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# PRESIDENT'S FORUM



Mike Bryan, President, Porsche Club of America, Upper Canada Region

**A**lthough my home town of Aurora is generally recognised as the centre of the universe...well at least by me and three other people I know, not much seems to happen here and

I always have to go somewhere else for anything more than the hardware store. So imagine my excitement back in 2012 when a UCR Monthly Social was held at a local restaurant. Unfortunately, the turnout was not high, no doubt due to the raging snowstorm that hit with perfect timing that afternoon, and possibly because Aurora, while centrally located in the universe, is actually north of Hwy 7, considered by some as the back of beyond. Anyway, among the hardy group that did show up, were some local UCR members who got talking together and decided to meet again for coffee and a chat. Thanks to the drive of James King (who sadly passed away in 2013) and Barry Wiseman, they followed through and found a suitable location. Soon they enjoyed their first small social gathering, dubbed themselves the 905 Group and have never looked back.

The 905 Group has been meeting on the fourth Sunday of every month at a local Second Cup for over three years. It is to my shame that I had never previously attended this one Porsche Club event that actually takes place every month in Aurora, just a 5 minute drive away. But now I was determined to get there in 2016 before nearly every weekend fills with club events through the summer. I blew it January, though, because, as I belatedly discovered, the fourth Sunday wasn't the last Sunday in that month. But at last I made it in February and March, pulling up a chair with Sonny, Helmuth, Barry, Will and others. I had thought the group might comprise just those from the Aurora/Newmarket area where, by the way, we have 49 UCR members, but some came from beyond Barrie and Pickering. Wow, the coffee must be good, but of course the real reason was that they enjoyed the quiet Sunday morning roads, the good company of fellow club members, and the leisurely chats about anything and everything. That included Porsche and other auto-related subjects, with the topical issues of nanny driving aids and self-driving cars among them.

This made me think about the impact of the different technology phases that drivers have endured or enjoyed over the years and what they will go through in the

future. Endurance or enjoyment might be measured against the alternative, e.g. cranking the car by hand to start it, versus saddling up the horse, setting the cruise control at the speed limit, versus the risk of a ticket and the less than onerous task of flexing your right foot. That might have made us lazy, but until the advent of the mobile phone, there wasn't much to actually distract us while driving. We all know what's happened since then and it looks as though it's only going to get worse. On one hand we have the police and common sense telling us to focus on our driving, while on the other we have the auto manufacturers adding features that imply less need to focus on our driving, because the car will handle all those tire-some chores for us, like staying in our lane, keeping a safe distance from the car in front, etc. When we get mixed messages, we tend to default to the one that suits us best, and that suggests we could be entering a very dangerous phase of motoring. We are being conditioned to believe that the car itself will keep us safe, taking over the responsibility from us and allowing us to play with our toys and those installed for us by the auto maker.

This is really an "in limbo" phase before we get to the truly autonomous vehicle that will be smart enough to handle all our driving chores and keep us safe. That will be the day when non-autonomous vehicles are no longer allowed on the road. It will also be a sad day for those of us who get real pleasure from the act of driving. The good news is that it's still a long way off, but the bad news is that the semi-autonomous phase we're entering now will be less fun and less safe, with more drivers ceding control of their car and never really learning how to drive.

But right now its spring and the time to get out there to enjoy all the events our amazing volunteers have planned for you – Fun Runs, Socials, Driver Education, Autocross and much more....and why not drop in on the 905 Group, the Rennlist Group or even start an informal coffee and cars meet in your own area.

Keep your eyes up and drive safely,



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# DRIVER'S SEAT



Randy D. Gananathan, Editor

**M**y new definition of doppekupplung is when two members lock a postponing friend into PCA membership.

Bill Irvine is our newest UCR member due in part to his generosity at Daytona, mentioned on P41 plus thanks to "What Dads Really Want..." on P10, both in the April issue of *Provinz*. Upon my discovery that GT3 Billy wasn't a PCA Member, I decided to gift him PCA/UCR membership with the help of UCR past president Gord McNeil, who secretly obtained the VIN of Billy's GT3 – a required field to sign-up as a member. PCA membership is really easy to gift and Billy has confirmed he will be a lifer!

My quest for help with *Provinz* and especially our social media presence has culminated with the emergence of a talented Associate/Media Editor, Derek Cheung who is properly introduced on P10. We have big plans to expand our reach through new media to future generations of Porscheophiles, now that Porsche Connect is on the dashboard.

Paul Neto, UCR's Tech Centre guru has begun scheduling Tech Sessions, the details are on P14. We continue to the last installment of Winter Diaries on P16 and also our final Cayenne contribution on P22. Our proof reading editor, Joanie Bercovitch and husband Morley visited the REVS Institute while warming themselves in Florida and their awesome photography and story are on P24. Our Porscheophile of the month is David Tipton with his beautiful 914 "Bumblebee" that his wife Carrie promised would find him. Their story is on P28.

We slip into high gear in May, kicking off our annual open house, followed by Driven 2 Smile (P11) early June and of course the track is now open (P36) with our first DE event on May 7th, following IDS in April! July brings Porscheplatz, outlined on P40 and the list goes on with fun runs, a rally, rambles and tours.

There's lots to do and enjoy, so come join us! We guarantee smiles!

Write to me about everything: [editor@pcaucr.org](mailto:editor@pcaucr.org)



# 2016 CALENDAR OF UCR EVENTS

|     |       |         |  |
|-----|-------|---------|--|
| Jan | 5     | Tue     | Board Meeting  |
|     | 12    | Tue     | Social Islington Golf Club                               |
| Feb | 2     | Tue     | Board Meeting  |
|     | 9     | Tue     | Social Islington Golf Club                               |
| Mar | 1     | Tue     | Board Meeting  |
|     | 4     | Fri     | Ski Day Osler Bluff Ski Club                             |
|     | 8     | Tue     | Social The Donalda Club                                  |
| Apr | 5     | Tue     | Board Meeting  |
|     | 12    | Tue     | Social Islington Golf Club                               |
|     | 16    | Sat     | Introductory Driving School CTMP DDT                     |
|     | 30    | Sat     | Introductory Driving School CTMP DDT                     |
| May | 1     | Sun     | UCR Open House - Shift into Spring at 427 Auto Collision |
|     | 3     | Tue     | Board Meeting  |
|     | 7     | Sat     | South Muskoka Spring Fun Run                             |
|     | 7-8   | Sat-Sun | Driver Education CTMP                                    |
|     | 8-Jan | Sun     | Spring Port-to-Port-to-Port Fun Run                      |
|     | 10    | Tue     | Member Meeting & Social Islington Golf Club              |
|     | 29    | Sun     | Street Survival School - UCR & BMW Trillium              |
| Jun | 3     | Fri     | 5th Driven 2 Smile & Solo Lapping CTMP                   |
|     | 4-5   | Sat-Sun | Driver Education CTMP                                    |
|     | 7     | Tue     | Board Meeting  |
|     | 11    | Sat     | Southern Georgian Bay Fun Run                            |
|     | 14    | Tue     | Social Islington Golf Club                               |
|     | 18    | Sat     | Bear Manor Niagara Escarpment Poker Fun Run              |
|     | 18    | Sat     | Ramble to Porsche Parade 2016                            |
|     | 21    | Tue     | Tech Session - Pfaff Porsche                             |
|     | 22-25 | Wed-Sat | Ramble Return from Porsche Parade 2016 (Multiple Events) |
| Jul | 26    | Sun     | Ancaster Fun Run   |
|     | 2     | Sat     | Grand-Niagara-on-the-Lake Fun Run                        |
|     | 5     | Tue     | Board Meeting  |
|     | 7-10  | Thu-Sun | Porscheplatz - IMSA at CTMP                              |
|     | 9     | Sat     | UCR Rally  |

|     |       |             |   |
|-----|-------|-------------|---|
| Jul | 12    | Tue         | Social Downtown Porsche                 |
|     | 15-17 | Fri-Sat-Sun | Driver Education CTMP with NNJR         |
|     | 16    | Sat         | South Lake Simcoe Summer Ramble         |
|     | 23    | Sat         | UCR Rally                               |
|     | 23    | Sat         | UCR 40th Anniversary Picnic             |
|     | 24    | Sun         | Blue Mountains Ramble                   |
|     | 28-1  | Thu-Mon     | Sound of Porsche's Tour                 |
| Aug | 2     | Tue         | Board Meeting                           |
|     | 5-7   | Fri-Sat-Sun | Club Race - Can/Am Challenge CTMP       |
|     | 6     | Sat         | Skyway Summer Ramble                    |
|     | 9     | Tue         | Social Islington Golf Club              |
|     | 21    | Sun         | Toronto Urban Circuit Ramble            |
|     | 26    | Fri         | Introductory Driving School CTMP DDT    |
|     | 27    | Sat         | Creemore Copper Kettle Festival Fun Run |
|     | 27-28 | Sat-Sun     | Driver Education CTMP                   |
| Sep | 6     | Tue         | Board Meeting                           |
|     | 13    | Tue         | Social Porsche Centre Oakville          |
|     | 17    | Sat         | Eastern Shores Fun Run & Car Show       |
|     | 23    | Fri         | Instructor Day                          |
|     | 24-25 | Sat         | Driver Education CTMP                   |
|     | 25    | Sun         | The "Salmon Run" Fall Ramble            |
|     | 29-03 | Thu-Mon     | Great Smoky Mountain Tour (5 car limit) |
| Oct | 1     | Sat         | Muskoka Fall Colours Fun Run            |
|     | 1-2   | Sat/Sun     | Nickelball Tour                         |
|     | 4     | Tue         | Board Meeting                           |
|     | 11    | Tue         | Social The Musket                       |
|     | 15-16 | Sat-Sun     | Driver Education CTMP                   |
|     | 23    | Sun         | Fall Port-to-Port-to-Port Fun Run       |
|     | 29    | Sat         | UCR 40th Anniversary Banquet            |
| Nov | 1     | Tue         | Board Meeting                           |
|     | 8     | Tue         | Social Venue TBA                        |
| Dec | 6     | Tue         | Board Meeting                           |
|     | 13    | Tue         | Social - Pfaff Auto                     |

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# THE WAY WE WERE...

## 25 Years Ago

The talk was all about the upcoming Concours d'Elegance at The Guild Inn. Parade was to be in Danvers, MA. We had a long list of registrants. Fifteen members joined. DE events were all Fridays at Mosport and Shannonville, and registration fee was \$75. We published our financial statement for the previous year, net was \$327 to the good on \$96,966 in revenue. **Elizabeth Spivak** wrote a poem that deserves reprinting. "**Old**" **Phil White** described proper cornering technique while **Howard Dexter** lifted an article on vehicle dynamics. **David Langton** picked up a Porsche in Stuttgart for the second time. **Crawford Reid** bought his first 911 Turbo. **Ken & Sussi Jensen** joined.

