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IROC II - Motor-Stadt Region - Saturday, July 28, 2018
 Spartan Speedway (Mason, Michigan)
 The track is ten minutes south of Lansing, or one mile north of the US-127 and Mason interchange on Cedar Street. Motor-Stadt does a great job of converting an oval track into a fun autocross course by creative use of the crossover pavement. Track fee is \$30.00.



IROC III - Michiana Region - Saturday, August 25, 2018
 The Tire Rack (South Bend, IN)
 The track is located at the Tire Rack facility in South Bend, IN. The track has a large oval and center circle. All levels of experience welcome (novices included). Track fee is \$30.00.

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On the cover:
 A Bay Full of Porsches
 Photo By: Amber Door
 Taken at the PCA Rally, Leelanau Peninsula
 Clinch Park, Traverse City, MI

70 YEARS OF PORSCHE

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Mike Karluk
President,
Western Michigan Region

A large number of WMR PCA members gathered on Saturday, June 9 at Porsche Grand Rapids to join the cars and coffee event sponsored by Porsche AG to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the marque. And what cars there were! Those present were treated to a view of one of the recent pieces of unobtainium, the 911 R, as well as the new “stealth” GT3 Touring model. Lacking the huge rear wing that is found on other current GT models, the aggressive front fascia still conveys a sense of menace that instantly catches the eye. Thank you, Porsche Grand Rapids for the delightful eye candy, 70th anniversary Porsche bags, and coffee and pastries!

Thanks also to Tim Thatcher and the crew at Euro Autowerks for another great tech session on June 16th. Forty WMR region members were treated to an informative demonstration on wheel alignment and corner balancing as well as a show of parts to illustrate what could go wrong if our machines are not properly maintained. A goody bag and a lunch completed several hours of great camaraderie.

Vacation plans once again thwarted my hope of joining folks heading north on June 23 for the club driving event on the Leelanau Peninsula and the IROC autocross event at US 131 Motorsport Park in Martin on July 1. (Just to toot our horns, the IROC series is the oldest inter-regional driving series in the PCA.) Fortunately, I'll be spending a few days at Parade beginning on July 9th. For those not traveling to Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri, there's the non-PCA Deutsche Marque event at the Gilmore Car Museum in Hickory Corners on Saturday, July 7. Looking further on, the perennial pool party co-hosted by Chris & Craig Ackerman and Ted & Gabi Blacklidge is on Saturday, July 21, IROC II Autocross event at Spartan Speedway on Saturday, July 28 in Mason, and the Red Barn Spectacular is at the Gilmore Saturday, August 4.

The most successful marque in racing history, Porsche again demonstrated its prowess in April 2018 during this year's farewell tour of the LeMans-winning 919 hybrid 'Evo' prototype racer. Removing limiters imposed by WEC regulations on both the engine and electric motors and adding some active aerodynamic features, the 919 beat Lewis Hamilton's record pole time for the 2017 Belgian Grand Prix at Spa-Francorchamps in his F1 Mercedes by nearly a second. Interest was high when the 919 showed up ahead of May's Nürburgring 24-hour event, as many hoped to see if it could beat Stefan Bellof's all-time record lap of 6 minutes, 11.13 second set in 1983 in the Porsche 956C. Perhaps in honor of Bellof, who died in the 1985 Spa 1000 km race, the 919 and Bellof's 956C led the field in a ceremonial formation lap before the race. Well done!



The Tribute Lap: Bellof's 956C (left) and 919 Hybrid Evo

See you soon! -Mike

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We're looking for event hosts for 2018

Simply stop by our Monthly Board Meeting, or contact our WMR PCA Social Events Coordinator, Lynne Olenyk, with your event ideas. Lynne will help you work through the details and make your event a success. E-Mail: lynniemarie@charter.net · Phone: (616) 710-0122



2018 PORSCHE PARADE

HOST: PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA



The 63rd Annual Porsche Parade
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HOST: CHRIS&CRAIG ACKERMAN, GABI&TED BLACKLIDGE

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Dinner is served at 6:00pm. Brats, chicken breasts and pulled pork provided. Please bring a dish to pass for casual dining.

Note: to lessen congestion, on street parking is suggested.



