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# 2024 RTR Event Calendar

## Events

<b>February</b>	<b>2/1</b>	Gates open for DE
<b>February</b>	<b>2/24</b>	Freeze Run



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YEARS	January	February	March
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<b>50</b>			
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<b>35</b>	Nancy B. Davis Robert K. Davis	Anna Plenzick Herman J. Plenzick	
<b>30</b>	Frank Lu Stephanie Lu	David H. Fischer Dodge Whipple Vykie Whipple	Carol Fries Michael A. Fries Paul Nederostek Debra Seebeck Fred G. Seebeck
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## RTR Member #'s December 2023:

Total Primary Members **1909**

Affiliate Members **991**

Total Region Membership **2900**



# NEW RTR MEMBERS



Matthew Levy	2020 911 Carrera S
Nicholas Verna	2024 Cayenne
Thomas Neal	
Steve Cravotta	1999 Boxster
Simon Moore	2022 911 Carrera S
Ingrid Moore	
Herman Galindez	1994 968
Joann Gentile	
John Wood	1974 911 Carrera (US)
Eric Fox	2017 718 Boxster S
Amrut Patel	2022 911 GT3
Tarick Sheikh	2024 718 Cayman GTS 4.0
Dean Minuto	2021 Panamera 4S Sport Turismo
Wendy Johnson	
Jeanne Rihm	
Joe Sawyer	2014 Cayman
Janie Gordon	
Louise McDermott	
Kelley Thomas	
Charles Faust	2003 Boxster
Michael Keba	2019 Macan S
Denise Keba	
Dimitri Frangiadis	1989 944
Alexi Frangiadis	
Ray Ignosh	2022 Cayenne S
Kristofer Leggett	2007 Boxster
Nick Seitzinger	2000 911 Carrera
Vince Rossomando	2022 911 Turbo S
Monika Panger	2006 911 Carrera S Cabriolet
Chris Aguirre	
Michael Johnson	2013 911 Carrera S Cabriolet
Steve Bentley	2021 911 Carrera S
Marzena Kerley	
Brigitte Neil	
Dale Carlton	2019 911 Carrera 4
Carmen Toth	



# Vom Präsidenten

**AS WE ARE CLOSING OUT 2023 AND LOOKING BACK, ALL I CAN SAY IS WOW....**what a great time we had in our little old club. The club has been around since 1957 and what started out with a small group of like individuals has grown into a massive 2900 collective able to feed over a million people in a single bound. That is what I'm most proud of in this club...over the past 10 years, you have come together and helped over a million hungry people get a meal. Really, think about that.... That is, 75% of the entire population of Philadelphia. Every single donator from the one can of peas to the check for \$2500 has played a huge part in helping thy neighbor in our efforts with Phil-a-Trunk - driving out hunger. So, for all those who have helped in this endeavor, I thank you. Your neighbors thank you as well.

I also want to thank the RTR Executive Board for all they do. They do a lot to make this club run like it does. Almost every weekend there is something to do on our calendars and our board has something to do with that. Corey and her team keep greasing the wheels of our DE program and there just might be a surprise or two in the works for this coming year. Dave Nettleton has done wonders with autocross and I'm sure Dan will follow suit as the new AX chair. Our VP has done an awesome job with scheduling our monthly meetings along with a few social events. Chris Barone has a huge task of managing all the finances - and when there is something to do almost every single weekend there are a ton of finances. He keeps us or at least tries to keep us from going off the rails. Rita makes sures we have something to read during those rare downtimes. Roy who goes knocking on every single garage that has a glimpse of a p-car or car door with a driver behind the wheel, tries to coax them into this wonderful club. Then there is our glue that blends all these wonderful cliques together to create events everyone will love...our social chair Wendy - btw I think she is finally working on a new road trip for this coming summer. I also want to thank Maggie for keeping all the notes on what this club does.

So, the next time you are out and about and happen to see or meet one of our board members, please remember to thank them for the wonderful jobs they do in order to keep this club running so smoothly.

Have a wonderful holiday season and pedal down!

Jeff Walton



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**2023 SEEMED TO GO BY IN A BLINK.** As the hustle and bustle of the holiday season approaches, I'd like to thank the RTR Executive Board and all of the contributors, advertisers and members of RTR who supported Der Gasser in 2023. Many of you have approached me at meetings and events to say you enjoy reading the articles and photos and I am very appreciative of the feedback. There have been new contributors this year, and I am thankful to them for sharing experiences and stories as well as to everyone who continued to provide ongoing content for RTR membership to view.



