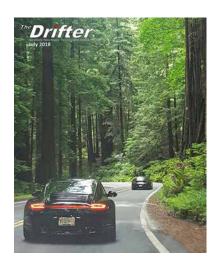




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SVR President's Column

Gregg Plourde, SVR President Photo Gregg Plourde

We are now in the middle of summer and your club has lots of activities for you to enjoy. Please go to page 5 for our calendar list of activities to choose from. In addition there is more information on our website. SVR-PCA.ORG. Using the pull down menu on the top right of the home page (three little lines) will take you to our various activities.

On the same day as the 70th anniversary of the first registered Porsche, they announced the new name for the **Mission E** concept car, the **Taycan** (tie-Kahn). Electric Vehicles (EV) are rapidly being developed by almost all manufacturers, bringing a new generation of transportation technology to the world. I never thought EV's would be main stream at this point in automotive history. As a young car enthusiast, electric vehicles were mentioned in the news, but production time frames were way out in the future. The technological advances that started in the late 80's have sparked (pun intended) new electric storage and management systems to greatly improve battery life and storage designs. Cell phones had a great impact on the need to create batteries that last much longer than ever before,

and that technology is being applied in the automotive landscape. The June Drifter cover reflects the changes in EV's as we progress toward this new era in automotive history. This is not the first time Porsche has explored electric vehicles. During the late 19th and early 20th century several manufacturers were experimenting with EV's. One of these early pioneers was Ferdinand Porsche. One of his first designs was an electric vehicle called the P1. (Also known as the Egger-Lohner C.2 Phaeton). That was way back in 1898!

Speaking of Porsche's anniversary, I and 300 hundred or so friends attended the celebration at Niello Porsche in Rocklin. A great display of cars was expertly organized by **Kim Nelson**, our Dealer Liaison. Thank you, Kim!

Rebecca and I joined 32 other club members on the new Weaverville tour hosted by Liz Houser. All had a wonderful time touring the back roads of Northern California. If it is planned for next year, I hope you can go. Touring is one of our favorite club activities to do. You get to see beautiful countryside, maybe some of it you've never seen before. It might be a never taken the whole planned route. As always, you

get to enjoy the company of fellow club members and create fond memories. There are more tours scheduled this year so check them out and sign up!

At the last board meeting we discussed electronic registration/signup for events hosted by club members. It is being beta tested in 2018 for various events. We will form an ad hoc committee to explore all the different options available to us and prepare a proposal to the board soon. Electronic sign ups were one of the top survey items from last year's member survey. This optional offering by your club will make it easier to read the details of an event (tour, dinner, concours, etc.) and then you can sign up all at the same time. More information will be forthcoming.

> I hope to see you soon! Gregg Plourde





Editors' Corner Matt Menning, Editor Photos Matt Menning

Summer has officially arrived.

High temps can be especially cruel to our cars. The heat and exposure doesn't just the bake outside, it bakes the interior and powertrain too. **Interior** air temperatures can be well in excess of 145° F and the dash surface temperatures with direct sunlight can be in excess of 195°F. It goes without saying, the use of sun shades to bock the Sun really helps. Leather conditioner is vital to prevent drying out your seats. The **Exterior** always needs attention too. A layer of good quality wax between your car's finish and the sun's ultraviolet rays is a great way to help protect it. Then again, some of us now have our cars protected by today's high-tech treatments and have invested in ceramic barrier coatings and clear bras. These can really keep the rays of the Sun from damaging the paint but at a much higher initial cost than wax. I know firsthand about the damage that heat can do to a **powertrain.** The early 986 and 996 are especially vulnerable heat and we are another expensive

statistic. Several years ago, our 996 Carrera overheated once and one our cylinder heads cracked. That crack eventually caused a host of problems leading up to a catastrophic demise a year later. I'm fairly certain that it was the cracked expansion tank that started the chain of events. Be sure the components of your cooling system are up to par and your radiators are not clogged with leaf litter and other debris too.

Begegnen! The 70th Porsche birthday party at Niello last month was well attended. Sportscar Together Day had a great turnout of Porschephiles. By 11:30AM the front lot and surrounding aisles were jam-packed with Porsches of all years and models. Many SVR members (and non-members) brought out their vehicles participate in this event that was simultaneously observed at dealerships all over the world. Several dozen SVR members did what they do so well, socialize. I also met with many members whom I haven't seen a few years. Many of them were attendees on

one or two of the 15 tours my wife Lisa and I have organized in the past 6 years. It was great to catch up. I also met with a handful of people pondering on becoming new PCA members. I'm pretty sure I sold them on it!

Team Niello did a remarkable job getting their venue ready for the big occasion. It was obvious they worked hard to make it happen. If you preregistered, you got a tasty free lunch, a commemorative 70th pin and decal. If you arrived early, you got a spot up in front to show off your car. It was a casual concours and judging was done by the attendees. A few exceptionally rare Porsches were there. To me, most notable was the Red '89 911 Speedster and a gray-black 918 Spyder. Tom and Kathy Sansone won the "people's choice award" with their 1955 356 Continental Coupe. This 356 is no stranger to winning awards and deserving of everyone. It oozes class, romance and dedication to the marque.







PDK (Pretty Darn Kwik)

Rik Larson, SVR Member

Porsche 70th Birthday at Niello

More than 300 people attended the 3 hour party at Niello Porsche on June 9th. This was part of the world-wide "Sportscar Together" event promoted by Porsche. There was a wide variety of Porsche models on display that our own Kim Nelson coordinated using members from SVR and 356CAR groups. If you have photos to share you can upload them to the Shutterfly account maintained by Collin Fat (he is listed as SVR Past President on page 1 of this publication).

