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PRESIDENT'S FORUM



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

One of the great satisfactions in my role is seeing you having fun at club events. I attend as many as possible so that I can meet you, listen to your feedback, answer your questions about UCR and just get to know you a bit better. I also enjoy working as a helper with other volunteers, happy to share the load and do as I'm told... well, most of the time. Of course, I wouldn't be doing any of this if I didn't love the events themselves and I wouldn't love the events as much if I didn't meet so many warm and friendly people. As we are bombarded daily with news of hate, fear and division, I doubt that I'm alone in seeing my Porsche Club activities and friendships as a welcome distraction and affirmation that there is plenty of goodness, kindness and camaraderie around us. I'm grateful that my purchase of a Porsche opened the door that led me into this wonderful community. This is often remarked on by others, for example at Porsche Parade, where you're gathering for a Fun Run and get chatting with a couple from Texas, a guy from North Carolina and two ladies from Quebec. Not only do they turn out to be such friendly, genuine people, but they remark on how they've noticed those qualities in everyone they've met at Parade from all over the continent. Another frequent example is when we're chatting with staff after an event at a new venue and they say what a pleasure it has been to host us, adding with a hint of surprise in their tone, how nice, polite, friendly, etc., all our members were. Of course... why would they have anticipated anything else, we wonder.

All of this was in evidence at our 40th Anniversary Family Picnic in July when a record turnout of 500 members and their families came together on a perfect summer's day in Vaughan. What more could I have wanted – all those smiling members, busy volunteers, over 150 beautiful Porsches of every kind displayed for us to admire, great food and the family picnic atmosphere that we'd set out to create from the start. It was also a great pleasure for me to welcome a number of PCA Niagara Region members, because the creation of UCR 40 years ago involved the transfer of 10 Ontario-based Niagara Region members to the new UCR. The Niagara Region Board not only approved this willingly, but offered all the support and help our new club might

need to get off the ground. So our 40th Anniversary Family Picnic seemed like a good time to invite our American friends to join us and be acknowledged publicly for their help back in 1976. One of our guests, Craig Erickson, was Past President on the Niagara Region board in 1976 and remembered much of the discussion about the proposed new Upper Canada Region. With both Craig and our own Founding President, Geoff McCord, sharing their stories about the beginnings of UCR, our special event took on an historic importance of its own.

We also welcomed our dealer friends, Pfaff Porsche and Porsche Centre Oakville, who enjoyed meeting so many of us and soaking up the atmosphere. This was a perfect occasion for us to thank them for their support and friendship and present them with plaques in recognition of this.

Thanks must go to Kathleen Wong who took the lead in organizing the picnic, and to the great team of volunteers who made it all run smoothly on the day. It was good to see many new or "first time at a UCR event" members and I hope this experience encourages them to come out to other events. Just don't expect 500 people at every one! On that note, I have to say that as a volunteer organization, we're always striving to understand your needs, create activities that appeal to you and bring you out in reasonable numbers. For example, I spoke to a number of members over a period of several months and concluded that there was a demand for more technical information, so we developed the idea of Tech Sessions. We have run two of these to date and the feedback has been extremely positive. I just wonder why in a club of 2600 members, they attracted less than 20 of you. Anyway, we'll keep at it, try to communicate better and hope to see more of you coming out to enjoy future Tech Sessions.

Keep your eyes up and drive safely,



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DRIVER'S SEAT



Randy D. Gananathan, Editor

Porsche CEO Oliver Blaume's comments first published in Christophorus No. 377, now at Porsche Newsroom: goo.gl/6rLLzW is worth reading as we invite UCR Board nominees for 2017. Asked, "Can you teach people to be innovative?" Herr. Blaume replied, "You can convey knowledge, you can improve skills. You can create an organization framework that's more conducive to personal development. But can you practice being curious? The desire to be innovative comes from inside. Let's call it a disposition. There are people who enjoy working on problems, regardless of where, when or with whom. The point is to come up with something. Or not. These are the people we are looking for" He went on to say, "We need a culture in which we say 'OK, give it a try' more than 'No, that won't work!' So if you are a club member with ideas or a disposition to be helpful, there's no better time than now to step forward and volunteer in our region at board level or the many event roles where innovation and curiosity will be rewarded with smiles from all club members. Just as Porsche innovates, satisfying customers, just come out and help UCR evolve inclusively to encompass its growing membership.

In this issue, Provinz, brings a collection of 40th Anniversary Picnic photos by club photographer Michael Coates, contributing photographer Wolfgang Lott and narrative of events by UCR VP Kathleen Wong on P22. Read how a member's lifelong passion turned into a birthday surprise on P32 and how another member drove a Porsche at age seven on P10, that cost the princely sum of 14.75 Deutsch Marks! ODETOJOY featured on P20 reminds us that we are never too old to enjoy a Porsche, even at age 93!

Fall is the most beautiful time of year to enjoy driving Porsches and we have five out of seven events open as listed on P31. A newly added October 2nd Autocross to the UCR calendar becomes the 4th event to choose from the first weekend of October.

All of these events and the free to attend September 13th social, compliments of Porsche Centre Oakville, are open for registration at clubregistration.net

What are you waiting for?

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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
Jun	29	Sun	Street Survival School - UCR & BMW Trillium
	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
Jul	18	Sat	Bear Manor Niagara Escarpment Poker Fun Run
	19-25	Sat-Sat	61 st Porsche Parade - Jay, VT
	21	Tue	Tech Session - Pfaff Porsche
	26	Sun	Ancaster Fun Run
	2	Sat	Grand-Niagara-on-the-Lake Fun Run
	5	Tue	Board Meeting
Aug	7-10	Thu-Sun	Porscheplatz - IMSA at CTMP
	9	Sat	UCR Rally
	12	Tue	Social Downtown Porsche

Jul	15-17	Fri-Sat-Sun	Driver Education CTMP with NNJR
	16	Sat	South Lake Simcoe Summer Ramble
	23	Sat	UCR Rally to Anniverary Picnic
	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
Sep	27	Sat	Creemore Copper Kettle Festival Fun Run
	27-28	Sat-Sun	Driver Education CTMP
	6	Tue	Board Meeting
	10	Sat	Porsche of London Fall Fun Run
	13	Tue	Social Porsche Centre Oakville
	17	Sat	Eastern ShoresFun Run
Oct	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
	1	Sat	Muskoka Fall Colours Fun Run
	1-2	Sat/Sun	Nickelball Tour
Nov	2	Sun	UCR Autocross
	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
Dec	6	Tue	Board Meeting
	13	Tue	Social - Pfaff Auto

Further details at: www.pcaucr.org

THE WAY WE WERE...

30 Years Ago

It was our 10th anniversary. PCA was 30 years old. **George Barbu** printed a special cover for us. National President **Jim Perrin**, Past President **Mick Williams** and Zone 1 rep **John Boles** sent letters of congratulations. **Dave Pateman** provided a historical perspective. We had 190 members. Members **Geoffrey Fowlow**, **Sorjo Ranta** and **Gerd Schwarzkopf** became members of PCA before UCR was chartered. Amongst the DE newbies at Shannonville in September were **Crawford Reid** and **Heinz Loth** – a member since 1976. The Concours at H.J. Pfaff Motors had the Adam's (his and hers) silver 944s tied and **George Lagusis** eked out a 356 win over **Bruce Farrow**. Event chair **Frank Bittner** took first place in 914 class.

25 Years Ago

The new 968 was featured on our cover. 29 new members joined, including **Jack Webb**. We reported that Membership Chairs **Mark & Angie Herring** had won the Zone Reps award at Parade in Danvers, MA – something rarely given. **Dave Pateman** was to host our 7th annual 914er day. Past President **Crawford Reid** was promoting board nominations. You have to picture this – **Elizabeth Spivak** wrote about going to Parade in Danvers, MA, in a 911, with four people (including two children), all their luggage, and a set of golf clubs.

