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President's Letter

"Summertime and the living is easy. Fish are jumping and the cotton is high" Words and lyrics by George Gershwin.

This summer so far has had many warm days and also many very rainy days. It seems to be like our very different spring season this year. Hopefully there will be many more great driving days to come.

Last year we had to cancel Porsche on the MAC II, but this year it was held on August 6th, 7th, and 8th. I was not able to attend due to a family issue. But from what was reported, it was a great successful event! I would extend my thanks to Don Dickmann, who was the main force behind both of these events. I would also like to thank Steve Lee and Joe Lavender for their help with Porsches on the MAC II. And thanks to all who attended the event.

Let's keep our fingers crossed for August 28th. Hopefully we can get another autocross in at Corrigan Oil Speedway. Stay tuned for more info!

Porsche Okemos held a Taycan launch event on July 31st. It was very well attended and there was a great lunch. The best part was the ability of the attendees to drive the Taycan. What a blast to drive!

Motor-Stadt would extend its deepest sympathies to the family of Karl Haug, who passed away on July 15, 2021. He was a member of the Motor-Stadt club.

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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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



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Membership News

Motor-Stadt membership as of July 2021:

Primary	147
Affiliate	76
Life	0
Total	223
PCA Juniors	8

PCA national membership as of July 2021:

Primary	92,241
Affiliate	49,304
Life	21
Total	141,566

The largest single marque car club!

New PCA/Motor-Stadt Members & Their Cars

Dorian Gordon, Lansing, 2011 Cayenne

Beth Rogers, Mason, 2010 Boxster

Welcome to the Club!



Dear Zone 4 Members,

Wow did we have a good Parade or WHAT! And Zone 4 was out in force, taking first place and many trophies in all aspects of Parade. From Concours, to AutoX, Rally, even the

Art Show – Zone 4 can be very proud.

Honorable mention to the top National Awards

– Enthusiast of the year from Ohio Valley



In front of French Lick Resort, Photo by David Clardy



3 Generations of the 911 Speedster on the Rooftop French Lick – Michael Gilson 1989, Rick Riley 2019, Hank Weil 1994, photo by Michael Gilson

Region Jerry Wolf, and Top Newsletter Goes to Central Indiana by editor Pam Clarino. We say it's not just about the cars, but let's face it – it's about the cars – just ask the Mid Ohio gang! Check out all of the results <https://www.porscheparade.org/parade-results>.

Thanks to mother nature, we once again had to bring the concours into the parking garage and event center plaza – we still had fun. I had a great time organizing the Historics Display which is a special Porsche Collection of 48 within the Concours. This year the

theme was “Blow the Lid off Summer”, as we were all so ready to get out and be together again. The collection featured only open top Porsches, and one of each model type was included – from the 356 Cab and Speedster, through the 914, 944 cab, 968 cab, all the 911 targas, 911 Cabs and Speedsters, and of course the Boxster. Each entrant received a special custom plaque sponsored by PCNA.



Concours judging as Rick Riley watches his 67 911 S being judged. Photo by Lori Schutz

Several of our members cleaned and buffed their Porsches to the max. Maureen Arata, Central Indiana, won the

hearts of the PCA Juniors and kids, and won their Kids Choice award with “Green Bean. The concours judging was brutal – who knew 5 minutes could take so long!



Maureen Arata, CIR with Green Bean, photo by David Clardy

The spectacular trophies for all of the awards were designed, built and presented by our own Lisa and Michael Soriano from Maumee Valley. Awards were presented throughout the week at 4 different banquets. Sponsors and PCA provided door prizes ranging from t-shirts to tires, to a trip to the Porsche Track Experience.

Get out there and enjoy your Porsche with friends!

Lori



1 Michael and Lisa Soriano presenting awards, Photo by Lori Schutz




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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.



Enjoy a drink and pizza
on the club during
regular meetings



NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 14



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 20-22—Michigan International Speedway Car Show.** Dates are firm.
- **August 28—Autocross,** Corrigan Oil Speedway, Mason, 9 a.m.

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.



