



# The 911 has become a fixture of popular culture. Ironic, considering it has never once stood still.

Movies. Television. Music. The Porsche 911 has influenced culture for half a century. Which is no surprise to drivers who know, first hand, why it's become an icon. The 50th Anniversary edition 911 honors that legacy with special features including increased track width, a Powerkit, which increases engine output to 430-hp, and an interior fabric pattern hearkening back to the original 911. Limited to just 1963 examples, the 50th Anniversary edition 911 delivers the kind of inspiring sports car performance celebrated by culture. Not to mention, its driver. Porsche. There is no substitute.

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#### LIVE COVERAGE

Those of us who follow the races in Europe, know that live coverage is usually hard to find in the USA. At best, we get one to two hours, or in-car cams while listening to Radio Le Mans. That's it.

Good news! More recently FIA got smart. Visit www.FIAWEC.com/app.html and watch live coverage on your favorite mobile or tablet. While the App itself is free, there's a small fee for watching the race.

# Über Alles

Porsche Club of America, Western Michigan Region

On the cover:
The color of speed.
It's called Le Mans not Lemons.
Mission 2014 · Porsche Returns,
June 14—15 · 2014

### SMILES PER GALLON

#### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Mike Karluk President, Western Michigan Region

Exciting things are happening in the world of Porsche these days beyond the fact that our shining steeds have come out of winter storage. On the observer front, Porsche returns to Le Mans this month for the first time in sixteen years with a prototype racer. More locally, the Detroit Belle Isle Grand Prix/TUDOR United SportsCar

Championship on May 31 provided the opportunity to see GT Daytona class Porsches in action.

On the production front, Porsche is releasing the new Macan compact SUV and GTS variants of the 981 Cayman and Boxster. There clearly is some dynamic tension between Porsche purists who view the Cayenne, Panamera, and Macan with varying degrees of acceptance (or scorn), those who appreciate them as outstanding vehicles, and those who recognize that these models provide the financial underpinning of Porsche's continued development of top-tier sports cars for the street and track. I personally never even considered owning an SUV until last October when, in a "what the heck" moment, I upgraded my mid-size

rental to a Cayenne for a one-day trip. Barb and I were impressed by it before we even cleared the Savannah airport and suddenly the thought of having a Macan diesel for a daily driver when they are released in the US in 2015 is enticing. The tantalizing Cayman GTS in its special Carmine Red color, however, truly quickens my pulse. There's an old Latin phrase, de gustibus non disputandum est, which loosely translates as "there's no arguing about taste". To my taste, this new Cayman GTS, with its lower front spoiler that more closely resembles the 918 Spyder's nose, the lower rear apron design, and the black surround headlight trim, is the best looking production Porsche since the 356 Speedster.

On the local participation front, things really get rolling in June, with many group opportunities to join your old and new WMR Porsche friends. For those not able to attend the National Parade in Monterey, CA, Len and Bonnie Gawron are hosting the Parade Orphans Lunch Drive on June 14th. Ralph and Denise Ford are hosting the Spring-Up to Traverse City weekend drive on June 21 and Tim Thatcher hosts the Euro Autowerks Open House on June 28. I look forward to seeing you all. Here's to many smiles per gallon as we motor down the road of summer 2014 in West Michigan! — *Mike* 

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### PARADE ORPHANS LUNCH DRIVE

**HOST: LEN & BONNIE GAWRON** 

We invite you to join other Porsche Parade 2014 Orphans on Saturday, 14 June at the BIGGBY Coffee Shop located at 2745 10 Mile Rd. in Rockford at 11:30 AM for a 12:00 noon departure on what will be a relaxed Spring drive through the countryside followed by a 1:30 PM lunch at the Blue Water Grill located at 5180 Northland Drive. Grand Rapids. The Blue Water Grill is a breath of fresh air with unique Frank Lloyd Wright inspired architecture, a stunningly massive fireplace, and some of the best water views in West Michigan. This is all made possible with large glass walls, inspired design and, quite possibly, the most impressively beautiful deck in the city. And that's just the atmosphere. The Blue Water Grill continues with decidedly inspired food with a collection of satisfying influences including Italian, Mediterranean and classic American. All the traditional favorites are available that include a wide variety of wood-fired pizzas, seafood, steaks, salads, sandwiches and more.

We look forward to your joining us and ask that you RSVP by Monday, June 9 via E-mail at:

lagawron@comcast.net or by phone at, 231.670.3274.



