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EDITOR'S NOTE

A Modern and Diverse Porsche Community

WHEN *TIMBERLINE* WAS launched in the late 1970's, Vancouver's lower mainland was a sleepy west coast urban community. Today, our region has been transformed with residential skyscrapers spanning across downtown and False Creek districts to Metrotown and Surrey.

A study conducted by an international financial institution found that Vancouver is home to one of the highest foreign born resident ratios in the world, comparable to London. We now reside in a global community which offers a unique opportunity to grow our club.

Since the early days, *Timberline* has been chronicling the life of our club which is very important to all of us. But does our newsletter name *Timberline* reflect the Porsche brand and the character of our membership today?

Porsche Club of America is encouraging member clubs to modernize their messaging with more digital content to appeal with younger Porsche owners, and to attract more women and diversity from each region.

Porsche is an enthusiast brand, so our Spring edition features stories on High-Performance Driver Education (HPDE) and Autocross events held this summer. HPDE is a club experience that all members will find not only fun, but informative when behind the wheel during everyday driving.



For members who love club tours, we profile two upcoming events: The Three Rivers and Three Ports tour in May on Vancouver Island and the historic Cariboo Wagon Trail Second Leg in Search of Gold drive this June. Our club is renowned for touring, so it will always be a part of our newsletter.

This edition with its new design look is just the first step of a magnificent journey before us. Working together, we can create a newsletter that advances our membership and speaks to a modern and diverse Porsche community which we call home.

Sincerely,

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

THE SPRING DRIVING season is just around the corner, and this is my first Timberline President's message. I am fortunate in taking on the President's position at a time that the club is in both great organizational and financial shape. Our current elected board and the various members who hold chair positions are all enthusiastic about the future of Canada West as we plan for our 50th anniversary in 2025 and our 2023 calendar of events.

PCA as an organization is looking to the future and a push is on to modernize many aspects of the club. Specifically, more digital content to attract younger members, more women members, and the four door and EV crowd into the club. You may have noticed recent changes to our website with video clips and revised menu layouts making things easier to find.

This edition of *Timberline* is the first under our new Editor Edward Quan. Edward is working to expand our content as well as modernize the look and feel of our magazine. When you view this digital version in Flipbook you will notice that the advertiser's ads flash briefly, clicking the ad now takes you directly to that advertiser's website.

The return of our Drivers Education program for 2023 is very much welcomed with our

former Editor and now DE Chair Scott Newbury taking the lead along with and our new **Chief Driving** Instructor Mason Yu who is a PCA certified instructor. They are working on a long-term DE plan for the



club in conjunction with our AutoX Chair Warren Clark.

One thing Canada West is known for among the 147 PCA regions is that we are a touring club. Among the regions we rank in the top two for the greatest number of events held in a single year. We love to drive and dine together and once again we have many day drives and overnight tours in 2023.

This year, we are celebrating the 75th birthday of our favorite margue and the 60th anniversary of the 911, watch the Road Ahead for events around the city which will be sponsored by the three Porsche dealers.

I also cannot thank enough those of you who have volunteered your time to plan events and lead the tours and day drives that occur every weekend of the driving season.

As

I have mentioned in previous articles, I have served the club in several positions, and as I go into my eighth year of PCA membership, volunteering has enabled Linda and I to meet and make great friends with so many of our members. Remember that we, the two percent of our clubs' membership who are creating the fun you all enjoy are volunteers, and volunteering is what makes this club run. At the next event help out in anyway you can, collect waivers, direct traffic, lead or sweep a small group of cars for a drive or tour, help with setup at events, write an article for our newsletter about an event you attended. By volunteering will meet more members and do as we have done, gain long lasting great friends.

Sincerely, Matt Stogryn, President

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Mark Belanger 2020 911 Carrera S Coupe (Black)

Ronald Liu 2013 911 Carrera S

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Welcome New Members!

