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Laguna Seca Diablo Region HPDE

By Dave Ogden | Photos by GotBlueMilk, Porsche Fresno, Diablo Region, Ed Won, and Ed Suarez

This year's event was again sponsored by Porsche of Fresno. We started off with a DE101 ten days before to go over the event prior to showing up and ask any questions or things to bring to the track.

At Laguna, Arya Omidvar was there representing the dealership and he brought along several customers and a few surprises.

KW suspensions had a booth setup for all to

come visit and discuss needs. He also managed to get Christina Nielsen from the Flying Lizard Motorsports team. She was getting ready for the 25 hours at Thunderhill. Several drivers had her instruct them on the finer points of driving smooth and fast.

Sequoia Region was there with many of the regular (6) track rats. This year's newbie was Randall Plaugher and was he was lucky

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enough to have instruction from Arya.

Diablo's team of instructors and members again got blessed with awesome weather and was full to capacity with drivers which they limit to make sure all have plenty of room and time on the track to work on driving skills with maximum enjoyment.

If you have not tried a DE (Drivers Ed) day you need to attend a DE101 class to hear what happens at a DE event, or better yet, come out and visit us at the track and maybe go for a ride along on a parade lap. I suggest all new potential Drivers start with Buttonwillow track day in May. You need a day just to digest the flags and get the event procedures under your belt so you can really enjoy Laguna Seca and what it has to offer. Contact me through cell or email for any questions you may have.



Regards, Dave Ogden











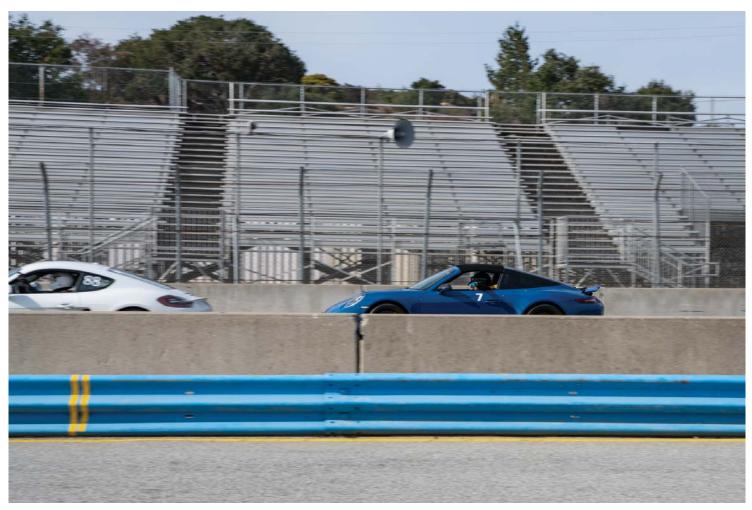














Wow, what a great year!

2018 was full of activities with a great deal of participation. All of our events grew in popularity. Finally, we have a great place for our cars and coffee at Fort Washington and Friant Road, which seems convenient for most of our members. I am sure having the free coffee helps, but I believe the major reason that our group has expanded so much is the great cars and conversations.

Our dinners continue to be popular. Cindy Suarez has done a great job in setting up good places to eat and keeping the variety fresh. For 2019, we will be looking for some new places. Our head count for dinners has gone from 25 to 30, to now reaching over 50 people. It's getting harder to find large enough locations, so if any members have ideas of possible venues, please contact Cindy.

Dave Ogden continues to put on great tours. We have our first of the year, which is our Hollister tour, coming up on February 16th. This is always a fun, well attended tour. Please look at our website to keep up with events during the year. We also had several wine tours during the year, and I would like to thank Obie Silverwood for all his efforts over the past several years in leading the wine tours. We are passing the mantle to another member this year. More details to follow.

Our autocross events started out strong last year, but got a little light towards the end of the season. We start up again in March at the Madera airport, secondary runway. This is a great event for those who want to learn how to handle their cars in a safe environment. We have all levels of experience going to the autocross, so if you want to learn how to better handle your car and get free instruction on the do's and don'ts, then come on out to our autocross events! They are held 3 months in the spring and again in the Fall for 3 months.

