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Dear Members:

In this month's issue, President Tim Bourdois proudly announces that the Canada West Region was honoured at the Porsche Parade 2024 in Birmingham, Alabama, with the PCA Public Service Award for the most outstanding charity or community service last year. This is a huge recognition and achievement as we are just one of 147 regions across the United States and Canada.

Our Porsche club continues to experience significant membership growth. Learn about the fantastic evening where we welcomed over 75 Porsche owners at our New Members' Night, hosted by Porsche Centre Vancouver.

In late July, our annual Shades of Stuttgart show and shine event at Tsawwassen Mills brought together over 225 Porsches for a dazzling display. We experienced the rich colour spectrum of Porsches spanning decades and set a new attendance record in our 49-year club history.

For travel enthusiasts, the Ultimate Island and the Big Horn Tour stories recount our unforgettable experience exploring British Columbia's magnificent vistas in our Porsches.

As we enter a new era of EVs, you can read about the all-new Porsche Taycan 4S as a family transporter and on the racetrack at Area 27 in Oliver, BC.

We are excited to announce that Ingrid Taylor is the first winner of the Road Ahead photo contest, now titled Road Ahead Moments, along with the runners-up. Her early morning image at the C2Sky drive impressed us, so we used one of her other photos for the front cover. I encourage fellow members to keep capturing the special moments we share and continue sending them to the Road Ahead website.

Summer is ending, and I find myself reminiscing about the experiences I shared with my fellow club members. From the Shades of Stuttgart exhibit to driving our sporty Porsches through the Rocky Mountains, the memories we made together will always be a part of who we are.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edward Quan".

Edward Quan
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President's Mid-Summer Message

Here we are, midway through a lovely, though very warm summer! We've enjoyed lots of sunshine and many twisty turns during our drives and tours so far!

It is such an honour and privilege for me to serve as the club's president. Receiving the PCA Public Service Award for 2024 on behalf of the club was one of the many honours! This is something our club achieved together while simply doing what we love, sharing time together enjoying our Porsches, which makes it all the better! I along with our Board of Directors thank you for your support of our Club and our Community!

All tours and major drives to date have been completely sold out, so make sure to register when they're announced because they fill up fast! Likewise, all static events and day drives have been filled to capacity! Cinco de Mayo was an absolute hit with everyone who attended! Jeff's Coffee and Curves and our classic Sea to Sky weekend drives continue to draw long trains of cars which end up with coffee, conversation and friendships at the end! The Dundarave Father's Day Show and Shine had the streets full of Porsche, including special additions brought by Porsche Center Vancouver (the GT3RS they brought was incredible). The Karl Schon Memorial Drive, Blackrock, Summerland Wine & Dine Tour, Big Horn Tour, CWR & PNWR Dual Region Ladies Drive - Part II have all been incredible milestones and successes in our club calendar so far this year! The Osoyoos Summer Wine tour just completed, and all who were there said: "it was an unforgettable event." They even managed to have surprise guests, Matt and Linda Stogryn join them for dinner!

Our Annual Shades of Stuttgart at Tsawwassen Mills was an absolute blockbuster, filled with over 220 registered cars (not to mention the 60 or so unregistered cars that joined us). Conservatively, we estimate over 1000 people visited the

show. A major highlight of the event and an incredible honour for me to present... one of our club members won the 2nd Grand Prize in the 2024 PCA Spring Raffle! Please join me in congratulating our winners, Miles & Suzette Willets! Our winners will receive a 2024 Porsche Macan 4 Electric + \$25,000 in cash. I want to thank our event hosts, Tsawwassen Mills and the Tsawwassen First Nation as well as our sponsors, Porsche Center Vancouver, Porsche Center Richmond, Weissach, Hans Driven, Classic Auto/AutoWest, Twisted Wrap, Wax Autospa and Wrap Workz and the many volunteers without whom the event could not happen! I want to especially recognize Luis Brasdefer, Gerard Pietrykiewicz, Kyle Lanford, Lex Lawless and Gavin Mah, who each went above and beyond to ensure all of our participants and visitors had an amazing time... well done team!!!

We still have much to look forward to this year... Porsches and Planes at the Abbotsford Airshow is just about to happen and is always a big hit! Ladies... Pink Parade sponsored by Weissach is coming this September and is set to be another amazingly fun event! Make sure you sign up for our End of Summer Porsche Party! I happen to know we'll have some special guests attending! Movember is another chance for our guys to have a little fun and Okturbofest is always a blast and will be held once again by our generous host, Porsche Center Vancouver. Our Annual CWR Christmas Toy Drive, arrives in November and is followed by our Annual Christmas Party in December...it's a chance to dress up and celebrate the year with all the friends you've made along the way!



We're already looking forward to next year's calendar of events! 2025 will be our 50th Anniversary, and the 70th Anniversary of PCA. Our 50th Anniversary committee has been hard at work to ensure we're going to enjoy an epic event next summer! Details for this celebration will follow with an official announcement, so make sure to look for it in an upcoming release on our website, social media, email, and, of course, in our incredible C2Sky magazine!

To make all of this fun happen, we rely 100% on the volunteer support of our members. No matter the role, each volunteer plays a vital part in allowing our events to happen and contributing to their success! If you have time, your service will be greatly appreciated by every member who enjoys our events!

Have a great rest of your summer.

Tim Bourdois
President
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Harald + Dolores Evers
46 years

Terry Flebbe
45 years

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36 years

Brad + Janice Pelling
35 years

Andrew + Kristen Grible
33 years

Andy + Marion Hoagland
30 years

Jonathan Nelson
28 years

Newton Crawford
28 years

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27 years

Morris Broglio
23 years

SEPTEMBER

Hubert Veerman
44 years

Philip + Barbara Kirby
38 years

Dr Tim Wou
33 years

Peter + Connie Valkenburg
31 years

Terry Ellis
30 years

Dr Timothy + Michelle Kim
27 years

All + Brenda Jenkins
22 years

Ian Manning
22 years

Henri + Lori Champagne
20 years

Paul Young
19 years

OCTOBER

Bruce + Patti Young
41 years

Ed + Elizabeth Nemeth
40 years

Paul + Ellen Reimer
37 years

David Ferguson
32 years

Henry Woo
27 years

Kevin + Shanna Vander Ploeg
22 years

Welcome New Members!

