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**COVER PHOTO: 911 ST at sunset at the Porsche Parade in Oklahoma — Photo Courtesy of Todd Benz**

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BACK COVER: The New 911 Turbo S for 2026 — Photo Courtesy of Porsche

## From the editor's desk

Welcome to the latest edition of the next chapter in the Whaletales story. As you are all aware, Bev stepped up and for the past few years did an exemplary job building Whaletales into a monthly newsletter everyone in the region could be proud of. Although we know we cannot meet the bar Bev set, we hope to at least keep the membership informed of region news and upcoming events. The position of full-time Whaletales editor is open so if anyone has a desire to become more involved in the club and would like to take on the role, or even just contribute an article or photos, feel free to reach out to Curt or Shaun.

## From the President — It's been very busy



We had a very good turn out for the pot luck at Trout Springs Winery. Steve and Andrea DeBaker did a great job hosting the event, as they do every year, and there was an awesome array of food for the pot luck. It was a beautiful day, sunny and hot. The Patio at the winery overlooked the pond where the swans were overseeing this year hatching of cygnets. Some people congregated on the patio under the umbrellas while the majority stayed inside enjoying the air conditioned version of the same view. There are photos from the event in this issue.

We also had the three region event at Road America for the USAC and Porsche Motorsports Sprint Challenge. It was a bit lighter in attendance this year as Milwaukee and Central Wisconsin regions both had competing events planned this year. There are pictures from the event in this edition of the newsletter. The turnout was still pretty good with a nice representation from all three regions. Thank you to all the members that attended. Also, a special thank you to Gina Witter from Trackside Performance for the great technical session on the Yokohama tires and the differences in set up on the cars for their tires versus other manufacturers with stiffer multi-compound tires.

On Saturday of Labor Day weekend we held the club picnic at Porsche Park at Road America. I apologize for not having any pictures for the news letter. Between greeting and talking with club members, getting the food set up and things torn down after lunch, I was so busy I forgot to do that. We had a very good turnout and a beautiful day. This year we did something different and instead of grilling we catered barbecue from Parker Johns

Also in this issue is the invitation to the P&B Motorsports event on September 20th. The rain date is the 21st should the long term forecast be inaccurate. The British Car Club will be a sponsor and hosting a morning drive that same day as part of the event. Zero to 60 will also be a sponsor. We are also sponsoring this event which will feature Chris Eick doing a session on how to detail your car. Sign up via the link in the

Article in this edition. There is no cost but getting a ticket through the Eventbright link gives P&B an idea of the headcount.

The annual waterfalls tour is now scheduled for the 27th of September. There are details in this newsletter and you should have also received a separate enews email.

Lastly, for the events in this issue, the Automobile Gallery in Green Bay will be holding their Autoberfest event on October 4th from 2-6 PM. Check out their website for details. There will be German cars on display in addition to their normal displays as well as food and beverage. Tickets are required and are available on their website.

From the speculation department, there are spy photos of what could be the cabriolet version of the GT3 or the next Spyder circulating in the press. It's all a guess at this point. There is also confirmation from Porsche that the ICE Macan will be returning at some point in the future. I'm hoping they decide to bring the ICE Boxster and Cayman back too as production of both of those models will end shortly and they can no longer be ordered.

And finally, for those looking for the ultimate 911, Porsche just announced the new for 2026 Hybrid 911 Turbo S. This follows on the hybrid technology from the 911 Carrera GTS. The new Turbo S uses two of the electric turbos from the GTS and also has the electric motor incorporate into the PDK transmission. All of that combines to 701 horsepower and 0-60 in 2.4 seconds. Time on the Nürburgring Nordschleife is 14 seconds faster than the previous Turbo S.

I hope you are all out enjoying a late summer drive.

Curt Maas

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## Calendar of events

### September

Sep 12-14 – Ariens Art on Wheels Vintage Weekend with VSCDA at Road America \*



Sep 20 – P&B Motoersports Garage Party and Car show – More [Info here](#)

Sep 27 – Annual Waterfalls and Schnitzels tour and Dinner – See details on this page

### October

Oct 3-5 – SCCA National Championship Runoff at Road America \*

Oct 4 – Autoberfest at the Automobile Gallery from 2-6 PM – [Info here](#) \*

### November

### December

Dec 13 – Fox Valley Region Holiday Party at Oneida Hotel and Casino – 5-10 PM



## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Waterfalls and Schnitzels Tour – Saturday, September 27th