Mike Boldt 2004 Cayenne (Titanium Metallic)

David Helman + James Busby 2005 911 Carrera

Two brothers, who just bought their first Porsches & joined PCA

James Aubert 1990 911 Carrera 4S Coupe (Pastel Blue) Thomas Aubert 2002 911 Carrera 4S Coupe (Arctic Silver)

Jay Sinclair 2012 911 Carrera S Coupe (Black)

Welcome back after 10+ year absence! Harry Gray 2012 Boxster S (Black)

Quinton Chan 1997 911 Turbo Hugh Little 2013 911 Turbo

Jamie Davidson 2022 718 Cayman GTS 4.0 (Shark Blue)

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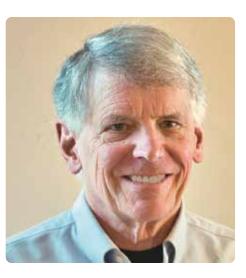
NANCY AND I started February with a trip to Florida. While I am, some would say, a hardcore skier, it was great to head south for some warmer temperatures and to see good friends.

The focus of our trip was attendance at the PCA Winter Meeting in Jacksonville, FL. Each winter the PCA leadership team – Executive Council, Zone Reps, and National Chairs gather to discuss all things PCA.

This is the first in person gathering since 2020 – damn Covid! I prefer in person meetings to Zoom, so much more seems to be accomplished.

Some key take aways from the meeting; PCA continues to grow. As of February 15th, PCA had 101,525 primary members and 155,018 total members! We discussed region best practices in the areas of social media, Redbook, and bylaws.

The meeting closed with a night at the Brumos Museum. As one would have expected the museum highlighted all things Brumos



racing. It also included an eclectic collection of vintage cars including a 1939 Alfa Romeo that was a crowd favorite.

I hope you have completed your Phase 1 Parade registration. The 2023 Porsche Parade will be in Palm Springs, from June 18th to the 24th. I have registered for

Parade and secured my housing. During Phase 2, opening on April 5th, co-entrants are added, as well as banquets, events and tours selections are made.

Nancy and I began our 2023

region visits with a trip to PNWR. I participated in PNWR's annual awards banquet which showcased those members that had been instrumental in the region's success. On display was a new GT4 RS in shark blue, the car of my dreams. Nancy and I are now planning on 2023 Zone 6 travels.

In addition to the Zone 6 signature events, which can be found at zone6.pca.org, we are looking for unique opportunities to visit your region. Zone 6 abounds in great roads to drive and great automotive venues. As part of our travels to the Zone 6 Region Presidents meeting, we will make a side trip to the Lemay Museum in Tacoma, WA to visit their 75 Years of Porsche Exhibit, 75 Years of Porsche - America's Car Museum (americascarmuseum.org).

Parting shot. From the Brumos Museum, the Brumos Pikes Peak entrant.



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- 7 Van City Social Red Truck



8 Ladies Tech Night10 Winter Social – Jazz Club



- **12** Tech Event: Unique Detailing
- 24 Zone 6 President's Meeting hosted by CWR
- 26 Cars Curves & Coffee

April

- **1** C2Sky Drive
- **6** Meet Your Neighbours
- **9** Cars Curves & Coffee
- 15 C2Sky Drive



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29 C2Sky Drive

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- **4** Meet Your Neighbours
- **5** Cinco de Mayo Drive
- 7 Cars Curves & Coffee



- 12 Big Surf Tour Tofino & Ucluelet
- 13 C2Sky Drive
- **18** Meet Your Neighbours



- **19** The First Wine Tour of '23
- 21 Cars Curves & Coffee



- **26** Three Rivers & Three Ports Tour
- 27 C2Sky Drive

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Porsche Childhood Memories: One Family's Story

STORY BY EDWARD QUAN

LAST YEAR TWO brothers, James and Thomas Aubert, bought their first Porsches and joined the PCA-CWR.

James and Thomas' love of all things Porsche began with their father who purchased a 1978 silver metallic 911 SC when they were young boys. Growing up in Surrey BC, their father, a Telcom worker, would spend weekends with his boys watching car racing on TV, reading automotive magazines, and enjoying a unforgettable Porsche family vacation to the Central Kootenays.

The Aubert brothers always wanted their own Porsches but decided to wait until they were married, owned homes, and had started their families before making such a significant purchase. A couple of years ago, once they both reached their goals, together, they began searching for their own 911s.

