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## *President's Letter*

Well, well, summer has finally arrived!!?? On The plus side, on warm days many cars were out with the tops down enjoying the little warmth that was available on the day. Hopefully the sun gods will bless us with more sunshine and warmth for the upcoming days, for sure!!

Also on the plus side, we had our Spring Kickoff—late—at Porsche of Okemos on June 19<sup>th</sup>. The event was one of the most successful Spring Kickoffs that we have had. We sold a lot of items that members brought in. Over \$900.00 was raised during the auction. We will be sending a check in the amount of \$1,200.00 to the Greater Lansing Food Bank. Everyone had a great time mingling with friends and checking out the dealership. We also heard that three Porsche's were sold that day!

The Motor-Stadt Autocross for June 26<sup>th</sup> was canceled due to torrential rains that occurred that week. We are checking with the track management to see if we can have an event in August. In the June letter, I stated that the May autocross event was one of the most successful events we have had in a while, and we need to keep up the good work. A new event, the Porsche / Corvette challenge that was held on July 10<sup>th</sup>, may have passed our May event! In this friendly competition there were six Porsche vs. nine Corvettes to see who could get the lowest times running a course laid out at Corrigan Oil Speedway. In the end, the Porsches were victorious and took home the Porsche/ Corvette traveling trophy! I want to deeply thank all the Motor-Stadt members who came out to help with this event. Also, I want to thank Paula Zimmer from Porsche Okemos, who volunteered at the event. We could not have done it without all of you!

Last year we had to cancel Porsche on the MAC II, but it is on this year and the dates are August 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup>. Registration still is open. Things are looking very good for this event. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Stay safe, stay healthy. Until then, dream of that perfect drive, shifting gears, perfect engine temperature....

Ken Jones  
Motor-Stadt President



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## NEW BOARD MEMBERS URGENTLY NEEDED!

If you are interested contact the  
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All Board meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at Spagnuolos restaurant in Okemos beginning at 6:30 p.m. All club members are invited.

### 2021 Board Meeting Dates

January 12	February 9	March 9	April 13
May 11	June 8	July 13	August 10
September 14	October 12	November 9	December 14



# Motor-Stadt



## Membership News

### Motor-Stadt membership as of June 2021:

Primary	144
Affiliate	74
Life	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>218</b>
PCA Juniors	8

### PCA national membership as of June 2021:

Primary	91,728
Affiliate	49,041
Life	21
<b>Total</b>	<b>140,790</b>

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### New PCA/Motor-Stadt Members & Their Cars

Sheridan Carr, Lansing, 2000 Boxster  
Sara Levine, East Lansing, 2021 Macan GTS

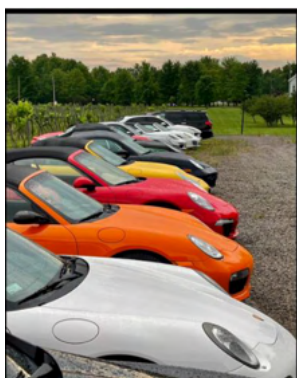
## Welcome to the Club!





Hi Zone 4 Friends and Family,

The sun is out, and so are our members and Porsches! While I wasn't able to attend some of these events, I sure did enjoy reading about them on Facebook on the Region sites. I thought that this month my article would be truly 'Around the Zone', featuring my favorite photos from your events. Such as the Allegheny Region Cars and coffee above. Enjoy!



Eastern Buckeye New Member party and Maumee Valley Drive.



Mid- Ohio Region CC&C, and Southeast Michigan tour  
And Central Indiana Dinner.

