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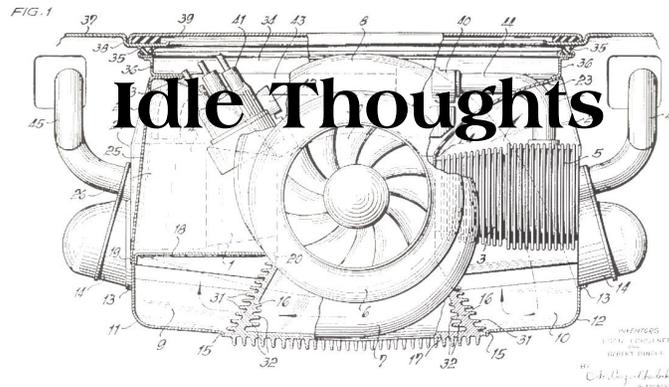
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By David Patterson, GPR President

I grew up around video games. I preferred sports but playing games on the Atari console was one way that friends of my generation spent time together. Simultaneously, the computer industry was expanding rapidly with new machines from IBM and Apple eventually finding their way into my elementary school and childhood home. While often focused on other functions, these early computers offered games of their own. It would have been hard to imagine just how much the gaming industry would advance in the 45 years since the first Atari hit stores.

Driving simulators have always been a popular gaming option. From the earliest days of *Pole Position* in the arcade to the latest versions of *Forza*, a *synthetic* drive can be a real blast. The processing speed and graphics that are now available support truly immersive simulators. PCA SimRacing takes advantage of these developments to offer amazingly realistic competition opportunities for those interested in improving their skills both in the virtual world *and* on the tarmac.

The surge in PCA SimRacing over the past couple years means that most PCA regions have at least a few participating members. GPR is no exception. One such GPR participant is one of the newer members in the region – Michael Coholich. More specifically, Michael is not just a participant but a recent race winner in the highest driving class (Pro) in PCA SimRacing! The following link provides you with access to the entire race which was run “at Suzuka”. Do yourself a favor and give it a look and listen. I think you will be amazed at the realism, right down to the announcers.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KkG3u2Fpldg&t=4179s>

Congratulations on the win Michael!

For more information on PCA SimRacing, visit the webpage – www.pcasimracing.com

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Great Plains Region Club Calendar

May

May 7th—Fun Run

May 14th—Porsches at Paradise (8am)

May 20-22—Club Race at MPH

May 21st—Club Race Party at Tessman's

June

June 4th—Donut Drive

June 11th-Porsches at Paradise (8am)

June 12th-18th-Porsche Parade—The Poconos

June 26th—GPR Annual Picnic (11am)

National Calendar



Club Racing Calendar



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Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes of the GPR Board meeting

April 12th, 2022

The Great Plains PCA Board met at 6:00 pm on April 12, 2022, via teleconference. Present were David Patterson, Carol Lynch, Terry Lessmann, Melinda Halvorson, Eric Elliott, Mike Anderson, Bob Kirchner, Jeremy Kroh and Kurt Halvorson. Rick Mourey was unable to join. Joe Chambers joined the call as Rick Mourey's designee to facilitate the Club Race discussion.

PRESIDENT: David Patterson opened the meeting. He later provided an update on bids received for GPR medallions to replenish our club supply used for awards, and the board approved the purchase of 100 medallions for \$1,246.

SECRETARY: The March 2022 minutes were approved as distributed.

TREASURER: The club's cash balance as of March 31, 2022, was \$82,749.56, of which \$70,000 has been transferred to the recently approved Money Market savings account. Revenue year to date is \$8,353, including member dues of \$4,320, with expenses of \$7,075, inclusive of Lifetime Member shirt costs of \$2,193. Porsche Omaha provided their annual sponsorship in early April, in the amount of \$5,000. We thank Porsche Omaha for their continued generous support of the GPR.

