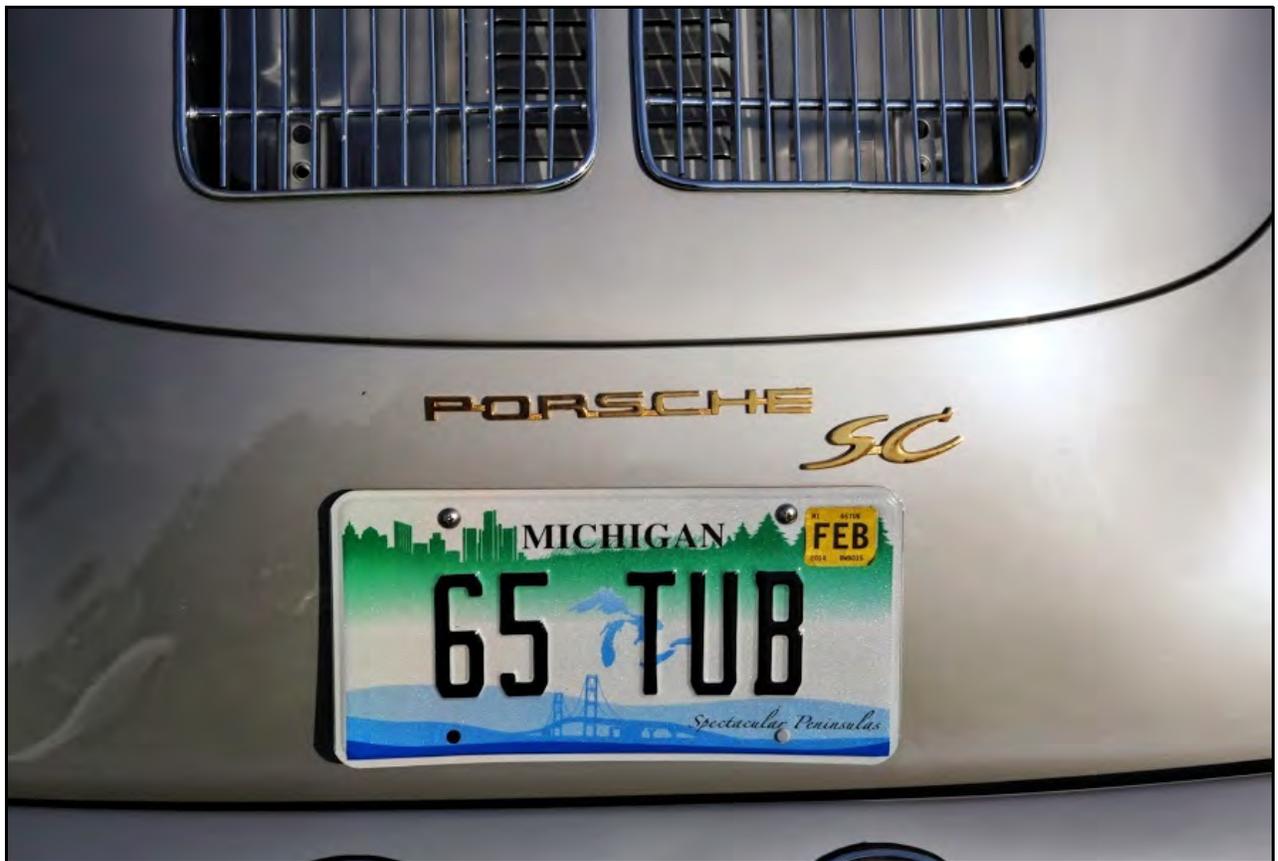


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- Promote the highest standards of courtesy and safety on the roads.
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- Promote the maintenance of the highest standards of operation and performance of the marque by sharing and exchanging technical and mechanical information.
- Establish and maintain mutually beneficial relationships with Porsche AG, Porsche Cars North America (PCNA), Porsche dealers, and other independent service sources to the end that the marque shall prosper and continue to enjoy its unique leadership and position in sports car annals.
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- Establish such mutually cooperative relationships with other car clubs as may be desirable.
- Establish a community service initiative with the goal of engaging region members to participate in activities that benefit the community through fundraising or volunteering of time.

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President's Message

by David Dukehart



July proved to be a great month for the Club!

For those of you who were able to attend the Porsche Parade in Traverse City, MI, you know that Chesapeake Region did quite well in the competition. Bob Gutjahr, Ellen Beck, Dan Dazzo, and others placed quite well in their individual classes. Our Chesapeake Challenge Co-Chair, Minta Miller, learned the fine art of preparing her car for the concours. Congratulations to all!

