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Dear Members:

Our Road Ahead calendar for June to August is packed with over 30 exclusive Porsche club events. CWR hosts more events during summer than most PCA clubs do in a year. I invite everyone to sign up for upcoming club events and connect with your fellow members.

People of all ages and social groups share a deep admiration for Porsche. Last March, our Porsche Platz display at the Vancouver International Auto Show drew massive crowds, with tens of thousands of visitors flocking to see our Porsche vehicles throughout the weekend. Our Porsche club is the heart of this magic, and our valued members are the driving force behind this truly exceptional organization.

Inside our summer edition, I share my Porsche travel adventure from a recent visit to Penticton, Naramata and Okanagan Falls. Join me as I embark on open mountain roads, indulge in elevated dining, and savour the finest wines and brews, creating lifelong memories.

Our Porsche Motorsports column, featuring a story on how turbo technology used in the 24-hour Le Mans benefits production models, is new in this edition.

In our spring issue, I debuted our new stylist C2Sky masthead design, which has garnered widespread acclaim from our membership and advertisers. Get ready for even more enthralling Porsche Club narratives and stunning visuals as we unleash our passion.

Edward Quan

Edward Quan
Editor-In-Chief
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Time flies...when you are having fun with friends

A bit more than six years ago, I was introduced to PCA-Canada West Region in a really fun way... a good friend of mine said, "Hey...I'm a member of a car club, and we're doing a drive today...want to come along?" Of course, I said..."are you kidding? That's like putting a kid in a candy store! I'm there!" I had no idea a Porsche or many Porsche cars would be involved, which was my first delight; and then I met the club!

I clearly remember meeting Jeff Rebiffe and Luis Brasdefer, among the many others, that early morning at Starbucks before the JCC Driver's meeting. It was a room filled with a bunch of people who shared in common a love of the brand (especially all the great Porsche attire), but it also quickly became clear that the club wasn't the only common thread...it was also about the people and the friendships everyone enjoyed! Many were quick to engage me and were more than happy to show me their cars... but they also shared who they were as well, which made it easy to become...you know... friends!

We had common interests other than Porsche, and so new acquaintances became friendships, and the rest, for me, is part of my rich history with the club. The more I joined in, the more connected I became and the more fun I had! Not just club fun but personal dinners, BBQs, and even Pinball (no kidding). Incredibly, I received help from a good friend in the club when I moved to Vancouver from Chilliwack! That's a story in itself, but the point is, I had friendship and support that came from knowing someone I'd met in this amazing group! I can still honestly say I've enjoyed the company of everyone to date!

Now, spring ahead sixish years, and today, I find myself as your President; following in the footsteps of some pretty

incredible leaders, some of whom led us through some tough times into what I think is quite possibly the best point our club has yet achieved. My deep appreciation extends to Brad, Matt, Jeff, Joel & Ray (and all the other Presidents past), who've not only helped guide us to where we are today but also as wise friends who have been more than willing to support me as I transition in this new role! To our current Executive directors as well, Ann, Mike, Bruce, Nancy, Gerard, Matt & Brad, thank you for your enthusiasm and willingness to serve and support the club with your fantastic work and tireless effort! I can't imagine taking this on without your help and guidance!

One of the first members I met recently asked me..."hey, five or so years ago when you joined...did you ever think you'd be Vice President?"...no, I hadn't, and I'm no less surprised to be serving you as the new President now...but there's one thing I know for sure...what got us here is a fantastic community! A community of people who are willing to serve each other while having a lot of fun!

As we move forward, my goal is to work to ensure the energy, growth, and friendships continue to flourish! I've served our club since joining, and each effort has brought so much more reward than I could have ever contributed! I'm writing this now



from the home of two people who have become very, very close, dear friends. Your mileage may vary, but if your experience is anything like mine, my guess is you'll be creating your own memories and deeply bonded relationships before you know it!

So, that said...It has been my honour to serve, and it's now my honour and privilege to lead as we continue to pursue our passion for these amazing cars while creating new experiences together! Thank you for the many miles, memories, and friendships so far...and those yet to come!

I'm looking forward to meeting you soon!

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33 years

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25 years

Jim + Karen Grant

22 years

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Ronald Tilley + Holly Kemp

39 years

Peter Faliszewski

39 years

Dennis + Justina Lee

27 years

Michael Wan

25 years

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24 years

Brian + Gloria McCormack

18 years

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17 years

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51 years

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46 years

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42 years

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30 years

Asgar Virji

23 years



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Ali Amjad, Coquitlam

2023 Taycan 4S (Volcano Grey Metallic)

Josh Bae, Surrey

2024 911 Carrera 4GTS Cabriolet (Arctic Grey)

Gordana Barrett, Langley

1998 911 Carrera Cabriolet (Black Pearl Metallic)

Baltazar Bernardo, Surrey

2018 Macan

Stephen Blancaflor, Port Moody

2012 Panamera (Green)

**Mike Bondy + Jake Bondy,
White Rock**

2018 Macan Turbo w/Performance Package
2017 911 Cabriolet

**Orville Bovenschen,
West Vancouver**

2020 911 Carrera S Coupe (Black)

Koren Carr, North Vancouver

2023 Macan S (Chalk)

James Coles, North Vancouver

2007 911 Turbo

Mike Ellam, Surrey

2015 Macan S

Jonathan Fok, Burnaby

1999 911 Carrera Coupe (Black)

Bruce Gibson, Vancouver

2008 Boxster S (Arctic Silver)

David Hirsi, Vancouver

2024 718 Boxster GTS 4.0

Micah Ho, Richmond

2008 Cayman (Midnight Blue)

Thomas + Doris Holscher, Delta

2019 Cayenne

David Huh, Vancouver

2017 911 Carrera S Coupe (GT Silver Metallic)