Fraser Beale, Delta
2007 Boxster

Andrew Beddow, North Vancouver
2001 911 Carrera Coupe (Seal Grey)

Heddy Bing, North Vancouver
2022 911 Carrera 4S Cabriolet (Carmine Red)

Steven Bis, Langley
2019 911 Carrera 4S Coupe (Black)

Jason Boudreau, North Vancouver
2023 911 Targa 4GTS (Shark Blue)

Yvan Burkhalter, Vancouver
2012 Panamera S (Brown-Grey)

Phil Cappellini, Coquitlam
1997 Boxster

Percy Cheung, Richmond
2024 Macan GTS (Chalk)

Ruben Cohen, Vancouver
1989 911 Turbo Cabriolet (Black)

Adrian Coicoiu + Gabriella Albu, Delta
1992 968 Cabriolet

Anthony Cooper, Vancouver
1977 911S

Mike Crondahl, Mission
2024 911 Carrera 4 GTS (Aventurine Green Metallic)

Todd + Jennifer Doern, Vancouver
2021 911 Carrera 4S Coupe (GT Silver)

Amir Doust, North Vancouver
2002 911 Carrera Cabriolet (Black)

Oly Eichstadt, Chilliwack
2019 911 Targa 4S (Silver)

Susan Everall, Vancouver
Transfer from Vancouver Island Region
2013 Boxster S (Red)
2024 Cayenne S Hybrid (White)

Jeff Fitzpatrick, West Vancouver
1958 356A 1600 Sunroof Coupe (Light Blue Metallic)
1981 911SC (wide body, after market M491) Metallic Blue
2023 Taycan 4S (Arctic Grey)
2020 Cayenne Coupe S (Black)

Donald Gee, Burnaby
2017 911 Carrera 4S

Paul Gill, North Vancouver
2024 911 Carrera 4S Coupe (Aventurine Green)

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Ryan Goodman, Vancouver
2024 911 Carrera 4S Coupe (Chalk Gray)

Kuljeet Grewal, Vancouver
2024 911 Carrera 4S Coupe
(Gentian Blue Metallic)

Robert Gritten, West Vancouver
2009 911 Turbo Coupe (Carrera White)
2020 E-Hybrid Cayenne
(Biscay Blue Metallic)

Barry Guscott, Richmond
1973 911T Coupe

Jarrood Haas, Vancouver
Transfer from BC Interior Region
2017 911 Carrera S (Gray)

Karl Harrier, Vancouver
2018 Macan S

Tina-Louise Harris, Coquitlam
2024 718 Cayman
(Ruby Star Neo - hot pink custom build!)

Randy Hsu, Richmond
2024 911 GT3 Touring

Alex Hupka, Richmond
2015 Boxster GTS

Salman Jamal, Chilliwack
2019 911 Carrera 4S Cabriolet (Black)
2015 Cayenne Diesel (Black)

Paul Jarrow + Heather Kemski, West Vancouver
2006 Cayman S (Seal Gray Metallic)

Thomas Jarvis, West Vancouver
2002 911 Carrera 4 Cabriolet (Blue)

Trevor Johnston, North Vancouver
1969 912 Coupe (Wimbledon White)

Mike Knyazev, Vancouver
2020 911 Carrera S Cabriolet (White)

Darren Lee, Vancouver
2004 40th Anniversary Edition
911 Carrera 2 Coupe (GT Silver)

Andrii Liakh, Vancouver
2017 718 Cayman

Gregory + Connor Loewen, North Vancouver
Welcome back after a few years of absence!
1977 911S

Paul Ly + Kelly Ernewin, Abbotsford
2002 911 Carrera 4S

Donna Macdonald + Randy Mann, Delta
2024 911 Carrera T (Gentian Blue Metallic)

Jake Van Der Meer, Prince Rupert
Reinstated after a long absence from PCA
1971 911T (Gray)

Michelle + Dale Mollinga, Richmond
2024 Macan (Gentian Blue Metallic)

Larry Mosimann, Chilliwack
Reinstated after a long absence from PCA
2024 911 GT3 RS

Haili Moyer, Squamish
1992 911 Carrera 2 Targa

Varun Naidu, Burnaby
2007 911 Carrera

Gideon Perez, Surrey
2015 Cayman (Sapphire Blue)

Sir Michael + Maria Kristina Ree, Vancouver
2024 Cayenne

Ken Robertson, Burnaby
2017 911 Carrera 4S Coupe
(GT Silver Metallic)

Yosef Rouch, West Vancouver
2004 911 Carrera 4S

Dale Russell, West Vancouver
2017 911 Carrera S Coupe (Miami Blue)

Arthur Schimpel, Delta
2011 911 Turbo S

Clarence Shek, Maple Ridge
Reinstated after a long absence from PCA
2024 911 Carrera GTS Coupe (Black)

Andrew + Edwin Sze, Surrey
2020 911 Carrera 4S

Gary Tan, Vancouver
2024 911 GT3 RS Coupe (Racing Yellow)

Qi Xiang Tang, Vancouver
2023 718 Spyder

Harp Virdi, Vancouver
2018 Macan GTS (Jet Black Metallic)

John Wall + Maria Pillon, Richmond
2024 911 Targa 4GTS

Patrick Wong, Vancouver
2022 Cayenne E-Hybrid (Chalk)
2012 997.2 C4 GTS Coupe (Dark Gray)

Chris Wright, Langley
2020 718 Cayman GT4

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IN THE ZONE



July 2024

**John P Sommerwerck
PCA Zone 6 Rep**

Summer is here, which means we have long, hot days ahead to enjoy driving our Porsches on the winding roads of the Pacific Northwest. Some of my favourite roads include the Beartooth Pass, which goes from the north entrance of Yellowstone to Red Lodge, MT. Within Zone 6, some of my favourites are the Spiral Highway outside Lewiston. Another favourite is the North Cascades Highway. I'm sure if you ask a fellow PCA member, they will have a list of their favourite roads, too. Other ways to enjoy your Porsche include Car Control Clinics, Autocrosses, and HPDE. Go to your region's website to find events that will get you out there and enjoy your Porsche.