MEMBERSHIP: Chair Lynch reported we have 171 paid GPR members at present, out of 299 PCA members assigned to our region. Lynch updated the board on the plans for recognizing Lifetime Members at the Annual (Winter) Spring Party with the special shirts and framed certificates. Discussion ensued around considering other apparel gear for the GPR Store on our website.

SOCIAL: The April item for the Ronald McDonald House (RMH) is adult aged coloring books and colored pencils or markers. The May item will be on-the-go snack items to include fruit cups, individual chips, crackers, cookies, etc. April's breakfast at Porsche Omaha attracted about 40 attendees. DE 101+ is April 21st at Porsche Omaha, the Spring (Winter) Party is April 29th, and the DE at RPM is April 30th. The May 7th Fun Run with donuts is open for sign up through May 4th. Porsches at Paradise is May 14th, the Club Race and DE at MPH is the 20th-22nd, and dinner at the Tessman's is on the 21st. Donut shops have been selected for the June 4th Donut Drive.

Porky Butts is catering lunch for the Annual Picnic and Car Show on June 26th. A social dinner on July 23rd is planned at the Ziegenbein's as 'Porsches and Pickleball'. An overnight summer drive is being planned to an out of town venue. Details to come for both of these latter events.

REGISTRAR: The April 30th DE at RPM, the May 7th Fun Run, and the Club Race and DE at MPH May 20th-22nd are all open for registration on ClubRegistration.net. GPR is to collect RV Parking fees and covered parking (Race port) rental fees for the Club Race weekend on ClubRegistration.net as well.

SAFETY: PCA insurance has been requested for the April 30th DE and the May 7th Fun Run. Insurance for the Club Race weekend will be requested and paid for as well. The national PCA Club Racing Steward, Timing and Scoring Coordinator, and Scrutineer have been assigned to our Club Race. Pace car availability for the Club Race will be discussed with Porsche Omaha. No national updates this month.

EDITOR: April Der Skooner was published and issued for distribution. Editor Kroh is establishing QR coded stickers to be placed in the packet of sales paperwork at Porsche Omaha for any customer buying a vehicle. The customer may then scan the code and be introduced to the membership advantages of joining the PCA and GPR.

WEBMASTER: The GPR website is up to date with events through June. RSVPs are open for the Annual Party and DE 101+, with reminder emails going out to encourage RSVPs. Reminder, the GPR store link is at the top navigation area of our website. April Der Skooner was posted to our website and sent out March 30th.

The next board meeting is scheduled for May 10th at 6:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kurt Halvorson, Secretary



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You can order from a curated selection of styles and colors with the GPR logo embroidered on the item. Currently available are men's and women's short and long-sleeved polo shirts, full zip fleece jackets, and a unisex sweatshirt. Color choices are presently limited.

Why no baseball caps or t-shirts? Those items require a minimum number to place an order and the Board hopes to use them as promotional gifts to the members over time.

You will be able to set up an account or check out as a guest. With your order number and zip code you can track your order. Emails are sent to you as your order progresses.

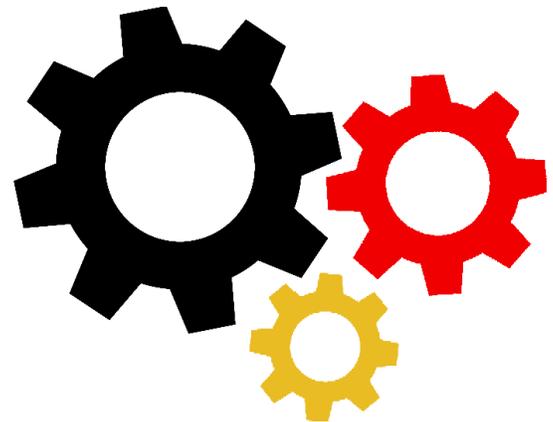
Clothing prices range from \$20.00 to \$65.00. An additional cost of \$8.95 for the logo to be embroidered on an item is not included in the price. Our logo is very complex, uses several colors and has a high stitch count. All parameters that dictate the cost of logo application.

