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SEM Members and their Porsches with Larry Webster racing by at Waterford Hills Raceway Family Day. Photo by: Lisa Molzon



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2025 SEM/PCA CALENDAR

OCTOBER

NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

Business Meeting

Up North Tour

Fall Color Tour

*American Speed Festival

Street Survival School

Business Meeting

Holiday Party

Holiday Light Festival

Business Meeting and Planning Session

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AUGUST

- 1-2 Indiana Nurburgring Overnight Tour
- *Troy Traffic Jam **Business Meeting**
- 13-15 *Woodward Dream Festival at M1
- 16 *Woodward Dream Cruise
- Picnic and Concours d'Elegance 17
- 23 DE #3 at Waterford

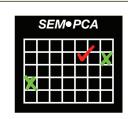
SEPTEMBER

- **Business Meeting**
- 5 DE #4 at Waterford
- 13 Drive Your Porsche Day
- 14 3D Detailing Session
- 14 * Cars R' Stars at Packard Proving Grounds
- 20 *Rally Sport Region - "Porsches in the Park"
- 27 **Ladies Drive**

Future Event Possibilities:

*Not an SEMPCA event

All Dates and Events are subject to confirmation



This is a starting point of events for the 2025 Calendar Year.

Events may be added, deleted or dates changed as desired.

The club has reset & updated the club calendar. PLEASE download the NEW SEM/PCA CALENDAR Link to instructions on how to add SEM / PCA Calendar to your PC. Laptop, iOS, Android and Windows devices. https://sem.pca.org/2017/11/27/new-calendar/

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President's Column

ARTICLE BY LISA MOLZON - SEM PRESIDENT

PHOTOS BY LISA MOLZON AND JONATHAN PATTY

Many thanks to everyone that contributes to the Club! Whether you may volunteer to run or support an event, write an article for the newsletter, provide event photos, find a way to assist during an event, dedicate time to being a Board Member/Officer/Chair, or attend our events we wouldn't have a Southeast Michigan Region of PCA without you and your willing participation. All we do is accomplished by volunteers; enthusiastic, passionate, hardworking Porsche owners. We do what we do for the love of the marque, the friendships and camaraderie. During your membership, we hope this passion shines through and that you meet new people, make lasting friendships and most of all: have fun!

For those of you that went to Oklahoma City for **Parade** the second week of July, I hope that you had a wonderful trip and met some new friends.

Much closer to home, we had the **Progressive Dinner** on Saturday, July 19th. A really fun crowd of members attended and it was enjoyable to spend some time talking with and getting to know our brand-new new members Frank Zydel plus Jonathan Patty and his wife Claudia Guerrero. Kudos to Jason Nixon who joined our Club in June and has already participated in two events and two monthly Business Meetings! Our Event Chair, Cedric Alexanian, was able to make lemonade out of lemons when the weather forecast turned uncooperative and arranged (re-arranged) the tour locations to ensure all attendees were dry and had no worries of gathering or dining outside in inclement weather. Many thanks to Kris and Kent Kildea for opening their lovely home to us on Lake Chemung for dessert and lingering conversations. Shout-out to Taffy Jones for her freshly-baked dessert pastries that were thoroughly enjoyed. Looking forward to seeing you all again at events through the rest of the year.

We are just over halfway through the year and we have many events planned for the remaining part of 2025.

Right away in August, we have the **Indiana-Nurburgring Over Night Tour** on the 1st and 2nd. Chris Bohr and

Howard Gilson have curated a wonderful event and we are sending "good weather" wishes for the weekend.

Mark your calendars and contact Patti Door to attend the **SEM Annual Picnic and Concours** on Sunday, August 17th. For Concours specific questions, contact Fred Young directly. This is one of the most popular events we offer to members and over 100 members typically attend. No one goes home hungry with the grilled entrees prepared under the watchful eye of Tom Grabowski, the breakfast items for the early-birds coming to prep their Porsches for the Concours, the hors d'oeuvres, the homemade side dishes, and the delectable desserts. The low price of entry is possible due to **everyone** bringing a dish to pass. Each attendee (or couple or family) should coordinate a dish with Patti when you register. I personally look forward to finding out who will bring the best and most talked-about dish!

In combination with all the mouth-watering food, we have the Concours: preparation, judging and awards all organized by Fred Young. In addition to the official judging of each Porsche, each registered attendee is provided with a ballot to vote for their favorite vehicle. How fun to be the one to take home the "People's Choice" award knowing you have the Porsche that the most members admired! And don't forget that each year, the trophies are not only unique and different from past years, they are meticulously hand-crafted by Fred throughout the colder-weather months. REMEMBER: 1. Register, 2. Bring a dish to pass, 3. Enter the Concours (encouraged, not required), 4. Enjoy the day with us!

