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In The Zone – December 2026

Hello Zone 7!

And just like that, another year is coming to a close!

December brings us the holiday season, time with family and friends, and perhaps a chance to slow down a little after another very busy year of PCA activities. Of course, here in Northern California and Nevada, we're fortunate that putting our Porsches away for the winter isn't necessarily part of the plan. There are still some wonderful roads to enjoy, and I'm sure more than a few of us will find an excuse to get behind the wheel before the year is over.

What a year 2026 has been! Across our ten Regions, we've enjoyed an incredible variety of activities, from autocross, concours, driver education, and club racing to scenic tours, social gatherings, technical sessions, and some truly outstanding special events. Add in the National events, including Porsche Parade, Werks Reunion, and Treffen at Sea, and it's easy to see why our calendars seem to fill up so quickly.

I hope you took advantage of some of those opportunities, perhaps tried something new, visited another Region, or made a few new friends along the way.

As we look toward 2027, this December edition of *In The Zone* is also a little different for me. After four years serving as your PCA Zone 7 Representative, my term is coming to an end.

And what an incredible four years it has been!

Four Years, Ten Regions, and Countless Memories

When I accepted the position of Zone 7 Representative, I knew it would involve supporting our Regions, working with PCA National, attending events, and helping our Region leadership navigate the many opportunities and occasional challenges that come with running a successful PCA Region.

What I didn't fully appreciate at the time was just how rewarding the experience would be.

To the Presidents of **Diablo, Golden Gate, Loma Prieta, Monterey Bay, Redwood, Sacramento Valley, Sequoia, Shasta, Sierra Nevada, and Yosemite Regions**, both past and present, thank you.

Thank you for your leadership, your friendship, your trust, and your dedication to making your Regions the best they can be.

To your Boards of Directors, Committee Chairs, and the many volunteers who work tirelessly behind the scenes, you have my sincere appreciation. I've had the privilege of seeing firsthand just how much time, energy, creativity, and commitment goes into making our events and activities successful.

And to our members, whether we've worked together directly, met at an event, shared a conversation, or simply enjoyed the benefits of the efforts of others, thank you for being part of this journey.

Over these four years, I've attended countless Region, Zone, and National events. There have been wonderful experiences, memorable drives, exciting competitions, and more than a few laughs.

But when I reflect on those experiences, one thing stands out above everything else.

It's not just about the cars. It's about the people.

The friendships, camaraderie, shared enthusiasm, and willingness to help one another are what make PCA such an extraordinary organization.

A Special Thank You to PCA National and My Fellow Zone Representatives

I've also been fortunate to work with an outstanding group of people at the National level.

To the **PCA National Executive Team**, past and present, thank you for your guidance, support, and friendship throughout my term. I've appreciated the opportunity to work together in support of our Regions and the members we all serve.

And a particularly special thank-you goes to my peers, **my fellow PCA Zone Representatives**.

What a group!

There is a unique camaraderie among Zone Reps. We share ideas, experiences, challenges, and solutions, and occasionally help one another navigate situations that don't exactly come with an instruction manual.

We've also shared a lot of laughs along the way.

We often joke that **being a Zone Representative is the best job you can have in PCA**.

After four years, I have to agree!

Where else do you get the opportunity to meet so many wonderful people, experience such a wide variety of PCA activities, and work alongside others who share the same passion for this club?

To my fellow Zone Reps, thank you for your friendship, encouragement, advice, and support. It's been an honor to serve alongside you.

Welcome Your New Zone 7 Representative – Pat Burke



I'm very pleased to announce that **Pat Burke**, the outgoing President of Redwood Region, has been selected as your next PCA Zone 7 Representative.

The Zone Representative position is appointed by the **PCA National President and Executive Council**, and I believe Pat will be an excellent choice to lead Zone 7 into its next chapter.

Pat brings tremendous enthusiasm, a broad understanding of PCA, and a genuine appreciation for everything a Region can offer its members.

His vision extends beyond any single activity or event. He understands that PCA is made up of people with many different interests and that a successful Region provides opportunities for all of them to participate, connect, and enjoy their membership.

That enthusiasm and all-around vision of PCA were important factors in his selection.

I'm excited for Pat and for the future of Zone 7. I know he will bring his own ideas, energy, and perspective to the position, and I encourage all our Region leaders and members to give him the same wonderful support you've given me.

Congratulations, Pat, and welcome to the best job in PCA!

A New Opportunity to Serve PCA

While my term as Zone 7 Representative is coming to an end, my involvement with PCA will be continuing in a new capacity.

I'm pleased to share that I've been appointed **PCA National Membership Chair**.

In this position, I'll be working with the PCA Executive Council and supporting all 150 Regions throughout the country, frequently working directly with Region Presidents and Membership Chairs.

My focus will be on continuing the growth of PCA, helping Regions identify and welcome potential new members, and encouraging existing members to discover and enjoy everything our club has to offer.

One of the things I've always enjoyed is talking with prospective and new members about what PCA really is.

My 30-second explanation is pretty simple:

Make PCA the club YOU want it to be!

If you enjoy competition, we have autocross, all the way through PCA Club Racing.