First Saturday Breakfast

Only had 20 people at the June breakfast. The Weaverville Tour that weekend probably had a big impact to the attendance.

Friday Tours Coming Up

The Snake Bite Tour will be held on July 13th (yes, Friday the 13th) to the COBRA Museum in Martinez. Tour is limited to 30 cars. And on Friday, August 10th, there is another Friday tour to the Lake Tahoe Wooden Boat Concours. This

tour is limited to 12 cars. You need to buy tickets in advance.

Changes at Niello Porsche?

Did you notice the brackets on the outside of the building while you were at the Porsche 70th Birthday Party? They are getting ready (already done?) for a new façade (black?). This must be part of some updates per Porsche. Time for a new name on the building? And check out the new turntable in the shop area. If you checkout the website, you will see a number of photos of customers with their recent purchase on the spinable turntable. Also used for photos of cars for sale (with the nice white backdrop).

911 Speedster Concept

Nice looking car....and a 4.0 litre engine (non-turbo). It has a lower and shorter windshield (built on a Carrera 4 Cabriolet body), and shorter side windows that were found on the 356 Speedsters from the 1950s. And it will have wheels that will feature a first for Fuchs --- centerlock design. I wonder if

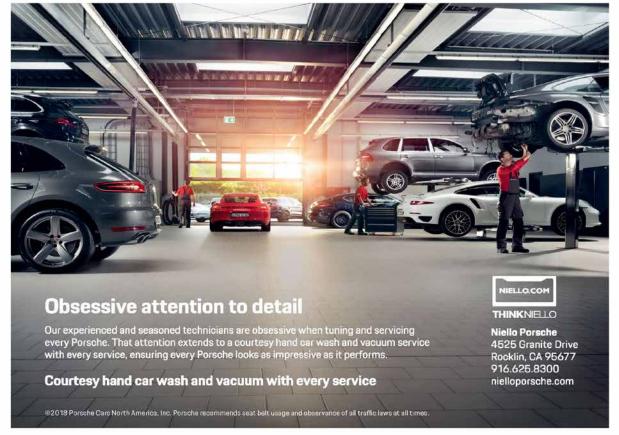
it will have a spare tire (the 356 Speedsters did). The leather interior will be in Cognac.....again a reference from the 356

Rennsport Reunion Parade Laps

Yes, they are going to have them......just details are still sketchy (which days, cost). Registration opens on Wednesday, July 11th. You must already have purchased a corral pass (yes, they are sold out). Expect the details to appear in the e-mailed e-Brake News on Tuesday, July 10th or earlier.

Still have a telephone land line?

Seems that the percentage of households (somebody define that for me) that still have land lines is under 50%. Does that mean that the telephone marketing calls will also decline to those households? I know that I am getting marketing calls on my cell phone now (even with blocking).







Sacramento Valley Region Calendar

Event dates and locations are subject to change. Always check www.svr-pca.org for the most up-to-date information For schedule changes, contact Steve Barker at vicepresident@svr-pca.org

2018 SVR Events svr-pca.org

July 4	4th of July Pocket Parade, Robert Hrabak
July 13	Snake Bite Tour, Cobra Museum, Bulhoes
July 16	SVR Dinner, Tang's, Murphy's
Aug 10	Wooden Boat Show & Tour, Rowland
Sept 8	Gold Rush Tour, Griffiths
Sept 11	SVR Dinner, Olive Garden, Ruth/Marvin Stark
Sept 23	SVR Feather River Tour, Eric Harrald & Tara Jones
Oct 15	SVR Nomination Dinner, Orchid Thai, Rita Barker
Oct 23	Castle Aircraft Museum Tour, Robert Lee & Menning
Nov 2-4	Mendocino Tour, Rik Larson
Dec 15	SVR Christmas Party, Deb Gueri & Alma Thompson
Jan 2019	SVR Planning Meeting TBD

2018 Zone 7 Competition Events zone7.pca.org

	CONCOURS
July 29	Sierra Nevada, Reno
Aug 12	Monterey Bay, Carmel Valley
Sept 23	Redwood, Lucchesi Park
Oct 7	Golden Gate, Carlsen Porsche
	AUTOCROSS
July 21	Sacramento, Stockton
Aug 4	Loma Prieta, Marina
Aug 5	Golden Gate, Marina
	WEST COAST SERIES
July 27-29	Laguna Seca Raceway
Sept. 8-9	Thunderhill Raceway
Sept. 14-16	High Plaines Raceway
	OTHER ZONE 7 EVENTS
	Check, http://zone7.pca.org/

2018 SVR Autocross Events Contact Ed Busuttil autocross@svr-pca.org

July 21	Stockton
August 11	Stockton
September 15	Stockton
October 6	Stockton

Upcoming PCA Events 2018

Porsche Parade, Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri
Werks Reunion, Monterey
Rennsport Reunion VI, Monterey

Recurring SVR Monthly Events

1st Saturday SVR First Saturday Breakfast 8:15 AM
Brookfields Restaurant, 11135 Folsom Blvd.,
Rancho Cordova. Come by and enjoy a great
time with breakfast. Senior breakfast is also
available. You are welcome to just show up.
Jerry Alter, 530.344.0475

2nd Wed. SVR Board Meeting

7-9 PM Sacramento Metro Fire Depart.Station 32, 8890 Roediger Lane, Fair Oaks, (Hazel, north of Sunset Avenue).