On the year-end holiday theme, I just returned from a family trip with my sisters to the Great Smoky Mountains of Tennessee and thought I'd share some of the sights and sounds in this message. Eastern Tennessee was not on my list of places to check out, but one of my siblings suggested this would be a fun way to kick off the holiday season with a trip south for an early Smoky Mountains Christmas experience. We traveled through the Smoky Mountains as kids, so it was a bit nostalgic to see Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge today. The entire area has evolved and sprawled with the theme park Dollywood and all of the hotels, restaurants, entertainment and attractions for the very young to those still young at heart. Dollywood was an unexpected but nice surprise with lots to see and do. The music was amazing and inspirational. The decorations, lighting and shows signaled that the holiday season arrived. One of the highlights of the day was a train ride on the Dollywood Express #70

Train nicknamed 'Cinderella'. My first thought was this ride is a little corny and depending on your seat on this train, the engine could throw some major soot and ash per the locals (hmm.. maybe the reason the train is called Cinderella :)). The train runs along a 2.5-mile loop around the village and park. Based on a quick calculation, this train was hauling 200+ people on every run and there was always a waiting line to get a seat. For the holiday season, carols are played on the train sung by none other than Dolly Parton.

The real surprise of this nostalgic experience was the train's amazing chime whistle. These locomotives are known for their harmonic whistle sound effects. Along with the bell, it's truly an unforgettable sound. As a kid at Christmas, my Dad would always set-up a Lionel train set around the Christmas tree. One of the locomotives was a Pennsylvania Railroad steam tender that could puff smoke and it had a cool whistle as well.

In the middle of our Cinderella ride, the music stopped and the train began to whistle a few times. Much to everyone's surprise, the whistle began to belt out 'Jingle Bells'. You had to be there to experience the sound which was memorable. What I really loved about the train ride was discovering the locomotive was built in the Philadelphia, PA area. The conductor announced that Cinderella was manufactured by the Baldwin Locomotive Company in Eddystone, PA in 1938. A little bit of history that made me smile for the connection to our region of Pennsylvania. Everyone enjoyed the ride with smiles, laughter and singing along the way. We tried to catch one of the evening trains to see the park's numerous lighting displays from a different view, but the wait was over 2 hours.

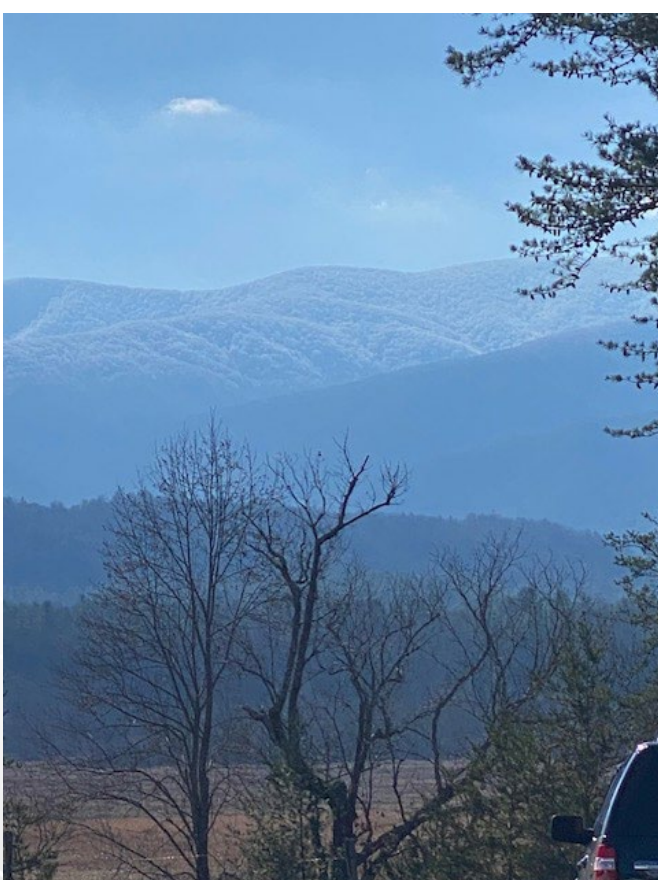


From a driving perspective, the other noteworthy part of this trip was a visit to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. The park covers over 800 square miles and serves as refuge for one of the richest and most diverse assemblies of plants and animals in the temperate world. A few of the roads and passes were closed for the winter, and we could see the snow capped mountains in the higher elevations. If your sense of adventure is sparked by fresh mountain air, high elevation and incredible views, you can traverse through the Tail of the Dragon in the Eastern Tennessee side of the Smokies. I heard about this unbelievable car enthusiasts experience, but didn't realize we were so close. The Tail of the Dragon is located in the Deals Gap Mountain pass which was not accessible for us on this visit, so a return trip in warmer weather will be the plan. (For any RTR members that have driven the dragon and would like to share a story and the experience, please reach out). We did spend most of the day driving through the park along many curvy roads including the one way 11-mile loop to Cades Cove. Lots of history, rustic beauty to be seen along with some blind curves on a very busy and narrow road. Whether it's a babbling creek, wildlife, the stunning mountain scenery or several great distilleries, a trip to this area is one to put on any car enthusiast's travel agenda. In fact, if any of you are planning to travel to the 2024 PCA Parade in Birmingham, Alabama, just head South on Interstate 81 and you will pass through this part of the country. You may want to consider scheduling a few extra days in Eastern Tennessee to see the sights and drive the Tail of the Dragon. It's worth checking out this hidden gem!