Sherry + Brent Jacobi, Surrey

2024 Macan S (Jet Black Metallic)

Zaakir Jiwa, North Vancouver

2019 Macan

Harsh Kang, Surrey

2022 718 Cayman GT4 (Carrara White Metallic)

Dermot King, Surrey

2001 911 Carrera

**Kelvin Kwok + Stephanie Heung,
Vancouver**

2023 Macan

Richard Law, Richmond

2017 911 Targa 4S (Guards Red)
2021 Cayman GTS 4.0 (Gentian Blue)

Par Leihl, Delta

2015 911 Turbo S Coupe (Black)

Robert Lesnie, Burnaby

2014 Cayman (Agate Gray)

Corey Leverton, Langley

2017 911 Carrera

**Darcy MacDonald + Darla
Reimer, Langley**

2009 911 Carrera 4S Cabriolet

Paul Martin, North Vancouver

2013 Boxster S (Anthracite Brown)
2016 911 Carrera S Cabriolet

Marcus New, Port Moody

2022 911 Carrera S Cabriolet (Yellow)
2020 Taycan 4S (Blue)

**Tommy Ng + Selina Leung,
Richmond**

2007 Cayman S (Silver)

Steve Paquette, North Vancouver

Transfer from Pacific Northwest Region
1996 911 Carrera Coupe (Red)

Cameron Rampersad, Surrey

2000 911 Carrera Coupe (Arctic Silver Metallic)

**Xin Ran + Miranda Wang,
Vancouver**

2022 911 Carrera 4 GTS

Leon Schroeder, Abbotsford

2014 Cayman (Dark Blue Metallic)

Kam Yuen Siu, Richmond

2020 718 Cayman GT4 (White)

Evan Song, Delta

1985 944 (Slate Gray)

**Hey Seung Song + Yonghoon
Park, Langley**

2022 Taycan RS (Black)

Gary Teichrob, Chilliwack

2019 911 Targa 4GTS

Brian Tse, Vancouver

2024 911 Carrera GTS Coupe (Ice Grey Metallic)

Eric Tung, Richmond

2022 718 Cayman GT4 (Guards Red)

Krishan Walia, Vancouver

2023 911 GT3 Touring (Black)

Kerry West, Surrey

2017 911 Carrera 4S

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IN THE ZONE



June 2024

John P Sommerwerck
PCA Zone 6 Rep

Nancy and I have just returned from Vancouver Island Region's Wochenende. What a great event! There were great driving tours, a TSD rally, great folks, and thousands raised for charity. I leave in less than 10 days for the 2024 Porsche Parade. I have been told that we will have a few from Zone 6 in attendance in Birmingham. If you are attending the Parade, I hope to see you at the welcome reception.

Summertime is a very active period for Zone 6 regions. PCA is very lucky to have some of the best insurance rates of any car club. This insurance and the low rates allow our regions to hold many events. As we hold and participate in PCA events, I ask that you follow the PCA minimum standards for your event type. PCA minimum standards can be found on the PCA website; for example, the Driving Tour standards can be found at the PCA Driving



Wochenende Driving Tour Relic

Tour Standards. These standards include the requirement to complete Observer and Post Event reports. We can keep our insurance costs low by following the standards and reporting.

Upcoming Treffens

Zone 6 regions are working with PCA National to host events in support of the 2024 Treffen at Sea Cruise, which will leave Seattle and go to Alaska. The 2024 Fall Treffen will take place at the Omni Bretton Arms Inn in Mt. Washington, NH. This event will coincide with the peak of New England's fall foliage season. Stay updated on all things Treffen at Treffen North America.

Zone 6 2024 events are filling our calendar. For us, next up is BC Interior Region's Shades of Stuttgart. Then, we will be attending Canada West Region's Planes and Porsches. Cascade Region's Lincoln City Car Show. Zone 6 signature events are at PCA Zone 6 – The Pacific NW Regions. Zone 6 abounds with great roads to drive and great automotive venues.

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

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR



Hi Edward:

I really want to commend you for such an upgrade to the magazine from our club. You have this unique ability to seek out timely and pertinent articles that keep you reading from cover to cover!

There's been nothing like it since I joined the club, anyway.

Gary Walker



Join a PCA Special Interest Register today!

PCA has 20 registries for those super enthusiastic about their Porsche model

The PCA Registry program was established in 1995 to encourage closer relationships within Porsche model owners in PCA. The program allows PCA members to network with others in their specific area of interest. Sharing of information fosters restoration and maintenance of members' automobiles. A registry can potentially provide a new resource for historical displays at Parades and other PCA events, along with information for articles in *Porsche Panorama*. Don't see a registry for your Porsche? We are also looking for individuals who are interested in starting a registry for a model that doesn't have an existing registry.

CHECK OUT THE REGISTRIES AT: www.pca.org/connect/special-interest-groups



PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA



The return of my missing Porsche

A childhood memory.

Story by Harsh Kang, Founder at Roveir

I was six years old when I managed to persuade my mother to get me something I'd been eyeing for months—a Hot Wheels Porsche to play with. I vividly recall the thrill of unpacking it in our driveway. As my knees grazed the hard-pebbled driveway, the toy gleamed silver in the sunlight.

I spent what felt like hours zooming my toy Porsche back and forth on the driveway, lost in my imagination, playing out daring races in my mind. But, as fate would have it, my joy was short-lived. In a blink, it slipped from my grasp and vanished into the gutter next to my driveway.

I was crushed. I scoured that drain for days, hoping against hope for a miracle, but my Porsche never appeared in my driveway. With crushed dreams, I did eventually move on. My family and I relocated from India to British Columbia, Canada, in 2006—a classic tale of immigrant resilience and struggles.

Yet, my love affair with cars persisted. I pursued a degree in Integrated Engineering (Mechanical and Electrical) at the University of British Columbia. I later set my sights on the tech and marketing industry in the United States working for companies like Tesla, Facebook and then founding my own company Roveir.