Attention long-range planners: The Porsche Parade 2025 is set for July 6-12 in Oklahoma City, and the Porsche

Parade 2026 will take place from June 14-20 in Lake Placid, NY. The 2024 Fall Treffen is scheduled to be held at the Omni Bretton Arms Inn at Mt. Washington, NH, from September 29th to October 3rd. Following that, the 2025 Spring Treffen will be hosted at the Omni Homestead Resort in Hot Springs, VA, from April 30th to May 3rd. Stay tuned for the announcement of the next Treffen at Sea cruise on August 3rd.

Zone 6's 2024 events are filling up our calendar. Next up is Treffen at Sea – Cruise to Alaska. We will kick off the cruise with the Pre-Cruise Event at Nathan and Suzy Merz's Columbia Valley Luxury Cars in Redmond. Following that, we will be attending Canada West Region's Planes and Porsches, as well as Cascade Region's Lincoln City Car Show. More details about Zone 6 signature events can be found on PCA Zone 6 - The Pacific NW Regions. Zone 6 is filled with great roads to drive and fantastic automotive venues.

Stay healthy, and we will see you in the Zone in 2024!

**John P Sommerwerck
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Edward:

I really enjoyed the articles in the Summer 2024 C2Sky.

Tim Bourdois' President's Message gives me flashbacks to years ago when he showed up as a club guest in his pre-Porsche days to Jeff's Coffee and Curves driving (ahem) a Mercedes; how he has evolved, as have we all.

This issue covered the bases for me. Looking back at recent events I was able to attend, such as Cinco de Mayo, is always fun. My next trip to Penticton now has a bucket list, thanks to your reviews. Clearly, the Porsche miniature collection in my office is sorely lacking.

Apparently, we also have to retire and join in on some driving tours which always seem amazing. So many facets of Porscheophilia and one common denominator, truly fabulous people. Keep up the great work bringing the club to life in print. I can't wait to read the next issue!

Jeff Rebiffe





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I've always been drawn to Porsche cars

Story by Fred Poppe

I can remember that, as a child, I always noticed Porsche cars. The distinct design and exhaust sound they made as they drove by on the street. Growing up I followed the Porsche model evolution via my monthly Road and Track and Car and Driver magazines.

My first car was a Mustang, which was nice, but it was not the car I really desired, the Porsche, but it was outside my price range. Then, I got married and started a family. I thought now that I was established, it was time to get my first Porsche. I went to Edmonton Porsche and found an absolutely gorgeous dark blue Porsche Turbo for sale. The dealer told me I could have it for \$75,000. I spent weeks agonizing over the decision. My wife finally told me not to buy the Porsche because it cost more than every house in our neighbourhood.

So what did we do? We built a custom house in a gated community. Life happened, and years went by, but my desire for the Porsche never left. I owned many lesser cars over the years but could never justify the cost of the car I really wanted. Then, in the late 90's, I decided to order my dream Porsche finally, but before we could finalize the deal I

I received an unbelievable job offer that required us to move the entire family to Vancouver. The new job and life again got in the way of getting my Porsche.

Years passed by, and I retired, and I said, now is the time to get my Porsche finally. I had been following the new designs for years, and in 2015, I came across the debut of Mission E. I loved the body style and went down to Porsche Vancouver to place a deposit. Four years passed before Porsche released the new Taycan. Unfortunately, when I went online to custom order the car, it was only available with the Black sunroof, which I hated. Needless to say, I cancelled the order.

I spent the next year online every week customizing a special 911. Then, finally, for my 70th birthday, I went down to Porsche Vancouver and submitted my custom order. Five months later they delivered an absolutely gorgeous one-of-a-kind Porsche: a 2012 Carrera S with Aerokit package, sport design side skirts, wheels painted in exterior colour and more. I finally received my lifelong dream car.

I only drive the Porsche in the sun and wash it every week or two. I attend numerous Porsche events, and I just love driving the car. I get compliments on the Porsche wherever I go. I treat it like my baby since my children have grown up and moved out. I will enjoy this Porsche for the rest of my life. I can see the grandchildren already waiting to inherit the car.

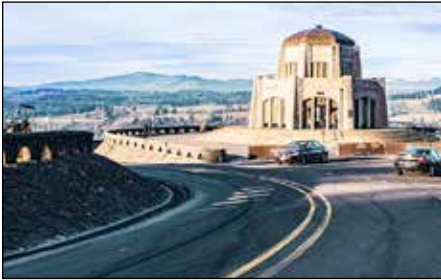
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To learn more about our upcoming club events, visit pca-cwr.org



CWR received the PCA Public Service Award

At Porsche Parade 2024, CWR won first place for public service.

Since the Porsche Club of America was formed in 1955, regions have prioritized community service and charitable contributions. In 2002, PCA decided to recognize the unique and diverse programs implemented by regions throughout PCA in support of public service.

The PCA Public Service Awards recognize the regions that have conducted the most outstanding charity or community service event or events during the year. The winning regions demonstrate the highest standards in meeting the objectives and the ideals of the PCA in providing service and support to charities and the community. Due to the importance of public service to the club and the number of PCA regions involved in public service, it was decided to present multiple awards. Awards are presented for first, second, and third place and honourable mentions.

It is my distinct honour, privilege and pleasure to announce that the Canada West Region was recognized in first place for Public Service during the awards ceremony at the 2024 PCA Porsche Parade!

I cannot begin to express the tremendous joy and pride I feel in sharing this announcement and honour with you. This is, at its core, a recognition of our region, the communities we share, and each who has

contributed within our communities. There are so very many who have worked to serve the many causes our club supports.