## 20 Years Ago

Racing was the feature and UCR's first club race was imminent. DE was up to \$200 for the weekend. UCR had 922 members and was ninth largest in PCA. NNJR was twice our size. **Super Dave Osborne** went on about our DE events. **Bruce Farrow** was into vintage racing and also vehicle appraisals. **Tom Brown** and **Ben Ciantar** had developed the Know Your Porsche college program. **Rick Dean** did a feature on the Rolex 24 at Daytona. **Jay Lloyds** went racing in Singapore. **Colin Hillcoat** and **Paula Sellner** joined.

## 15 Years Ago

DE was up to \$230 for the weekend. I reported on a presentation by **Dr. John Peroff** about Age-Related Macular Degeneration (ARMD) and the positive effects of a lutein supplement—and now I suffer from ARMD. Fun Runs were being popularized by **Ken Jensen**. Concours was at Appleby College. **Kye Wankum** went racing—in Adelaide, Australia, no less. The new design for Porsche dealerships was getting going.

Contributed by John Adam, UCR Historian



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| Name                     | Location                     | Model           | Thanks To         |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| George Alebakis          | McGregor                     | 16-Cayenne      | Porsche of London |
| Ali Almalki              | Toronto                      | 03-Boxster S    |                   |
| Tushar Anandasagar       | Toronto                      | 85-944          |                   |
| Jamil Asaria             | Toronto                      | 16-Cayenne      | Downtown Porsche  |
| John Beadle              | Newmarket                    | 11-911 CS       |                   |
| Brian Bendig             | Windsor                      | 09-911 T        | Downtown Porsche  |
| Peter Brenders           | Etobicoke                    | 16-Macan T      |                   |
| Bart Buller              | Bracebridge                  | 04-Boxster S GT |                   |
| Dennis Chan              | Richmond Hill                | 06-911 CS       |                   |
| Zhao Chen                | Richmond Hill                | 12-Panamera     |                   |
| George Cocossis          | Toronto                      | 95-911          | Downtown Porsche  |
| Jan Denneboom            | Toronto                      | 16-Boxster      |                   |
| James Egan               | Oakville                     | 79-911 SC       |                   |
| Marc Etherington         | Toronto                      | 06-Cayenne S    |                   |
| Ian Fleming              | Toronto                      | 16-Macan S      | Downtown Porsche  |
| Sherry Gholampour        | North York                   | 16-Cayenne      |                   |
| Ramon Goomber            | Oakville                     | 16-911 C4S      | Downtown Porsche  |
| Dena Greenberg           | Thornhill                    | 16-Cayenne      |                   |
| Amanda & Jordan Grundy   | St. George                   | 88-944 S        | Ian John          |
| Allison Ip               | Thornhill                    | 16-Macan S      |                   |
| BK James                 | Halton Hills                 | 88-911          | Downtown Porsche  |
| Jenn John & Kyle Butler  | Branchton                    | 86-944          |                   |
| Eun Mi Koh               | Toronto                      | 16-Cayenne      |                   |
| Oleksander Kolacz        | Oshawa                       | 70-914          |                   |
| David Lawson             | Hamilton                     | 08-911 CS       | Downtown Porsche  |
| Hsin Yu Lee              | Toronto                      | 16-Cayenne      |                   |
| Guanxiong Liu            | Toronto                      | 16-Cayman S     | Downtown Porsche  |
| Aron Lorsei              | Toronto                      | 16-Cayman GT4   |                   |
| Alison MacArthur         | Toronto                      | 16-Macan S      | Downtown Porsche  |
| Sylvain Masse            | Ste-Marguerite Du Lac Masson | 01-Boxster S    |                   |
| Heinz Mayr               | London                       | 09-Cayman S     |                   |
| Eric McCormick           | Burlington                   | 07-911 CS       |                   |
| Barton McLean            | Oakville                     | 04-911          | Downtown Porsche  |
| Richard Minderlein       | Caledon                      | 14-Cayman       |                   |
| Luc Mooc                 | Toronto                      | 16-Macan T      | Downtown Porsche  |
| Sunil Sharma             | Mississauga                  | 10-911 CS       |                   |
| Brian Smith & Carol Gray | Kitchener                    | 08-Boxster      | Downtown Porsche  |
| Minghong Sun             | Toronto                      | 16-Macan S      |                   |
| Walter & Donna Wong      | Toronto                      | 86-944          | Downtown Porsche  |
| Margaret Zakos           | Kingston                     | 16-Macan S      |                   |
| Thomas Zeeb              | Herrliberg                   | 87-911          | Downtown Porsche  |
| Haiping Zhu              | North York                   | 15-Cayman       |                   |



ANNIVERSARIES...Congrats!

Membership information submitted by Angie and Mark Herring, UCR Membership Chairs.

30YEARS

David & Susan Langton  
Brian Slocum

25YEARS

Al Solaroli

20YEARS

Wolfgang Lixfeld  
Christopher Pfaff

15YEARS

Lloyd & Lyle Andrews  
Michael & Carol Banwell  
Don & Mickey Gain  
Patrick Michaud  
Alex Moore  
Rob & Janice Phillips

10YEARS

Peter Askew  
Jim & Lynda Averill  
Thomas Behr  
Renato Favret  
Guenter & Michelle Gamauf  
Richard Hanet  
Simon & Janine Keogh  
Toshio & Linda Kondo  
David & Elizabeth Lok  
Thomas & Nancy Mills  
George & Shaolin O'Neill

5YEARS

Mark & Jarrel Breckon  
Al Burke & Monika Czirki  
Peter Cashin & Lenna Rhodes

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Richard Dube  
Xavier Fernandes  
Nader Gorgi  
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# INTRODUCING: DEREK CHEUNG



By Derek Cheung Forward by Randy Gananathan

## Associate/Media Editor of *Provinz* Magazine

*It is my pleasure to introduce Derek Cheung to UCR as our new Associate/Media Editor of Provinz Magazine. In his new volunteer role, Derek will assist me with the print issue and*

*will be more responsible for our social media presence on Facebook, Twitter and beyond.*

*In that spirit, the best way to reach Derek will be via the Provinz Facebook page. But let's allow Derek to introduce himself in his own words below.*

Welcome Derek, to the Provinz Team!

Randy D. Gananathan  
Editor-in-Chief, Provinz Magazine

“As a first foray into performance motoring, Derek took the family sedan (which his mother still laments allowing) to a performance driving school held at Mosport DDT in the final year of his Mechanical Engineering degree. This ignited his passion in sports cars and performance driving to a level far beyond what he could have imagined, despite him already being able to identify cars by the logo stamped on their hubcaps at an early age, with his line of sight only reaching that height.”

On a quest to find the perfect sports car to grow up and grow old with, Derek had gone through a wide sample of cars produced by various automakers. While some came close, none of them managed to provide the same balance of speed, versatility, quality, engagement, challenge-to-drive, cost-effectiveness and character as his (relatively) no-frills 2003 911 Carrera 996.2, that fits perfectly in the sweet spot between modern comfort and mechanical purity. As a practicing Professional Engineer, he fully appreciates the magnitude of Porsche's achievement in executing a full re-design and manufacturing process overhaul to the iconic 911 model in the 996 generation, despite its consequent receipt of the “Unloved 911” mantle, passed on from the now rightfully iconic and much loved 964.

Having lived, gone to school and worked in both Asia and North America at different points intermittently throughout his life, and despite having a native understanding of the two cultural backgrounds he was brought up in, Derek often finds himself a foreigner to both lands. But Canada is home, and he is now more firmly than ever anchored by his marriage last year to his wife Amanda.

Derek brings with him a passion for sharing his thoughts and ideas, and his previous publication experience as Productions Director for the student-run magazine during his university years in Canada. Fluently multilingual, Derek comes with the diversity of being able to connect throughout UCR, and will strive to bring the great culture of this club to a broader membership demographic via print and electronic media.

Normally, he tries his best not to talk about himself in third-person, unless asked to provide a brief biography.”



# GIVING BACK-A UCR SPONSORED CHARITY



## DRIVEN 2 SMILE

By Jill Clements-Baartman, UCR Member and Event Coordinator



On Friday June 3rd, 2016 UCR will hold its 5th annual Driven 2 Smile at Canadian Tire Motorsport Park.

At Driven 2 Smile, individuals of all ages with unique medical, physical, cognitive, sensory and social-emotional considerations are treated to a fun filled day with:

- Rides in our Porsches around a world famous race track
- Off track activities include face painting, arts and crafts, games, and play centres
- Raffles and, new for this year, a Silent Auction
- A show and shine which will help us Show and Share

We are anticipating 400-500 participants from across the region, with 60-80 red and black run group drivers and 20-30 volunteers.

We are working to foster new partnerships with:

- Wounded Warriors
- Prostate Cancer Canada
- Canadian Organization for Rare Disorders (CORD)
- Carion Fenn Foundation, and
- Many more through social media

UCR members knowing additional special interest groups to include may contact Jill Clements-Baartman at: UCR.driven2smile@gmail.com.



This year, we are in need of:

- Photographers track side and off track
- In-car video footage
- Door prizes for the children (150-200 approx)
- Donations for raffle and silent auction
- Volunteers to help with off track activities

All UCR members are invited to join with the donation of a non-perishable food item per attendee. The food is donated to Simcoe Hall Settlement House, Oshawa.

To register, red and black run drivers log into the DE site. For volunteers and participants, registration is being managed online via <http://www.tlc4u.ca/#1d2s/c22ad>.



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## SOCIAL EVENTS

By Martin Tekela, UCR Socials Chair

**U**CR's Socials are designed to warmly welcome all club members, new and existing, and to help our members get involved in the club. As the saying goes, "It's not just the cars, it's the people!" At each Social, you can expect to socialize with many like-minded Porsche owners who are just as passionate about their cars as you are, perhaps more so!

Socials officially start at 6:30pm, but some members like to get there earlier. For the Golf Club Socials, starting at 7pm, we'll have a sit-down dinner in elegant surroundings followed by some interesting after-dinner speakers. Please check *Provinz* and UCR's website for the latest information on each of these events. Below are the details for UCR's next two Socials.

If you know someone who may be of interest to our members as a speaker, please let me know. And if you have any other comments or suggestions regarding UCR's Socials, let me know that too. I can be reached at mtekela@rogers.com. Or talk to me at an upcoming Social!

**Registration:** To register for each of our Socials in 2016, please log in to [www.ClubRegistration.net](http://www.ClubRegistration.net). Register early as the number of attendees is essential for catering purposes. The cut-off for registration is 11pm on the Sunday before each event. When registering, please let us know if you have any dietary restrictions and if you are a new member or first-time social attendee. Using ClubReg is quite easy, but if you'd prefer to follow step-by-step instructions, please see [www.pcaucr.org/how-to-register/](http://www.pcaucr.org/how-to-register/). If you have any questions, please contact our registrar at [socials@pcaucr.org](mailto:socials@pcaucr.org).