Upcoming Events of Interest

2nd Saturday 356CAR Breakfast, Marie Callender's Citrus Heights. Jim Hardie; jehardie@aol.com





Join SVR and Visit the Cobra Museum for a taste of the history of one of the worlds most famous and sought after cars.

When: July 13, 2018. You will meet at 8:00AM behind Shari's Cafe & Pies at 960 Florin Road, Sacramento, CA 95831, departing at 8:45AM and end at the Cobra Museum and Event Center at 777 Arnold Drive, Suite 200, Martinez, CA 94556.

Activities consist of a docent led tour of the facility, a detailed movie on the history of the Cobra and other Shelby vehicles, a lunch of BBQ boneless chicken, Mac N Cheese, Green Salad, Cornbread Muffins with Honey-Butter, a fresh fruit platter, water and soft drinks, and some free time to wander around the museum. The cost is \$50 per person. Time spent at the museum will be approximately 10AM to 2PM

The tour is led by Ernie and Wendy Bulhoes and Paul & Stacey Sathis. Tour is limited to 30 cars. RSVP by July 3rd.

Details contact Ernie Bulhoes (916) 791-4971 or erniemb@yahoo.com







CRAB 37 Sponsor UpdateBy Mike Dunn, Co-Sponsorship Chair

CRAB 37 is now in the past and the memories of this event will last a long time. This is due in part to the generous participation from our sponsors that made this event a success. The members of the SVR and other region attendees offer thanks for their support. The combination of the sponsorship support and the efforts & hard work of the many volunteers resulted in a great CRAB 37.



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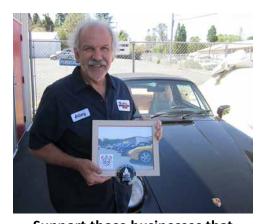
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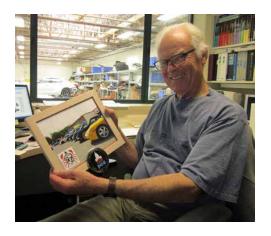
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Porsche Club of America Introduces PCA Juniors Program

By Collin Fat, photos by Collin Fat

Early this year, PCA introduced a new program called the PCA Junior Program. The program's main goal is to encourage young children and adults under the age of 18 to learn about Porsches, enjoy PCA events, and to build enthusiasm about the PCA experience. Any child under the age of 18 years is eligible but must be registered by a current PCA member. This means as a member, you could register your children, nieces and nephews or grandchildren. There is no cost to register and juniors will receive an age appropriate gift and PCA Junior ID badge





The average age of a PCA member is near 60 years of age. The future of the club lies with future generations of Porsche enthusiasts. What better place to look at than at our young children, nieces or nephews or grandchildren. Started in 2017 at Parade in Spokane, the PCA Junior Program targets young Porsche enthusiasts with a goal of getting this generation interested in the Porsche brand.

As a Porsche enthusiast, I have exposed both my son as well as grandchildren to the Porsche experience. My indoctrination of Porsche for my children started in 1983 with my son and daughter when they were in pre-school giving them rides to school in my 1983 911 SC. Soon after my son received his driver's license I exposed him to the sport of autocross and for the past 14 years, he has autocrossed with me almost every year. He hopes to one day purchase his own Porsche and is looking forward to competing against dad in his very own Porsche. As far as my two granddaughters are concerned, I have introduced both of them to the Porsche experience and they currently own a Hot Wheels, limited edition Porsche GT3 and are now current members of the PCA Junior Program.





CRAB 37 Award Winners

By Collin Fat, Photos by Collin Fat and Richard Wetzel

Rally Results

Team	Region	Score	Place/ Class
Janell and Robert Mann	LPR	111	1 FT*
Matt and Ellen Lawrence	DIA	181	2 FT*
Jim and Blake Gibbs	SVR	184	3 FT
Dow and Kathleen Williams	SVR	219	4 FT
Reed and Cindy Schulze	SVR	304	5 FT
Greg and Sharon Pyka	DIA	311	6 FT
Jack and Karyl Sutton	SVR	341	7 FT
Gregg and Rebecca Plourde	SVR	382	8 FT
John and Gail Hawk	SVR	396	9 FT
Rich Walker and Jeff Kinder	SVR	23	1 LE* TTOD
Bob Schoenherr and Anita Benzing	RED	85	2 LE*
Laurie Diba and Tom Leisgang	GGR	118	3 LE
Larry and Linell Wong	GGR	183	4 LE
Lisa Shepard and Steve Slater	SVR	234	5 LE
Greg Pusiuk and Don Jennings	SVR	289	6 LE
Gary and Judy Griffiths	SVR	291	7 LE
Tom and Kathy Sansone	SVR	327	8 LE
Sharon Castle and Craig Steele	RED	413	9 LE DLBF*
Paul and Cindy Christensen	SVR	38	1 EX*
Tom and Sandy Provasi	LPR	65	2 EX*
Carolyn and Kirk Doberenz	GGR-DIA	91	3 EX
Larry Sharp and Mike Koozmin	DIA \LPR	112	4 EX
Mike and Emily Willis	SVR	125	5 EX
* Awards to 1st and 2nd in each Class	GGR and SVR	173	6 EX
FT First Timer LE Less Experienced EX Experienced *Rusty Pan Award to DLBF, Dead Last But Finished			
TTOD Top Time of the Day			