Porsche on the Mac II Report

Saturday morning August 7 dawned in St. Ignace with heavy clouds and fog...not the weather we had hoped for. Nonetheless at 8:30 registration at Little Bear Arena began as scheduled. By the time our escort, Chief of Police Tony Brown, arrived just before 10:00 a.m. we had 56 cars lined up for the crossing of the Mackinac Bridge. I always am inspired to see so many Porsches in one place, although that number was far short of the 100 we had for the first Porsche on the Mac crossing in 2018. We followed in a caravan the flashing lights of the Chief's vehicle through the toll booths, over the bridge, through Mackinac City, and back across the bridge to Little Bear. The return was in heavy traffic going north. We were very disheartened to see the fog lower as we began the crossing so that the tops of the twin towers were not visible. Ugh! Yet most people I talked to were thrilled by the crossing in spite of the fog. Cars then lined up in the Little Bear parking lot for the People's Choice car show. Lunch prepared by the Driftwood restaurant was served at 11:30 inside the arena. After lunch votes for the winners of the car show were tabulated and Steve Lee administered a Technical Quiz to about 20 people. By 2 p.m. the sun had broken through, although most people had left the arena for an afternoon on their own. The day ended at the Brews Festival on the Marina Dock and fireworks at 10.

Prizes for the day were awarded at the Brews Festival, although most winners were not in attendance to claim their prize. Friends volunteered to distribute prizes to the winners.

- First place car show—1963 356B Cabriolet owned by Mary Siegel: prize a decorative pot from Herbon Pottery.
- Second place car show—2016 911 Carrera GTS owned by Dale Goby: prize a pendant necklace featuring a sterling silver Mac bridge and azurite lapis stone from Gold Mine Jewelry.
- Third place car show—2014 911 Turbo S owned by Patrick Coleman: prize a decorative copper tile with an imprint of the Great Lakes also from Gold Mine Jewelry.

Technical quiz winners:

- Nathan Lantzy (most correct answers) who won a pair of Stormy Kromer mittens.
- Bill Masler (second most correct answers) who took home a Mackinac Bridge jigsaw puzzle.

All prizes were purchased from local St. Ignace artists or shops.

We awoke Sunday morning to more clouds and drizzly rain; it apparently also had rained during the night. Ugh again! Three tours were scheduled for that day, but prior sign-ups had fallen far short of the limit of 20 cars each. We went ahead anyway. At 9:45 Joe Lavender and Ashley DeGroff left the Little Bear Arena parking lot in Joe's Cayman GT4 in misty rain leading a parade of eight cars headed for the Lake Superior attractions Paradise/Tahquamenon Falls/ Whitefish Point. The lunch stop was in Paradise. At 11:00 a group of six cars led by Steve Lee and Jennifer McMann departed in their 996 911, destination Cross Village/Legs Inn south of the bridge, then through the "Tunnel of Trees" to Harbor Springs. Lunch was at the iconic Legs Inn. Ten minutes later my wife Kathleen McKevitt and I departed in our 993 911 leading two cars headed east towards Hessel/Cedarville/Detour Village on Lake Huron. We were a small but merry group despite persistent rain. Lunch was at a brew Pub in Cedarville.

In spite of mostly foul weather and modest attendance, Porsche on the Mac II was a success. All events planned for the weekend came off pretty much as anticipated. We had cars that drove from as far away as southern Ohio, Minneapolis, and one from Florida. Participants were in a festive mood and most seemed to be sanguine about the bad weather. "That's Michigan, what can you expect!" was a comment I heard more than once. Special thanks to Bridgett Sorenson, Quincy Ranville, and Debbie Durm of the St. Ignace Visitor's Bureau who handled local arrangements. Will there be a Porsche on the Mac III in 2023? I can't say for sure, although many people at the event asked that question. We will make that decision when the time comes.

Don Dickmann



Lined up for the bridge crossing on Saturday morning



The parade through St. Ignace and across the bridge.

