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Anthony Vierra - 1984 928S

New Members

Ron Freitas- 2012 911 Carrera S Mark Homa- 1964 356 C

Transfers

John Dedonatis- SVR- 2007 Cayman

Anniversaries

Years in Yos **Expires** Name Fred Miramontes 17 years 1/31/20 John Copello 5 years 1/31/20 Samuel Read 1 year 1/31/20 John Greenburg 1 year 1/31/20 Leslie Baluyot 1 year 1/31/20 Gary Dingman **45 years** 2/29/20 38 years W Kuhn 2/29/20 Gregory Pyatt 30 years 2/29/20 6 years 2/29/20 Greg Paul Charlie Mauch 4 years 2/29/20 Larry Alvarez 2 years 2/29/20 Phil Harris 2 years 2/29/20 Todd Hicks 1 year 2/29/20 1 year 2/29/20 David Nilan

Members 158 Affiliate Members 87 Total 245



Jennifer Pierce - 2003 Boxster

On December 11th board members Chuck Pierce (President), Brian Sturkie (VP), Don Chaisson (Media Chair), George Hatfield (Membership Chair), Fred Miramontes (Treasurer), and Jennifer Pierce (Secretary) met for the monthly board meeting. Guests attending were Dave Boyd, Larry Inman, Anthony Vierra, Jim Mazza, Lisa Mazza, Norm Swanberg, Virginia Swanberg, and Diane Chaisson.

The meeting was called to order by Chuck at 7:02 PM and the November minutes were approved.

Fred submitted the November financial statement and George gave us the new membership information (245 members). George sent in an article about the Yosemite Overnight Tour to the Lodi News Sentinel which published pictures and a nice synopsis. George suggested that for future events sending stories to all the local papers may generate more membership. Don has added the new board members to our website.

Event Reviews:

- Ford vs. Ferrari Movie Nite (Nov. 16): 35 of our members attended this event and enjoyed dinner before at Cool Hand Luke's. It was a fun evening and good movie.
- Garage Tour Boyd's (Nov. 24): Dave and Marianne hosted a fun pot luck in their Tiki garage where 25 (or more) members dropped in throughout the day.
- Toys for Tots Charity Christmas Event (Dec. 8): Redwood Cafe was the venue once again for our annual charity event attended by 34. The toy table was full thanks to our members generosity and the club donated \$1000 to the Stanislaus Marine Corps Toys for Tots Drive. Brunch was awesome, the rain torrential to the point of having to move out of the tent area at the end of the event due to the ceiling trying to cave in!
- We finally received payment from Eventbrite for the Anniversary party but have not received a refund from Ironstone. Chuck will continue to call Ironstone on this (as of 12/18 Ironstone has stated that they will be sending a check today for the deposit on the canceled event).

2020 Event Planning:

Lisa Mazza led the group in a successful event planning work-

shop; the final calendar will be presented to the membership at our annual dinner in February.

- January: Dust Bowl Social Brian leader
- February: Annual Dinner Reed Car Museum Brian leader
- March: Mt. Diablo Drive Anthony leader
- March: Wine & Roses Spa Day Jacki leader
- April: Yosemite Falls Overnight Tour George & Jim leaders
- May: Yankee Hill Cooking School Chuck leader
- June: Poker Run and park BBQ in Murphys George Leader
- June: Porsche Parade (June 21-27) Palm Springs PCA
- July: Sierra Pass / Mammoth Don leader
- July: RU Hot Drive Don Leader
- August: Werks Reunion Chuck leader
- September: New Member BBQ Chuck & Jennifer leaders
- October: Canepa, Chaminade, and Alice's Restaurant Jim leader
- November: 2021 Planning Meeting Lisa leader
- December: Charity Event Toys for Tots
- George will continue doing garage tours throughout the year Business
- Motion for Anthony Vierra to assume Membership Chair from George Hatfield: Jennifer, second Fred; approved
- Request to change meetings from Tuesday to second Thursday each month – agreed
- George will deliver invoices to our advertisers Jennifer to send him invoices
- Jennifer will do the 2020 Region Report once it is uploaded on the PCA site

Change of Officers

- Membership Chair was passed from George to Anthony
- Treasurer passed from Fred to Larry
- · Vice President from Brian to Dave
- President from Chuck to Brian

The board thanked all the officers, including those returning, for all their efforts in making this club grow and flourish

 After adjournment present and future officers will meet to go over the procedures for their respective office.

Adjournment was at 8:52 PM, the next meeting will be on Thursday, January 9th at 7 PM. Board meetings will continue to be at the Pierce residence (same place as the event center).

Collin Fat - Zone 7 Representative

Wishing everyone a wonderful and prosperous New Year! I would hope you have plans to participate in the many club activities that your region and the Zone have planned. By now, each club will have elected a new board of directors and have either completed or are in the process of laying out their annual event calendars. I have sincerely enjoyed my first year serving as your Zone 7 Representative and look forward to attending a variety of regional events in 2020 and getting to meet the members of Zone 7.

I have met many new members over the past year and many have asked me for suggestions on how to get involved. I almost always recommend trying as many different types of events as you can, knowing that all of them revolve around owning and driving a Porsche. Tours are among the most popular events hosted by local regions and they come in the form of single and multiple day varieties. Participating in a driving tour requires no special preparation other than making sure your Porsche is in good working order. Several very popular multi-day tours coming up are 1) Shasta Regions Zone 7 tour, 2) Sierra Nevada Region's annual Mammoth Tour, and for as many years as I can remember 3) Sacramento Valley's Mendocino and Pacific Grove tours.