The following Saturday, August 23rd, we will be at Waterford Hills for **HPDE #3**. Your cars will be nice, clean and FAST following all the clean-up work you did for the Picnic and Concours the weekend before. Know a neighbor, a work team member, a customer, a client, or a third cousin that enjoys or would enjoy driving their high-performance machine on-track and learning about performance car handling? Send them our way! We welcome all high-

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performance cars with a PCA Vehicle Technical Inspection SEM Members that volunteer to assist or lead these events, form completed by a certified technician. We have the qualified instructors to instill advanced driving techniques and even guide you on your path to racing. Steve Carbary (DE Chair) and Marc Molzon (Chief Instructor) are your goto guys on anything HPDE-related. Wondering if your car is track-ready? Contact Steve or Marc. Wondering if YOU are track-ready? Contact Steve or Marc. Wondering what a offered. Take a moment now to do this and if you think track day entails? Contact...well, you get it. I look forward to seeing you in the morning upon arrival, as well as seeing you on track.

Our 4th and final HPDE of 2025 will be early September on Friday the 5th. Mark both dates on your calendar now.

As you know, your Board of Directors works diligently to define the annual calendar of events and then focuses upon the execution of them. Not only do we need and appreciate

we need to ensure that the events we are offering are what YOU find interesting and engaging enough to attend. Please take a couple minutes and email me at LisaSEMPCA@ gmail.com or text me at 248-318-1570 and share what events we offer that you find enjoyable and let me know if there are other types of events you would be interested in seeing of anything additional later, go ahead and send me another note. Your opinions matter and I look forward to a flood of responses!

Thank you for your membership and your support of our events.



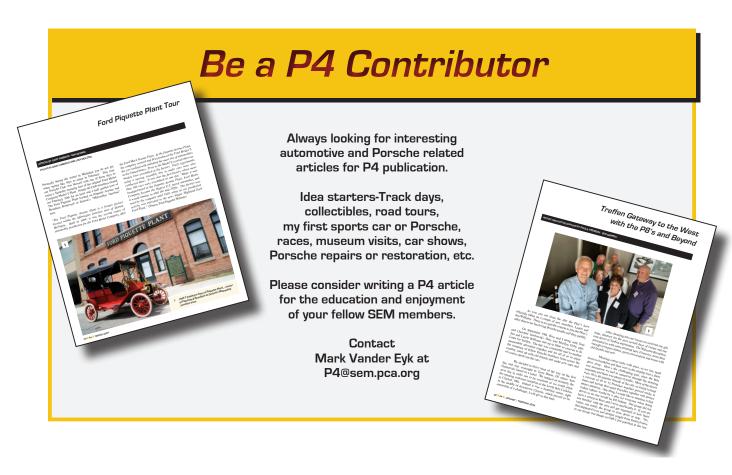
- 1. Frank Zydel, Chip Lyndy, Rene Vander Eyk, Jamie Coobias and Mark Vander Eyk surrounding a Pagani at the SEM Progressive Dinner.
- 2. New Co-Member Claudia Guerrero parking for appetizers at the SEM Progressive Dinner.



Nominations Now Being Accepted For the October 2025 **Election of Directors**



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OUR ANNUAL PORSCHE SEM FAMILY PICNIC AND CONCOURS



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Sunday, August 17, 2025

at Springdale Park, Birmingham, Michigan
Off of northbound Woodward north of Big Beaver, turn right on Strathmore



Arrival and Car Preparation begins at 9:00 a.m. Concours Judging begins at 11:30 a.m. Sharp Picnic Lunch Served at 1:00 p.m.

Last years picnic and concours was a rousing success. We expect a great turnout again this year. The concours is the outside of the car including the wheels. Here is the excuse you need to make your car looking its best. Trophies are awarded in eight categories so everyone has a great chance of winning one. Don't miss this fun event and register early.

Lunch consists of dishes brought by members and an excellent meal with hors d'oeuvres provided by the co-chairs of this event. As a bonus, early arrivals are treated to a wonderful breakfast.

\$10.00 per person (\$15.00 after August 9th) Children under 16 are free. Message Patti Door at (248) 207-7617 or pdoor@sbcglobal.net to make your reservation and coordinate a dish to pass. Please RSVP early and specify you are registering for the picnic and concours. Attendance is limited.