We will continue to have joint events with Porsche Fresno, throughout the coming year. They have been a great partner in nurturing the love of Porsches. The dealership is expanding their offers into this coming year. Please check them out for their deals for detailing, clear bras, etc. More details to come. Along with their refocusing on customer service for new car purchases, they are also going to be focusing on being a stronger competitor in after-sale car services. It is worth checking out their service pricing, and seeing how they can help you with your normal servicing needs.

We will have many other events during the year, so watch for our email blasts, and Facebook postings. Everything we do is also kept on our website, and Antonio has done a great job in keeping the website fresh with our new events and calendar listings.

There have been many new membership sign-ups this past year, so please come meet them and their cars



Articles Wanted on These Topics:

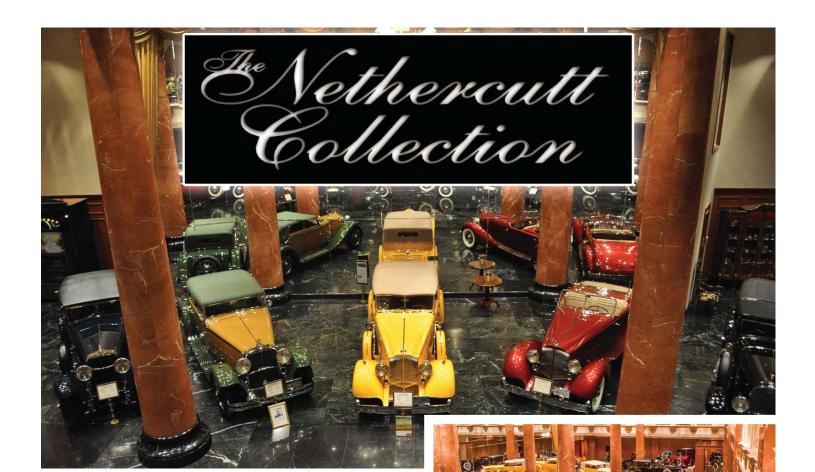
Question: What has been one of your most memorable drives anywhere in your Porsche.

Question: Why did you buy your first Porsche and how has the experience been.

Question: What is the most enjoyable thing about owning a Porsche.

and welcome them into our club. We have a special club with so many wonderful people that are a joy to meet and converse with. Looking forward to seeing you all at our group events this coming year!

Ed Suarez Sequoia Region President



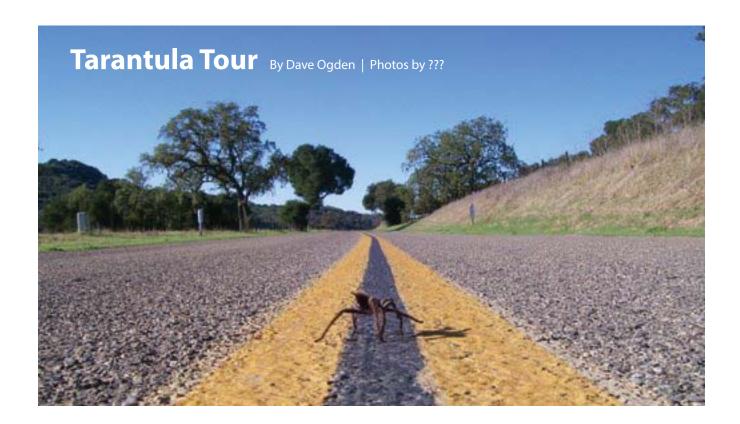
Save The Date:Southern California Tour

Friday, April 26 - Sunday, April 28, 2019

Randy Ames and Darrick Duerksen are planning a tour to Southern California on Friday, April 26 to Sunday, April 28. We will visit the Nethercutt Collection in Sylmar on Friday and drive Angels Crest Highway on Saturday. More details to follow.

RSVP FOR THIS APRIL TOUR!

