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By David Schneider

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March is here already. Time does fly; hopefully you have been taking advantage of our weather and participating in AZPCA events.

Your best source to stay up to date on AZPCA activities is found on our website. On the home page, click on Events then Calendar. You will have a view of the current month at a glance with up to date information and a brief description of each event just by passing your mouse pointer over that description in the monthly view. If you click on the event in the monthly view, it will take you to the event detail page. Date, time, address, an interactive map, the event organizer a link to RSVP or sign up is displayed on the event detail page. One stop shopping!

March starts off with our monthly meeting at Haus Murphy’s, this is always popular, especially with folks that live in the West Valley. The following week, Porsches and Pancakes at Tavern Americana, followed by two events on the same day, Zone 8 Concours Judges school and a DE at AMP. The following weekend an Autocross at AMP. So, come on out and join in on the fun.

On the last page of each issue you will find a list of our sponsors, if you visit any of them, please thank them for participating as an AZPCA sponsor. If you have any ideas for sponsors please contact Bob Tomlin our Sponsorship Chair. His contact information is found on the same page as the advertiser index. Our sponsors together with volunteers are the driving force behind all our activities. Without both we would not have the outstanding events we enjoy on a monthly basis.

Speaking of volunteers, opportunities abound in AZPCA. It’s a great way to meet other people and help out at various activities. We are looking for a Social Chair and Monthly Meeting Coordinator. These positions can be split up between two or more people. So grab a friend and fill one of these important positions in your club.

Have you written an article about an AZPCA activity you participated in? Each month the Going Places editor draws an authors name from the list of the articles submitted for a free meal at an upcoming monthly meeting.

AZPCA Members!

Last evening (1/21), our Arizona Region was selected as the 2016 Zone 8 Region of the year. The Zone 8 awards banquet was held in Long Beach, California aboard the Queen Mary. Our recent Past President Rook Younger was instrumental in the AZ Region achieving this award through his and his wife Debbie’s tireless efforts overseeing all the club activities, not to mention Rook’s outstanding submission to the Zone 8 Region of the year award nominating committee. Everyone that contributed as a volunteer to club efforts is to be commended as well. This award would not be possible without all of your efforts.

Bryce A. Brown
AZPCA President 2017
### 2017 Calendar of Events

#### March 2017
- **1** We Monthly Membership Meeting
- **11** Sa Porsches and Pancakes (Tavern Americana)
- **15** We Going Places Deadline (May ’17)
- **18** Sa Drivers Education AMP
- **18** Sa Zone 8 Concours Judges School
- **25** Sa Autocross AMP Skidpad
- **27** Mo Board of Directors Meeting
- **29- April 2** PCA Treffen Hill Country
  - We-Su Austin, TX
- **30- April 1** Th-Sa AZPCA Las Vegas Fun Run

#### April 2017
- **5** We Monthly Membership Meeting
- **8** Sa New Members’ Day
- **9** Su Porsche Detail Clinic & Swap Meet
- **12** We Going Places Deadline (June ’17)
- **21-23** Fr-Su California Festival of Speed
- **29** Sa Autocross AMP Skidpad
- **29** Sa AZPCA at the Phoenix Grand Prix

#### May 2017
- **3** We Monthly Membership Meeting
- **6** Sa Porsches and Pancakes (TBD)
- **6** Sa Road Rally
- **6** Sa Cinco Concours d’Elegance (SAR)
- **15** Mo Going Places Deadline (Jul/Aug. ’17)
- **22** Mo Board of Directors Meeting
- **25-28** Th-Su 2017 Fiesta New Mexico

#### June 2017
- **3** Sa Porsches and Pancakes (TBD)
- **7** We Monthly Membership Meeting
- **9-11** Fr-Su XVII Alpine Trip
  *NO Going Places Deadline*

#### July 2017
- **9-15** Su-Sa Porsche Parade: Spokane, WA
- **15** Sa Going Places Deadline (Sept. ’17)
- **31** Mo Board of Directors Meeting

#### August 2017
- **2** We Monthly Membership Meeting
- **12** Sa D’Backs vs Chicago Cubs Game
- **15** Th Going Places Deadline (Oct ’17)

#### September 2017
- **6** We Monthly Membership Meeting
- **15** Fr Going Places Deadline (Nov ’17)
- **25** Mo Board of Directors Meeting
- **30** Sa Autocross AMP Skidpad

#### October 2017
- **4** We Oktoberfest Celebration- Pera Club
- **15** Su Going Places Deadline (Dec. ’17)
- **21** Sa Autocross AMP Skidpad
- **27-28** Fr-Sa Phoenix Flight 40 (Tentative)

#### November 2017
- **1** We Monthly Membership Meeting
- **11-12** Sa-Su SAR - Inde Driver Ed - Wilcox
- **15** We Going Places Deadline (Jan ’18)
- **18** Sa Autocross AMP Skidpad
- **27** Mo Board of Directors Meeting

#### December 2017
- **2** Sa Autocross AMP Skidpad
- **6** We Monthly Membership Meeting
- **11** Mo Board of Directors Meeting
- **15** Fr Going Places Deadline (Feb. ’18)

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### Attention AZPCA Members!