So, for the upcoming winter season, just like the bears in the Smoky Mountains who according to the locals do not hibernate, neither will RTR. Check out our website and on-line calendar for new updates and continue to be an active participant in RTR activities. Please keep the feedback and interesting articles coming in and don't hesitate to drop me a note with any comments, feedback or ideas ([editor@rtr-pca.org](mailto:editor@rtr-pca.org)).

Wishing you all a very happy holiday season. Look forward to seeing you all in 2024!!!

Rita Hancock McKeown



# September Membership Meeting

## SEPTEMBER 13, 2023, WAS YET ANOTHER BEAUTIFUL DAY FOR A MEMBERSHIP MEETING.

I hope I don't pay for this in 2024 but we have been blessed with perfect weather for every membership meeting this year. And this month we were in West Chester at Sky Motor Cars. For those not familiar, Sky Motor Cars has an inventory of dozens of premium pre-owned cars for sale. In fact, earlier this year I purchased a lovely 1999 Boxster from them. Great people, facilities, and selection of automobiles. The perfect place to have an RTR meeting.

The social hour officially started at 6:30 PM. Our hosts treated us to a delicious buffet of Italian food that we got to enjoy as we mingled before the start of the meeting at 7 PM. We had a bit of a lighter crowd for this meeting than normal for some reason. But that's OK, more food for us.

By mid-September RTR driving activities are starting to slow down. We have our final HPDE, and AutoX rounds. But we still have many social activities such as Phil-a-Trunk and Oktoberfest. Jeff kicked things off speaking about Phil-a-Trunk. There is much more on that, elsewhere in this issue. Jeff put his social hat on and ran through some of the social events we have coming up. They include our Oktoberfest on October 14, and our holiday party on December 2. And our second Watches and Whiskey night at the Omega boutique in King of Prussia in October.

With the driving events close to the end of the year, we didn't spend much time on them and we moved on to the topic of Der Gasser. As usual, I made my speech asking for members to submit story ideas. It is the member stories that really breathe life into each issue. Please send us your story ideas. Send your ideas to [editor@rtr-pca.org](mailto:editor@rtr-pca.org) and the team will work with you to get your story into the next issue.

Next up was the welcome to our new members. Even with the smaller than usual crowd we had a couple of new folks in attendance. As usual we had them stand up and tell us why they joined the club and what Porsche they have. Once again, I would like to welcome all our newest members and hope to meet them again soon at another RTR event.

At this point I turned things over to our gracious hosts at Sky Motor Cars. The team kept it short and sweet as the facility and inventory really speaks for itself. We then wrapped up the meeting. Some folks lingered around for a bit ogling the cars while others fired up the Porsche and made their way home. Thanks again to Sky Motor Cars for hosting us and to everyone who came out to enjoy the evening with us. See you soon.

Joe Kucinski





**THE PCA-RTR OCTOBER MEETING WAS HELD AT PORSCHE LEHIGH VALLEY**, where over one hundred guests dined on a smorgasbord of German food, beer, and wine, and listened to live German music. Gift bags were distributed to all attendees which included a tall, German beer stein with the word, "Porsche" engraved on the glass.

On hand at the event was Porsche Lehigh Valley's General Manager, Paul Goodwin. "We truly embrace the relationship with PCA because of the passion we all share in the Porsche Brand," says Goodwin. "Our gatherings with club members are always filled with a lot of excitement and enthusiasm for Porsches, and that's why we enjoy hosting them."

The dealership chose the Oktoberfest theme because the meeting was held in October, and they wanted to emulate the traditional Oktoberfest celebrations held in Munich each year. "The Oktoberfest Theme was in the spirit of the true German heritage in Porsche, and we felt the PCA-RTR members would enjoy an Oktoberfest-spirited event. We also thought the event would be a great time to introduce the all new, redesigned, highly desirable midsize SUV, the 2024 Porsche Cayenne. Not only is it the most powerful Cayenne yet, but the model also brings an updated exterior styling with a full tech packaged interior that is impressive to any buyer."