Please contact either Darrick (djduerksen@yahoo.com or 559-779-3936) or Randy (amestr@att.net or 559-417-3323) if you plan on attending. Friday departure location and time and Friday night hotel information will be finalized soon.



October tour was our famous Tarantula Tour. It is famous for nobody else except the lead car seems to see any tarantulas on the road!

This year we launched from Fresno Porsche and thanks to Bob Van Vliet for grabbing us some doughnuts and opening up early so we could gather.

Crowd of cars rolled in with 19 in tow. Tami and I lead them to Hensley Lake and then into Raymond. From Raymond the road gets tight and winding. This road has not been paved since the 70's. Pretty rough. Tami and I counted 5 tarantulas trying to cross the road, not sure if they made it.

We made a quick rest stop when we merged onto the 49 North just outside of Oakhurst. After a quick count of spiders seen and stories told about the road, we took a smooth ride into Mariposa and parked at 1858 Brewery for lunch. With great weather and bright sun we sat outside to enjoy the fall weather. Lunch was great and tasty. Several departed together, others lingered around the town to shop. A few of us stopped in Coarsegold to enjoy the Tarantula Festival. If you have not joined us on this tour in the past, you should make sure you put it on your calendar for this year!

Regards, Dave Ogden



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We 29 oenophiles in our 16 Porsches enthusiastically assembled on a Saturday morning, at the relaxed hour of 11:00 o'clock, to venture out across the Madera farmlands to CRU Winery. Present were Darrick Duerksen, Laura Fenster and Brian, Sue Simpson, Jim Medeiros, the Kulinas, Escobars, Sewards, Armeys, Plaughers, Mohrs, Webbs, Backs, Fritts, Suarezes, Pierces and Joy and I.

On arriving at CRU, we were impressed to find our reserved parking designated by orange cones bearing "Welcome PCA" signs. Likewise, a private covered patio area was awaiting our lunch baskets and the tables had been thoughtfully set with special burgundy wine glasses and center-pieces of unique Porsche photos.

Event manager, Brianna Post, and tasting room hostess, Kylie Brown, plied us with both red and white varietal selections, and some tasty cheeses and chocolates. The experience could not have been more fulfilling and we happily loaded our trunks with cases of their delicious wines.

Afterwards, a hardy few of us trailed on over to Ficklin Vineyard to sample its renown ports. There, we were treated to a private tasting and owner, Peter Ficklin, spent some time visiting with our group.

All in all, the day could not have been better. CRU Winery's fine wines and hospitality certainly deserve our patronage, as do Ficklin's. And, as always, a special thanks goes to Richard Webb for preparing the helpful route maps.

Obie Silverwood PCA Wine Drive Guy



























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In The Zone



I am honored to announce that I have been appointed by PCA's Executive Council to replace Sandy Provasi as your new Zone 7 Rep for the 2019-2020 term. Sandy has done a fabulous job over the last 3-1/2 years as our Zone Rep. With 20 plus years of PCA experience and the help of her equally experienced husband, Tom, I will have a tough act to follow. I would very much like to thank Sandy for her service and hope that I can continue in her footsteps.

I have been a member of PCA and the Sacramento Valley Region since 2007 when I became actively involved in the region's autocross program. Several years after joining, I served as the club's autocross chair from 2012 to 2013 and again for one year in 2017. My regional board experience includes serving as the club's competition and safety chair from 2014-2015 and club president from 2015 to 2016. In 2016 the Sacramento Valley Region was selected as the PCA Region of the Year. For the past two years I have served as the club's past president as well as on our newsletter committee that publishes the award winning newsletter, the Drifter, Lalso served as the Zone 7 autocross chair in 2018.

Although many members have an

understanding of the role of the Zone Rep, I thought I would spend a little time explaining. As defined by the PCA Bylaws, the Zone Rep's responsibilities are described below: The National Bylaws state the Zone Reps are "responsible for the welfare and progress of the Regions within their zones". In fact, the Zone Reps are a bridge or liaison between the National and local organizations, working on behalf of the Regions and their members to enhance the membership experience, and to avail the Regions of opportunities offered through PCA. The Zone Rep position was originally created in 1969, when the Executive Council (EC) realized the club had grown too big for them to have direct relationships with all the Regions. They subdivided the country, aggregating the Regions into groups which evolved over time into the 14 Zones we now have. Each Zone has a Zone Rep, a position created to facilitate communication between the EC and the Region Officers.