One of Thomas' favorite Porsche memories was captured in a family photo, taken in 1991, of him and his brother posing with his father's 911 SC. Now that he has two boys of his own, Thomas recreated that special childhood memory, photographing his sons next to his 1983 Arctic silver Carrera 996 4S.





Now residing in Langley, Thomas uses his Carrera as a daily driver, taking his boys to baseball practice, zipping to the grocery store, and handling school pick-ups and drop-offs.

James acquired his 1990 pastel blue 964 Carrera 4 in Ontario. Discovered at the back of a large warehouse filled with a private collection of supercars, its owner had not driven it much and it was largely forgotten until James bought it and had it shipped to his home in New Westminster BC.

For the past several months, James has been working on bringing the maintenance of his acquisition up to date. His dream is to take his wife, daughter, and son on a road trip to California in the Porsche.

This family's love of all things Porsche began with a father and his two sons. Now both sons are carrying on this family tradition with their children, creating cherished Porsche childhood memories that will be passed from generation to generation.

Editor's Note: Membership Chair Judith Colby brought this special story to my attention which has inspired me to create a new regular column My First Porsche. Thank you, Judith. LEFT: James and Thomas Aubert with their father's 911 SC in 1991

BELOW: James Aubert recreates his father's photo with his two sons today



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CWR Driver Education: Exploring the Limits

STORY BY SCOTT NEWBURY

I AM VERY excited to be taking on the Driver Education (DE) Chair position in our club, and I'd like to welcome Mason Yu as our Chief Driving Instructor, and Steve Wu as our DE Safety Chair. All three of us are long-time track enthusiasts, with more than 30 years of on-track experience between us.



LEFT TO RIGHT: Scott Newbury, Mason Yu, Steve Wu

We have some very big plans for the development of the CWR DE program over the next few years. We plan to have two different types of events in the program, Driver Skills, and High-Performance Driver Education (HPDE).



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The Driver Skills program is a fun and exciting one day course where you will learn about the fundamentals of performance driving and get to explore the limits of your vehicle. This event is held on a large flat paved surface where you will have the opportunity to test your car control skills in a safe and controlled environment. There will be classroom instruction as well as lots of in-car seat time. Exercises are designed to focus on essential high performance driving skills such as looking ahead, weight balance, smooth inputs, threshold braking, and more. These exercises will help you practice and perfect your driving techniques, and to become a better and safer driver on the street.

Driver Skills exercises include:

- Slalom course
- Skidpad
- Braking and accident avoidance
- Figure Eight

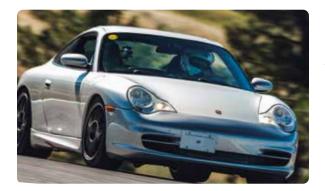
HPDE

HPDE events take place on a racetrack with a great group of like-minded motorsports enthusiasts. We have three amazing tracks here in BC. The largest, and most exciting, is Area 27 in Oliver. Vancouver Island Motorsports Circuit (VIMC) is a smaller, very technical, and fun track near Duncan on Vancouver Island, and Mission Raceway is also quite small but is in a great location and has a low cost of entry. There are also several great tracks South of the border in Washington and Oregon. The Ridge, Pacific Raceway, Qlispé, and Oregon Raceway are all within reasonable driving distance.

HPDE events are thrilling, exhilarating, and a barrel of fun, but they are not racing. Safety is paramount; your car must be safe and, as a driver, you must have the skills required to control your car at high speeds. As the CWR HPDE Team, we will be focused on the "Driver Education" part of HPDE. I strongly believe



that in-car instruction is the best way to teach high performance driving skills to a new driver coming into our sport. My vision for the CWR DE program is to develop our own team of driving instructors. PCA National has an instructor training and certification program and are sponsoring a training event at Pacific Raceway in March of this year. We have more than a dozen of our members signed up for this event.



For the 2023 season we are planning to hold one Driver Skills event and one HPDE event. The HPDE event will take place at Area 27 on August 28, and is already open for registration by PCA members on MotorsportReg.com (msreg.com/Area27). We have great early bird pricing so register early and don't forget to book your accommodation early as well. Both Coast Oliver and Watermark Beach Resort offer discounts for Area 27 events.

