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President's Message

Welcome to the end of summer and beginning of fall. We are two-thirds of the way through the year. Where have the last 9 months gone?

Over the last 9 months we have enjoyed some great drives and social events. As we move out of the "Dog Days of Summer", we have a very busy schedule moving into the fall.



This past quarter we had a Super Tour of the Lost Sierra led by member Sam Read and this event was a great success. This was a three-day event and this brave group covered an estimated 700+ miles of some of the best driving roads California has to offer! This event was followed up with a one-day Sonora Pass drive with a wonderful lunch at the Dodge Ridge Ski Resort. Th have new owners and they are working on making it an all seasons destination with good food, music and activities.

The 2022 Zucchi Restoration Tech Talk was canceled due to rain and reschedule for November 5th. If happened to be one of the only weekends of the year that it rained. Murphy's law, lol...

Living in the world of the 24/7/365 COVID media reporting, things seem to be returning to normal with people getting out and our region continues to grow with new members. The drives during the past quarter are averaging around 28 cars and are mixed with new and current regional members. We are also seeing a similar turnout for non-driving social get togethers.

With the continued "Thinking Outside the Box", Q3 will offer new drives, tech sessions, Tour Master 101 (how to lead a drive) training, new holiday party venue and our club first campout. \odot

Cheers,

Dave Boyd Yosemite Region President

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A an update on Phil Harris's Car

Phil suffered through the repair process for a "long" time. Its a familiar story: needed more work once they got "into" the repair, had to order another part, that part needs to be sourced from X*##% and can't get it for another month, same story even with the best of repair shops.

Oh, and there was Phil's injury in a golf tournament (yes it can happen). He fractured his ankle in a golf cart mishap, so he couldn't even pick the car up when it was ready.

But that's when his friend (Don Chaisson) helped out by driving the freshly repaired steed home -- Don could work the manual clutch and Phill was still in a "boot". Got to tell you, it was a nice drive from Modesto back to Angels Camp.

But with the car in pristine shape, Phil -- and wife Gloria, decided that the car is just not an "every day" driver. So, Phil got to know Bring a Trailer (or BAT to those in the know!). He assembled a library of documents and photos of the initial re-build and the recent repair and with photos by a BAT affiliated photographer, put the car on the "block". A funny part of the experience was that bids generally came in unique dollar values, as in \$XX thousand and nine hundred and eleven -- yep, \$XX,911.00 Maybe the format changes for a "997 model"?

The auction is over and Phil's beloved 911 has a new home. While Phil and Gloria may be "Porsche-less" today, I'm betting on a 997 in his future soon!

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Miscellaneous Ramblings

Editorial by: D Chaisson

I've always liked this photo of my 2007 Cayman parked in the LS paddock with my Titleist golf clubs. It reminds me of two of my favorite things: driving my Porsche and driving a Titleist. Interestingly, both of the models of that photo are gone: my '07



Cayman has given way to my '15 Cayman GTS (Double Yellow), and my Titleist golf bag gone in favor of one from NCGA (Northern Calif Golf Association) -- the actual clubs are the same.

But the funny thing is that my car "club" will be changing, sort of. I will be leaving Yosemite Region after being associated with the region for as long as I owned a Porsche!

I'm holding on to my Cayman GTS, for sure, but as part of my moving from Angels Camp to San Jose, I'll be joining Loma Prieta Region-PCA. I was really fearful of having to join GGR with the move, GGR is just too big of a club for me. But LPR seems to have much of the feel of Yosemite Region -- their "tag" line is that they are the "PCA's good time region".

Yea, but how can they be "the good time region" without Chuck (Pierce), Brian, Carrie, Dave and the rest of the board -- and ALL the wonderful people I've met over the years at Yosemite Region events. Yes, it is NOT the Cars, it IS the PEOPLE.

I've had a lot of fun over the years with the club. The last few have been particularly rewarding as well as fun. I'm alluding to the Yosemite website here. It all started as filling a void in our region's infrastructure. ".... how tough can it be..." still rings in my ears when I volunteered to take over the ailing website. But it has been fun. I entered the website into the PCA's annual website completion to learn how to make it better. After a few years and considerable help by a number of members, we started getting award/recognition. Last year, we won First Place for websites in a region with 100 to 199 member. Pretty lofty air for a non-professional webmaster.

And perhaps as a cap to a great run before I actually leave the region, PCA

announced the 2022 award winners, and Yosemite was, again, awarded First Place -- a "re-peat" !!! (see small story later in the newsletter).

Right about now, I start tearing up on the realization that I'm leaving so many friends. I'm sure I'll meet people who will be fun to hang with, but "all-you-all" were my first Porsche family.

I'm going to hold out for a special "emeritus" Yosemite Region Member badge -- one of the new lanyard ones that Dave is putting together. Not that I'll ever forget my time with Yosemite Region, but I want others to know that I won't forget.

See you all down the road, you can't miss me -- I'll be the guy in a Racing Yellow Cayman GTS, with Titlest golf clubs in the trunk.

Love you all. Don

Membership Corner



Membership Totals: 202 Primary, 110 Associate

Welcome to New Members who joined April, May and June!

Jimmie Duran 2000 Carrera

Mario Rodriquez and Tatyana Cruz 2017 Cabriolet

Kyle Lerner 2013 Carrera S

Welcome NewTest Drive member

Robert Vitkus from Mountain House.

Transferred IN from other regions: none

Transferred OUT to another region (sorry to see you go!)

Russell Torres to Oregon

Fernando Aquino to Golden Gate

James Frier to Lone Star

Jeff LeBeouf to Loma Prieta

Don Chaisson to Loma Prieta

Best "Quote" for 3Q22

Greg Hudock: Editor Excellence, concerning the All Electric 2024 Macan

"Based on information obtained from reliable sources, we believe the all-electric Macan will have 470-600 (perhaps more) horsepower, depending on trim level. We also expect it to have a range of 310-435 (again, perhaps more) miles, the ability to be fast-charged to 190 miles of range in 10 minutes and the capability to be charged from five to 80 percent in less than 25 minutes (fast charging to 100 percent every time can reduce battery life)."

Now I'm interested!



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2022 Website Competition: Yosemite Re-peats First Place

Last year, your webmaster was elated with wining First Place for websites in Class II (regions with 100-199 members). The winning margin was razor thin, but "a win is a win".

This year, our website was again awarded First Place in our class -- a REPEAT! This time, the margin was clear (94.75 to 90.25 for P2).

In the Round 2 judging, 6 regions were evaluated for "Best Overall Website for the year" (generally class winners and others at the discretion of the committee). Upper Canada Region won Best in the country (a worthy winner in my view) but Yosemite Region's site tied with Great Plains Region (Class III winner) and Kansas City Region (Class IV) for second place. Though there is no "prize" for second, it was pretty amazing that our website



Its been quite a run from 2017 to 2022: 2 Third Places and Back to Back First Places: 2021 and 2022!

hung in there against such amazing products.

Thanks to all members who helped with content and suggestions to make the site so well regarded.

Don Chaisson, Yosemite Webmaster



Calendar for future events

Want to be aware of upcoming events??

The region creates events for the enjoyment of our members. The website keeps about a 2 to 3 month horizon of event opportunities to enjoy.

Click HERE to link to the Calendar section of the website, or go to the Yosemite Region home page at:

https://yos.pca.org

Minutes from last Board Meeting

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