Concours Winners

Name:	Car	Car No	Class.	Place
Katharine Covington	911 RSR	111	Post 70's	1 st
Tom Sansone	356 Cab	048	Pre-70's	1 st
Ray Johansen	356 Cab	079	Crabbiest Car	1 st
Katharine Covington	911 RSR	111	People's Choice	e 1 st
Lance Lighthall Greg Peart James Buckner Lisa Shepard. Al Price	356 914 911 911 Turbo. Carrera 3.0	031 064 119 034 076	Award Winner Award Winner Award Winner Award Winner Award Winner	



Crabkhana Winners

Name	Time Class	Place
Tom and Sandi Provasi	3:10:21 King Crab	1 st
Janet Kramer and Vicki Childs	3:31:65 King Crab	2 nd
Mike Koozman and Larry Sharp	1:17:79 Blue Crab	1 st
Anthony Mendoza and Bob Peake	1:57:47 Blue Crab	2 nd







Autocross Award Winners

Class	Driver	Car	Time
TTTOD Men	Mike Koozmin	1974 914	38.759
TTOD Ladies	Joy Nieslony	1972 914	40.678
Stock A	Ed Tefankjian	2014 Boxster S	41.240
Stock B	John Leet	2012 Carrera S	41.521
Production A	Ray Johansen	1965 356 C	52.791
Production B	Larry Sharp	2006 Cayman S	40.697
Production C	Kent Treiber	2006 Cayman S	44.915
Production C (Ladies)	Sharon Castle	2016 Cayman GTS	45.499
Improved	Mike Koozmin	1974 914	38.758

















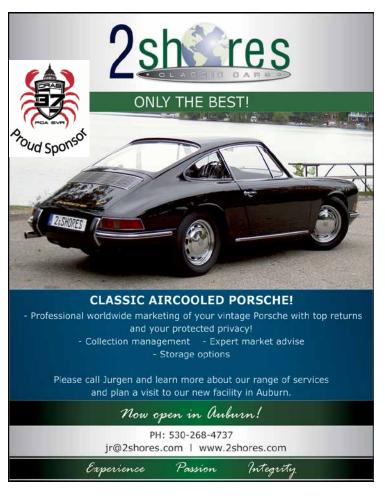




Porsche Cars North America (PCNA) and Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca announced the next Porsche Rennsport Reunion will take place at the famed California racetrack in 2018. The upcoming Family Reunion has been expanded to four days September 27-30, 2018 on the Monterey Peninsula. PCA will take part in and help facilitate the festivities as it has in past Rennsport gatherings.

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People, Places, and Porsches

By Collin Fat, Photos by Collin Fat and Jeff Kinder

CRAB 37 was attended by more than 200 enthusiastic Porsche enthusiasts from throughout Northern California and Zone 7. In fact, one participant traveled all the way from Washington. With an event schedule filled with activities ranging from the welcome party, crab feed, beer'n brat, concours, autocross, tour, rally, and a Crabkhana there were many activities for participants to register for. The following photos capture some of the Porsche enthusiasts that helped to make **CRAB 37** a huge success.























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SVR Board Minutes June 2018

By Rebecca Plourde, SVR Secretary

Wednesday, June 13th, 2018 Sacramento Fires Station #32 8890 Roediger Lane, Fair Oaks, CA SVR Board Meeting Minutes Attendees:

Board Members: Gregg Plourde, Steve Barker, Rebecca Plourde, Tom Perry-Smith, Collin Fat, Mardi Quain, Matt Deter, Janet Conner, Matt Menning **Chairs:** Richard Wetzel, Al Price, Bob Lozito. Mike Dunn.

Guests: Deb Dunn, Liz Houser, Rik Larson, Marvin Stark, Joe Myers, Robert Hrabak, Rita Barker

Call to Order

President Gregg Plourde, called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm on June 13th, 2018.

Old Business

1. Minutes from the May meeting approved via email.

New Business- Actionable

- Mardi Quain submitted a budget for the 4th of July Parade hosted by Robert Hrabak. It will be a zero-cost event. Matt Menning made a motion to approve the budget as submitted, Tom Perry-Smith seconded, budget was approved. Vice President Steve Barker will check if insurance is required.
- Mardi Quian submitted a budget for the Sept. 11th dinner at Olive Garden hosted by Marvin Stark. It will be \$24.00 per person. Steve Barker made a motion to approve the budget as submitted, Collin Fat seconded, budget approved.

New Business- Discussion

- CRAB 37 review: Collin Fat stated he asked John Leet to submit the review and submit it to Panorama. There were 204 Members attended activities, there were 226 who attended the Crab dinner. Exciting news was Chanel 31 was there to report on the event.
- 2. Mike Dunn stated he will relinquish his 4-year position as Advertising Manager as of Dec. 31st, 2018. He submitted to President Gregg Plourde a list of requirements for the next candidate.
- 3. Liz Houser discussed the benefits of using an electronic

registration such as Eventbrite. Pros and cons were discussed. Collin made a motion to form an Ad Hoc committee to select a software program and develop a policy to govern use of event electronic ticket purchases. To include, but not confined to: type of event, training and pricing. Rebecca Plourde seconded, motion approved.

President's Report: Gregg Plourde

- Gregg stated that Alma
 Thompson has stepped down as Co Editor of the Drifter. Matt Menning will now be Editor.
- Gregg stated the first half of the year is going well and thanked all the Board Members & Chairs for the hard work.

Vice President's Report: Steve Barker

 Steve stated Insurance request forms are being sent out for upcoming events

Treasurer's Report: Tom Perry-Smith

 Tom submitted the financials for June. Collin Fat made a motion to approve as submitted, Matt Deter seconded, the report was approved.

