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Advanced DE at MPH

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**THE DRIVER'S SEAT**

By Kurt Halvorson

The PCA Club Race and DE at Motorsport Park Hastings (MPH) took place May 29-31. Those who came from near and far had a great time and the weather cooperated with a cool overcast day Friday, with improving conditions Saturday and Sunday. We had racers represented from Minnesota, Colorado, Kansas and Texas, along with many from the region. Friday was a test and tune day for the racers, as well as a DE for non-racers. Friday night was a dinner at Kitty's Roadhouse, with an opportunity to meet those from other regions and enjoy some great food. Saturday and Sunday were race and DE days, with the traditional excellent dinner extravaganza at Kathy and Dennis Tessman's Saturday night, with about 60+ in attendance. Seeing their vintage filling station and garage set up, along with Kathy's '58 Corvette parked out front, makes for a very inviting setting for the buffet dinner and their excellent hospitality. Thank you, Kathy and Dennis!

I would be remiss if I didn't thank those who volunteered to support the Club Race and DE as well. Joe Chambers, your registrar, was responsible for registering, communicating with, and assuring all appropriate paperwork was secured from each participant before the event and during their arrival. He manages all the packets of information each participant receives, answers questions and greets the participants. John Krecek, Race Chair, and Tom Cooper, Co-Race Chair, who have a great relationship with George Anderson, made sure everything was

in order with the facility, the volunteers and the stewards from PCA National. Sally Knapp made certain safety compliance was maintained, while Russ Standage, Jason Bien and Robin Elliott handled grid duty all three days. National representatives on hand were Allen Shirley, Race Steward, Jeremy Blazek, Scrutineer, and David Anderson, Timing and Scoring. Thanks also go to MPH's George Anderson, Dusty Kohl, Nick, Aaron and the host of other staff who handled corner stations and myriad other duties to make the weekend run very smoothly. They maintain a great facility with great people. Thanks goes to anyone else I failed to name.

The June 13<sup>th</sup> Porsches & Pancakes breakfast was well attended with several sticking around to participate in a fun run west and north of Omaha. The event dovetailed into Porsche of Omaha's Le Mans viewing party and lunch, hosted by Mitch and his team down at the dealership. Many thanks to them for all their club support and for a great event. To top off the weekend, Porsche won the 24 Hours of Le Mans for the 17<sup>th</sup> time with their 919 Hybrid. Porsche took the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> spots in the top prototype class, with Audi filling in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. In the second year since their return to Le Mans, it was quite the compelling victory, certainly providing a wake-up call for Audi, whose dominance over the past 15 years came to an end.

Many great events are coming up – check the calendar on page 6 and check out the articles throughout this issue for more information. - Kurt

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# View From the Grid: MPH

By Jason Bien and Russ Standage

The 2015 Porsche Club Race at MPH has come and gone. Weather was all over the page as usual this year. It was a decent day for the Test and Tune on Friday. Saturday Morning had cold temperatures to start things off. Sunday Morning was more of the same. It did finally warm enough that cars were leaving tire marbles on the road by days end. We got lucky with the storms in the area as either hit late in the evening or by-passed us to the north.

Friday was rather uneventful as had the usual off track excursions with alfalfa under the cars but no fires started from exhausts as grass was green. It smelled pretty nasty however. DE drivers continued to drive safely all weekend long - good job there drivers. They did very well Sunday when the track corners threw a full course black and everyone came in without any runners. Good to see Leah Shaffer and Kim Damratowski out driving in the DE class on Sunday. Joe Chambers continues to tear up the track in his new 911. He had the biggest smile on his face each time he came around on the front straight. I bet it was nice to be passing those drivers that passed you in your Boxster. It looked like he had a good time running with Kurt Halvorson.

