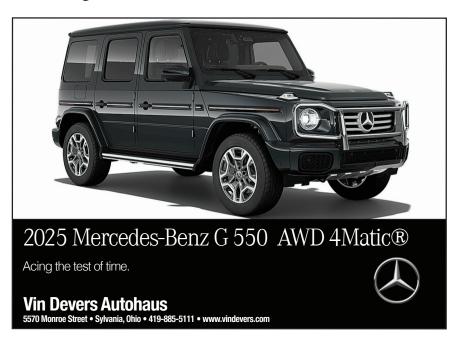
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## EDITOR'S NOTE

by GREG ARMSTRONG

Numbers are fun. Who doesn't like playing with numbers? For example, if the Porsche Club of America had been created during a two-day party on March 5th -6th, 1955, the anniversary date would be 356! Sometimes numbers fall into place like that, and other times they don't. Even September 1st would have worked for 901, but that was several years before the car existed, so that would have been pure luck, or the universe subtly nudging events into place.

What's far more important than coordinating dates to have numerical significance is that the day in question is significant on its own. Saturday, September 13, 2025, is a significant day as it marks the 70th anniversary of the PCA! A commemorative video highlighting some of the Club's history throughout those 70 years is available here: <a href="https://www.pca.org/news/pca70-history">https://www.pca.org/news/pca70-history</a>.

What would be the ideal gift to celebrate such an occasion? Of more importance, to whom should the gift be given? This type of quandary helps to keep me up at night trying to work out a solution. I think the best gift we can give the Club is to always continue to hold engaging and entertaining events and bring in new members so that our great organization continues to thrive for at least another 70 years.

Speaking of great events, the autocross is fast approaching, so I hope all of you are mentally and physically prepared for the day's activities. Remember that the cones are not your enemy despite their best efforts to confound you during your traversals of the course.

Happy 70th anniversary, PCA! I hope to see all of you at an event soon. We can discuss numbers.

Thank you for reading,

**Greg Armstrong** 



## WILLKOMMEN

by Hal Kenety

Willkommen,

Our fall autocross is fast approaching, and enthusiasm is already building. If you haven't marked your calendar yet, it's happening Saturday, September 27 at Owens Community College. Many of you should have received an email with event details, and I'm pleased to report that registrations are already ahead of last year's attendance. That's a great sign still three weeks out as I write this. This year, with drier skies (hopefully), a bigger grid, and a beginner-friendly course layout, we're expecting a truly fun and accessible day for everyone.

It's free to participate, lunch will be provided, and if you're not quite ready to drive, we welcome you to ride along with other drivers and get a feel for









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"It's free to participate, lunch will be provided, and if you're not quite ready to drive, we welcome you to ride along with other drivers and get a feel for the course."

the course. Come out, bring a friend, and enjoy the social side of PCA as much as the driving. There will also be a mini-concours Show 'N Shine at noon and you are welcome to participate in both events, or just show up for lunch. Please let us know ahead of time so we have enough food by using the registration page (it's free): <a href="https://msreg.com/MVR2025">https://msreg.com/MVR2025</a>

I know that Lisa mentioned this last month, but I wanted to touch on a fun non-driving event we held. In August a group of us went to a Mud Hens vs. Columbus Clippers game at Fifth Third Field. After the second inning a strong storm brought about a two-hour rain delay. True to form, about a









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dozen dedicated members stuck it out under the overhang, swapping stories and enjoying each other's company until the game resumed. There's something classic about minor league baseball in the rain, and it was a great night out and one I hope we repeat next season.

Over Labor Day weekend, I also had the opportunity to participate in the Fast & Fabulous car display that the Fort Wayne Driving Club puts



on during the Auburn Cord Duesenberg (ACD) Festival in downtown Auburn, Indiana. If you've never been, this event is worth the trip. The courthouse square is completely packed with supercars from every marque — Porsches, Ferraris, McLarens, Lamborghinis, and dozens of rare and vintage entries as well. It's a





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unique gathering that brings together collectors, enthusiasts, and the simply curious, all set against the backdrop of one of the country's best-known classic car festivals. I've included some photos in this newsletter to give you a sense of the scale and energy.

Make a note — it's worth seeing in person next year!

Stay tuned for updates on more upcoming events, and I hope to see many of you at Owens on the 27<sup>th</sup>, even if just for lunch!

Welcome to the club Brian Michael Baumgartner and Richard Luedtke!

Viele Grüße,

Hal

Photos courtesy Tyler Allen

#### PCA ROUNDUP by Lisa Soriano



On September 13, 1955, Bill Sholar, a commercial artist in the Washington, DC area, held the Porsche Club of America's first business meeting with 12 members in attendance. Seventy years later, the organization is the largest single marque car club in the world, comprised of 149 regions, with approximately 110,000 primary members.