#### Where:

Meeting at BIGGBY Coffee Shop located at 2745, 10 Mile Rd. in Rockford at 11:30 AM

#### When:

Saturday, June 14, 2014 11:30 am

### SPRING-UP TO TRAVERSE CITY

HOST: DR. RALPH & DENISE FORD III

Dr. Ralph & Denise Ford III invite you to start your planning and join them for the WMRPCA annual Spring-Up to Traverse City. Dinner will be catered by Cambria Suites, Ice Tea, Coffee & Beer will be provided, otherwise BYO. RSVP by check \$50.00 per person to the Fords and that will reserve a place for you and yours.

Cut off date is June 18, 2014

#### Saturday Rally and Luncheon:

Meet for the rally at 11:00 a.m. at Clinch Park Marina, Maps will be provided for Rally and Luncheon at Knot Just A Bar II, 5919 N.W. Bayshore Dr., Omena, MI After lunch feel free to visit the local wineries, shops, towns, Lake Michigan, etc. **When:** Saturday, June 21, 2014 Social Hour 5:30 pm/6:30 pm Dinner

Where: Old Mission Peninsula, 909 Gray Rd.,

Traverse City, MI 49686

#### **Accomodations:**

Reduced room rates have been reserved at the following

hotels: Mention Code #WMR-PCA

Cambria Suites (King Suite) \$249

Comfort Inn (Double Queen Suite) \$189

Best Western (Single King/Queen Suite) \$189

They do require a two night minimum stay utilizing Friday and Saturday nights. All reservations not reserved by a credit card by May 19, 2014 will be released. There is a 14 day cancellation policy once individual reservations are reserved.

## EURO AUTOWERKS OPEN HOUSE

#### HOST: TIM THATCHER



We are looking forward to seeing each of you at our Open House. All of us here, are working hard to make this event a very special occasion, which will include the tech session, door prizes, a great lunch and more. Suggestions for the Tech Session topic are welcome and may be sent to admin@euroautowerks.com. See you there!

#### Where:

Euro Autowerks, 9240 Belding Road, Rockford, MI Phone: (616) 874-7932

#### When:

Saturday, June 28, 2014 10:00 am — 1:00 pm

# IN REVIEW: SPRING BRUNCH

#### BY WOLFGANG & MILUZKA BUBECK · PHOTOS BY WOLFGANG BUBECK

On April 27 a small group WMR PCA members joined the Bubeck's Spring Brunch Event at Cygnus 27. Located on the 27th floor of the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel stunning downtown views greeted our guests, as well as delicious drinks and food. Thanks to all, who came out to celebrate life's simple pleasures as we watched a very long winter melt away. Below are a few impressions, for all those who couldn't make it. Hope to see you next time!



## IN REVIEW: SPORTING CLAYS

#### BY JERRY ARENS & AMBER DOOR

Again this year WMR members and their guests mixed up it up in the woods with shot guns and clay targets. Our seventeen shooters, along with 6 spectator members spent several hours walking through the wood on a beautiful Michigan spring morning to make the world safe for all those that fear orange disks.

Our top shooter of the day was Eric Spross with 33 of 50 clays followed by John Walters with 23. Our top women shooters, Lina Spross and Marshall Walters were tied with 8 hits each.

The best part was that everyone that participated, regardless of prior experience (and there were some that had never shot a shotgun), were successful in "killing" more than 260 of the dangerous orange clay disks.

Following our round of clays, with the sun shining, we all sauntered in our Porsches (covering 39 years of Porsche history) through eastern Ottawa county to our final destination of the day - Rush Creek Bistro at Sunnybrook County Club for a casual lunch and many shooting stories.

We hope to see you next time -- to help us continue to rid Western Michigan of the invasive clay.



Ready. Aim. Fire. — Michael Betz laying waste to the invasive orange clay.



Ted Blacklidge (right) wants to know: "Has there ever been a race, started with a shotgun vs. a pistol?" Bottom: Walk in the woods and trading stories.