Russ worked alone on Friday, then Robin Elliott and Jason joined him on the Grid for Saturday and Sunday. Drivers came to Grid early in most cases so did not have the usual problems of try to grid them and release them at the same time. Roland Nieves worked the

Splitter job and was on station ready to go each time needed. He had it timed right to the second. Special thanks to John Krecek for motoring around in the Pace Car. I bet that is the best job to have on a nice day! No wonder he won't give up the position. We managed to find a few doors not fully closed as well as a few hoods not properly shut. No window issues. Helped put up netting which is usual. Found no tools on the cars this weekend. Did miss the sunglasses on the back of a 944 rear spoiler but that was self-cleaning when they turned on to the Hotpit to head to track. Oops! Sandy Brusio in Tech caught all the cars so we did not have to turn anyone away. No problems on Grid from Admin as Joe Chambers, Tom and Karen Cooper had that covered without an issue. We had a good bunch of PCA Officials to work with from our end. Their Hotpit crew was one of the best I have worked with. Lots of experience there and it showed. I did have one driver whose name will stay anonymous try to head out to the track without their helmet on. You get a free pass this time but we will be keeping an eye on you. I am sure they were just testing us trying to keep us sharp. Hopefully we have a better record than the TSA workers!!

PCA Hotpit had three minor incidents this weekend involving race cars. Two were the trading door paint events with no real damage. Two cars caught



the incident on their GoPros and that made the PCA job easy to see. One other event involved two cars vying for the same spot in corner 1. That can get messy as we all know but not in this case. Otherwise, things ran smoothly and without any major incidents. There was very good driving on the racers part. The two Rookie Racers also did very well in their classes. Felt bad for the Pink Pig 944 as he sure had a rough Sunday with the two paint contacts involving him. I was sorry to see that 2 of the 3 CARs Cayman's were not able to attend. Hope we will see you for the DE John Marchant and Jack Baker. You were missed.

I want to thank the grid crew for their work and also Alexa Wray for helping us Sunday afternoon for the Big Event. It sure made gridding the cars with the extended grid much quicker. Also, thanks to George Anderson and his crew for their very professional job. You guys make our job so much easier. For those of you coming to the DE later in the year at MPH you might see some very nice changes to the Pad-dock if George can get it done in time. As of this writing, Jason and I are off to our next event, the Viper Rendez-vous at MPH on June 4-7. See you on the track. Your Grid Guys

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# 2015 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## July

11 <sup>th</sup>	Porsches & Pancakes - The Egg & I Space is limited. Please RSVP by Wednesday, July 8 <sup>th</sup> to <a href="mailto:kmburger37@icloud.com">kmburger37@icloud.com</a> .	3605 N. 147 <sup>th</sup> St., Omaha	8:00 am
18 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Fun DE Register NOW on <a href="http://ClubRegistration.net">ClubRegistration.net</a> . We will meet at Kitty's Roadhouse for dinner on Saturday night from 5:30 - 9:00 pm.	MPH	
24 <sup>th</sup> - 26 <sup>th</sup>	Nord Stern Annual Club Race/DE Register at <a href="http://ClubRegistration.net">ClubRegistration.net</a> .	Brainerd International Raceway	

## August

1 <sup>st</sup>	Fun Run to Nebraska City - Lied Center See Page 10 for more information. RSVP to <a href="mailto:kmburger37@icloud.com">kmburger37@icloud.com</a> by July 19 <sup>th</sup> .		10:00 am
7 <sup>th</sup>	Porsche of Omaha Grand Opening Please reserve your spot: <a href="mailto:RSVP@woodhouse.com">RSVP@woodhouse.com</a> . More information on Page 7.	6625 L Street	6 - 8:00 pm
8 <sup>th</sup>	Porsches & Pancakes - The Egg & I	3605 N. 147 <sup>th</sup> St., Omaha	8:00 am
15 <sup>th</sup>	Sonic Show 'N Shine Cruise Night	South 48 <sup>th</sup> St. & Highway 2, Lincoln	6 - 9:00 pm
22 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual GPR Golf Outing See Page 7 for details. RSVP to <a href="mailto:txlessmann@cox.net">txlessmann@cox.net</a> by August 12 <sup>th</sup> .	Oak Hills Country Club, Omaha	1:00 pm
23 <sup>rd</sup>	SummerFest Show 'N Shine* See Page 10 for more information.	1200 N. 181 <sup>st</sup> Court, Elkhorn	1 - 3:00 pm

## September

12 <sup>th</sup>	Porsches & Pancakes - The Egg & I	3605 N. 147 <sup>th</sup> St., Omaha	8:00 am
13 <sup>th</sup>	All-European Show & Shine*	Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha	12 - 3:00 pm
19 <sup>th</sup> - 20 <sup>th</sup>	Fall Finale DE Registration opens August 1 <sup>st</sup>	RPM	
24 <sup>th</sup>	Children's Hospital Candlelighters Car Show for Survivors & Families* Help support cancer survivors & families with an informal car show. More information to come.		5:30 - 7:30 pm