Then, just two months ago, I returned back to Vancouver, BC and set my eyes on Porsche GT4 sitting at the Porsche Centre of Langley. Soon enough, a blast from the past greeted me in my driveway. There it was, my childhood Porsche, as if conjured by magic. The car was in my driveway - my dreams finally became a reality.

I never thought it would be this early on in my life, being 27 now, that I would be able to buy and become the proud owner of a Carrara White Metallic Porsche 718 GT4. A nod to that lost toy and a testament to my journey from childhood dreams to adult realities.



Each day behind the wheel is a reminder of the joy and wonder I felt as a child. It's my first manual, and mastering it brings back that same sense of triumph and excitement I had on the driveway.

This car isn't just another possession; it's a symbol of resilience and the enduring spirit of youth. I hope to pass it down to my own children someday, sharing with them the same sense of adventure and possibility that a Porsche delivers.

In the end, it's a simple truth: a kid is a kid is a kid, and no matter where life takes us, the dreams of our childhood have a way of finding us again.

ROAD AHEAD

June

1
C2Sky Drive

4-8
Big Horn Tour, a multi-region event with CW, INW and BCI regions

6
Meet Your Neighbours

7-9
Summerland Wine & Dine Tour



8
CWR x PNWR W2R Ladies Drive Part 2

9-15
Porsche Parade 2024, Birmingham, AL

11
CWR Executive Meeting

14
New Members Night

15
C2Sky Drive

15
Mid-Engine Mountain Madness



18
Porsches on Marine - Father's Day Show & Shines

20
Meet Your Neighbours

29
C2Sky Drive

July

1
Canada Day Shine & Show

4
Meet Your Neighbours

9
CWR Executive Meeting

13
C2Sky Drive

16
Mt. Baker Backroads Drive

18
Meet Your Neighbours

20
Farm to Table 2024: Fresh berries & more



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

ROAD AHEAD



13
CWR Executive Meeting

15
Meet Your Neighbours

16
PCA Werks Reunion,
Monterey, CA

24
C2Sky Drive



26-28
Osoyoos Summer Wine Tour



August

1
Meet Your Neighbours

10
C2Sky Drive

10
Planes & Porsches at the
Abbotsford Air Show

29
Meet Your Neighbours

27
C2Sky Drive

28
Shades of Stuttgart
2024

28-Aug 4
PCA Treffen at Sea, Seattle, WA





Porsche Platz drew thousands of enthusiasts

Vancouver International Auto Show.

Story by Mike Taylor, Treasurer | Photos by Paul Steeves & Mike Taylor

PCA-CWR's display of members' Porsches at the Vancouver International Auto Show (VIAS) on March 23-24 was an overwhelming success, attracting thousands of sports car enthusiasts.

Thirteen Porsche 911 cars from eight different series, spanning six decades, were exhibited on Saturday in various colours for spectators to admire.

On Sunday, club members displayed another thirteen GT cars, including the GT2, GT2RS, GT3, GT3RS, GT4, and GT4RS models. It was an impressive display that delighted thousands who attended.

The "Porsche Platz" (as it has been known) was previously held on Jack Poole Plaza, but at the last minute, we learned a protest demonstration was planned for Saturday! In an 11th-hour negotiation with Auto Show officials, we brought Saturday's Porsche Platz inside the Vancouver Convention Centre.

The group was promptly informed of the change of plans, and everyone arrived early Saturday morning at the Convention Centre loading docks. Auto Show officials quickly made room for our display, and we positioned all the Porsches.

The 2024 VIAS set an overall attendance record

of more than 129,000 people during its 5-day run. On Saturday alone, nearly 40,000 people attended the Auto Show - and every one of them visited our Porsche display! It was a hectic day for the participating members as we worked to look after the cars and answer all the enthusiastic questions from the public.

The "Six Decades of 911" show was a huge hit, and consequently, Auto Show officials asked us to bring the GT car show back to the Convention Centre on Sunday! The change of plans was communicated to the participating members late on Saturday, and a rejigged parking plan was put in place.

One enthusiastic member who had not registered for the Sunday event arrived at the loading dock with his GT car, asking if he could participate. Luckily, we were able to accommodate him, and after yet another reworking of the parking plan, all the GT cars were in place. And, of course, the public loved it!

Sunday drew another 25,000 visitors to the VIAS, including students from BCIT working on a documentary about the PCA-CWR who wanted to film one of the cars starting. One member accommodated the request and revved his Guards Red, 2018 Porsche 991.2 GT3 as high



as the engine limiter would allow.

Coupled with a “Shark Werks” exhaust system, this made for quite a show. We estimated 500 people were at our display, 2 to 3 rows deep, with cameras out to witness the event. People were running through the Auto Show to see what was going on, and afterwards, the crowd responded with a round of applause!

One member said afterwards that sometimes we take for granted how amazing and beloved these machines are. People love the power, the smell, and the dream that Porsche represents. Participating club members were lucky to spend time with all the people who came through our displays. It’s fun to answer questions and talk about these great cars with enthusiastic people!

We are already discussing the 2025 Auto Show with the event’s organizers. They want us back, and we already have ideas on how we can expand our participation and contribute to an even more exciting Auto Show next year!

Many thanks to all the club members who participated in both Porsche Platz shows this year!





Black Rock '24

A weekend getaway to Ucluelet for members.

Story & Photos by Baird Tewksbury

Thirteen Porsches crossed the Strait of Georgia by ferry in early May and gathered at the “Old Country Market - Goats on the Roof” in Coombs on Vancouver Island.

After a pleasant lunch, we departed for a two-hour drive to Ucluelet on the spectacular BC west coast. Our weekend destination was the elegant Black Rock Oceanfront Resort, where we received excellent service.