Concours questions? Call Fred Young at (586) 566-3193 or frederickyoung73@gmail.com



ARTICLE BY STEVE CARBARY - DE / INSURANCE CHAIR

PHOTOS BY MARC MOLZON AND JASON NIXON

The Southeast Michigan High Performance Driver Education season is in full swing and off to a great start! I say 'season' in light of our club typically hosting four of these events per year. Our Drivers Education, or DE events as they are often referred to, are spread throughout the summer months and are held at two different local tracks that each hold unique challenges for our drivers. On Saturday, June 28th, we hosted our second DE event of this year at the M1 Concourse in Pontiac. It was an outstanding opportunity to enjoy our cars, our friends, and some welldeserved weather. The smell of hot brakes, the sounds of high rpm's, tires gripping around corners, plus laugh and smiles on everyone's faces are what make DE days special to me. How can we appreciate our cars like this anywhere else?

As the morning unfolded, participants started arriving just as the sun was rising nicely into the sky for what would turn out to be one of the nicest summer days we've had so far. In similar fashion to our first DE in May, the foreboding weather forecast significantly improved over the days leading up to the event. Hope our luck doesn't run out this season! I'll be pulling out all the four leaf clovers, horse shoes, lady bugs, rabbit's feet, pennies, wishbones, and whatever I can find to keep this streak going for our last two events in August and September. Sign up now and see how I do - haha. Although, I would like to point out, these are driving schools and we do run rain or shine. The principal idea of these events is to create a better appreciation for how to handle a car as it approaches the limits of its capabilities in any situation. Dry roads are fun and we all love the thrill of speed, but one can quickly see how different techniques, concepts, and driving methods can vary in inclement weather. Practicing different techniques based on corner styles as well as the grip level between concrete versus asphalt, can become even more 'enhanced' in the wet. It's a great learning experience that everyone can benefit from. I mean let's face it, we DO see some rain around these parts occasionally. And let's just not bring up the humidity shall we?

So with the sunblock applied, it was time to get this day rolling (pun intended) and the typical DE procedures began. Registration and the Drivers Meeting run like clockwork thanks to Lisa and Marc Molzon's efforts. We greatly appreciate all they put into making sure everyone attending gets to where they need to be and completes everything needed on time. We could not do these without them. To add to the morning, one of our sponsors, Munk's Motors, set up refreshments as they do for all our DEs. Coffee, juices, fruits, bagels, muffins, and more were available. This adds a very nice touch to our events and we can't thank them enough for their dedication to our DE events. Everyone was mingling around them and relishing in the goods.

With all of the official proceedings completed, it was time to drive. M1 Concourse offers a unique encounter from Waterford Hills. As the course winds through a landscape of private garages and top level facilities, it offers several challenges both in corner design and elevation. The 'slow in/fast out' of the turn three/four complex, the kinked entrance hairpin that is turn six, the increasing speed through turn seven and the blind-uphill run through turn eight keep our drivers attentive and excited for every lap. For those I was coaching that day, turn six was the paramount quandary as it so often is. This turn leads into a long straight, and we all know what to do on a long straight. Floor it! Resisting the temptation to do this too early or too much is the pitfall here. Ignoring that little devil on your shoulder telling you to mash the throttle for just a bit longer will keep you from pushing out mid corner (understeer) and having to lift, killing your ultimate speed down the length of the straight. My students and I had many laughs about this that day. All good fun and learning. But, the feeling in the seat is like no other when they would get it just right and nail that sweet spot. The look on their faces and the excitement in their voice is so much fun to relish in. Followed quickly by them completely blowing it on the next lap and beating themselves up for it - haha. All part of the game we play. The perfect lap is out there, can you see it? Let me know if you ever get it, I sure never have. Every lap is a test of what can be done better or faster. Or heck, even just more Fun! Sliding a car sideways may not be Caymans, 911s, even a 944 and a 928 came out to play the fastest way around a course, but sure can be entertaining. Car control and knowing something is going to happen or actually planning and making it happen is what we teach at these events. Drivers shouldn't be driving fast if they don't have a plan and knowledge to support what is going on with themselves and the car. It's a 'team' sport and your partner will tell you what they need and what they can do, if you know how to listen and talk to them. Such a good feeling when this happens.

Morning sessions wrapped up and it was time for a catered lunch with support from our other two sponsors, Automedics of Shelby and Nikolas Motorsports. Thanks to them we are able to provide a nice spread for all those participating and keep the drivers nourished at our DEs. It's a great time to sit down with new or old friends and talk about the previous sessions. Perhaps a chance to reapply that sunblock too. With all the excitement of the morning, it's nice have a break for a moment and take it all in before the afternoon kicks off.