If you have not paid your 2017 AZPCA dues, this will be your LAST issue of Going Places.

If you are unsure, if you are a member of good standing contact membership@az.pca.org Or go to az.pca.org and under Membership click on the “Join or Renew” and follow the steps through MotorsportReg.
WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

HAPPY AZPCA ANNIVERSARY!

Arizona Region AZPCA Members Celebrating March 2017 Membership Anniversaries

MEMBERSHIP by the numbers

566 AZPCA Members

Scott and Debby Bigham
Sedona

Dan Bliss
Scottsdale
2013 White Panamera GTS Sports Sedan

JB and Sharon Bowers
Scottsdale
2017 Silver 911 4S Coupe

Tim Coldenhoff
Chandler
2001 Black 911 Coupe

Mike Edwards
Scottsdale
2015 Carmine Cayman GTS Coupe

Wesley Kagen
Tempe
1981 Guards Red 928 Coupe

Steven and Sandra McDowell
Prescott
2017 Guards Red 911 4S Coupe

John Momeyer
Phoenix
Blue 944 Coupe

Ken Orr
Chandler
Ruby Red 911 S Cabriolet

Garry and Joanne Owens
Harana
2015 Silver Boxster Roadster

Rod and Denn Pappas
Tempe
2009 Silver 997 911 Cabriolet

Lenard and Maia Schenkel
Oracle
1959 Red 356 D Cabriolet & Silver Cayenne

48 Years
Robert and Kerry Biddle

39 Years
Brian and Gwen Baily

29 Years
Jerry and Jan Mackulak

22 Years
David and Candace Fleming

19 Years
Dale M. Willis and Harry Driscoll

15 Years
Mike and Maryellen Ferring
Gary and Joan Hintz

14 Years
Paul and Sharon Rihs

13 Years
Richard and Susan Bookspan
Charles V. and Lucy Hansen

12 Years
Steve and Susan Binkley

10 Years
Michael Jr. and Karen Harbin
Rick and Julie Mukherjee

8 Years
David and Lucy Fisher

7 Years
J. Stephen Arnold
Gerald and Linda Schneerer

5 Years
Kerry Nagel and Gica Bouros
Travis and Patricia Tonzi

4 Years
Charles and Laila Armstrong
Art and Annie Griffin
Chet Kolley
Stuart and Sheryl Lehr
Gary and Susan Quast
Rex Townsend

3 Years
Anthony Picciafoco and Linda Beal
Terry and Baerbel Rogers

2 Years
Ann Adams
Jan Angermair and Jolyn Inglesias
Mike and Gina Bachaea
Jonathan Betancourt
Mark Clark and Lauren Weinstein
Mark T. and Mary Beth Howard
Shannon Kelly and Rit Gruritler
Dennis Kirk
Brian and Kristy Miller
Dennis and Marcia Parle
Tom and Alice Ware
Bill and Karen Washburn

1 Year
Eric and Monica Archer
Scott and Cheryl Bell
Robert and Rachel Guerena
Mark Howard
Thomas Jensen
Eric Jett
Walter Johnson
Frank Kondilis
Jim and Paulette Leslie
Chris Lorine
Richard and Krisnee Oh
Mark Schaefer
Ed and Susan Stone
James and Janet Thole
Robert Voit
Dmitri Whelan

ARIZONA REGION MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

by Jason Bunting, Membership Chair
2017 Membership Meetings

March 1 - Haus Murphy’s

SAVE THE DATES

April 5 - Porsche Chandler
October 4 - Oktoberfest Celebration
November 1 - Porsche North Scottsdale

Dinners begin at 6 PM
(unless otherwise noted)

Please RSVP and pay on the website
az.pca.org

Porsches and Pancakes

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March 11 – Tavern Americana

May 6 - TBD

June 3 - TBD

Social Media Updates from Your Club!

