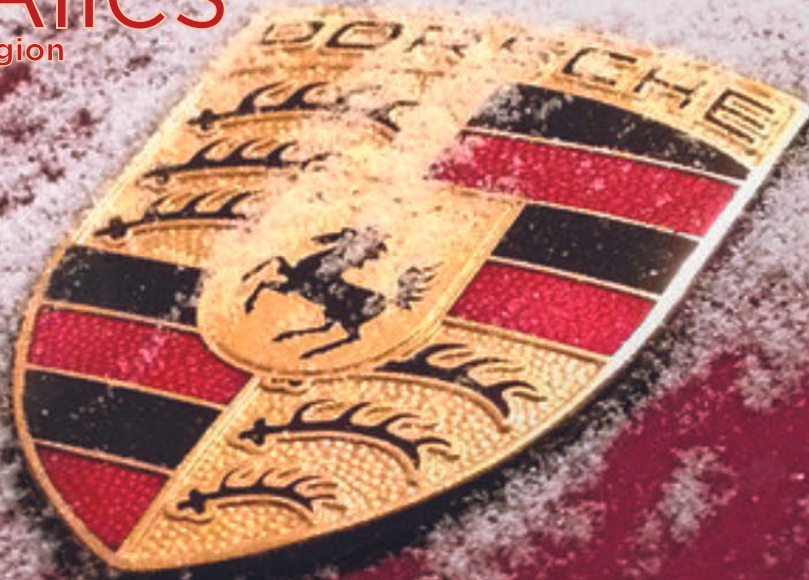


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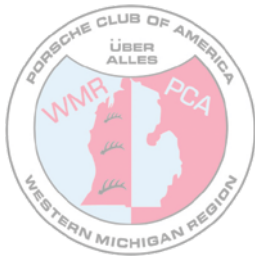


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Sunday, February 25, 2024

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WILLKOMMEN! — NEW MEMBERS & TRANSFERS

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

WINTERFEST!

Yes, it is that time of the year when the Western Michigan Region of PCA comes together to celebrate our previous year, honor those volunteers that made it happen, name our new enthusiast, and mostly share time with friends old and new.

Once again, we will be returning to the Watermark Country Club, 1600 Galbraith Ave SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546 on Saturday, February 24th. While the social element of this event will always be present, even a greater emphasis has been placed on the charity auction this year. There will be some wonderful bespoke items and as always, a plethora of Porsche logo objects just waiting for you to take home (as the highest bidder of course). If you haven't attended before, now is a great first time. If you haven't attended in years, we'd love to see you again. And of course, for those for whom this is a yearly event, thank you and we look forward to seeing you once again.

As is another tradition, the morning after Winterfest is, well, "The Morning After" hosted by Amber Door and Jerry Arens on February 25th. We will continue our pattern here as well, returning to Linear Restaurant, 1001 Monroe Ave Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503. The space is limited - each year Amber and Jerry need to twist some arms to get us into such a delightful location with this many reserved seats (if you didn't know, Amber can be persuasive). Even if you can't attend Winterfest, you are welcome, as all members are, at this event.

Moving backward on the calendar, the first event of February is Turbo Tuesday. As has always been the plan, this month we are moving the location to Alebird Taphouse and Brewery, 2619 84th St SW, Byron Center, MI 49315. As always, this is an informal, non-hosted event on the third Tuesday of every month. In February the date is February 20th at 6:30. January was less in number because of a pretty heavy snow storm, but even that didn't stop a hearty few wanting to continue the model that it isn't only the cars that bring us together.

January 24th brought us to Mangiamo Italiano Elevato. Hosted by Dave Newsome & Cynthia Frazier almost 40 members experienced the old-world charm of the reopening of one of Grand Rapids' favorite restaurants. I can imagine this being a January tradition for a few years to come (hint, hint, Dave and Cynthia!).

With all of this happening within our quaint snowy region, a little race called the Rolex 24 at Daytona happened on January 27 & 28. For the 19th time, Porsche was the overall winner. In addition, Roger Penske, team owner of Porsche Penske Motorsports, won for the first time since 1969. Felipe Nasr driving the #7 Porsche 963 that he shared with co-drivers Dane Cameron, Matt Campbell and Josef Newgarden, Nasr crossed the finish line 2.112 seconds ahead of the No. 31 Whelen Cadillac Racing Cadillac V-Series.R. Congrats to Porsche and Team Penske. And remember the aforementioned Winterfest auction, you might just see a Porsche Penske Motorsport hat just waiting for you to bid high and proudly wear it home.