After lunch it's time for more sessions for each run group. Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced students along with instructors each take their turn driving the track. The 1.5 mile course saw a wide variety of Porsches that day. Boxsters,

along with several other makes/models. We had Corvettes, BMWs, Miatas and a Mustang or two. What a sight to see with all these cars being driven as they were intended, not stuck in traffic somewhere idling along with the windows up and the A/C blasting. I love to hear the different sounds and pore over the body lines of each car design. Yes, this is a Porsche Club event, but golly there are a lot of nice cars out there! These are 'run whatcha brung' type events because again, it's all about the learning and enjoying of driving whatever you have.

With the afternoon sessions completed, the event concludes bringing us to the end of our second Drivers Education for 2025. As mentioned earlier, we still have two more planned later this year on August 23rd and September 5th. If you have considered attending any of these but missed the first two, act now. Registration is open for the remaining events, and if you have any questions, comments, or concerns, I would direct you to our website, sem.pca.org, specifically the DE page. Or, as always, feel free to reach out to either Marc Molzon or me. We are always ready to discuss anything related to these events and answer any question that someone may have. Let's talk. I promise you will experience your car like never before.





- 1. A view of the paddock filling up as people arrive for the day.
- 2. Volunteer Rich organizing the cones to get traffic in and out of pit lane.

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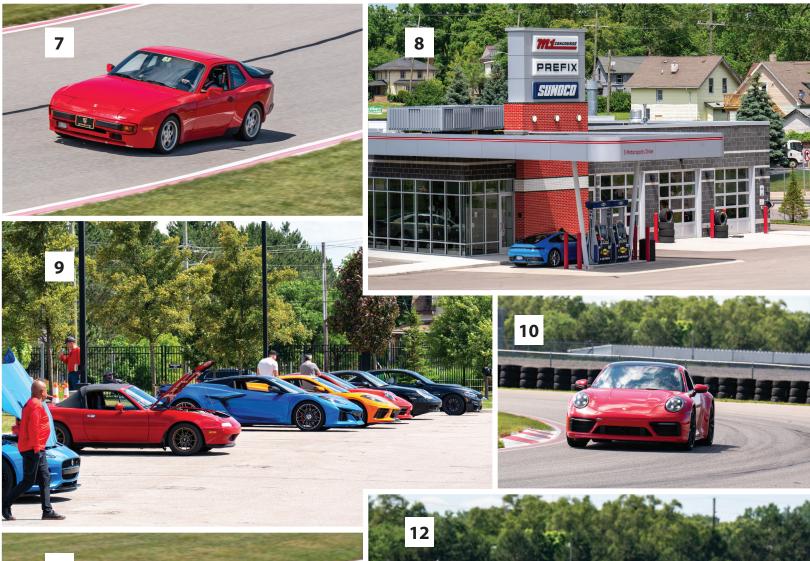
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- 3. A custom built Fuchs GT and Corvette ZO6 with our DE Track Chair's car in the back ground.
- 4. Two of our instructor's cars, GT 2 and GT3 RS resting after some very fast laps.
- 5. Ron Liex in his modified Cayman leads Gianluigi Gennari in his GT4.
- 6. Lisa Molzon leads a few others as she gets the hang of driving the right hand drive Ginetta G56.