## October

1 <sup>st</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Escape to Rushmore 2015 See Page 12. Registration opens in July at <a href="http://escape2015.pca.org">escape2015.pca.org</a> .	Black Hills of South Dakota	
10 <sup>th</sup>	Porsches & Pancakes - The Egg & I	3605 N. 147 <sup>th</sup> St., Omaha	8:00 am

Stay up to date on all GPR events on our website: [gprpca.com](http://gprpca.com)

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## Love to Golf?

The 2nd Annual GPR Member Golf Scramble will be held at Oak Hills Country Club on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. The first tee time is 1:00 pm. Cost is \$80 per person, which includes 18 holes of golf, cart, a delicious meal following the scramble, and prizes. The format will be a Texas Scramble. Pace of play will be monitored, so some golf skill is recommended.

Everyone is welcome but you must be signed up prior to the event so we have an accurate count for meals. There are 7 tee times/28 participants available. Please contact Terry Lessmann at [txlessmann@cox.net](mailto:txlessmann@cox.net) (note 2 N's) by August 12<sup>th</sup> with your email address and participant names. Let Terry know when you are signing up if you want to participate with someone in particular, otherwise Terry will make the pairings.



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## Have you signed up for the Summer Fun DE at MPH?

The next GPR DE is July 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> in Hastings at Motorsport Park Hastings (MPH). Register NOW at [ClubRegistration.net](http://ClubRegistration.net).

We will gather at Kitty's Roadhouse in the back room for dinner on Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 9:00 pm.

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# Club History on the Grid Position

By Russ Standage

My involvement with the PCA and our club came about many years ago when I purchased my first Porsche. A very nice 911-964 C4. I decided I wanted to join an active car club so we could enjoy it to the fullest. Back then when a new member joined they immediately got you involved in the club and I was asked to join Chris Weaver's Grid team. At that point I met Steve Wilwerding, Sally Knapp and Sandy Brusio. Sally was about to venture into Club Racing around that timeframe. Eventually Chris turned over the Head Grid/Hotpit job to Steve. I was introduced to doing the Splitter job and what to do in the Hotpit at that time and continued learning the positions from Steve. Steve then turned the head job over to Sally and Sandy once the Club Race headed to Hastings and the MPH track. We enlisted Heather Wester to help once the grid size increased for the combined race Sun afternoon. As Sally and Sandy turned more towards Sally's racing and Sally assuming the Safety job, they turned the position over to me. I think that was about 9-10 years ago. Boy how times flies! I enlisted my good friend and great "Grid Guy" Eric Elliott and long-time member Ken Kusik to assist me and we became the "Three Amigos".

Of course we needed a 4th person on the grid for the Sun combined race, and Eric asked his brother Robin from Kearney to assist us. He had just picked up a nice 996 Porsche so was happy to help. He continues today working from the back of the grid giving drivers their pit box position. Ken moved over to the Splitter job the last two years but was unable to make the Club Race

this year. Eric has taken the summer off to live the "Good Life" in NYC. Hurry back Eric as we miss you!! Eric and I enjoyed working the grid and hot-pit so much we started working with George Anderson at MPH for events that required those positions. From there we got picked up by the NASA series helping them get started in the Central Region of the US. Of a season we would work 9-11 events at 4 different tracks. Since Eric was gone this season I knew I could not work all these events by myself so I started cutting my schedule down. At that time Jason Bien - the "ace" Service Manager from Porsche of Omaha - stepped up to the plate and contacted me about becoming more involved with track activities, since he is working on bringing up a nice 912 to barely street legal status. I am sure there is a good story about that project in future issues of the newsletter. With the addition of Jason, I was again able to work some of George's events as well as our club track events. This brings you up to the present day. Jason and I have agreed to write a series of articles entitled "View from the Grid" throughout the race season giving you a perspective of the position



*The Three Amigos*  
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# Fun Run to Nebraska City

By Kim Burger, Social Chair

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**The run will begin with everyone meeting at the Northwest corner of the Henry Doorly Zoo parking lot – South 13th Street and Bob Gibson Blvd – at 10:00 AM on Saturday morning. We will depart around 10:15 AM** on our Run to Nebraska City and end at the Lied Lodge for a buffet lunch that will start at 12:30 PM in the Timber Dining Room. The cost for lunch is \$13 per person for a buffet that includes salads, 2 entrées, a starch and vegetable selection plus dessert. It also includes a selection of a soda, tea or coffee.