RSPV BY: July 18 to Craig Ackerman
pcaackerman@aol.com, (616) 866-1905

WHEN: Saturday, July 21, Open House, 4:00pm

WHERE: Chris&Craig Ackerman's Pool
10085 Edgerton NE, Rockford, 49341



GILMORE CAR MUSEUM CRUISE-IN

HOSTS: ROB CLARK, RICK RILEY, KURT WIRTH

Mother Nature was having a bad day and couldn't make up her mind. Instead of pressing our luck, we decided to postpone the event. Let's try it again and make it a Porsche Club takeover at the Gilmore Car Museum! Take the scenic drive through the Yankee Springs area to the Museum. Kurt Wirth, Rob Clark and I will meet you on the afternoon of July 18 for a tour of the museum and the Cruise-In.

WHEN: Wednesday, July 18, 5:00 pm Cruise-In

WHERE: Gilmore Car Museum
6865 W. Hickory Rd, Hickory Corners MI 49060



A few adventurous gamblers did show up on the original day (June 27). Michael Betz (front left), Rick Riley (back left), Suzy&David Baum

GILMORE CAR MUSEUM RED BARN SPECTACULAR

Porsche Car Corral and Membership Tent

HOSTS: JERRY ARENS & AMBER DOOR, WMR PCA



Western Michigan Region Porsche Club will again be joining over 500 other car enthusiasts (and 1000 vehicles) for the 38th annual Red Barn Spectacular. It is West Michigan's "Grand Daddy" of antique, classic and special interest car show. In addition

to cars the event has special displays of antique boats and campers. The event includes a swap meet, food booths, judge's Concours and people's choice Concours.

The WMR Porsche Club will have a Porsche only car corral with a Welcome/Membership tent located on the north end of the racetrack (located on the west side of the museum grounds). **You must arrive by 11am to park in the Car Corral.**

You may also enter your 1993 and older Porsche in the People's choice category. Feel the need to Detail? - Enter in the Judges Choice category (open for 1993 and older vehicles)! You must register separately for this portion of the event.

Museum entry fees are as follows -

- \$20.00 for Show Cars/Corral Cars (includes admission for car and 2 people), extra persons \$5.00 - \$18.00 if pre-registered.
- 14.00/person for general admission
- Free for children under 11

Pack a lunch or purchase food at the Blue Moon Diner.

Gates open at 7:00am

Porsche's should enter through the west entrance.

All others will be directed to the east entrance for general admission parking.

Questions? Contact Amber Door 616-340-0971 or Amdoor242@aol.com

WHEN: Saturday, August 04, 9:00am - 5:00pm

WHERE: Gilmore Car Museum
6865 Hickory Road,
Hickory Corners, MI 49060

ALPENGLÜHEN WITH FRIENDS

HOST: WOLFGANG HOFMANN

Wolfgang "The Hoff" Hofmann, invites you to join your fellow Porsche enthusiasts at the Alpenrose Restaurant located in wonderful Downtown Holland. If you've never been, the Alpenrose's ambiance and culinary delights do much to virtually transport you to the foothills of the Alps. Think, dinner in Salzburg or Garmisch. We might lack the majestic mountains as a backdrop for a true "Alpenglügen", but there's a good chance we can stop by Holland Beach after dinner, for a spectacular peninsula sunset.

Depending on turnout we'll be able to either:

Eat à la carte (up to 18 guests), choose from our the Grand Buffet (18+ guests, \$30 per head) or even have a special event-menu prepared.

All that's left to do is letting "The Hoff" know if you plan to attend. Please RSVP early so the appropriate dinner planning can occur. There's no special Porsche-only parking available, but the City of Holland has some of the best public parking spaces/lots around.



RSPV BY: August 5 to Wolfgang Hofmann
E-Mail: wolfhofmann@mac.com or
Phone: (616) 666-9196

WHEN: Saturday, August 25, at 6:00pm

WHERE: Alpenrose Restaurant
4 East 8th Street, Holland, MI 49423

IN REVIEW: PCA RALLY, LEELANAU PENINSULA

PHOTOS BY: AMBER DOOR, KIRK KILBOURNE, TED VOGT

BY: TED VOGT

While the weather was threatening, the Annual Porsche Summer Drive went off without a hitch from Clinch Marina & Park in Traverse City. On June 23, 2018, 32 Porsches headed west on the Leelanau Peninsula and wound our way through the curvy roads to beautiful Glen Lake where we were met with excitement from the crowds enjoying downtown Glen Arbor and Leland and all they have to offer too. We were briefly held up near Cedar as they were dancing in the streets at the thought of our arrival to drive through their fair village.