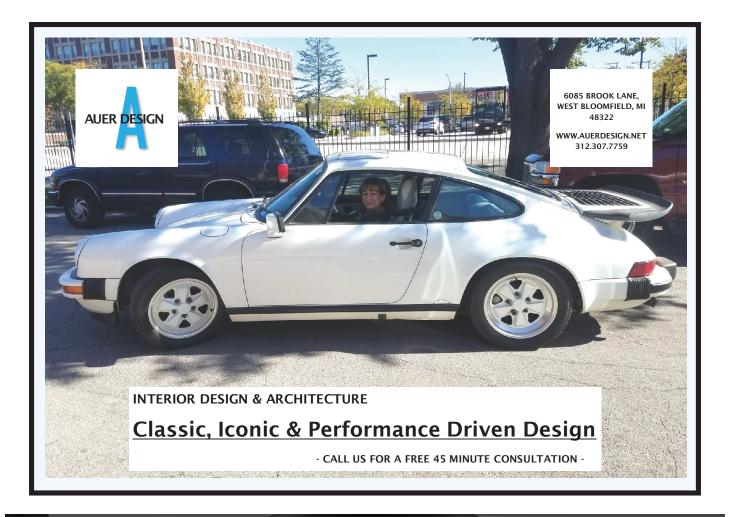






- 7. The transaxle Porsche 944 (1982-1991) is well loved amongst Porsche enthusiasts.
- 8. Fuel isn't an issue at M1 Concourse as they have an onsite gas station.
- 9. SEM PCA members are allowed to bring any of their cars to the track. Maserati, Mustang, Mazda, Chevy, BMW, and other brands were present.
- 10. Can you drive on the race line for a whole lap? Drivers strive to hit each corner as well as they can to turn a fast lap.
- 11. The Porsche GT4RS is a weapon on track.
- 12. The Ginetta, a British race car, chases down a Mustang Mach1 on track.

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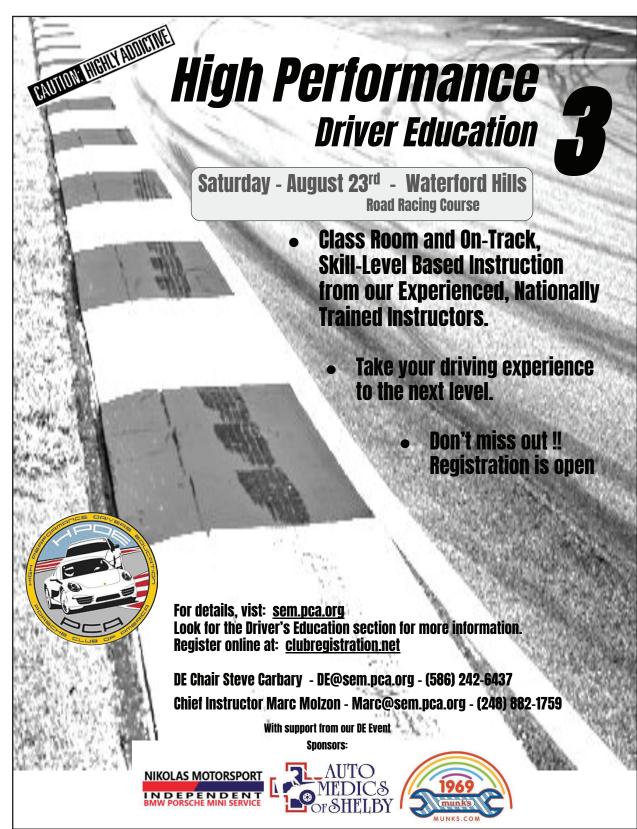
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New Porsche 911 Club Coupe celebrates 70 Years of PCA — 70 cars for 70 members

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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.



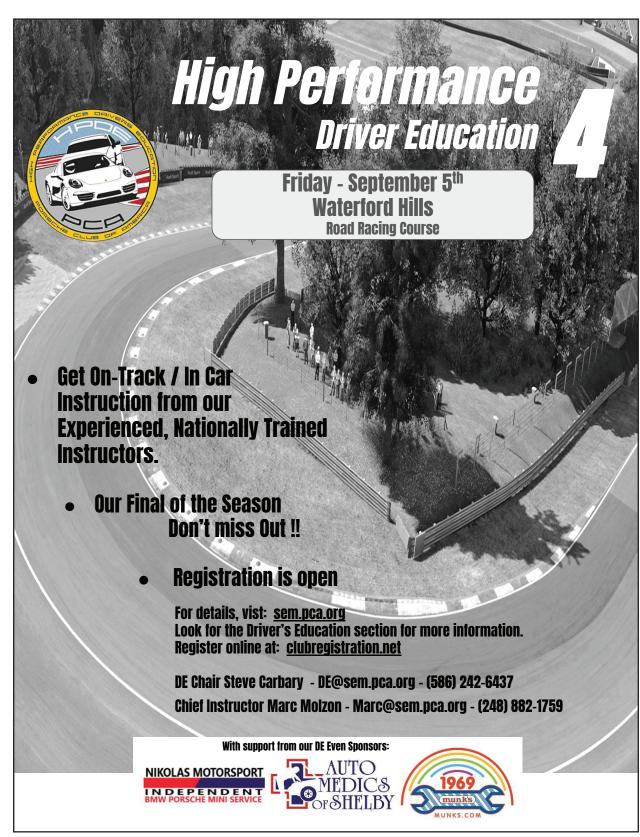
More about the Club Coupe at **pca.org/news/pca70-club-coupe**



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Waterford Hills Family Day An SEM PCA Day at the Races

ARTICLE BY ROBERT TARCHINSKI - MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

PHOTOS BY LISA MOLZON AND ALEX THOMAS

Laguna Seca, Road America, Daytona, and Le Mans: the mention of these legendary racecourses brings to mind visions of beautiful sports cars, thrilling passes and summer days in the sun. What you might not know is that Southeast Michigan has a local racetrack with over 60 years of history in sports car racing. While Waterford Hills Road Racing may not have the same instant name recognition, it has all of the elements for an enjoyable day at the races: beautiful sports cars, thrilling passes and summer days in the sun.