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The brunch begins at noon, and we can choose when we want to depart.

The brewery is located at 6266 W River Dr NE, Belmont, MI 49306. Check out the website for more information and directions.

Please let me know if you can make it by Tuesday, March 5, via email or text, so that I can advise them of our estimated food needs.

I hope you're all doing well, and I look forward to seeing you soon!

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VINTAGE AUTOWERKS



Top: The Amigos

Photo by Chuck Olenyk

Reunion of early WMR members 2023

Craig Paull standing, left Rick Riley, right Steve Locke

Below left: Rick and Craig in 1973

Photos by

Right: Craig in 1977

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2024 EVENT CALENDAR



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Date	Event	Location	Host(s)/Event Chair(s)	
 <h2 style="text-align: center;">We're looking for event hosts for 2024</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">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</p> 				
FEB	02-05	Monthly Board Meeting	Ganders Restaurant	WMR Board
	02-20	Turbo Tuesday	Alebird Taphouse and Brewery https://www.alebird.com	Glenn Eisenbandt
	02-24	WINTERFEST	Watermark Country Club GR, MI	WMR PCA
	02-25	Morning After Brunch	Linear Restaurant, GR	Jerry Arens & Amber Door
MAR	03-04	Monthly Board Meeting	Ganders Restaurant	WMR Board
	03-10	Daylight Savings Brunch	Archival Brewing https://archivalbrewing.com	Wolfgang & Miluzka Bubeck
	03-19	Turbo Tuesday	TBD	Glenn Eisenbandt
APR	04-01	Monthly Board Meeting	Ganders Restaurant	WMR Board
	04-16	Turbo Tuesday	TBD	Glenn Eisenbandt
	04-20	Annual Cook-off	The Conner's Home	Frank & Raeni Conner
MAY	05-06	Monthly Board Meeting	Ganders Restaurant	WMR Board
	05-11	Dinner Drive	Thunderbird River Ranch https://www.tbirdkzoo.com	John & Marshall Walters
	05-18	Sporting Clays	Blendon Pines	Jerry Arens & Amber Door
	05-21	Turbo Tuesday	TBD	Glenn Eisenbandt
JUN	06-03	Monthly Board Meeting	Ganders Restaurant	WMR Board
	06-09 to 06-15	Porsche Parade	Birmingham Alabama	PCA National
	06-18	Turbo Tuesday	TBD	Glenn Eisenbandt
	06-29 to 06-30	Autocross	TBD	Caleb Kiebert, Tyan Roelands, Chris Thorpe
JUL	07-01	Monthly Board Meeting	Ganders Restaurant	WMR Board
	07-13	Deutsche Marques	Gilmore Car Museum	Non-PCA Event
	07-16	Turbo Tuesday	TBD	Glenn Eisenbandt

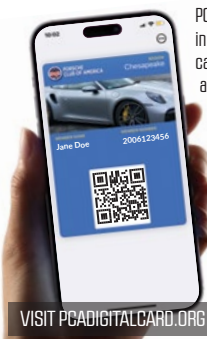


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	Date	Event	Location	Host(s)/Event Chair(s)
	07-27	Pig Roast	Fremont, MI	Lou Deleguardia
AUG	08-03	Red Barns Spectacular	Gilmore Car Museum Hickory Corners, MI	Jerry Arens & Amber Door
	08-05	Monthly Board Meeting	Ganders Restaurant	WMR Board
	08-17	Dinner Drive	TBD	Glenn & Lannie Eisenbrandt
	08-20	Turbo Tuesday	TBD	Glenn Eisenbandt
SEP	09-07 to 09-08	End of Summer Fun Run	Grattan Raceway, MI	WMR PCA
	09-09	Monthly Board Meeting	Ganders Restaurant	WMR Board
	09-17	Turbo Tuesday	TBD	Glenn Eisenbandt
	09-27	2 nd Annual Oktoberfest	Garage Kept Motors	Tyan Roelands
OCT	10-07	Monthly Board Meeting	Ganders Restaurant	WMR Board
	10-12	Deutsche Marques Oktoberfest	Gilmore Car Museum	Non-PCA Event
	10-15	Turbo Tuesday	TBD	Glenn Eisenbandt
NOV	11-04	Monthly Board Meeting	Ganders Restaurant	WMR Board
	11-09	Dinner	Finn's Chophouse & Speakeasy	Randy Portoluri
	11-19	Turbo Tuesday	TBD	Glenn Eisenbandt
DEC	12-02	Monthly Board Meeting	Ganders Restaurant	WMR Board
	12-07	Appetizer Party	West Olive, MI	Mike Karluk & Barb Doss
	12-17	Turbo Tuesday	TBD	Glenn Eisenbandt