20 Years Ago

Jack Christie wrote a feature about helping to develop a new Pirelli tire in France for the 944 Turbo Cup series. **Franzl Chwojka** was the race mechanic assisting. His story was titled "Coup de Feu" and describes **Gilles Villeneuve's** dramatic entries into the village of La Cadere, ending at Le Hostellerie Berard. The story should be reprinted someday. **David Langton** went to Le Mans. UCR member **Scott Goodyear** was driving and finished third. **Tom Brown** and **Ben Ciantar** were running 'Know Your Porsche' at Centennial College. Porsche reported building its millionth car, a 911..

Contributed by John Adam, UCR Historian



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Name	Location	Model	Thanks To
Masoud Akhavanbazaz	North York	17-911	Porsche of London
Azadeh Alizadeh & Simiask Baniadam	Toronto	16-Cayenne	Downtown Porsche
William Assini	London	15-Boxster	Porsche of London
Dennis Au Yeung	Richmond Hill	17-Macan S	Downtown Porsche
Gary Barrer	Washago	10-Boxster	
Yuan Cao	London	16-Cayenne	Porsche of London
Colin Chiat	Thornhill	16-Macan S	Porsche of London
Yuzhou Chu	Waterloo	16-Cayenne GTS	Porsche of London
Maria Ciaramella	Thornhill	17-Macan GTS	Downtown Porsche
Francis & Betty D'Oliveira	Georgetown	05-Boxster	Mantis Racing
Paolo Eugeni	Windsor	16-Cayman GT4	
David Grant	Toronto	87-944 T	
Joseph Hayward	Collingwood	73-911T	
Robert Hodgins	Calgary	14-Cayenne	Porsche of London
Michael Huppman	Markham	16-Boxster	Downtown Porsche
Jeremy Jancey	London	17-Boxster	Porsche of London
Abbie Katz	Komoka	16-Cayenne	Porsche of London
Mark Lachmann	Toronto	17-Macan S	Downtown Porsche
Bjarne Graven Larsen	Toronto	16-Cayenne T	Downtown Porsche
James Lindholm	Toronto	11-911 TS	
Michael Liu	London	16-Cayenne	Porsche of London
Christopher Mahony	Toronto	15-Macan S	Downtown Porsche
Rocco Malfara	Richmond Hill	09-911 C4S	
Robert Wayne McKitterick	Mossley	09-911 C	Porsche of London
Michael McLachlan	Toronto	17-Macan S	Downtown Porsche
Hazel McLean	Brantford	11-Cayenne	Porsche of London
David & Nisha Meadows	Toronto	05-911 C	
Reginald Mohammed	Ajax	12-Cayman	Porsche of London
Stephen Mullings	Toronto	16-Cayman GT4	Downtown Porsche
Rocco Nufrio	Brampton	02-911 C4	Porsche of London
Soban Pasha	Markham	16-Cayenne	Porsche of London
Francine Pepin	Toronto	17-Macan S	Downtown Porsche
Michael Perris	Ancaster	14-Boxster S	
Cecilia Ramos & Michael Labrecque	Scarborough	17-Macan S	Downtown Porsche
Sean Ramsarran	Cambridge	13-Boxster S	Porsche of London
Andrew Rattner	Thornhill	11-Boxster	Porsche of London
Alasdair Rew	Toronto	12-911 C4	
Paul Sanghera	Toronto	15-Macan S	Porsche of London
Pierre Seunik	Mississauga	12-911 CS	
James Smith	Baden	09-911 C	Porsche of London
Anas Stout	London	16-Cayenne SE	Porsche of London
Howard Starz	Kitchener	13-911 C4S	
Stephen Szak	Brantford	17-Macan GTS	Porsche of London
Alain Tan	Markham	16-Cayenne	Downtown Porsche
John Tate	Toronto	05-Boxster	
Andrew Taylor	North York	16-Macan S	Downtown Porsche
Gary Tong	Toronto	07-911 C4S	Downtown Porsche
Joseph Troppmann	Toronto	17-Macan GTS	
Laily Uster	Toronto	16-Panamera 4	Downtown Porsche
Max Vincenzi	London	77-911	
Qasim Virjee & Sheila Lakhoo	Toronto	89-928 S4	Mantis Racing
Xinglong Wang	Richmond Hill	17-911 C4S	Downtown Porsche
Carl Wehniainen & Debbie Seagram	Toronto	14-911 CS	

Name	Location	Model	Thanks To
Lisa Whitehead	Waterloo	16-Cayenne	Porsche of London
Wai Ling Karina Wong	Scarborough	16-Cayenne	Downtown Porsche
Ian Woodbury	Toronto	17-Macan	Downtown Porsche
Xueyun Wu	Thornhill	16-Cayenne SE	Downtown Porsche

ANNIVERSARIES...Congrats!

Membership Information by Angie and Mark Herring, UCR Membership Chairs.

50YEARS

Geoffrey Fowlow & Janet Matthews

30YEARS

Dennis & Saveria Rak

25YEARS

Stephen Corner & Susan Smythe
Glenn & Kimberly Fallis
Abe & Fern Reinhartz

20YEARS

Roman & Jessica Ciecwierz
John & Oksana Fuke

15YEARS

Kevin & Elizabeth Campbell
David & Luann Collins
Hazel de Burgh

10YEARS

George & Toula Atis
Ross & Louise Corindia
Dom & Daniel lafrate
John Jentz
Gary McCracken
Renate Weidner

5YEARS

Michael Betel
Michael Birbari
Chris Bourdos

Robert Bowman & Mary Atwell
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BACKFIRE: Member Feedback

Submitted by Ken Jensen, UCR Webmaster and Past President

Congrats on a terrific 40th Anniversary Picnic!

I was impressed with the organization and execution of the 40th Anniversary Picnic by Kathleen and her many volunteers. The event was one of the best that I have attended in a long time.... the number of cars (170 plus) and members in attendance (490 plus). Kathleen did a super job. The food, drinks and to top it off, the ice cream truck. Everything was excellent with the car display and the grounds, again perfect for our activity! It was a wonderful event / day and kudos to all those involved in planning and execution. Fantastic!

Regards,
Ken Jensen,
Past President

Photo by Michael A. Coates, UCR Photographer

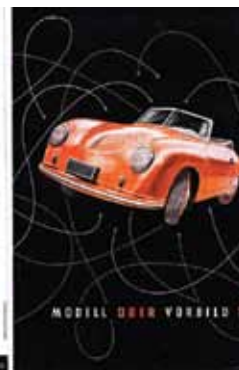
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MY FIRST PORSCHE

Story & photos by Peter Hoffman, UCR Member

I have had it since 1955 or 1956 (cannot accurately recall that far back). It was a birthday present, given to me by an uncle when we were living in Hungary. As the German advertisement describes, it cost 14.75 Deutschmarks (approximately \$3.50 USD) at the time. The original version operated on a single 4.5 volt battery, my updated model uses two D cells. It has a functional steering wheel, two forward gears, neutral and reverse and an ignition key. In addition, it has a mechanical remote control mechanism (as illustrated in the attached graphic) whereby



the red rubber cup attaches to the steering wheel, the metal armature with sprockets fits over the floor mounted gearshift, the alternate end of the flexible wire cable has two rubber cylindrical handles, twisting the red one turns the steering wheel, twisting the black one controls the gear shift.

So in fact I was driving Porsches in 1955 at the tender age of 7 – it got me hooked for life.



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SOCIAL EVENTS

By Martin Tekela, UCR Socials Chair

UCR'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. 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/. If you have any questions, please contact our registrar at socials@pcaucr.org.



Coming Events

SEPTEMBER SOCIAL:

Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2016,
6:30-8:30pm, Bar-B-Q Dinner at 7pm
Venue: Porsche Centre Oakville,
2250 South Service Road West, Oakville,
Ontario L6L 5N1 1-(855) 319-7534
www.porschecentreoakville.com

Porsche Centre Oakville will again be hosting an evening for UCR members and guests at their showroom in Oakville, just off the QEW highway. This is a great event for all of our members who live in the west end of the GTA. Come and see the latest models from Porsche and enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow Porsche enthusiasts.