The Chesapeake Region was the first runner-up of the 2012 PCA Public Service Award! Our region was recognized as one of the regions that conducted the most outstanding charity or community service event or events during the year. Congratulations to Gary and Kara Martinez in directing our efforts. The trophy will be displayed at PCA Headquarters in Columbia. Stop by and ask Vu to show it to you. Denise Hovington, PCA Finance Manager, wrote, "In addition to the trophy that was presented during Parade, we are pleased to present you with a cash award in the amount of \$1,000. Congratulations and thank you to you and your members for demonstrating the highest standards in meeting the objectives and ideals of PCA in providing service and support to charities and your local community. On behalf of PCA, congratulations again!" The Community Service Committee welcomes that award and is planning on sharing it and the rest of the community service fund with several charities.

In another club-supported community service event, the Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department had a successful raffle for their 1995 Carrera 4, which raised nearly \$50,000 to be used to replace their aging ambulance. Club member Bill Dombrowski read my eblast about the raffle and added it to Rennlist, which turbocharged the effort and ticket sales went through the roof! Sales were recorded in seven countries. KIVFD volunteers Francis Roudiez, Les Adams, and Chief Jody Schultz shared their thanks to our club for helping them reach their goal! The winning ticket was Joe Clark from New York. [Click here](#) for a video.

Mother Nature somewhat cooperated with us for our annual Crab Feast as it rained off and on but no spirits were dampened. This event sold out again and we want to thank Porsche of Silver Spring for their support as ticket prices were reduced due to their participation. Also, every attendee received a Porsche model, key chain, or thermal coffee cup thanks to our friends at Porsche of Silver Spring. Brisk Porsche sales and deliveries prevented Casey Parkin from attending, but Chas Conklin joined us after he delivered a brand new Porsche! Honorary judges, Manny Alban and Bob Gutjahr, did not fail in entertaining the crowd with their usual antics with the car show awards. They even gave out Porsche socks as an award! Vu Nguyen, Executive Director of PCA, sent this note, "Just wanted to thank you again for a great event. Our family had a great time and the food was excellent (as always)." [Click here](#) for photos by Vu.

What could be better than meeting with 50-plus of your closest club friends, looking at a myriad of cars in an assortment of member garages, touring the countryside, and sharing a great lunch to boot! Michael Murphy hosted a Northern Chesapeake Region Garage Tour to end them all! Club members Bob Rassa, Doug and Francesca Ehmann, and TW Scott welcomed us to their wonderful homes/garages to see their passion for cars. The positive comments received were overwhelming! Be on the lookout for a Southern Chesapeake Region Garage Tour in the future.

The Baltimore Grand Prix is coming up on Labor Day weekend. There will be a Porscheplatz set up on Friday and Saturday for any PCA members to visit. Remember to bring your PCA card! Get your race tickets at grandprixofbaltimore.missiontix.com/Porsche. If you want to park in the Porscheplatz, contact Pat Sweeney at psweeney@raceonbaltimore.com.

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President's Message, continued from previous page

2014 is an election year for the Club. Cheryl Taylor and I will be stepping down as Vice President and President. The Nominating Committee has been formed with Shermooan and Tina Daiyaan and me ready to take nominations for president and potentially secretary. Linda Sobus will stay on as treasurer. The club is in great financial condition and we need someone who will continue to enhance the members' experiences and continue our mission. The infrastructure is strong and volunteers' enthusiasm high! Please let Shermooan, Tina, or me know if you have any interest or questions about the open positions by contacting membership@pcachs.org or president@pcachs.org.

Several committee chair and staff positions are available as well. We are looking for a new webmaster and publicity and insurance committee chairs. Each position is unique and requires an enthusiastic individual that is willing to learn. Come and join in on the fun!

August's events include an autocross, an ice cream tour, and a social to be held at the Dark Horse in Belair. Check our website for details: pcachs.org.

Members who own 2001 to 2005 Porsche 911's and Boxsters received notice about an intermediate shaft bearing class action lawsuit in their mail recently. For more information, see IMS Class Action FAQ's: imporschesettlement.com/faqs. Here is a link to an IMS class action lawsuit claim form: imporschesettlement.com/wp-content/media/PCH_Claim_Form_2013_07_09_330pm.pdf.

Hope to see you at an event soon!

David Dukehart, President



Members of Chesapeake Region receive the Community Service award on behalf of the club at the 2013 Parade. Photo by John Novotnak.