I want to take this opportunity to thank every single club member and contributor who has worked to serve our communities and the deserving charities within them! Here is a list of some of the charities or events supporting charities we've helped or hosted in the last year:

- Dundarave Fathers Day Show & Shine 2023 - The Harvest Project - \$6,915
- C2Sky Drives 2023 - General Charity fund - \$2,646
- Whistler Weekend Light 2023 - The Harvest Project - \$2,786
- Shades of Stuttgart 2023 - General Charity fund - \$2,009
- 2023 Drives to provide Relief to Forest Fire Victims - Central Okanagan and Sorrento Food Banks - \$3,000 each
- Ladies Pink Parade 2023 - BC Cancer Foundation - \$1,7950
- All Air Cooled Drive 2023 - Harrison Community Food Bank - \$640
- Movember 2023 (Inaugural) - Men's Health

ABOVE: Annual Christmas Toy Drive and Dundarave Father's Day Show & Shine.

RIGHT: Member's Porsches with mustaches for Movember.





focused on Testicular and Prostate Cancers - \$10,456
 • 4th Annual Christmas Toy Drive 2023 - Surrey Christmas Bureau - \$5,200

This is only a small list of the many charities we've helped or supported last year and over the years. While writing this letter, I was overwhelmed at the number of charities and causes I was able to see have been supported by our club.

All of this was achieved through the generosity, effort and support of each member of Canada West! I cannot begin to tell you the source of pride and deep appreciation felt by myself and each member of the board of directors and chairs, both past and present! We simply could not have achieved this without your generous participation and thoughtful support. I'm especially grateful that, as a result, we fulfilled three of the six primary values identified in PCA's mission statement:

- To enjoy and share goodwill and fellowship engendered by owning a Porsche
- To maintain the highest standards of operation and performance of the marque
- To establish mutually beneficial relationships with the Porsche factory, dealers and other service sources

No matter the size, your contribution has made a difference in our communities and I, along with the CWR Executive thank you for it! The best part is, we did this while doing what we do...having fun, enjoying our cars and sharing community; and in so doing, we served our greater community!

It's not about the award. It's about the people and the difference we've made and continue to make!

From the bottom of my heart and with my deepest gratitude!

Thank you!
 Tim Bourdois
 President Canada West Region



ABOVE: Ladies Pink Parade and PCA Public Service Award.

LEFT: Shades of Stuttgart.

Shades of Stuttgart

The largest Porsche exhibit in our 49-year club history.

Story by Edward Quan | Photos by Paul Steeves

CENTRE: Miles & Suzette Willets, winners of the second prize of the PCA raffle.

BELOW: Volunteers at the Shades of Stuttgart.



The Shades of Stuttgart Porsche Show and Shine was an awe-inspiring display of automotive excellence! Over 225 Porsches, spanning 76 years of iconic design, graced the grounds of Tsawwassen Mills, creating the largest Porsche showcase in British Columbia this year.

The rainbow of Porsche colours was mesmerizing, with 13 distinct shades on display. From the timeless elegance of Black to the rarity of Purple, every hue seemed to sparkle under the sun. And the inclusion of Paint to Sample models added an extra layer of exclusivity to the event.

The diversity of Porsche models was equally astounding, with 356s, 911s, 924's, 944's, Targas, GT-3s, Cabriolets, Boxsters, Caymans, Macans, and Cayenne Overlands all represented. It was a true feast for the senses, a celebration of Porsche's unparalleled engineering and design prowess.

Beating last year's attendance of 150 vehicles, this year's show drew several thousand spectators, all captivated by the sheer beauty and power of these German masterpieces. With over 40 Porsche club volunteers on site and several draw prizes up for grabs, the event truly embodied the spirit of the Canada West Region Porsche Club, fostering a sense of belonging and camaraderie among all present.

During the ceremony, CWR President Tim Bourdois announced that club members Miles and Suzette Willets had won the 2nd Grand Prize in the PCA raffle, which included a 2024 Macan E and US\$25,000 cash.

This year's event sponsors were Tsawwassen First Nation, Tsawwassen Mills, Porsche Centre Richmond and Porsche Centre Vancouver.

The Shades of Stuttgart Porsche Show and Shine was a testament to the enduring allure of the Porsche brand. Its mesmerizing display left thousands in attendance awestruck and eagerly anticipating next year's event, a testament to the show's success and excitement.





Over 225 Porsches are on display at the Shades of Stuttgart.





Ultimate Vancouver Island tour

In search of the best driving road.

Story & Photos by Phil Kirby

Last April, 15 Porsches gathered three km west of the Swartz Bay ferry terminal to explore Vancouver Island's most secluded driving routes for four days. Over 1,400 km later, most could say, "I've never been on that road before," or "That was the best driving road ever." The trouble was that it seemed as if everyone had a different take on what was the best road.

The first contender came after navigating Victoria's morning rush hour. From Sooke to Jordan River, the newly upgraded and paved Highway 14 delighted us along the shores of the Strait of Juan de Fuca. With the snow-capped peaks gleaming in the morning sun, Cascades on our left and towering Douglas fir and Sitka Spruce on our right, it was the perfect appetizer for what lay ahead.

After a pub lunch on the island's west coast at Port Renfrew came 80 kilometres of upgraded logging road winding along the leafy shores of the San Juan River to Harris Creek. The route paralleled the twists and turns of these waterways over 13 single-lane Bailey bridges. From there, we ascended upwards through a mountain pass complete with two hairpin turns requiring a second gear downshift to maintain

momentum. Descending, the route straightened out somewhat, and the cars were able to get into top gear for some higher-speed cruising. Alas, the roads' surface was showing its age, meaning we needed to be on the lookout for broken pavement and potholes. It is not a concern for the Macan's and Cayenne's, but it is a bit dodgy for the 911s, Boxsters, and Caymans.

Exiting Hwy 14 on the Island's East Coast at Duncan, a reset was needed to endure the freeway traffic of the Island Highway 19 and the awful stop-and-go of the Nanaimo bypass. True to traffic's cruel form, the group got split up by the lights, with some staying on the freeway till our night's destination in Courtenay. A lucky few exited at Parksville and took the old Island Highway 19A. Like a cool-down lap at a track, the salt air, the gentle pace and the views of the Salish Sea calmed the inner soul Zen-like. Sleep came early and easily for most that night.

Day 2: At the 8 am Drivers meeting, threatening weather brought a change of plans, swapping day two's Northern sortie with day three's route. Time permitted a warm-up section up the scenic 19A to Campbell River before heading to the island's west coast on

ABOVE:
Participants of the
Vancouver Island
Tour.