Men's and women's size charts are easily accessed. Shipping costs are comparative within the industry. The time frame for the order to be complete is 33-38 business days with standard shipping. You will receive order updates as the order progresses. With your order number and zip code you can check the progress of your order at any time. Taxes are applied as required. GPR does not earn any money from this endeavor.

Many thanks to Melinda Halvorson whose suggestion sparked this venture and Eric Elliot for setting up our store front - he is the web wizard for GPR.

Please contact me with any questions and suggestions as we open the GPR Gear Shop!

Carol Lynch | Membership Chair | carol.lynch356@gmail.com



Please join us for our
**Annual GPR Picnic
and Porsche Car Show!**

Sunday, June 26th

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Let's Go Racing!

Article and photos by Shawn Keeler

I think anyone who is really into cars, has caught themselves daydreaming of being a race car driver. For most of us, by the time we hit middle school that childhood dream is long gone. But for some people, the dream still lives on. They have worked hard and are now able to fulfill those childhood dreams and go racing. Whether it's purchasing a sports car and participating in driver education track days or going all out in a fully built race car and competing wheel to wheel. For those of us that have been fortunate enough to experience this, I am sure we would all agree it has been worth every penny.



Now, making this dream a reality is even more possible than ever before. Whatever the reasons are; time, money, experience, etc., there is still a way to get in the "game" without breaking the bank and still staying married for some of us.

The answer is *Sim Racing*.

Modern technology over the past few years has come leaps and bounds, in both affordability and realism. Now it's possible to live that dream of becoming a racecar driver, without leaving the house.

So where do you start?

I think a good place to begin is asking yourself, "What do you want out of this?". Asking this question helps steer your direction on what type of sim rig best fits your needs. Am I looking to have some casual fun here and there, or am I looking to learn tracks, improve driving skills and stay sharp? For me personally, it was the latter.

As a current PCA Club Racer, I am always looking for a way to get more seat time. More seat time equals, more skill and a higher comfort level. Plus, it's a fantastic way to learn and see new tracks.

Now, you obviously don't have to be a real racer to go all out on a sim rig. Most people in the world will never drive or own the latest 911 Cup Car, but for about the price of a new set of tires for it, you can get as close as possible to experiencing that car on any track in the world. Pretty amazing when you think about it!

Just like the real world of racing, money is no object when it comes to Sim Racing. From single monitor set-ups, to triple wrap around monitors and even VR headsets, the sky is the limit. But don't let this derail your plans of participating and getting started. In fact, one of last year's top virtual racers was competing on a laptop! But again, it goes back to what you want to get out of it.



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Racing

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Obviously, the higher up the ladder you go, the more realistic the driving experience becomes. So there really is a place for every person and budget.

Whatever your preference is virtual, reality or both, the driving force always leads back to the cars and the people. Hands down some of the best people I have met in life, have been people I have met while being surrounded by cars at the track. Plus, in the end it's all about having fun and participating with likeminded people.

So, get in/out there and have some fun!

Getting Started

<https://pcasimracing.com/sim-racing-equipment/>

Virtual Racing Platforms (Organizations)

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Meet a Member

Gayle W. Burr

Article and Photos by Gayle W. Burr

"My 50 Year PCA Membership"

When did you join the PCA?

June 1972

What Porsche(s) have you owned and what do you currently own?

1961 356B Super90, 1969 912, 1977 911S Targa, 1998 Boxster, 2006 911C4S Cabriolet



Where are you from?

I was born in Hastings, Nebraska. I've lived all over the mid west growing up as my father was in the power line construction business. I've been in Lincoln since 1959.



What makes your car(s) special?

They are special because they are Porsches, but I have owned many makes.

Next Porsche or current project?

At age 84 I am finished with projects and probably done buying cars.