### Coming Events

#### MAY SOCIAL:

**Date:** Tuesday, May 10, 2016, 6:30-9pm, Dinner at 7pm

**Venue:** The Islington Golf Club, 45 Riverbank Drive, Etobicoke, Ontario M9A 5B8.

**Guest Speaker: Pete Tremper, PCA Zone 1 Rep.** is a long-time PCA volunteer who hails from Southern New Jersey. Pete is responsible for managing the largest Zone in the PCA with 20% of PCA's primary members. Geographically, Zone 1 comprises 18 regions in the northeastern part of the United States and Eastern Canada, including UCR. Pete will talk about some of the events that Zone 1 organizes for all PCA members. These include the separate Club Racing and Driver Education weekends at Watkins Glen International Raceway in the Finger Lakes Region of New York state, the Concours and Rally in Westbury NY, the Autocross weekend and the Zone 1 BBQ. Pete will also likely share some of his experiences in his previous roles as National DE Chair and his involvement in PCA Club Racing. Overall, a very interesting and entertaining guest speaker that you surely shouldn't miss!



Photo by Michael A. Coates, UCR Photographer

**Cost:** Register in advance via [www.ClubRegistration.net](http://www.ClubRegistration.net) (as described above) and pay \$30.00 per person, which includes a freshly carved hip of beef dinner with a mixed green salad, dinner roll, coffee/tea, door prizes, taxes and gratuities. Cash bar. Members and guests are welcome. When registering for this Social, please also identify if you're able to attend the Members Meeting at 6:00pm prior to this Social. See the notice on page 15 for further details about the Members Meeting.

#### JUNE SOCIAL:

**Date:** Tuesday, June 14, 2016, 6:30-9pm

**Venue:** The Islington Golf Club, 45 Riverbank Drive, Etobicoke, Ontario M9A 5B8.

**Guest Speaker:** UCR Past-presidents town-hall discussion.

**Cost:** Register in advance via [www.ClubRegistration.net](http://www.ClubRegistration.net) (as described above) and pay \$30.00 per person, which includes a freshly carved hip of beef dinner with a mixed green salad, dinner roll, coffee/tea, door prizes, taxes and gratuities. Cash bar. Members and guests are welcome. See the UCR website for further details about this Social.



## APRIL SOCIAL

By Kimberly Viney, UCR Socials Registrar Photos by Michael A. Coates, UCR Photographer

**F**ortunately Mother Nature provided us with a warmer, dry night for our April Social at the Islington Golf Club. A welcome relief compared to the snowy, blowy weather that descended upon the city the previous week. That meant several of our 49 members were able to drive their P-cars out to the event. Once again we enjoyed a beautifully cooked 'Hip of Beef' accompanied by a choice of gravy, horseradish or mustard. Since we had plenty of beef ready for carving, members could enjoy generous portions along with dinner rolls, mixed green salad and roasted potatoes. And of course, Islington Golf Club's friendly bar tender kept everyone happy with a selection of beer and wine. Best of all were the plates of delicious chocolate chip, white chocolate chip and crunchy oatmeal cookies to finish up the meal with tea and coffee.

After dinner, President Mike Bryan welcomed Lorenzo D'Alessandro, owner of 427 Auto Collision, who will be hosting UCR's "Shift into Spring" event on May 1st in Etobicoke. Lorenzo generously provided each guest with a pen and cell phone accessory cardholder and said he looked forward to welcoming all Club members to the upcoming spring event. Mike reviewed upcoming UCR events along with instructions for signing up via: [www.clubregistration.net](http://www.clubregistration.net)

Mike then presented UCR pins to first time Social attendees and/or new members Peter Brenders, Larry and Carmelina Funnell and Craig Lillico and also welcomed Edwina Melville Gray back to the Club after a 20 year absence.

Finally Mike introduced our Guest Speaker for the evening, Gary Grant. Gary has a long history and passion for the automotive industry. He is a writer for the Wheels section of the Toronto Star, maintains the web site: [www.drivenwheels.com](http://www.drivenwheels.com) and writes a blog called [www.thegarageblog.com](http://www.thegarageblog.com) and is a motor sports photographer.



Guest speaker Gary Grant

Gary was born into a racing family in the late 60's and remembers the crazy AMX his Dad owned when Gary was age 2. His Dad travelled to Maranello on a Vespa and purchased a Dino. One of Gary's fondest memories is being shuttled to Kitzbuhel in the Dino with skis safely ensconced in roof racks mounted to the top of the car.

In the mid-70's Gary met his best friend's father, Sorjo Ranta, who encouraged Gary's love of cars and Gary was delighted to find out that Sorjo actually owned the very rare Porsche 901 No. 27, which he still owns today as the longest 901 owner in the world. In the 1990's Sorjo received a call from Ellis Ruf who restores classic cars and who owns Porsche 901 No. 32. Ellis' company has now restored 901 No. 27 to its original condition, and as a matter of fact, the restoration was completed by the original team who built the car the first time around. Currently this special car No. 27 resides in the Ruf Museum adjacent to No. 32. John Adams spoke up and said that even the Porsche Museum does not have a 901 on display so the ones still in existence are truly 'priceless'.

Once out of school, Gary started his career in the car industry as a Service Manager in a dealership. He then worked briefly in radio but since 2009, he has been writing in the automotive field. Gary considers himself very lucky as he gets to play with cars all day long. Gary drove Porsche Canada's newest demo to the Social, a 2017 Macan GTS. He welcomed interested Club members to come forward at the conclusion of the Social to check out this newest Macan from Porsche.

To wrap up the evening, our Hostess Dagmar Ruehl-Pegg gave away a number of Porsche door prizes to lucky winners. Many thanks to Dagmar and the great team of volunteers who make these Socials happen including Martin Tekela, Mario Marrello, Kathleen Wong, Michelle & Randy Gananathan, and all new member mentors and hosts.



Guest speaker Gary Grant [center] with Mike Bryan, UCR President, Kathleen Wong, UCR Vice President, Hostess Dagmar Ruehl-Pegg, Kimberly Viney, UCR Socials Registrar and volunteer Michelle Gananathan.





By Paul Neto, UCR Tech Centre Chair

**U**CR takes a new approach to satisfy the technical interests of our members by introducing UCR Tech Sessions in 2016.

Porsche Dealers and all Tech Centres approved by UCR and listed on P45 of every issue of *Provinz* magazine are invited to host UCR Tech Sessions.

#### FIRST UCR TECH SESSION

- **Date** Tuesday, June 21st, 2016
- **Time:** 6pm – 9pm
- **Tech Talk Subject:** The New 718 and 911 Carrera Engines
- **Location:** Pfaff Porsche  
101 Auto Park Circle,  
Woodbridge, ON
- **Max. Registrants:** 25 UCR Members
- **Cost:** Free

#### WHAT IS A TECH SESSION?

Technical information sessions for UCR members are based on a variety of topics about Porsche vehicles. Since hosts are approved UCR Tech Centres, members can count on the quality of information provided by trained, qualified and certified technicians who are working on Porsche vehicles every day.

It is an educational session, not a sales pitch for the tech centre. The format may be a workshop, presenta-

tion, demonstration or discussion lasting anywhere from an hour to three hours and may include all or some of the elements.

#### REGISTRATION

Registration is via [www.clubregistration.net](http://www.clubregistration.net) and is FREE of cost to UCR Members and affiliates. Guests are not permitted due to the limited number of persons per tech session. Registration opens at least 60-days prior to the event.

#### MESSAGE TO TECH CENTRES

UCR Tech Sessions are your opportunity to bring Porsche enthusiasts through your door and give you the opportunity to demonstrate your knowledge, build trust and show them how you can help them.

You'll get free promotion of your event in *Provinz* magazine and on the UCR website, along with pre/post event write-ups, photos of your facility, and your team conducting tech sessions. This exposure will reach all of our members through multiple media platforms and profile your tech centre to your target market.

If you wish to host a tech session, contact: Paul Neto at [paul@neto.me](mailto:paul@neto.me) to get on the schedule. Please provide: Topic (one liner); Tech Session Description; Format; Proposed Date; Location (your company name and address); Your Contact Info.



## NOTICE OF MEMBER MEETING 6pm TUESDAY MAY 10, 2016

TO: THE MEMBERS OF  
The Porsche Club of America, Upper Canada Region Inc. (UCR)

**TAKE NOTICE THAT** a meeting of the members of UCR will be held at **Islington Golf Club, 45 Riverbank Drive, Etobicoke** on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of **May**, 2016, at 6:00pm, before UCR's Monthly Social, for the following purposes:

1. To receive the annual financial statements of UCR for the financial year ended December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015, including the external auditor's report.
2. To transact business of UCR, including:
  - a) Ratify the slate of directors that took office on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 and elect any new directors to fill vacant positions;
  - b) Ratify the appointment of the auditor for the financial year ended December 31, 2015;
  - c) Appoint the auditor for the financial year ended December 31, 2016 and authorize UCR's directors to fix the external auditors' remuneration;
  - d) Ratify the October 2012 Bylaws; and
  - e) Ratify past corporate proceedings.
3. To transact such other business as may properly be brought before this Members Meeting or the day of any adjournment or postponement thereof.

Electronic copies of the relevant documents for this meeting will be available on the following UCR webpage by April 30, 2016: <http://pcaucr.org/members-meeting-may-10-2016/>, or can be requested from UCR's Secretary, Foster Zanutto, via [fzanutto@gmail.com](mailto:fzanutto@gmail.com) or 905 892 8424. A limited number of paper copies will also be available at the Members Meeting on May 10, 2016.

You are entitled to vote at this Members Meeting either in person or by proxy. Members who are unable to attend this meeting in person are requested to sign and return a Proxy for this meeting. A copy of the Proxy Form is available on UCR's website or by contacting UCR's Secretary as described above.

**DATED** at Fonthill, Ontario, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2016.

**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD.**

Foster Zanutto  
Secretary, Board of Directors





# WINTER DRIVING DIARIES

## 2015/16 SEASON FINAL



Trying really hard at turn17 - two wheels on my wagon.

By Andrew Combes, UCR Member

It is hot. Not just ordinary, common or garden variety hot, more of the vindaloo varietal really. With humidity to boot. I am at the track yet again and Sebring is awash in activity as preparations are well underway for the famous 12 Hour race, practice commences in two days. I have experienced Sebring in late April when the humidex reached 117°F and it was none too pleasant. Back then I had a 997 Turbo S with wonderful AC and cooled seats. Now I have Martini, no AC, solid seats, no interior comforts at all in fact. Save one. A couple of tubes that appear from the tunnel and attach to my Cool Shirt. Flick the “COOL SHIRT” switch on the dashboard and it provokes in me a reaction not entirely dissimilar to that famous diner scene performance by Meg Ryan in When Harry Met

Sally. Yep, it is that good. I cannot adequately describe the sensation of relief as the ice water surges around those little tubes sewn onto the shirt. This day that shirt is without doubt the single most effective item in the car for producing fast clean laps of the 3.7 mile circuit. I am no doctor but know first hand how debilitating heat stress can be – so avoiding it by drinking plenty of fluids, replacing electrolytes and keeping your core cool is my number one priority as we get into spring down here.