Although there is no charge for this event, please register in advance via www.ClubRegistration.net (as described above) so our hosts can properly prepare for this event.

OCTOBER SOCIAL:

Date: Tuesday, October 11, 2016, 6:30-9pm.
Venue: The Musket Restaurant, 40 Advance Road, Toronto Ontario M8Z 2T4 416-231-6488

Mark your calendars for UCR's traditional Oktoberfest Social at The Musket Restaurant. UCR members have enjoyed this event for many years and it is truly a great way to meet fellow Porschephiles while enjoying popular German fare such as schnitzel, roasted pork hocks, draft beer and wine. We welcome you to dress in traditional *landhausmode* - Lederhosen or Dirndl, or you can update that Oktoberfest look to suit yourself. Special prizes will be awarded for the best *herren* and *damen* costumes, as voted by the audience.

Please register for this event through www.ClubRegistration.net. No advance payment is required and all members and guests will be responsible for paying their individual tabs at the Musket Restaurant, based on what they've ordered. Dagmar will also be there and will be awarding various raffle prizes at the end of the evening. Ein Prosit!



Photo by Eshel Zweig, Provinz Contributing Photographer

AUGUST SOCIAL

By Martin Tekela, UCR Socials Chair Photos by Michael A. Coates, UCR Photographer

It was yet another warm and rainless summer evening when I arrived at 5:30pm. There were still many golfers' cars occupying most spaces in the parking lot at Islington Golf Club. Despite needing to use their overflow parking, we welcomed over 40 UCR members, interested member prospects and guests at the August 9 event.

Virtually everyone registered for this event through ClubRegistration.net. That makes planning these events so much easier.

Our guest for this evening was Steve Bortolotti, manager of the Pfaff Motorsports Team. Steve brought two Cayman GT4's for us to compare and contrast. One was a street GT4, while the second was the ClubSport model which was fully prepared for competitive racing.

The evening started with socializing and camaraderie for all at around 6:30pm. Islington's very popular Hip of Beef, along with amazing sweet potato fries and authentic Greek Salad, was served at 7:00pm. Second and third helpings of beef were enjoyed by those who wished. Immediately afterwards at around 7:45pm we all followed Steve and his assistant Bob, to view the GT4's parked in front before we ran out of daylight. Steve explained several of the features of both cars.

Afterwards, everyone returned inside and UCR President Mike Bryan reviewed some of the well-attended, recent club activities. These included the 40th Anniversary Club Picnic, the 21st annual Can-Am PCA Club Race, various Fun Runs, Rambles & Tours and the NNJR/UCR Drivers Education (DE) event at Canadian Tire Motorsports Park (CTMP). Mike then talked about upcoming events including more Fun Runs; an August



DE at CTMP, the September Social at Oakville Porsche Centre, the October 1 Volksfest at Ontario Place and the November UCR Board of Director Elections and Social at The Islington Golf Club.

Mike then presented UCR pins to all the new members or first-time Socials attendees. These were Willie and Beverly Cahill, Paul McCreery and his guest John, Bruce Pinkerton, Pierre Seunik and Barry Zilberberg.

I really encourage all new members to attend a monthly social. We will assign you a mentor to introduce you to other members and to help answer any PCA/UCR-related questions.

Hostess Dagmar Ruehl-Pegg then concluded the evening with her traditional raffle. She awarded various Porsche-related prizes including posters, books, clothing and free VIP tickets to Oktoberfest at Ontario Place. Thanks go to the Socials volunteers Randy Gananathan and Dagmar at the event registration desk, Mario Marrello who looks after ClubRegistration.net and Kathleen Wong and Kimberley Viney for their event management skills.



IMSA'S CANADIAN RACE 2016



Porsche Factory Drivers Visit Porscheplatz at CTMP

Story and Pictures by Kathleen Wong, UCR Vice President

The International Motor Sports Association ("IMSA") has a 12-race schedule for the 2016 season of the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship. Canadian Tire Motorsport Park ("CTMP") hosted the only Canadian race on July 9th and 10th. It was also the venue for one of the six Porscheplatz that Porsche Cars North America ("PCNA") is organizing in 2016.

Porscheplatz is a car corral organized by IMSA and PCNA. The admission ticket price was \$115.00 and it included priority parking exclusively for Porsche cars; access to the Porsche hospitality tent overlooking the apex at Corner 1; raffle for IMSA hot pit experience; sign up for paddock tour with unrestricted views of the cars, garages, mechanics and drivers; a chance to drive your own Porsche at CTMP Grand Prix track in a parade lap on Sunday; Saturday lunch, and Sunday BBQ lunch plus draw prizes. There was also live closed circuit TV broadcasting of the races in the hospitality tent. The highlight of the Porscheplatz at CTMP was the "Meet 'n Greet" with two Porsche Cayman GT4 Teams - Bodymotion Racing and CJ Wilson Racing, and four Porsche Factory Drivers of Porsche 911 RSR cars #911 and #912.

The majority of the 100+ participants at the Porscheplatz were UCR members. We also had representatives from IMSA, Porsche Cars North America ("PCNA") and

Porsche Cars Canada ("PCC") such as Diezel Lodder (IMSA), Tiffany Lodder (IMSA), Paul Gregor (Manager, Porsche Clubs North America), Margareta Mahlstedt (Director of Marketing, PCC) and Kathrin Menge (Customer Relations Manager, PCC).

Lynn Friedman (PCA Zone 5 representative) led the Porscheplatz volunteer team which was comprised of the following UCR members: Mike Bryan (President), Terry Cassan, Randy Gananathan (Provinz Editor), Matthew Lam, Walter Murray (Past President), Gregory Sachs (Director), Ken Jensen (Past President and Webmaster), David Walker, John Van Atter (Past President), Pat Van Atter, Kathleen Wong (VP), Ted Youngs (2015 Enthusiast of the Year) and Foster Zanutto (UCR Secretary). Most of these volunteers worked at the registration desk inside the Porsche hospitality tent and directed traffic/parking at the Porsche Corral. Manny Alban (PCA National Past President) was also present at the event.

The two major races of the weekend included: a two-and-a-half-hour Continental Tire SportsCar Challenge race; and a two-hour and 40-minute Mobil 1 Sportscar Grand Prix race.

The Continental Tire SportsCar Challenge took place on Saturday July 9th and it had a total of 33 entries with six entries in the Grand Sport Class and 27 entries in the Street Tuner Class:

1) **Grand Sport (GS)** allows American iron such as the Ford Shelby GT350R/C to battle with exotic international machines, such as the Porsche Cayman GT4 Clubsport, Porsche 911 and Aston Martin Vantage. GS cars are tuned to produce between 400 and 460 horsepower, featuring speeds in excess of 250 km/h; and

2) **Street Tuner (ST)** includes the Audi S3, Honda Civic Si, Porsche Cayman, BMW 328i and 228i, Mazda MX-5 and MINI John Cooper Works.



Above: Lynn Friedman, Porscheplatz Coordinator and PCA Zone 5 Representative
(Photo Courtesy of Matthew Lam)

Opposite page, Left to right: Bodymotion Racing: Moderator with Devin Jones (#31 Cayman in ST Class), Trent Hindman (#12 Cayman GT4 Clubsport in GS Class), Cameron Cassels (#12 Cayman GT4 Clubsport in GS Class), Jason Rabe (#31 Cayman ST Class),



Above: Bodymotion Racing Porsche Cayman GT4 Clubsport #12



Above, Left to right: Walter Murray (UCR Past President), Manny Alban (PCA National Past President), Mike Bryan (UCR President)

ST cars are limited to four- and six-cylinder engines and rotaries, producing between 230 and 290 horsepower. The top speed for this class is 216 km/h.