For reference after the official event ends, Nebraska City has unique shopping, museums, golf, Arbor Lodge, orchards and the Lied Center should you decide to stay for a while. Plan your own time after lunch by checking out the website: gonebraskacity.com, or just take another route back to Omaha.

**To be a part of the trip please RSVP to [kmburger37@icloud.com](mailto:kmburger37@icloud.com) by July 19, 2015.**

# SummerFest Show and Shine

You are invited to bring your Porsche (ALL car clubs and enthusiasts are welcome!) to Lutheran Church of the Master's SummerFest Show & Shine on **Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>**. The address is 1200 N. 181st Court, Elkhorn. Check-in begins at 11 am. The car show is from 1:00 to 3:00 pm, with trophies awarded at 3. This year's trophies are: People's Choice, Kid's Choice, Participant's Choice, and the Pastor's Cup. There is no cost to participate in the Show & Shine.

Bring your entire family to enjoy free admission to a wonderful afternoon at SummerFest, beginning with an outdoor lunch from noon to 2:00 pm, bounce toys, train, trampoline, kids' games, face painting, exotic animals and wildlife encounters from 2-3:30 pm.

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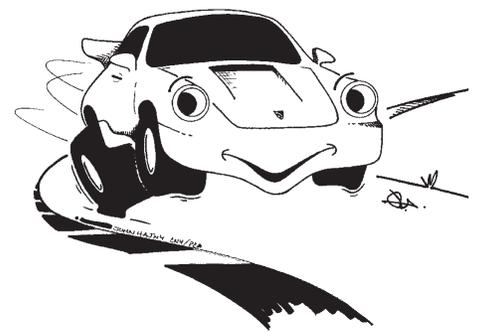
# Porsches and Pancakes

Please join us for our next Porsches & Pancakes at The Egg & I, 3605 N. 147<sup>th</sup> St., Omaha, on **July 11<sup>th</sup> at 8 am**. Space is limited and the restaurant would like to know how many servers will be needed, so **please RSVP by Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> to Kim Burger at [kmburger37@icloud.com](mailto:kmburger37@icloud.com)**.

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# Porsche Cars North America Officially Opens New Atlanta Headquarters

By Damon Lowney, PCA Digital Media Coordinator  
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It's a big day for Porsche Cars North America (PCNA) with the official opening of its Porsche Experience Center (PEC) and headquarters in Atlanta, which can be found off of One Porsche Drive.

The significance is clear: Porsche invested \$100 million into the development of the property, making it the single largest investment the automaker has made in North America.

"Today we celebrate a significant milestone in the history of Porsche as we expand our footprint in the United States and reaffirm our commitment to the state of Georgia and the city of Atlanta," said Matthias Müller, Chairman of the Executive Board of Porsche. "We are investing more than ever before, heightening visibility for the Porsche brand in the U.S. and worldwide."

The headquarters provides office space for PCNA, Porsche Financial Services, Porsche Business Services, Porsche Consulting, and Mieschke Hofmann & Partners. In addition, the 27-acre complex also houses a 1.6-mile driver development track, classic Porsche gallery, restoration center, human performance center, driving simulator lab, and a fine-dining restaurant named 356, all of which are the main draws for PCAers, Porsche customers, and the general public. It is estimated that 30,000 guests will visit the PEC and headquarters.

"Our vision for our new home was to create a bold, energizing environment here in Atlanta to demonstrate the unique capabilities of our

sports cars," said Detlev von Platen, President and CEO of Porsche Cars North America. "The experience center coupled with our headquarters is truly the first of its kind in the automotive industry where we welcome employees, partners, customers and enthusiasts alike."

Porsche states that more than 70 locations were considered for PCNA's new headquarters, but that Atlanta, Georgia was the ideal location. According to Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed, the reasons were: "a low cost of doing business, a high quality of life, access to the world's busiest and most efficient passenger airport, and the fastest-growing container port in the country."