The highlight of the evening was the unveiling of the new Cayenne. "It was my pleasure to introduce two newly updated Cayenne models," says Rolf Kittlitz, AfterSales Training Instructor, Porsche Cars North America. "The Cayenne S and Cayenne Turbo GT Coupe both offer styling and aerodynamic upgrades. A big hit with Porsche enthusiasts is the reintroduction of the V8 engine to the Cayenne S models. This is a further evolution of the 4.0 liter V8 engine family first introduced in the 2017 Panamera Turbo and 2018 Cayenne Turbo."



"My personal favorite update to the new Cayenne models is the new 2-valve shock absorbers," says Kittlitz. "The new shock absorbers widen the range of adjustability in the Porsche Active Suspension Management or PASM system, making the Normal setting even more comfortable in everyday driving and the Sport and Sport Plus settings even more responsive than before. The two valves give the ability to individually tailor both the compression and rebound actions of the shock absorbers individually. The previous PASM system had only one valve per shock absorber and did a great job, but the new system is a big leap forward in capability."

"I thought Porsche Lehigh Valley did a great job hosting the October PCA meeting," says Kittlitz. "It takes a lot of effort to clear out the showroom, bring in all the tables and chairs, decorate with a German theme, and have a catering buffet and full bar available for so many guests. It shows how much the staff care to foster a relationship with PCA. I thought the event, which was held in their new Porsche showroom, was a huge success, and so did several guests I spoke with."



Also in attendance were many long-standing dealership clients who are also PCA-RTR members. "I enjoy attending PCA-RTR meetings for the fellowship and information," says Loren Hulber. "I always come away having met new people and learning something new about the impressive range of our amazing Porsche cars. Porsche Lehigh Valley does an outstanding job of hosting these meetings with their hospitality, state-of-the-art facilities, and generous amenities. Our

thanks and gratitude for their special consideration. Porsche has made great strides in becoming a true lifestyle brand and this is certainly reflected in Porsche Lehigh Valley."

"Owning a 2023 Porsche Cayenne Turbo, I was impressed with the updates on the 2024 Porsche Cayenne that was featured at the meeting," adds Hulber. "Featuring cars at the meeting with details about their new features is a great way to both inform and generate buyer interest. Well done! I hope Porsche Lehigh Valley continues to host PCA-RTR meetings for the reasons I mentioned. Their efforts are great for the brand, our club, and for their business. Thanks again to PLV!"

"I always try to attend Porsche Lehigh Valley events as they always do a great job of hosting," says Barry Edwards. "They go all out for RTR."

"The newest versions of Porsches presented were great to see," says Edwards. "It was especially interesting to have a Porsche technical expert introduce the vehicles and highlight the key features. I hope Porsche Lehigh Valley continues with meetings like these as they provide great opportunities to socialize with other members while learning more about the vehicles we love!"

"I have attended many PCA meetings held at the dealership, and I feel they always do a great job hosting these events," says Werner Reinartz. "I enjoyed the German food and music that night, and spending time getting updated on the models from the Sales Manager, Jim Sangiorgio. Perhaps hosting PCA meetings could be a twice a year event."

Maureen Sangiorgio



# November Membership Meeting



**I TYPICALLY SCHEDULE OUR MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS SEVERAL MONTHS TO A YEAR** in advance. Tables and chairs need to be rented, food needs to be ordered, and the dates locked in, so they don't conflict with other club events we schedule. I had our November meeting booked back in May. However, due to unforeseen circumstances our planned November host needed to push back until 2024. I needed to find someone on somewhat short notice to host us on our originally scheduled November 8 date. I called John Gaydos at Soul Performance and as they always do, they came through in a big way.

Soul Performance not only hosted us, but they had a GT4 RS and a 992 GT3 RS up on the lifts for us to crawl under and drool over. At the end of the meeting, they fired up the GT3 RS and let us hear how the custom exhaust sounded. Oh my. My ears are still ringing. But I am getting a bit ahead of myself.

This was our final membership meeting of 2023. And once again, we were blessed with comfortable weather. This brought the members out in force. We had a great turnout for the meeting and guests were treated to some excellent Italian food complemented by wine, beer, water and soft drinks. Not a bad way to spend a Wednesday night in early November.

At this point in the year our driving events are finished so we just briefly touched on them. We spent most of our time talking about the incredible Phil-a-Trunk 2023 event that was just a few days away at that point. After that I pleaded with the members in attendance to contribute story ideas to Der Gasser. Like I do at just about every meeting.

Roy, our Membership Chair welcomed the handful of new members that we had in attendance. The new members told us a little about themselves and their car and that basically wrapped up our club updates.

We then handed the floor over to John to talk to us in some detail about their shop and how they develop and build products. I won't embarrass myself and try to repeat the technical information that was shared but suffice to say that everyone found it extremely informative. After John spoke and had a brief question and answer session it was time to wrap up our last meeting for 2023. But not before we all got to hear that GT3 RS rev.