We carried on around Lake Michigan via the roads of grandeur, up M 22 toward Leland, exercising our driving skills and enjoying the outstanding views of Lake Michigan. The sun peeked out along the way just as we arrived in Northport to our reserved parking area at Tucker's Restaurant and Grille. We were greeted by Priscilla and her staff and sat down to a great meal from the Porsche Summer Drive personalized menu.

It was a great day and we thank everyone who participated as well as Priscilla and her great staff at Tucker's. Special thanks to Amber Door too!



Great gathering of Porsches & Enthusiasts



Our Host Ted Vogt with Priscilla from Tucker's of Northport



A terrific meal was had by all

IN REVIEW: EURO AUTOWERKS TECH SESSION

PHOTOS BY: AMBER DOOR & TIM J. OF EURO AUTOWERKS

BY: TIM THATCHER

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you who attended our open house in June. Though it was a little wet in the morning, it turned out to be quite a nice day. We appreciate your participation and enjoyed visiting with each of you!



A large turnout despite the rain



Forty members intently listening to the benefits of tire alignment and corner balancing



Tim's freshened up Porsche Lime, 911



Serving up a delicious lunch



Welcome WMR PCA!

2018 EVENT CALENDAR

WESTERN MICHIGAN REGION · PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

	Date	Event	Location	Host(s)/Event Chair(s)
JUL	07-01	IROC I	US-131 Motorsports Park Martin, MI	WMR PCA Club
	07-02	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA Club
	07-07	Deutsche Marques	Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI	Non-WMR PCA Event
	07-08 to 07-14	2018 Porsche Parade	Tan-Tar-A Resort Osage Beach, Missouri	Porsche Club of America, National Event
	07-18	WMR Gilmore Cruise-In (rescheduled from 06-27)	Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI	Rob Clark, Rick Riley, Kurt Wirth
	07-21	Pool Party!	Rockford, MI	Craig & Chris Ackerman & Ted & Gabi Blacklidge
	07-28	IROC II	Spartan Speedway Mason, MI	Motor-Stadt Region
AUG	08-04	Red Barn Spectacular	Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI	Jerry Arens & Amber Door
	08-06	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA Club
	08-11	Open House & Car Show	German Auto Service Grand Rapids, MI	German Auto Service
	08-24 to 08-25	28 th Street Metro Cruise	Grand Rapids, MI	Non-WMR PCA Event
	08-25	IROC III	Tire Rack South Bend, MI	Michiana Region
	08-25	Alpenglügen with Friends	Alpenrose Restaurant	Wolfgang Hofmann
SEP	09-10	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA Club
	09-08 to 09-09	Grand Prix of Grattan High Performance Driver's Education	Grattan Raceway, Grattan, MI	Ted Blacklidge
OCT	10-01	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA Club
	10-07	Teen Street Survival	Fifth Third Ballpark, Comstock Park, MI	WMR PCA Club
	10-20	Fall Color Tour	Traverse City, MI	Bill Brown
NOV	11-05	Annual Planning & Board Meeting	TBD	WMR PCA Club
	11-17	November Dinner Drive	TBD	Randy & Lin Portoluri
DEC	12-01	December Appetizer Party	West Olive, MI	Mike Karluk & Barb Doss
	12-03	Monthly Board Meeting	Porsche Grand Rapids	WMR PCA Club



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2018 GRAND PRIX OF GRATTAN

Lloyd LaHuis Memorial Grand Prix of Grattan Driver's Education, September 8 & 9, 2018

HOST: WESTERN MICHIGAN REGION PORSCHE CLUB



HPDE EVENT REQUIREMENTS:

Helmets: Mandatory Snell SA 2010 or newer. M helmets ok.

Vehicles: All cars must be inspected by a mechanic with a completed pre-event Inspection Sheet, available on the WMR website or contacts below.

Track Insurance (optional): Available at hagerty.com, locktonmotorsports.com or trackinsurance.com

Registration: Open July 1 at ClubRegistration.net.