The PEC and headquarters will ultimately employ 450 people with more than 100 positions that are new to Georgia.



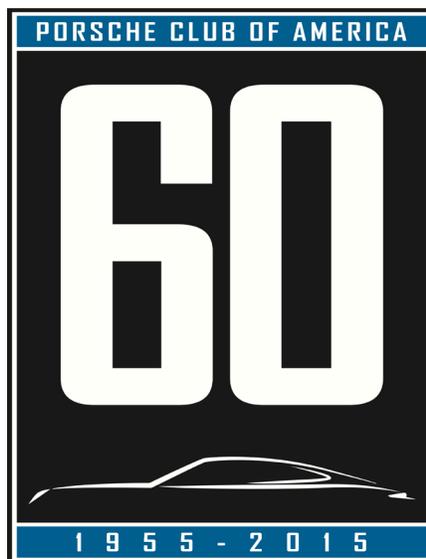
Join us in the Black Hills of South Dakota on October 1-3. Drive your Porsche through this beautiful land and you'll soon discover it is the best way to experience this vast country.

The geography of the Black Hills is variable and magical. It changes significantly from the Badlands in the east to Mount Rushmore, Crazy Horse, and Custer State Park in the southern Black Hills to the natural Devil's Tower in the west.

This internationally popular tourist area provides an amazing range of touring and driving options. Whether you are ready for a beautiful scenic drive by internationally known monuments and tourist destinations, or you prefer the challenge of driving your Porsche through the twisty, hilly roads, Escape to Rushmore will not disappoint.

There will be plenty of opportunities to socialize during this Escape event. Zone 10 and the Nord Stern Region want to ensure that everyone is able to enjoy each other and the activities, sites and drives all headquartered out of Rapid City, South Dakota.

Registration opens this month. Check the website: [escape2015.pca.org](http://escape2015.pca.org) to register and for more information.



# New Members

By Sandy Brusco  
Membership Chair

Welcome new PCA members. We encourage you to join the GPR and join us in participating in all our regional activities.

**Michael Fischer**  
**Chuck Fortina**  
**Philip Welch**

Join us in welcoming the new GPR members. Please make them feel welcome the next time you see them at an event.

**Larry Butler**  
**Ralph Woodard**

# 24 Hours of Le Mans

By Jason Bien

PORSCHE, the brand, the passion, the drive for everything excellent. Recently, Porsche of Omaha facilitated a venue for brand enthusiasts to gather and watch Porsche's second year back in Le Mans. A harmonious amalgamation of talent in the form of drivers, engineers, and statisticians all joining together to form a potent blend of competition akin to that of that of memorable years of past. Only this time...we're back, for more than just number on the board. With the help of talent... the world around, Porsche has concocted a venomous cocktail of talent and experience. This all has finally culminated into the most important automotive race in recent

history. The 24 Hours of Le Mans in France. A race that makes or breaks those who dare to participate in such a global public display of automotive supremacy. Who, but Porsche, would be able and willing to regain such a title? Many would maintain that this was a "personal" venture. Those critics were correct.

Porsche of Omaha provided a venue to bear witness to the 17<sup>th</sup> victory of a 24h Le Mans. This, along with the formulation of a new sales/service Porsche of Omaha facility, couldn't have been more tied together. This passion runs deep, very deep.

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# Tessman Party, Fun Run, and 24 Hours of Le Mans Pics



Tessman Club Race Party - above & below left



Below: Fun Run, Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>  
Photos below by Kim Burger



Below, L, R: Watching the 24 Hours of Le Mans at Porsche of Omaha



# GPR Board Monthly Meeting Minutes

The Great Plains Region PCA Board met Tuesday, June 2, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at Oak Hills Country Club.

Members in attendance: Joe Chambers, Kurt Halvorson, Melinda Halvorson, Tom Cooper, Bob Lynch, Sally Knapp, Sandy Brusco, and Steve Gehring. Kim Burger and Eric Elliot attended by conference telephone call. John Krecek (Race Chair) was unable to attend.

**Secretary:** The minutes of the May 2015 meeting were approved as distributed. The Club bylaws are being reviewed by Bob Gutjahr, Chair of the PCA National Policy Committee, for consistency with the PCA bylaws.

