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CHUCK'S CORNER

[BY: CHUCK BUSH,
LONGHORN REGION PRESIDENT]

As we wrap up 2016, I hope you have had a great year, and have been able to relax and spend time with your friends and family over the Holidays.

Thanks to all of you that have participated and volunteered in 2016. Both are important for your club. Events are planned based on member interest, and if events are well supported we do more of them. Regardless, we try and provide a wide range of events to capture your interests. This month's news letter contains the schedule for draft 2017. Please take the time to see what is coming up and put events on your calendar! If you have any additional ideas, or would like to lead or help with a particular event, let me know and we love the input/support.

One event coming up that many of you have expressed interest in is the PCA Treffen at the Lost Pines Resort in Bastrop, TX. The event will be held 29 March-2 April and being 1,915 miles closer than this year's Porsche Parade, it is a great opportunity to have a Parade like experience, close to home. Registration should open at the beginning of the year, and we will send out a notification.

As many of you know, PCA is made up of 144 Regions and 13 Zones. For the last four years, we have been lucky to have Lynn Friedman as our Zone 5 rep. She and her husband Larry have been to many of our events and made friends

with everyone they met! Longhorn region was very fortunate to have Lynn as our Zone rep. The good news is that we have an excellent replacement for Lynn, in Jon Jones. Jon is from Tulsa, and very active in club racing which is a key function of the zone rep. Jon has written an introduction in the newsletter, and we hope to see him here in San Antonio soon.

A big thank you to all our sponsor's this year. We are pretty selective on whom we accept as advertisers, and their support really helps our club fund a wide variety of events. They are all listed in this news letter, so next time you partake of their services; thank them on behalf of the Longhorn region. If you know of any outstanding companies that would like to advertise with us in 2017, please let anyone on the board know, and we will get in touch with them.

2016 has been a good year for the Longhorn region. Our membership remains steady, our finances are solid, and we have been able to invest in maintaining our equipment, including wireless digital signs for our Autocrosses. We raised a record amount for charity this year, and brought back some different activities like technical sessions. Thanks again for all your participation and support, and I look forward to a great 2017. LH



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As of December 18, 2016

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Total:	597

New Members

Lesseur, Marcus	Not Listed, TI from Carolina Region
Killam, David	Not Listed, TI from Coastal Bend Region
Waldrup, Scott	Not Listed, TI from Mardi Gras Region
Bryan, Talley	2016 Panamera 4
Steinberg, Robert	Not Listed, TI from Hudson Valley
Cole, Bob	1998 Maroon Boxster
Dent, Bobby	2017 White 718 Boxster
Battista, Michael	2012 Cayman R
Broyles, Allen	2014 Blue 911 Carrera S Cabriolet
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5 years (2011)

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[BY: JACK MERRELL, LONGHORN PAST PRESIDENT]

Another successful year or region auto sport with autocross and track training events. There are several goals we work towards at each of our autocross events, one is to make the event self supporting, thus the more people we get the lower the entry fee. Of more importance is that the more drivers we get, the larger and more challenging the course can be. With a small group (ie under thirty drivers) the course must be reduced in size AND challenge as we will be short of course workers. Bottom line is if you enjoy the autocross events we run not only come out, but bring a friend.



Next year we will start in February with an event at Fiesta Texas and end the year in December again at Fiesta Texas.

We are so thankful that they allow us to use their facility. It is a privilege they do not extend to other clubs.


In between we will have three autocross events at Retama, one will most likely be an autocross school. We have had a number of requests to run a school again and we will, but not in August as we did two years ago. It was hot, but we had 35 drivers for that. There are also two track days at Harris Hill scheduled ... not in July or August and hopefully on dry Saturdays. As you can see a full schedule again next year.

The track days are limited by design to give everyone lots of seat time but we will accommodate as many drivers for the autocross events that come out so encourage your PCA friends to try us out. Our events are fun and SAFE .. New people are welcome as it is the best venue to safely exercise your PORSCHE and improve your driving skills.