Highway 28. Always a favourite, the Gold River has a lot to recommend it. Only 96 km, Drive BC suggests it takes upwards of two hours except if driving a Porsche. The ups and downs, the tight corners and the long straights gave us a bit of sensory overload, though we did arrive a bit earlier than expected. Several sections of kilometres and kilometres of 30 and 50-km corners wound along the cliffs of the lakeside, moose meadows and waterfalls tumbling of snow-capped peaks soaring above. A strong contender for the best driving road, many smiles were generated there and back.

Day 3: Threatening rain, we headed north again along the seaside scenery of the old island highway 19A to the end of the freeway at Campbell River. From there, the route took us on a well-maintained two-lane road. With great visibility, many nicely banked gentle curves, and well-served handy passing lanes, it could have been a high-speed dash. The rain, heavy at times and a tanker truck that went into the trees gave us all time to get better acquainted till they cleared the wreck.

Lunch was delayed by all this, but the bright side was that lunch itself was a reward for our patience at the wreck. The Cuckoo Trattoria in Coombs, BC, was a delicious treat for the gourmards among us, as well as those of us who just enjoyed a break from pub food.

The last contender for the best driving road was cruising along the shores of Sproat Lake on the way to the Black Rock resort in Ucluelet. The sun beamed down on a pack of Porsches driving the barren black top, flat sixes at speed, singing a high note; the road dipped and rose, flowing generally downward to me. I had wings and was flying.

So, what are the characteristics of the perfect driving road?

Is it driving slowly with traffic so as to enjoy the view? Perhaps fantasizing about what it would be like to live in the house on the beach with that boat.

Or a smooth and twisty piece of blacktop at speed. Your ride is a physical extension of your body, healing and toeing your way ahead, balanced like a dancer. An adrenalin rush all the way. No time to look at the view; all eyes are up on the next corner.

I think the perfect drive is more fleeting. It's the coming together of all the great weather and scenery with the well-matched downshift as you hit all the esses apexes, then full on the gas to peak torque one redline to the next.

Repeat.



LEFT: Vancouver Island Tour members were greeted by great weather and beautiful scenery.





A special welcome was extended to over 75 new members this year.





ABOVE: President Tim Bourdois briefs our new members.

BELOW: Our dedicated volunteers are eagerly awaiting the arrival of our new members.

CWR warmly welcomes new members

An exclusive New Members Night at Porsche Centre Vancouver.

Story by Edward Quan | Photos by William Waung

In June, Tim Bourgeois, President of CWR, extended a heartfelt welcome to over 75 new members at our exclusive New Members Night at Porsche Centre Vancouver.

Every year, the Executive Committee and volunteers go above and beyond to prepare a warm, personal welcome for a diverse group of Porsche owners, each representing a unique story and passion. We are a global community of Porsche enthusiasts with diverse backgrounds who speak multiple languages across all ages.

As they arrived, they were not just guests but esteemed members of our Porsche Club family, and Porsche Centre Vancouver greeted them with complimentary valet parking.

The annual New Members Night is a special occasion that provides a unique opportunity to meet personally with the Club Executive and the Chairpersons for various activities.

The evening began with a presentation about the Porsche Club's history, founded in 1955. Followed by an overview of our activities, such as autocross, driving tours and charity fundraising, and provided instructions on navigating the club website.

Our hospitality included a buffet surrounded by the newest Porsche vehicles on display. They also had the opportunity to interact with the friendly staff at Porsche Centre Vancouver.

We like to express our sincere gratitude to General Manager Jeremy Schaab, Porsche Marketing Strategist



Ghazaal Zolfaghari, New Car Sales Manager Lewis McGonigal, and Parts Manager Robb Findlay of Porsche Centre Vancouver for their warm welcome that evening. Your generosity and hospitality made the evening truly memorable.

Upon check-in, each new member received a gift bag that included a die-cast Porsche model, a Porsche classic book, and a copy of Christophorus Porsche magazine.

As our CWR club continues to grow, let's enthusiastically embrace all our new members and invite them to participate in our exciting events in the months ahead.

Big Horn Tour

We embarked on an epic summer adventure in the Canadian Rockies.

Story by Edward Quan | Photos by Baird Tewksbury



The Big Horn Tour, organized by the CWR Porsche Club, was an absolutely unforgettable summer adventure in the Canadian Rockies. It featured awe-inspiring landscapes with stunning geological marvels, vibrant turquoise rivers and lakes fed by glaciers, wild herds of big-horn sheep, and captivating mountainous roads.

This multi-region event brought together nearly 45 Porsche club members from CWR, the BC Interior, and the Inland Northwest Club, based in eastern Washington State. Several multi-regional events are held annually between the CWR and American clubs, demonstrating our valued cross-border friendship.

Over six days, we travelled over 1,000 km clockwise across British Columbia. We began our tour in Kelowna in the central Okanagan, then headed northeast to Banff National Park in the heart of the Canadian Rockies in Alberta. We then headed south towards the Canada—USA border and swept back up north to conclude our trip in Nelson on the west arm of Kootenay Lake.

On our first day, we woke up early because it was a travel day. We agreed to meet our fellow club members in Hope at 8:30 a.m. before embarking on a 5-hour scenic drive to Kelowna via mountain back roads. The Big Horn tour officially starts this evening in Kelowna

with a welcome reception to reconnect with old friends and make new friendships.

Our destination was the Hotel Eldorado, a Victorian-style inn in the Mission area of Kelowna on the east bank of Okanagan Lake. Upon arrival, we observed a lot of activity in the hotel parking lot. It was clear that our Porsches were the stars of the tour. Many owners had diligently cleaned their vehicles earlier, drawing admiration from locals and fellow members.

The Eldorado, originally the Eldorado Arms Hotel, was founded in 1926 by Countess Bubna, an aristocratic English woman. It was a social hub during the 1950s and 1960s, hosting British-style garden parties, dog shows, and croquet matches with the town's political elite.