Thank you, Soul Performance, for being a great host on short notice. And thank you to all the members that came out to this and all the other meetings we had in 2023. We have some cool meetings lined up for 2024, so I hope to see many of you again soon.

Joe Kucinski



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# Porsche Experience - NJMP

**MY LOCAL PORSCHE DEALERSHIP, PORSCHE OF THE MAIN LINE IN NEWTOWN SQUARE, PA** recently invited me and a guest to attend a Porsche Driving Experience at the New Jersey Motorsports Park in Millville, NJ. I have had the great fortune to attend these events before and this time I brought my son Adam along with me so he could enjoy the experience as well.

It was a beautiful day outside, sunny and temperatures expected to reach 67F. We drove my '19 911 Turbo to the event which started with registration and a buffet breakfast. I asked that my son and I be paired up so we could drive together. The cars featured at this event were the new Porsche Cayenne S, a Macan T, a 911 4S, a 911 T, and the Taycan base with an extra battery for a little more horsepower.

The Porsche experience offered 3 stations which the people rotated after each session. The track offered the SUVs and the 911's while the Taycan was driven on an autocross track set up in the parking lot with cones. I asked why the Taycans were not driven on the track and was told it was due to the potential crash and lithium battery fires which the track was not set up to handle in the event of a crash. We started with the SUVs.

The instructors are from the various Porsche driving schools, the Porsche Driving Experience in Atlanta or Los Angeles and the Barber Motorsports Park in Alabama. The SUVs were lined up behind the instructor's vehicle which would lead us around the track. Each vehicle was equipped with a walkie-talkie allowing the instructor to speak with us during the drive. As he began the drive, five other SUVs were behind him and we followed each other as we snaked our way around the track. The track had cones set up to show where the apex in the corner was located. As we made our way around the track, the commands told us when to accelerate, when to brake, where our eyes should be focused and other tips along the way.

They set up the vehicles behind the instructor, Cayenne S, Macan T, Cayenne S, Macan T, etc. in order that we each get to drive all the vehicles at the event. We started in the Cayenne S which sounded awesome with the V-8 they have put in this vehicle. Each driver did two laps, following the instructor. When the two laps were completed, you changed seats with your passenger and did it all over again. Once complete, we rotated to the next vehicle in line. There was no passing, however, if the cars stayed together and tight as a group, the speed of the group increased. Some corners were driven between 70-80 mph and I was able to do in excess of 100mph on the back straight. So, you actually are having some fun and not a putt putt drive at all.

My son owns a Macan GTS and was a little unsure of what to expect from the event. I drove first so he got the idea. He was really having fun and said he'd not driven his SUV anything like what he was able to experience on the track with the Cayenne and the Macan. When it was time to drive the 911's I noticed his smile was growing in size. He said that "these cars are crazy fast" as he reached 112mph on the back straight.

The final session was driving the Taycan as a single car behind an instructor's vehicle on the autocross course. The instructor talked us through every straight, every corner, while telling us where our eyes should be looking. After the first lap his speed would pick up and it was a kind of "cat & mouse" chase through the cones. Each driver would do 2 or 3 laps and then the passenger would switch with the driver and do it all over again.

The event ended with a buffet lunch and a Porsche logo baseball hat. What a great day and to have spent it with my son made it all the better. If you are ever invited to a Porsche Driving Experience my advice is to sign up quickly and enjoy the event, should you be lucky enough to obtain a confirmed reservation.

Tim Allers





# Winter Time Driving - for Porsche Club

**AS WINTER TIME SWIFTLY APPROACHES THE NORTHERN HEMISPHERE**, it's important to protect your vehicle's paint from damage. In this article, we will discuss 8 tips to protect your vehicle and stay safe during wintertime driving. Many people put off protecting their car with Paint Protection Film and Ceramic Coating. However, a lot of paint damage occurs in the winter, and in the spring and summer, high-quality shops become busy. So the best time to protect your paint is now.

## Tip #1: Avoid Driving Behind Salt Trucks

When the temperatures drop and a snowstorm is expected, salt trucks are out protecting the roads. While this is great to make the roads safer, it's not great for your car's paint. Salt is corrosive, and driving behind these large trucks will kick up rock and stone chips onto your vehicle. Paint Protection Film is great to protect against this debris and keep your car's paint safe. But if you do not have PPF, stay a few car lengths away from salt trucks or avoid driving behind them altogether to protect your vehicle.

## Tip #2: Wash Salt Off ASAP

It's easier said than done to avoid salt on the roads altogether, so if your vehicle does become soiled by salt and dirt, wash it off immediately. When salt stays on a vehicle for a long time, it speeds up rusting. To safely wash your car, avoid automatic car washes with large brushes that swirl and scratch your paint. Instead, use touchless car washes or go to your local self-serve car wash. Using a pressure washer, rinse off your car, and don't forget the fender wells and underside of the vehicle.