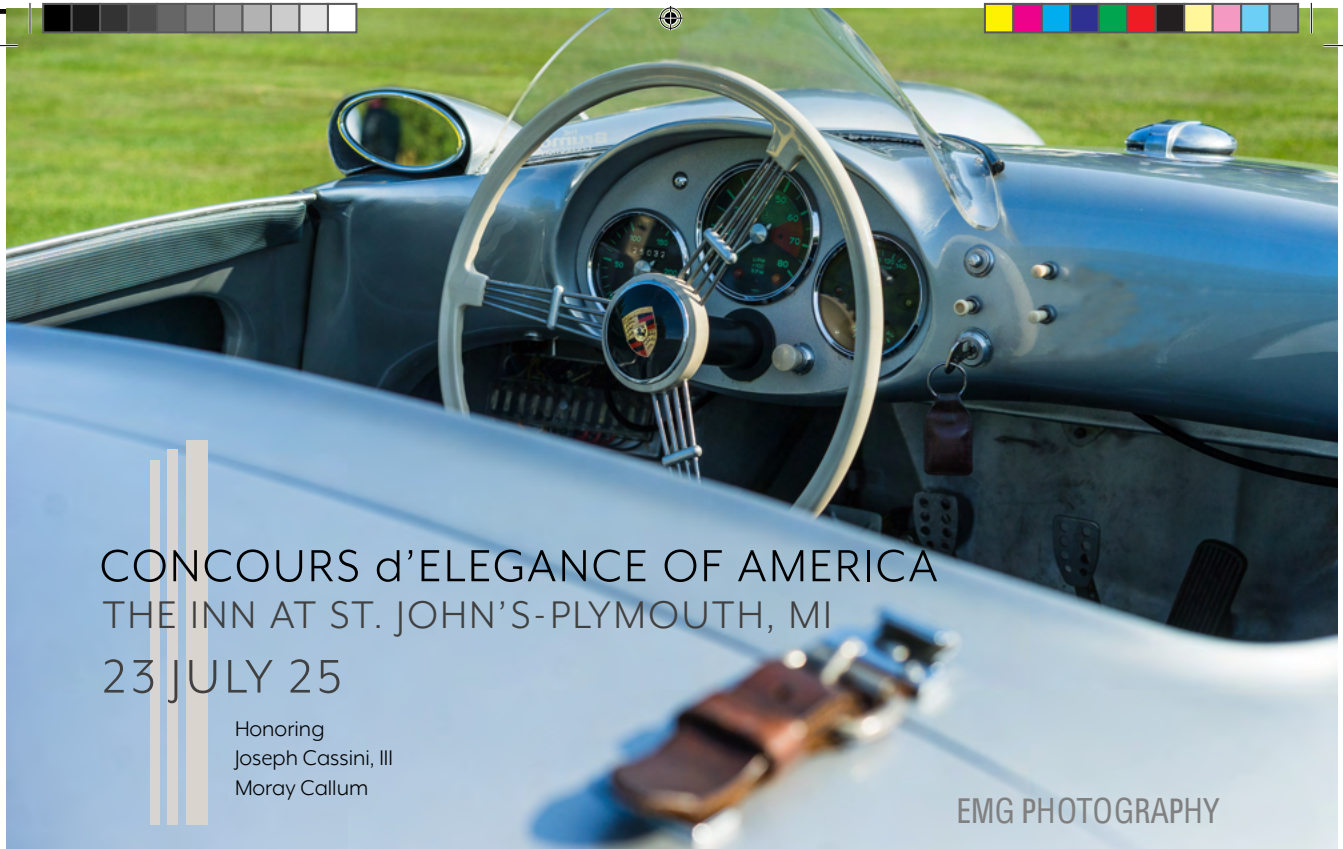
Have a fantastic summer and I look forward to seeing you all soon!

Lori Schutz

Zone 4 Representative







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You must have your car club pass to park in the designated area. NO EXCEPTIONS.


### WEEKEND OF EVENTS:

Motoring Tour, Battle of the Brands, Art Invitational, Cars Under the Stars - Kickoff Dinner,  
Cars and Coffee, Concours d'Lemons, Concours Seminar and Lunch, British Invasion

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# PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA



## Monthly Club Meetings

The club holds an informal meeting of members the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Spagnuolos Restaurant in Okemos. These meetings have been resumed due to the decline of COVID-19 and increased vaccinations.



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**NEXT MEETING AUGUST 10**



## Motor-Stadt 2021 Event Calendar

- The annual **Winter Dinner** is usually scheduled in February or March. Given COVID restrictions at that time it did not happen. The dinner will be scheduled for perhaps September now that the threat of COVID has diminished, maybe a dinner drive.
- **August 6-8—Porsche on the Mac II**, St. Ignace, MI. Dates are firm.
- **August 20-22—Michigan International Speedway Car Show**. Dates are firm.

The monthly member's meeting at Spagnuolos the second Tuesday of the month has **resumed**. The board will notify you via email blasts, in this publication, on our web page, and on our Facebook page when other events are added to the schedule.