We plan to hold more events in the coming years and to branch out to the tracks in WA and OR once we have our own pool of driving instructors in place. Personally, I have participated in many HPDE events at the Ridge and Pacific Raceway but have never been to Qlispé or ORP, so am really looking forward to learning those tracks. ORP is quite unique in that it can be run in both directions, so if you sign up for a two-day event there it can be like running two different tracks at the same venue. ABOVE: Club members prepare for their HPDE exercise

For drivers that have attended CWR HPDE events in the past you will notice some changes this year. We will be running our own driver education program for new and novice drivers, and we have implemented a vehicle inspection requirement. The vehicle inspection must be completed within a 30-day window prior to the event. The Pre-Event Tech Form, which can be found on the CWR website (pca-cwr.org), should be completed by a certified mechanic, or by the participant if he/she feels competent to do so.

Even if you do your own maintenance, it is highly recommended to have a shop inspect your car in preparation for HPDE. We will also be inspecting cars the morning of the event, but the inspection will be less intensive. As always, it's up to the participant to be sure their car is in the proper condition to participate in the event and that it will pass the inspection we perform.

Finally, I'd like to acknowledge the help and support of the entire DE Team in the PCA Pacific Northwest Region, who have been immensely supportive of us here at Canada West.



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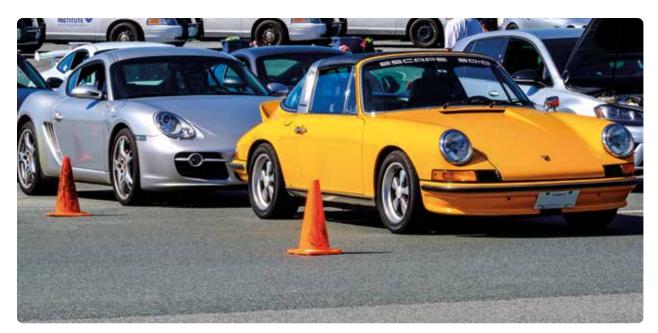


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AUTOCROSS: CHASING CONES IS A BLAST

STORY BY WARREN CLARK | PHOTOGRAPHY BY WILLIAM WAUNG



AS YOU ARE reading this article in a car culture focused magazine, it is fair to assume that you have more than a passing interest in cars and you enjoy driving. This magazine is focused on our favourite make of car, Porsche.



skills on these can be a challenge or even dangerous if real world limits of car and/or driver are exceeded, not to mention traffic and road conditions.

Understanding when to shift, braking

Many of us are also interested in improving or honing our driving skills, this is something that is ongoing and not often we do not get any real opportunity to practice some of the finer points of driving well.

A problem we all face is that most of our actual driving experience is in an urban setting where one's attention must be directed to what is going on around us, with little or no time to consciously think about let alone practice improving driving skills safely in a Porsche.

A spirited drive on deserted winding country roads is what many Porsche enthusiasts live for. The challenge is that these roads are hard to find close to the city and improving one's zones, corner turn-in points, apex, trail braking, maintenance throttle, adhesion limits and importantly what to do if you sense a slide are all things that are part of high-performance driving. It is not really possible to properly learn these skills safely and legally on the street.

Any modern Porsche is a very capable machine right out of the showroom and is rarely the limiting factor when driven in a spirited manner, driver skills are.

To improve any skill, instruction, repetition and measurement are usually key elements. A High-Performance Driver Education (HPDE) event will provide this but may be too intimidating for someone that has not already 'got the fever' and track based HPDE is a relatively large commitment and may involve conditions that some drivers could be uncomfortable with, at least early on. Although a well-run HPDE event is likely less dangerous than some commutes or freeway driving in my experience.

Another event that also provides the noted key elements is Autocross (AutoX or AX). For those of you that are unfamiliar with AX, it is quickly described as navigating one car at a time around a course defined by traffic cones as efficiently as possible within a parking lot, or other paved area not on a public road. Runs are timed and take approximately one minute each.