Jan Mackulak, Social Media Chair,
socialmedia@az.pca.org

At an upcoming meeting, I’ll be going over the information I look at from these apps to help me decide which posts work better than others. If you’re a numbers person like me, you eat this stuff up! Find out what “drives” me to to put certain things up on these apps!

FACEBOOK has 740 “Likes”! Our club has a rating of 4.8 on FB! Did one of your posts make it to the main feed? fb.com/azpca

TWITTER has 265 “Followers” with over 500 “Tweets” – Lots of re-tweets of some great videos and photos! twitter.com/azpca

INSTAGRAM has 252 “Followers” instagram.com/azpca Still my favorite app – start your own page and try the Giant Square App!

PINTEREST has 69 “Followers” and 270 “Pins”! On average, 172 people look through our boards each month! pinterest.com/azpca

PERISCOPE has 152 “Followers” and “Following” 190! Still my favorite form of Live Feeds! 351 Loves! periscope.tv/azpca

GOOGLE+ The least used app by far, but I find amazing things here. Go to plus.google.com/, search on AZPCA to find our page.

YOUTUBE has 42 subscribers, 34 videos and 807 views. Please “Subscribe” and if you use a GoPro, post your track videos with hashtag #AZPCA bit.ly/azpca

AZPCA Members!

Please let our sponsors know you are a member of the Arizona Porsche club and that you appreciate their support.
2017 AUTOCROSS SEASON

Saturday, March 25, 2017 AMP Skidpad
Saturday, April 29, 2017 AMP Skidpad
Saturday, September 30, 2017 AMP Skidpad
Saturday, October 21, 2017 AMP Skidpad
Saturday, November 18, 2017 AMP Skidpad
Saturday, December 2, 2017 AMP Skidpad

AZPCA DRIVER EDUCATION

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2017 AMP

Come join us!
You will experience first hand the capabilities of high-performance automobiles in a controlled environment and acquire skills that will enhance safer vehicle operation in all driving situations. “Friends drive free” event if sharing a car!

REGISTER ONLINE at az.pca.org
AZPCA Membership Meeting
Wednesday, March 1, 2017 at 6:00 PM
Haus Murphy’s
5739 W Glendale Avenue
Glendale, AZ 85301

“Join Us at Haus Murphy’s for great German food served in a comfortable atmosphere.”

Dinner is $20.00 per person.

***Registration closes midnight Sunday, Feb. 26 — You must register to attend***

Use the link on the AZPCA website at az.pca.org

Porsches and Pancakes
Saturday, March 11, 2017 at 8:30 AM
Tavern Americana
20469 N. Hayden Rd
Scottsdale, AZ 85255

$20 per person including tax and gratuity

Tavern Americana is opening early for us! Meeting at 8:30 allows you another 30 minutes for sleep. Chef Ian has prepared a special menu for our club. Enjoy coffee and orange juice while making your selection. Some of the choices include omelettes, breakfast burrito, Eggs Benedict, and pancakes (of course). Check the club’s website for more information.

Please RSVP on our website at AZ.pca.org by Wednesday March 8th.

If you have any questions contact:
Alma Stewart @ Sunnycalal@aol.com
Nancy Gossard @ earl-nancy@cox.net

Need to Order New Name Badges?
Send a personal check for $15 made payable to PCA Arizona Region per badge to: Betsy Andrade
2735 S. Spruce
Mesa, AZ 85210

Include exact spelling with your order OR email Betsy the details: betsy7890@earthlink.net.

Badge orders are placed at the end of each month, and the engraver returns them in about two weeks. They will then be mailed to you. If you need your badge faster, this can be done for $20 per badge, following the same directions as above.

Betsy can also be reached by text or voicemail at: 602-550-1212
From the Editor

Well it looks like our plans to attend many of the weekend events together this spring and summer won’t happen!

On Christmas Eve, we took on the responsibility of raising a new labradoodle puppy, Stella. If you attended the January or February monthly membership meetings, you would have seen her picture along with my monthly newsletter update.

Mark will be going to Treffen Hill Country without me, but I made him promise to get me some great pictures and write me an article too! Our good friend and AZPCA member, Dennis Parle will also be going (without his wife, Marcia). If any other AZPCA members are planning to go, keep an eye out for these two.

Check out the new feature, “Meet a Member”. I want to acknowledge some of our loyal, long-time members celebrating AZPCA anniversaries this month:

- 48 Years: Robert and Kerry Biddle
- 39 Years: Brian and Gwen Baily
- 29 Years: Jerry and Jan Mackulak
- 39 Years: David and Candace Fleming
- 22 Years: David and Candace Fleming

The winner of the Writer’s Drawing for the February issue of Going Places is Rich Burke for “Observations From An Arizona Newbie”. He will receive a complimentary dinner at a future monthly meeting.