I am at an event that is new to me, a David Murry Track Days [DMTD] weekend. It is open to drivers with



Audi had some nice cars there – we did our best to keep them in their place!

substantial track experience and is run as an HPDE non-competitive event. The track goes hot at 08.30 and remains that way until noon when there is normally an hour lunch break followed by a further 3.5 hours of open track. I mentioned ‘normally’ because this weekend David is trying something new; a fair size herd (I think herd is an appropriate collective noun for the prancing horse) of Ferrari Challenge cars are here and will be running through the day. At the bar in the hotel the previous evening rumours had been rife that these cars would be having a race at some point and, horror of horrors, qualifying would take place during our event. Well, yes and no. Qualifying took place on the Saturday lunchtime and races Saturday after the HPDE closed and again on Sunday lunchtime. Still, it was a little intimidating to see the large expensive team set-ups for the Italian cars together with a smattering of 911 Cups.

DMTD do not require a tech inspection at the track or a tech sheet to be competed by a licensed mechanic beforehand. There is no explanation of flags – the expectation is that you will know them, intimately. At 08.00 there is a driver’s meeting which is mandatory and coaches are also required to attend. The meeting is short, to the point and simple with the overarching message being that we are all responsible for our own and other’s safety and this is to be a well-mannered and enjoyable event. Point bys are not required on straightaways but are required in corners and passing is completely unrestricted. Quite the recipe for excitement then. Particularly with a bunch of brightly coloured 360s and 458s in attendance.

The dynamic for this event is quite different from what you experience at PCA, Chin, BMW Club or similar events. Exit from the drivers meeting was leisurely – but then there were no run groups with defined times so nobody was in a hurry to get to a run group – or to be the guy drying the track for everyone else!

This weekend I had a friend of mine come up to the track from Naples, he is a retired 747 captain with decades of flying under his belt but zero time in a race car. We both thought it would be interesting for him to compare procedures, checklists etc. Well, he arrived very punctually and at our precise rendezvous point – which was exactly what I expected. I proceeded to loan him a proper long-sleeved top and really didn’t think too much before answering his question about what made it ‘proper’ – “Oh, it is flame retardant”. He looked a little taken aback but I thought nothing of it. Then I fitted him with a full face helmet and checked the intercom. Charles didn’t look too



The scene at sign-in, just before the driver’s meeting. David Murray is front right (wearing my watch) and Mark Taylor’s in the right rear with the beard.

thrilled but said nothing except to ask how the straps unfastened if necessary. Then came time to get him into the car. The crew helped him negotiate the roll cage but it was a bit of a struggle as he is quite tall and not as flexible as he once was, I guess. At one point, one of them was literally pushing his helmeted head through the frame opening. Then came the full-harness seat belts. Well, they would have done had poor Charles not had a complete panic attack and ejected himself from the cockpit with far more alacrity than had been evident a short while earlier upon entry! I helped with his helmet removal and he explained that he just ‘couldn’t do it’ and went on to explain that he hated the feeling of having no control and no easy exit in the event of emergency – such as having a heart attack! Which of course I found quite deliciously ironic and felt the need to point out that for decades he had subjected 300 plus souls sitting behind his cockpit to exactly the same emotions – no control and no way out if something went wrong! In the end Charles returned to Naples without venturing onto the track, a shame. Next time I sit on the tarmac at YYZ listening to the engines spooling up before the brakes are released I will inevitably be thinking of Charles leaping from Martini – and chuckling!

The action out on track was excellent. The no-nonsense pep talk given at the driver’s meeting by Mark Taylor had clearly sunk in and everyone was exceedingly polite, responsive to traffic coming up and drove well. Throughout the entire weekend there were just a small handful of full-course black flags for mechanical failures. In fact, it was one of the most incident free weekend events I have ever attended.

Over breakfast the second day I had a chat with David and Mark about their events and asked what they found to be the biggest headache when trying to run things smoothly. Unsurprisingly, they both find the increasing tendency of racers and race teams to use HPDEs as test and tune events to be problematic if – and the emphasis is on if – those teams and drivers have a different agenda than that of the event overall. In a recent case that exact scenario reared its head but just as quickly disappeared

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## PCA UCR Automotive Apprenticeship Scholarships Awarded

By Professor Thomas Brown (25-year UCR member)

On March 8th, PCA UCR awarded eight \$1,000 scholarships to high-achieving automotive apprentices attending Centennial College in Toronto.

The Board decided to establish these scholarships to encourage young apprentices who are employed at a Tech Centre to stay in the Porsche repair circle. As our Porsches, especially older models, have been appreciating in value, it is important that the skills needed to keep these unique and prized vehicles roadworthy into the future be transferred from our older masters, before they retire.

During interviews at a Board meeting with the 2014 winners, one of the apprentices mentioned that he had been taught by his journeyman how to install king pins in a 356 that very day! Another said that he will

be using his scholarship to purchase specialty Porsche tools. A general high level of enthusiasm for the marque was reflected by our winners—which is exactly what the scholarship plan is designed to sustain.

It appears that the decision to support the apprentices has been a wise one.

Here is a list of the 2015 Winners:

|               |                         |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| Carlos Lopez  | Downtown Porsche        |
| Megan Marino  | Pfaff Porsche           |
| Phil Wilkins  | Auto Select Repair      |
| Jisoo Park    | Pfaff Porsche           |
| Nhu Nuyen     | Porsche Centre Oakville |
| Piers Kuznick | Pfaff Porsche           |
| Raul Spencer  | Pfaff Porsche           |
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when several entrants were invited to go home. Like the rest of us David and Mark want their customers to have safe and enjoyable fun and on occasion that requires some very strict attitude adjustment.

Would I register for another DMTD event? In a heartbeat. It has, as I noted above, a very different feel to the traditional HPDE that is split into rigid run groups. My view, for what it is worth, is that a DMTD event provides more [much more] track time and potentially more of that time is useable in the event you run into a technical problem with your car. The social scene is more limited because there is no natural grouping of participants into their respective groups. Let's face it, in PCA we live by the creed "it's not just the cars, it's the people" and the social aspect here is noticeably less. But if you want to drive, hard, long and strong, this is your format. Oh, and those Ferrari Challenge cars? They looked gorgeous, sounded even better, but gave point byes as well as the rest of us. There was no downside and considerable upside to having them there. David Murry has found a winning formula.

This concludes the Winter Diaries for 2015/16. Later this spring and summer look for articles on UCR member Dr Fareed Ali and his entry into international racing, a travelogue on the best way to see the Monaco F1 GP, a report on racing in the Stuttgart Cup and, if the timing works, a test drive in the UK of the second generation



Some cool cars – a beautifully prepped late 60's E-Type Jaguar practicing for the HSR Races.

Cayman GT4 Challenge car with PDK. It is shaping up to be an interesting year. So for now I will sign off with the same declaration that Mark gives at each DMTD driver meeting – "Have fun, be safe and...most importantly...take care of each other".



The Ferraris were out in force, but the Caymans were often quicker.

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Story by Tom Arndt, UCR Member, Parent, Volunteer & Past Participant, Photos by Hazel de Burgh

**J**anet and I have both taken the course. We both dreaded getting up so early on a Sunday morning, had huge smiles on our faces much of the day and now we both volunteer to help keep it going. As volunteers, we now get up even earlier!

We learned and enjoyed it so much that all three of our children will take it as well. The oldest dreaded getting up so early on a Sunday morning, had a huge smile on his face much of the day and now is a more confident and aware driver. Another child will be doing it on May 29th this year: he is looking forward to it and is an early riser. You can bet he will have a huge smile on his face most of the day too! The third will take it after she gets her G2.

Let me dispel some misconceptions. This course is not a race or sports car event. Students should drive the car they typically drive so that they learn to drive that car better, safer and more confidently.

The day starts off with a Wake & Brake Exercise: a

driver may not be familiar with the tickle and noise of ABS brakes. How will he or she react when feeling it for the first time? The course addresses that right out of the gate.

Am I really allowed to do that? Can my car do this? Yes, the idea is that participants learn what their car will and can do in an emergency situation. They turn hard. They stop hard. They slide. They drive through obstacle courses. The tires screech. The brakes smell. The suspension heaves and sways. The participants practice for the day it may happen for real. You can only learn to drive well, by driving.

Is it all that hard on the car? Much less than an accident is, especially for the people! But seriously, yes, the tires will experience above average wear and tear that day (maybe 1,000 km worth of typical driving). In exchange, you, your son or your daughter will experience and learn life lessons that they will take with them the rest of their lives. If they learn just one thing, it is all worth it.

Can Mom or Dad go too? There are limited spots available, so priority is given to drivers with under 10 years of experience. But many child/parent duos have gone through the program. Everyone can learn from the course.

Back to the question: what is it and why do we do it? It's fun. It's challenging and it creates awareness. It builds confidence and competence. In two words: safer roads. That's what and why. As a parent, a volunteer and even a past participant, I can assure you the Street Survival School helps make our roads safer – for everyone. I look forward to May 29th and beyond, and hope you do too!



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## PORSCHE

### **Porsche Examines Cayenne Models as a Preventative Measure**

*Inspection of pedal hinge clip*

**Atlanta, Georgia.** Voluntary safety recall: Porsche is conducting an examination of 409,477 Cayenne models worldwide from model years 2011 to 2016 for a precautionary inspection, of which 88,300 are in the United States and 10,370 are in Canada. The reason for this is a clip may have become dislodged from the pedal bracket.

We are implementing a voluntary recall to inspect all Cayenne vehicles built during that period to ensure the clip is present and to re-install it if necessary. The problem was identified during internal inspections and remedied in production. This is a purely precautionary measure, as there have been no reports of accidents or injuries as a result of this concern.



# Cayennes, Macans & Panameras!

## Let's Play With the Caymans, Boxsters and Carreras!

Story by Eleanor Gurd, UCR Member, photos by Dave Lynch

Come out and play in a Fun Run or Autocross this year with your fellow Porsche Club members! There is something for everyone to enjoy, be it the fine dining, the camaraderie with like-minded car enthusiasts, or the beautiful scenery as we travel the divine roads that UCR's gracious hosts have picked out for us.

Over the years, I have owned eight Porsches, mostly Boxsters and 911s. But after being hit hard while sitting at a red light in my Audi S5, I wanted a vehicle that was solid like a tank, manoeuvred like a sports car and had the capacity to keep me safe from future distracted, selfish drivers. I picked the Cayenne as it met all my needs. It provides me a greater sense of security, while still being a sporty vehicle.

At first I wasn't too sure about signing up my Cayenne for the Fun Runs and Autocrosses because I thought others would think it is big and bulky and not your typical sports car. When my C4S Cabriolet went in for service, rather than miss an Autocross, I decided to take my Cayenne instead. I had so much fun and I learned just how amazing the Cayenne is!