Porsche Museum via Budapest

by Rob Mairs

What's the connection between PBS' Downton Abbey and the Porsche Museum in Stuttgart? At first glance there appears to be no connection whatsoever. However if your wife is hooked on watching Downton Abbey, which has clever and appealing commercials for Viking River Cruises, and you want to go the 911 50th Anniversary exhibit at the Porsche museum, you give her a Viking River Cruise on the Danube for a Christmas present. Of course she is thrilled that you are so thoughtful and caring and she can hardly wait. Initially unbeknownst to her is that this particular river cruise, although starting in Budapest and ending in Nuremberg, is only a two hour train ride to Stuttgart. So why not add a little side trip to the Porsche museum at the end of the cruise?



This is how it all began last December. As far as the cruise goes, we would highly recommend the company and the cruise itinerary. The accommodations, food, staff, scenery, and tours were great. The river cruise ships are quite low so they can fit under the many bridges you encounter along the way. You actually have to duck! The river cruise ships are also relatively small compared to the ocean going cruise ships; ours had 95 rooms and less than 200 people.

We flew into Budapest, which is a marvelous city and we wish we had more time to explore. We will definitely go back. With World War II and the Soviet occupation stifling development, much of the town's architecture remains as it was centuries ago and the people are incredibly proud of their Hungarian heritage.

As most of you may have read or heard in the news, portions of Germany, Austria, and Hungary experienced record breaking floods in June and we were concerned that the trip might be cancelled as many were in early June. The Danube and its adjoining cities were hit hard, but each city has done a marvelous job of cleaning up in a short period of time for our late June trip. One stop along the way, Passau, Germany, experienced flood waters 12.9 meters or 42 feet above normal reaching well up to the second floor in the homes and businesses adjacent to the river.

After stops at Vienna, Krems, and Melk, Austria, and Passau, Regensburg, Kelheim, and Nuremberg, Germany, we caught a train to Stuttgart for the Porsche museum and the 911 50th anniversary exhibit. For those of you who have not had the opportunity to visit the museum you are missing quite a treat. The museum itself is extremely modern and makes quite a statement. Once inside on the main level one can watch older, customer cars being restored to their original state or visit the gift shop. Then take the elevator up to the exhibit area and be prepared to be wowed! An unbelievable collection of cars from the beginning to the present. And as long as you are in Stuttgart you should also visit the Mercedes Benz museum too. It has more of a historical connection to their cars, trucks, and engines than the Porsche museum, and it too is in a wonderfully modern and visitor-friendly building.



Random Bits

New club webmaster needed

Gloria Merriken will be stepping down from the webmaster position, and the club needs a replacement. The webmaster is responsible for maintaining the site on a weekly basis, receiving and posting new content, receiving and posting new images, editing original content, management and configuration of e-mail addresses, and posting to and editing the club's Google calendar. This generally requires about four hours per week. Contact David Dukehart (president@pcachs.org) or Cheryl Taylor (vicepresident@pcachs.org) if you're willing to help the club in this way.

Other open positions

The club is still looking to fill the insurance chair and publicity chair positions, formerly held by Bernie Blain. If you are willing to take on one or both positions, please contact David or Cheryl at the e-mail addresses shown above.

Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department raffle

As reported in the July Patter, the Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department raffled a 1995 C4 coupe to raise money to purchase a new ambulance. The winner was selected on Saturday, July 27, and the winner is Joe Clark. A [video of the drawing](#) announced Joe as being from New Jersey, but showed New York. Either way, congratulations, Joe, and thanks to those who supported the KIVFD. Also thanks to the person who donated the beautiful car to help out a good cause!



*The raffled car was shown off at autocross #4.
Photo by Mark Hubley.*

Web sites that might be of interest

Dorkiphus.net is a discussion-board style web site targeted to Porsche enthusiasts in the DC-Maryland-Virginia area. Quite a few Chesapeake members participate and post regularly. The site is a great resource for technical discussions, learning about local Porsche-related events, and viewing local Porsche-related classified ads.

Speed Secrets Weekly is a place to go if "you want information--tips, knowledge and some entertainment--but you don't want to have to go looking for it." The site is run by Ross Bentley, a motorsport enthusiast with 30 years of racing experience. Viewing all content on the site requires a subscription fee.

Carinsurance.org is a site with useful information for car owners. For example, they have a current article with [tips for teen drivers](#).