Located in Waterford, Michigan, Waterford Hills racecourse is "an often overlooked gem of the American road racing scene," consisting of a 1.5-mile circuit, 8 turns and over 50 feet of elevation change. Turns to both left and right, as well as blind crests and cambered corners, make the track engaging for drivers and spectators alike. SEM PCA organizes several High Performance Drivers Education events every year at Waterford Hills and the track is home to SCCA (Sports Car Club of America) and NASA (National Autosports Association) organized racing.

On Sunday, June 29th, Waterford Hills hosted its annual Family Day! SEM was invited to set up on the hilltop at the northwest corner of the track. From this vantage point, one can see over 75% of the racecourse. SEM members typically set up a "Porsche Corral" at the top of the hill, a beautiful display of Porsches of all shapes, sizes and colors. Event sponsor, Munk's Motors provided snacks, drinks and a shaded area, which were enjoyed by all in attendance!

From our space on the hill, SEM members enjoyed viewing over 10 different races across several different classes; Porsches, Corvettes, Miatas and open-wheel formula cars all took turns running at various points throughout the day. Attendees took in the races and had a great opportunity to converse with fellow PCA members. It was truly a grand way to spend a summer Sunday.

Lunchtime brought the opportunity for PCA members to get their own cars out on the track doing parade laps. These relatively low-speed lead/follow style laps allowed attendees to drive their own Porsche on track and experience the unique and challenging layout of Waterford Hills. Porsche has always been inextricably linked to motorsports and this opportunity allowed owners to experience a small slice of this rich heritage. Several SEM members participated and all returned to the corral with a smile on their face and a newfound appreciation for this unique venue and their amazing sports cars.

If you haven't been out to Waterford Hills for a race weekend or SEM PCA High Performance Drivers Education event, Family Day is a great excuse to come out, see the track, drive the track and enjoy some wheel-to-wheel racing all in the company of fellow PCA members. This event is held annually in late June, thanks to the hard work of event chair Fred Young! We hope to see you at the track for Family Day next year, if not before. Until then, enjoy your Porsche and remember, never lift!

- 1. The 911s were well-represented with prime views of the racing. Shown here: Marc Molzon's and Leo Wanstreet's classics.
- 2. David and Bea Corcoran made the drive from Saginaw with Betty White for the day in their 911.
- 3. Thom Christian came by during a break from his races to chat with Bobby Tarchinski, Micheal Cohen and Chris Braden of Munk's Motors who supplied Track Snacks on the hill for SEM Members.
- 4. Jane and Marc Trahan enjoyed the races and caught-up with Fred Young.
- 5. Front row seats to watch Larry Webster, our guest speaker at the November Membership Dinner, racing on the track.
- 6. When car enthusiasts get together: SEM Members and their Porsches with Larry Webster racing by.













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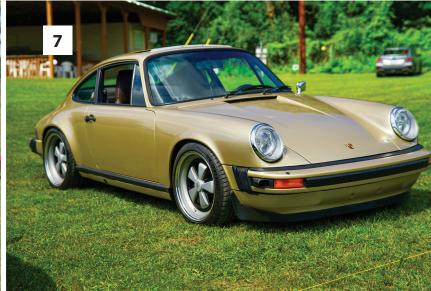
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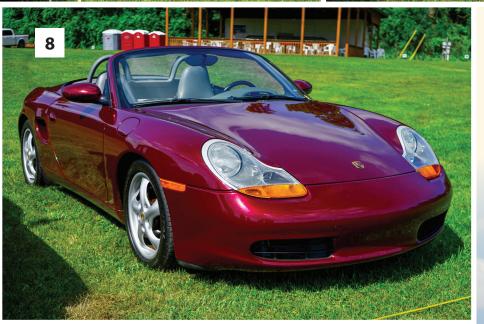
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- 6. Porsches gahered on the hill watching the races.
- 7. Several air cooled cars were present in the corral.
- 8. A 986 Boxster in the striking color Arena Red Metallic.
- 9. Porsche head out on track for lunchtime parade laps.