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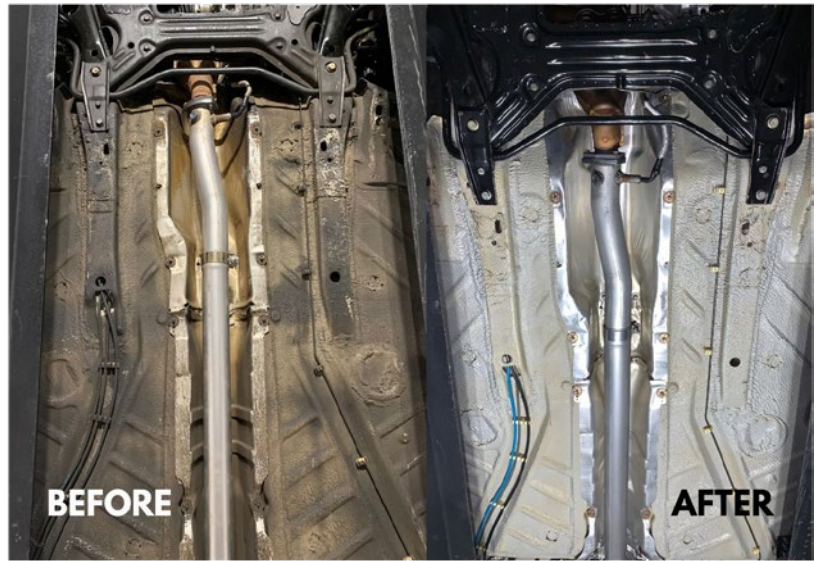


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2024 WINTERFEST AUCTION DETAILS

BY RAENI CONNER

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- **Spirits**
- **Themed baskets: movie items, pet supplies, kitchen or bath, picnic, games, baking, dinner, cocktail supplies, chocolate, specialty coffee and or tea, gourmet snacks, etc...**
- **A skill or service (Weed pulling, window washing, etc...)**
- **Weekend getaway (VRBO, etc...)**
- **Spa certificate**
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- **Dinner Certificate**
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Thank you for considering any item(s) for our charity auction. Please let Raeni Conner (raeniconner@gmail.com) know what you are planning to donate and bring the item(s) with you to Winterfest for the auction table. Please be sure to include all details and exemptions for any items if applicable such as services, tours, parties, etc...

Looking forward to enjoying time with our Porsche family, generating funds for an important West Michigan charity, and possibly leaving with some exciting items to enjoy after Winterfest! I hope to see you there!

FROM THE EDITOR

PORSCHE TECH

During the winter months, you might have some free time to devote to some peaceful study on Porsche facts. Explore the links provided below to broaden the scope of your comprehension.

The first one is a generic manufacturing process from the beginning to a finished 911.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mOBI3tcGILA>

This one is primarily on the finer aspects of the more luxurious 911 Turbo S.

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A LOOK BACK

CELEBRATING A MILESTONE

BY CHUCK OLENYK

WMR's congratulations are in order for three Porsche club members and their spouses who have managed to stick around for a whopping 50 years! Steve and Debbie Locke, Craig and Barbara Paull, and Rick Riley. These individuals are not just any ordinary members, mind you, but past WMR presidents! It seems like they have had a taste of power and simply couldn't resist staying in the club for half a century. I guess once you've experienced the thrill of driving a Porsche, there's no turning back. They've not only survived 50 years in the Porsche club but also navigated their way through countless debates over which model is superior and who has the best parking spot at club events. These legends have seen it all, from the bell-bottoms and platform shoes to their epic hairstyles of the 1970s. In the era of peace and love, Steve embraced the sophisticated art of puffing on a pipe like true gentlemen. Surely, his pipes were as iconic as his beloved 911's. Rick and Craig's glorious manes of hair may have taken a backseat along the way, but their passion for these beautiful cars remains as strong as ever. But hey, who needs hair when you have a Porsche?

May their 50 years in the club be remembered as a testament to their enduring passion for all things Porsche. It takes a special kind of person to lead a group of Porsche enthusiasts, and these guys have done it with style and finesse.