Members have access to a wide variety of events offered throughout North America as well as a wealth of Porsche Information including entertaining articles and videos. If you are heading out of town, check out events being held by the local region, and for those days when you are looking for something to do, head over to pca.org and click on the Technical Tab to find links to the Tech Tips, Videos, and PCA Insider Podcasts currently available. In addition, there is the weekly e-Brake News as well as the monthly PCA Perfourmance News both sent directly to your registered email; just visit pca.org and sign up to receive them. Our next event is the Autocross and Show & Shine at Owens Community College Center for Emergency Preparedness. There is no fee for this event as it is being subsidized by the club and lunch will be provided. Registration is required, please locate the QR code either in the event ad in this newsletter or in the event email that you received.

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- Episode 180: Modifying a 996 For The Porsche Restoration Challenge



#### TECHNICAL Q&A

BY: PCA TECHNICAL COMMITTEE TAKEN FROM PCA TECH Q&A

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#### Question about 924 rear window - 1978 924

**Question:** 1978 924, Does anyone have a fix for the 924 rear window delaminating? After the window popped open, going over a bump in the road, the metal trim came away from the glass. Not sure how to fix that?

#### **Answer:** Submitted by George Beuselinck

This has been an ongoing problem with the 944 and 924 rear hatch assemblies. It is more apparent on the cars with the rear spoiler attached to the hatch. There is a YouTube video which purports to have a fix for the problem. I have not tried that method.

I am aware of a vendor in the Boston area who removes the glass from the frame and reseals the assembly. It is not a cheap process, and the cost of shipping might be prohibitive. Since you are on the other side of the country, it would make more sense to try to locate a used hatch assembly near you.

#### **Speedometer Removal Procedure - 1970 911T**

**Question:** I need to send my speedometer out for repair of the non-functioning odometer (speedometer itself is working normally). My question is: what is the simplest method for removing the gauge from the instrument panel. I was able to fairly easily pull the gauge with the rubber mounting "grommet" out of the hole in the IP, but it doesn't seem that I can get it far enough out to disconnect the drive cable. I don't want to force anything and pull too hard. My question is whether it's possible to access the cable this way, or do I have to remove something else, like the tachometer, to access it? If the tach has to be removed, it seems the column shroud must come off, which I think requires the steering wheel to be removed. All of that would seem to be a ridiculous amount of work to simply remove the speedometer. Hopefully, it's simpler than that; I appreciate any help with this. Thank you!

#### Answer: Submitted by Ed Mayo

The gauge should pull out far enough to disconnect the cable. The speedo cable is going thru rubber grommets, so pulling a little should get you some more slack. of course, it's possible the last guy in there didn't quite route the cable well enough to allow for slack,

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but then how did he get it hooked up? If you don't feel comfortable enough with pulling you can also access the cable nut thru the clock hole. If that doesn't work for you access is also possible from the trunk side. You'll have to remove the cardboard ventilation hose to gain access to the back of the speedo.

## What power upgrades are recommended for base 718 Boxster? – 2019 718 Boxster

Question: Looking for inexpensive power tuning upgrades for 718 base 4 cyl car

#### Answer: Submitted by Pedro Bonilla

Probably the easiest and best bang-for-you-buck upgrade for a 982 (718 Boxster) is an ECU Tune.

Since the 982 is turbocharged, it is very easy to retune the ECU to a basic Stage 1 tune which can increase the output from 300 hp/280 ft-lb to 360 hp/355 ft-lb. Basically the tune increases the turbo boost so it can pass more air through the engine.

Based on the different suppliers, Stage 1 tunes typically will cost from \$21.00/hp to \$39.00/hp.

Three of the most popular suppliers are: FVD, Softronic and COBB, among others.

From their own websites/marketing:

FVD - \$1339.00 - 65 hp gain

Softronic - \$1295 - 50 hp gain

COBB - \$17650 - 45 hp gain

Happy Porsche'ing,

Pedro



## PAST PRESIDENT'S NOTE

by Kyle Mahan

This month, I want to highlight one of our most fun and inclusive annual events—the MVR Autocross & Show 'N Shine Concours, coming up on **Saturday**, **September 27th at 10 AM** at the Owens Community College Center for Emergency Preparedness. It's



a great chance to test your car's handling or just show it off with a fresh polish and some friendly competition. The autocross starts at 10 AM sharp (you'll need to check in and pass tech), while the Show 'N Shine and lunch kick off around noon. As always, **this event is free for PCA members**, and includes lunch—but please register in advance, even if you're just attending for lunch, so we can plan accordingly.