Favorite memory with your Porsche?

The T&D Rallies with the GPR; Two Porsche Parades; Rebuilding the engine on my 912 with Bud Dunklau. Bud, as some of you know, owned Road and Track Motors in Lincoln and provided his business location and the necessary parts, tools and expertise for my 912 engine rebuild. Bud recently passed away.

What got you interested in Porsche?

Began buying and driving sport cars with a 1958 MGA, a 1962 Austin Healey 3000. Became friends with Bud Dunklau in the mid 50's as he was a cousin of my best friend Roger Koehn, from high school days in Scottsbluff. Bud suggested I buy the '61 Super 90 and restore it. He suggested that I join the Porsche Club so as to obtain the Panorama for all that it provides but especially as a source for Porsche restoration parts, so I joined. I did the buy it but when tearing into it, we discovered it had a cracked crankcase, so I sold it and bought the 912, knowing it needed an engine rebuild, and did the rebuild with Bud's assistance, his kindly providing the space and equipment at his Road and Track business.



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Gayle Burr

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Any other dream cars you would own?

If I should buy another car it would be an EV or hybrid. Hopefully a Porsche

Favorite road trip, track or race?

Porsche Parade at Monterey was an incredible experience. My son Jeff and I drove the '77 911 Targa to Monterey via Denver, Las Vegas and an overnight in Bakersfield with relatives. During our stay in Monterey, we were privileged to be housed in a condo (owned by Roger Koehn's brother in-law) on Spanish Bay golf course. Roger and his wife Marilyn were residents of Portola Valley at the time. My wife Lana joined us via a flight from Lincoln. All of the Parade activities were wonderful, including a lap around Laguna Seca.

What is the top song on your driving playlist?

Georgia on My mind



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Porsche Club of America

Test Drive Program News!

PCA has some exciting news to share about a change to the Test Drive program. Test Drive has previously been a six-month subscription costing \$40. The program is now a one-year subscription costing \$46. PCA has automatically extended current Test Drive subscribers an additional six months, at no extra charge.

Also, if a Test Drive subscriber purchases a Porsche within the one-year subscription period, they can call the PCA National office at (410) 381-0911 and the balance of their Test Drive term will be converted to full PCA Membership.

Test Drive subscribers have been notified of this change already. If you know of someone who is looking to venture into Porsche ownership, the Test Drive program is a great place to start. For more information about the PCA Test Drive program, [click here](#) or visit:

<https://www.pca.org/pca-test-drive>

Upcoming GPR Social Events

R.S.V.P.



Have you RSVPd for our upcoming events? If you have any questions regarding your RSVP, please contact Melinda at social@gprpca.com.

Fun Run - May 7th

Don't miss our first fun run of the year! Donuts will be provided but bring your own coffee. Arrive at 8am for the Driver's Meeting at 8:15am then we'll depart at 8:30am. Sign-up now on ClubRegistration.net.

Donut Drive - June 4th

It's time to celebrate National Donut Day once again with a drive to two regional donut shops. This year we'll head to Donut Run in Gretna as well as Stan's Bakery & Coffee House in Plattsmouth. Sign-up on ClubRegistration.net.

GPR Annual Picnic & Car Show - June 26th

Sign up is open for our annual picnic and car show. gprpca.com Let us know how many are coming in your family (immediate family only), and don't forget to sign up to show your car. We also need volunteers. It's always a great day!

The Mission of Ronald McDonald House Charities in Omaha (RMHC) is strengthening children and their families during their most difficult and challenging times.

The GPR has an opportunity to support RMHC by providing much needed monetary donations as well as items for families, for the kitchen, and for the House. **The Item of the Month for May is snack items: fruit cups, individual chips, crackers, etc.**



Thank you to those who brought adult-age coloring books as well as colored pencils and markers in April.

Check back each month to see what the Item of the Month will be for the RMHC in Omaha.