CRAB 38, Sacramento Valley Region hosts its 38th CRAB event May 29-31st and is a 3 day multi-event extravaganza featuring all things Porsche. Many past participants have described CRAB as a mini Parade with tours, TSD rally, autocross, concours, and a crabfeed and beer'n brat all included. The word CRAB stands for crabfeed, rally, autocross and Begegnan (a German word referring to a gathering).

The Zone organizes several competitive series including a concours and autocross in which competitors vie for year end awards and bragging rights. These schedules should already be posted on the Zone 7 website. In addition, PCA National also schedules PCA Club Racing throughout the nation with a dedicated series called the West Coast Series held at tracks like Thunderhill Raceway, Sonoma Raceway, Laguna Seca and Buttonwillow. These events are for highly skilled drivers who have specially prepared cars and are duly licensed by PCA to race in these events. Also on the national calendar this year is the club's largest event, Porsche Pa-

rade, which will be held in Southern California this year at the La Quinta Resort near Palm Springs. In addition, two Treffens which are normally just 4 days in length and focus on touring and having a great time meeting with other Porsche enthusiasts, are planned. One is at the Broadmoor in Colorado Springs in April followed by another Treffen at the Greenbrier in West Virginia in September. PCA national likes to hosts these events in areas where our membership can't easily attend a Parade but could attend a Treffen closer by. In addition to these national events, other events which PCA will host for 2020 include Werks Reunion Monterey and Amelia Island. I encourage all members to participate in as many of these national events as possible.

National Awards and Club Recognition:

It may still not be too late to nominate members in your region or your region itself for several national awards that are given out each year at Parade. These include 1) Region of the Year, 2) Family of the Year, and 3) Enthusiast of the Year. Applications opened in December but can still be submitted. If you think your region is deserving or have a family or enthusiast in your club that has stood out, take the next step and nominate them. Zone 7 regions have been recognized almost every year and your club cannot be considered if you do not make a submission or nomination. Take a few minutes to contemplate on members in your region who truly made a difference in your club and nominate them. The link to the National Awards Submission Guidelines: https://www.pca.org/resource/national-awards-nomination-guidelines.

Zone 7 AX Instructor and Concours Judges School:

Zone 7 will host its autocross instructor's school on March 7th at the Livermore Community Center and the concours team will be hosting their annual Concours Judges and Prep school at Porsche of Livermore as well on March 7th. I am not sure that you can attend both events as the course material is quite extensive. Watch for more details on the Zone 7 website.

Events and Dates of Interest:

- Wednesday, January 22nd.....registration opens for Treffen at the BROaDMOOR (treffen.pca.org)
- Monday, January 27th.....registration opens for Zone 7 Tour by Shasta Region (motorsportreg.com)
- Tuesday, January 28th.....registration opens for Porsche Parade at Palm Springs (porscheparade.org)

- 1) Spring Treffen at the Broadmoor in Colorado Springs; April 29-May 2
- 2) CRAB 38 hosted by Sacramento Valley Region; May 29-31
- 3) Zone 7 Tour by Shasta Region; June 11-15
- 4) Porsche Parade at the La Quinta Resort in La Quinta; June 21-27
- 5) Mammoth Tour by Sierra Nevada Region; July 25-26
- Werks Reunion in Monterey; August 14
- 7) Fall Treffen at the Greenbrier Resort in West Virginia; September 16-19

Note that past Treffens have sold out in as little as one hour due to their growing popularity.

The Zone 7 Tour has also sold out in as little as one hour in the past.

The Porsche Parade has a two phase registration process. The first phase is for Parade registration and accommodations. The second phase will be for registration for events and banquets. The second phase registration will occur in the February/March time-frame.





Porsche Club of America Zone 7

Autocross

March 7 -- Instructor School April 5 -- Thunderhill (SVR) April 25 -- Marina (LPR) April 26 -- Marina (GGR) July 18 -- Alameda (GGR) September 26 -- Marina (LPR)

September 27 -- Marina (GGR) October 10 -- Thunderhill (SVR) October 11 -- Thunderhill (RR)

(tentative)

Concours

March 15 - Judges School and

Prep -- Livermore

April 26 -- Livermore (DR)

May 17 -- Fremont (LPR)

June 7 -- Rocklin (SVR)

July 19 -- Carmel Valley (MBR) August 2 -- Reno (SNR)

August 23 -- Redwood City (GGR)

September 20 -- Petaluma (RR)

For more information visit the Zone 7 website at zone7.pca.org





65th Porsche Parade

porscheparade.org

Phase I Registration (Parade + Hotel)

- Opens January 28th at 9 AM PT

Phase II Registration (Banquets, Tours and Events)

- Opens March 31st at 9 AM PT

Registration Closes May 31st at 9 PM PT

See the details in the December 2019 issue of PANORAMA, pages 98-102.



2020 Spring Treffen April 29 - May 3

Touring the Rocky Mountains Colorado Springs, CO

Registration Opens

--- Wednesday January 22nd at NOON PT

It will sell out quickly

-- sell out within 60 minutes is very likely

Check out the details at the Treffen website at treffen.pca.org





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