Membership Report: Janet Conner

1. Janet stated there are 820
Primary Members, 536 Affiliate Members, with a total of 1,356. We have 9 New Members, 4 referred by PCA website, 1 Mercedes STAR, 1 BMW Roundel, 1 CAR & Driver, 1 PCA Member. There was 1 transfer in, 2 transfers out.

Past President Report: Collin Fat

 Collin stated he will have more information on Crab 37 financials at subsequent meetings.

Social Director Report: Mardi Quain

- 1. Mardi stated the social agenda has seen the finish of the highly successful CRAB 37. The Trinity Weaverville Tour was a success. Participants reported breathtaking country side, challenging driving, great food, and fun camaraderie.
- Upcoming events include: June 16th Northern Mines Tour, June 23rd Meet the New Members dinner. July 13th Snake Bite Tour, July 16th Club dinner at Tang's Sushi._

Competition and Safety: Matt Deter

 Matt stated CRAB autocross had 35 and turned out well. There are 50 signed up so far for Thunderhill Autocross on the 30th.

Webmaster Report: Bill Fargo

1. No report

Concourse Chair: Al Price

1. Al stated there are 30 cars signed up for the June 24th concours.

Rik Larson mentioned we should vote on the SVR cover submission for the PCA cover competition.

Meeting adjourned 8:55PM Next Meeting Wednesday, July 11th, 2018 at Fire Station 32

Respectfully Submitted, Rebecca Plourde Secretary









M_AX Fun By Ed Busuttil, SVR Autocross Chair

What a wonderful CRAB 37 autocross! The weather cooperated, the course was great and the people were even better. We ended up with a pool of

32 drivers, with representation from DIA (1), GGR (1), RR (3), LPR (3), and SVR (24) regions.

The course was designed by **Kent Treiber** and used a large portion of the available surface. It was deceivingly simple, but as usual, hard to master. It started off with two sections to get your speed fix. Then you got to find out how good your vehicle's braking ability was as you headed into a hairpin turn about half way through the course. While you had a ton of room at the hairpin, an unfortunately placed bump just before the turn provided an EXTRA bit of a challenge. This was followed by a nice set of curves allowing drivers to show off their smoothness. The course was finished off with a devious, offset slalom just before the finish line (If you did not have power steering, you did not have to go to the gym for a week... you got your arm workout!!!).

bit too hard to better their time, which skewed the average. This just proves that "Slower is Faster" is easier said than done.

Top Times of Day: The afternoon was good to most of the participants. As the weather warmed up the traction picked up and some of the individuals took the lunch break to inspect certain sections in more detail prior to their afternoon runs. The final two runs ended up netting nearly half of the personal bests for the day. There was quite a bit of cheering and fist bumping as people looked up at their run times to see that it was ACTUALLY as good as it felt.

Top Time of Day Ladies: Joy Nieslony started off with a 44.771 and then took off one second for each of her subsequent four runs. She held steady there and on her eighth and final run she tied it all together and scooted across the line with her best time of day at 40.678.

<u>Top Time of Day Men</u>: Steve **Nieslony** set the bar with a first

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Average Times: Average run times progressed well for the morning set of five runs. Slightly better in the second of four runs in the afternoon. While the last two runs of the day showed an uptick in average times, this is where half of the group achieved their personal best. The uptick? This was due to a few individuals who were trying a

run time of 39.976 which was a whopping three seconds ahead of the competition. Steve's second run he dropped a half second and was sitting at the top of the leader board with a 39.472. Then **Dave Dunwoodie** improved his first run time and the gap was a less than a second. Third run... the gloves came off! Now Steve, Dave

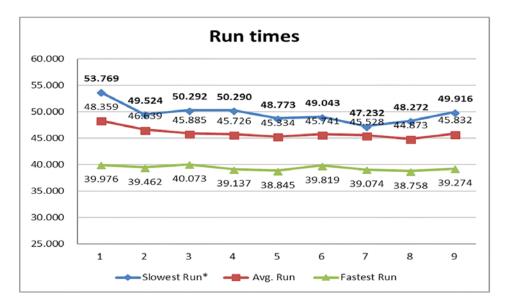
and **Mike Koozmin** had times within a .3 of a second. On Mike's fourth run he grabbed the top time slot of 39.137. That held firm through the seventh run when Dave pulled his best run of the day with a 39.202. Mike responded with a daily best of 38.758 on his seventh run. After the dust settled, Mike Koozmin was still at the top of the leader board. Congrats Mike!

Disclaimer: During CRAB we follow our own set of rules... that's just the way CRAB works. Individuals do not receive multiple trophies, so some adjustments *might* have been made. Class Awards: For CRAB we set up groupings of similar vehicles from the normal 42 classes to a much more user-friendly set of 7 classifications. This allowed for similar vehicles to be compared. The class winners were as follows:

- Stock-A, Ed Tefankjian (aka Ed Racer) from SVR driving a 2014 981S (Boxster S) with a time of 41.240
- Stock-B, John Leet from SVR driving 2012 Carrera S (991) with a time of 41.521
- Production-A, Ray Johansen from SVR driving a 1965 356C with a time of 52.791
- Production-B, Larry Sharp from Diablo Region driving a 2006 Cayman S with a time of 40.697
- Production-C Mens, Kent Treiber from SVR Region driving a BORROWED 2006 Cayman S with a time of 44.915
- Production-C Ladies, Sharon Castle from Redwood Region driving a 2016 Cayman GTS with a time of 45,499
- Improved+Modified, Mike Koozmin from Loma Prieta Region driving a 1974 914 with a time of 38.758.