Porsches at Paradise Breakfast

Please join us for our next **Porsches at Paradise Breakfast on Saturday, May 14th at 8am**. We meet at Paradise Bakery & Café at Village Pointe, 17305 Davenport Street, Omaha.

The café offers omelets, scrambled eggs, breakfast sandwiches, quiche, yogurt & granola parfait, oatmeal, cinnamon rolls and muffins. Of course, they have coffee, juice, smoothies, and an Espresso Bar.

See you on the 14th and don't forget to bring on-the-go snack items for the Ronald McDonald House Charities.

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Here are the dates for 2022 DEs



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& DE**

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Club Race Party at the Tessmans

May 21st - 6:00pm

**Raceway
Park of the
Midlands**



Dog Days DE

August 20th

Novices are welcome

**Raceway
Park of the
Midlands**



Oktoberfest DE

October 1st

Novices are welcome

Check ClubRegistration.net for more information as it becomes available.




Members Making a Difference!

PCA members make a difference in their community!

Porsche Club of America Regions create fantastic opportunities to give back and support many different aspects of their communities.

Every year across Porsche Club of America, members are making a difference with many amazing, heartwarming, and thoughtful acts of kindness. PCA is continually collecting stories of member's community contributions, and publishing articles for all to read in an effort to highlight what our club is doing and inspire other regions to help in their own way.

READ ALL OF THE HEART-WARMING MEMBER STORIES: www.pca.org/members-making-difference
OR SUBMIT YOUR REGION'S CONTRIBUTION: www.pca.org/contact-members-making-difference



PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

Membership News

May Anniversaries

5 years—Rich Kavan

25 years—John Krecek

Congratulations to our Lifetime Members!

As of 2021, the GPR board voted to recognize those who have been dues paying members of GPR for 25 years or more and a continual member of PCA as a Lifetime Member of GPR.

PCA membership must be maintained by these individuals, but no GPR dues will be collected. Please congratulate them and thank them for the leadership they have demonstrated to the club for 50 plus years. Their support and participation has allowed our club to flourish.

Lifetime Members of The Great Plains Region of Porsche Club of America

David Anderson - 1996	Jay Moore - 1997
Larry Anderson - 1988	Mike Mullen - 1971
John Beerling - 1993	David Nelson - 1997
Mark Brohman - 1990	Roland Nieves - 1997
John Brown - 1993	Glen Page - 1990
Gayle Burr - 1972	Brooke Peters - 1974
Ken Burson - 1988	John Phillips - 1991
Tom Cooper - 1996	Susan Quast - 1971
Eric Elliott - 1997	Gary Quast - 1971
Dave Farrell - 1994	(Posthumously)
Dennis Fitzke - 1992	Brent Schulz - 1996
Craig Kelley - 1993	Sandy Steckman - 1996
Bob Knapp - 1973	Dennis Strauss - 1986
John Krecek - 1997	Robert Thompson - 1994
Chad Lea - 1985	Ed Ubben - 1981
John Marchant - 1994	Wayne Wray - 1993

Member Name Badges

Look official at our next GPR/PCA event! The magnetic name badges are \$10, which includes shipping.

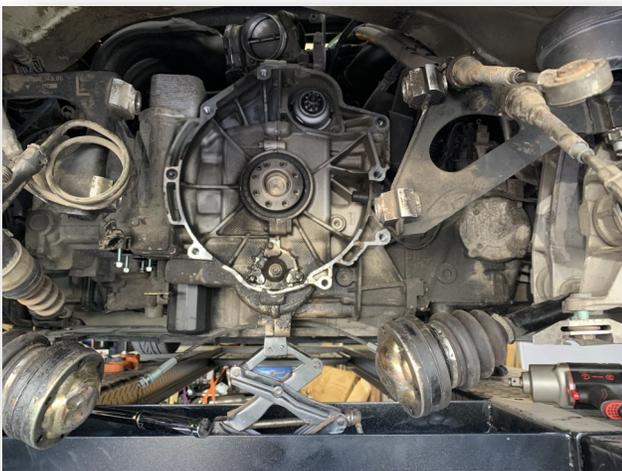
Please contact Melinda at Melinda.halvorson1115@gmail.com. Don't forget to wear your badge to all GPR/PCA Events!