Now is the time to also say thanks to those members that don't drive in the events but tirelessly give of their time to work each event so the membership can have a good time. First would be Ron McAtee, our timer,

who is there every time and quietly (ok maybe not all the time) provides the administrative expertise to register members, publish run and time sheets and works the timing equipment. Next is Bob Jones, who is always there early to help set up the course and then do whatever is required to make the day a success. My wonderful wife Sandy, who will track you down to make sure all waivers are signed. James Bricken who runs the tech inspection. Jon Parkoff and Mike Matthews who help with instruction. This is but a short list, there are others that stay and help tear down and reload the trailer such as Chuck and Susie Bush and Ted Howell, to name but a few. My thanks to them and everyone else that "pitches in" to make our events a success.

By the way if you did not catch it PORSCHE again won the WEC sports car challenge with the 919 Hybrid ... a great finish to a great year.

Looking forward to next year and a great turnout at all our events. We have 600 plus members in Longhorn Region so at least ten percent of those should support our autocross events . Have a safe and enjoyable holiday season and see you all next year. 

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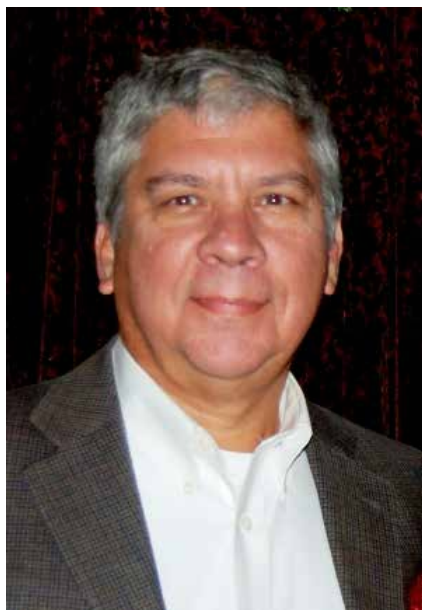
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John Jones, Zone 5 Representative



Hello all, and Happy New Year! I'm happy to introduce myself as the Zone 5 Representative starting in January 2017. It came as a bit of surprise that both our previous Zone Rep Lynn Friedman, and PCA President Caren Cooper thought I was a candidate for the position, but after lots of thought and conversation with many people, I decided to take the plunge. Lynn has done such a great job with her boundless energy and enthusiasm for all things PCA, I think it will be hard to match her performance. But I will do my best to support all of the members of Zone 5, and all of the Region Presidents and officers. And that is my role – to support all of you in making sure we are providing the best PCA experience we can to each and every member.

A little background about me – I have been a PCA member for 11 years, all in Cimarron Region. I have been newsletter editor, Vice President and President. I am currently the Club Race Chair for our annual event at Hallett, and I am also a National Club Racing Scrutineer. I will confess my PCA enthusiasm has infected my wife, Joy, as she is Cimarron Region President this year, and my trusty Registrar for the Club Race. I think she's happy about it all, but I can't always tell. We live a little north of Tulsa, and we have two grown daughters.

My pride and joy is a 1979 911 SC that is largely original. The mileage is getting up there because I love to drive it, but in my 12 years of ownership, it has given me zero trouble. We have a 2003 Boxster S in the family, as well as an 85 944 that is evolving into a track car. I enjoy working on each of these cars, as well as driving them – Porsches are engineered so well they are not mysteries for the owner to perform many maintenance and repair tasks.

As I become accustomed to the role of Zone Rep, I see a consistence message in my instructions, I am here to help all of you make the most of your PCA time, whether your interest is social, drives, track events, or any of the other PCA activities. I am here to be a resource and a conduit for communication with the National Staff of PCA, in both directions. I am not here to tell you how to run your Regions – there is no such thing as a "Zone President".

In the coming months I plan to communicate with you regularly on all things PCA, and I invite you to communicate with me. I can be reached at 918 740-7951 or jonesjon843@gmail.com I will also be traveling throughout the Zone this year, and I hope to meet as many of you as I can and participate in some of your events. Thanks for your support of PCA and your contributions to make it the best single-marque car club on the planet.

Jon Jones 

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Octoberfest Brewer Tour

[BY: MIKE VRIESENKA]

For the fourth consecutive year vintage, air-cooled Porsches from Houston, Austin and San Antonio met to enjoy a little driving, a little lunch, a little fellowship and a little beer.