On the first evening, we dined at the Floathouse Restaurant, situated afloat in the harbour. Calm seas made the evening both liquid and stable.

The next day, the group went to Tofino for sightseeing and had a luncheon at the spectacular Wickaninnish Resort. The final dinner was back at Blackrock, and kudos to John and Dolly Titus for their hard work putting the show on the road.

A photoshoot Sunday morning launched the return drive to catch various ferries for home. We all vowed to do it again at “the same time next year”.





RIGHT: left to right: Sonny Singha, Alan Bird, James Smithers, Fernanda Smithers & Luis Brasdefer
Photo: Emilia Brasdefer



BOTTOM RIGHT: left to right: Luis Brasdefer, Nav Singha & Ivan Quintana. Photo: Luis Brasdefer

BOTTOM LEFT: left to right: Rio Coupal, Ivan Quintana, Artemisa Brasdefer & Fernanda Smithers. Photo: Todd Coupal



Celebrating Cinco de Mayo

A scenic Fraser Valley drive and the flavours of Mexican cuisine.

Story by Edward Quan | Photos by Luis Brasdefer

Member Luis Brasdefer has been organizing our Cinco de Mayo festivities for several years, and this year was exceptional as they celebrated the rich tapestry of Mexican culture with the vibrant flavours of Yucatan-style cuisine.

Cinco de Mayo, or the '5th of May' in Spanish, is an annual celebration that holds a significant place in Mexican history. It is not Mexican Independence Day, a popular misconception. It commemorates Mexico's victory over the Second French Empire at the Battle of Puebla in 1862. While not a national holiday in Mexico, it has evolved into a celebration of Mexican culture for expatriates in the United States and Canada.

The day began with over 40 Porsche club members meeting in Langley for an hour-long Fraser Valley drive designed by Jeff Rebiffe, a former President of CWR.

Their lunch destination was the residence of Alan and Aimee Bird in Langley, which was decorated with Mexican folk art. To their surprise, hanging above everyone's heads was Papel Picado, intricate cut-out paper designs from the Aztec practices.

These art designs are commonly cut from as many as 40 – 50 coloured tissue papers stacked together and using a guide or template, a small mallet, and chisels, creating as many as 50 banners at a time. Included in the art was "Porsche Club" on white, green and red paper, the colours of the Mexican flag. The banners were custom-made in Mexico, ordered by Fernanda Smithers.

An accomplished Mexican chef, Fernanda Smithers skillfully prepared authentic Yucatan-style dishes using traditional recipes and ingredients. She received invaluable support from Artemisa Brasdefer, Nav Singha, Rio Coupal, and Ivan Quintana.

Members dined on appetizers of Hibiscus, Guacamole Tacos, and Mango Ceviche. They were followed by Panuchos with Cochinita (pork meat) and typical Yucatan Tamales. The desserts were Guava fruit candy with cheese and flan.

Thanks to Alan and Aimee Bird for hosting, Fernanda and Jimmy Smithers for preparing lunch and decorations, Luis and Artemisa Brasdefer for organizing the event, Jeff Rebiffe for planning the drive and volunteers.

CWR hosts various unique events, such as the Cinco de Mayo celebration, showcasing the diverse membership of our Porsche club.



ABOVE: Centre Aimee Bird. Photo: Luis Brasdefer



BOTTOM LEFT: Luis Brasdefer, Fernanda Smithers & Aimee Bird. Photo: Luis Brasdefer

BOTTOM RIGHT: Jeff Rebiffe. Photo: Luis Brasdefer





Penticton is the perfect Porsche travel adventure

Discovering the best roads, wineries and elevated dining experiences in Penticton's wine region.

Story & Photos by Edward Quan

Penticton is the perfect destination for a memorable Porsche travel adventure, especially if you want a break from the hustle and bustle of big-city life.

Situated in the Okanagan Valley in the southern interior of British Columbia, Penticton is nestled between the tranquil Okanagan and Skaha lakes. With only 40,000 residents, it radiates a simpler time, a small-town charm that is increasingly rare today.

My Porsche travel adventure begins in Vancouver and will take me 395 km, a four-and-a-half-hour drive east along Trans-Canada Highway 1 to Hope, which connects to Highway 3.

I loved the exhilarating experience of cruising along Highway 3 in my Porsche Boxster. This road is ideal for driving enthusiasts. The scenic route offers an engaging,

twisty road – including 360-degree hairpin turns – through coastal mountain valleys, melting snow-cap-fed rivers and untouched forests. Along the way, you might spot wildlife such as deer, black bears, mountain goats, and forgotten gold rush mining towns.

During my two-day visit to Penticton, I visited its brewery scene and several wineries offering elevated dining experiences. My Porsche travel adventure took me north to Naramata Bench, where I enjoyed stunning lake views, orchards, and vineyards. On the second day, I took a circular drive south to Okanagan Falls and around Skaha Lake before returning to town.

Penticton summers are sunny and hot, and the region offers various outdoor activities for all ages and families. These include relaxing on the sandy beaches, water

ABOVE: Seacrest Hill Road, a picturesque route, looking south with breathtaking views of Tuc-el-nuit Lake.

RIGHT: Indulge in a refreshing flight of light ales at Cannery Brewing.





activities on the lake, hiking and biking along the Kettle Valley Rail (KVR) trail, and skiing or snowboarding on local hills in winter.

On my first day, I quickly noticed that the residents moved much slower than city folks. The exception was a senior woman on an electric mobility scooter barreling down the sidewalk as I stepped out of the pastry shop. Perhaps she has a Porsche, too?

Main Street is lined with mom-and-pop businesses, such as coffee shops and artist galleries. Everyone is friendly. You will find a wide range of hotels, breweries, wine-tasting rooms, and restaurants, all within walking distance. Feel free to leave your Porsche parked for the night and enjoy the small-town charm of Penticton.