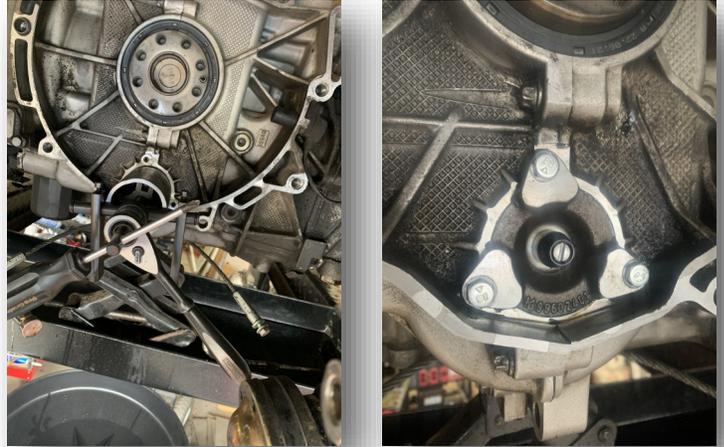
A Note from the Editor

As I had alluded to in the last issue, I had started a deep dive into doing my own maintenance on my 986. I'd like to report that everything seems to have gone back together well aside from mistakenly installing the sway bar upside down. It was just about the last part to go back in prior to installing the rear underbody protection plate. Lets just say I was scratching my head trying to figure out why I was hearing and feeling an odd vibration. I just happened to get on the ground and look up at the underbody looking for any loose bolt or nut, and the "MADE IN GERMANY" sticker on the sway bar was staring me in the face. Then something clicked, a light flashed, and suddenly it dawned on me that the sticker was upside down before I started all this. The brief feeling of "you dummy" past and the tools were back out. One more quick drive up HWY 75 north of I-680 confirmed that I had indeed found the culprit of the vibrations.

I did not photo every step, but here are my main highlights. This photo shows the back of the motor after removing the transmission. I'm fairly certain I'm the first person to see this since it left the factory.



New rear main seal installed and working on removing the intermediate shaft bearing. Right side shows the new bearing installed.



New flywheel. I learned the difference between single and dual mass flywheels.



And now the clutch and pressure plate.



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Editor

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Something else this project taught me (I actually have my father in law to thank for this nugget of info, as well as the use of his garage and lift) , is that diesel fuel cleans up years of grime much better than any spray can degreaser. Just make sure and keep your catch tray handy. The before and during process photos bear testimony to that.



One of the last small things was to try and clean up the stock muffler and that came out satisfactory as well. Top of the muffler, before.



The underside, after.



What an interesting project. This might be the edge of my comfort zone, but who knows what I'll try and tackle next!

This is your newsletter and we'd love to hear about your tales from the winding road, track or garage! If you would like to send in an article for consideration, please send an email to:

editor@gprpca.com

If you are new to the club or haven't been featured in the Meet A Member section, please consider submitting an article and [use this link](#).

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Rocky Mountain Region

Article thanks to Danielle Badler of the Rocky Mountain Region PCA

Once Again, With Feeling

So, I watched Season 4 of “Drive to Survive.” Actually, I more or less binge-spiced through it. Because all I really, really wanted to do was get to the end, to see how they handled the season-ending last-lap contretemps between Lewis and Max.

Boy, was I disappointed. Because, well, since I knew what happened, there was nothing I learned from the docu-series that I didn’t already know.