Having been blessed with pleasant weather a little extra time, Chuck and Suzie Bush led a picturesque drive over backroads from Bulverde to Gruene. One by one the vintage Porsches rolled into Gruene. Louis and Betty Lee led a contingent from Austin over Devils Backbone in their pristine, one-owner white-over-red 356. Julian Avent brought his radically modified, eye-catching and flawless 912 R6 from Temple. After strolling through the shops, we gathered on the patio behind the Gristmill Restaurant for good food and engaging conversation with old friends and new.

After lunch we struggled through I-35 traffic to the Ranger Creek Brew-stillery here in San Antonio. The building isn't much to look at, but Colonel McDavid enjoyed telling us about beer and whisky, and we enjoyed some of the Ranger Creek craft brews. The bad news was the Longhorns lost to Oklahoma. The good news is everyone enjoyed bringing their cars out on a beautiful day after a long, hot summer. Cool cars. Cool people. Cold beer. Life is good. **LH**





Germany ... *A Little Bit of the Porsche Homeland*

[BY: JAMES LOWE]

This year I made a two-week excursion back to Germany. I'm sure many of our Longhorn Region members have made that trip at least once. My visit included Stuttgart, Munich, Nurnberg, Berlin and parts in between, but I decided to bring this short article a little closer to Texas and maybe provide a few captions for places that may be a bit unfamiliar. Of course photos are essential to any vacation, so I'm providing only a few with a little history.

When travelling to Germany, the first stop is usually the Frankfurt Airport. If you are not in Germany to take delivery of your brand new Porsche in Stuttgart, then pick up your rental car at the airport. That's what I did. When in Germany you must drive the autobahn and those magnificent curvy roads throughout the countryside. I got stuck with a mid-sized Volvo SUV that fortunately had a diesel engine. Diesel is the least expensive fuel in that part of the world... and I did a lot of road time.

I drove directly from the airport to Braunfels, a very picturesque town only about 45 minutes north of Frankfurt. You guessed it! New Braunfels, Texas is named for Braunfels. The history of Braunfels goes back to around 1246 AD. New Braunfels was established in 1845 by Prince Carl of Solms-Braunfels who named the settlement in honor of his home Solms-Braunfels.

Schloss Braunfels is a neo-gothic castle constructed around 1260. Much of the original castle burned to the ground in 1679, then was reconstructed in the 1800's into the castle we see today.





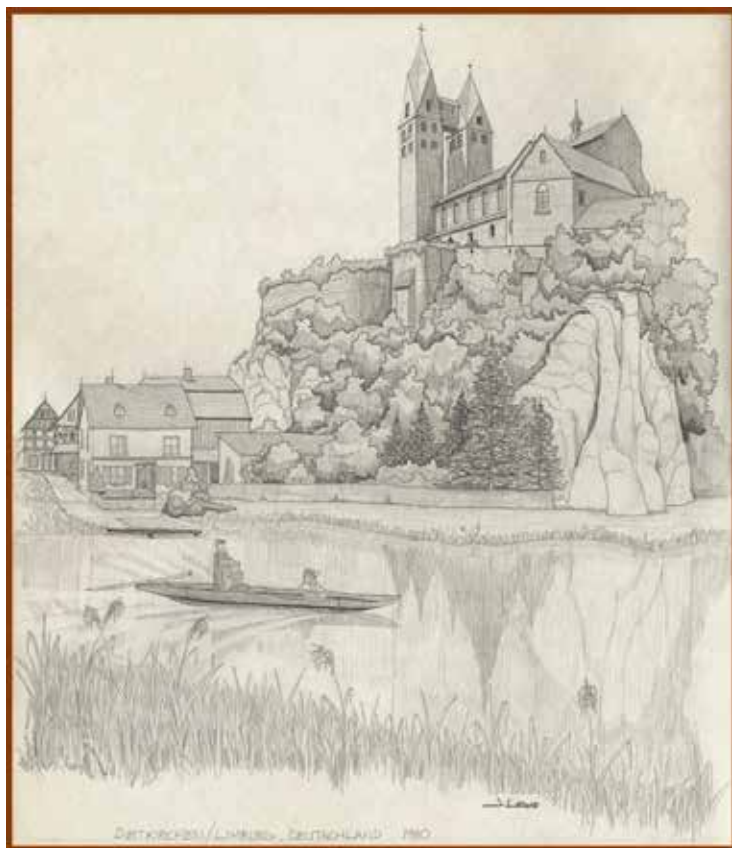
▲ The Braunfels Altstadt (old town) surrounds Schloss Braunfels and is pretty typical of most German villages. The photo on the left is the street leading up to one of several castle gates. On the right is a photo of one of several gasthouses on the town square.