Arriving later in the morning, I was excited to delve into Penticton's thriving brewery scene, which currently features eight breweries.

Cannery Brewing, located on Ellis Street in the downtown district, is a must-visit. Upon arriving for lunch, I met Patt Dyck, Co-Founder and General Manager. As we toured her facility, I quickly learned they are passionate about brewing beer. She shared with me that her business is more than brewing beer; it's about their customers and the local community.

The taproom offers 12 taps, local wine and cider, locally sourced and house-made snacks, and live entertainment on Sundays. During my visit, I enjoyed a flight of light ales and their locally famous nachos, which did not disappoint.

Cannery Brewing has a dog-friendly outdoor backyard that is open to families. Food trucks are present on weekends, or you can order delicious features from the Cannery Shack in the Cannery's Backyard. It's a

welcoming spot for the whole family.

On my first evening, I headed north on Naramata Road to Hillside Winery & Bistro for dinner. This winding road is situated on the east side of Okanagan Lake. With my Porsche top down, I passed by numerous orchards and vineyards, enjoying views of the lake and the KVR trail, which crosses the road into the mountains.

When you first arrive at Hillside, you encounter a towering structure constructed from wood and stone reminiscent of old-world European architecture.

At the Bistro at Hillside Winery, you are encouraged to relax and slow down, offering a menu of sharing plates with locally sourced ingredients. My guest and I shared the Tacos with duck confit, corn tortilla, garden herbs cherry gastrique, and blueberry labneh with housemade hot sauce, which were very good.

This was followed by the sockeye salmon paired with a 2020 Merlot. As sockeye salmon has a more robust flavour than other species, pairing it with a medium-body, fruit forward Merlot was a new and exciting taste sensation.

The following morning, I started my day by looking for breakfast and stumbled upon Petrasek Bakery on Main Street, which is in a new, larger location that they just moved to in April. It's an artisan European bakery where everything is traditionally handcrafted and made from scratch.

A local informed me that Silvia and Jan Petrasek are famous for their chocolate croissants and fruit tarts. Therefore, I indulged in a delightful peach tart while relaxing on the front patio, observing the town slowly spring to life.

With the sun out and the top down in my Porsche,

ABOVE: Visit the District Wine Village, Canada's first and only wine village.

At Canter Cellars, you can partake in an exquisite wine-tasting experience.

The sockeye salmon entrée at the Hillside Winery & Bistro is a must-try.

The old-world architecture of Hillside Winery & Bistro towers over the vineyards.



ABOVE: The Restaurant at Liquidity Wines offers a superb lunch experience.

I departed Penticton and drove south on Lakeside/ Eastside Road, which hugs a windy shoreline along the east side of Skaha Lake. It was a leisurely 24 km drive, taking me about 30 minutes since I had the road almost entirely to myself. Much of the road surface is nearly level with the lake, providing an impressive view of the calm water and the hills on the opposite side, making it an unadulterated driving pleasure.

My lunch destination was Liquidity Wines, located south of Okanagan Falls, nestled on a hillside overlooking Vaseux Lake and n̄aylntn (McIntyre Bluff). Upon arriving in the parking lot, I discovered two Porsche EV chargers, a rarity these days.

Upon entering the winery, we were offered a complimentary tasting of their 2022 Estate Viognier.

At the Restaurant at Liquidity Wines, Chef Josh Mueller creates a seasonal, three-course lunch menu centred around wine, allowing guests to indulge and savour a symphony of flavours that excite their palates.

Our server, Kellen, gave us a table on the patio overlooking the infinity pond and brought us freshly baked rosemary focaccia, whipped coconut butter, and preserved lemon.

I started with the Smoked Cod on potato and rutabaga, leek emulsion, and lemongrass. It was paired with their 2022 Estate Viognier, fresh, crisp, acidic flavours with herbal notes to complement my fish serving.

A Fraser Valley Chicken entree with coffee lentils, brown butter kale, fire morels, and black apple jus followed. The chicken had a crispy skin wrap with a rich, smoked taste, which was delightful. They paired it with their 2020 Dividend, a Bordeaux-inspired blend with aromas of juicy red strawberry and toasty notes that complimented the chicken dish nicely.

I finished my lunch with Black & Blue: blackberries, blue cheese, and chocolate for dessert, paired with the 2020 Estate Merlot, which is bright, juicy, and complex. You can't go wrong with a fine Merlot with chocolate!

Liquidity Wines was one of the highlights of my Penticton adventure. They plan to launch a dinner service starting June 21. Visit their website for further details.

After lunch, we continued south on the Okanagan Highway 97 towards Oliver for a 12 km – 12-minute drive to the District Wine Village, Canada's first and only wine village.

The District Wine Village is located just south of n̄aylntn (McIntyre Bluff) and has 11 wineries, one brewery, one distillery, and a restaurant. Each tenant is housed in individual buildings with seating areas and the full production wineries produce right on-site. The venue consists of 16 units arranged in a circle facing a central outdoor plaza, which can be used for public seating, hosting music artists, game shows, private weddings, and family events.

After a brief tour, Darcel Giesbrecht, the General Manager, introduced me to their newest winery, Canter Cellars. Canter is a horse's gait with three distinct beats, representing a winery with three founding families. With a shared history with horses, they draw parallels to them as a powerful symbol of tamed beauty—much like the process of history and winemaking in the Okanagan Valley.

My tasting started with a Rose 2023 Cabernet Franc, an outstanding summer patio wine. Bright and attractive, it has pink grapefruit and raspberry aromas and sea minerals. I then tried their Field Blend 2022, an unoaked chardonnay with subtle tropical fruit notes. Both were delightful, and I highly recommend Canter for your next visit to the District Wine Village.

My route back to Penticton would be primarily on two-lane paved country roads on the west side of Vaseux Lake. As I exited the District Wine Village, I turned south onto Highway 97 and travelled about 2 km before turning right onto Seacrest Hill Road, which leads me up into the hills and offers beautiful views of Tuc-el-nuit Lake.