I hope to see you at the April membership meeting, if not sooner. Come out and have some fun.

Angela

AZPCA Vegas Fun Run!!
March 30 - April 1, 2017

Please join your fellow AZPCA members for a fun filled event to and in Las Vegas where we will be joined by club members from the Las Vegas Region.

Thursday, March 30
Drive to Las Vegas after meeting for breakfast with a lunch stop at a location TBD
Evening Social with members of the LV Region

Friday, March 31
Drive to Pahrump, NV with members of the LV Region
Parade Laps at the Spring Mountain Motor Resort and Country Club
Wine Tasting at the Pahrump Valley Winery (www.pahrumpwinery.com)
Lunch in Pahrump, location TBD
Dinner social with members from the LV Region and some friendly folks from Gaudin Porsche Las Vegas

Saturday, April 1
Informal breakfast with the rest of the day on your own

Hotel
Recommend The M Resort, Spa and casino (www.themresort.com) in Henderson, NV (no resort fee and no parking fee) Current rates are $145/night + tax. Check closely on their web site for “Third Night on Us” special (buy 2 nights and get one night free) for those that want to take in a show on Saturday night!
CALLING ALL NEW MEMBERS!!!!
(And all Long-Time Members, too)

NEW MEMBERS’ DAY

Saturday, April 8, 2017 at 10AM

The Farm at South Mountain is a 12 acre farm originally acquired in the 1920’s.
The Farm Kitchen is the original restaurant at the Farm.

This event is a great opportunity for new members to meet other members and the Board of Directors, in a casual relaxed hospitable atmosphere of pecan trees, and picnic tables.
You will partake of good food and learn about your club.
You will find out about your events and be able to ask questions.

The Farm Kitchen has an extensive menu from which to choose; farm fresh salads, sandwiches, wraps, homemade soups and much more.
Attendees can order from the menu.

After lunch you can enjoy a scenic drive up South Mountain where there are great views.

Parking will be across the street from the Farm Kitchen.
Please try to arrive between 9:30 – 9:45 AM to assure a parking space.

The venue requires notification of the number attending by Wednesday, April 5th!
Please register as soon as you know you will be attending.

Registering is done by going to our website at AZ.PCA.ORG and clicking on the Events table and selecting the New Members Day on the event calendar.
Also the latest information is always available on the website.

THE FARM AT SOUTH MOUNTAIN - 6106 SOUTH 32nd STREET
PHOENIX, AZ 85042
AZPCA SWAP MEET and DETAIL CLINIC
Sunday, APRIL 9, 2017  8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Bring out those auto parts, accessories, and related stuff that have been taking up space in your
garage and around the house, to sell/swap/give away on Sunday, April 9th at the Porsche Swap
Meet at Pit Stop Auto Detailing in the Scottsdale Airpark.

Coffee and pastries will be available, and a complete detail clinic will be offered mid-morning by
our hosts, Pit Stop Auto Detailing and Storage.
Reserve a space with a table and two chairs for you to display items for sale/swap/give away.
No charge if you just wish to be a buyer and/or attend the detailing clinic.
More details and RSVP available soon at az.pca.org

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Zone 8 Concours Judges School
March 18, 2017  12:45 PM - 5:00 PM

The Zone 8 Concours Co-chairs, Betsy Wadman and Brett Mohr, will be conducting a Concours
Judges school on March 18th at Porsche Chandler.

If you are interested in becoming a judge at PCA Concours events, or if you need to renew your
certification (judges need to attend a judges school every 3 years), this will qualify you as
an official Zone 8 judge.

Registration check-in is at 12:45 PM. School is scheduled to run from 1:00 - 5:00 PM. Participants need
to bring their own clipboards and pencils, and plan on staying to the end for credit.

Maximum attendance is 36, so be sure to sign up, via az.pca.org, under events calendar link
to MotorsportReg to ensure your place at this event.

Our friends at Porsche Chandler have generously offered to host this event.
The dealership is located at the intersection of Gilbert Rd. and Pecos Rd. in Chandler --
1010 S Gilbert Rd
Chandler, AZ 8528
A Dozen Questions

The AZPCA is made up of a wonderful group of members. As Going Places Editor, I would like to introduce this month’s feature members, Jeff and Vittoria Johnson.