We found it an intimate property with 53 guest rooms, many with panoramic lake views from their balconies. Our room was spacious and had a quaint old English charm. The hotel offers several restaurants, a spa, a marina, and a short boardwalk along the lake.

On the second day, we were all invited for morning coffee at August Luxury Motorcars in Kelowna and had our tour decals installed.

We formed a single line upon arrival as we eagerly waited to enter their service building. Once inside,

ABOVE: Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, known as the 'Castle in the Rockies.'



The multi-region Big Horn tour, organized by CWR, brought together members of PCA from the United States and Canada.

LEFT: The Rundle Bar, Banff Springs Hotel.

we witnessed over a dozen employees installing our Big Horn tour decals on six Porsches simultaneously. This included a large tour decal on both doors, driver and co-driver names and an August Luxury Motorcars sticker on the rear of each vehicle.

Afterwards, we ventured across the street to the August Motorcars showroom, filled with over 100 used luxury, exotic, and classic cars such as Porsche, Lamborghini, Ferrari, McLaren and more. I admit I did not want to leave without taking a closer look at a red Porsche 356 coupe at the back of the showroom. Special thanks to President and CEO Matt August and his friendly staff for their generous hospitality during our visit.

Today's drive goes north along Okanagan Highway BC 97 to Radium Hot Springs. It includes twisty single-lane mountain roads with short, divided highway sections. As per the tour book, it covers 438 km in about 6 hours.

Before noon, we encountered a construction zone, which reduced traffic to an alternative single lane over a small bridge. I noticed a semi-truck with hazard lights flashing in the right lane as we approached the two-lane line-up. So, I quickly moved into the left lane and was relieved to discover that the left lane

continued to move slowly forward.

As we arrived in Revelstoke for lunch, we had not seen any other Porsches from our group that morning. We were nearly one hour behind schedule, so we figured everyone was ahead of us. After a quick lunch, we returned to the highway, continuing north into the Rockies.

With light traffic, we enjoyed a spirited drive to Radium Hot Springs and checked in at Big Meadows Resort for our two-night stay. To our surprise, we were only the second Porsche to arrive, so I used the car wash station and explored the resort grounds.

Bighorn Meadows Resort is in the Columbia Valley, surrounded by the Rockies and the Purcell Mountain ranges. The luxury suites are on a 9-acre site surrounding the lush green Springs Golf Course. That evening, we all had a casual dinner in the golf clubhouse, where we met members of the Inland Northwest Club.

On day three, we could visit the Radium Hot Springs geological thermal pool, chill at the resort or explore Banff National Park, now a UNESCO heritage site. We decided to visit the town of Banff, so we headed east for 130 km, which takes about 90 minutes one way due to the park's maximum posted speed limit of 90 km/h.

TOP: Radium Hot Springs Hotel

CENTRE: Porsches at the Eldorado Hotel

BOTTOM: Hotel Eldorado, Kelowna, BC.



Outside of Radium Hot Springs, we discovered a herd of Bighorn Sheep along the highway. Several large Bighorn sheep were leading younger lambs alongside the rocky hillside above us; we counted over 15 sheep.

I grew up in British Columbia and have visited Banff several times. It is no longer the quiet, rustic Rocky Mountain town I remember from childhood. Today, the touristy souvenir shops along Banff Ave have been replaced by outdoor fashion stores, art galleries, and a more diverse food scene catering to international visitors. I'm delighted to discover that The Spirit of Christmas, my favourite store in Banff, is still open for business in the village.

My favourite pastime is visiting the Rundle Bar in the Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel on the edge of town. Known as the "Castle in the Rockies," it was opened in 1888 by the Canadian Pacific Railway as one of Canada's earliest grand railway hotels.

Located on the second floor, the Rundle Bar was awarded the 'Best Patio Award 2024' by Canada's 100 Best, the definitive guide to the nation's top restaurants, bars, and chefs.

It offers a breathtaking view of the snow-capped Mount Rundle, named after Reverend Robert Rundle, a Methodist who the Hudson's Bay Company invited to conduct missionary work in western Canada in the 1840s.

Due to strong winds, we chose a seat inside the bar with mountain range views. The interior design resembles a cozy living room with bespoke furniture and intimate lighting pockets, creating a unique and inviting atmosphere.

One of the greatest pleasures of the tour was spending that afternoon with fellow club members in the bar of a grand hotel. Sharing our Porsche adventures is a

memory I will cherish for a long time.

The following day began with a time-distance challenge to Nelson. Our mission was to find Tour Host Francis Chin's bright orange GT3 ahead on Highway 93 South. During the time-distance challenge, Francis made a breakfast stop and took scenic photos. Since we had already had breakfast before departing the Resort, we found him first and was about 45 minutes too early.

That morning, our route for day five would cover nearly 400 km in about 4.5 hours. It began with scenic canyon driving, almost reaching the Canada - USA border, and then swept north to Nelson towards the pristine Kootenay Lake.

Upon arrival that afternoon, we learned that Nelson is home to ancient rainforests and iconic species, including the grizzly bear and Kokanee salmon.

Our accommodations for the last two nights on tour were at the Nelson Prestige Lakeside Resort. Our room had views of the Lake and mountains and was within walking distance of downtown.

With a population of only 11,000, Nelson has more restaurants per capita than foodie landmarks such as San Francisco, Vancouver, and Manhattan. That evening, we explored the downtown district and found Marzano restaurant on Baker St. It offers a genuine Italian dining experience with delicious artisan pizza, homemade pasta, and creative desserts.

On our final day, we had more driving tour options. We chose a relaxing half-day counterclockwise loop that followed the Kootenay Lake shoreline on Highway 3 North to Kaslo, then east along Highway 31A to New Denver and returning south on Highway 6 to Nelson.

The day's highlight was our visit to the Kohan Reflection Garden in New Denver by Roy Tomomichi Sumi, a former Japanese internee at Tashme, Rosebery, and New Denver. He is a renowned master of bonsai and traditional Japanese gardens and an educator, designer, and builder. His Japanese gardens can be found throughout western Canada, and he was instrumental in creating the Nitobe Memorial Garden at UBC.