Last year, we signed up for four Fun Runs with our Cayenne and really enjoyed them all. I cannot believe I'd hesitated about going to these events with my Cayenne. All Porsches are fun to drive—they will put a smile on your face, regardless of which one you own. As the slogan says, "Porsche. There is no substitute".

So no matter which Porsche model you own, sign up for the 2016 events and come out and play. You will be glad you did!



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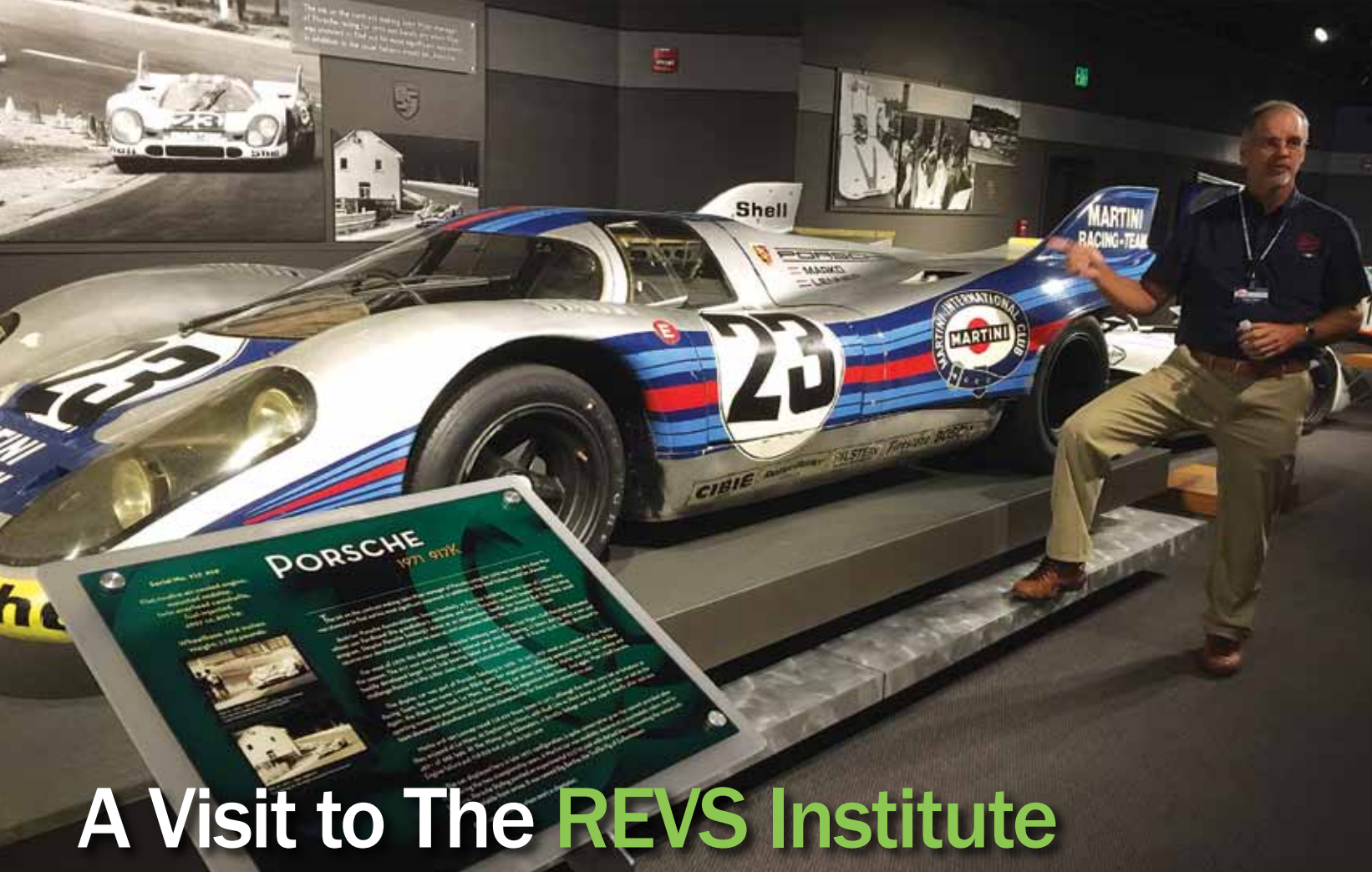
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# A Visit to The REVS Institute

By Joan Bercovitch, UCR Member and Proofreading Editor for *Provinz* and Morley Bercovitch, UCR Member

**T**alk about finding the holy grail of cars in Florida... The Collier Collection at the REVS Institute is breathtaking. REVS, which opened to the public in March of 2014, attracts a world-wide audience of car enthusiasts. Each of the one hundred vehicles was added to this collection because of its rarity and historical significance. The cars, dating from 1896 to 1995, are maintained in peak operational condition and are still driven on the roadway and even compete on racetracks across the United States and Europe.

REVS was founded in 2009 by Miles Collier of Naples, Florida. Born into an American automotive dynasty, Miles spent the better part of a decade racing in an E-Production Porsche Speedster. His mission today is to provide the automobile with a platform that demonstrates the sheer power and influence that this great, modern invention has profoundly contributed to our culture and history.

The Collection is a window into the world of motor racing. You can stroll through thirty years of unparalleled innovation produced by Porsche, one of the most revered

automakers of our time. You can stand toe to tire with the very first Porsche 550-1 race car!

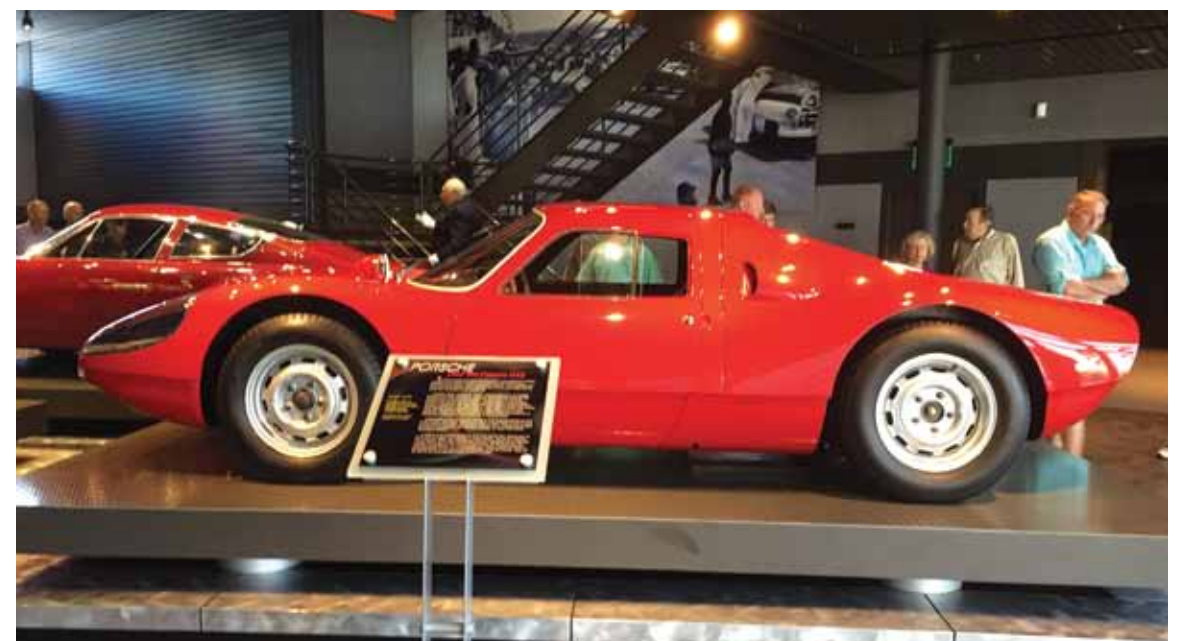
You can see Bob Holbert's 1961 Porsche RS-61L Spyder, wearing number 14 on display. This is the last of the cars that Bob Holbert drove to his SCCA E Sports Racing Championships in 1961 and 1962, as well as the newly-created U.S. Road Racing Championship in 1963. Holbert's success was no big surprise. He was America's top Porsche driver. But this Porsche was a big surprise for Bob. After crashing his first RS-61 at Mosport, he ordered a new chassis/body. When it arrived it was four inches longer in the engine bay area to accommodate Porsche's latest race engine. Concurrent with development of the 1.5-litre eight-cylinder engine for Formula 1, Porsche developed a two-litre sports-racing version to try in lieu of the venerable Fuhrmann four-cam. For gearheads, all the car stats and stories about each Porsche on display are available at the Museum.

In 2011 The REVS Institute for Automotive Research started a unique academic partnership with Stanford University to further automotive studies and research and



provide teaching and learning opportunities. The Institute also houses one of the finest automobile libraries to be found anywhere. The documents and photographs at Le Mans, Grand Prix Racing at Watkins Glen, and other courses provide an uncommon historical record of the evolution of motor sports.

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We highly recommend a day at The REVS Institute and Collier Collection at 2500 S. Horseshoe Drive Naples, Florida. It's open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. To plan a trip, advance reservation tickets are required and docent led tours need to be booked a month in advance. The side stories told by the docent were worth the price of admission.

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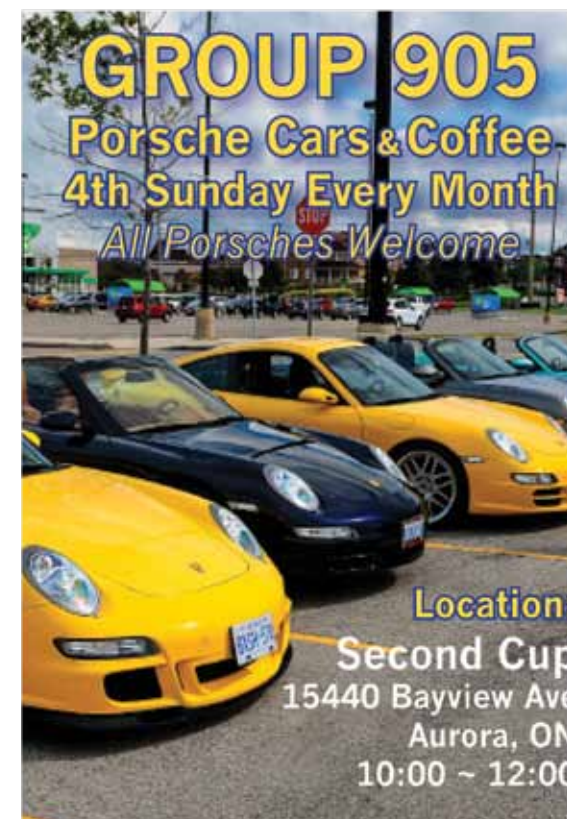
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# THE PORSCHEPHILE



There's nothing like a 914!