CJ Wilson Racing #33 Porsche Cayman GT4 Clubsport of Daniel Burkett and Marc Miller finished second in the GS Class and second overall at the Continental Tire SportsCar Challenge race on Saturday July 9th. The best lap time of #33 was 1.28.536. The Bodymotion Racing #12 Porsche Cayman GT4 Clubsport of Cameron Cassels and Trent Hindman finished fourth in the GS Class and fourth overall. The best lap time of #12 was 1.28.663. The sister car, #31 2012 Porsche Cayman that Jason Rabe and Devin Jones drove, finished ninth in the ST class and 13th overall.

The Mobil 1 Sportscar Grand Prix took place on Sunday July 10th and it had a total of 39 entries spread across four

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Left to right: Moderator with CJ Wilson Racing's Daniel Burkett and Marc Miller, #33 in GS Class

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Left to right: Porsche Factory Drivers Patrick Pilet (911 RSR #911), Earl Bamber (911 RSR #912), Frédéric Makowiecki (911RSR #912) and Nick Tandy (911RSR #911)

classes: eight cars (P), seven cars (PC), nine cars (GTLM) and 15 cars (GTD).

1. Prototype (P) This class features the most technologically advanced sports cars in North America, which are capable of speeds approaching 320 km/h. The cars competing in this class are Corvette DP, DeltaWing DWC13-Elan, HPED ARX-03b, Ligier JS P2, Mazda Prototype

2. Prototype Challenge (PC) This class features open top race cars and technology such as carbon fiber chassis, carbon brakes and a sequential gearbox. The cars competing in this class are ORECA FLM00-Chevrolet.

3. GT Le Mans (GTLM) Utilizing the same technical regulations as the 24 Hours of Le Mans, the GTLM cars are the most elite and fastest GT cars on the track. The cars competing in this class are BMW M6, Corvette C7.R, Ferrari 488, Ford GT and Porsche 911 RSR. The #911 and #912 Porsche Factory Drivers of Porsche 911 RSR competed in this class.

4. GT Daytona (GTD) This class utilizes the global FIA-GT3 Specification. The cars competing in this class are Aston Martin Vantage GT3, Audi R8 LMS GT3, BMW M6 GT3, Ferrari 458 Italia GT3, Lamborghini Huracan GT3, Porsche 911 GT3-R, SRT Viper GT3-R.

Porsche factory drivers Earl Bamber (New Zealand) and Frédéric Makowiecki (France) of #912 Porsche 911 RSR finished sixth in the GTLM class and 20th overall at the Mobil 1 Sportscar Grand Prix race on Sunday July 10th. Porsche factory drivers Patrick Pilet (France) and Nick Tandy (England) of #911 Porsche 911 RSR finished eighth in the GTLM class and 22nd overall.

The success at Porscheplatz was supported by a group of dedicated UCR volunteers. Our sincere thanks to every one of the Porscheplatz volunteer team and special thanks to Lynn Friedman and John Van Atter for leading the volunteer team and delivering a truly memorable experience for all participants.

For more Porscheplatz pictures, please see attached link: <http://pcaucr.org/media/image-galleries/nggallery/all/2016-Porscheplatz-at-CTMP>



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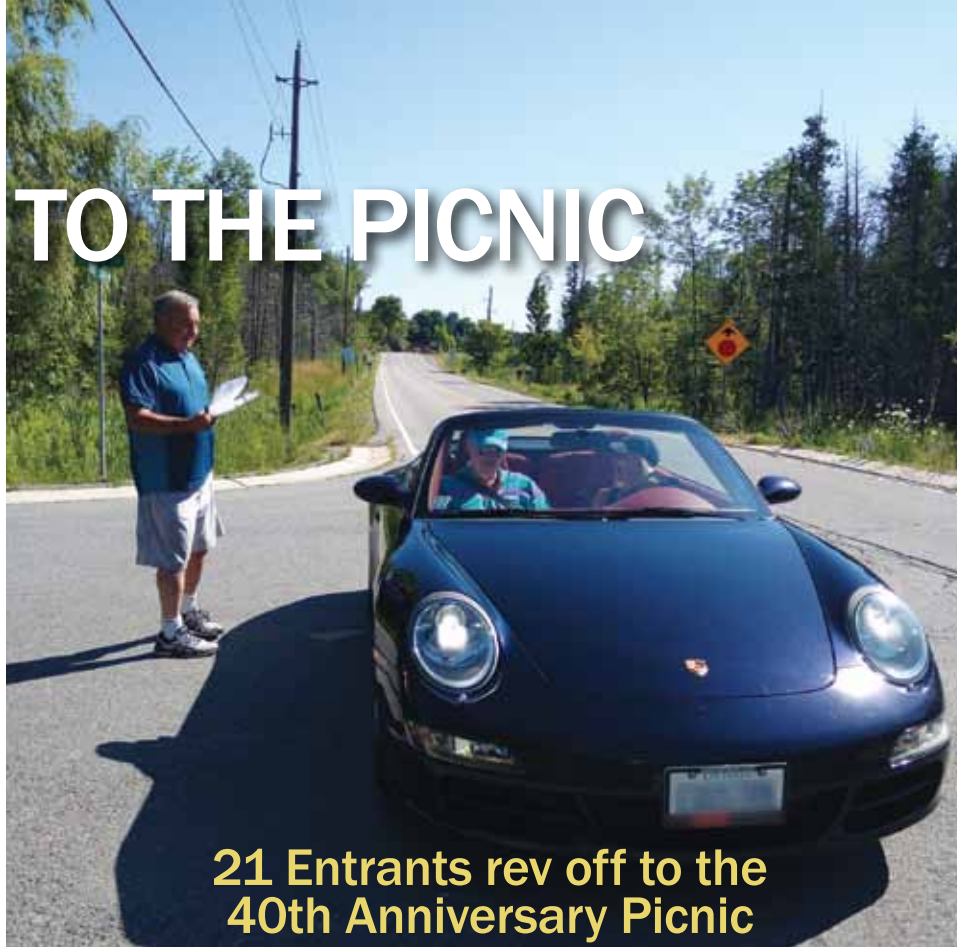
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UCR RALLY TO THE PICNIC



21 Entrants rev off to the 40th Anniversary Picnic

By Sajjad Butt, UCR Rallymaster Photos by Sadia & Gulzar Butt

The UCR's 40th Anniversary celebration began very early on July 23rd, a beautiful warm sunny Saturday, when members began gathering by 8:00 am at the Meadowvale Club. It was a perfect day for driving around the countryside. The annual UCR Rally kicked off our anniversary celebrations with coffee and donuts mixed with pre-race banter followed by the pre-race driver/navigator briefing.

Anticipation could be felt in the cool early morning atmosphere as Porsches edged to the start line, navigators received their rally sheets and drivers given instructions where to "zero their odometers". Entrants consisted of a candy store array in colour of Porsche models, from a stunning metallic blue Macan to a gorgeous green GT3 RS. Various generations of 911's were the majority in sophisticated silvers, blues, as well as black and white. Plus there were plenty of reds as in any Porsche event.

Twenty-one revved up Porsches roared off at 8:30 sharp, adding music to this spectacular sight for participants and onlookers to enjoy, hearing powerful Porsche engines mixed with flashes of colour as they headed off for a two-hour driving adventure. The Rally Route led them through some of Ontario's prime summer landscapes before reaching the finishing

point at Boyd Conservation Park for the 40th Anniversary Picnic. Despite the growing urban development, the rally took drivers past country vistas and through shady woodlands where participants discovered to their surprise that not all roads around the GTA are gridded and that Ontario's farmland is right around the corner.