## Tip #3: Use Foam Brushes to Remove Snow

If you live somewhere where it snows often, you may have cleaned off your car with anything from a house broom to a shovel. Or you may have a basic snow brush you keep in your car. These brushes usually have one end with plastic bristles and a scraper on the other end. However, the rough plastic bristles of these brushes and brooms can easily scratch the paint of your vehicle. Instead, we recommend using a foam snow brush. In the video below, we give more information on how to safely remove snow from your vehicle.

Video Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bJWSGu-CSYw&t=21s>

## Tip #4: Apply Sealant

A great way to keep your vehicle easier to clean during the winter is to apply a sealant beforehand. Sealants prevent dirt and contaminants from bonding with a car's paint, making snow removal and keeping the windows clean easy. It will last a few weeks to a month. However, there is a great long-term solution: Ceramic Coating. Ceramic Coatings work similarly to a sealant, but they keep your car glossy and easy to clean for years rather than just a few weeks.

## Tip #5: Keep Your Car's Tank Full

It's important to plan ahead during blizzards and snowstorms to make sure you have enough gas to get you around. If you were to get stuck on the roads, having a full tank will keep you warm and not stranded. And if you plan on storing your car for the winter, look into local gas stations that sell ethanol-free gas to keep your fuel tank in good condition. Also get a high-quality fuel stabilizer to keep the gas sitting in your tank protected, and to prevent degradation.

## Tip #6: Check Your Tires

In the winter, icy roads make driving much more dangerous. Prioritize getting your tires checked for tread depth, and make sure to switch them out for snow or winter tires if you have summer high-performance tires. Otherwise, your tires will not perform well in the winter and can become a driving hazard.

## Tip #7: Keep Your Glass Clean

When defrosting your windshield, you may have had extra trouble seeing due to haze on the inside. This can be avoided by keeping your interior windshield clean, making it much easier to see, especially during low light at dawn and dusk. With this in mind, also remember to keep your windshield wiper fluid full.

## Tip #8: Safe Driving Practices

Of course, driving safely is always important. But in the winter, it is even more crucial. Always make sure to slow down and reduce your speed by half in snowy and icy conditions. Also, stay a few car lengths away from other vehicles in order to give yourself enough stopping time and protect your vehicle's paint from rocks and salt kicked up by vehicles in front of you.

## Summary:

With these tips in mind, it's a breeze to protect your paint from winter's harsh conditions. But the best solution is always long-term protection options like Paint Protection Film and Ceramic Coating.

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# Coatesville Grand Prix

**ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2023, THE CITY OF COATESVILLE, PA HOSTED THE 7TH ANNUAL** Invitational Vintage Grand Prix, an exhibition of vintage motorcycles and automobiles. Over 5,000 spectators came out on a sunny Saturday to see unique vintage race cars and motorcycles roar to life on a 2-mile road course that starts on Lincoln Highway. Each year the event has grown, with this year having 80 entrants.

Vintage German automobiles usually have a good showing. One such entrant, Keegan McGregor, had been a spectator at the event for years. This year he entered his 1973 BMW 2002. "This is my first time running the event. I've attended three times prior," McGregor said after the event. "What attracted me, was the opportunity to run my car on the unique road course. This is a cool event that's in our backyard. It's exciting to give the opportunity for people attending the event to get up close to the cars that are running and possibly inspire the next generation of gearheads."



This past year several cars with PCA livery were running the course. The Porsche line up was as follows:

- Jordan Beil - 1970 914-6 Glenside, PA
- Peter Stillwell - 1972 911, Millersville, PA.
- Chris Duerr- 1956 356, Chester Springs, PA.
- Nicolas Betegh- 1969 911, Blue Bell, PA
- Wayne Flegler- 1965 356SC, Clarksboro, NJ
- John Witmer- 1972 914-6 Quarryville, PA



The event is family friendly one, in which the city blocks off a 2-mile road course through the heart of the city. With barriers set up and field marshal volunteers and police stationed throughout the course, safety is maintained for an enjoyable afternoon.

The event is not a race but an exhibition of vintage race cars and motorcycles with trophies for best in show. All the vehicles have to be vintage and are in several different classes. The classes range from 1900 open-wheel race cars and motorcycles to the 1983 model year.

The sum of the success of this event growing each year really harkens to the small-town nature of the event. A portion of the proceeds benefit Coatesville Parks and Recreation quality of life initiatives.