Chesapeake Challenge 44

The Chesapeake Region invites all PCA members to attend the 44th Chesapeake Challenge, the oldest running PCA multi-event day. This year's Challenge will be held on Sunday, September 29, at the Maryland Yacht Club. The Yacht Club is situated on over eight acres of beautiful waterfront property providing an incredible backdrop for all the gorgeous Porsches in attendance. Registration is open and can only be completed online at clubregistration.net.

This year we will bring a piece of Porsche Parade to the Challenge by adding a new category to the car show. We have the privilege of experienced Parade judges within our club who have graciously agreed to add an intermediate category to the car show. In a Chesapeake Challenge first, we will offer a street prepared (judging of interior and exterior only) class. If you have always been curious, but afraid to enter concours, or if you are tired of just entering people's choice every year, then this is YOUR event!!

Sunday will open with a concours consisting of a touring category (judging of interior, exterior, engine, and storage) and the street prepared category. Classes for both categories will be based on entries. In addition to class awards, there will be a Best of Street Class Award and a Best of Concours/Touring Group Award. Both the street and touring categories will be eligible for the People's Choice Award.

The Yacht Club is a bit secluded and the closest restaurants are at least 15 minutes away, the Yacht Club will offer a deli sandwich style lunch buffet (advanced registration and purchase is required), or if you choose, you may have lunch on your own. Shortly after lunch, a gimmick rally will leave from the Yacht Club leading you through the beautiful countryside of Anne Arundel County. Later in the afternoon a tech quiz will take place at the Yacht Club with the final event of the weekend being a buffet awards dinner in the club dining room. This will be a Sunday not to miss! So come and join us for an event filled day of Porsches and people. All of your favorite cars and friends will be there, and so should you!

If you've not been to the Maryland Yacht Club, it is easily accessible and is located at 1500 Fairview Beach Rd, Pasadena, MD 21122. It is convenient from Rt. 10 off of 695. For further information please visit their website at www.mdyc.org. Space is limited and registration will close without exception on September 4, 2013.

YOUR REGISTRATION FEE OF \$25 IS GOOD FOR 1 CAR AND 3 EVENTS FOR 2 PEOPLE. When registering for the event please be sure to review all the options offered and be sure to select at least 3 of the 4 events (concours, street prepared, tech session and rally). If you wish to purchase lunch, it must be done during the registration process and the awards banquet/dinner as well. Lastly, if you would like to purchase t-shirts, please do so when registering.

- Lunch is being offered at a cost of \$15 per person. This will be a buffet with a variety of sandwiches and salad.
- The awards dinner/banquet is being offered at a cost of \$33 per person. This will be a buffet dinner with choices of Flounder Florentine, Apple Jack Chicken, or Beef Roulades.
- T-shirt purchases are also available to help memorialize the day's event at \$20 per shirt.

For questions, please contact Minta Miller at minta.miller@gmail.com or Aaron Miller at aaron.jl.miller@gmail.com.

See the next page for a complete schedule of events.

Chesapeake Challenge 44 Schedule of Events



Sunday, September 29, 2013

- 7:00 AM Registration table open for packet pick up at the Maryland Yacht Club, located at 1500 Fairview Beach Rd, Pasadena, MD 21122.
- 7:15 AM Concours paddocks open; preparation for touring/street prep cars.
- 9:00 AM Registration table closes, all concours and car show cars staged and parked. Judging for concours cars begins.
- 10:00 AM General public viewing of concours and car show; challenge participant voting for car show cars begins.
- 11:30 AM Voting ends for show cars.
- 11:30-12:30 Lunch sandwich buffet at Maryland Yacht Club (advance purchase required) or on your own at local restaurants.
- 12:45 PM Gimmick rally drivers meeting at same location as registration. Cars will be "teched" after the driver's meeting at their paddock location immediately prior to departure.
- 1:00 PM Gimmick rally commences.
- 4:00 PM Cars begin to return from gimmick rally. Return score sheets to rallymaster at the gazebo located outside Maryland Yacht Club.
- 4:30 PM Tech quiz distributed in the dining room of the Maryland Yacht Club.
- 5:00 PM All tech quizzes must be turned in. Cocktail hour begins.
- 6:00 PM Awards banquet dinner begins in the dining room of the Maryland Yacht Club. Advance purchase required.
- 7:00 PM Awards
- 8:00 PM Dinner concludes.