◀ This is the Braunfels town square. It's a beautiful old town and a bit touristy, but much less crowded than the well-known town and cities of Germany. As you can see, New Braunfels looks nothing like this.



That same day I ventured over to Dietkirchen which is only 30 minutes west of Braunfels. I went there specifically to visit the Saint Lubentius Kirche. It really doesn't have much significance other than being a really old Romanesque Catholic church constructed from 1225 to 1250. There was only one reason I went to see this place...



My first Army service assignment was in Germany – 1978 to 1981. In 1980 I drew the St. Lubentius Kirche from a black and white photo in a book. I had never seen the church in person until this year's visit. The drawing may not be as exact as the real thing, but I'm still impressed that I did it that well.



▲ *The view! Photographs never do justice to a wonderful view. So, I walked the steep streets up to the church grounds and transformed my drawing into a fulfilling experience overlooking the Lahn River valley. The memorial on the left recognizes the men of Dietkirchen who died fighting World War I and World War II. The inscription reads “Den Toten Zum Gedenken – Den Lebenden Zum Mahnung”. My interpretation is this... Commemorate the dead as a reminder to the living.*

A few days later I drove from Stuttgart to another German landmark that I had drawn back in my Army days. It was another one of those black and white photos from the same book. I had never been to Schloss Lichtenstein and this visit was another excellent experience.



Schloss Lichtenstein draws a much larger tourist crowd than Braunfels and the St. Lubentius Kirche. Perched upon the edge of a stone cliff overlooking the town of Lichtenstein, Honau and the Echaz River valley, the view is breathtaking. ▲



▲ *On the left is the entrance gate to the fortress surrounding Schloss Lichtenstein. On the right is the drawbridge walk to the palace entrance. The palace is a Gothic Revival castle rebuilt from a fortress in the 1300's, then reconstructed into the current palace in 1840-1842.*




▲ Above is the main residence for the Royal Court and palace guards. It's inside the fortress and adjacent to Schloss Lichtenstein.

◀ On the left is the Altes Forsthaus, outside the fortress walls and down the hill from the schloss. A great place for wurst and beer!



And speaking of beer, I made many visits to the German brew houses during my two-week tour. But that's another story. I visited so many other places and breweries while I was there. I took over 500 photos, ate a ton of real German food, drank gallons of tasty German bier and had a blast.

If you have never made that bucket-list trip to Porsche country, you need to get there as quickly as a 911 Turbo S! If you haven't been there in a while, you must return as soon as possible! I'm already making plans for another visit. Auf Wiedersehen! 





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Golf Cart...

[BY: BOB COLE]

So earlier this year they passed an ordinance that you could use golf carts on designated streets here in New Braunfels. We live on “the hill” above Landa Park and Debra asks me if we can get one to go down the hill and putter around. I’m thinking about it, maybe a gas powered one because of the steep hill and had some time to search for one on eBay.

So I’m looking at golf carts and a “window” opens on the right side and there is a photo of a cute little Boxster for sale, an auction and the Car Fax report is available!

I had not had a Porsche since I lived in Atlanta in the late 70’s, a cute 1965 912 that I bought from a Delta pilot that had it brought over, as they were still selling the 356 in the US. Sure wish I had kept that one...

So I’m thinking the Boxster would be a lot more fun than a golf cart and more useable, even though neither trunk will hold a golf bag and I was getting tired of driving my Mercedes Turbodiesel all the time so I put in a bid for it. It was a 1998 model with 82,000 miles on it and I knew I could arrange shipping if I was the successful bidder.