1. When did you join PCA?
2016.

2. What Porsche(s) do you have?
2016 - 981 Spyder.


3. Where are you from?
Born and raised in Illinois.

4. Family?
My wife, Vittoria, and I live in Chandler, Arizona. We moved from the frozen tundra of Minnesota two years ago. We have four kids, all grown, and as of December 26th, are now grandparents to a baby girl, Sophia.

5. Work background or trade?
At 16, I started a job at a Porsche dealer (Autowerks of Rockford, now Napleton) as a gopher/wash rack employee. I knew that I wanted to do more. I showed interest in becoming a mechanic, so they sent me to school in Chicago once a week. After less than two years, I was a fully certified ASE mechanic specializing in Porsches and Audis. As an apprentice, (under Igor Komarich guidance) I had the opportunity to help out on an IMSA race team, owner, Werner Frank’s 934 in the 80’s. Awesome fun.

Flying is another passion of mine. I knew the career would afford me the chance to own one of the cars that I love. By joining the Navy I worked through my career and currently, I am a Captain at Delta airlines (previous Northwest airlines employee).

6. What makes your car special?
The Spyder is the whole package. Fast, agile and the top comes down.

7. Next upgrade?
I have done a few upgrades to the car. I have a youtube channel, Spyder JJ that shows the car and upgrades.

8. Have you personalized your car?
Check out Spyder JJ - YouTube and blog.

9. Favorite memory with a car?
The 2016 981 Spyder. Hands down the best Porsche I have driven. Though not having the opportunity to get behind the wheel of a 911 GT3 RS yet. With only 1200 miles on the car, every minute is a great memory. The scenery and roads here afford many memorable drives.

10. Why did you buy your Porsche?
I have been a Porsche fan and fanatic since 18.

11. High school nickname?
????

12. Top 3 cars you would own?
981 Spyder, 356 super speeder, Carrera GT. I’m a third of the way there. LOL!
Dear PCA'ers, I hope you all had a Happy New Year!

My sons presented me, with a birthday/Christmas present that you all would enjoy...a drive at the new Porsche Experience Center in Carson, California.

I chose the 718 Boxster, with PDK, in order to compare it with my 986 “S”, as well as try the new transmission. I went with the preconceived notion that it wouldn't sound as good as my six cylinder, but I'll leave you guessing about my opinion until later.

The track, in Carson, is 20 minutes south of LAX on the 405, at the intersection of 110 (which takes you south to the Battleship USS Iowa in San Pedro). It's also across the freeway from the Goodyear blimp.

When making your reservation (https://www.porschedriving.com/porsche-experiencecenter-los-angeles), car choices and prices are reflected. My Boxster ran $385 for the 90 minute period and ranges up to $950 for a 911 Turbo vs. GT3 comparison. It appears that the time can be shared, but we did not inquire about that. You can reduce the damage waiver deductible from $10,000 to $2,000 for $50/per driving experience. Plan to arrive, as recommended, 30 minutes early because sign in and badge issuance takes awhile due to all the eager drivers being accommodated plus the freeways are always mobbed.

Remember to get your seat position right. My instructor was compact and I had to adjust my seat accordingly; especially the height. The track operation is like an HPDE. The instructor is in radio contact with the other instructors and the control center, through an earpiece, so as not to bother the student. We did a couple of warmup laps before heading to the “low friction circle”. That was fun and a lot of time is spent alternating between the three, low friction, pads. The next being the “ice hill” which is treated with chemicals to replicate ice. The instructor has you stab the throttle momentarily while turning. Then its up to you to correct the gyration. Lots’a fun and good practice.

The third pad “kick plate” shifts dramatically underneath you when approaching between 20 and 26 mph. You can't predict which direction it suddenly shifts, just use reactions and all the steering necessary to keep aiming at the cone which was, originally, at your 12 o'clock position. The faster you go, the more difficult it becomes. This is where mid engine Boxsters have an edge as 911s were traveling backwards more often than me.
Between the low friction pad runs we alternated, with a high speed run, using the Sport Mode Launch Control. After a familiarization pass, on the acceleration straight, we came to a stop; then brake full on, gas to the floor, release the brake and...zoom to 105 mph. Passing the billboard/marker press firmly on the brakes and decelerate smoothly into the rollout and return loop. We also drove the banked Karousel a couple of times. It replicates a corner of the Nurburgring race track, known as the “Green Hell”. Finally, back to the track, for some spirited driving while trying to keep brake and turning points in mind. The laps weren’t bad and THE ENGINE DID SOUND TERRIFIC when in Sport Mode. It sounded like my six when “on song.”