Once at Boyd Conservation Park, rally drivers and navigators met up with other Porsche club members for wonderful comradery, a Show and Shine, and a fabulous BBQ picnic, followed by an awards presentation. There were many first time entrants in this year's rally and they did quite well. Car #3, driven by Stephanie Perry and Jan Robarts, came in first. It was their first time and the two ladies won the rally! Second place went to car #20 with Alex and Jet So, with two kids in tow, while third place belonged to Oliver and Lucie Collins in car #7. Fourth and fifth place finishers were Roy Singh/David Prashad (car #1) and Randy Stroud/Paul Larocque (car #2), respectively. A special prize for good effort was given to Fitzray and Jacqueline Nash, who were enthusiastic throughout the rally. Willie and Beverly Cahill won a prize for making sure that everyone finished the rally before them. They indeed helped others during the course with directions.



Far Left: A warm, sunny morning and aching a checkpoint—what could be better!
Left: Participants prepare for their departure.
Below: Rally Winners Stephanie Perry and Jan Robarts celebrate with UCR Rallymaster Sajjad Butt
Below Right: Handing out the Rally Awards
Bottom: An eager crowd awaits the results.



Photo by Roman McGrath



As UCR president Mike Bryan emphasized at the celebration, these events do not and could not happen without the help of dedicated volunteers. From early that morning, Rohail Ali-Khan, Manzar, Mario Morelli and Gulzar, were out helping with directing drivers, doing registrations and providing numbers to cars coming in. At the control points were Andy, Kowelowski, Mr. and Mrs. Val Simic, Sadia, Imrana and again my wife Gulzar who never leaves my side through these events unless someone shows up in a spruced up Porsche, without a navigator. One of

our dedicated multi-year volunteers Mike Bertin, missed helping in this year's rally and we send our best wishes to him for good health. Provinz Editor Randy Gananathan was at the starting point at 8am and rushed back to Boyd to direct incoming Porsches to park in a beautiful semicircle. "Thank you" to all of these volunteers and others who have helped make this an enjoyable event every year. We look forward to welcoming more members to future UCR rallies. It is fun and challenging, not just for drivers or navigators but the entire family!



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To Try Something New

By John Buckingham, UCR Member

New to PCA UCR, I have been checking out a number of UCR events, like the monthly dinner gatherings, Fun Runs and, still to come, my first DE Day. I took delivery of my first Porsche, a 2017 911 Targa 4S, at the end of April and am enjoying every minute in 'ODETOJOY' (yes, for the first time, I sprang for a special plate!). Of course, one talks about these things to friends and family. Little did I expect my 93-year old father to then say, "I want to join you on a Fun Run!"

The conversation went something like this:

"Dad, your walker won't fit in the car."

"Then I'll take my cane."

"You know you're not going to drive?"

"No problem. When do we go?"

So, the perfect opportunity soon arose. Terry Sellers was arranging the South Lake Simcoe Summer Ramble leaving from and returning to The Briars Resort on July 16th. The Briars is a favourite spot for my parents to get away from the city. I signed us up.

At this point, my father had never set eyes on my new toy, let alone driven in a Porsche of any description. So when I picked him up on Saturday morning,



it was the start of an eye-opening experience for him. We had a brisk drive to The Briars, had breakfast there and then joined the group. A colourful collection of Porsches showed upon that perfect summer morning, to explore the region! We didn't quite know what to expect as I had only been part of a single Fun Run at that point; a 'follow the leader' event in the Niagara Peninsula. This was different. Terry had organized the day as a 'Ramble' with directions to follow, more or less, as we touched down at a variety of suggested spots before gathering for lunch. My father and I promptly headed out, with him serving as navigator and us leading a small group of cars.

Now, this is the story my father and I have agreed to tell, and we're sticking to it. At the first turn, we turned right and everyone behind us turned left. My father's comment: 'We should let others have the opportunity to take the lead; noting that none of them were blindly following us'. Over the course of the day I must say that my father's navigation skills were impressive. We were once at the tail of a queue, and when they turned right, we took 'the road less taken' together with another P-car following us. And we were correct! Did I tell you my father was a forestry professor before he retired and taught orienteering to undergraduates when they were picking up field experience?

We had a great day that day, thanks to Terry's organization and the group that joined us for the event. Having the chance to have an extended talk with my father was an added benefit. Perhaps you'll see us together on another Fun Run!



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40th ANNIVERSARY FAMILY PICNIC

A record attendance of close to 500!

By Kathleen Wong, UCR Vice President

As many of you know by now, Geoff McCord was a member of the Niagara Region in 1975 and was instrumental in forming Upper Canada Region ("UCR") in Ontario, becoming our first president. UCR was officially chartered on July 21, 1976 and today, we are the largest region among 144 regions within the Porsche Club of America with approximately 2,600 primary members plus 1,400 affiliates.

On Saturday July 23, 2016, the closest weekend date to our inauguration date, we celebrated our 40th anniversary with a family picnic at

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40th ANNIVERSARY PICNIC

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Boyd Conservation Area's Hillview site. A record 491 attendees of UCR members and their families, including 10 from Niagara Region (counting spouses), representatives from Porsche Cars Canada, Pfaff Porsche and Porsche Centre Oakville made this our largest event in our 40-year history.

Gorgeous weather brought our member's Porsches rolling into the "Show 'n Shine" area by 9:00am where Randy Gananathan (Provinz Editor) and his team

of volunteers directed incoming Porsches to align in a beautiful semi-circle, that eventually turned into a huge circle, with an "all-in

Show 'n Shine" display of 150+ Porsches!

By noon, it felt like 40+ Celcius with the humidex when Fire-it-Up BBQ, our event caterer began serving a gourmet BBQ lunch. The ice-cream truck's arrival at 12:30 was an instant hit as we had a long line of kids and adults craving ice cream!

After lunch around 2:00pm, Mike Bryan (UCR President) welcomed everyone and invited Geoff McCord and Richard de Asis (Niagara Region President) to tell us how UCR was born out of the Niagara Region. Following their speeches about UCR history, Mike tested

UCR knowledge among our members with a trivia quiz. \$50.00 UCR Goodie Store Gift Certificates were awarded to 10 quiz winners and five Show 'n Shine winners.

In appreciation of Porsche dealerships who have been long-time supporters of UCR, Mike presented plaques to Laurance Yap (Director of Marketing, Pfaff Porsche) and David Perruzza (Marketing Manager of Porsche Centre Oakville). Pfaff Porsche displayed a Pfaff 50th anniversary 911 Turbo S (an exclusive special edition of which only five were made by the factory), a Pfaff 911 GT3 Cup racecar and a vintage Porsche 911. They set up a tent displaying marketing materials and sold Porsche merchandise, including 1:43 scale models of the 50th anniversary 911 Turbo S and 911 GT3 Cup racecars. Porsche Centre Oakville displayed a Policaro 911 GT3 and also set-up a tent displaying Porsche information, gave away 918 posters, and held a draw for VIP tickets to a race in August.

Another highlight of the picnic began early that morning in far away Mississauga.



Photos by Michael A. Coates, UCR Photographer



The Annual UCR Rally organized by Sajjad Butt (UCR Rally Master) ended at the final checkpoint at our picnic! First time participants won the 2-hour urban rally driven by 21 Porsches this year.

At 2:45pm, we gathered all remaining members to stand inside the huge circle of Porsches and Michael

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Coates, Club Photographer and Wolfgang Lott, *Provinz* Contributing Photographer took group photos and our 40th Anniversary Family Picnic concluded at approximately 3:00pm.

Special thanks go to Ken and Sussi Jensen for advice received at a social when they pointed me to an excellent website listing all picnic locations across Ontario because I was assigned the task of organizing our 40th



Anniversary Picnic by the Board and I was spinning wheels for three months locating a centralized picnic site in the Greater Toronto Area, finding ways to avoid paying expensive permit fees within Toronto and working around the laundry list of park restrictions thrown at me, in an effort to keep costs low because the Board had also decided the picnic was free to all members and families. With the Jensen's suggestion, I was able to find the ideal site for our picnic at Boyd Conservation Area in Vaughan with easy highway access and only a 30-minute drive from Markham or Mississauga and conveniently off the 400 for members coming south from cottage country. The permit cost at Boyd Conservation Area was very affordable for our club and they had a list of preferred vendors such as Party Magic for tent rental, Fire it UP BBQ for catering, and Fiesta4Kids for the inflatable bouncing castle, so I didn't even have to worry about getting additional approvals for these at this park. Thanks again, Ken and Sussi!