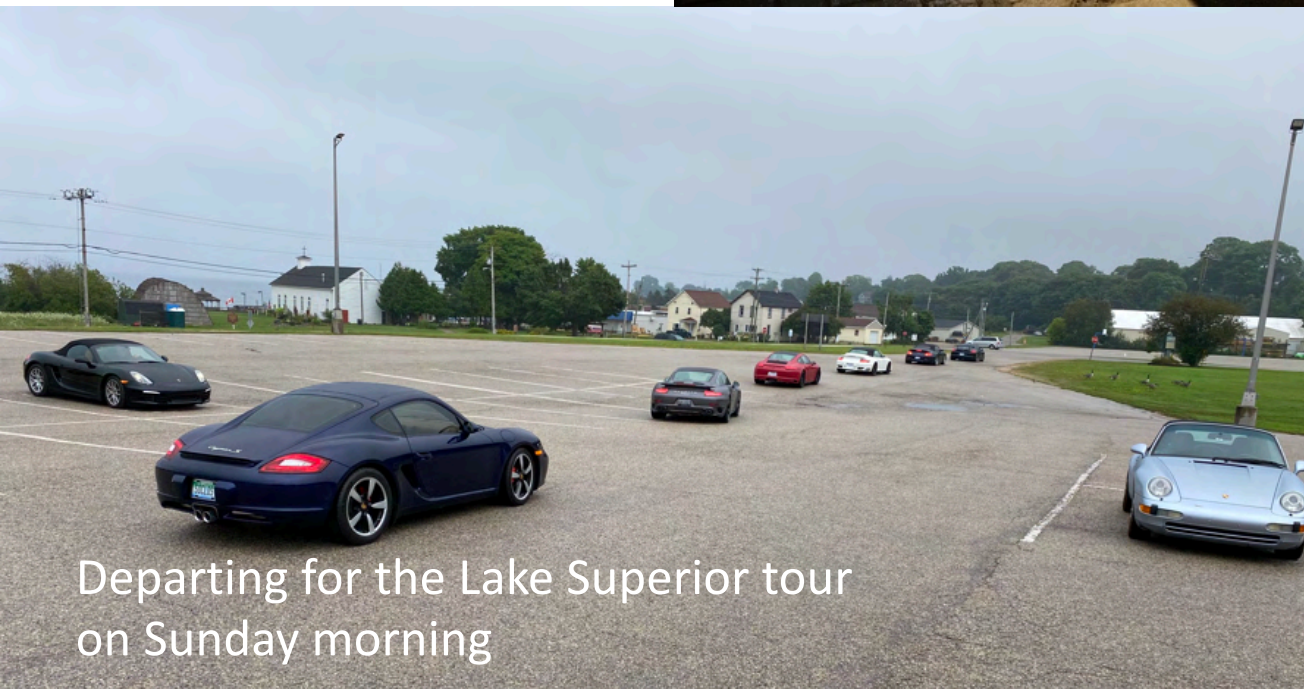
People's choice car show (the 356 won)





Lunch at Little Bear Arena on Saturday

Parked for the Brews Festival on Saturday night in downtown St. Ignace



Departing for the Lake Superior tour on Sunday morning

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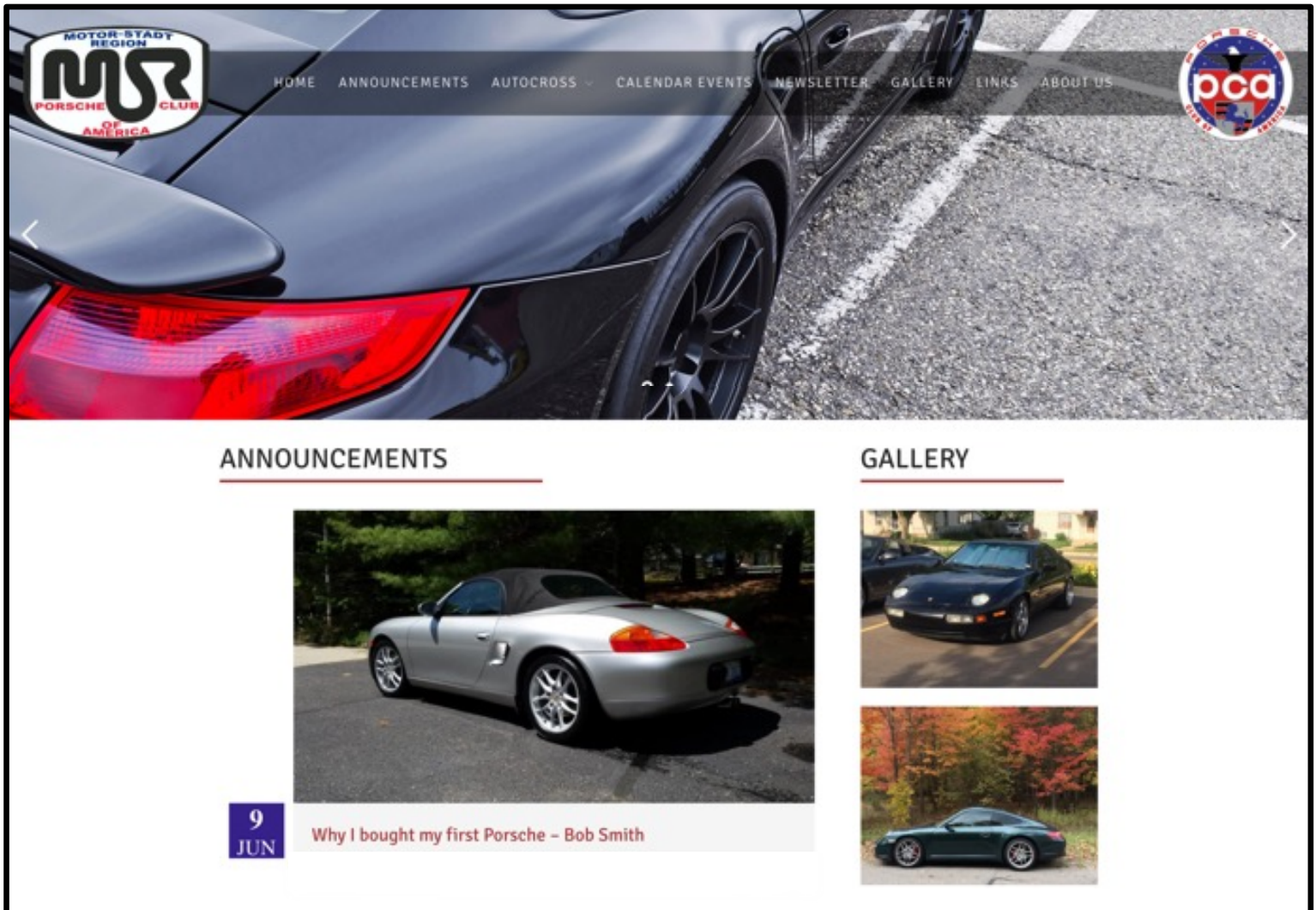
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2021 SUMMER CAR SHOW SCHEDULE