Cost: \$320 for 2 days; \$180 for 1 day
After August 25 \$350 for 2 days; \$210 for 1 day.

DIRECT QUESTIONS TO:

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sgrafex@chartermi.net or (616) 635-7997

Event Registrar: Amber Door
amdoor242@aol.com or (616) 340-0971

Event Safety and Technical: Eric Spross
ericpca911@yahoo.com

Join us for an exciting weekend at Grattan Raceway, one of the finest road courses in America, located just 20 minutes Northeast of Grand Rapids for our annual High Performance Driver's Education (HPDE) event. Learn how to maximize your driving performance on the two-mile course through the challenges of twists, turns, hills and valleys.

Instructors are available for a limited number of students, track and classroom instruction included. Register early to reserve a spot. Experienced drivers are welcome in performance cars. Registered drivers may share a car if they have different skill levels, as they will be assigned different run groups. Single day registration also available. Experienced only on Sunday.

Can't commit to a weekend? Join us on Saturday or Sunday (or both days!) for the Noon Hour Charity Laps. For a donation of \$20 per vehicle, experience the track at controlled speeds with family and friends. All proceeds from the Charity Laps will go to Family Promise of Grand Rapids. The mission of Family Promise of Grand Rapids is to end homelessness, one family at a time, by engaging faith-based and community organizations to provide emergency shelter and basic needs to families with children who are homeless and to provide additional programs to assist them in finding housing and sustaining their independence. Charity Laps will begin promptly at 12:00pm. Be at the gate by 12:00pm.



For more PCA National and Inter-Regional events, visit: <https://www.pca.org/events>



When: September 8 & 9, 2018

Where: Grattan Raceway
7201 Lessiter Rd NE
Belding, MI 48809

For more information, go to:

<http://wmi.pca.org/events/grand-prix-of-grattan/>



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UNDERSTANDING TURBOCHARGERS PART ONE

This month we'll do a quick overview of a 930 Turbo system and controls, then next month we'll review the new VTG turbo system as found on 997 Turbos.

Let's begin by reviewing the various parts involved in the system and how they contribute.



Turbo: Boost is produced when hot exhaust gasses passing through the turbo, spin the turbo wheel.



Wastegate: Boost is controlled when an actuator opens the wastegate valve, allowing the exhaust gasses to by-pass the turbo wheel.



Intercooler: The hot pressurized air created by the turbo, is cooled before entering the intake system by passing through the intercooler.



Throttle Body: Passing through the throttle body, the compressed air is delivered to the combustion chamber.



Recirculation Control Valve: The Recirculation Control Valve redirects boosted pressure in the intake, back to the pressure side of the turbine under closed throttle conditions.

Other miscellaneous components:

Warm-up Regulator: Under boost, the cylinder temperatures rise and pre-ignition or detonation may occur. This is controlled by the vacuum operated warm-up regulator that increases fuel flow to the injectors.

Frequency Valve: The frequency valve, which is controlled by the oxygen sensor, through a control unit, maintains precise fuel enrichment.

Vacuum Advance/Retard: Spark (timing control) is retarded to prevent pre-ignition by way of a vacuum advance/retard, inside the distributor.

There are other controlling aspects of these systems but we are only focusing on these basic components. With this information, we can better understand how the new VTG Turbochargers have changed the way boost is controlled and how the "turbo lag" of early turbos is reduced.

Thank You,

- Tim



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IN REVIEW: SPORTSCAR TOGETHER 70 YEARS OF PORSCHE

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HOST: PORSCHE GRAND RAPIDS

Although the weather was a bit soggy, the Sportscar Together event at Porsche Grand Rapids drew a large crowd thanks to the lure of viewing "exotic" Porsches, goodies and always the friendly Porscheophiles.



Our illustrious President, Mike Karluk (right), chatting it up with Howard Goei, Porsche Brand Sales Specialist (left)



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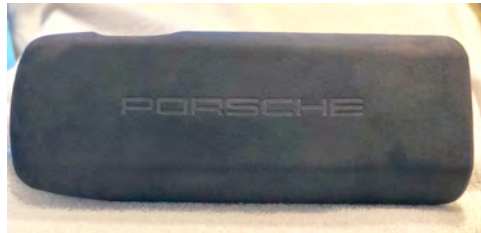
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