I did okay for 30 of the 90 minutes. The last ten I couldn’t tell a sprinkler head from a fire hydrant. I was tuckered out but had a great time, with a terrific instructor - Raul. After a photo op we headed upstairs, to the 917 Restaurant, overlooking the track. Our reserved seating wasn’t quite ready and it was just as well since my stomach needed time to calm down. But the “Porsche Experience” was well worth it and convinced me that the turbo-four banger would be a suitable replacement should I ever want to kiss my six goodbye.

NOW, we need to convince Porsche that “experience money” spent should be credited toward our next purchase!
BUYING A 718 BOXSTER
by Gerald Gambino, Jr.

Before deciding to buy a new 718 Porsche Boxster, I read several reviews and had two short test drives. I became convinced the 2017 Boxster was the car for me.

I went to two Porsche dealers and considered selling my 2012 Boxster to an individual or an exotic German car dealer. The exotic German car dealer offered me the most for 2012 Boxster but that difference was cancelled when you consider the additional sales tax involved purchasing a new car without a trade. Of the two Porsche dealers, one was cooperative and helpful, the other had a “take it or leave it approach”. You can guess which dealer I selected.

I definitely wanted to order the 718. Purchasing a car in a color or with options I didn’t want did not appeal to me. The dealer told me it would take four months to get the car. I placed the order at the end of June and took delivery at the end of October, exactly four months later. The dealer salesperson keep me well informed during those four months, i.e., when production of my 718 would begin, when it would be complete, when it left Germany, when it arrived in San Diego, and when I could take delivery at the dealership. Four months is along time to wait for a car so that information was helpful.

During the four months wait, I read every review and road test I could find. All the reviews were positive. However, some of the reviews said the new turbocharged four cylinder didn’t sound as good as the previous six cylinder Boxster. That was not my opinion during the two test drives but I decided to wait for my 718 and judge for myself.

Doesn’t sound as good? Four cylinder engines don’t sound like a six, six cylinder engines don’t sound like an eight. The only issue is, does the new turbocharged four sound good? My new 718 actually sounds better than my 2012 six cylinder in Normal Mode and sounds much better than my 2012 Boxster in Sport Mode.

However, every potential 718 buyer can decide for themselves. I couldn’t be happier with my new 718 Boxster. It does everything better than my 2012 Boxster. The 718 Boxster handles better, rides better, stops faster, shifts smoother, and accelerates much faster. As a bonus, the sound system and other features are easier to use.

Six is a “perfect number” (Mathematics Joke) but the new turbocharged four really impresses me.

Worth the four month wait!
O the benefits of being your humble scribe. One is getting on the e-mailing list for press releases from Dr. Ing. h.c. F. Porsche AG, datelined Stuttgart. That’s right, from the horse’s mouth, direct to my personal e-mailbox. I have no idea whether I get them all. Only the Porsche Press Database would know for sure. But I do get some interesting ones.

Like one I’m staring at, right now. It says “Porsche sets new sales record.”

It’s all about sales in 2016, compared to the previous year, broken down by model and by region.

I find it fascinating, to read a document like this and try to decipher what’s included… and what’s not. Let’s take a test drive.

The lead notes that Porsche delivered in 2016 a “total of 237,778 vehicles around the world, some 6 percent more than the previous record. The key drivers of growth were Europe, the USA and China.”

It goes on to say “The Macan and the new 718 Boxster had a particularly positive effect on the result. The excellent response to the new Panamera provides an additional boost.”

“Porsche is synonymous with emotion and quality. The positive trend in the global markets confirms how enthusiastic our customers are,” says Oliver Blume, Chairman of the Executive Board of Porsche AG. The release then cites him as noting “However… that exclusivity is more important to Porsche than sales targets.”

No word in the release on profitability targets. Just saying.

Porsche’s largest single market worldwide? China… “with a total of 65,246 vehicles delivered - an increase of 12 percent.” Those numbers are so good, in fact, that they say they will further expand their dealership network this year, and open a Porsche Experience Center in Shanghai.

You’re wondering what the breakdown is, by model against region? Sorry, can’t help you.

However, they did give a lot more, geographically. “America” tied “Asia-Pacific, Africa and Middle East” for second place by growth last year, rising 6 percent, respectively. And “USA” was close behind at a 5 percent increase. Same for “Europe” overall. Although “Germany” rose by just 1 percent.

Sorry, they didn’t break down their geographic numbers with any more detail. No other countries were called out. To which, you may ask, why the selective break-outs? Hey, I only know what I read.