You should definitely visit the Kohan Reflection Garden in the Kootenay region. It is situated on the shores of Slocan Lake and is a remarkable living work of art. Moreover, it serves as a venue for horticultural education and a place for reflection with locals.

The highlight of our six-day tour was fully immersing ourselves in our country's rich history and actively engaging with the locals. I especially relished picturing images of the British garden parties at the elegant Hotel Eldorado and partaking in stimulating conversations with fellow club members in the illustrious Rundle Bar at the iconic Fairmont Banff Springs. We appreciate Roy Tomomichi Sumi for creating the enriching Kohan Reflection Garden.

We initially signed up for the Big Horn Tour to drive our sporty Porsches and connect with other members in the magnificent backdrop of the Canadian Rockies. However, this journey has provided us with an experience of immersion in local history, equipping us to forge stronger connections with the places and people we encounter and to create enduring travel memories.

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2024 Taycan 4S

A family EV that can visit the track!

Story by Darren Batstone | Photos by author and Jeff Rebiffe

This past May long weekend, Porsche Center Richmond gave me a unique opportunity: a five-day road trip in the new 2024 Porsche Taycan 4S to the Okanagan with my family, ending at our PCA-CWR Track Day at Area 27.

While working on a club project with PCR, a conversation came up about my wife and I considering buying an EV. I have always admired the Taycan since it came out. That Long Weekend, my daughters had a competitive dance competition in Kelowna from Friday until Monday. Our club Track Day was the following Tuesday in Oliver. The question came up: what are the chances of doing the trip in a Taycan? It is a chance for my wife and I to get a real feel for an EV's performance and capability on a family road trip. PCR jumped onboard and we were off in the Taycan!

I was familiar with the Taycan prior to this trip. Being one of my favorite Porsche models, I have read a lot and driven one twice before on short promotional test drives. But after experiencing it for five days, all I can say is WOW! It is a far better car than I first imagined.

The 2024 Taycan 4S has dual electric motors that put out 522hp. There are two battery pack options. The bigger one is the Performance Package, which this car had and, in my mind, is a must! There is a chassis-adjustable air suspension with settings for Lowered, Low, Normal, and Lifted. Various drive mode settings are available for Normal, Range, Sport, and Sport Plus. It comes with 20-inch wheels and has a range of 393 km. I can now attest to that range estimation is bang on, if not better!

The curb weight of the Taycan is 5246 lbs! Wow. Heavier than the last truck I owned! But here is where the Porsche engineering comes into play. With this beast in Low or Lowered chassis setting and sport plus mode, it is every bit of a Porsche sport scar - among the best. And after having it for a few days, you could not tell me any different!

The interior is tech latent and as comfortable as a high-end lounge. The dash and console have three different displays. The driver cluster is very user-friendly (a term that relates to this vehicle in its entirety). It displays the usual useful driving information you would expect. Equipped with a toggle button on the steering wheel, you can switch between three different screens of useful information. The center dash displays whatever entertainment options or navigation you wish: apple car play, stereo, Waze, etc. Below is a small digital display with your climate control, charging information, and suspension settings.

The interior is a combination of plastic and leather. Each is appropriately positioned to give this interior the right combination of luxury, comfort and sporty. The driver seat adjusts in 18 different ways, adapting to any driver's preferences. The back seats are like a living room couch mounted in a sports car. Providing more than enough legroom for an adult with a flip-down center console. Being an EV, the Taycan provides you with a Frunk and a Trunk. Did I mention two teenage girls and a dance competition? We had room for three suitcases, costume bags, a small backpack, and makeup caboodles!

A road trip through the mountains in an EV, range

**ABOVE: Taycan 4S
at Area 27,
Oliver, BC.**



TOP LEFT: Darren Batstone and his family experience the 2024 Taycan 4S.

LEFT: Darren Batstone is geared up to test the Taycan 4S on the track.

anxiety? Being a pilot, there were some serious calculations made and alternate planning. I will not lie! I picked up the Taycan from PCR midday Friday with an 88% charge. One daughter was to be on stage at 6 p.m. in Kelowna. After running a few quick errands, getting to the house and loading up, we were off!

Our first charge point was Hope prior to hitting the mountains. Porsche provided me with an introductory Electrify Canada account. These locations are available in most towns but not all. We arrived in Hope and pulled up at the Electrify Canada charging station with a 43% charge remaining. We used a 150kw charger that charged the Taycan to the recommended 90% in 22 minutes. I had calculated that we were good all the way to Kelowna from Hope. The range display shows 375 km, and the GPS shows 239 km. More than enough, right?

Now out of traffic and into the mountains, we headed up the Coquihalla in the fully loaded Taycan and my heavy right foot! Almost reaching the summit of the Coquihalla, that range had diminished to 200 km going uphill! I quickly learned a lesson on power management and regenerative charging. Going downhill, I set the cruise control to 120 km/h and let the car roll. Rolling downhill from the summit towards

Merritt, we gained 12% battery, and our distance and range were making sense again. Whew!

Coming to Merritt, decision time. Charge or carry on? We turned right, and up the 97 connector, we went. Going uphill, once again my eye keenly watching that range and battery percentage drop. Reaching the Pennask Summit, the cruise control was again set. This time, it is 110km/hr. Yes, I had pickup trucks passing us in a 2024 Porsche, but I was in full fuel-saving mode like a good pilot! Or should we say Re-Gen mode! In the 63km downhill slope, the regenerative charging did just what it should do. I was impressed! Down that hill we picked up 18% battery charge and 105 km of range! We reached downtown Kelowna with 21% Battery. No problem at all! We went to the dance performance, and the day was capped off with Lauren taking home some hardware for her performance that night!

The next morning, Saturday, we had some time to kill, so I headed to Porsche Kelowna, which was a short distance from our hotel. They graciously plugged me into one of the dealership's Porsche superchargers. This charger brought the battery percentage back to 90% in 15 minutes! Saturday until Monday, the Taycan was our taxi around town, to and from the competition theatre, restaurants, and wineries. Sunday afternoon,



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the girls made plans for some of the other dancers and moms to go out for dinner. In the Okanagan on a beautiful sunny Sunday afternoon/evening with a brand-new Porsche? This was music to my ears! With still more than enough juice, I took to the hillsides down Okanagan Lake. I crossed over the bridge and turned left down the west side of the lake. A road I am familiar with and loaded with views and twisties. I lowered the car and drove to Fintry, a respectful but spirited drive. Smiling ear to ear! Again, the Taycan proved to be every bit of a Porsche sports car!