## Motor-Stadt "Spring" Kickoff Report

The morning on June 19<sup>th</sup> started out as any other spring day in mid-Michigan in mid-June, partly sunny with a mild breeze in the mid 70's. But, there was a very strong possibility of rain and thunderstorms for the day...Michigan!

This event was the first Spring Kickoff since 2019 due to Covid-19 in 2020. Also, it was the first official Motor-Stadt event in the new Serra Auto Campus-Porsche of Okemos location. There were about 25 people in attendance for the event. It was a great time to meet and greet many people we have not seen in a very long time and see some new faces.

The charity auction part of the event took place inside where one also could have their Porsche written up for service work. This location was great because it started to rain mid-morning. The auction went very well and we sold many items for charity. When it was over, Motor-Stadt had raised \$960.00 for the Greater Lansing Food Bank!



Photo by  
Paula Zimmer

I would like to say a big THANK YOU to all that attended the Spring Kickoff at Porsche of Okemos!

I would also like to say a big THANK YOU to the staff at Serra Auto Campus for all the work they did to put this event on. A special THANK YOU to Paula, Jay, Scott, Tony, and the other auto techs at the dealership.

THANK YOU to Bob Smith and Steve Lee for being the auctioneers for the event. Once again, a big THANK YOU to all.

Ken Jones





## Inaugural Porsche-Corvette Challenge Report

Ike Lee

I am always leery about planning a brand-new Motor-Stadt event, especially when it involves coordinating with a heretofore unknown club. Well, this time it worked out. The inaugural **Porsche-Corvette Challenge** autocross on July 10 was a great success. I was worried that enough Porsches would show up, but not to fear—we had seven cars running on the Motor-Stadt team. The Capital City Corvette Club team had nine entries. Thus, we had a legitimate contest. The Corvettes were mostly recent models including a new mid-engine C8. The Porsche team included three 911s driven by Conan Dombroski, Steve Lee, and Gene (surname?) from Western Michigan Region, two Caymans driven by Rob Allie and Bob Bunchek, a Boxster S driven by Matt MacFadden, and a 944 driven by Paul Fedeale. Ken Jones was the starter and I was the timekeeper. After three practice runs in the morning the competition began after lunch. Each car had six runs on the course, broken into two heats. In the end Porsche prevailed, with a team average of **42.9** seconds versus **45.8** seconds for Corvette. An award ceremony at the conclusion awarded the traveling trophy to the Porsche team. Everyone was enthusiastic about a repeat, so the trophy will again be in contention when we schedule again next year. We were favored by partly cloudy weather and temperatures in the high 70s. A great turnout of volunteers and spectators added to the success of the event. Several people brought their cars just to show them off. I think all our club members in attendance enjoyed interacting with the Corvette folks. That in itself made the event worthwhile. Thanks to all the drivers and volunteers and especially to Kyle Felts, President of the Corvette club.

Don Dickmann



Conan Dombroski



Ike Lee





Conan Dombroski



Ike Lee



Ike Lee





# The Winning Team!



Paula Zimmer



## *Beauty and the Bridge*



### **Porsche on the Mac II (reprise)**

August 6-8, 2021, St. Ignace MI

- Escorted caravan drive across the Mackinac Bridge
- Lunch at Little Bear Arena
- People's Choice car show, Technical Quiz, Straits Brew Festival
- Driving tours of scenic northern Michigan
- Meet and greet other Porsche owners