# 2014 EVENT CALENDAR

### WESTERN MICHIGAN REGION · PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

	Date	Event	Location	Host(s)/Event Chair(s)	
JUN	06-02	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI WMR PCA Club		
	06-14	Parade Orphans Lunch Drive	BIGGBY Coffee Shop, 2745, 10 Mile Rd. in Rockford at 11:30 AM	Len & Bonnie Gawron	
	06-15 through 06-21	59th Annual Porsche Parade, 2014 PCA National Event	Monterey, CA	Porsche Club of America, National Event	
	06-21	Spring-Up to Traverse City	Old Mission Peninsula Ralph & Denise Ford 909 Gray Rd. Traverse City, MI 49686		
	06-28	Euro Autowerks Open House	Rockford, MI	Tim Thatcher	
JUL	07-07	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA Club	
	07-10 through 07-12	Arthritis Foundation Classic Car Show	Dublin, OH Mid-Ohio Region (MORPCA)		
	07-12	Deutsche Marques 2014	Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI	Non-PCA Event	
	07-16	Wednesday Night Cruise-In	Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI	Rick Riley, Kurt Wirth, Rob Clark	
	07-19	July Dinner Drive	Destination TBD	Scott Kraii	
AUG	08-02	Red Barns Spectacular	Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI	Amber Door & Jerry Arens	
	08-04	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA Club	
	08-16	August Dinner Drive	Destination TBD	Randy & Linda Portoluri	
	08-16	German Auto Service Open House and Car Show 2014	1014 Scribner NW Grand Rapids, MI (10 AM — 2 PM)	Ben Zeeuw German Auto Service Ltd.	
	08-22 through 08-23	28th Street Metro Cruise	28th Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI	Non-PCA Event	
	08-23	Cool Cars & Hot Dogs Lunch	2041 Tall Pines Dr. SE Grand Rapids, MI 49546		
	08-24	WMR PCA Annual Autocross	US-131 Dragway, Martin, MI	Duane Weed	
SEP	09-08	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA Club	
	09-13 — 09-14	Grand Prix of Grattan DE	Grattan Raceway, Grattan, MI	Ted Blacklidge	







#### ADDITIONAL EVENTS WILL BE ADDED AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE

	Date	Event	Location	Host(s)/Event Chair(s)	
SEP	09-27	Sept. Dinner Drive	Boyne City, MI	Dan & Ren Phillips	
	09-19 through 09-21	Driver Education Event	Gingerman Raceway, South Haven, MI	South-East Michigan Region PCA (SEM)	
ОСТ	10-06	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA Club	
	10-11	Annual Fall Color Tour	Destination TBD	Duane & Brenda Weed	
NOV	11-03	Annual Planning Dinner	Destination TBD	WMR PCA Club	
	11-06 through 11-09	PCA Escape 2014	Orlando, FL	Porsche Club of America, National Event	
	TBD	November Dinner Drive	Destination TBD Wolfgang & Mile Bubeck		
DEC	12-01	Monthly Board Meeting	Delta Imports, Grand Rapids, MI	WMR PCA Club	
	12-06	December Appetizer Party	West Olive, MI  Mike Karluk & Barbara Doss		

For more PCA National and Inter-Regional events, visit http://www.pca.org/Activities.aspx. For the full PCA Club Racing Schedule, visit http://www.pca.org/Activities/ClubRacing/Schedule.aspx.





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## JUST MARRIED

### BY THE ÜBER ALLES EDITOR

On May 3rd · 2014, John Stamp and Sue Cheeseman got married. On behalf of all our WMR PCA club members we extend our best wishes for the future. Congratulations!





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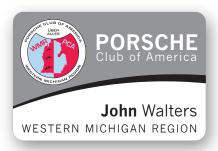


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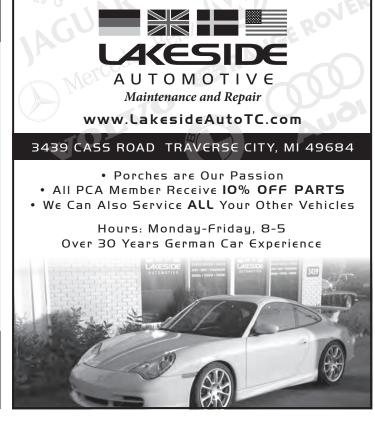
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To maintain the integrity of your car's braking system, we recommend that brake fluids be changed every two years or anytime you need a brake job, such as replacing pads and rotors.

In addition, using brake fluid with the correct viscosity and boiling point is critical to proper brake function. We recommend that you always use the correct fluid per the manufacturer's recommendation or application, such as with D.E. or race cars.

The chart below lists the various brake fluid types along with specifications and a comment regarding each.

Silicone brake fluid, at first glance, seems like a good idea, but here are some reasons to not use it:

- Compatibility Never mix with other fluids!
   If you want to use it you must change ALL
   hydraulic components.
- 2. Compressibility Silicone fluid is more compressible, giving you a softer/spongy pedal
- **3.** Incompatible It is not to be used with ABS Systems
- **4.** Moisture It does not absorb moisture so any moisture present in the system "puddles" at low points in the hydraulic system.
- Sealing Silicone fluid can pass through small pores and/or gaskets, making it difficult to seal or prevent leaks.

