on the road early Saturday for the Boyden caves tour.

10 cars gathered at Red Caboose for breakfast and coffee before heading up to Wonder Valley and pick up Obie and Joy along with Ray and Christina.

We did have to pass all 2000 bicycles on a tour on Academy and Belmont where most turned and headed back but there were still some Century riders that went our same route through Wonder Valley to Hwy 180.

Then we had no traffic all the way to Park gate and I must say this is best road surface stretch in California! Super smooth and no chuckholes or rough surface.

When we got to Grants Grove for a rest, the temp dropped to 43 degrees and the clouds came down low on the deck... after a couple of people wanted to stop for lunch at the Lodge the rest of us continued the 18 mile drive down the Kings River

Gorge to Boyden Caves for a picnic where bright blue skies and roaring white water kept cool. After lunch several signed up for the Caves guided tours and the rest of us headed back to Fresno.

Very relaxing scenic drive with fun people and great weather ...another California classic!



Friendly Competition

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On Saturday, April 18th we had eighteen drivers come together for a perfect day of autocross at the Visalia Municipal Airport. (Notice the airplane landing in the background of the second photo!) Ten of those cars were Porsches and we had more PCA members stop by to check out the fun.

The straight-ahead start of the course led to some great burnouts and the stop-box at the end of the course fully tested each car's braking potential.

If you look at the pictures from our event, you can see my brakes throwing some serious sparks as I crossed the finish line in full ABS.

I'm sure everyone's car wound up about as dirty as mine which just gives us all a reason to do our second favorite car-related activity: making our Porsches look shiny!

Best time of the day went to Ken Vaughn driving a 2006 Carrera S 4.0 which he borrowed for two laps. Even without that car, Ken had the best time in the bag driving his own 2011 Cayman.

We wrapped up our hot-laps at 12:30pm and all drivers were able to complete fifteen runs through the course. We then set up our three drills for the defensive-driving course and had nine drivers participate. This free clinic allowed each student to push

their car to the limit around a skid pad, in a straight-line braking exercise, and an emergency lane-change maneuver. Each student received one-on-one instruction from one of our five driving coaches and everyone had a great time. We completed the school at 3pm and packed up the autocross trailer until our next spring event being held on Saturday, May 9th.

Drive safe out there and we hope to see you at our next event!

*Very respectfully,
Ryan Golom
PCA Sequoia Region Autocross
Director, Retired*



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Photo by Ryan Golom from a previous AutoCross event this Spring.



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Until next time...

By Ryan & Hanna Golom

This is the hardest part of Navy life: *Leaving those you care about behind when Uncle Sam says its time to move.*

My wife, Hanna, and I moved to the central valley in May of 2011 as newly-weds and started our life together. We bought our first home, adopted our first pets, and made our first mutual friends. Until now, I haven't been in the same location for more than a matter of months since I was seventeen. So besides growing up in our parent's houses, these are the deepest roots we have ever had.

As far as the Porsche Club goes, I have been part of other regions. I have participated in events hosted by even more various regions and they have all been great. But the Sequoia Region is the first place I have ever felt at home in this wonderful car club. One of the first events I ever went to was autocross in Kerman. From that moment on, Dave & Tammy Ogden have been west-coast parents to Hanna and I. Everyone in the club was immediately courteous, friendly, and inviting. That was something we both desperately needed with Hanna and I both

coming from the east coast and not knowing a single person in California.

Four years ago, we could never have imagined all the friends we would come to have in the Sequoia region. We also had no idea how many adventures this amazing club would guide us through. We will always remember chatting it up with everyone at cars and coffee, enjoying leisurely drives to beautiful wineries, watching Dave disappear over the horizon on scenic tours, and pushing our cars to the limit at autocross and track events.

It is definitely the love of cars we all share that brings us together. But it is truly the people that keep us together and keep us growing. There may be 2,800 miles separating my soon-to-be east coast ("Chesapeake") region from the Sequoia region, but I know I will see you all again. Please keep in touch and let me know any time you are anywhere close to Annapolis, MD. I will be sure to let you know when life brings us back to California for any reason.

Hanna is graduating Fresno state and will be working as a Strength and Conditioning Coach for Northern High School in Owings, MD. Ryan will be attending UMD for the next year

and earning a masters degree in mechanical engineering. Upon graduation, he will be teaching in the mechanical engineering department at the U.S. Naval Academy.

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Calendar

June - December 2015

	BOARD MTG	DINNERS	TOURS	TECHDAY	AUTO-X	FIRST SAT COFFEE	trackdays
JUNE	1st Ed's	13th Ducey's	13th Ducey's	None	NONE	6th	none
JULY	6th Vern	14th Papi's	18th Ramos winery	NONE	NONE	4th	none
AUG	3rd Margies	11th Bear Club	14th WERKS	NONE	NONE	1st	14th Monterey WERKS Reunion
SEPT	7th Labor day meet at dinner mtg.	8th Manhattan	19th Equinox	NONE	none	5th	none
OCT	5th daves	17th Oktoberfest	31st tarantula	NONE	TBD	3rd Food Drive	25-27th Rennsport
NOV	2nd steves	10th TBD	TBD	NONE	TBD	7th	none
DEC	TBD verns	5th Belmont	NONE	NONE	NONE	5th	none



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THE HISTORY OF The Sequoia Region, PCA

By Margie Black

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On May 17, 1958, at the home of Dr. & Mrs. William Bernstein, eleven people met to form the Fresno Region of PCA. The general format laid out that evening is still followed today. One member remains from that first meeting: Bill Blain. The first car badge looked like this:



In 1961, the name of the Region was changed to the San Joaquin Region to give a more accurate picture of the area represented.



In 1962 the members bought and

wore bright red jackets to bring their own individuality to the Porsche Parade in Monterey.



This Region lies within three hours of the scenic Pacific Coast to the west, the historic Mother Lode gold country to the northwest, Yosemite, Kings Canyon and Sequoia National Parks to the east, and the amazing deserts to the south. At this point in history, membership was over 90 cars with 175 members/associates.

During this period of history, our Region was honored with a Special Section in the Porsche Panorama, September 1965.



In 1983 we celebrated the 25th anniversary of the Region.



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