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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Anthony Vierra - 1984 928S

New Members

No new members

Transfers

No transfers

Anniversaries

Name	Years in Yos	Expires
Richard Hanson	4 years	6/30/20
Andrew Dalen	4 years	6/30/20
Karyn Johnson	3 years	6/30/20
Nico Castellaccio	2 years	6/30/20
Brian Kreitzer	2 years	6/30/20
Paul Langley	1 year	6/30/20
Mike Morris	1 year	6/30/20
Art Seeger	49 years	7/31/20
Gary West	21 years	7/31/20
Dennis Bettencourt	13years	7/31/20
Jeff LeBeouf	9 years	7/31/20
John Lewis	6 year	7/31/20
Brian Sturkie	3 years	7/31/20
Elizabeth Allen	2 years	7/31/20
Alfonso Ron	1 year	7/31/20
Jaquelyn Sturkie	1 year	7/31/20
Justin Mooshabad	1 year	7/31/20

Members	160
Affiliate Members	91
Junior Members	7
Total	251

MEETING NOTES

Jim Mazza - 2013 911 Carrera

Attendees: President- Brian Sturkie, VP- Dave Boyd, Treasurer- Larry Inman, Secretary- Jim Mazza, Membership Chair- Anthony Vierra, Webmaster- Don Chaisson, Member at Large- George Hatfield and new member Carrie Deakin.

Call to Order

- 7:14 PM by President Sturkie
- Location: Virtual via WebEx

Board Reports

- Welcome/ Call to Order: Brian called meeting to order
- Approval of Minutes: April 2020 Minutes approved; motion Don, second Larry with no changes.
- Treasure Report: Larry submitted the previous statements with ending balance of \$8,546.14; Current balance of \$10,046.91 after 4 transactions including Yosemite refund and Santa Cruz deposit.
- Membership Report: Anthony presented report – 159 Primary members; 88 Affiliate members; 7 PCA Junior members with a net gain of 3 members and a renewal of 9 members, 1 new, 1 transfer, 3 non-renewals.
- Webmaster Report: Don indicated inactivity this month. Website continues to be up for judging which takes place in early June.
- Newsletter: This was briefly discussed in general terms as the newsletter editor was not at meeting.

Old Business

- President's Report:
 - o National adjusting financial models to reflect the coronavirus.
 - o Continue to clarify and practice "social distancing."
 - o Discussed reaction to possible reopening area by area, using other zones as indicators.
 - o CONCLUSION: No change in restrictions
- April Food Drive Update (Larry): The event went very well with many cars loaded with donations making the trip to Migliore Motorwerks for drop-off.
 - o Discussed this event as an annual
 - o Event generated good "press" for the club
- Event Coordinator Search: Carrie Stone volunteered to participate in event planning. She is looking for Eventbrite alternatives.
- Credit Card/Payment Methods: The club decided to form a com-

mittee to research new payment methods for members to use for events. New payment method could be tied in with event software.

Event Updates

- June Poker Run: Cancelled
- Mammoth: Registration opens 5/15 for 7/24-7/26 event, if held.
- Werks: Registration opens 6/1 for the 8/14 event which is still on calendar pending outcome of state shutdown.
- Santa Cruz Drive/Stay: 10/9-11 Jim Mazza discussed the Santa Cruz trip for October 9 -11. The date is finalized with deposit and signed agreement.

New Business

Proposed New Events

- Off the Beaten Path (Dave): Discussed a family oriented drive/picnic for "off-road" vehicle drivers and families. It was decided that further research is necessary to find appropriate roads.
- Driving Mr. Daisy Tour (Dave): Discussed a driving event that would present an opportunity for the significant others in the group to do the driving. This idea will move forward with planning.
- New events will be scheduled when allowed by local restrictions.

By-Law Review

- Discussed updating the By-Laws last updated 2/2015. Brian will work with Dave on ensuring update.

New Business

- Reopening Guidelines: Discussed the criteria for restarting our event programs. Board has a desire to focus on "events" that will be beneficial to our community (Food Drives, etc.). Board agreed that there should be no events scheduled for the next 30-45 days.
- Ad Hoc or micro tours: Discussed the desire to start small when opportunities for events present.
- Future Events/Gatherings and "distancing" rules: Future events will make every effort to adhere to all social safety protocols.
- Polling members for interest and timing of new events: Discussed involving the members-at-large input on future events. The survey process/method is in discussion and input from the new event coordinator will be solicited.

Adjournment:

- Meeting Adjourned at 9:08 PM.

Next Meeting:

- Thursday, June 11, 2020, 7 PM, via WebEx, or other venue.