The 2025 Waterfalls and Schnitzel Tour will be on Saturday, September 27th. We will enjoy some fun roads, fall colors and wrap it up with a great dinner! We will meet at the BP Station at Hwy 41 and Brown Road in Little Suamico at 10 a.m. and depart at 10:30 a.m. Bring your own lunch or pick up lunch at the Subway located in the BP Station. We will be stopping at one of the waterfalls for a little while longer for lunch. After seeing four waterfalls and one area of river rapids, we will conclude the tour with dinner at the Bavarian Inn in Lena for some amazing German food! There is no charge for the tour but we are collecting the \$5 entry fee for the county parks we are visiting during the tour. Please RSVP to [sstamnes@netnet.net](mailto:sstamnes@netnet.net) or [dstamnes@netnet.net](mailto:dstamnes@netnet.net) by Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Please remember the Bavarian Inn does not take credit cards. There is an ATM on site and they accept cash or check

## Coffee and Cars Events

Other cars and coffee events around the region added here for the benefit and enjoyment of our membership. To have an event added send it to the newsletter editors.



### August

Aug 30—\*Cars and coffee at The Auto Alliance 7-11 — [Info here](#) \*

### September

Sep 13—\*Cars and coffee at Woodfield Courts Motor Condos 9-12— [Info here](#) \*

Sep 13—\*Cars and coffee at Throttle Stop in Elkhart Lake 8-11 — [Info here](#) \*

Sep 21—\*Euro Motor Mornings at Luna Coffee 10-12— [Info Here](#) \*

### October

Oct 5—\*Zuffengruppe Interklassik at the Burlington Airportt — [Info here](#) \*

Oct 11—\*Cars and coffee at Woodfield Courts Motor Condos 9-12— [Info here](#) \*

Oct 18—\*Cars and coffee at Classic Mechanics 8-11 — [Info here](#) \*

### November

### December

- **Event not sponsored by the Fox Valley Region or PCA** \*

Cars at Road America for the Porsche Sprint Challenge Event





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## Welcome to our new members

Fritz Merizon from Neenah WI – joined with a 2025 911 Turbo S

Michael McMahon from Greenleaf WI – joined with a 2025 911 Carrera S Cabriolet

Michael Mayhew from Marquette MI – joined with a 1972 911T Targa

Fred Hofherr from Menominee MI – joined no car was listed

Ken Schmidtchen from Tomahawk WI – transferred from Central Wisconsin Region



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Stay tuned to PCA.org for more information and updates on this incredible opportunity for PCA members. Consider expressing your interest to become a PCA70 911 Club Coupe owner when the raffle opens July 11.



More about the Club Coupe at [pca.org/news/pca70-club-coupe](https://pca.org/news/pca70-club-coupe)



## PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

## Membership anniversaries

MILESTONES	Member / Co-Member	Year joined	Porsches
<b>5 Years (2020)</b>	Jason Kinziger	2024	1984 911 Carrera
Devon Palmer 2008 Cayman	Jason and Natalia Brown	2024	2016 Cayman GT4
Steven Spanbauer 2015 911 GT3	Bill and Will Fitzgerald	2024	2012 Panamera Turbo S
	Christopher Back	2024	2009 911 Carrera
	George Grossardt	2024	2015 911 Carrera
	Rob Shepherd	2024	2024 911 Carrera S
<b>10 Years (2015)</b>	Roy Ramsey	2023	2016 911 Carrera 4 GTS Cab
Barb Wilkinson 2002 Boxster	Victor Varga	2022	2017 911 Carrera S
	Alec Bath and Shelly Cook-Bath	2022	2013 Boxster
	Matthew Krause	2022	2013 Cayenne S
	Conner Ruberry	2019	2020 911 Carrera S
	Searl and Sally Pickett	2018	2018 718 Cayman
Bill and Debra Scholfield 2016 Cayenne	Andrew Ziegert	2018	2014 911 Carrera S
	Rick Karle	2018	2009 Cayenne
	Richard Uhl	2018	1983 911 SC
<b>30 Years (1995)</b>	James and Ellen Rossmeissl	2017	2014 Cayman S
Robert and Carol Burress 2014 Cayman S	Michael and Jackson Martin	2016	2012 Cayman R
	Tom Hedge	2016	2009 911 Carrera S Cab
	Chris Lochmann	2016	2004 Boxster S
	Erik and Lorelei Scharinger	2014	1987 944S
	Mark Fermanich and Nore Flood	2013	2003 Boxster S
	Peter and Erik Mickelson	2013	Not listed
	Peter and Joy Thielmann	2011	2007 911 Turbo
	Todd Fergus	2009	2010 911 GT3
	Robert and Aaron Huebner	2009	1964
	Patrick and Gail Quinn	2007	1986 911 Carrera
	Randell and Lynn Peterson	2006	1985 911 Turbo
	David Krause and Donna Thurlow	2004	2002 911 Turbo
	Allan and Patricia Utecht	2003	2002 Boxster
	David and Susan Clark	2003	2005 911 Carrera
	R and M Whitman	2002	2013 911 Carrera
	Craig and Cathryn Harvey	2002	1987 911 Carrera
	Klaus and Andrew Michaletz	1999	1978 911 SC
	Jerome and Cathy Mirek	1996	1978 911 SC
	Stephen and Drew Gering	1996	1981 924 Turbo
	Rick and Lori Otto	1994	1974 911S
	Thomas Zoromski & Margaret Takala	1992	1973 914 1.7
	Wayne and Gail Kindschy	1979	2025 911 Carrera T