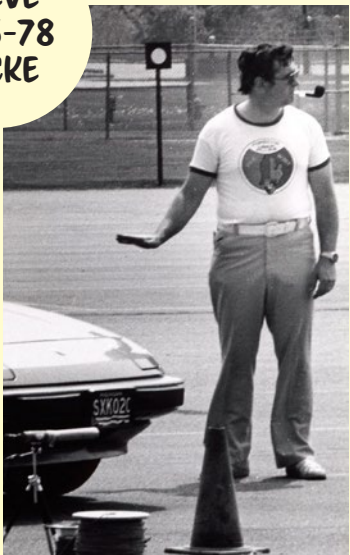
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Cheers to you, dear sirs! And remember, if you ever need someone to help you exercise your Porsche in your golden years, I'm just a phone call away!

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STUTTGART MARKET LETTER

BY DAVID K. WHITLOCK

Now, that was a December to remember! While we didn't break any records for the number of units through auction, and our sell-through rate was average at 71%, December produced our highest dollar volume all year at \$59,861,966 in Porsches sold. This was all thanks to over 50 cars sold by RM Sotheby's in two auctions: the first, The White Collection, followed by RM's New York Luxury Week sale.

The White Collection was one individual's collection of, you guessed it, white Porsche. But it was not just any white Porsche; it was a finely curated collection of rare cars with low miles and very individual specs. The collection's crown jewel was the 2015 918 Spyder finished in PTS Grand Prix White over a Leather-to-Sample Yachting Blue leather interior with Bianco Leda piping. This 12-mile (yes, 12) example featured Porsche's Weissach Package and over \$96,000 in bespoke tailoring from Porsche Exclusive Manufaktur. But what really set this example apart was that it included many items offered only to an exclusive set of customers called the Porsche 918 Spyder Owners Circle. These items included a race suit, helmet with case, and driving shoes. It sold at a hammer price of \$3,575,000, a full \$1.5m more than any other 918 Spyder auction.

Other record sales from the collection included a 1997 911 GT2 that brought \$2,175,000, a 19-mile 2016 911R finished in PTS Grand Prix White over Yachting Blue leather that hammered for \$1,000,000, and a 14-mile 2019 911 GT2 RS Weissach that saw a final bid of \$910,000. There were still a few deals, even amongst these record prices. One was a 1970 914/6 that sold at a final bid of \$80,000, and the other was a 1955 356 Pre-A Continental Coupe by Reutter that hammered for \$217,500.

Now, if we remove the spectacular results from RM, we see results more in line with recent months as our sell-through rate drops to 67% with a dollar volume of just over \$31m.

New 2023 and 2024 model-year cars struggled to sell, with a sell-through rate of only 38%. At the top of the heap were three 911 GT3 RS Weissach Package cars, two of which brought over \$400,000 and one withdrawn from auction over "fears" of future allocations. We also saw a 2023 911 Targa 4 GTS 7-Speed withdrawn due to litigation over who owned the car—plenty of popcorn in the comments section.

992 GT3s have settled with sellers adjusting their expectations, resulting in a sell-through rate of 75%. Winged 6-speed cars averaged \$237,000, while Touring 6-speeds were around \$260,000. We did see one 6-speed Touring back up at \$300,000. This car had a higher-than-average MSRP of \$389,000 and featured many custom-tailored options from Porsche Exclusive Manufaktur, such as the PTS Black Olive paint over a Truffle Brown and Black extended leather interior.

996 Turbos struggled in December, with a sell-through rate of 43%. 2023 saw several strong sales early on, starting the year on a high with a 29,000-mile example bringing \$182,047 in February. Surprisingly, we saw some low mileage cars not even come close, with two examples being a 10,800-mile 2001 6-speed Coupe hammering at \$75,000 and an X50-equipped 6-speed Coupe with 22,800 miles selling for \$82,888.

356s, however, look to be coming back, despite the Continental Coupe that was stolen at The White Collection. Topping out the 356 market was a 1957 356A Speedster modified by Willhoit Auto Restoration with a 2.2-liter flat-four and a five-speed transmission. The sale included the original drivetrain and hammered down at a new five-year record of \$590,000. Plenty of other impressive results included \$255,000 for a beautiful 1958 356A Cabriolet finished in Red with a Black hardtop and a 1963 356B Super 90 Coupe that set a new five-year record at \$191,000.

While December's results will be hard to top, January kicks off with plenty of special Porsches at auction online, followed by a slew of prime examples out in Arizona. Here's to a stellar 2024.

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Co-members must be at least 18 years of age.



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- Full name
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