PAX Awards / Recognition
(Performance Adjustment Index) is an adjusted top time based on assigned handicaps based on vehicle make/model/year and level of modification. These handicaps are based on actual performance of cars in multiple PCA AX events over the years. This adjustment allows for comparison of times on a more even playing field. All times below in the PAX section are the ADJUSTED times.

Top 5 PAX times of for our CRAB participants were as follows: **Alan Booth** from SVR topped the board



(2010 Boxster S) with a time of 35.093. **Matt Deter** (2000 911 Carrera) was next at 36.614, **Larry Sharp** (Cayman S) at 37.287, **John Leet** (2012 Carrera S) with 37.618, and **Greg Zajic**.

Most Improved Awards / Recognition: To provide a level set, the average difference between the all drivers first reasonable run (run one or two) and best run was around 4% which equates to around 2.4 seconds. The biggest improvement came from two people driving the same vehicle. **Martoo** Beerman who improved quickly, ended up improving by nearly 15%, shaving off 10.3 seconds. Robert Antrim improved by 13%, knocking off 7.7 seconds. Brett Barrow was next at 11% with 5.7 second improvement, followed by Ray Johansen with 10%, equating to a 6.0 second improvement. Rounding out the top five was J Toney with 9% improvement equaling 6.1 seconds. Wonderful job everyone!

Snidely Whiplash Perpetual CRAB Award: This award is reserved for the autocross participant with the BEST spin of the day. Typically, there are multiple candidates, but this year's award goes to Mike Koozman who had a very impressive spin during his second run. His name will forever be adorned upon the award for future CRAB participants to enjoy.

Fun Stuff: No awards for these...
Coneage: We ended up with a mere 39 cones bumped out of the box, thrown in the air or downright squashed. Most of the cones were taken out during the morning set, with run 3 being the most dangerous for our cones. Things were fairly smooth in the afternoon. Nary a cone was hit by all 60 cars during the final two runs of the day.

<u>Cone King and Queen:</u> We do NOT recognize people for avoiding cones, so please do not look for your name here

if you were successful in that endeavor. We ended up with a lower than usual 13 individuals who managed to avoid hitting any cones. The remaining 19 individuals were responsible for keeping the course workers busy and on their toes.

Queen – The queen award will not be awarded this year as ladies were generally successful at avoiding cones. We do, however, have an honorable mention which goes to Princess Anita Benzing who only took out two cones, and they were not even on the same run. Definitely not queen-worthy, but close!

<u>King:</u> There was a little competition for this award. **Mike Koozmin** started off the competition and took out 2 cones on his second run, while simultaneously winning the Snidely Whiplash award. **Ed Tefankjian** looked like he had things wrapped up on his third run of the day with 4 cones on the

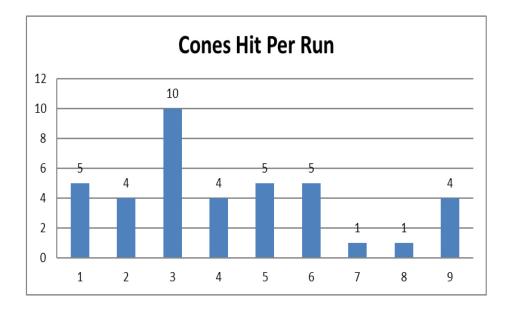
same run. Brian Fat wanted to play too, so he tied things up by taking out 3 cones in his fifth run, and another in the sixth. This left Ed and Brian tied up. However, Mike took out an additional 3 cones in his final run, bringing him to a total of 5 cones during the day and the Cone King award.

Consistency: One of the fun measures is who is the most consistent. This takes into account your three best runs of the day and determines a standard deviation for those runs. Standard deviation is an indication of the variance from the mean value of your best three runs. The lower the value, the more consistent your runs were. Greg Zajic varied by a 67/1000 of a second. Larry Sharp was a little less at 79/1000 of a second difference and the final competitor under in the sub 100's was John M Sturtevant at 81/1000's.

Thank you ALL for making this a very memorable CRAB autocross and I hope you had as much fun as I did. We all know that these events take a lot of work to make them go off so successfully and I want to pass along a huge "CRAB thank you!" to all the volunteers who made the Concours, Rally, Autocross, Tours, and dinners such a wonderful success.

Once again, many thanks to my co-chair, **Greg Zajic** for his statistical wizardry and event impressions throughout this article!

See you on the grid at future autocrosses and at CRAB 38, likely in 2020!





In the Zone By Sandy Provasi, Zone 7 Representative

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A big shout out to the whole CRAB 37 committee from Sacramento Valley Region. It was another wonderful weekend centered around the California Automobile Museum. There was tons of crab to eat along with a Crabkana, Autocross, Walking Tour, Driving

Tour, TSD Rally, and Concours. And of course meeting old and new friends!

Shasta Region again put on a Zone 7 Tour which had all 10 regions in Zone 7 represented. It was quite an undertaking with 56 cars divided in 3 groups for 4 days of driving great Porsche roads around Shasta, Lassen, Hat Creek, Trinity and Burney Falls. Thanks Shasta Region for being wonderful host. This was the same weekend of "Sports Car Together Day" so there were a lot of great photos.