IN THE ZONE

Collin Fat - Zone 7 Representative

Members Making a Difference:

I know that many of our regions and members are trying to figure out how to keep active and to encourage more club events during this unique time. One region that has stepped up to the plate in a very creative and community orientated fashion is Yosemite Region. On Saturday, April 25th, the region, under the guidance of club president Brian Sturkie and event chair, Larry Inman, hosted a food drive to benefit the Harvest Food Bank. They collected more than 150 bags of groceries and members from Zone 7 came from as far away as Redwood Region, Loma Prieta and Sacramento Valley to support the effort. I understand that 24 cars registered ahead of time for the event and with a volunteer staff of 8 members from Yosemite Region manning the drop off and logistics, the event was a resounding success. This is the way we as members of PCA can stay active and yet come up with an event that also benefits the community. We have all seen and heard about the thousands of citizens in our community who are in need and this event targeted just that need. Congratulations to Yosemite Region for a job well done!



When are We Going to Get Back to Normal?

Your guess is as good as mine and based on the most current announcements by Governor Newsom the earliest we will be allowed out is June 1st. I am not sure if the state will do the back to normal gradually but I suspect it will happen in phases per the state's plan. When I read between the lines, we will be living with some restrictions to prevent a flair up of outbreaks for some time or until

a vaccine is developed. What does this mean? In my opinion, the professional baseball and football seasons may still play but in empty stadiums, fall college sports like football will be postponed or the season shortened as college athletic directors struggle with how to keep spectators as well as players and coaches safe. Not sure I can personally handle 1-2 year old repeats of games completed yesteryear! Sports including professional golf, motorsports, hockey, track and field, and others just to mention a few will likely present themselves in a different way and could follow in the footsteps of the Pebble Beach Concours, Porsche Parade, Treffen Broadmoor, PCA Club Racing schedule changes, and region dinners, tours, concours, track days and autocross. The pandemic is here to stay with us and put restrictions on any and all events our members have come to expect from their membership. There could be a resurgence of the pandemic as some experts have cautioned. I urge all members to be patient and to do their best to keep safe and healthy. Better times are certainly just around the corner. Recently, California Governor Gavin Newsom announced that all counties in the state have started phase two in his reopening plan. Some counties receiving waivers to go deeper into phase two. Restaurants, shopping malls, casinos, and other businesses have been allowed to open on a limited basis. In addition, several tracks in Northern California have also will be opening or have already opened including Thunderhill Raceway Park and Laguna Seca. This bodes very well for future PCA Club Races and national events such as Werks Reunion Monterey and Porscheplatz at the Rolex Monterey Historics in August.

PCA national has responded to the situation and has developed or is working on procedures to deal with the additional safety required for our events to protect our members and is a fluid situation.

PCA to Require All Event Attendees to Sign New Communicable Disease Waiver:

In addition to an effort to protect our members from contracting or spreading covid 19 during events, PCA has also taken the step to protect the club and its volunteers from potential liability as it relates to this disease. Effective immediately, all event attendees will be required to sign this new waiver. In addition to all moving car events, the waiver will also be required for dinner events, tech sessions, cars and coffee, monthly breakfasts, training schools such as the Zone's annual concours judge's school, and any other

club sponsored gatherings. This waiver is separate from our standard PCA waiver that is required for all moving events. The waiver is good for one year and is available electronically for events and clubs who use MSR, motorsportreg.com, to handle event registration. However, please note that MSR will charge your club a monthly fee for this service. If you are using another platform such as Eventbrite and think you can get the waivers signed online on this platform please do not. PCA will not recognize waivers signed electronically on other event registration platforms as being in compliance with this new requirement. For those clubs who opt not to use MSR or to pay their monthly fees you can still provide the waiver for your attendees at each event or email attendees and have them bring a signed form. Remember, the form needs to be printed in color.

The form states that it is valid for a year but the implications of managing who and who has not signed the waiver is a huge administrative burden at the club and national level. Having a national data base of who has signed the waiver is a huge undertaking and regions contemplating tracking compliance at the region level will face a huge workload in keeping up with activities and compliance moving forward. In my opinion, it is so much easier to just have members sign the form at each event.

It is likely that this will put a burden and require extra volunteers and different logistics for an event such as a cars and coffee to control entry and exit to insure compliance. Knowing what an inconvenience this will cause for our event chairs and volunteers, please know that PCA is looking at the best interests of the club and to reduce the risk of liability for volunteers, event chairs and your board of directors. A summary of the new release waiver:

Attached is a Communicable Disease Spectator and Participant Release as liability protection for PCA. PLEASE BEGIN USE IMMEDIATELY.

- *This is required for ALL events, meetings, etc.*
- *ALL attendees (members, guests, sponsors, etc.) must sign the Release to enter the facility/event or participate in the activity.*
- *You may complete "Fill in Track/Facility Name Above" as "All PCA events" for a one-time signature for events held May 15, 2020 through May 15, 2021.*
- *Attendees may print and sign the Release at home and give it to the Chair/Registrar on-site.*
- *MotorsportReg.com is working on a SpeedWaiver module*

where the region can load both the PCA waiver and the Communicable Disease Release, allowing a PCA-acceptable electronic signature (available around June 1).