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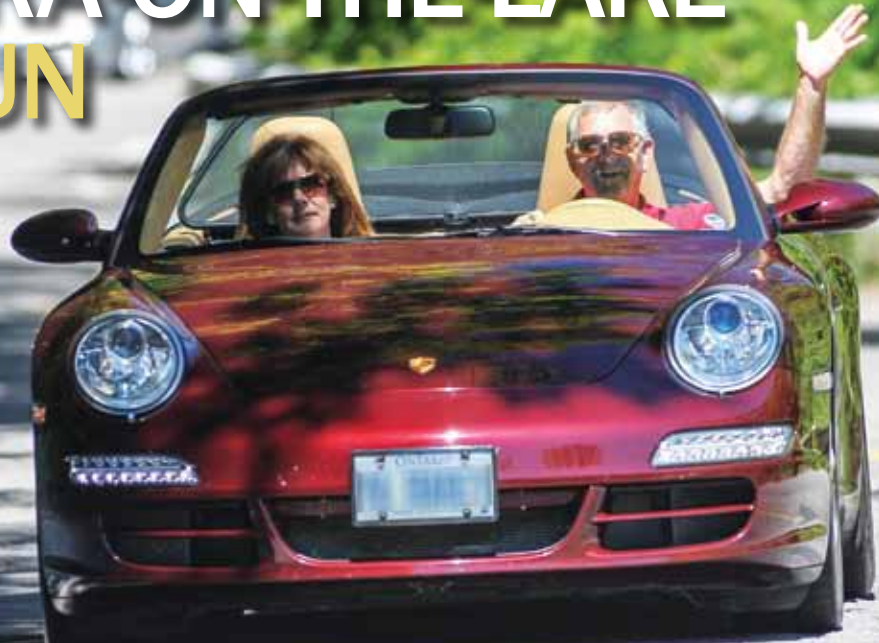


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GRAND RIVER/ NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE FUN RUN



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By Mark Kalin, UCR Member Photos by Michael A. Coates, UCR Photographer

It's Sunday, May 8th, it's 5:59pm and I'm at my computer. My mouse pointer hovers in anticipation; my finger is ready to click. Registration for the Grand Niagara-on-the-Lake Fun Run opens at 6pm, and I am ready! Events like this seem to book up quickly, so if you're interested, it's best to sign up immediately. I'm interested—I've been going on Fun Runs for years with my boys, and they are a LOT of fun! Meeting fellow Porsche enthusiasts and driving in "the big line of cars"—as my youngest would say—are highlights. So a minute later, I click "Register", sign up, and look forward to July 2nd.

The morning of the Fun Run started out on the cool side but it soon became hot and sunny—perfect weather. We made our way south from Ancaster towards the Grand River. I loved the drive along The Grand as the road winds gently and the scenery is fantastic. I noted

that the route chosen by our hosts, Guenter and Michelle Gamauf, included several 80km/h zones—which kept us going at a good pace.

Having worked our way eastwards and northwards, our first pit stop—at the Peach Country Farm Market in Vineland—allowed us to enjoy freshly baked pastries and pies, fuel up with coffee, and purchase local preserves and cherries.

The next leg of the Fun Run took us through the area around Jordan—with its roads full of twisties, ups and downs, and dense forest. Breathtaking!

For lunch, we stopped at Rockway Vineyards, just west of St. Catharines. There, we enjoyed a complimentary wine tasting and a scrumptious meal while overlooking the golf course.

After some socializing, we entered the final leg of

our Run. Heading east toward the Niagara River, we entered the tunnel under the Welland Canal. What a feral sound all of those Porsches made in there! The drive along the Niagara River was yet another fine stretch of driving, especially with all the elevation changes.

Our Fun Run concluded at the Avondale Dairy Bar in Niagara-on-the-Lake, where we enjoyed small-batch, handmade ice cream. What a wonderful day. Many thanks go to our hosts Guenter and Michelle for organizing such an excellent event. See you next year!



FUN RUNS, RAMBLES & TOURS



Photo by Hazel de Burgh

By Hazel de Burgh, UCR Fun Run Program Chair

Great Events to Get Your Car on the Road!



Our 2016 Fun Run Program has been a huge success so far! By early August, there were 10 sell-out events, with

a total of over 225 cars! Later in August, there were another 2 waitlisted events. Thanks to all the wonderful hosts who organized these events.

Looking forward, we have another 7 events from September to October, with events heading north, south, east and west. See the table below. There's lots of variety to choose from – and lots of fabulous roads to explore. Although some of our smaller Fall events are now wait-listed, the events with larger capacity have spots available. What could be better than taking your car out for a Fall drive, in the company of fellow Porsche enthusiasts? These events are open to all Porsche models – regardless of how many doors and passengers you have.

UPCOMING EVENTS

To help with your planning, here are brief descriptions of the five events with remaining capacity (at time of writing) – further details are on www.clubregistration.net.

Sat, Sept 10: Porsche of London Fall Fun Run

This event will start at Porsche of London and explore a picturesque route, past coastlines and bucolic farmland southwest of London to our destination in Kingsville, about 30 minutes from Windsor. There, we'll enjoy lunch and an afternoon tour of the Canadian Transportation Museum & Heritage Village.

Sat, Sept 17: Eastern Shores Fun Run

This event will begin in southeastern Durham Region. We'll travel picturesque roads east along the shore of Lake Ontario, through scenic farmland and charming communities to our lunch destination in Cobourg. Our Fun Run will then loop back to Hearsh Place through back roads and more scenic farmland for a complimentary reception.

So, check your calendar, then log in to www.clubregistration.net to sign up. If you've never used this site before, search on the word "Canada" to find all of UCR's events, then click on "Register" for a description of each event that interests you, including costs.

And if you're interested in planning an upcoming event, or you'd like to help in the running of UCR's Fun Run Program, please let us know via fun-runs@pcaucr.org, or talk to a Board member at an upcoming Social. As an entirely volunteer-run club, our Fun Run Program is "fuelled by volunteers". There are many dates remaining for 2016, and we already have one event on the calendar for 2017.

Enjoy!



Photo by Hazel de Burgh

Sun, Sept 25: "The Salmon Run" Fall Ramble

This event will begin opposite Porsche Cars Canada's new headquarters at the corner of Highways 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 ice cream at a country store.

Sat-Sun, October 1-2: Nickelball Tour

This event starts in Parry Sound then heads north across the newest and smoothest sections of Highway 400 with its playful exits and on-ramps. We'll then continue through the Canadian Shield to a golf club lunch in Sudbury. After lunch, we'll enjoy many picturesque curves and white quartzite mountains. On Day Two, we'll tour both the north and south coasts of Manitoulin Island along open and clear roads with a stop for lunch at the western point of the island.

Sun, Oct 23: Fall Port-to-Port-to-Port Fun Run

This event starts in Grimsby, and we'll drive 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. Our final Port will be Port Stanley, where we can walk the beaches and enjoy a great meal together to end our day.