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10 - 12. Alex Thomas, Son of Skippy and Suzanne Thomas, has a great eye for Porsche details.





SPONSORED EVENT -

Porsche Club of America's 70th Anniversary Drive Your Porsche Day Saturday, September 13th, 2025





We will be meet at a local Porsche Dealer to gather before heading out for a scenic drive to the Rochester Mills Brewery for dinner.

This year we will be celebrating the PCA's 70th Anniversary along with Ferry Porsche's Birthday.

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Includes: Buffet Dinner w/ selections of
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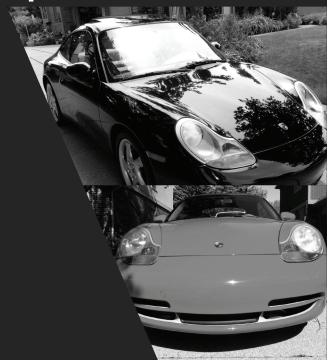
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- Evening Festivities 5:00 7:30-ish
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Unsighted



ARTICLE BY TOM FIELITZ - SEM MEMBER

One obvious handicap when you are working on a car is if the part you are working on cannot easily be seen you often end up working on it by feel and touch rather than by sight. This became painfully obvious to me with my first Porsche, a 1970 914-6. This car, with its tightly packaged mechanicals, was obviously not designed for easy maintenance. One look under its very small engine lid revealed a complicated engine absolutely buried deep out of sight. Most components not only were difficult to see, but were even more difficult to reach. Often I resorted to taking a good amount of time to identify what I was trying to work on and then working on it from memory and touch. Something like the distributor was almost a mythical part that very few people ever saw. I presumed things like a valve adjustment or distributor work required removing the engine. I did manage one valve adjustment, but as I recall it took me two days of hard work and I resolved never to try it again.

Other projects that were completely unsighted involved anything under the dash or around the front suspension. Changing the master cylinder almost had me wondering if the sequence of installing it happened prior to actually building the body. The tiny space that it fit into made putting a wrench on any nut to be an excruciating exercise. It required minute movements of a small open end wrench, turning the nut a fraction of a turn over dozens of repetitions. Again, this was another task I vowed never to repeat. There is no pride in accomplishing such a task, only relief when it is over.

Naturally, I have to wonder what kind of evil minded engineers designed such devilish installations. I realize that the tight packaging of Porsche mechanicals can be considered the result of superior design and packaging within a limited design space. Tight packaging resulted in no wasted space or weight and a lot of engineering in a tidy and efficient car. But, those were not the words that came to my mind as I was scraping my hands trying to feel my way through a project. I did however have a lot of compassion for the mechanics that did this for a living day in and day out. I always presumed that professional mechanics found short cuts or at least more efficient ways to accomplish these tasks.

I also quickly found out that it was almost essential to research and plan these projects following workshop manuals or even tutorials on the internet explaining the sequence and secrets to success. One of the more helpful aids was the exploded parts diagram that revealed the sequence that made the parts fit together. It still took an enormous amount of concentration and imagination to translate the diagram into reality. The most useless advice was when the instructions offered that installation was just the opposite of removal. That was patently never true of anything I ever worked on.

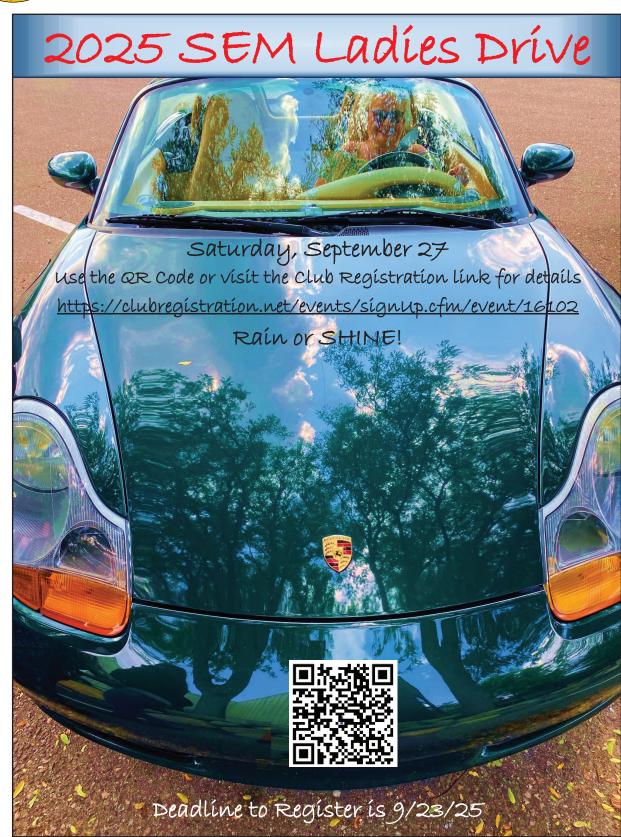
I would like to say that the 914-6 was just a bad example of working by feel rather that by sight. But, over a lot of years of back yard mechanics it has been all too common. I have just resigned myself to the fact that is how the world works when it involves automotive repair. It is an absolute relief when I do come across a very simple project where my hands did not obscure the part that I am working on. Even then I became very suspicious that I must be over looking something or that it was not as obvious as it looks.