Story and photos by David Tipton, UCR Member

## David & Carrie Tipton's 1974 914 LE, "Bumblebee"

Have you ever dreamed of being behind the wheel of a sexy sports car with your body wrapped in leather, the roof off, and the roar of the engine in your ear? When you read Porsche's slogan "There is no substitute," it really means there is *no* substitute. These cars are designed to provide you with an experience that comes from Porsche's design and brand philosophy.

Hi, I am David, and for over thirty years I've had a love affair with the 914's. I can still remember as a young boy laying my eyes on an orange and black 914. That was the moment I realized my love for those cars and I knew that one day that moment of love would change my life.

In October 2014, my wife and I drove out to Colborne, Ontario to visit Mike from Mike's 914's. I was interested in a 1975 yellow 914 that Mike was selling. During our visit we were educated on the history of the 914's, including the rare 1974, 914 LE that was on a hoist, being restored. After taking the test drive, Mike suggested I look at other 914's before making any decisions.

I couldn't seem to get these cars out of my thoughts. My wife told me not to worry, there was a car out there for me

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and that car would find me. Soon afterward, I spotted a 1974, 914 that Gentry Lane was advertising for sale on their website. Although they were closed, I decided to take a look in person. With my face pressed up to the glass, there it was, sitting on the show room floor. All I could think of was my wife was correct, the right car would find me.

A week later it was ours. My wife researched the car's history, and to our surprise we were the proud owners of a rare 1974, 914 LE Bumblebee.

The car was originally purchased October 23, 1974 in Toronto and forty years later, to the day, we purchased that car. Gotta love fate!

Whether you enjoy your car, keep it till the day you die, pass it on to a loved one, or sell it for a profit depends on your love for that particular car. The 1974, 914 LE makes me feel like a celebrity.

Everyone is looking at me, stopping to take pictures with lots of questions and inquiries. The satisfaction is in seeing the smiling faces on kids who are pointing at it and in seeing their excitement. But the best feeling is when my wife and I are driving together on the road and I let it loose, and we feel the power, the grip, and the symphonic purr of the engine that leaves us breathless. Standing back, we're thinking this beautiful car is ours.



I thank you for allowing me to share with you the experience this car has brought to me.

Remember to dream big, dream often, and to always hold on to your dreams because you never know when your dreams could become a reality.

Sincerely, David.



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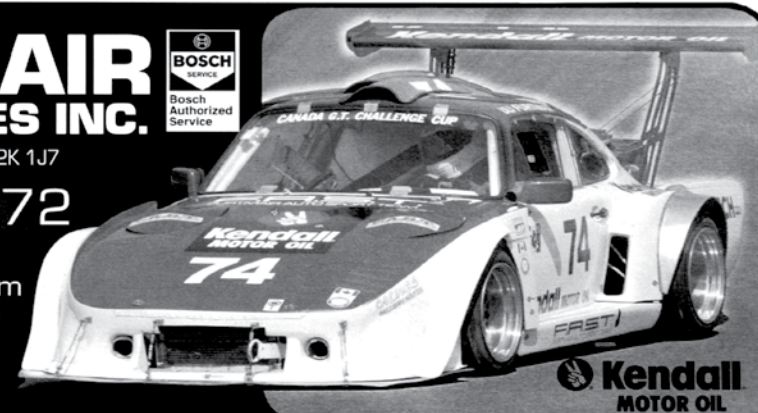
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# FUN RUNS, RAMBLES & TOURS



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Register at 6pm to Join the Fun



By Hazel de Burgh, UCR Fun Run Program Chair

With 21 Fun Run Program events on our calendar for 2016, there's lots of variety to choose from. By the end of this month though, if you haven't registered for any of these events, you'll find that more than half of these events are already sold out. Don't let the summer pass you by – register at 6pm for the events you're interested in! But why do I say this?

On Sunday March 13th, our new online registration system [www.clubregistration.net](http://www.clubregistration.net) was put to the test when registration opened for two Fun Runs: the May 7th South Muskoka Spring Fun Run, and the May 8th Spring Port-to-Port-to-Port Fun Run. One event (with a maximum capacity of 15 cars) was waitlisted within 10 minutes, and the other was waitlisted by Monday morning (with a capacity for 24 cars). Clearly, if you want to attend one of our 2016 events, you need to register at or shortly after 6pm on the registration opening date, particularly for the smaller events. The expected capacity for each event is included in the table on the next page.

Our registration system works on a first-come first-served basis, based on timing of registration (for events where costs will be paid by each member directly on the day of the event) or based on the timing of payment (for events where the host will be making payments on everyone's behalf). When ordering concert tickets, the same process applies.

While a first to pay/first to register system seems fair for most, we heard from a few members who were

disappointed because of difficulties using ClubReg. Accordingly, if you haven't done so already, I strongly encourage you to set up a profile for yourself on ClubReg then register and pay for another event that's not likely to sell out – for instance, an upcoming Social. That way, you won't be disappointed when registering for a smaller event that's likely to sell out fast. If you'd like to follow step-by-step instructions on registering, go to UCR's Welcome page, then click on the drop-down menu "How to Register".

Good luck registering! Hope to see you at an upcoming event.



Photo by Rick Zuccato

## UCR's 2016 Fun Runs Rambles & Tours (So Far)

Register via [www.clubregistration.net](http://www.clubregistration.net) starting at 6pm on the registration dates listed below:

| EVENT DATE                  | REGISTER ≥ 6pm | MAX # CARS | EVENT NAME                                   | HOST NAME(S)                       | HOST EMAIL (for more information)                      |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------------|--|------------------------------------|--|
| Sat, May 7                  | WAITLISTED     | 24         | South Muskoka Spring Fun Run                 | David Forbes & Peter Hoffman       | david.forbes@rbc.com<br>peter@hwa-inc.com              |
| Sun, May 8                  | WAITLISTED     | 15         | Spring Port-to-Port-to-Port Fun Run          | Mike Blinn & Rick Zuccato          | cmblinn@gmail.com<br>rjzuccato@gmail.com               |
| Sat, Jun 11                 | Sun, Apr 17    | 30         | Southern Georgian Bay Fun Run                | Martin Hederich & Michael Pohlmann | dr.flue@primus.ca<br>speedstermp@hotmail.com           |
| Sat, Jun 18                 | Sun, Apr 24    | 48         | Bear Manor Niagara Escarpment Poker Fun Run  | Vaughn Warrington                  | vwarrington@worldsourcecurities.net                    |
| Sat, Jun 18                 | Sun, Apr 24    | 50         | Ramble to Parade 2016                        | Randy Gananathan                   | rdgananathan@gmail.com                                 |
| W,Th,F or S Jun 22,23,24,25 | Sun, Apr 24    | 50         | Ramble Return from Parade 2016               | Randy Gananathan                   | rdgananathan@gmail.com                                 |
| Sun, Jun 26                 | Sun, May 1     | 20         | Ancaster Fun Run                             | Neil Dowdell                       | neildowdell@hotmail.com                                |
| Sat, Jul 2                  | Sun, May 8     | 15         | Grand Niagara-on-the-Lake Fun Run            | Guenter Gamauf                     | guenterg@rogers.com                                    |
| Sat, Jul 16                 | Sun, May 22    | 20         | South Lake Simcoe Summer Ramble              | Terry Sellers                      | tsellers@warrantyrisk.com                              |
| Sun, Jul 24                 | Sun, May 29    | 30         | Blue Mountains Ramble                        | Don Lewtas & Hazel de Burgh        | hazel.deburgh@gmail.com                                |
| Thurs - Mon Jul 28 - Aug 1  | WAITLISTED     | 15         | Sound of Porsches Tour                       | Rick Zuccato & Mike Blinn          | rjzuccato@gmail.com and<br>cmblinn@gmail.com           |
| Sat, Aug 6                  | Sun, Jun 12    | 22         | Skyway Summer Ramble                         | Jeremy Gunness & Tom Lussman       | jeremy.gunness@itechnica.com<br>cogito1970@hotmail.com |
| Sun, Aug 21                 | Sun, Jun 26    | 20         | Pfaff GTA Urban Circuit Ramble               | Laurance Yap                       | lyap@pfaffauto.com                                     |
| Sat, Aug 27                 | Sun, Jul 3     | 30         | Creemore Copper Kettle Festival Fun Run      | Tom Arndt & Morley Bercovitch      | tom@himprolaw.com<br>mjberc@sympatico.ca               |
| Sat, Sep 10                 | Sun, Jul 17    | N/A        | Porsche of London Fall Fun Run               | Mike Salter                        | mike@porschelondon.com                                 |
| Sat, Sep 17                 | Sun, Jul 24    | 30         | Eastern Shores Fun Run & Car Show            | David Forbes & Peter Hoffman       | david.forbes@rbc.com<br>peter@hwa-inc.com              |
| Sun, Sep 25                 | Sun, Jul 31    | 50         | "Salmon Run" Fall Ramble                     | Randy Gananathan                   | rdgananathan@gmail.com                                 |
| Thurs - Mon Sept 29 - Oct 3 | WAITLISTED     | 10         | Great Smoky Mountains Gran Turismo Fall Tour | Jason Figueiredo                   | jasonfig993@gmail.com*                                 |
| Sat, Oct 1                  | Sun, Aug 7     | 24         | Muskoka Fall Colours Fun Run                 | David & Anne Forbes                | david.forbes@rbc.com                                   |
| Sat-Sun, Oct 1-2            | Sun, Aug 7     | 30         | Nickelball Tour                              | Greg Oldenburg & Dennis Centis     | greg@oldenburginc.com<br>dennis@centistile.com         |
| Sun, Oct 23                 | Sun, Aug 28    | 15         | Fall Port-to-Port-to-Port Fun Run            | Mike Blinn & Rick Zuccato          | cmblinn@gmail.com<br>rjzuccato@gmail.com               |

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# BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF UPCOMING FUN RUNS, RAMBLES & TOURS:

**Saturday, May 7: (MAX 24 CARS)**

**South Muskoka Spring Fun Run**

**Registration:** **WAITLISTED**

For our 8th annual Muskoka Spring Fun Run, we'll meet in Bracebridge, then travel the winding roads of south and central Muskoka in several "Run Groups". Along the way, we'll have several stops including lunch. After lunch, our routes take us past lakes and Muskoka landmarks and we'll conclude with a mid-afternoon reception in Bracebridge. Please contact David Forbes or Peter Hoffman for more information:

David: david.forbes@rbc.com or 647 409 1346

Peter: peter@hwa-inc.com

**Sunday, May 8: (MAX 15 CARS)**

**Spring Port-to-Port-to-Port Fun Run**

**Registration:** **WAITLISTED**

This event starts in Grimsby at 9:30am sharp, so we can be on the road for 10am, driving from Port to Port to Port along the Lake Erie coastline on a spectacular lake-view drive. We'll pass through many towns that start with the word "Port", hence our event name. We'll stop a few times along the way to refill and empty our coffee, and have some great photo opportunities. Our final Port of the day will be Port Stanley, where we can walk the beaches and have a great meal together to end our day. Please contact Mike Blinn or Rick Zuccato for more information:

Mike: cmblinn@gmail.com or 416 606 7816

Rick: rjzuccato@gmail.com or 905 379 9416

**Saturday, June 11: (MAX 30 CARS)**

**Southern Georgian Bay Fun Run**

**Registration Open**

For this event, we'll start in Thornton (just south of Barrie), then wind our way through the backroads of Essa and Clearview Twp, known for their beautiful landscapes and friendly people. We'll visit historic Discovery Harbour in Penetanguishene, then head to Midland for more insights into Canada's early history. After lunch at a dockside restaurant, we'll convoy to Port McNicholl, where we'll see the SS Keewatin, a steamship built by the same team who built the Titanic. Then we'll drive to Martin's farm near Angus for a leisurely get-together and BBQ. Please contact Martin Hederich or Michael Pohlmann for more information: Martin: dr.flue@primus.ca or 705 424 7423 Michael: speedstermp@hotmail.com or 705 796 0930

**Saturday, June 18: (MAX 48 CARS)**

**Bear Manor Niagara Escarpment Poker Fun Run**

**Registration Open**

For our 6th Annual Fun Run along the Niagara Escarpment, we'll continue with the added element of a Poker Run with prizes for the best poker hands from cards you pick up along the route. We'll start at 9:30am in the Grimsby area and wind our way through the Niagara escarpment, past scenic

vineyards. We'll stop for a wine tasting and travel tree-lined roads. We'll end at Vaughn & Jennifer's home on the Grimsby escarpment where lunch and beverages will be served. After lunch, there will be an optional concert featuring MISQ'D, a guitar vocal duo, followed by an exceptional Canadian Recording Artist, Calum Graham, whose videos have had millions of YouTube views. Calum is best known for his finger-style guitar instrumentals, and he's recently added vocals to his repertoire. Please contact Vaughn Warrington for more information:

vwarrington@worldsourcecurities.net or 905 309 9990

**Saturday, June 18: (MAX 50 CARS)**

**Ramble to Parade 2016**

**Registration Open**

Our Ramble begins opposite Porsche Cars Canada's new headquarters at the NE corner of 401 & 404. The route will follow some fabulous twisty back roads through the Green Mountains of Vermont to arrive at Parade Headquarters in Jay, VT before the festivities begin at Parade. Randy Gananathan will provide driving directions with information on suggested stops, including a lunch stop with an opportunity for some UCR camaraderie. Special arrangements with US Customs and Border Protection should facilitate smooth travel but it will be helpful for Ramble participants to enrol in Nexus or Global Entry beforehand. Please contact Randy for more information:

rdgananathan@gmail.com or 905 780 9670

**Daily from Wed., June 22, through Sat., June 25: (MAX 50 CARS)**

**Ramble Return from Parade 2016**

**Registration Open**

Our return Ramble from Parade in Jay, VT to Toronto will be different than the Ramble to Parade (above). Cars can depart daily after breakfast on a route that is generally the fastest route back to Toronto, with a couple of detours for some of the best driving in the area, and making time for an optional lunch stop enroute. This daily Ramble provides flexibility for anyone who wishes to leave Parade from Wednesday onwards. Driving directions will be provided and departing groups can assemble to avoid solo driving. Please contact Randy Gananathan for more information: rdgananathan@gmail.com or 905 780 9670

**Sunday, June 26: (MAX 20 CARS)**

**Ancaster Fun Run**

**Registration Opens:**

**Sunday, May 1 at 6pm**

Starting at 11am and going for 2+ hours, this year's route will take us through the

outskirts of Dundas and Ancaster and as far west as Brantford. Exploring city streets, country roads and farm country, we'll experience the rich history of the region. We'll travel many of the winding roads of the area (both old and new), past historic sites, and experience elevation changes before arriving at our surprise destination for food and libation and some afternoon entertainment. Please contact Neil Dowdell for more information (but don't expect him to reveal the location of the surprise ending!): neildowdell@hotmail.com or 289 244 3107

**Saturday, July 2: (MAX 15 CARS)**

**Grand Niagara-on-the-Lake Fun Run**

**Registration Opens: Sunday, May 8 at 6pm**

This Fun Run starts in the Upper Hamilton area, then follows a shunpiking route along the Grand River. We'll wind our way across the Niagara Peninsula via some curvy roads. There will be a pit stop at a culinary market with baked goodies and coffee. After enjoying some more Porsche-friendly roads, we'll stop for lunch in wine country. Following lunch, our route will continue through the Niagara region with a cruise along the Niagara Parkway and through Niagara-on-the-Lake. We'll finish up with an opportunity for a treat that we're sure everyone will enjoy. For more information, please contact Guenter Gamauf: guenterg@rogers.com or 519 581 7118

**Saturday, July 16: (MAX 20 CARS)**

**South Lake Simcoe Summer Ramble**

**Registration Opens: Sunday, May 22 at 6pm**

This Ramble starts and ends at the picturesque Briars Resort on Lake Simcoe. After a continental buffet breakfast,

our route includes some amazing countryside and nice winding roads. Our lunch stop near Lake Dalrymple will have everyone planning a return trip just for the food! After more time enjoying our cars, we'll reconvene at the Briars Resort for a wine and cheese reception and some UCR camaraderie. We have preferred accommodation rates for anyone wanting to stay overnight before or after the event, which can be booked after registering. For more information, please contact Terry Sellers: tsellers@warrantyrisk.com

**Sunday, July 24: (MAX 30 CARS)**

**Blue Mountains Ramble**

**Registration Opens:**

**Sunday, May 29 at 6pm**

For our 7th Annual Ramble, back by popular demand, our theme will be "Art Appreciation". We'll meet in the village of Creemore where we'll have an opportunity to visit some local art galleries, then we'll

Photo By Mike Salter, Porsche of London



travel many scenic back roads along the Niagara Escarpment, through quaint towns and villages, including the Blue Mountains area. After lunch, our curvy route continues past more picturesque vistas, and into a town known as "Arts-burg" with an opportunity to visit a few more galleries. We'll end with an afternoon Wine & Cheese reception at a location with stunning views of Georgian Bay. Hosted by Don Lewtas and Hazel de Burgh, and their respective spouses. For more information, please contact Hazel: hazel.deburgh@gmail.com or 416 558 2929

**Thursday, July 28 – Monday, August 1: (MAX 15 CARS)**

**Sound of Porsches Tour**

**Registration:** **WAITLISTED**

The "Sound of Porsches" Tour is a 5-day 4-night adventure hosted by Rick Zuccato and Mike Blinn. We'll have an incredible itinerary featuring wonderful roads from Toronto to Lake Placid New York on Day 1. Then we'll park our cars in a private lot, check into our lake-view hotel rooms then dine in our own private dining room. Day 2, after more Lake Placid treats, we'll head through the mountains, sounding our way to our 2nd and 3rd night destination in Stowe Vermont, where we'll experience some of Vermont's hospitality. Day 4 features a spectacular scenic drive to our final night in a small quaint Quebec village, where we'll have our Zuccato race-night, and our final farewell dinner in our own private dining room, and again a private parking lot for our babies! For more details, log in to UCR's website to see the detailed event description. Please contact Rick for more information or to get on the waitlist: rjzuccato@gmail.com or 905 379 9416

**Saturday, August 6: (MAX 22 CARS)**

**Skyway Summer Ramble**

**Registration Opens: Sunday, June 12 at 6pm**

The second annual Skyway Summer Ramble will start in picturesque Milton and explore the twisty back roads of Dundas, Ancaster, and Niagara Wine Country. A Ramble format will be used to allow participants to follow an enjoyable route that includes some interesting rest stops along the way, a stop for lunch in Ancaster and a wine tasting at a Niagara Winery. It will be a day of fun driving and a great opportunity to connect with old friends and meet new ones.

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Photo by Jeanne Krent

**Saturday, September 17: (MAX 30 CARS)  
Eastern Shores Fun Run & Car Show  
Registration Opens:  
Sunday, July 24 at 6pm**

This year's Hearth Place Fun Run will begin with breakfast at the Hearth Place Cancer Support Centre in Oshawa. We'll then travel picturesque roads heading east along the shore of Lake Ontario, passing through scenic farmland and through charming communities to our lunch destination. We'll then loop back to Whitby through backroads and farmland for more UCR

camaraderie and a Car Show where our cars will be on display for cancer patients and their families. Please contact David Forbes or Peter Hoffman for more information:  
David: david.forbes@rbc.com or 647 409 1346  
Peter: peter@hwa-inc.com

**Sunday, September 25: (MAX 50 CARS)  
"The Salmon Run" Fall Ramble**

**Registration Opens: Sunday, July 31 at 6pm**

This Ramble will begin opposite Porsche Cars Canada's new headquarters at the NE corner of 401 & 404. We'll drive a scenic country route to Port Hope to enjoy the annual fall migration of salmon where thousands of salmon swim upstream in the Ganaraska River, then have lunch in historic Port Hope. Our return trip includes an ice cream stop at a country store. This Ramble will particularly appeal to members who enjoy nature, fishing and Ontario's great outdoors. Please contact Randy Gananathan for more information: rdgananathan@gmail.com or 905 780 9670

**Thursday, September 29 – Monday, October 3:  
(MAX 10 CARS)**

**Great Smoky Mountain Fall Tour**

**Registration Opens:**

**WAITLISTED**

Arguably some of the best driving roads in North America are in the Smoky Mountain region of North Carolina. On this 5-day Gran Tour, you'll drive through the UNESCO Smoky Mountain and Appalachian Ranges, through 8 states, visit historical locations, overnight at luxurious historic hotels and Inns, drive epic roads that have been featured on National Geographic that wind up 5000 ft mountain ranges, and experience culinary dishes that delight the senses. To provide you with an exclusive and intimate experience, this Gran Tour is limited to 5 cars. For more details, log in to UCR's website to see the detailed event description. Please contact Jason Figueiredo for more information or to get on the waitlist: jasonfig993@gmail.com