The Zone Reps are emphatically not "Zone Presidents"; they do not direct or oversee Region Presidents. Rather they are a communications and management resource for the Regions in their Zone, and communicate the Region's interests at the National level as appropriate.

The Zone 7 volunteer board consists of the Zone Rep, a secretary and a treasurer who each serve 2 year



terms. The zone secretary and treasurer are approved by the presidents of the regions. The volunteer zone board members include, Rik Larson, Secretary, Larry Adams, Interim Treasurer, Richard Chew, Webmaster, John D'Angelo, Concours Chair, and Grady Carter, Autocross Chair.

The 10 regions which comprise Zone 7 include Redwood, Shasta, Sequoia, Sierra Nevada, Golden Gate, Loma Prieta, Sacramento Valley, Diablo, Monterey Bay, and Yosemite. As all of the regions begin their planning process for 2019, I will use this column to inform you of zone wide events that range from our yearly Zone 7 Tour, Concours and Autocross Series. For more information on the zone visit our website at Zone7.pca.org.

Wishing all in Zone 7 a prosperous and Happy New Year!

Collin Fat

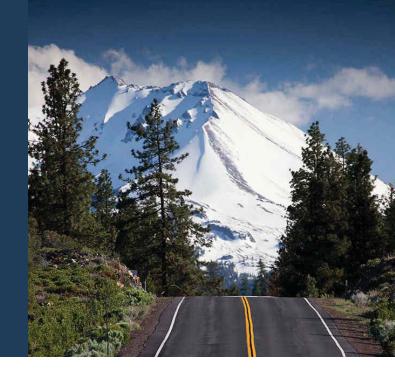
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2019 Zone 7 4-Day Shasta Tour

June 6-10, 2019



This is the well-known Shasta Four-Day Tour through the mountains, valleys and scenic by-ways of Shasta, Trinity, Siskiyou, Tehama, and Lassen Counties. It is similar to the Tour held in 2018 which received high ratings. Participation is limited to PCA Zone 7 Members, and you must drive your later model Porsche. We require your vehicle to be in good condition, and recently serviced, since we travel at elevations as high as 6500 feet and we must be able to pass slow moving vehicles *as a Group*. Touring is a special skill set, so we will ask that you rank yourself as to your experience, so we can place you appropriately within your group, for safety purposes.

Each day involves about six hours of "seat time", so you will get to enjoy what your car was made to do---perform at its best, both using its power and its handling ability. You will be part of an 18 member team, with an experienced Lead Driver, a Sweep Driver and a Relay in the middle. We also require the use of two-way radios so that we can maintain constant communications. The end result is that we travel "as one", yet at speeds that are at the maximum of safety.

Redding is situated at the juncture of the Sierras, the Coastal Range and the Cascades. So each of the first three mornings, you will Tour with your group an average of 260 miles into these mountain ranges. The fourth morning you will check out of the Hotel, and take a short, 80 mile "roller coaster" Tour that drops you off on Interstate 5 for your ride back home.

TOTAL DRIVE TIME AND DISTANCE, Approximately 20:00 857 miles.

Your fee is based on either "One Person Per Car" or "Two Persons Per Car." It includes all fees, Tour costs, and meals (arrival day dinner is not included). Lunch is "on the road"; dinner is a banquet at the Host Hotel. We provide a breakfast buffet if you stay at the Host. *You will, of course, book and pay for your own room separately*. There is a block of rooms at a negotiated and discounted rate. This is a "LEED" (Green Certified) Facility.

This is a Charitable Event and any excess proceeds from the Tour will be donated to local charities.

Registration opens on <u>January 28, 2019 at 7:00 am</u> on <u>MotorSportReg.com</u>. You might consider having your Account created on that site in advance to be prepared. Last year, this Tour "Sold Out" in 90 minutes.