## 2025 region/zone leadership

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Cars gathered for the Porsche Sprint Challenge three regions event at Road America in Porsche Park



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Steve and Andrea DeBaker hosted the Club Annual Pot Luck at Trout Springs Winery. The turnout of club members was great and there was plenty of food as everyone brought a dish to pass. The weather was just perfect for the event and though it was hot the patio and the pond made for a relaxing spot to have a glass of wine and share a chat

Steve gave us a tour of the European marble statues he is adding to a sculpture garden at the winery. The first group have arrived and more are on the way. It should be interesting to see next year at the Put Luck then.



Photos on this page courtesy of Steve DeBaker, Shaun Stamnes and Curt Maas

## Classifieds

Please send any Porsche or club related for sale items along with a photo to the editor for publication in the monthly newsletter. Ads will run for three months.

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## Porsche Sprint Challenge at Road America

by Kelly Hillstead—Milwaukee PCA Member

For the second consecutive year, members from the three PCA regions in Wisconsin-- Fox Valley, Central Wisconsin and Milwaukee--attended the Porsche Sprint Challenge at Road America. This event, on Aug. 9, wasn't open to the public so we had the opportunity to interact with the teams. A highlight for the group was a talk by Gina Witter, chief financial officer of Trackside Performance. Trackside is the exclusive partner for Yokohama Tire corporation's extensive North American motorsports and marketing programs.

Gina was informative and entertaining as she shared her knowledge and experience with tires used by race teams which require a different car setup (spring rate/ camber mods etc.). Certain tires themselves like specific setups as well. Some like more air pressure and more aggressive camber setup to perform at their best. She also talked about the many compounds that each manufacturer uses on any given race weekend (hard/ medium/soft) with soft being the most expensive but lasting the least number of laps. Softs do provide a superior grip for better lap times and is preferred by amateur racers which gets them a little closer to the professionals when it comes to lap times, a price they are willing to pay. She also talked about the friendly competition between Yokohama and Michelin; Yokohama being ranked #8 in the world of tires and Michelin being #1 and the differences between the tires.

Even though they are direct competitors they are always willing to help each other out on race weekends. She talked about the number of team members it takes to meet the demand for tires during a race weekend, how many tires they typically go through and what they are doing to be a little greener and the process of recycling the used tires. She also shared some amusing stories about how she got into racing in the first place and how that affected her rise in the profession. She also shared some of her favorite tracks around the country with Road America being #1 on her list. She shared that the only Japanese she understands after all these years translates to "really bad" so she knows things are not good when she hears it. All in all, it was a great tech talk. She took almost an entire hour of her time on a race weekend to answer everyone's questions and took us through the team's hauler.

The event also included lunch which was served in Porsche Park near turn 1. Despite the rain that dampened the track the attendees enjoyed the chance to get together and share stories of Porsche ownership. A special thanks to several members of all three regions for making this event happen. They include Susanne Finke who arranged for the participation of the regions in the event and the talk by Witter, Wendy Sky who ordered lunch, Curt Maas of Fox Valley region who helped Wendy set up the lunch, and Todd Benz, Fox Valley, who asked a lot of good questions to keep the conversation going during Witter's talk .



# 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GARAGE PARTY AND CAR SHOW

## *P and B Motorsports*

Saturday, 20 September 2025\*

Yellowstone Trail Cruise at beginning at 10 a.m. at P and B Motorsports ending there at noon,  
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