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Now remember that word exclusivity that we talked about earlier, well you will have special access to bottles that even members of the Scotch Malt Whisky Society cannot touch - yes they are earmarked for only PCA members within the SMWS - how's that for exclusivity - just because you own a Porsche. Plus, they are on sale right now.

Now down the road, in 2024 we will get to sample bottles and pick the ones we like and give them our tantalizing names like "911 Tailpipe" and "Air-cooled in the Highlands" and maybe even offer trips to drive some Porsches around the highlands.

So visit the [links](#) of look for the SMWS at various pca events like Parade or a Treffen cruise

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# Ron Dishes on La Maison (Martin's Kitchen) – Coventryville, PA

**THANKS TO RIESENTÖTER PRESIDENT JEFF WALTON AND HIS WIFE WENDY**, the Porsche Club was able to arrange for another evening of fine dining at a classical French restaurant in the Pottstown area. Visiting for the first time with the club in April 2021 during Covid, we were eager to return for another enjoyable dining experience.

We traveled northbound into Chester County for a unique fine dining event that was unlike any other most have experienced in the past. La Maison (aka Martin's Kitchen) is situated in a National Historical Sites Registered home (built ~1700's) in Coventryville just past Pottstown. Chef Martin Gagné and his wife Janet have been serving weekend dinners in the home's dining rooms to a small group of diners since 2000 (capacity 24). Although La Maison serves as the chef's family residence, it doubles as the quaint space for serving authentic French cuisine in table d'hôte format – each course is delivered (dare I say "Family Style") to the table for apportioning to each guest.



A visit to the Martin's Kitchen website will properly describe the restaurant's service, accommodations, as well as Chef Martin's impressive credentials. He has found much success in his work at many fine dining establishments worldwide too numerous to mention: Executive Chef at Hedgerose restaurant in Atlanta (Food and Wine - Best New Restaurant List – 1998, Top Culinarians to Watch in the 90's), The Tremont Hotel, Chicago, Executive Chef at Opus, Swissôtel-Atlanta (1990), Chicago magazine Critic's Choice Award and Esquire Cheers Award for Café 21, and advisor to Spain's Minister of Agriculture in the province of Castile y León. His accomplishments earned him membership in the prestigious James Beard Foundation.

The menu changes weekly based on Martin's market finds and is only accessible by subscribing to a weekly email that describes the culinary offerings in French. (I had to resort to Google Translate each time a new edition arrived.) Since the restaurant is booked well in advance (~3-4 weeks), diners are unaware of the composition of the meal on the night of their visit.

This evening's menu featured seven courses. The meal started with amuse-bouche constructed of Smoked Salmon topped with Oscietra Caviar served with a Potato Mousse, with a light and flavorful taste. Second course was a creamy, buttery Green Asparagus Soup with Chicken Quenelles (French dumplings) with small spears of asparagus enhanced with Truffles and served in a tureen. The Gougères (savory French Cheese puffs with Gruyere cheese) served along with the soup course was a particular favorite early in the meal. A large lightly dressed salad of mixed greens and tomatoes was served next, termed a "Refreshing Seasonal Salad". Despite some diners aversion to smoked fish and asparagus, they found the dishes to be surprisingly suitable to their tastes.



The entrée courses were then served – served first was Crusted Sea Bass, prepared with a combination of Sea Bass filets wrapped with spinach and in a crepe and overwrapped with a baked pastry crust. The crispy pastry covering the fish was buttery and tender and resulted in a great flavor combination in every bite. The fish course was followed by the evening highlight entrée of Roasted Filet of Beef with an Oporto sauce served table side, along with wilted Spinach, crispy Potatoes al la Maxim, and Spinach with Baked Tomatoes. The beef was fork tender and the sauce offered complementary flavoring without overpowering the beef.

The dessert course consisted of individual Blueberry Soufflés which the chef related to us he learned to make at the age of eleven. The souffles were served with sauceboated Lemon Scented Cream which diners dispensed into their individual souffles after piercing the powdered sugar top. Fresh French Press coffee was a great accompaniment to the Soufflés.

Served last were small bite sized confections ("Les Mignardises") served on a multi tier tray to be passed around the table with each diner sampling some of eight unique treats with each passing. Pine Nut Clusters, Nut Coated Chocolates, Pistachio Nougat, and Peach Jellies were among the choices. After dinner, the chef visited with diners to discuss the dishes and some of his personal culinary history.

Hopefully another Riesenötter visit to Martins Kitchen can be planned so this experience can again be enjoyed by club members. Members are encouraged to get involved with the club and join in on one of the many great events Jeff and Wendy organize.

Though there may be comparable French dining experiences in Philadelphia or New York City, La Maison should be considered as a more accessible spot for adventurous diners. It was a special night for dining and a revisit is certainly on our list, with this experience quashing some trepidation due to our unfamiliarity with the French culinary world. Delicious food, a quaint intimate atmosphere and exceptional, unobtrusive service make La Maison a spot for that special event, anniversary or birthday dining excursion.