Same goes for model break-outs. Here’s the extent of what they said. “There were 12,848 deliveries of the 718 Boxster, exceeding last year’s result by 9 percent. Meanwhile, the legend of the Porsche 911 continues: With a total of 32,409 vehicles delivered, sales of the 911 once again grew by 2 percent, helping it to maintain its special position in the market for exclusive sports cars.”

Hooray on that. Although I wonder why the new Cayman was not mentioned. Was its launch too late to be included?

And then the release noted “The Macan reinforced its position as the best-selling Porsche with 95,642 vehicles delivered, representing an increase of 19 percent.”

With no mention in the release of the Cayenne. Or Panamera sales.

Are you thinking what I’m thinking? Yeah, yeah, yeah, they seem to be continuing to do a great job of transferring “the strength of the brand,” to quote words attributed to Detlev von Platen, Member of the Executive Board responsible for Sales and Marketing, to as many small SUVs and sedans as they can. And the formula continues to work literally around the world.

I guess I shouldn’t be surprised. What a truly amazing business story it is, and it’s one in which we all, every one of us PCA members, can take great pride. Because we know we’re the ones who helped create that amazing brand imagery. And we know, we just know, that there’s no way they can ever stop the sports cars and racing programs. What would happen, then, to that “enthusiasm” transfer and “exclusivity”?

I have no idea. But it should be noted that the release closes with “The coming weeks will see the launch of the completely redeveloped second generation of the Panamera in the USA and China. The shooting-brake version - the Panamera Sport Turismo - will celebrate its world premiere in March at the Geneva Motor Show.”

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The subtitle of this book, “The Definitive Guide to Mechanical Systems, Specifications and History”, is only slightly pretentious. The book contains many photos with the pictures used largely to illustrate points made in the text. Unfortunately, the captions do not always relate directly to the pictures to which they are attached.

The chapters deal with the nine versions of the air-cooled 911 (defined by engine size and year period), from the 1963-69 2L, to the 1993-98 Carrera, GT and Turbo. Each chapter has an ‘Evolution Outline’ on the first page that gives a summary of the major changes within the model-era of that chapter. The text of each chapter begins with a general discussion of the technical/commercial/political environment leading to the development of the model, then the narrative of all the changes. Each chapter ends with a section - the fine pint - that presents the Identification, Production Changes, Production Data, Dimensions, Options and Color Schemes data in tabular form, and a comprehensive table of Engine Specifications, Engine Model numbers, Transmission Model numbers and Chassis numbers, etc. The last chapter “Buying and Driving” presents largely generic advice on buying a car, but includes a complete table of performance data for the 51 specific year/models of air-cooled 911s.

While major series changes occurred at intervals of two or three years, Porsche, not being “Detroit”, tended to introduce detail changes as they were developed, irrespective of model year cycles. ORIGINAL PORSCHE 911 deals rather precisely with these changes both between model-eras and within model years. As examples of the level of detail, there is mention of the fact that in mid-1966 the horn grills changed from four-screw mounting to two-screws, and in 1969 they became narrower to accommodate a wider front turn signal lens.

Also that in mid-1967, left hand drive cars got windshield wipers that were black and parked on the left, whereas all the earlier cars and some subsequent right hand drive cars, had chrome wipers that parked on the right.

The changes in the color, font, and placement of the 911 label on the engine lid are all documented as appropriate. Similarly, changes in interior and exterior mirrors, seats (front & rear), wheels (steering and road), door handles (interior and exterior), rubber inserts in bumpers and on over riders, etc., etc., are all precisely described at the appropriate place in the text.

Gems of wisdom like these can be of great interest to dedicated Porschephiles who want to know when a specific feature/characteristic appeared/dis-appeared. But dedication is required of such a reader because the gems are buried in the narrative text and not presented in a neat summary tables as are the more basic ‘engineering’ numbers. Readers approaching from the standpoint finding out the unique characteristics of a specific model will find the desired information presented concisely and in great detail. Readers trying to find the first appearance of a specific characteristic will have a more difficult search.

Though not formatted as a reference encyclopedia of air-cooled 911 knowledge, this book provides (at a bargain price), a font of knowledge about the intricacies of the species and sub-species of the 911 Genus, and should be in every 911 enthusiast's library. It is a must-have for those focused on the air-cooled cars.