**Note: Most COVID protocols have been relaxed for those vaccinated**

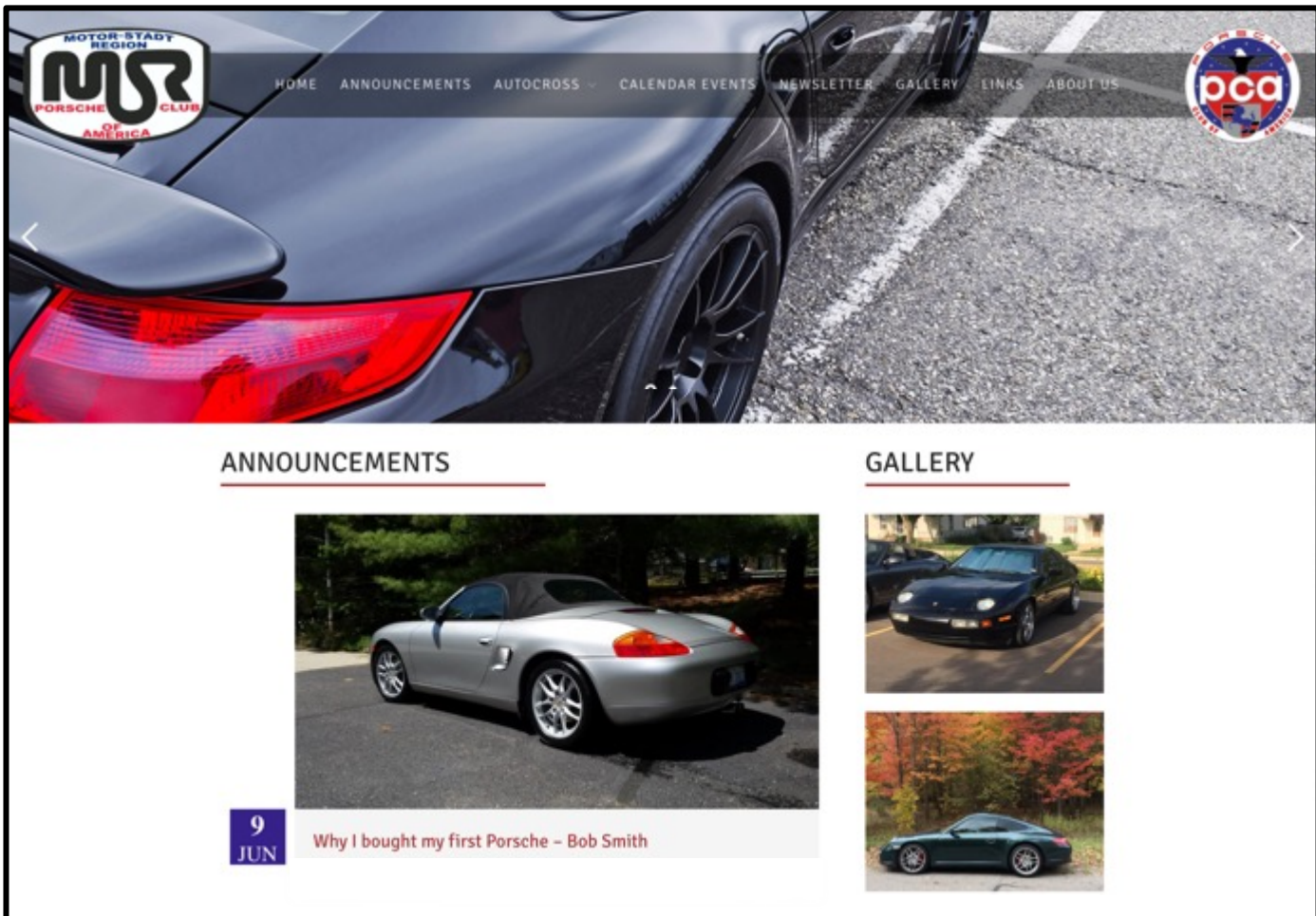
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<https://visitorsbureau.regfox.com/porsche-on-the-mac-2021>


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August 21, 2021	\$60	\$45	Free
August 20, 2021	\$60	\$45	Free

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## 2021 SUMMER CAR SHOW SCHEDULE

### Boats At The Barns

SAT • MAY 8

Trailer your classic boat to the Gilmore for our new boat show. Wooden runabouts, vintage ski boats, or fiberglasses – all are welcome!

### Vintage Travel Trailer Rally

SAT • MAY 15

Circle your wagons! Make plans to camp in your vintage travel trailer at our new rally, celebrating Airstreams in 2021.

### Vintage Motorcycle Weekend

SAT • JUNE 12  
& SUN • JUNE 13

Pre-1996 motorcycles, scooters, and mopeds on Sunday, plus a swap meet on Saturday.

### Micro/Mini World Meet

FRI • JUNE 18  
& SAT • JUNE 19

A celebration of small! Gathering of micro-cars and minicars, including classics like Isotta, Messerschmitt, and Mini Cooper.

### All Air-Cooled Gathering

SAT • JUNE 19

Everything air-cooled from Porsches to Corvairs. Presented by the H.H. Franklin Automobile Collection.