Membership

by Shermoan and Tina Daiyaan

PCA Chesapeake Membership Report for June 2013

Primary members 739 Affiliate members 51 Total members 1,240

New Members:

Sidney Beckstead	Annapolis	2008 Boxster
Moses Brown & Shelly Stelzer	Clarksville	2013 Cayenne
Adam Chelikowsky & Alexandra Gonzalez	Gaithersburg	2002 911
Shaun Connolly	Edgewater	2009 911
Charlotte Flynn	Annapolis	2014 Cayman
Brian Gran	Baldwin	2004 Boxster
Douglas & Dottie Lopez	Glen Arm	1975 911S
Alfred Randall	Baltimore	1997 911
Peter Taylor	Highland	2014 Carrera 4S

June Anniversaries:

<u>1 Year</u>	<u>5 Years</u>	<u>20 Years</u>
Taylor Ainge	Angelo Delis	Joseph Brusco
Randy Callier	Frank & Sharon Knapik	Martin Buckley
Andrew Geffken	Dan Weinreich	
Paul Monger		<u>25 Years</u>
Casper & Sandra Pigott	<u>10 Years</u>	Eric Stahl
Abdel & Thabit Sawan	Kelly Bjornerud	
Eric Southan	Matthew McQuigg	<u>30 Years</u>
Wes Storm		Beth Goodwin
Mark Suskind	<u>15 Years</u>	Ron Gordon
Andrew & Wendy Bernstein	Steve Condax	
Austin Bowden	Benjamin Pettis	
Dave Pappas	Maureen Stuart	
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Upcoming Events

Monthly club meetings are generally held on the fourth Wednesday of each month. For the latest news concerning upcoming events, refer to the events calendar on the Chesapeake Region web site. Here are some highlights . . .

Social at the Dark Horse Saloon, Friday, August 23



If you haven't been to a get together yet, this is a great way to meet up with old friends and make new ones. Mark your calendars for Friday, August 23, at 6:00 PM. The Dark Horse Saloon, in Harford County, has five full-service bars with over twenty different draft beers and an extensive collection of single barrel bourbons and aged tequilas. The saloon also has 25 slushie machines, featuring frozen margaritas, pina colodas, hurricanes, and other custom-blended seasonal creations.

The Dark Horse Saloon is located at 119 S. Main Street in historic downtown Bel Air. Their menu is a unique collection of southwestern classics and authentic barbeque infused with a surprising twist of fresh ingredients and the chef's custom blends of spices. A few menu options include ribs, pulled pork, brisket, tacos, burritos, burgers, and chicken sandwiches ~ generous portions, all at moderate prices. And, there's plenty of free parking in the "corral" next to the restaurant. This is one social event you won't want to miss. Bring your spouse, friend, or co-worker and join us for a most enjoyable evening. Please RSVP to Gene and Sharon O'Dunne at social@pcachs.org by August 21st so seating may be arranged at the restaurant. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Baltimore Grand Prix, Friday - Sunday, August 30 - September 1

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! If you are interested in volunteering to help out at the Porsche Platz on Friday and/or Saturday at this year's Baltimore Grand Prix, please email Tom Zaffarano, Zone 2 Representative, at zone2rep@aol.com. Porsche Car Corral and Porsche Platz tickets can be purchased at the following site: grandprixofbaltimore.missiontix.com/Porsche. If you already purchased tickets and would like to park in the corral (Porsches only) please contact Pat Sweeney at psweeney@raceonbaltimore.com.

Trivia Questions

As noted on page 10, the Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department raffled off a 1995 Carrera 4 coupe. What is the engine displacement of a stock 1995 C4? What is the standard horsepower rating?

Answers on page 20.

Classics on the Green

Sports and Classic Car Show and Wine Festival

Classic Automotive Events of Virginia, Inc., in conjunction with the Central Virginia British Car Club (CVBCC) is pleased to announce its 29th annual Classics on the Green – Sports and Classic Car Show and Wine Festival. The show and wine festival will be held on Sunday, September 15, 2013, at the New Kent Winery, 8400 Old Church Road - just off Route I-64, Exit 211 - in New Kent, Virginia. The event opens to the public at 11:00 AM and will continue until 4:00 PM (rain or shine). The fun begins on Saturday, September 14th, with driving tours, sightseeing, shopping, and a dinner at the winery.



Last year's event was a huge success with over 250 automobiles and motorcycles on the show field and many vendors offering unique food, goods, services, fine art and crafts. This year promises to be even more spectacular, with our second year on the new show field, several new vendors along with our vendors from past years, and many other activities for the family's enjoyment. The winery will feature a variety of exquisite Virginia wines from its own winery and other Virginia vineyards.