These events may not provide all of the on-track time that an HPDE event might, but are less expensive, have lower speeds, the risk of damage or injury are less and are particularly suitable for less advanced drivers but are great fun for experts as well. AX rewards precision more than aggression meaning that if you get the right line, braking and acceleration points you can be faster than a driver that does not put it together as well, even when they technically have a faster car. One factor that we try to incorporate with each event is that those participating enjoy the day, both the driving and the people.





During the 2023 driving season at least one of the planned AX events will have a focus on helping our members improve their High-Performance driving skills and better understand the limits of their car in an approachable way.

At present there are two dates for AX at Mission Raceway, April 16, and October 14, with the potential for more subject to facility availability. All will be advertised in the weekly Road Ahead.





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Three Rivers and Three Ports Tour

STORY BY EDWARD QUAN



THE THREE RIVERS and Three Ports tour scheduled this May is an extended Gold River drive held last year. A three-day tour north from Horseshoe Bay along the Sunshine Coast and across the Salish Sea to Vancouver Island with a scenic mountain drive to Gold River.

Under the direction of club member Phil Kirby, the Three Rivers and Three Ports tour is now a four-day event that includes the same route but with an extra day experiencing quiet twisty paved roads north to Port McNeill, Hardy and Alice.

Their final stop is Telegraph Cove, with its post-card waterfront setting featuring multicoloured buildings and homes on top of a rocky shoreline. At the turn of the century, this was the site of a single room telegraph shack from which pioneers, loggers and fisherman could stay in touch with the outside world.

A former fishing and cannery village, visit today and you will discover the Telegraph Cove Resort which offers cozy cabins and historic homes to lodge rooms. Now an ecotourism centre attracting visitors with whale and grizzly watching tours, fishing, kayaking, hiking, a Whale Interpretive Centre, and Art Gallery.

Three Rivers and Three Ports tour is a perfect way to begin your driving season. Watch for registration details on the CWR website.



ABOVE: Group photo in Gold River

LEFT: Wandering the boardwalk village of Telegraph Cove

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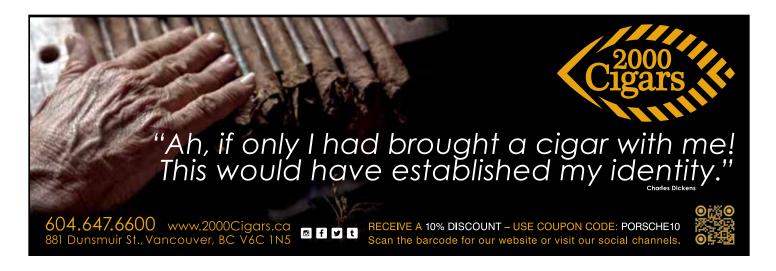
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Cariboo Wagon Trail: Second Leg in Search of Gold

STORY BY GARY WALKER

WELL FOLKS, WE didn't find the gold when 40 members and 25 Porsches trekked through the Old Yale Trail last May.

This first leg of the search took us from New Westminster (Brownsville) to Yale. We had an interesting day navigating today's traffic - trying to trace out the wagon trail in our Porsches. It was hard to imagine how difficult it was in the 1800s when we breezed along paved roads that now replicate the early gold seeker trails.

We had a blast (pun intended) in Yale experiencing a barbecue and an historic experience at The Yale Site. But all we could do was pretend to pan for gold. However, many suggested it would be cool to continue the trek for gold on another drive.

So, I researched the Cariboo Trail (basically

the path thousands who gathered at Yale took in the 1860s). They knew this would take them right to the gold centered around Barkerville. Planned is a full three-day Historic Route to trace their wagon tracks. On the way back we'll meet at Fort Berens Estate Winery for a food and wine pairing to toast the end of the event.

Why not come along for the ride? If you like "driving", there'll be lots of curvy mountain roads over the three days. Slots are still available. Rooms have been set aside in Quesnel.

By the way, if you're concerned about your classic Porsche encountering a problem, registrant, Paul Young said he has a friend in Quesnel who happens to be a specialist mechanic. And if you're not sure of passing a history quiz —you're in luck. There won't be one!

Old wagon driving down the streets of Barkerville

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ART IN MOTION



A piece of beautiful German functional art in front of the iconic sculpture at the Vancouver Planetarium.

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