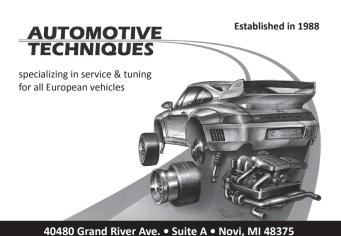
A lot of you reading this will think why not take the obvious approach and take these projects to a competent mechanic at a competent shop and you would be absolutely correct. But, that is not always an option. Sometimes you can afford the part but do not have the budget for the complete repair, so you must undertake the project yourself. I will say that it has made Porsche ownership a great adventure. Although in my experience it has turned too many simple projects into weekend long affairs. Working on any modern Porsche has become almost impossible for the average owner. My final advice is to leave the work to the trained professionals.





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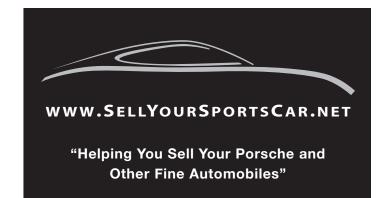
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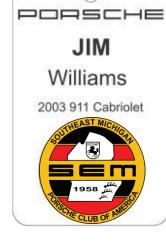
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SEM Business Meeting Minutes* on June 26, 2025 * by Fred Young

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JUNE 26, 2025

In attendance:

Board Members: Chris Bohr, Lisa Molzon, Howard Gilson, Jim Williams, Fred Young and Steve Carbary.

Officer: Mark VanderEyk. Guests: Jason Nixon and Guilherme Costa.

Absent with notice: Marc Molzon, Bobby Tarchinski and Cedric Alexanian.

Call to Order: 7:01 p.m. by President Lisa Molzon

Minutes: Moved by H.G. and C.B. to approve the June

minutes. Motion passed.

Financial: Jim Williams – No report.

Membership: Bobby Tarchinski - No report.

Insurance: Steve Carbary - Needed for the Progressive Dinner and Nurburgring Tour.

P-4: Mark VanderEyk - Mark went over the August P4 content to be published. A new editor is still needed.

Webmaster: Howard Gilson – Everything is fine.

OLD BUSINESS:

June 21: Solstice Tour: Lisa Molzon -

There were 56 registrants. The rain stopped by the start of the tour and everyone enjoyed a great lunch.

June 28: DE#2 at M1: Steve Carbary - It is low on registrants.

June 29: Waterford Hills Family Day:

Looks like great weather.

July 6-12: *Porsche Parade: Howard Gilson - It is in a state of flux with low registrations.

July 13: *Northville Concours d'Elegance:

A thank you was received for the ad placement in the P4.

July 19: Progressive Dinner: Lisa Molzon -

Loose ends are being cleaned up.

August 1: Indiana Nürburgring: Chris Bohr -

18 cars so far, more are expected.

August 13-16: Dream Cruise Events: Lisa Molzon - She presented an ad on the upcoming Woodward Dream

Parade.

August 17: Picnic and Concours: Fred Young -

Working on details

September 13: Drive your Porsche Day: Howard Gilson - It will coincide with the PCA 70th anniversary. The route is set

September 14: 3D Detailing Session: Howard Gilson - Ad is in the P4.

September 27: Ladies Drive: Lisa Molzon -

In the planning stage.

October 3-5: Up North Tour: Howard Gilson -

Some construction in the area. More information will be forthcoming.

October 19: Fall Color Tour: Chris Bohr - Registration will open in August.

NEW BUSINESS:

Event Reports: None needed

Meeting Adjourned at 8:35 p.m. - Moved to adjourn by S.C. and J.W. Motion passed.

Next Meeting Location: Gilson Motorsports - Thursday, August 7, 2025

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Respectfully Submitted: Fred Young - Rev. 6-28-25 *Subject to ratification at the next Board Meeting.

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