**Saturday, October 1: (MAX 24 CARS)  
Muskoka Fall Colours Fun Run**

**Registration Opens: Sunday, August 7 at 6pm**

For our 8th annual Muskoka Fall Colours Fun Run hosted

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by David and Anne Forbes, we'll meet in Bracebridge, then travel along the winding roads of Muskoka in several "Run Groups", enjoying the fall colours and lakeside views. Along the route, there will be several stops including lunch. Our route takes us past Lakes Muskoka, Joseph & Rosseau, and several Muskoka landmarks including Windemere House, High Falls and Port Carling. We'll conclude with a mid-afternoon reception in Bracebridge. Please contact David for more information:

david.forbes@rbc.com or 647 409 1346

**Saturday-Sunday, October 1-2: (MAX 30 CARS)  
Nickelball Tour**

**Registration Opens: Sunday, August 7 at 6pm**

Our Nickelball Tour will take you north from Parry Sound across the newest and smoothest section of Highway 400 with its playful exits and on-ramps, past the historic canoe route to the west, then into the Canadian Shield for lunch at the Idylwyld Golf and Country Club in Sudbury. After lunch, our route heads West along the Trans Canada Highway to the picturesque curves and white quartzite mountains of Hwy 6 to our overnight stay on Manitoulin Island. Day 2 starts off touring the North Coast of the largest freshwater island in the world along open and clear roads to a catered lunch at the western point of the island. Running back on the South route to South Baymouth, drivers can

catch the ferry to the mainland (South) or take the North route back through Little Current. All told, this event presents the most diverse, varied and unexpected landscapes in the province. See the event poster on page 43. Please contact Greg Oldenburg or Dennis Centis for more information:  
Greg: greg@oldenburginc.com or 416 527 0041  
Dennis: dennis@centistile.com

**Sunday, October 23: (MAX 15 CARS)**

**Fall Port-to-Port-to-Port Fun Run**

**Registration Opens: Sunday, August 28 at 6pm**

Our meeting place for our Fall Port-to-Port-to-Port Fun Run will be in Grimsby at 9:30am sharp, so we can be on the road for 10am, driving along the Lake Erie coastline on a spectacular lake-view drive. We'll pass through many towns that start with the word "Port", hence our Fun Run name. We'll stop a few times along the way to refill and empty our coffee, and have some great photo opportunities. Our final Port of the day will be Port Stanley, where we can walk the beaches and have a great meal together to end our day. Please contact Mike Blinn or Rick Zuccato for more information:

Mike: cmblinn@gmail.com or 416 606 7816  
Rick: rjzuccato@gmail.com

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Book early as this event is sure to fill up fast! For more information, please contact Jeremy Gunness or Tom Lussman:  
Jeremy: jeremy.gunness@itechnica.com or 416 727 3006  
Tom: cogito1970@hotmail.com or 416 877 5379

**Sunday, August 21: (MAX 20 CARS)  
Pfaff GTA Urban Circuit Ramble**

**Registration Opens: Sunday, June 26 at 6pm**

You don't need to venture outside of the Toronto area to have an amazing Sunday drive – you just have to get out on the road early enough. Starting with coffee and refreshments at Pfaff Porsche in Woodbridge, this Sunday drive strings together some of the most picturesque roads in the GTA – as well as some of its best on- and off-ramps. It's a great way to explore the city in your Porsche, then end the day with lunch and an opportunity for socializing with fellow Porsche aficionados. For more information, please contact Laurance Yap at Pfaff: lyap@pfaffauto.com or 416 948 0672

**Saturday, August 27: (MAX 30 CARS)  
Creemore Copper Kettle Festival Fun Run**

**Registration Opens: Sunday, July 3 at 6pm**

This inaugural event will take us through the rolling Purple Hills around Creemore, and the dips and dives of the Niagara Escarpment in both Grey and Simcoe Counties. We'll enjoy lunch at the private Georgian Bay Golf Club with its panoramic views of Georgian Bay. After lunch we'll wind our way to Creemore, home of the Copper Kettle Festival and the Classics Car Show, where we'll have time to view the classic cars and enjoy the beer garden, music and street vendors. For those who wish to continue the adventure, our final stop is an optional early dinner at the quaint Terra Nova Public House. For more information, please contact Tom Arndt or Morley Bercovitch.

Tom: tom.arndt@outlook.com

Morley: mjberc@sympatico.ca or 705 429 5866

**Saturday, September 10: (MAX # CARS TBC)  
Porsche of London Fall Fun Run**

**Registration Opens: Sunday, July 17 at 6pm**

For more information, see future issues of *Provinz* or UCR's Fun Run webpages, or contact the event host, Mike Salter: mike@porschelondon.com or 519 601 1322.



# TRACKTALK



By Dave Osborne, UCR Track Chair



Photo by 303 Imaging

**W**ith our first DE event of the season on May 7th and 8th we kick off, what should be, our best season yet! With many of our events this year filled to capacity we are victims of our own success. We try to get everyone who signs up into each event but the logistics of matching instructors with students can be a real challenge. Please sign up early for all of the events you plan on attending this season so we don't disappoint you. If you're on the waitlist for any reason, it's wise to have your Tech Inspection completed, in case we get a last minute cancellation and are able to squeeze you in. We try to get everyone in, right up until the last few days, so our instructors could help by also signing up early. We have an interesting Instructor Program for you this season so our Chief Instructors, Stephen Goodbody and Tim Sanderson, need to know that you are definitely participating as an instructor.

For the past few years UCR has sponsored the Driven 2 Smile event, where some amazing volunteers organize a Friday event for those with life challenges. We always mention that we need instructors and Black run group drivers to take the kids and their supporters for laps on the track but sometimes fail to mention that this is a Club activity as well. We invite all members to come out and bring your families if possible. You can watch the event unfold, hang out at the activity tent or register to pitch in and volunteer, help kids get in and out of cars and participate in the craft fun. I promise you that it will be one of the most rewarding days of the season. It's truly a joyful experience for everyone involved and we would like to share it with you.

You can sign-up by contacting Jill Clements at this link; <http://www.tlc4u.ca/#!d2s/c22ad> or just show up and experience the fun as an observer. This event is free for all UCR members, their families and friends.

The June Driver Education event is also when we take our annual Track Walk. One of the Chief Instructors will walk the 2.5 mile course at 5:15 pm on Saturday with a crowd of enthusiastic students. I firmly believe that you can't get the most performance out of your car if you've never put your feet on the track. In walking from corner to corner you have the time to inspect the surface and elevation changes that you normally go flying over. The Chief Instructor will share all the secrets of a speedy entry and exit out of each corner. It's these nuances that allow you to hunt out grip and understand your car's responses to your inputs. One Track Walk will teach you more than 100 laps of seat time. I'm always impressed at the improvements made on the Sunday after the Track Walk as students apply their newfound knowledge. To prevent anyone from getting lost we provide a beverage van for you to follow. Otherwise how will you find your way back?

It must be difficult for manufacturers to anticipate the wishes of their customers while still attracting new buyers. Guys like me rattle on about what we like or don't like about their cars while brand leaders have to concern themselves with market share, shareholders and production costs. One thing that did become very clear to Porsche in the past year is that many customers, unlike those of some other brands, prefer to shift their own gears. I suspected that the last 911 and GT3 series cars with manual transmissions would be-

come instant collector items, as the last vestiges of control were taken from us. Surprisingly, Porsche has heard the cry and relented. After announcing last year that all GT3s of the future would have the PDK transmission they have now announced that both the 911R and next year's GT3 will both have the six speed manual option. It will be interesting to see if the sales numbers justify the expense of installing both gearboxes. I sincerely hope they do.

As the quality of the equipment improves it's becoming far more common for participants in DE to want video of their lapping sessions. GoPro (as an example) has revolutionized sports photography for the amateur and provided another tool to improving your performance. Like all tools though, video can be a detriment as well. The cameras themselves must be securely mounted, metal to metal, in order to prevent becoming a missile during a session. That applies to interior or exterior mounting, as you are just as responsible for the safety of those around you as you are for your own. You're also required to ensure the privacy of everyone at all UCR events.

Social media has become the number one depository for in car video. Banning that practice at our events is practically impossible, so I would like to propose some common sense solutions. First, before you turn "ON" a camera, ask your Instructor if you can video the session. They are there to help you improve your performance,

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By Walter Murray, Porscheplatz Chair and UCR Past President.



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So mark your diaries and I look forward to seeing you there.



From Porscheplatz 2015: Left to Right- Porsche Factory Drivers Nick Tandy, Patrick Pilet, Jörg Bergmeister, Earl Bamber.



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By John Adam, UCR Historian



**A**s you read this, we are drifting along a river in Europe covering the countryside from Istanbul to Vienna. From Vienna, we will depart for eastern Slovakia to hang out with my extended family for a week. Then it's back to Canada. It should be interesting to see a part of southern Europe that is all new to us. We first encountered river cruising last May and we were quite taken by the experience.

Life is good at this time of year. The winter blahs have been shaken off. The snow has melted even in ski country. The cars have been readied and our Driver Education season will get back on track at CTMP. Take pleasure in the fact that the good weather is finally with us, summer is just ahead, and opportunities to take advantage of it abound.

This season, up to half of our DE drivers will need to get new helmets. There is a sticker on the inside of every helmet bearing a Helmet Standard certification. Snell issues new standards every five years, their most recent being M2015 and SA2015. Thus as we're now in 2016, and UCR accepts helmets certified to current or immediately previous Snell standards, anybody with a Snell-certified helmet bearing a M2005 or SA2005 sticker is obliged to replace the helmet, no matter when you bought it.

The debate about the difference between Snell M vs. SA specifications has been waged for years. Suffice it to say, both specifications are approved for use at Porsche Club DE events. I always preferred the Snell M specification but others would beg to differ.

In 2016, if a vendor tries to sell you a helmet bearing a Snell M2010 or Snell SA2010 sticker, it has already lost half its useful life and therefore half its value to you. Don't get sucked in by a vendor carrying old stock.

Next month, Parade will be held in Vermont. We have a lot of UCR registrants. Each year UCR is on the list for a number of National awards. We have been recognized many times for our leading efforts for membership, charity, newsletter, and website, and have been named Region of the Year, three times. Individual UCR members have received the Zone Reps Award and the Enthusiast of the Year Award. At Parade, we have made friends from the USA and Europe. Parade events are organized by world class experts. Believe me when I tell you that National Parade-goers know who UCR is, based on some of our crazy antics. It's always fun.

We are spoiled by having a wealth of choices. Since we can't be away every weekend, we need to make our selections. So, what's on your schedule? It's time to get the P-car out and enjoy.



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not to star in your movie. If they say they would rather not, then please respect their wishes. They are volunteers and can just get out of your car at any time. Secondly, never post a video that contains an incident that isn't your own. If there is an insurance dispute over an incident that you posted video of, you could spend the next five years touring the courts. If it's your incident you could jeopardize your claim. Our events are not timed events, but your camera date and time stamps your video. You see the problem?

The more important issue is other people's privacy. You should never post video of someone else's license plates or images on social media without their expressed permission and preferably obtained in writing – not a trackside "yeah". Insurance companies can instantly run those plates and find out if they are insuring a car at any event. Employers could also see that your illness wasn't bad enough to keep you at home that Friday. Recording or posting an event comes with responsibility. The first is safety and the second is other participant's privacy. My suggestion is don't record it, but if you do, just keep it to yourself.

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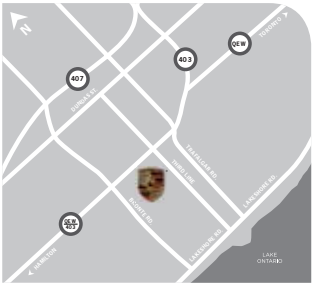
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