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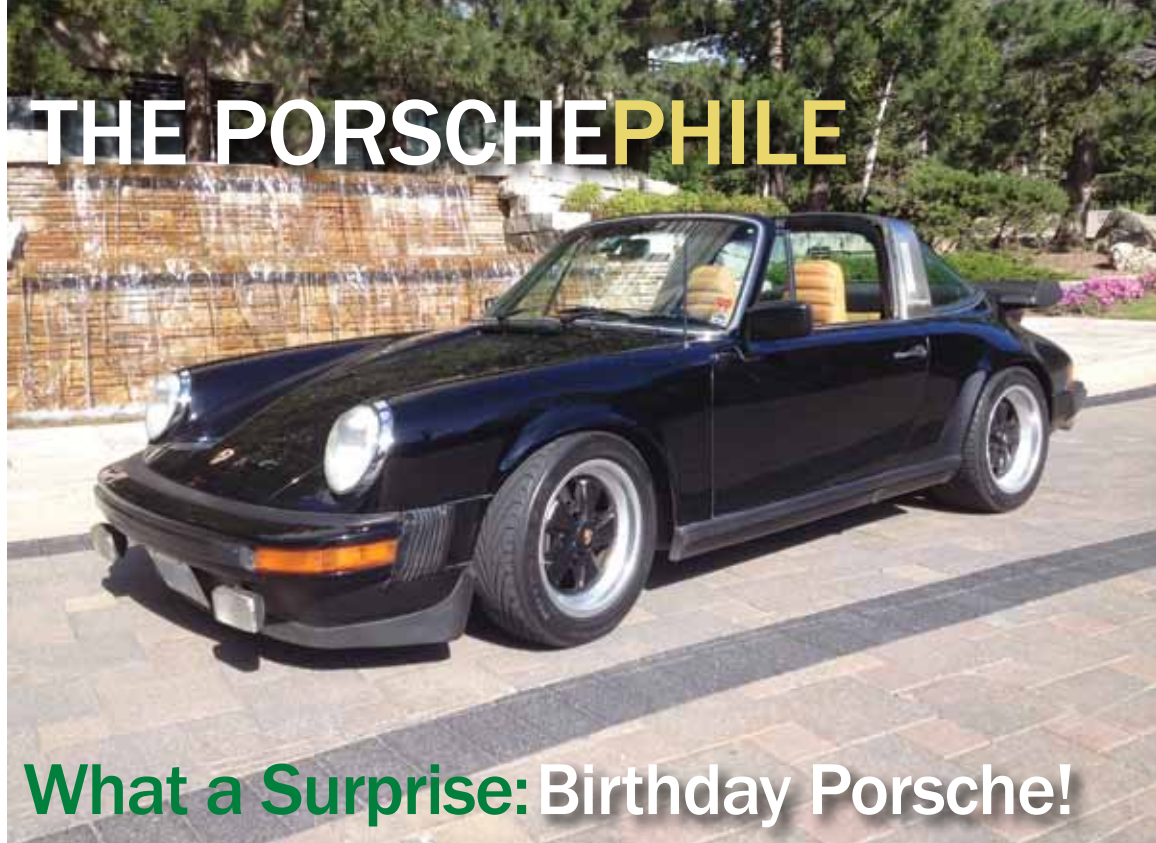
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EVENT DATE	EVENT STATUS	MAX # CARS	EVENT NAME	HOST NAME(S)	HOST EMAIL (for more information)
Sat, Sep 10	OPEN	50	Porsche of London Fall Fun Run	Mike Salter	mike@porschelondon.com
Sat, Sep 17	OPEN	30	Eastern Shores Fun Run	David Forbes & Peter Hoffman	david.forbes@rbc.com peter@hwa-inc.com
Sun, Sep 25	OPEN	50	"Salmon Run" Fall Coastal Ramble	Randy Ganathan	rdganathan@gmail.com
Thu-Mon Sept 29-Oct 3	WAITLISTED	10	Great Smoky Mountains Gran Turismo Fall Tour	Jason Figueiredo	jasonfig993@gmail.com
Sat, Oct 1	WAITLISTED	24	Muskoka Fall Colours Fun Run	David & Anne Forbes	david.forbes@rbc.com
Sat-Sun, Oct 1-2	OPEN	30	Nickelball Tour	Greg Oldenburg & Dennis Centis	greg@oldenburginc.com dennis@centistile.com
Sun, Oct 23	OPEN	15	Port-to-Port-to-Port Fall Fun Run	Mike Blinn & Rick Zuccato	cmblinn@gmail.com rjzuccato@gmail.com

Considering hosting? Contact: fun-runs@pcaucr.org



By Jim Wilgar, UCR Member

As a lover of fine automobiles, I appreciate the sound, style, and history of Porsche. In fact, my passion for the marque goes back to the early '50s, when, during the early days of racing at the Edenvale Aerodrome, north of Toronto, my Dad and I would watch and marvel at the profusion of Jags, Healeys and MG sports cars—but I soon realized nothing else stirred me quite like the progression of Porsches that so often headed the racing pack. Later, at the then-new Mosport Park, Porsche continued to provide stunning results, often against far bigger and more powerful opponents.

In my early teens, knowing our family would never own a Porsche, and never imagining I would ever own one, there seemed to be only one solution: I'd build a reasonable facsimile of one. Using winnings from a local Rotary bike riding and safety competition, and with help from my dad, I bought a \$45 air-cooled Briggs and Stratton motor and set to work. I persevered and in time, with four shiny new wheels on a bed-frame chassis and my engine in the rear (like my dream car) but no muffler, I donned my helmet and raced around a dirt track made with friends behind our Barrie home.

On bright sunny days, I'd venture onto a nearby dead-end street and take friends for crazy rides in my 'pretend' black Porsche. For the special girls, I'd let them drive. What fun that was! I heard about an upcoming event for homemade karts, scheduled between the main stock car races at Pine Crest Speedway. A buddy and I went, with

no expectations of winning, just the thrill of competing. We had "Porsche-like" handling, but lacked power and speed. We came third in the field of five and felt like we'd won Daytona! And yes, there were some wonderful cars in the parking lots at those races—Porsche, though rare at the time, could always be seen and admired.

Time moved along and so did my sightings of Porsches at car shows, races, and rallies. I owned a variety of fun cars, though never a Porsche! My dream car briefly came into my life... my university buddy bought a magnificent used Porsche 356 convertible! Dave was generous but oh, how he



protected that sweet silver Speedster! I've often wondered whatever became of that car, which I'd once so admired.

Marriage, children, career, etc. did not set the stage for owning a Porsche but I read and collected many Porsche magazines articles, and scale models of Porsches adorned my library shelves. My dear wife became interested in Porsches through osmosis and our youngest son seems to have inherited the "Porsche gene"—like me, he loved to read about and study the endless Porsche progressions. Our family's visit to the Porsche museum in Germany was as anticipated as a trip to Disney World!

As my 70th birthday loomed, little did I know what was in store for me. My wife thought that if the money side of things could be arranged in secret from me, maybe, just

maybe, a Porsche could be in "our" future! She established some goals that only our eldest son knew about, and with his help, hoped to find an appropriate Porsche. He contacted an office colleague who regularly surfs the internet for antiques and who happens to be a car nut. In the following weeks, after locating a few in-budget candidates in the US, he found a stunning black 911 Targa locally. The owner had carefully maintained the car, and had always stored it in his garage.

The car was purchased in a secret arrangement between my wife, eldest son, and the owner. As one would expect, there were some trying moments and close calls in pulling this off right under my nose. My son's trips to the insurance

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company and the licence bureau are stories unto themselves!

The whole family gathered one day in Burlington for an early birthday celebration, involving a wonderful lakeside luncheon. As we strolled through the restaurant parking lot, I noticed a beautiful Porsche 911 and made the comment, “Now one of those would look great in our driveway!” Such phrases have been made a hundred times over the years, but this time unknowingly, it caused my wife great anxiety. “Did someone tell him? How did he know? Who told him?”

I most certainly did not know—or even suspect a thing! We all then went on to our son and daughter-in-law’s home. I played with the grandchildren and then gift time arrived. One card said something about “your dream car” but in the confusion and excitement of the moment, I didn’t grasp its meaning. Even when I opened the accompanying little box and picked from it a set of keys, I simply could not fathom what was happening.