Seacrest Hill Road eventually connects to Willowbrook Road, only 4 km—5 minutes. I kept to the right and headed northbound on Willowbrook for 4 km—4 minutes. I turned right onto Green Lake Road, which offers a winding, narrow drive through wooded forest and cattle fields with varying elevations, providing an enjoyable drive.

Along my route, I passed Mahoney Lake, Nighthawk Vineyards, Green Lake, and See Ya Later Ranch, which are lovely wine stops if you have the time. At the end of Green Lake Road, you take a left to head north on Highway 97, which brings you along the opposite side of Skaha Lake, past small town Kaleden, and back into Penticton.

My final evening dining experience was at The Restaurant at Naramata Inn, a 16 km—20-minute drive north of Penticton. They offer a seasonal dinner menu with a sommelier-curated wine pairing. Their restaurant wine list features primarily local wines, but many international wines are available.

I selected Naramata Bella Buddha's Blend Rose sparkling wine to celebrate my two-day visit. It has a candied apple nose with a pale pink hue, tart strawberry-apple and white graphite pith on the palette.

I began with the Cauliflower soup with toasted seeds, brown butter, and green oil. It was thick, creamy, and full of flavour.

Followed by the slow-braised BC Grass-Fed Beef Short Rib for my main course with celeriac potato puree, spring vegetables, and old-fashioned mustard. Each morsel melted my taste buds, so it was well worth the drive.

To finish, I ordered the house-made chocolate dessert with Plot Twist Serrano Ice Cream, Coco Nib Glace, Port Jelly, and Walnut Crumble. The dessert was divine.

During my visit, I stayed at the all-new Four Points by Sheraton Penticton at the Convention Centre, which just opened at the beginning of the year. Aditya Bhardwaj, Operations Manager, welcomed me upon arrival and ensured my check-in was smooth and efficient.

The Four Points hotel caters to business and vacation travellers and is a 20-minute walk to downtown. Throughout my stay, I noticed a substantial presence of staff on duty, underscoring the property's unwavering commitment to exceptional guest service.

A must-do is to visit the Four Points rooftop bar, the Rooftop at Palmer, which offers panoramic views of Okanagan Lake and the giant Penticton sign on Munson Mountain. On the ground floor, Palmer Casual Steakhouse, with its outdoor patio, serves delicious breakfasts, lunches, and dinners next to the lobby. I highly recommend the Banana Bread French toast on the breakfast menu; it was marvellous.

Discover the charms of Penticton, a wonderful town that is the perfect starting point for an unforgettable Porsche travel adventure. It is surrounded by exceptional wineries that offer elevated dining experiences, so you won't be disappointed.

On my last evening, while driving my Porsche from Naramata, I gazed through the front windshield at the vineyards spreading across the lush, rolling landscape of the Penticton wine region. It was tough to say good-bye, but I knew I was soon heading back to the hustle and bustle of big city life, anticipating the congestion on Trans-Canada Highway 1.



ABOVE: Four Points by Sheraton Penticton at the Convention Centre.

LEFT: The Restaurant at Naramata Inn offers outstanding dining and boasts one of the most extensive wine selections in the region.

You must try the slow braised BC grass-fed beef short rib.

BOTTOM LEFT: Enjoy a banana bread French toast breakfast at Palmer Casual Steakhouse.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Petrask Bakery, a local favourite, is renowned for its delectable fresh fruit tarts.

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A treasure trove of Porsche memorabilia

Here's your opportunity to own a piece of Porsche history.

Story & Photo by Edward Quan

After a remarkable 47-year journey as a member of PCA-CWR, Konstantin Bernaschek has made the difficult decision to part with much of his cherished collection of Porsche memorabilia.

Beginning in 1964, Konstantin joined the VW Group and became the Manager of Western Canada for VW, Audi, and Porsche in 1977. He was privileged to witness and participate in these brands' rich history and heritage. This unique experience led to his extensive memorabilia collection, including vintage Porsche racing posters and framed original acrylic paintings by Kane Rogers.

For die-cast collectors, there are drawers filled with 1:43 model cars by Brumm, Corgi, Dinky, and German tin toy cars from the 50s and 60s by Schuco, Maerklin, and Distler, very many in their original packaging.

His passion for collectibles was ignited by Winchester rifles, a fascination sparked by watching American Western movies in theatres in Solingen, Germany, renowned for its fine sword, knife, scissor, and razor manufacturing. This passion expanded to include antique radios, old coins, and, of course, Porsche memorabilia. Each item, a testament to his personal journey, holds a unique connection and story.

Konstantin was among the early members to join PCA-CWR and was a proud owner of a 1960 Porsche 356 Super 90. When

initially purchased in 1977, the previous owner had it painted white. The present owner in Germany restored it to its original colour, a super rare Aetna blue, which was only available for one production year.

Konstantin actively participated in the club's early events, including the annual Whistler weekends organized by Judith and Doug Colby. He also arranged our region's Porsche Club display and events at EXPO 86, Vancouver's world fair, which Ed Peter, Porsche's Sales Director for North America, attended.

This exclusive collection of Porsche memorabilia, a testament to the brand's rich history, is now available for a limited time. Interested members are encouraged to contact Konstantin at konnipat@hotmail.com to secure their piece of Porsche history.



TEMPUS FUGIT...

With 47 years of CWR membership and 20 years of service with the Porsche, Audi and VW importer for Canada, I was very fortunate to accumulate a great many fond memories and memorabilia on the way. Because of my advancing age, some of my collectibles will soon be put up for sale, initially and preferably to other members of our PCA region.