#### **Other Braking Performance Considerations**

- Pad material The type of pad material (ceramic, semi-metallic, etc.) affects pedal pressure and stopping ability.
- Rubber Brake Hoses Hoses swell with age, become brittle and crack, or can collapse inside. Hoses should be inspected with every brake job and replaced as necessary.

In summary, it's important to have your braking system inspected and maintained by a qualified technician, familiar with your car's systems. Proper maintenance of this system can go a long way in assuring the safety and performance of your car. — *Tim Thatcher* 

We are looking forward to seeing each of you at our Open house on June 28th, beginning at 10:00AM.

CHARACTERISTICS OF COMMON BRAKING FLUIDS						
Type	Dry Boiling Point	Wet Boiling Point	Viscosity Limit	Primary Constituent	Comment	
DOT 2	190°C (374°F)	140°C (284°F)	?	Castor Oil/ Alcohol	Rarely used any longer	
	205°C (401°F)	140°C (284°F)	1500 mm²/s	Glycol Ether	Most common fluid on early drum brakes	
	230°C (446°F)	155°C (311°F)	1800 mm²/s	Glycol Ether/ Borate Ester	Most common fluid on today's cars	
	260°C (500°F)	180°C (356°F)	900 mm²/s	Silicone	Not recommended for most applications	
DOT 5.1	260°C (500°F)	180°C (356°F)	900 mm <sup>2</sup> /s	Glycol Ether/ Borate Ester	Some racing applications. Entering the new dye can be used to upgrade from DOT 3/4	

### WMR MEETING MINUTES

MAY 5, 2014

#### Delta Porsche, Grand Rapids May 5, 2014

Meeting was called to order by Mike Karluk at 7:02pm.

Members present were: Mike Karluk, Amber Door, Brenda
Hildon-Kaempf, Marshall Walters, Craig Paull, Wolfgang
Hofmann, Rick Riley, Joyce Lo, Ted Blacklidge, Colin
Carpenter, and Arnie Axelrod

Treasurer's Report: approved

#### **Membership Report:**

Primary Members: 264
Affiliate Members: 193
Total Members: 457
New Members: 3
Transfers In: 0
Transfers Out: 0
Non renewals: 5
Renewals: 19

There are problems with renewal processing on the National website and Amber cannot currently view the roster.

**Minutes:** Minutes from March meeting approved.

#### Über Alles Editor's Report:

Wolfgang welcomes photos from events to publish. Received word that David Baum had a respectable showing in his Cayman at the race at Laguna Seca over the weekend.

**Webmaster's Report:** Things are going well. Craig is looking into the possibility of Drop Box for posting photos to the website.

Insurance Report: No current needs.

#### **Old Business:**

- Annual Chili Cook-off hosted by Terry and Dorilee Schieble. A great time was had by all. Approx. 30 attendees. Winners for chili were Amber Door and Betty Tolliver. Winners of the large chocolate bunnies were Dan Phillips and Brenda Hildon-Kaempf. Date is TBD for next year.
- Spring Brunch at Cygnus hosted by Wolfgang and Miluzka Bubeck. 10 attendees enjoyed a very nice event with great food.

#### **New Business:**

- Sporting Clays May 17 Hosted by Amber Door and Jerry Arens. Details on the web and in the Uber.
- Dinner Drive hosted by Scott Kraai July 19. 90 min. drive through Kent, Montcalm and Newaygo counties.
   Brake and Lunch event hosted by Carmine and Beatrice Bosco during the Metro Cruise August 23 information to go into July Über Alles.
- Communication Plan Proposal by Joyce Lo. Joyce presented several options for boosting awareness of the WMR PCA Facebook page use of hash tags, utilizing "@", tagging members in photos. She also suggested education for non-Facebook users Face book 101 classes are occasionally offered. She will discuss strategies with our current Facebook admins.

Meeting was adjourned 7:47 pm

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Hildon-Kaempf

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(Aug 2013)

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### HERE'S A TOAST

#### BY THE ÜBER ALLES EDITOR

Please join me in congratulating these fine folks on their Western Michigan Porsche Club Anniversaries and extend a warm "Willkommen" to our new members.

#### Glückwünsche! — Anniversaries

1 year Jason Balk, Jim Bush, John & Jane
(2013) Cleveland, Doug & Mary Coates,
Faith Free & Rocky Marcotte,
Michael Hall & Bo Hall, Chris Lange,
Mike Minster, David Peterson,
Mike & Vicki Slawnik, Kurt Spieske,
John Stamp & Sue Cheesman,
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