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THOSE ANNUAL AWARDSWhat are they all about?

Submitted by Margie Back, Historian

Every year, as part of the president's remarks at our Christmas party, we hear about certain people who are given an award, including a special plaque or even a "traveling" object representing that award.

Currently, there are three such awards. As December nears, suggestions are welcomed by the board as they determine the winners.

- (1) **Best Event of the year**: In looking back, what event was outstanding better than any other this year? Maybe it was a tour, maybe some other gathering of the club. This award was named for a member who as tour director planned and led a number of excellent weekend trips, but who was especially creative with wine tours. His name was Roger Bailey. He was an administrator at CSUF.
- (2) **Enthusiast of the Year:** Though there are always numerous club members who lead and/or help with our events, sometimes there is extra-special effort expended which gives us terrific happenings. This award was named for Mike Wikstrom, an accountant who served for a number of years as the club treasurer...always present and helpful.
- (3) *Pillar Award:* This is a new award, initiated by our current president, Ed Suarez. Why "Pillar?" Webster says: "A pillar ... holds up a structure......reliably and consistently providing essential support..." These human "pillars" are jewels in any volunteer organization and because they are in the background, often go unrecognized.

This year's winners, recognized at the December 2018 dinner, were:

Best Event The-Oktoberfest Dave & Tami Ogden, hosts and organizers

Enthusiast of the Year – Kevin Davis (and his family)

Pillar Award - Russ Weber



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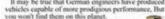
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	BOARD MTG	DINNERS	TOURS	TECHDAY	AUTO-X	FIRST SAT COFFEE	track/events
January	9-Jan	8-Jan				5-Jan	
	Debi's	Spaghetti Fact					
February	5-Feb	12-Feb	16-Feb		none	2-Feb	
	Ed's	Westwoods	Hollister				
March	5-Mar	12-Mar	16-Mar		9-Mar	2-Mar	
	Leon	Limon	2 days Death Valley		Madera DE Day		
April	2-Apr	9-Apr	26-Apr		13-Apr	6-Apr	
	Vern	Tamari	2 day Coastal Tour		Madera		
May	7-May	14-May	18-May		11-May	4-May	
	Joaquin	ed n cindy	Wine Tour		Madera		
JUNE	4-Jun	11-Jun	6/14- 6/16		NONE	1-Jun	
	Debi's	TBD	Mammoth 3 day				
JULY	2-Jul	9-Jul	20-Jul		NONE	6-Jul	
	Dave's	Sakura Chia	TBD				
AUG	6-Aug	13-Aug	17-Aug		NONE	3-Aug	9th-17th
	Kevin	TBD	TBD				Werks
SEPT	3-Sep	14-Sep Octoberrest/	21-Sep		14-Sep	7-Sep	
	Dave's	Dave and Tami	Equinox		tbd		Rennsport thunder
ост	1-Oct	8-Oct	26-Oct		12-Oct	5-Oct	
	Ed's	TBD	tarantula		tbd		
NOV	5-Nov	12-Nov	16-Nov		9-Nov	2-Nov	18-Nov
	Kevin	TBD	Wine Tour		tbd		laguna
DEC	10-Dec	14-Dec	NONE	NONE	NONE	7-Dec	
	Verns	Belmont					



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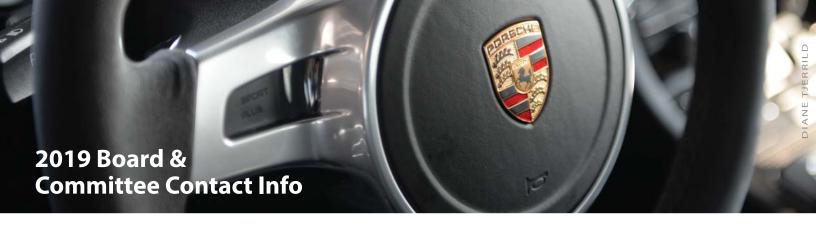
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