Here is a partial listing:

- Several years of early factory wall calendars with great car shots
- Quite a few old calendar coins
- More than 75 of the 77x101 cm racing and other factory posters
- One complete 356 T5 tool kit
- Over 80 Brumm, Best, Corgi, Dinky, Solido, etc early die cast & 1:43 model race cars, cabrios, coupes with many of those in their original boxes
- Complete collection of early Timberline magazines
- Many copies of early Christo and Pano magazines
- Quite possibly also several large framed original Porsche pieces of art by Kane Rogers, other lithos and photos.

NB: Also have a large collection of German tin toy cars from the 50ies and 60ies, by Schuco, Maerklin and Distler, mostly in their original boxes, if anyone is a fellow collector of those.

If you would like to inquire about any specific items, please e-mail me at konnipat@hotmail.com and indicate which you are interested in and I will then be happy to schedule a mutually convenient time for your visit.

Historical trails drive

Exploring the rich history of British Columbia in our Porsches.

Story & Photos by Edward Quan

Our Historical Trails Drive is one of the most highly anticipated spring tours as it allows club members to experience British Columbia's rich history.

Last March, Gary Walker, an esteemed member of the Porsche Club, led a convoy of 16 Porsches on a three-part journey that commenced at Brownsville Park in Surrey.

This location was significant in 1882, when the first regular crossing of the Fraser River was established here. The "K de K," a steam ferry, transported wagons and passengers from Brownsville (now called Browns Landing), located at the base of Old Yale Road, to New Westminster. As time passed, the area became a popular fishing spot, and with the only sandy beach along the Fraser River, it is now a popular city park.

From Brownsville, our journey took us to Port Kells, Clayton, and Cloverdale, with our first stop at the Canada-U.S. border.

During the second leg of our expedition, we travelled from Peace Arch Provincial Park to the historical site of Fort Langley, situated on the banks of the Fraser River. This site was established in 1827 by the Hudson's Bay Company as a fur trading post and played a vital role in the British Empire's trade route. Additionally, it was located at the heart of a large population of Indigenous people.

The third route followed the Telegraph Trail, a historic path that stretches from Bedford Landing, Fort Langley, to Abbotsford, where we had lunch at the Trading Post Pub.



These unique historical trail adventures began in 2022 with the "In Search for Gold Trek the Old Yale Trail," where Gary turned back the clock to the late 1800s Gold Rush for a three-hour drive. Club members re-enacted the Old Wagon Trail as closely as possible from New Westminster through Surrey, Langley, Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Rosedale, Hope, and Yale. The drive concluded with a visit and lunch at the Yale Historical Society.

Gary Walker, a retired elementary geography and history teacher and school administrator who taught in Chilliwack and Langley for 30 years, has hosted our Historical Trail Tour for three years. With a passion for history, Gary believes that exploring our region's past is one of the best ways to enjoy driving a Porsche today.



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Hard-to-find parts

By Darren Batstone, Technical Chairperson

If you work on your Porsche, chances are you have had to track down parts or find hard-to-find parts. Especially if you have a classic model. The benefit we have as Porsche owners is that 80% of the cars ever produced are still on the road! This is a good thing as it motivates Porsche and other suppliers to maintain ways to service these vehicles. If you have a Porsche, even an old Porsche, you would be surprised at how many parts Porsche still manufactures for all their models and eras.

I experienced this process five years ago when I bought my 1984 944 as a non-running car. In one month, I had it running and driving, but I was aware this car was going to need a lot. My first indications were components all surrounding the engine. I quickly concluded that this work would be a lot easier with the engine out of the car. So that is what I did. I removed the engine over a winter in my garage.

During this process, I ended up with more than I had bargained for. The old saying, "While you're in there!" I knew which parts were required, so I was able to search for them ahead of time. But there were many unexpected things needed. Also, things are needed due to my inexperience in breaking them! I badly damaged a mounting collar on the camshaft by having to drill out a stripped Cam Shaft Bolt. This was my first big hurdle! As well as many other odd parts. I ended up locating the only brand-new OEM one in the United States. Luckily, it was at a Porsche dealership in Seattle. With my own experience and during my 4-year tenure as Tech Chair, I have learned and helped members locate these hard-to-find parts. Here is the process I use:

Part Numbers

First, you must have the part number. This is the only way to ensure the correct



part for your vehicle. Many manufacturers, not only Porsche, stamp the part number on just about every part of your car. So, if you have removed the part, there is a good chance the part number is there. It may take some cleaning to find it and be able to read it.

Reference Material

Have a resource of reference for your vehicle. This will help you find those needed part numbers. Good references are, of course, the internet (be careful what you read. There are a lot of know-it-alls who are complete hacks!). Workshop manuals are available, which you can often download from the internet. Catalogues available from Porsche and sites like Pelican Parts for your car. Fair warning: these can be expensive to purchase. There is a publication called Bentley Publishers, which publishes a full breakdown of many manufacturers and models, including Porsche Models. Again, these can be expensive.

One of the most useful references I have used for my car comes from a site called autoatlanta.com. It is an invaluable source for locating part numbers and diagrams of just about any area or component of your car. They have most Porsche

models and eras on their site, and it's Free! Log onto the website and click on Parts and Accessories. Select your car from the tabs and click on the tab which says "Hard to Find Parts." A list of diagrams for your entire car will come up, complete with part numbers! I have my car from this site bookmarked on my phone. I cannot express how much time this site has saved me! It is my go-to!

Locating the actual Part

Once you have the part number, you must find the part. There are tons of aftermarket parts out there, and they may be fine with you. I have used them for certain things and never had an issue. The OEM part may not be available depending on your car and model, but many are. If you are an OEM perfectionist, your first call is to your local Porsche dealership parts department.