Next thing I know I am the successful bidder and arranging to have the car shipped to me from

Pennsylvania! I had some concerns and would have preferred a car from a more southern state where salt is not used on the roadways, but this one had been garaged and was immaculate. It even had the optional removable matching hard top which is handy to soften the noise on highway trips and even though it is 25 outside today, I still just have the rag on....as it will probably be in the 70’s again tomorrow.

This cute little thing is more fun than a barrel of monkeys and if you have never driven a Boxster, you should give it a try. The mid engine configuration makes it purdy close to a 50/50 weight ratio and it turns on a dime with no lean at all. I enjoy it almost every day as I have a very short drive to work, almost too close to even put the top down.

Although my original intention was to find an older 911 that I could work on my self if I wanted to, like my neighbor Tom did, this Boxster feels just right. At 6’1” it required some training on entry procedures but once you’re in the “cockpit” you’re in, and one with the car. Almost a Zen-nish experience....

So no golf bags in this one, but the Mercedes will hold those when the time comes.

Best wishes for a wonderful new year to you all! LH

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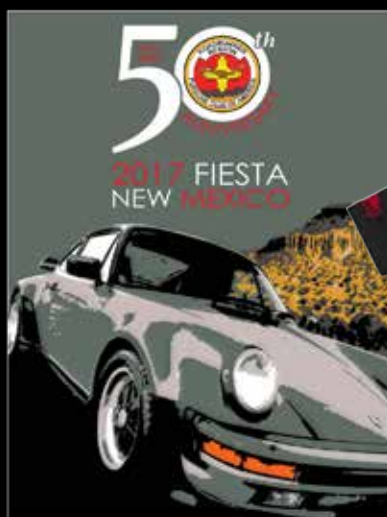
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[BY: JIM BASEY]

On July 15th 2008, Jo and I flew from San Antonio to John Wayne Airport to purchase our latest, and probably last Porsche. My very first Porsche had been a 1960 burgundy (Ruby Red) 356B Super 90 Cabriolet with tan leather interior. This car was a 2004 Burgundy (Carmona red) 996 Targa with a tan leather interior. It seemed fitting that the first and last were so similar and yet SO different.

We were picked up at our motel by a salesman who drove us through the back entrance to New Port Beach Porsche and there sat the beauty that we had been discussing and I had offered to buy. I agreed to finalize the transaction and soon was enduring the horrendous crossing of t's and dotting of i's when we discovered that our bank was going to renege on our requested wire transfer. At that point the Finance Officer asked if I had a numbered check and that he would accept it. I was obliged to tell him that money wouldn't be in the checking account until we got home. Shortly afterwards we were off down I-5 heading to Texas. Approximately twenty miles down the road the six southbound lanes all came to a screeching halt and a monumental traffic jam caused by people trying to exit for a horse racing track. My famous words to Jo were, "This is why I bought a Tiptronic."

On the second day of our trip home, she spotted a sign for Ruidoso, NM and commented that it had been a long, long time since we had visited that spot

in the mountains of southern New Mexico and off we went on our first but not last impulse detour during our ownership. It was so cold (to us) up in the mountains that we had to stop in a local store and buy some warmer clothes. Since that visit we have returned so many times that I lost count, but the last time was this past April when we attended a reunion of old Special Forces soldiers.

During the following eight plus years we have visited an untold number of National and State Parks and visited with old friends scattered from the west coast to the east coast. The Targa has taken us northwest to Washington state and southeast to Florida covering thirty-three states. Included in our adventures have been two PCA Escapes and four or five PCA Paloozas plus several Cars and Coffee events around the country plus drop in visits to local region events. I'd prefer not to remember the number of tires that have been installed. At 65,000 miles, I figured that I had pushed my luck far enough and Jones Autowerks in San Antonio did an IMS refit. It was their first but not their last. The Targa took us to Road Atlanta for the Petite Lemans twice, and Circuit of the Americas numerous times. It also was our transport to Disney World several times. I also had XPeI clear bra installed but they didn't do a good job of keeping a million butterflies off the car several times nor did it protect the front-end from the thousands white chicken or turkey feathers while behind a big semi one day.