### Congress of Motorcars

FRI • JUNE 25  
& SAT • JUNE 26

Celebrate the originals! This pre-1942 show features gas, steam and electric vehicles along with period specific attire/activities.

### Oldsmobiles & Orphans

SUN • JUNE 27

The show for Oldsmobiles and orphan vehicle makes. If it's a brand they no longer build, we want to see it.

### DeutscheMarques

SAT • JULY 10

Your favorite German marques and everything from daily drivers to weekend treasures. All years welcome.

### Mad Dogs & Englishmen

SUN • JULY 11

All-year British invasion featuring a car faire complete with afternoon tea.

### Horseless Carriage

FRI • JULY 16  
& SAT • JULY 17

"Celebration of the Brass Car" show for pre-1916 autos and driving tour. Presented by Horseless Carriage Club of America.

### Corvette Envoy

SUN • JULY 18

Whether you're partial to the original C1 bodystyle or the brand new C8, you'll see both - and everything in between - at this show.

### MOPARs At The Red Barns

SAT • JULY 24

West Michigan's largest all-Chrysler products show. Chrysler, Dodge, Plymouth and Mopar muscle – oh my!

### Ultimate Truck Show

SAT • JULY 31

Every make and model of truck - vintage, emergency vehicles, semis, 4x4s are all welcome.

### GM/Chevy Show

SUN • AUG 1

Bob Oginsky memorial show, celebrating all GM and Chevrolet makes & models.

### Red Barns Spectacular

SAT • AUG 7

The area's longest running and largest car show! So long as it's 25 years or older, you just might see it on the show field.

### Lincoln Homecoming Weekend

SAT • AUG 14

A yearly gathering of the finest Lincoln vehicles, presented by the Lincoln Motor Car Heritage Museum.

### Relix Riot

SAT • AUG 21

Traditional hot rods, customs and motorcycles featuring a classic pin-up contest.

### Pierce-Arrow Gathering

SUN • AUG 29

Pierce-Arrow Society annual celebration of the premier American luxury car built in Buffalo, New York, between 1901-1938.

### Muscle Cars

SUN • SEPT 12

West Michigan's largest gathering of 1960s, 70s, and late model American muscle cars.

### Ford Model A Day

SAT • SEPT 18

Celebrate the heritage of the Model A. Presented by the Model A Ford Museum.

### Cadillac-LaSalle Fall Festival

FRI • SEPT 24  
& SAT • SEPT 25

The yearly meeting of a classic! Fall Festival is presented by the Cadillac & LaSalle Club Museum.

### Camaros At The Corners

SUN • SEPT 26

Today is all about Chevrolet and one of its most iconic nameplates – the Camaro!

### DeutscheMarques Oktoberfest

SAT • OCT 9

A fall color cruise-in and Oktoberfest festival for German vehicles, hosted by DeutscheMarques. All years welcome.

### Gilmore Fall Color Tour

SAT • OCT 16

One last drive through the beautiful Michigan countryside to enjoy the changing colors, ending with a Gilmore Cruise-In.

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**Or send a photo  or something else that would be of interest to Motor-Stadt members.**

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Paula Zimmer





## PCA Motor-Stadt Region Board Minutes Jul 13th, 2021

6:30 PM - Spagnolo's Restaurant (Zoom meeting)  
(Regular Meeting - Second Tuesday of the Month)

### Present:

President: Ken Jones  
Vice President: Terrill Whitney  
Secretary: Steve Lee  
Treasurer: ~~Mark Haas (Zoom)~~

Board Member: Don Dickmann  
Board Member: James Yen  
Board Member: ~~Joe Lavender~~

Member:  
Member:  
Guest:

**Proposed agenda** for the Jul 13th 2021 meeting was approved (Moved J. Yen / Seconded S. Lee)

**Meeting Minutes** of Jun 8th, 2021 were previously approved online.

**Membership** – Ken reported that the current membership is 144 primary, 74 affiliate members with 8 Junior members.

**Treasurer's Report** – Mark provided the report online prior to the meeting. The board reviewed the key data and we have \$4,257.26 in checking and \$10,624.77 in the investment account for a total of \$14,882.03. It was noted the \$32.39 expense noted as "web design" should be recoded as "flags for track events". The report was approved unanimously (Moved S. Lee / Seconded D. Dickmann)

**Advertising and Insurance** – No new advertising items to report. Insurance waivers have been provided for all moving events and the Porsche on the Mac waiver is already in hand.