Heads up if you are going to Rennsport. Tickets for parade laps around Laguna Raceway will go on sale Wednesday July 11th. You must have a purchased a corral pass already (sold out) and be driving a Porsche to participate in the parade laps. Check out e-Brake News for more info the week hefore.

Looking ahead, if you are planning on going to the PCA Corral at Laguna Seca during car week (Corral open 8/25-26), you need to purchase a Corral pass through Motorsportreg.com. When they sell out, you will have to park in the boondocks. You can also order lunch for Saturday at the same time. Tickets for the races are sold through weathertechraceway.com

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cross, Marina, Sunday, August 5th Monterey Bay Region, Zone Concours Sunday, August 12th

Redwood Region, Zone Autocross weekend, August 18th-19th

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Drive safe--Sandy Provasi









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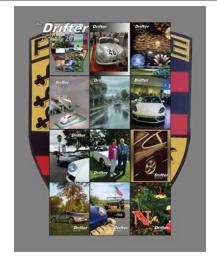


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CRAB 37 Wrap Up By Bob Lozito, CRAB 37 Co-Chair

Well ladies and gentlemen, CRAB 37 is in the books and the entire Committee and hardworking volunteers hope you had as good a time attending as we did putting on the event. We welcomed more than 200 PCA members and guests to the California Automobile Museum (CAM) and other CRAB 37 venues.

Sacramento Valley Region members and neighboring Zone 7 members have said they thoroughly enjoyed the many facets of the three-day event. For some, it was the wonderful driving tour masterfully orchestrated by the talented and dedicated husband-wife team of Lisa and Matt Menning. They planned and executed a route which offered some of the beautiful and rarely seen areas of the greater Sacramento region and then topped it off with delicious BBQ at our lunch host, Detail Maniac. There were over 70 cars participating in the tour, which required lead cars as well as sweep cars for each of the four groups. Despite the overwhelming number of cars on the tour. Matt and Lisa ran the event with military precision, down to the staggered start and dining schedule. I think Lisa's work with the California Air National Guard is paying off and Matt designed vet another

Richard Wetzel and his team of experienced volunteers coordinated the Time and Distance Rally. Those participating in this challenging event enjoyed what Richard and his team had in store for them. Event though we had marriage counselors at the ready, everyone came back with a smile and a few stories...and some very impressive times and scores.

eye-catching CRAB logo.

Autocross Chair **Ed Busuttil** and his team of autocross experts laid out a challenging course at the Stockton Fairgrounds that did not disappoint both novice and veteran drivers alike. There were some extremely close times separating some of the top finishers and a story to accompany each run. As some of you may know, we have some

very skilled autocross drivers of both genders within our ranks. It is a bit unique that two of our finest drivers are the husband and wife duo of **Steve and Joy Nielsony** who seems to always end at the top of the leaderboard.

Our Concours Chair, Al Price, pulled off a masterful and impressive group of beautiful cars this CRAB. They were on full display in front of the California Automobile Museum (CAM) and Al was also able to coordinate some very wonderful weather for the event. I hope you were able to see all of the concourse cars and paid particular attention to a few who were competing for the "Crabbiest Car" award. CRAB veterans and long time PCA members Ray and MaryJane Johansen walked



away with the "Crabbiest Car" award and rightfully so. Besides having a pristine 1965 356C that has won countless trophies, the Johansen's were recently profiled in the March 2018 copy of Porsche Panorama magazine. If you have not read their story, you will truly enjoy the read. They are some of the nicest and fun-loving Porsche owners I have ever met.

Bob Peake assembled a team and laid down a Crabkhana course that was both challenging and fun. Where can, or would, you blindfold yourself and get behind the wheel of a powerful car like the Porsche? Well the answer is at CRAB 37! Comedy was on full display as well

as some very impressive driving skills as the teams of two navigated through the low-speed, high anxiety course. If you have never considered participating in this event, I fully encourage you to try it next CRAB because it is worth the price of admission just in laughs. Of course, you are not necessarily laughing as you are driving, but as a spectator or passenger the laughs are endless.

The CAM was on full display during each of the three days and who better to facilitate the Walking Tour than resident CAM Docent and "Voice of Crab" Kim Nelson. Kim called upon his fellow veteran CAM docents to develop a walking tour quiz that had many of us scratching our heads and calling upon Google and other search

engines for help. Do you know a "Trafficator" is or which brand of shaving cream was advertised along the nation's highways in the 1950's? As intended, some attendees scurried through the museum in search of the answers to the guiz while others took a more passive, yet unsuccessful attempt to employ the "Interweb" to seek out the answers. It wasn't until Kim announced the winner at the banquet, we learn the answers to the most elusive questions. Job well done Walking Tour Team!

Of course you would never had been able to enjoy any of the aforementioned events without going through the CRAB registration process. This herculean task was taken on

by the dynamic duo of Richard Walker and Bill Fargo. They, along with a team of dedicated volunteers, masterfully pulled off the registration process down to the very last detail. With so many moving parts to any CRAB event, trying to ensure every attendee has the proper tickets, meal selections, and so on can be a daunting task. Bill and Richard showed that experience matters when tackling this task and they did an outstanding job.

Once you made it past Richard's registration table during Friday night's Welcome Party, you were met by several smiling faces ready and willing to assist with any last-minute changes

you may have considered. While we know there may have been some trepidation and confusion as some members tried to sign up for events that were full, hopefully the volunteers staffing each of the event tables was able to assist you in making changes that were to your liking.