This year's featured marque celebrates the heritage of Mercedes-Benz, which will include a very special 50th anniversary display of the classic Pagoda SL. Attendees will also enjoy seeing a display commemorating the 50th anniversary of the introduction of the Porsche 911

Please join us with your family and friends for the 29th Annual Classics on the Green. Advance purchase admission to the car show and wine festival is \$25.00 (advance purchase will be available through the COTG website). Admission for the car show only is \$10.00 for adults (children 12 and under are free). A portion of the proceeds from the car show are donated to charity. Our charity again this year is the Richmond Fisher House at the McGuire Veterans Medical Center.

Additional information and ticket purchases will be available through the COTG website: classiconthegreen.com.

Information about the New Kent Winery can be found at newkentwinery.com.

Additional information can also be obtained by e-mailing Kevin Allocca at Kevin@SellingRichmond.com.



PCA-Chesapeake -- Tech Session
Welding Class - Earlbeck Gases & Technologies
September 21, 2013 (Saturday), 8:00 am – 1:00 pm

The PCA-Chesapeake Tech Committee is pleased to announce that we're having a clinic on welding! We hope you will be able to join us at **Earlbeck Gases & Technologies**. The clinic will include a classroom session on welding theory, processes, equipment, and safety. The second half of the clinic will be a hands-on session in small groups with an instructor, who will give you a chance to try MIG and TIG welding.



Jim Earlbeck is a member of our Porsche Club, and he's been kind enough to host this Tech Session. His company, Earlbeck Gases & Technologies, is a training facility that offers a complete curriculum of welding classes designed to provide students with the skills they need as hobbyists, or as career/professional welders. The path to success starts with Fundamentals of Welding where students will learn the basics of the major welding processes. After Fundamentals, students may choose an intermediate class in either Shielded Metal Arc Welding (Stick), Gas Tungsten Arc Welding (TIG) or Gas Metal Arc Welding (MIG). Each of these classes works toward plate certification to a common welding code. Upon completion of an intermediate class, students may choose to proceed to pipe welding with the advanced class in the same welding process. Our PCA Tech Session will provide a half-day overview of this curriculum, focusing on MIG and TIG welding, which are the welding technologies most commonly used by automotive hobbyists. And, importantly, you'll get time in a booth to try some welding! This is a great opportunity to get some professional instruction and welding experience.

Since 1919, Earlbeck Gases & Technologies has been a supplier of the latest welding technologies to their customers. They can help an individual or business choose the right welding system to suit their needs. The company's knowledgeable and experienced technical staff can provide you with the right system including MIG, TIG or Stick machines, stud welders, submerged arc equipment, spot welding equipment and more.

We hope to see you at the session! Jim will have some donuts and coffee when we start. When you come to the session, we suggest you wear long cotton pants (like jeans) a long-sleeve cotton shirt (not synthetic fiber), and work gloves. If you have safety glasses and a welding helmet, please bring them. If not, Jim will provide whatever you need.

There is a \$10.00 per person fee for this class, which Jim Earlbeck is going to donate to our PCA-Chesapeake Community Service program. (Bring cash to the event; no need to pre-pay.)

Location: **Earlbeck Gases & Technologies**
8204 Pulaski Highway Baltimore, Maryland 21237
Phone (410) 687-8400
www.earlbeck.com/training.html

Please Note: We have a limit of twenty people for this session, so sign up early. We'll place those over the first twenty on a waiting list, and hope we can accommodate them in the future. Registration is available on line through www.ClubRegistration.net

Contact me, if you have any questions or suggestions, or if you are unable to register through ClubRegistration.net. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Doug Ehmann, Co-Chairman, PCA-Chesapeake Tech Committee (DougEhmann@comcast.net)

The Mart

1991 911 Carrera C2 Cab

Very rare Carrera 2 Cabriolet in Rubystone Red. Garage kept, tiptronic, completely stock (except for radio, new convertible top, and frame). 50,581 miles. Michelins with less than 5k miles. The work and pampering to the engine over the years is too lengthy to list. I have all documentation. Do your research, only a few of these in this color were made. Rated 9.5/10 by the finest Porsche Mechanic in Baltimore. \$30,000.00.



Contact Carl at carl.corse@verizon.net.



1986 911 Carrera PCA E-Stock

Full Cage, new belts & window net. Bilsteins w/ race valved inserts (f-161/160/r-180/170). Race torsion bars (f-23mm/r-30mm). TRG sway bars (f-23mm/r-25mm). Delrin suspension bushings, adj spring plates. Bump steer kit, GT LSD. 1-5/8" headers w/ rs sport muffler. 24' enclosed Vintage trailer also available (finished interior, cabinets, tire racks, etc). \$22,000.