**Publications** – Don has prepared the next newsletter for July publication pending minutes from this meeting and the Presidents letter. James has been posting our events on Face Book and monitoring the e-mail and website. The Mac event will move to the lead item on the Webpage.

**Committee Reports / Activities:** The club really needs an event chair. Contact [Motorstadt.pca@gmail.com](mailto:Motorstadt.pca@gmail.com) to help.

### Old Business:

- Porsche on the Mac II is on August 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. Over 45 cars have registered at the St. Ignace site. There is still plenty of time to register and join the fun. Don is working with a local hotel hoping to coordinate a reception for Friday after registration. A motion was made to purchase 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> prizes for the event of \$150/\$100/\$50. (Moved J. Yen / Seconded S. Lee) and approved unanimously.
- Spring Kickoff – Delayed and rainy but still a huge success! \$956 was raised for charity and the dealership sold 3 cars. A motion was made to add \$244 to the \$956 raised to send to the Lansing food bank (Moved D. Dickmann / Seconded T. Whitney) and approved unanimously.
- Corvette vs. Porsche Autocross – The event was a success with both parties wanting to run again in the future. \$590 was received in entry fees to more than cover our \$525 in expenses. Thanks to all that came out to help.

### New Business:

- A motion was made to purchase an electronic megaphone for outdoor events not to exceed \$175 (Moved S. Lee / Seconded D. Dickmann) and approved unanimously.
- Exploring new events with the dealership – Discussion was had regarding involving the dealership in more events. Possibly starting driving events from the dealership (like a postponed winter dinner), drivers education meetings at the dealer and other events.
- Terrill will investigate track availability for a potential Aug event
- Meeting adjourned at 7:50 (Moved S. Lee / Seconded J. Yen)

Submitted by S. Lee, Secretary



## *From the Editor*

A dilemma faces anyone buying a new car: trade in your existing car to the dealer or try selling it yourself. I am sure you all have faced this decision. After a deal is made trading it in is simplest; hand the keys from the old car over and drive away with the new. But that convenience will cost you some money. Selling a car on your own can be a tricky and fraught with peril—the hassle of advertising the car and dealing with prospective buyers, some of whom may not be trustworthy. And the deal may take time or fall through. But if you are careful, you will gain more for that old car than if you traded it in and the new car will cost you that much less. Everyone has her/his own comfort level with these two options; neither on its own is right or wrong.

Except for my very first new car purchase back in 1965, when I traded in a rather beat up 1953 Chevy four-door for a red Mustang Fastback, I have elected to sell the old car on my own. So far, I have done pretty well on these transactions. In May of this year I ordered a new 718 Cayman GTS from Porsche of Okemos. Hopefully, it will be delivered around Thanksgiving. Why a brand-new car when so many gorgeous pre-owned cars are out there for sale? I confess that I wanted a car optioned just exactly according to my specifications with no compromises, because this 718 probably is the last car I will buy. I will have to live with the instant depreciation that occurs when I drive the car off the dealer lot. In the meantime, one of my existing Porsches had to go; I don't want to own three of them. So, the racing green 997 911 Carrera S was put on the block. I loved that car and hated to lose it, but that's the harsh reality.

I placed an ad on the PCA Mart website on a Sunday afternoon late in June. In a matter of minutes I began to receive email inquiries. Then early the following morning I sold the car by phone to an independent dealer in Long Island, NY. After a short bit of haggling, he agreed to the full price I was asking, about 7 percent more than I paid for the car originally and 11 percent over what the dealer offered on a trade in. The buyer immediately wired \$1,000 to my PayPal account as earnest money. He didn't even want a pre-purchase inspection, just looked the car over on Apple FaceTime. After the balance of the purchase price was wired to my bank account, I Fedexed the title, service records, and extra key to the dealer. An AutoBox transporter rig picked the car up a few days ago, and off it went to New York. I was a bit shaken by how little time and effort it took to sell that car. It hasn't always been that easy!

The market for pre-owned Porsches apparently is hot right now. If you are considering selling your car, don't delay. We are in a post-lockdown buying bubble and it probably won't last. Might as well take advantage while you can. And don't neglect to advertise your car on PCA's Mart!

Don Dickmann





Goodbye green 911....