**Club Race/DE Discussions:** The Registrar reported no problems and that everything went smoothly from a registration perspective. There were 44 cars Friday, 47 on Saturday, and 45 on Sunday. This included 24 DE participants. The Treasurer reported that there had not yet been a reconciliation of income and expenses for the event. There was discussion that we need to make sure that all participants sign the registration forms and liability waivers to make sure that insurance is in place and liability is avoided. This would include any instructors who are not driving their own cars but may be instructing. It was discussed that the Club bought a number of meals which were not paid for and that perhaps tickets should be taken at the door. Good feedback was received from the national officials at the race. For the DE at MPH in July, it will be noted on the website and at registration that there will be instructors available.

There was a discussion about refund policies. It was determined to retain the Club's previous policy that a full refund is only available with 48 hours notice. After that, there will be a \$75 administrative charge. For any other situation, the receipt and amount of refunds is at the discretion of the Registrar and the Treasurer.

**President:** There was a discussion about the possibility of adopting a new

logo for the Club. The President met with a number of long-time members, some of whom had input on the existing logo. They were positive about the possibility for a new logo. The President made a suggestion that the Club ask for submissions from members for a new logo. A panel comprised of some of the long-time members would select the new logo, with a prize being designated for the logo selected. Discussion will continue at a future board meeting.

**Past President:** Nothing to report.

**Treasurer:** The opening account balance for May was \$72,777.18, and the closing balance was \$81,749.14. Major income included \$16,451.17 for the DE at RPM, \$3,000 from race sponsors, \$2,300 from Club sponsors, \$720 from MPH DE participants, \$500 from advertising, \$1,150 from Club racers, and \$300 from dues. [Subsequent to the meeting the Treasurer reported income of \$26,584.18 from the Hastings event and expenses of \$33,514.04, not including additional guarantee fees owed to the tire vendor].

**Newsletter:** Articles will be appearing in upcoming issues on grid work. Planned in the July issue will be an article by Terry Lessmann on his DE event at COTA in Austin, Texas. As usual, June 15 is the deadline for submissions for July.

**Membership:** The Club currently has 135 members. There was a discussion about a possible annual or per event associate fee for non-Club members (similar to the \$10 fee) to participate in DEs.

**Registrar:** Registration is open for the DE at MPH in Hastings on July 18th and 19th. There will be no dinner arrangements for those arriving Friday night. The back room at Kitty's Roadhouse has been reserved for a Saturday night dinner. The Registrar is working on luncheon arrangements. All Board members were requested to encourage people to come to the DE, and especially those who had gone through the recent novice class in April.

**Safety:** The Safety Chair expressed concern about drivers missing the mandatory drivers' meetings at DE events. The Safety Chair is willing to do a second driver meeting around the noon hour if necessary. A decision was made to prohibit participants from driving unless they attended a drivers' meeting. The Registrar will include this in registration.

**Social:** The monthly Club breakfast held on May 11th had an attendance of 25, with two guests and a new member attending. The next breakfast is scheduled for June 13th, with the Fun Run to follow. There is an event at Woodhouse on June 13th beginning at 11:00 a.m. to watch the 24 hours of Le Mans racing. It will last until 2:00 p.m. RSVPs are required to Woodhouse. A social event at Dennis & Kathy Tessman's home in Hastings was well-attended by racers, their crews, and a few Club members that were not participating. There were approximately 60 persons in attendance. Appreciation is expressed to the Tessmans for a very nice event.

The Porsche Parade will be the last full week of June in French Lick, Indiana. Several members are attending. Space has been reserved at the Lied Center restaurant in Nebraska City for a lunch on August 1st at 12:30 p.m. This will follow a Fun Run from Omaha to Nebraska City through the Loess Hills area of South Council Bluffs, Iowa. Space has been reserved for 50. Initial steps have been started for a wine tasting at the Cork Screw. It will likely be on a Sunday afternoon.

**Website:** There is a DE link in the website. The online membership renewal link has been completed and will be Beta tested with Board members. The PCA Escape to the Black Hills will be added to the website.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, July 7th, at 6:00 p.m. at Oak Hills Country Club.

Respectfully submitted,  
Steve Gehring, Secretary

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