For a classic car, they will have to order it and may take a few days. If it must come from Germany, it will take six weeks or more. The benefit of using Porsche is that they cover the shipping costs and don't pass them on to you. We also have our Club Sponsors. Parts are a big part of their business, and they often have access to



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suppliers we may not know of. Here is a list of our club Sponsors who can help you locate parts and the ever-so-important part number:

- Juan's Auto
- Turn3 Autosport
- Scan Automotive
- Weissach Vancouver

Otherwise, here is a list of websites I use and are helpful:

- Auto Atlanta (they also sell parts)
- Pelican parts
- Rock Auto
- eBay motors
- 944 Online (an amazing resource for 944 owners!)
- LA Dismantler in Los Angeles a great source of used parts

And, of course, Google! Often, if I can't find the part, I just put the part number into Google by itself, and some options may come up. This method can be useful, but not always. This is, in fact, how I found the above-mentioned Cam Shaft Collar! Be aware of similar parts for similar models. Often, the part number can have one digit off for a similar model. This is a problem I often run into with my early model 944. The 944 has early models, late models, and Turbos. Some of the parts are

interchangeable, and some are not. I have ordered a turbo part many times, when rushing and not paying attention.

Used Parts

I have used parts in my car for certain things to save time and money. Used parts can be very useful. Just be mindful of the condition and what the part does. My rule on this is if it is a load-bearing part, contains fluids, or is subject to extreme heat. I source out a brand-new part.

YouTube

YouTube is a great source of seeing what is involved on how to locate, remove,

and re-install the part. As well as giving you a good visual of what the part should look like. Again, be aware of hacks, and guys saying, "I didn't want to buy the Porsche part, so this should do!" Move on to another video or resource!

If you have worked on your car, you are probably well-versed in finding parts. If you are new to our club or Porsche, I hope this information is helpful! As always, I am available to answer questions. If you need a hand looking for something, I may be able to point you in the right direction. Don't hesitate to reach out!



Gone goofy over sports cars

Letter to Ann Landers. Originally published in March 1960.

Dear Ann:

My husband has gone goofy over sports cars. I'm just about ready to tell him to go to sleep in the garage if he puts cars before his family.

He has a good business, and we don't want for anything, but it's the time I resent. He spends hours monkeying with the cars (he has two now). He reads everything on sports cars that he can lay his hands on.

He'll drive miles to see a sports car race. He can't take the kids along because only two can get in the car with him and the other two would have to stay home.

The other evening, the dog was sick, and my husband couldn't even drive him to the vet's because both cars were torn apart.

He doesn't have any big faults like smoking, drinking or swearing, but this car business is getting my goat. What is your opinion?

GLADYS



Dear Gladys:

You ought to be happy your husband has a four-wheeled pastime instead of a two-legged one. Sports cars are a wonderful hobby, and many women are just as interested as men.

There are more plusses to your marriage than minus. Count your blessings, and don't be a flat tire.

Ann

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Wins at Lemans are a win for Porsche's production models

Much of what Porsche learns in motor racing benefits the production models and, thus, the customers. The sports car manufacturer's story is full of notable examples—clearly illustrated with turbo technology and the 24 Hours of Le Mans through to the new 911 Carrera GTS T-Hybrid. The latest 911 model variant reaps the benefits of the insights that Porsche gained with the 919 Hybrid and currently with the 963.

Innovation and motor racing go hand-in-hand at Porsche. The development of turbo technology is a prime example. In 1974, exactly 50 years ago, the 911 Turbo, Porsche's first turbocharged series model, celebrated its world debut. Producing 260 PS, it was brutally powerful for its time. The roots of its cutting-edge engine lay in racing: Supercharging technology was used for the first time in the Porsche 917/10. Today, the system output of the latest

911 variant reaches 398 kW (541 PS, 911 Carrera GTS (provisional values): Fuel consumption* combined (WLTP) 11.0 – 10.5 l/100 km, CO emissions* combined (WLTP) 251 – 239 g/km, CO₂ class G).

The 911 Carrera GTS is also powered by a turbo engine but combines it for the first time with a T-hybrid system. The engineers once again benefit from the knowledge Porsche has collected in motorsports: from 2015 to 2017, the technologically

sophisticated 919 Hybrid won the 24 Hours of Le Mans three times and swept the title pool in the FIA World Endurance Championship WEC. Porsche now targets its 20th overall victory in the world's most famous endurance race with the 963-hybrid prototype. Know-how transfer from the racetrack to the road.

The beginning of Porsche's turbo technology

It was the summer of 1970. Porsche had won the 24 Hours of Le Mans for the

The problem, however, was that the constant braking and acceleration on the twisty CanAm tracks required a high-revving turbocharger with as little lag as possible. The innovative solution: a boost pressure control system on the exhaust side prevented unwanted excess pressure in partial load or overrun operation by expelling excess exhaust gases via a bypass relief valve and a wastegate. This limited the boost pressure and kept it at a constant level. It also allowed for a

smaller turbocharger, lower rotating masses and improved responsiveness.

In late July 1971, an open 917/10 Spyder with a supercharged engine turned its first laps in Weissach: Instead of a large turbocharger, Porsche opted for a smaller turbo on each of the two-cylinder banks. This improved the responsiveness enormously and produced 850 PS. The



Porsche 963, Porsche 917/30 Spyder Photo: Porsche AG

first time with the 917 KH and was looking for its next challenge: victories in the North American CanAm series. However, with its comparatively small 580 PS 4.5-litre twelve-cylinder engine, the 917 faced tough competition from the big-block American cars. Plans for a 16-cylinder power plant were drawn up. At the same time, the idea of achieving the needed performance boost from an exhaust turbocharger was also evolving.

stage was set, and the CanAm success was monumental: in 1972, Porsche's partner team Penske Enterprises won six of the nine races, the CanAm Cup, and the drivers' title thanks to George Follmer. In 1973, the 5.4-litre 917/30 Spyder put out a staggering 1,100 PS. Only changes to the regulations could stop Porsche's winning streak—but they did not halt the march of turbo technology, especially in motorsport.

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