My eldest son then disappeared, only to return a few moments later with a request for me to look out the front door. We all went to the opened door and, “Oh my gosh! What is this? Whose car is that? Is it a rental? No? Is this for real?”

As the reality of what was happening sunk in, I could no longer even see the shining 1977 black Targa with tan

interior, let alone driven it at that moment—my eyes were filled with joyous tears. We were all overcome with joy.

After we regained composure, we inspected the amazing birthday present—then both sons, our daughter and the birthday boy took turns driving it around the loop in front of the house, and past the neighbour’s garage where it had been graciously stored since purchase. Round and round we went, oh, what a sound! It was the most wonderful few hours and my wife and son were justifiably proud of themselves for having created and executed this fantastic birthday surprise. Hugs and kisses for them both were hardly enough!

As part of the deal, I met for coffee with the previous owner so he could be assured that I’d cherish his beloved car and treat it as he had done, for so many years. The car continues to provide many hours of driving pleasure and is regularly taken to Show and Shine events. Our colleague who’d found the car drove it with his new bride on their wedding day, waving goodbye to their happy guests. There’s also the joy of driving it to (the now) Canadian Tire “Motorsport” Park with my son and two grandsons to participate in the annual Porscheplatz event. The thrill of driving this pretty, black, rear-engined 911 around that wonderful track always brings back fond memories of driving my hand-built facsimile around my own little dirt track all those years ago. But nothing compares to the real thing!

Now into my fourth year of ownership, the fun of it all continues! Come to think of it, another significant birthday is creeping up, sooner than expected. Who knows what new birthday secret may be in the works? “Porsche has upgraded the 911 Targa, Dear. You know, the one we saw at the Detroit Auto Show?”

Surprise, surprise, again. I wish!



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September is a great month to enjoy your Porsche. The hectic months of summer are coming to an end. The children are back in school and after a particularly warm summer,

the temperature is more moderate. You've also driven your Porsche enough during the season that the handling and power are second nature to you. You feel great behind the wheel. So through September and October you may want to get as much seat time as possible. Not only to justify the expense of owning a premium brand automobile, but to get the most enjoyment out of the experience. Advanced Driver Education is all about the bond between the driver and the machine.

While we are generally looking to the future, I thought I should mention a past event that we've enjoyed. For those of you who took part, or attended the yearly UCR Club Race in August, we should be grateful to Mick Oliveira, Mike Edmonds and Walter Murray for another brilliant event. Unlike the DE program, a race is very much an event in motion. Things change on a minute by minute basis, so it's truly a testament to their organizational skills that they can keep all the ducks in a row for three days. It's truly an impressive program that they manage on our club's behalf.

They are gradually moving to an organizational team format where interested individuals look after the different aspects of staging the event. That takes some of the load off of the Race Chairman and aids in making sure each task is completed with attention to detail. I speak with experience when I say that having the right Team in place makes even the most complicated event run smoothly. The organizers and volunteers at the Club Race make UCR look good!

I'm sure that there are many newer members who wonder what the DE program is all about. Is it just a bunch of crazy racers risking life and limb for a cheap thrill? Is it for those who are just learning to drive and need some help with their parallel parking? Is it just a waste of time and money? Would you be better off to stay home, cut the grass and catch up on your email account? The answer is; none of the above.

One of the most important tasks that you perform each day (unless you're a brain surgeon) is driving. You climb into thousands of pounds of molded steel and aluminum and hurtle through time and space to arrive at another place exactly when you had planned. It's really amazing if you think about it, unless you live in the GTA. In that case you're going to be late. What's even more amazing is that most of us have made little improvement in that skill since we were teenagers. Our Porsches are capable of amazing feats, yet few of us can actually get the most out of them. That's what Advanced Driver Education does.

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You already have a car that is perfectly suited to Advanced Driver Education. Additional investment is limited to a current Snell rated helmet and a small fire extinguisher. A lawn chair would be a good investment, but it's not mandatory. Then you can sit on it in a group of fellow Porsche enthusiasts and share your tales and experiences. The social aspects of the DE program make all of us fast friends.

So whether you are a dyed in the wool driver, or you just want to improve your skill to protect your investment, Advanced Driver Education is just what you need. The lawn didn't grow this year anyway.

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4 Door Porsches Welcome!

By David & Julia Cox, UCR Members

Based on my experience last year, I signed up early this season for the Fun Runs to avoid the disappointment of them being completely full. We enjoyed a few journeys last season in my 2013 Boxster S.

I had the added incentive of knowing I would take delivery of my new Macan GTS and looked forward to every opportunity to drive it on winding, rolling country roads.

Delivery came in early June, just one week before the Southern Georgian Bay Fun Run. I thought "Perfect! What a great way to get in some good break-in km." But then I had a moment of



hesitation.... "What if I'm the only 4 door Porsche? What would the 2 door Porsche owners think? Are fun runs secretly just for "real" Porsches?. Would I be a poser?"

I have to admit thinking years ago, as a Porsche purist, when the Cayenne was introduced ... "Why? Aren't there enough SUV's to tote families around?"

Well obviously I was wrong! The fact is, the Cayenne and Macan outsell all of the 2 door Porsches ensuring continued financial success of the brand.

The morning of the event, my wife Julia pushed aside any doubts I had that a 4 door Porsche would not be welcomed. She reminded me that the Porsche folks we
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had met on all of the previous Fun Runs had been open minded, fun and friendly people that just enjoyed a great drive along with the social experience. She also admitted that she looked forward to the comfortable and quiet ride. And with the forecast of rain we looked forward to the added safety 4 wheel traction control would bring.

We arrived at the meeting spot early and were welcomed by Michael and Martin, our hosts for the event. They certainly weren't put off by the presence of a 4 door Porsche joining the pack. Whew - success! As more folks arrived, the usual conversations began and we saw some

filled with a stop at a German bakery shop, a private tour of two tall ships in Discovery Harbour, a good meal at lunch with lively conversation, Penetanguishene Bay, a tour of the SS Keewatin at Port McNicoll and the wonderful BBQ at Martin's farm. I was pleased to share lunch with Larry, who had just returned from Germany where he took delivery of his new Macan S. We listened as he told the story, and shared photos, of the drives he and his wife had.

So to all of you 4 door Porsche owners out there reading this article, please remember, we all know you



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familiar faces. We wandered around the lot, looked at each vehicle and chatted over coffee. We were all there because we wanted to learn more about one another's passion for the cars and the joy they bring. The day was

bought it because it's an amazing driving machine! So don't hesitate to come out to a fun run, meet some great folks, drive it purely for pleasure, and leave the grocery and hockey bags at home.





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By John Adam, UCR Historian



I know that you will hear it from others but . . . elections are coming up in November and we will be determining who manages our club and its activities next year. The new board, in turn, should appoint all the 2017 event chairs before it begins making plans later in the year, our forty-first. Think about doing your part to help in your own way. We have been members since 1983 and the return we have received for our investment in the club has been very rewarding. The bottom line is that you are getting out of it in proportion to what you put in. It may be time for you to consider getting involved in any number of areas that you have some modest skill at. It's not just about P-cars. It's about people. You and me.

Any member of the board or event chair will be happy to talk to you about the opportunity for you to get involved in the way that you find most enjoyable. Be part of the team and you will be working with some great people, adding your own ideas to make our club even better and having a lot of fun at the same time.

Our monthly Socials have been the occasion for seeing many past UCR club presidents. I am pleasantly surprised when they show up and say hello. These are the club leaders that have helped UCR to become the largest in PCA and excel in so many ways. They still care and we thank them.

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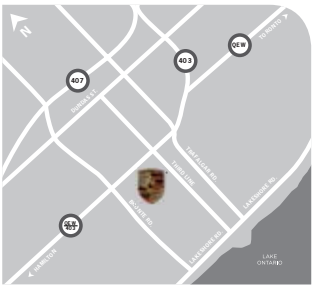
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