After you passed those tables you likely headed for the food and drinks. If there were an MVP for the CRAB 37 team it would likely go to Alma **Thompson**. You've likely heard the saying, "Good things come in small packages," well Alma is the person the original author was intending to portray. Alma assembled a very capable and hard-working team to carry out the mission of feeding our guests beginning with the Friday Night Welcome Party, all the way through the Sunday Beer and Brats event. Lisa and George Okamoto stepped up and hit it out of the park with the welcome party. Not to be outdone, Alma and Cookie Anderson went above and beyond to ensure we did not walk away hungry or disappointed with our main event allyou-can-eat crab feed. The final meal in our trio of food-related events was organized by the team of Tara Jones and **Eric Harrald** who served up some very tasty brats and cold, thirst-quenching beer. We hope you all enjoyed the food and socializing during these meals.

You no doubt noticed, the CAM had a facelift recently to include a new roof and other structural changes. What you may not have been ready for was the transformation achieved by the decorating team. Thanks to the tireless and enthusiastic efforts of **Deb Dunn and Mardi Quain**, the area for our meals underwent a crustacean inspired metamorphosis, which was both fun and amazing. Fish nets, crabs, and handmade table center pieces gave off the feel of a fishing village.

There were other rock star performances by our team that may not have been as obvious but nonetheless important. Mike Dunn and Ed Parra tackled the task of bringing in vendors and sponsors for the event. This aids in keeping the costs of admission down to a manageable level while not sacrificing any quality. Mike and Ed worked for the better part of a year landing sponsors, many of who were on display during the events at the CAM on Sunday. You likely recognized several of our returning vendors and sponsors from previous CRAB events. We welcomed a few newcomers this year as sponsors to include Brian and Michelle Moore who own and run the Niello Concours at Serrano. The Moore's truly stepped up by donating two tickets for their

event held at the Serrano Country Club on Sunday, October 7, 2018, from 10AM-5PM. Each of the names of the registered CRAB 37 attendees has been forwarded to the Moore's. Your free entry tickets will be at their "will-call" window the day of the event. We also had several SVR members generously agreed to be sponsors this year to include Bill Hooper, owner of Hooper Tires; Steve and Nancy Casale, owners of A&A Metal Finishing; Rachel Nelson provided our awards and custom wine glasses; Ed Parra and Terri Bertolucci-Parra of Bertolucci's; and Diane and Steve Harris from The Dirty Shirt Company. There's nothing better than SVR members giving back to ensure the success of our events. Thank you all. Special thanks to Joy Nielsony who was the treasure for the CRAB 37 event and kept us on task on financial matters.

Other behind-the-scenes stars were John Leet who single-handedly moved our CRAB 37 events into the social media arena at full force. John's professional background coupled with his "can-do" attitude paid huge dividends not only for CRAB 37 but also for PCA-SVR. John and Matt managed to entice the local TV station channel 31 to cover our event was featured live on Good Day Sacramento. We now have a much larger footprint within the social medial community that is home to countless Porsche owners who we've struggled to attract. John's media-related partner this year was our very own SVR Immediate Past President Eduardo Ortega, Jr. If you have not had the pleasure of seeing some of Eduardo's videos showcasing CRAB 36 and now CRAB 37, you are missing a lot. I invite you to visit the SVR website and take in some of his work. We are lucky to have Eduardo on our team.

If you saw some folks at the events who appeared busy making sure every aspect of the dinner, Concours, rally and so on was running smoothly, we have Janet Conner to thank. Janet raised her hand early on and took on the task of recruiting volunteers for this year's event. We simply could not have done this without Janet and her team of selfless and hard-working team. Many of the volunteers were also CRAB 37 registered attendees who passed on some of the fun in order to ensure we delivered a successful event. My sincere thanks to each of our volunteers. One person in particular did much of the heavy lifting, figuratively and literally. Jon Kramer was in charge of logistics including everything from making sure parking lots were properly marked, the CAM was ready, garbage bins emptied, and more. Jon made it look easy but it

was far from a simple task. Jon is one in a million and worth his weight in gold.

Spouses, family and friends of some of the event chairs rolled up their sleeves and went to work as well. Weyland Fat secured the beverages for the entire three-day event. **Elaine** Fat teamed with Rosemary Wu and handled our goodie bags. Karen Lozito handed out the shirts. Bill Conner coordinated the host hotel, and Gary Thompson was everywhere doing everything. Our very own Speedsters crushed it Saturday night and the MacFarlane family performed at the Friday night welcome party. We even had Diablo Region Director, Pam Richards helping to hand out shirts at registration. Now that is amazing!

I could go on but this article needs to come to an end. I do, however, need to thank one very special person - Collin Fat. After CRAB 36, I approached the SVR board to let them know if nobody was slated to chair the next CRAB I was willing to give it a try. Being relatively new to the SVR family I knew my biggest challenge would be to find a co-chair who was well respected within the SVR community, had proven him or herself with past events, and was easy to work with. Collin fit the bill. If you have not had the pleasure of working with Collin you quickly come to appreciate his calm demeanor, laser focus to details, and his business acumen. Once onboard, the task of putting on this event fell into place. His relationships with other members paid huge dividends, as he called upon friends and members alike to join our team. I cannot thank Collin enough for being my co-chair.

Lastly, please give serious consideration in stepping forward and getting involved with CRAB 38. We are looking for folks to chair the event as well as fill all the vital roles. I learned a great deal and now have several new friends that I would have otherwise never had the pleasure of getting to know. That is what SVR is all about. We have heard it for years...it's not the cars...it's the people.

Warm Regards,

Bob Lozito
CRAB 37 Co-Chair

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