Hey, look, once again, the camera work is often scintillating. Coupled with the audio track, the footage is often spellbinding. I mean, for some of the shots, I don’t even know how they did it. Like the camera view back to the driver from the dashboard, which at one point literally focuses in on the driver’s left eyeball. Through the visor.

Which is spectacular, at least from a technical point of view. But, uh, let’s face it, eyeballs are eyeballs. And they don’t actually change our view of the subject. The driver or the series.

In fact, it made me blink. Because the format is getting stale. There, I said it. If I had an air-gun for the number of times Red Bull team principal Christian Horner went on, and on, about how they have to fight, how they have to push, I could probably afford to buy out Red Bull CEO Dietrich Mateschitz. Who, by the way, has never been mentioned, in any of the seasons.

Or Mercedes team principal Toto Wolff’s “A driver has to be a lion in the car. Even if he’s knocked down.” And “We can’t afford to lose.” And “The best team, with the best driver, scores results.” Please.

This time around, Toto’s wife, Susie, makes an appearance too. Although it’s never made completely clear, she seems to have a distinct business role in Toto’s wheeling and dealing. And it carries through to her comments, like “He just never stops fighting.” They’re shown on a private jet, several times, flying somewhere. You never find out where.

Same goes for Geri Horner, nee Halliwell, Christian’s wife. Yes, that Halliwell, of the Spice Girls. For the record, she was Ginger Spice. How do I know that? I looked it up. Because, in the series, she’s just simply a very loving and dutiful wife. Christian says, “I’ve been very fortunate. She’s been incredibly supportive.”

You get the idea. It’s time to simply say enough. Enough of the platitudes.

But, hey, I’m not one to just criticize. That’s the easy stuff. No, I also have some thoughts on how the series could actually rise to a new level of revelation about a sport we all

know and love. Here goes.

Start with the actual performance of the cars. We already know how the drivers are “really” athletes. This is brought home in one sequence when feisty Alphatauri rookie Yuki Tsunoda, who Horner calls “the best talent in a decade, if not more,” (the entry, after all, is Red Bull’s junior team) complains about having to hit the gym. Team principal Franz Tost says, Yuki, you have to work out two to four hours a day, six days a week. Yuki is shown scowling.

How about answering questions like ... what’s the typical 0-60 time for a modern F1 car? Braking distance? Cornering Gs? Cornering Gs between tire choices? Downforce? Horsepower? Hybrid horsepower? Let it be known, there is virtually nothing said about just how off the charts these cars actually are.

Or what they’re like to drive. Put a club racer in one. A journalist. Your father-in-law. Let’s see how they manage. Left foot braking. The hand clutch. Paddle shifting.

Or compare them with ... sports prototypes, Indycars, Formula E cars, MotoGP bikes. Anything. Season after season, we’ve been bombarded with the interpersonal drama of a cutthroat sport. Fine. Now, how about some background, any background, on the sabers they wield.

Or the sponsorship drama. Last season, we actually came along, once, as team principal Gunther Steiner pitched Haas sponsorship to an unnamed German company. This season, we open with Steiner in bed with Uralchem oligarch Dmitry Mazepin ... with his son Nikita behind the wheel. How did this happen? We’ll never know.

Or maybe, just maybe, we’re no longer the audience for the series. Maybe Netflix has made a decision to target chronic binge-watchers, hungry for something different, something dramatic, something human-interest. If the focus expands enthusiasm for the sport, I can’t fault that. The evidence, at least on this side of the pond, seems to bear it out. Monster attendance for the U.S. Grand Prix in Austin (although that was never mentioned.) Two American races added to the calendar for 2023, Miami and Las Vegas. My understanding is that Netflix is now trying to double down on its success, producing a series on professional golf by covering this season’s PGA Tour.

And let’s not forget that, reportedly, Volkswagen AG has granted approval for Porsche and Audi to join the circus. Porsche is apparently in discussion with Red Bull to supply engines in 2026, and Audi is discussing the same with McLaren, as well as outright buying a sizable chunk of McLaren’s F1 unit.