SAT • MAY 8

Boats At The Barns

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

SAT • MAY 15

Vintage Travel Trailer Rally

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**SAT • JUNE 12
& SUN • JUNE 13**

Vintage Motorcycle Weekend

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

**FRI • JUNE 18
& SAT • JUNE 19**

Micro/Mini World Meet

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SAT • JUNE 19

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**FRI • JUNE 25
& SAT • JUNE 26**

Congress of Motorcars

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SUN • JUNE 27

Oldsmobiles & Orphans

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SAT • JULY 10

DeutscheMarques

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SUN • JULY 11

Mad Dogs & Englishmen

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

**FRI • JULY 16
& SAT • JULY 17**

Horseless Carriage

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

SUN • JULY 18

Corvette Envoy

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SAT • JULY 24

MOPARs At The Red Barns

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

SAT • JULY 31

Ultimate Truck Show

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

SUN • AUG 1

GM/Chevy Show

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

SAT • AUG 7

Red Barns Spectacular

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.

SAT • AUG 14

Lincoln Homecoming Weekend

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

SAT • AUG 21

Relix Riot

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

SUN • AUG 29

Pierce-Arrow Gathering

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

SUN • SEPT 12

Muscle Cars

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

SAT • SEPT 18

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**FRI • SEPT 24
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Cadillac-LaSalle Fall Festival

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SUN • SEPT 26

Camaros At The Corners

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SAT • OCT 9

DeutscheMarques Oktoberfest

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SAT • OCT 16

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No board minutes. The August board meeting was cancelled. Yet Ken Jones reported a nice gathering of Motor-Stadt members at Spagnuolos restaurant on Tuesday evening the 10th of August.



Lineup for Sunday driving tours at Porsche on the Mac II



From the Editor

I recently drove the 240 miles of interstate from my home in Haslett to St. Ignace and back for Porsche on the Mac II in my 993 911 Cabriolet. This trip was the longest excursion in this car yet. The car performed perfectly. I also put on almost 200 miles driving back and forth to my second home in Brevort, 20 miles west of the Mac Bridge, and leading a guided tour to Detour Village on Sunday August 8. During the 3 ½ hours on the road to and from St. Ignace I got to thinking about the differences between driving a 26-year-old Porsche and piloting a recent model.

First is the noise level. Although Porsche sports cars are not renowned for being quiet, the old cars definitely are noisier. A convertible raises the difference level. I tried listening to cassette tapes (no CD player), but the background noise drowned them out. The sound deadening level of new cars is much improved, making a long trip more tolerable. The newer cars also are bigger. While my 993 is cozy with two in the front seats, this is not a problem for me, although it would be for some. Early in this trip the seats in the 993 felt comfortable, but by the time I began the return trip to Haslett my back was talking to me. I could have used some lumbar support. As I write this after our return, my lower back still is tender. The seats in modern Porsches are more ergonomic, especially the 14-way power seats available as an option.

Of course, most of the electronic bells and whistles in modern cars are absent from the 993. No back-up camera, navigation system, traffic sensor, keyless entry, tire pressure monitor, etc., etc. Certainly, these gadgets are useful although unnecessary conveniences. I do have cruise control in the 993, which is a big help on long trips on interstate highways. In the end I can do without most of the electronic helpers. I accept the 993 for what it is. With a 6-speed manual transmission it is a driver's car, not a luxury GT cruiser. So, I ignore the noise, pay close attention to traffic, consult paper maps when I have to, and content myself by listening to the rumble of that air-cooled flat 6 behind me.

Don Dickmann