Monday morning rolled around, and it was time to depart Kelowna. My wife and daughters had no interest in going to Oliver for the Track Day the next day, so they caught a ride home with some friends from the competition and left me to be with the Taycan for the next 30+ hours! The 90% charge from Saturday had lasted all weekend until Monday morning, leaving me at 27%. I hit the BC Hydro charging station in West Kelowna. Bringing the Taycan back to 90% in 32 minutes at a cost of \$17.00. It was an enjoyable sunny morning drive down to Oliver to meet up at the Coast Hotel with other PCA members for dinner before our Track Day Tuesday morning. I charged the Taycan again as I would depart from the track for the trip home.

Tuesday morning, we headed to Area 27 Motorsports Park! I know what you are thinking, "Did he get to track the dealership Taycan?!" No, but yes. The prearranged agreement with the dealership and event organizers was that I could do some media/parade laps during the lunch break. The rain started to fall just after registration, as forecasted. We were in for a wet track all day! The track staff and our club HPDE instructors did an amazing job keeping this event safe in the conditions, and everyone still had a great day on track!

During lunch break, I was up! Scott Newberry, our

track chair and HPDE instructor, and I jumped in the Taycan! We were followed by Jeff Rebiffe and HPDE instructor Mike Taylor in Jeff's 718 Boxster GTS as a chase/film car! We completed four spirited parade laps. I have to say the Taycan's weight was evident in some of the tight corners on the track, even at our respectful speed of 80km/hr. This car's Porsche DNA still shined through. With a driver who understands the car and track, the Taycan could be a track weapon! No doubt!

Around 3 pm, in the rain, I decided it was time to hit the road! With a healthy charge of 72%, I headed south towards Osoyoos and Highway 3. Planning on stopping in Princeton for dinner, the Taycan could have reached Hope. I planned to eat anyway, so I plugged in at the Chevron On the Run charger over dinner. Leaving Princeton, the sun broke out, and I had an uneventful sunny evening drive through the twisty road between Manning Park and home!

My takeaways from five days with a Taycan 4S? This car is a Porsche! The thing I kept noticing and enjoying was how effortless it is to drive for long periods of time. Zero driver fatigue. No road noise, no shifting, and more acceleration than you will ever need available in a split second! It is comfortable and stylish and an absolute pleasure to drive! I know the need to stop, and charging is a drawback for some, but road trips can be done with next to no inconvenience! Especially traveling with two teenage girls. You will be stopping for Starbucks, food, and to pee! My wife, who is always cautiously resistant to my Porsche addiction, even muttered the words, "This is a really nice car!". Is that a yes?

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Porsche Penske Motorsport celebrates double victory at Road America

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Motorsport celebrated a spectacular double victory in the thrilling IMSA race at Road America. In the 2:40-hour contest, the Porsche 963 driven by Briton Nick Tandy and Frenchman Mathieu Jaminet crossed the finish line ahead of the sister car of Dane Cameron (USA) and Felipe Nasr (Brazil).

With the double triumph in the eighth round of the IMSA WeatherTech Sportscar Championship, Porsche has extended its lead in all championship standings. The two Porsche 963 cars from Proton Competition and JDC-Miller MotorSports finished in fifth and sixth positions, respectively. In the GTD-Pro class, the Porsche customer team AO Racing defended their lead in the overall standings with a fourth-place finish.

Spectators at the picturesque Road America witnessed one of the most exciting IMSA races in recent history. After five safety car phases, the decision for the win came in a final 17-minute sprint. Porsche Penske Motorsport had performed optimal strategic work leading into this shootout, manoeuvring the two Porsche 963 cars to the front. En route to Porsche's fourth win of the season, Mathieu Jaminet in the No. 6 car and Felipe Nasr in the No. 7 car kept their cool and fended off all attacks from strong competitors.

"Motorsport doesn't get much better and more exciting than this. It was once again a celebration for all sports car racing fans and a beautiful double victory for our team," exclaimed Thomas Laudenbach, Vice President Porsche Motorsport. "With the great success at Road America, we have further improved our position in the championship and are now heading into the last two races of the year in high spirits.

On the way to the fourth win of the season for the Porsche Penske Motorsport team, both Porsche 963s



Dane Cameron (USA), Felipe Nasr (BR), Porsche 963, Porsche Penske Motorsport (#7), Road America, USA, 2024.

Photos: Porsche AG

experienced minor setbacks. The No. 6 car had to serve a drive-through penalty due to an early collision with a competitor, initially losing contact with the front. The sister car came in for an unscheduled pit stop shortly after the halfway mark to replace a damaged rear section. Thanks to clever tactics, the team's strategists brought both hybrid cars to the front for the grand finale.

"We turned the tables impressively just before the end. The last few laps were not for the faint-hearted," summarises Urs Kuratle, Director Factory Motorsport LMDh. He adds: "After a disappointing qualifying on Saturday, the conditions didn't look promising. On race day, we rewarded ourselves for perfect work. The strategy was absolutely top-notch, and the drivers were incredibly fast and consistent. Overall, it was an amazing team effort!"

"I couldn't have imagined such a result in my wildest dreams," says Jonathan Diuguid, Managing Director Porsche Penske Motorsport. "It was a



wonderful day. The No. 7 car extended its lead in the championship, and Porsche's lead in the manufacturers' standings also increased. This race is a prime example of great teamwork: everyone gave their all for the overall project. Now we celebrate this fantastic success!"

In the manufacturers' championship, Porsche now leads with a margin of 89 points. The No. 7 crew of Porsche Penske Motorsport is in P1 of the team standings. The two-time season winners Felipe Nasr and Dane Cameron head into the penultimate race of the season in Indianapolis as leaders in the driver standings. The duo's margin over their second-placed brand colleagues Nick Tandy and Mathieu Jaminet is 100 points.

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