Published in soft-cover manual format, ORIGINAL PORSCHE 911 has 160 8-1/4 x 10-3/4 pages, with 200 color & 35 b/w photos, and should be available from your favorite bookseller (ask for it) for $29.99, or from www.http://quartoknows.com.
January 14th was a cloudy Saturday, but the threat of rain doesn’t hinder AZPCA members! FIFTY Porsche members gathered for breakfast at Ajo Al’s Restaurant in Glendale. Our newly elected club president, Bryce Brown, stopped at every table to greet each and every person. We enjoyed good food and great conversation! It was a nice way to start 2017. Plan to join us at the next Porsches 'n' Pancakes at Tavern Americana on Saturday, March 11th. This is an excellent way for you to meet the members of our club.
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Nicolas has done the artwork for the first three Porsche Werks Reunions held in Monterey, CA during the Pebble Beach Concours d’Elegance Car week, and we are immensely proud that he will be doing the artwork for our 2017 Fiesta New Mexico event. The 2017 Fiesta New Mexico t-shirts will certainly be a collector’s item and will only be available to Fiesta New Mexico registrants (and co-registrants) by attending our event.

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January 2017 MEETING MINUTES

by Jan Nyquist

Monthly Meeting – January 4, 2017

Our new President Bryce Brown opened the meeting at 6:40 pm.

ATTENDEES:


MEETING PLACE:

Jasmine Tokyo, 7000 E. Shea Blvd., Scottsdale, AZ 85254.

Thanks to Penny for arranging this month’s membership meeting.

PORSCHER CLUB of America - Arizona Region can be very proud over the following achievements:

- Region of the Year in 2009 & 2011.
- The Best T-Shirt design, Escape in 2012.
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  January issue mailed to members 12/21
  February issue sent to printer 12/30
  March issue in progress, deadline for articles and pictures, 1/15
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• One of the Top 10 Regions for new members nationwide through November 2016
• 216 renewals thus far for 2017
• Total member numbers are in flux this time of year due to renewals
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Fountain Park, Fountain Hills
Treasurer Report: We are solvent!

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• Jan 21 - Autocross AMP
• Jan 21 - PCA Zone 8 Awards Banquet, Long Beach
• Jan 22 - Sunday Drive Bartlett Lake, Lunch at Tonto Grill
• Jan 28 - Tubac Car Show
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Upcoming Events:
• Jan 14 – Porsche N’Pancakes Ajo Al’s
• Jan 14/15 - SAR Event 14 - Wrigley Mansion Tour, 15 - Concours at the Biltmore
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It is the responsibility for each sponsor to develop and design their unique promotional ads. Sponsors must submit their own artwork electronically for ads in gif, pdf, jpeg or swf (for website ads) formats. New sponsorships will run yearly, and investment will be pro-rated for any new sponsor who commits mid-year. All website ads will be viewed only by Arizona Porsche Club members and therefore will not be accessed until the member logs into the website. The acceptance and display of advertising in this publication does not constitute an endorsement of the advertiser or product by the Porsche Club of America, Arizona Region. AZPCA reserves the right to refuse to print any ad it deems inappropriate. Sponsorships must be prepaid. Staff reserves the right to change rates upon notice at any time.

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AZPCA at the Phoenix Grand Prix

APRIL 29 at 3:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Please join members of the Arizona Region, Porsche Club of America at the Desert Diamond West Valley Phoenix Grand Prix on April 29, 2017. Tailgating in a paved Porsche Corral before the event. The race start time is still TBD as of Jan. 15, 2017 but in 2016 it started at 5:30 PM.

We have reserved a block of tickets in the Bryan grandstands, section F, rows 19 – 23, seats 1-10 in each row starting at the aisle. Cost of each ticket is $45. Parking in the Porsche Corral costs $20 per car. Register now at AZ.PCA.ORG and your credit card will not be charged until April 11, 2017!!

The Arizona Region PCA will provide bottled water and snacks while we socialize with fellow Porschephiles before the race. You are welcome to bring additional food and beverages into the Porsche Corral if you wish. You may bring and consume alcohol in the parking area. You cannot bring your own alcohol into the track.

Details of the pre-race tailgating and instructions for finding the parking area will be provided when the tickets are sent.

We will NOT meet before the race. Note to those who attended in 2016 - the Porsche Corral will be located in a different area from last year.

**************************IMPORTANT**************************
Tickets and parking passes will be mailed to all registrants before the race, so please ensure your mailing address is up to date in Motorsportsreg.com.

Pit passes are available for an additional $50/pass by calling the PIR ticket office directly at 1-866-408-7223. You cannot register for Pit passes through Motorsportreg.com.
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September 30-October 1
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