Contact Eric Allen at ericdallen@msn.com.

911 Accessories

911 accessories: Targa Carbrella sunshade, mufflers to fit 4-bolt header from 2002 Turbo, and 19" two-piece SSR custom wheels (fit Turbo, C4, and maybe others).

Contact Chuck Marshall at 410-375-4775.



Black 996 GT3 Euro Seats

Brand new factory style GT3 seats. The seats are designed with Porsche enthusiasts in mind. We bought them and then sold the Boxster before we had a chance to use them. Mounting/slider kit included. Fits 996, 986, and possibly other models. \$799.

Contact Claude at 410-746-5519.

Tires

Two Michelin PS2 tires with 6/32" tread, 205/50R-17 for \$100. They are off my Boxster but will fit others. Located in Pasadena. Contact Dave Arnold at 410-255-6922.

Advertisements in The Mart are free for members of any PCA region. A \$10 fee is charged for advertisements submitted by non-members. Contact the Patter editor (porschepatter@pcachs.org) for details or to submit an ad.

Autocross #4

Torrential downpours and overcast skies gave way to a dry course and fast times for our fourth autocross of the season. Forty-five drivers had five chances each to set the fastest time of the day on this unbelievably fast, Greg Martell-designed, course. Top speeds reached upwards of 50 miles per hour as drivers navigated the sea of orange cones, and the smell of hot rubber and the sound of revving engines filled the air.

Competition was heated! Only 1.3 seconds separated the first 10 positions with Greg Martell piloting his sleek black 996 Turbo through the course in a blistering 35.09 seconds. David Critcher and relative newcomer David McGrew filled out the top three spots with times of 35.64 and 35.79 seconds, respectively. Complete results for the season can be found on [the results page](#) of the web site.

As usual, there was a great showing of automotive diversity in the grid: import and domestic, vintage and contemporary. So, if you love cars, and the Porsche brand in particular, you should make time in your schedule to attend an autocross event! At each event there are more new faces, some of them are spouses of long time autocross 'regulars.' On behalf of the autocross committee – WELCOME! We hope to see you again at the next event!! Chesapeake Region PCA autocross events are a success thanks to participation of the members, and also thanks to our most generous sponsors. When you're over in Silver Spring, stop by [Porsche of Silver Spring](#) and give them a big "THANK YOU" for supporting our autocross program with banners, shelters, beverages, and, of course, providing wonderful examples of automotive engineering cars for us to get our new car fix in.

As we head into the dog days of summer, please keep in mind that our events are held on a large parking lot without shade or water. Limited drinking water is on hand, but it is in your best interest to bring additional water. Headgear, eyewear, and sunscreen are also items to consider bringing along in your track bag – especially if you're bringing a cheering squad for support.

Yes, autocross is one of those 'single-player sports,' but you don't have to have a stable of Porsches in order to share the experience with friends and family. Co-drivers are a common and cost effective way to see who will have bragging rights at the dinner table/water cooler. And just because it's a Porsche Club event, that doesn't mean that cars manufactured by more common brands aren't welcome – all that's needed is a car that will pass a cursory mechanical inspection, a valid driver's license, and of course – the registration fee:

First time introduction to autocross - \$0 PCA member pre-registered - \$40

Non member pre-registered - \$50 PCA member walk up - \$50

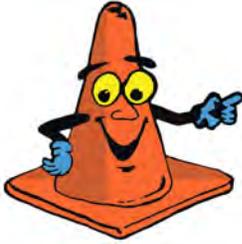
Non member walk up - \$60

As you can see membership and pre-registration have their advantages – registration for Chesapeake Region PCA events can be done at [clubregistration.net](#). What?! You say you haven't attended a Chesapeake Region PCA autocross event before? What's keeping you from attending one now?

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The 2013 autocross season is in full swing. Come on out and have some fun with your car! Registration is open at www.clubregistration.net. Remaining dates are as follows:



Saturday	August 10
Saturday	September 28
Saturday	October 12

Remember – For you new members who joined PCA since late in 2012 and never autocrossed before, the first event is FREE. (Loaner helmets and instructors are available at every event so no excuses not to try it out.) More information can be found on our website pcachs.org/autocross.html or by emailing Rick MacInnes & Claude Taylor at autocross@pcachs.org. Come out and have some fun with us!



David Stoesser (l) carves up the autocross #4 course in his stock 1987 944. Mark Silverman does the same in his 2013 Boxster S. Photos by Lynda Sobus.