At Yas Marina for the final race of the season, Stefano Domenicali, CEO of Formula 1 Group, gives his only interview of the series. He’s asked who’s going to win, and he says “the political answer is Formula 1.” That pretty much sums it up.

Breakfast at Porsche Omaha

Photo Highlights April 9th, 2022

Photos by Jeremy Kroh and Melinda Halvorson

Club members were out Saturday morning for coffee, rolls and breakfast casserole provided by Porsche Omaha. Thanks again to Mitch Schneringer and his staff!



Above Mitch and David welcome GPR Club members.

Right, guess the 60-0 time!

Below, surveying the room over the GT3.



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Porsche Omaha Breakfast (Continued from page 22)



Upper right: Guess what model this wheel belongs to!

Upper and mid left: breakfast conversation.

Lower left and right: Front profiles of a few attendees p-cars.



Be sure to watch the calendar for the next Porsche Omaha event!

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DE 101 at Porsche Omaha

Article and photos thanks to Joe Chambers

The Great Plains Region held a DE101 session on April 21st hosted by Mitch Schneringer at Porsche Omaha April 21st. Terry Lessmann presented the program that discussed what new track drivers can expect the first time they participate in a DE. Topics included how to prepare your car, safety equipment, and a video of a lap around the track.



We are excited to have three new drivers that attended the presentation and look forward to seeing them all on the track at the DE event at RPM on April 30th.



June 3rd is National Donut Day - Let's Eat Donuts!

Join us for our 2nd Annual Donut Drive on **Saturday, June 4th** to sample donuts at a couple of locally owned donut shops in nearby towns. We'll meet at 8:00am at a location yet to be announced. The Driver's Meeting will start at 8:15 and we'll leave promptly at 8:30. Depending on how many of you join us, we'll split into two groups. One group will head to Donut Run in Gretna, and the other group will be off to Stan's Bakery and Coffee House in Plattsmouth. After

sampling their delicious donuts and perhaps buying a dozen or so for another time, each group will drive to the other location. It's a delicious way to start the day! Watch for more details!



Porsches & Pickleball

Our next social dinner will be **Saturday, July 23rd** at the home of Keith & Ardith Ziegenbein in Ashland. A cook-out is planned as well as time on the courts playing pickleball. The Ziegenbeins have an indoor court as well as an outdoor court. Never played? Keith will teach you! All you



need to bring is a pair of tennis shoes. Keith will supply the paddles.

Put this event on your calendar and watch for more information in the next issue of Der Skooner and by email. It's going to be fun!

Overnight Trip to Weston, Missouri



Many of you have asked about our next overnight road trip. I'm excited to tell you that we're planning an overnight trip to Weston, Missouri **July 16th-17th**. Weston, established in 1803, is a charming town tucked into northwest Missouri. The town offers slice of American heritage with its antebellum homes, historical museums and exhibits, and award-winning wineries.

We'll visit Riverwood Winery for a private wine tasting on our way to Weston. Don't like wine? They also have a whiskey and cocktail bar, and there are several distilleries in and near Weston to try. There are antique and specialty shops on Main Street to explore as well as museums in the area. After checking in you'll have free time until our dinner together in the private dining room of Avalon Cafe. Sunday morning will be on your own for breakfast, then you'll be free to wander the cute shops on Main Street, visit the Weston Historical Museum, check out the state park, sample a bit more wine at the wineries in the area, or head back to Omaha when you're ready.

We'll stay at The St. George Hotel, which dates back to 1845. Room rates are: Queen, \$129; King, \$145. A block of rooms have been held until June 16th. Please make your reservation by calling the hotel at 816-640-9902 and mention the block of rooms under "Great Plains Region Porsche Club". Please let Melinda Halvorson, Social Chair, know you are coming by emailing her at social@gprpca.com. This is a trip you won't want to miss! Questions? Contact Melinda at the email above.

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