The first time the Targa saw snow was in the month of June at Yellowstone but it was all gone by the end of the day. When we visited Lincoln County NM and the Billy the Kid legendary stomping grounds, I wondered what ever happened to the big cattle ranches that caused those problems. Driving from Pecos, TX to Fort Stockton, the speed limit is 75 and from there to Kerrville Texas it is 80mph. Filled the tank in Pecos one day and used that route heading home. At the next fill-up the Targa had been averaging 27mpg. I understand that the PDKs are even better.

I was at Sam's Club in San Marcos, TX on September 28th and filled up the tank. As I reset the instruments I noted that we had personally driven the Targa over 100,000 fun and happy miles. Two blocks from there an uninsured Pick-up truck pulled out of a gas station and right in front of the Targa. I felt as if I had lost a friend and realizing all the adventures we had together, the Targa truly was a friend. LH

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What Do You Do With a New Macan? Road Trip


[BY: TOM ORSHAN]

When I mentioned to Jack Merrell that I was looking at several Panameras, he said, “You don’t need another big*\$\$! sedan, why don’t you look at a Macan?” Say what? I hadn’t even considered one but after more conversation I promised him I would. And Judy and I are very happy that we did. After looking at them on the Porsche webpage the Macan S (340 hp, twin turbo V-6 and PDK) was sounding pretty good. After looking at and driving one they looked even better. So we decided to order one in Sapphire Blue Metallic with the standard beige and black interior. I wanted Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC), Blind Spot Warning, PASM, and a few other options. ACC is cruise control with a radar that keeps the traffic ahead of you at a set distance apart. If someone cuts in front of you or traffic slows and stops it will apply the brakes down to a full stop. It works great! In fact it works so well that I have been on the highway but not noticed the car ahead had slowed somewhat. ACC had slowed the Macan (rhymes with pecan) down so gradually that I didn’t realize we were traveling a bit slower than I had set it. Once I pulled into the left lane it sped up to the set speed. After owning it for a few weeks we set off to visit Albuquerque for a few days in early October. We stayed overnight in Fort Stockton. The next day outside of Carlsbad, NM we stopped at the Living Desert State Park and had a wonderful time. The Visitor’s Center and outside exhibits were excellent and well worth a several hour visit.

A friend had suggest that we check out Ruidoso, NM on the way. Sounded like a good idea except the road to Ruidoso was being resurfaced and the highway department put loose gravel on both lanes of the two lane highway. After several miles of crawling along we came to where they were actually working on the road and it was down to one lane traffic. Going even slower we made it past

the work site but covered in dust. At least it hid some of the bug bashes! Once we made it to our hotel in Albuquerque I broke my cardinal rule and located a car wash. I’m pretty sure it was the first and last automated car wash my Macan will ever experience.

Albuquerque has many interesting places to visit and costs for seniors are very low. We went to the excellent Art and Science Museums. They are across the street from each other. A parking lot is next to the Art Museum and you can pay \$5 to park or \$2 to visit the Art Museum with parking included. On the other side of the parking lot is Old Town with shops, crafts, and restaurants. We enjoyed it and the museums. We also went to the Aquarium which is located next to their outstanding Bio Park. A narrow gauge railroad connects those attractions to the Zoo a few miles away. The cost for a senior for all four was ten bucks. What a deal! We enjoyed it all and recommend that you go. They are all located in west Albuquerque as was our hotel, which made driving to things short and easy. The temperatures ranged from 81 to 49 degrees.

We decided to leave early in the morning and drive back in one day. That went better than I expected. The Macan is a quiet, comfortable, quick, great handling SUV that drives better than many cars. Hey, it’s a Porsche! Once back in Texas I set the cruise control to 75 mph and motored serenely along. Although the speed limit on I-10 is 80, not many cars passed me. I had my radar detector on and picked up many police cars. And quite a few ones without radar including at least one sheriff in a stealth SUV. We made it home in 11 hours and felt quite good. The standard seats are very comfortable, the ACC made it very simple, and the Macan made it very easy. Needless to say we love the car. 