- *NO OTHER TYPE OF DIGITAL WAIVER is acceptable.*
- *Regions are to develop their own tracking system to ensure compliance.*
- *Preserve the Release for 95 months from the date of expiration.*

Thank you for all you do for PCA,

Cindy Jacisin

National Vice President

Autocross and DE Minimum Standards Update:

National is currently working on revisions to the minimum standards they have issued for guidelines for running autocross and DE events. Currently, with restrictions that have been imposed for social distancing, in car instruction is not in compliance with State of California guidelines nor currently allowed by PCA. It may and probably will change. For PCA DE's around the country, many regions have considered the local guidelines regarding social distancing and have thought that perhaps a lead/follow format for novices and beginners would be a solution for in car instruction. However, following an initial rules review along with insurance coverage, this will not be allowed. The DE and AX national committee chairs are now trying to come up with a modification to allow lead/follow for DE events. Event guidelines for both DE and AX relative to coronavirus safety are in the works. The guidelines are expected to be released in several weeks.

Zone Autocross and Concours Series Schedule:

The schedule for autocross and the concours series has been one of constant cancellations and changes due to the coronavirus. Please check the Zone 7 website or your local website or newsletter for the most up to date event schedules. Golden Gate Region as well as Loma Prieta regions are likely to secure a new site for their autocross events so please stay tuned.

Events of Interest:

- 1) West Coast Race Series, June 6-7, Utah Motorsports Campus, CANCELLED
- 2) Zone 7 Tour by Shasta Region; June 11-15; CANCELLED
- 3) Zone 7 AX #1, June 27, Thunderhill, by Sacramento Valley Region, registration is open at MSR
- 4) PCA Fall Treffen Registration opens July 15. See item below....

event is September 16-19

5) Zone 7 Concours #4, July 19, Carmel Valley Community Park, by Monterey Bay Region

6) Mammoth Tour by Sierra Nevada Region; July 24-26; registration opens June 1st or so pending coronavirus situation snv.pca.org/events/mammoth-high-altitude-porsche-tour-2

7) Zone 7 Concours #5, August 2, Reno, by Sierra Nevada Region

8) Zone 7 AX #5, August 8, Thunderhill, by Sacramento Valley Region

9) Werks Reunion in Monterey; August 14, featuring the Porsche 914; werksreunion.com Registration will open June 1

10) Porscheplatz at Monterey Historic Races, August 15-16, Laguna Seca, by Zone 7

11) West Coast Series Races, August 22-23, Sonoma Raceway, by Golden Gate Region

12) Zone 7 Concours #6, August 23, Porsche Redwood City, by Golden Gate Region

13) Loma Prieta Region 50th Anniversary Gala; August 29; register at MotorsportReg with keyword search for 'LPR'

14) Zone 7 Concours #3, September 13, Sacramento, by Sacramento Valley Region

15) PCA Fall Treffen at the Greenbrier Resort in West Virginia; September 16-19; treffen.pca.org. Registration will open July 15 at noon (Pacific Time)

16) Zone 7 Concours #7, September 20, Ledson Winery - Kenwood, by Redwood Region

17) West Coast Series Races, September 19-20, High Plains Raceway, by Rocky Mountain Region

18) West Coast Series Races, September 26-27, Thunderhill, by Golden Gate Region

19) West Coast Series Races, October 10-11, Sonoma Raceway, by Golden Gate Region

20) Zone 7 AX #7 and #8, October 10-11, Thunderhill, by Sacramento Valley and Redwood Regions

21) Zone 7 Concours #2, October 11, Porsche of Fremont, by Loma Prieta Region

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

Note that several more Zone 7 AX's may be scheduled pending site contract signings.

2020 West Coast Race Series Calendar

as of April 17, 2020

May 22-24 th	WeatherTech Raceway, Laguna Seca -- POSTPONED
June 6-7 th	Utah Motorsports Campus
August 29-30 th	Sonoma Raceway
September 19-20 th	High Plains Raceway
September 26-27 th	Thunderhill Raceway
October 10-11 th	Sonoma Raceway

PCA Club Race Schedule Link: <https://pcaclubracing.org/schedule/>

 <h2>Porsche Club of America Zone 7</h2>	
<h3><u>Autocross</u></h3> <p> July 18 -- Alameda (GGR) September 26 -- Marina (LPR) September 27 -- Marina (GGR) October 10 -- Thunderhill (SVR) October 11 -- Thunderhill (RR) </p> <p> STRIKETHROUGHS --- date and location to be determined <small>as of April 17, 2020</small> </p>	<h3><u>Concours</u></h3> <p> May 17 -- Fremont (LPR) June 7 -- Rocklin (SVR) July 19 -- Carmel Valley (MBR) August 2 -- Reno (SNR) August 23 -- Redwood City (GGR) September 20 -- Ledson (RR) </p>
<p>For more information visit the Zone 7 website at zone7.pca.org</p>	

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