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# Market Analysis Report: November

**WHILE THIS MONTH'S SELL-THROUGH RATE WAS ONCE AGAIN BELOW AVERAGE AT 68%**, total dollar volume reached a higher than average sum of over \$40m thanks to a number of high-end cars coming to market, including two Carrera GTs, a 959, and 918 Spyder. We also saw the lowest sale of the year with a 1980 924 project car fetching \$500.

While that bottom of the market sale is impressively low, our top sale, a 2005 Carrera GT finished in GT Silver Metallic over an Ascot Brown interior showing just 601 miles was equally impressive at a final bid of \$1,781,420, a price we haven't seen since the summer of 2022. Earlier in the month a Fayence Yellow over Dark Grey 2005 Carrera GT sold for \$1,400,000 with just under 9,000 miles on the clock. Other million-dollar sales included a rare 2019 935 at \$1,626,000, a 1988 959 Komfort that brought \$1,600,000, a \$1,450,000 918 Spyder with Weissach Package, and a 1994 911 Turbo S 3.6 that just cracked the \$1m mark at \$1,075,000.

Certain GT cars were also impressive this month with a 4,000-mile Guards Red 2011 911 GT2 RS bringing a top-of-the-market price of \$705,000. This was a very strong sale against a \$480,000 average for 997.2 GT2 RS'. Also on the GT2 front was a 2003 911 GT2 that brought a solid number at \$192,000 and a pair of 2018 GT2 RS' that brought \$278,000 and \$350,750.

992 GT3s continued their slide this month with winged cars selling at an average price of \$231,000 and a top sale of \$260,000 for a 6-speed example finished in Paint to Sample Gulf Blue. 6-speed Tourings were a little stronger with two cars selling for \$255,000 and \$279,000 as they distance themselves further from the \$300k mark. We also saw one more GT3 RS Weissach car come to market but it failed to sell at a final bid of \$380,000.

356s were a mixed bag with our top sale being a 1965 356 SC Sunroof Coupe selling for \$160,000, a good clip above the \$123,000 average we've seen over the last twelve months. We also saw strong results for 356 Cs with two examples selling north of \$120,000 propping the later 356 market up after a few disappointing sales and no-sales. One notable no sale for the month was a 1958 356 A Speedster that failed to sell at a final bid of \$293,000, which wasn't far off from other transactions we've seen lately.

On the normal 911 front, SCs and Carrera 3.2s had a hard time selling as only half the cars offered found homes in November with modified versions of both generations taking top honors. 964s continued their climb with a number of coupes above the \$100k mark and a sell-through rate of 75%. Your standard 993, 996, and 997s on the other hand were fairly flat all around, whether Coupe, Cabriolet, or a 4 or S.

As we head into the final month of the year, it looks like the overall market has steadied after a bit of a softening. However, with big sales from RM Sotheby's of The White Collection, and cars offered during NYC's Luxury Week, we expect some impressive results as a number of cars offered are prime collector examples of the best of what Porsche has produced.

David K. Whitlock

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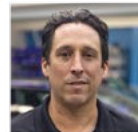
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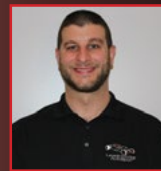


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The lists are everywhere this time of year, in every magazine including Panorama, morning show, on every webpage including PCA, and radio broadcasts, there is no escaping. And yes, there is even a list for Porsche Owners.....

But do Porsche owners really need a list.....no no no.....after all, we have one of the 10 best cars in the world already...or at least the list says so...right? What more do we need? Nothing. We don't need a little trash bag that hangs on the back of the seat via the headrest - absolutely not - first off there is no trash in the Porsche in the first place. We don't need a Porsche water bottle.....where would we put it? We don't need a fancy chrome air gauge in a leather case - we have TPMS. We don't need Porsche winter gloves...that's why we have a heated steering wheel. We don't need a Porsche watch...we have sports chrono....oh, and a digital watch on the radio and dash. We don't need a SIM racing kit...we have the real thing. We don't need any Porsche clothing that just makes us look like a Ferrari owner. We don't need Porsche golf balls; the lakes are filled with more than enough golf balls anyway. We don't need any polishes or waxes; the \$2500 ceramic coating from the dealership should take care of that. Yep, there is nothing we need....

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On second thought...Spring Treffen Plus does sound kind of nice...and so does the Scotch Malt Whisky Society membership, oh wait the scale engine model kit would be fun to build, hmmm luxury flooring in the car port would be cool, a new GT4 RS...oh Santa pretty please....the lists goes on and on.... etcetera....et alia....

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