2017

Longhorn Region Events



January:

- 5 January-Dinner Meeting- Blanco BBQ
- 21 January-Drive/Brewers tour

February:

- 2 February-Dinner Meeting-Chester's Hamburgers
- 11 February-Autocross at Fiesta Texas
- 25 February-Rally School and Rally

March:

- 2 March-Dinner Meeting- Pompeii's Italian Grill
- 11 March-Autocross at Retama (School)
- 25 March-Track Day at Harris hill
- 29 March-2 April-PCA Treffen in Bastrop, TX

April:

- 6 April-Dinner Meeting- Alpine Haus German Restaurant
- 8-9 April-Fiesta Challenge- Concours, Charity Auction, Rally, Post Rally Dinner at Bombay Bicycle Club
- 9 April-Autocross at Retama Park

May:

- 4 May-Dinner Meeting-Barn Door Restaurant
- 5-7 May-IMSA at COTA
- 13 May-Drive TBD
- 27 May-Autocross at Retama

June:

- 1 June-Dinner Meeting-TBD
- 10 June Drive- to the Laurel Tree in Utopia

July:

- 6 June-Dinner Meeting-Pompeii's Italian Grill
- Porsche Parade in Spokane WA

August:

- 3 August-Dinner Meeting- Chester's Hamburgers
- 12 August-Tech Day
- 26 August-Drive TBD

September:

- 7 September-Dinner Meeting- La Fonda on Main
- Drive TBD
- All German Car show
- 16 September-Track Day at Harris Hill

October:

- 5 October-Dinner Meeting- Alpine Haus German Restaurant
- 7 October-PCA Picnic
- TBD Halloween party and Concours

November:

- 2 November-Dinner Meeting- Pomoeii's Italian Grill
- 5 Nov- Meals on Wheels drive
- Drive TBD

December:

- 2 December-Autocross at Fiesta TX
- 9 December-PCA holiday party

Subject to change. List is not final.

Porsche in Todas Santos

[BY: BOB CARAN]

Last Summer I took the family to Cabo San Lucas and to explore the outer regions of the Baja North of the there. One place we found that was really interesting is a small Pacific costal village called TODOS SANTOS, which means ALL Saints in English. When traveling with your wife you can be assured of one thing- she will make you take her to places to shop regardless of climatic conditions, road hazards; military exercises, invasions or any other unforeseen situation that one would traditionally avoid.

Having two sons that shared my boredom of going into shop after shop after shop, we decided to part ways with her and venture off on our own. After an hour or so of fun with the guys exploring really interesting things, we came across this Porsche parked in front of a little shop. Stunned and happy to see one in such a remote place, it was confirmation to my boys that we are truly not alone, and we set off to examine it more closely. This is what it looked like and we couldn't believe it! As cool as it was, we figure it had to be stolen and modified to avoid suspicion by local authorities. HAHA!

Non-the less we had a good time in Todas Santos and it was great verbal fodder for us for hours. But the down of this whole story was my wife walked out of that little shop where the Porsche was parked and said, "Honey, I need 600 pesos to buy something". I can't win.

*Bob Caran, Porsche owner for nearly 50 yrs...
88' 911 Cab & a 2006 Cayenne Turbo S*






Porsche 912s at SVRA

[BY: MIKE VRIESENKA]



The 2016 U.S. Vintage National Championship at the Circuit of the Americas featured one Porsche 912 competing on the track, but it included five 912s competing in the Hagerty Show and Shine on November 5. The Sportscar Vintage Racing Association (SVRA) races at COTA are unlike glitzier, higher profile races. The Show and Shine is a great bargain in that includes admission for two, premium parking, the ability to bring your own cooler, a poster, a program, swag, donuts and coffee for \$75. Each race is relatively short, but the variety of machinery, from buzzing small-displacement Formula-V and MGs through thundering Trans-Am racers, is broad and colorful. The pits are accessible and provide a bewildering variety of eye-candy. There are no crowds. There is pleasure participating in a car show with mighty cool cars including a pre-depression Cadillac, a Plymouth Superbird, some unique 1960s BMWs, and the best Lotus Esprit I've ever seen. Despite the competition, a Porsche 912 won the stock 1960-1970 class. And to top it all off, we got the "last lap" tour of the track at the end of the racing day. If it's not on your list for next year, add it. The Hagerty Car Show and SVRA races at COTA are a great bargain and a day well-spent. 

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