If you're unfamiliar with autocross: this is a timed driving event through a cone-

marked course—usually in a large parking lot—where you're racing against the clock, not other cars. It's a safe, accessible way to explore your Porsche's capabilities, learn car control, and improve your precision behind the wheel. Whether you're a seasoned driver or brand new to autocross, this is one of the most approachable ways to get out and drive with us. We had a great time last year, and I expect this one to be even better.

On a personal note this month, I'd like to share a small loophole discovery that turned into something bigger. For those who don't know, I had a "no motorcycles" rule in place—more specifically, it was a household agreement crafted by my wife, Krista. That said, I recently



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found a creative workaround. By not doubling up on any manufacturer and sticking to new-old stock 2024 models dealers wanted off the showroom floor, I quietly assembled one bike from every major category and brand—each technically within the rules. From adventure to streetfighter, café to cruiser, hybrid to sport, the collection is now "complete"...and I'm choosing to celebrate the loophole win while it lasts.

And finally, a little-known Porsche fact for this issue: In the early 2000s, **Porsche helped engineer Harley-Davidson's VRod engine**. Harley needed a performance leap and tapped Porsche Engineering to develop a modern, water-cooled V-twin. The result was the **Revolution engine**, featuring double overhead cams, fuel injection, and a high-revving design unlike anything else in the Harley lineup. While the VRod stirred debate among traditionalists, it proved that Porsche's engineering DNA can live far beyond Zuffenhausen—bringing German precision to American iron in an unexpected collaboration that still gets respect in both communities.

Looking forward to seeing you all on September 27th—whether on course, in the show lineup, or just enjoying good company and conversation.

The Makes

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#### September:

6 Saturday: Michiana PCA Autocross #4 The Tire Rack South Bend, IN

14 Sunday 8:30 am to 10:30 am: Cars & Coffee hosted by Harvest-Sandwiches &

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20 Saturday: The Gathering at Rennstatt Ann Arbor 9am

20 Saturday 3:00 pm to 7:30 pm: Porsches In The Park German Park Recreation Club

5549 Pontiac Trail, Ann Arbor, MI 48105

27 Saturday 10:00 am: MVR Autocross and Show & Shine Owens Community College

Center for Emergency Preparedness 30150 Tracy Road Walbridge, OH 43465

#### **October:**

11 Saturday: Michiana PCA Autocross #5 (Final) The Tire Rack South Bend, IN

18 Saturday: The Gathering at Rennstatt Ann Arbor 9am

#### **November:**

15 Annual All Member Meeting

#### **December:**

TBD Holiday Party
\*Not a PCA event



Gathering of 100+ Porsches - Time Speed Distance Rally Driving Tours - People's Choice Car Awards - Dinner - Socializing

Saturday, September 20th | German Park, Ann Arbor, MI Main event is from 3 - 7:30 pm (Concours, Dinner, Social, Dancing) Arrive early for driving tours (1:30 - 3:00)

#### Porsches In the Park Agenda

- Concourse People's Choice Awards voting from 4:00 5:00
- Evening Festivities 5:00 7:30-ish
  - Catered dinner from Satchel's BBQ / Michigama Brewery
  - Music, Dancing, socializing, and fun





Event Info Register

#### Arrive early for Driving Tours and Rally

- Time, Speed, Distance Rally w/prizes 1:00 (depart at 1:30)
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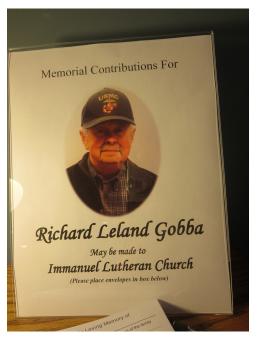




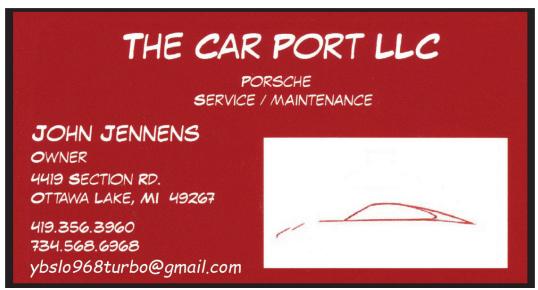












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Watch the video: PCA.org/news/pca70





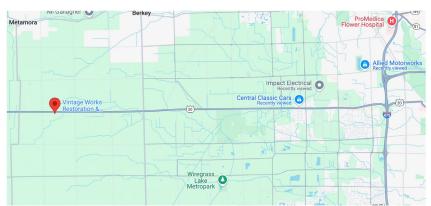
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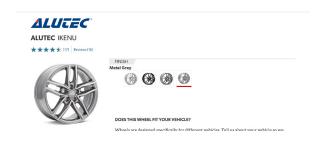
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