Answers to the Trivia Questions

The stock displacement on a 1995 Carrera 4 is 3.6 liters, with the power output rated at 272 HP.

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If you would like to obtain the PCA License Plate(s), complete the information sheet available on our web site: pcachs.org/membership/license_plates.html. Once we receive your information sheet, we will mail you the MVA Application-Certification form for Organizational License Plates. The MVA form is a two-part state form, which requires signatures of the owner and any co-owner.

Please complete the MVA Application form and mail the form along with your checks to the address below. Make your \$25 check payable to MVA. Please enclose a separate \$10 check payable to Chesapeake Region-PCA to cover a one-fund raising fee.

PCA License Plate Coordinators
P.O. Box 8144
Elkridge, Maryland 21075-8144

Important: Do not mail the MVA form and checks directly to MVA.

Requirements: You must be a PCA Member and the car must be registered in Maryland. The PCA Plates are not limited to Porsches. You can apply for PCA plates for all your cars registered in Maryland.

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Reliability

Over the past few weeks a number of things have gotten me thinking about cars and reliability. As I write this article, the odometer on my 2008 Mitsubishi Lancer ES, which I purchased new in July 2007, shows *exactly* 100,000 miles. It came with a 10 year/100,000 mile powertrain warranty, I have done all of the scheduled maintenance myself, and I have not had a single problem with that car. Granted, it's not an exciting car, but it has been reliable. My wife's 2003 Toyota Tacoma pickup truck, from which she does a lot of her equine veterinary work, has traveled more than 360,000 miles. For ten years she's driven it all over Maryland with a back seat and bed full of gear, often under less-than-ideal conditions. We have kept up with the maintenance of that vehicle, and again--not a single problem! Not once has it been in a shop for anything other than expected maintenance. When my wife and I met she had a 1995 Toyota Pickup. She stopped using it for work when it hit 300K miles, we abused it as a farm truck for a few years, and when the head gasket blew we gave it away. Until then, I can't remember any problems with that truck, either.

As much as I love Porsches, my experience with Porsche reliability hasn't been as good as what I've described above. When I purchased my '99 Boxster in '04. It had 17,000 miles and a leaking rear main seal. Although the car was out of warranty, Tischer Porsche and the seller split the bill to fix that before I took ownership. A couple of years later a check engine light pointed to a failed mass air flow sensor. A local shop gave me an estimate of around \$500 to replace it. Fortunately, I found the part online for much less and replaced it myself. The big one came in 2011, when another check engine light indicated a problem with the Variocam system. I wasn't going to try that fix myself, and I ended up paying \$3,600 to Porsche of Annapolis for the repair. All this before the car hit 45,000 miles.

In last month's Patter, Rob Mairs reported in his article on the tech session at At Speed Motorsports that one club member found metal particles in his oil filter, and he and another member left their cars (a 997 and a 996) at the shop to have their intermediate shaft bearings replaced. While I haven't let fears of IMS failure keep me from enjoying my Boxster, they have had their effects in the Porsche community. One such effect is depression of resale values of the 986 and 996 models. The June Panorama shows a '99 Boxster with 45K miles for sale at \$15,500 and another with 81K miles at \$9,800. A '99 Carrera with 84K miles is advertised at \$19,500, and eleven other 996's are listed for under \$30K. Of the twelve 993's listed with prices in the June Panorama, the lowest price was \$34,200. Granted, there are various reasons why Porsche enthusiasts might prefer a 993 to a 996, and the 993's in the June Panorama tended to have fewer miles than the 996's. However, given the performance improvements of the 996 over the 993, I think perceived reliability must be a major factor in the low values of 996's. I also found it interesting that of the 24 advertisements for 996's in the June Panorama, four of them mention replacement engines. In this month's President's Message, David references a class-action settlement regarding IMS bearing failures.

Of course, all of this is anecdotal and nowhere near a proper statistical analysis. But when people go shopping for cars, their personal experience with a brand certainly has a bigger influence than statistics. With the 9A1 flat-six motors having replaced the M96/97 motors a few years ago, let's hope that words like "bulletproof" (often used to describe the motors in 911 SC's, 3.2 liter Carreras, and 944's) become used more frequently in the Porsche community, and words like "grenade" fade from view. As for me, I'm hoping that I'll be in a position to make some changes in the stable in two or three years. I expect that I'll be able to find a sweet deal on a 996 when the time comes. Those Toyota trucks are super reliable, but they aren't much fun around the curves.

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