If your passion is preparing and presenting your Porsche, we have concours.

If you enjoy driving, our Regions offer an incredible variety of tours, from a morning drive with a breakfast stop to a full-day adventure with lunch or dinner along the way. Tours remain one of the most popular activities among our members.

If social activities are your thing, there are dinners, gatherings, celebrations, and countless opportunities to meet people who share your interests.

Many Zones also offer multi-Region events, bringing members together from a much wider area.

And then there's PCA National!

Porsche Parade, two Treffen events each year, Treffen at Sea, Werks Reunion at Amelia Island and Monterey, ÜnStock, Tech Tactics, and so much more.

There truly is something for everyone.

My goal will be to help our Regions communicate those opportunities, welcome new members, and, just as importantly, keep our existing members engaged and excited about being part of PCA.

I'm looking forward to this next opportunity to contribute to a club that has given me so much.

Looking Ahead – 2027 Is Already Taking Shape!

While we're wrapping up 2026, the planning for another exciting year is already well underway.

Our **Zone 7 Autocross Series** will return in 2027, with dates and event information to be announced as the schedule comes together.

Likewise, our **Zone 7 Concours Series** will be back, offering more opportunities to participate, learn, compete, and enjoy some truly remarkable Porsches.

Our Regions are also preparing their **Driver Education schedules**, along with upcoming **PCA Club Racing events**. Whether you're interested in improving your driving skills, participating in competition, volunteering, or simply spending a weekend at the track, there will be plenty of opportunities.

Keep an eye on the calendars and Region websites as those dates become available.

And don't forget the National events!

Porsche Parade 2027 will be held in Boise, Idaho, a wonderful opportunity for many Zone 7 members to experience PCA's premier National gathering a little closer to home.

Looking even farther ahead, **Porsche Parade 2028 heads to Traverse City, Michigan**.

And for those who enjoy combining travel with PCA friendships, **Treffen at Sea returns in 2027**. Additional information is included below.

There's certainly no shortage of things to look forward to!

A Few More Ways to Enjoy Your PCA Membership

As we head into the holiday season, here's something worth remembering.

PCA Membership Gift Certificates are available and can make a wonderful gift for a Porsche enthusiast who hasn't yet discovered everything our club offers.

I'll include a flyer below with additional information.

And for those who have a particular passion for a specific Porsche model, don't forget about the **PCA Model Registries**.

These groups bring together members who share an interest in particular models, providing another opportunity to exchange knowledge, share experiences, and connect with fellow enthusiasts.

Information on both programs is included below.

Stay Connected

As we transition into 2027, staying connected with Zone 7 will continue to be an important part of enjoying everything our Regions have to offer.

Be sure to follow the **Zone 7 Facebook page**, along with our dedicated **Zone 7 Autocross** and **Zone 7 Concours** Facebook pages.

And don't forget the **Zone 7 website**, where you'll find calendars, event information, registration links, Region connections, and the latest news.

Links to all four are included below.

One Last Thank You

As I bring this final *In The Zone* column of my term to a close, I want to express just how much I've appreciated the opportunity to serve you.

It's been four years filled with remarkable experiences, wonderful friendships, a few challenges, plenty of laughter, and memories I'll carry with me for a very long time.

I hope that somewhere along the way I've been able to make a positive contribution to our Regions, support the people who work so hard for our members, and encourage a few of you to get a little more involved.

I know that I've learned a great deal from all of you.

To everyone who has been part of these past four years, **THANK YOU**.

And to Pat Burke, I wish you every success as you begin your term. Zone 7 is in good hands.

I'll still be around, still enjoying my Porsche, still participating in events, and still looking forward to seeing familiar faces and meeting new ones.

So please, when you see me at an event, come say hello. I'm pretty sure we'll find something to talk about!

I wish you and your families a wonderful holiday season, a happy and healthy New Year, and many more miles of Porsche enjoyment in 2027.

Remember, PCA is fueled by volunteers, but it's the people who make it special.

Brian
PCA Zone 7 Representative, 2023–2026



Please let me know if your Region has an event that is open to other Regions / needs broader participation reach.

I am happy to share that information in this monthly column and on social media.

🏁 Zone 7 Autocross –

The **Zone 7 Autocross Series** is now all wrapped up!

It has been great watching drivers from around the Zone come together this season—some competing seriously for points, others working on their driving skills, and plenty simply enjoying their Porsche in a safe and challenging environment.

Look for the0 2027 **Zone 7 Autocross Series schedule SOON …** and come join the fun.

✨ Zone 7 Concours –

If you haven’t attended a Concours this year, there’s still time. And remember—you don't need a perfect garage queen to participate. Concours is as much about learning, preservation, preparation, and camaraderie as it is about competition.

Come show your car, volunteer, learn a few detailing tricks, or simply walk the field and enjoy some remarkable Porsches.

The **Zone 7 Concours Series events, information, and registration links** are included below.



Porsche Club of America membership is the

Best Holiday Gift

for any Porsche enthusiast!

Know someone who owns a Porsche?
Give them a Gift Membership to the Porsche Club of America!

PCA members know the fun that the club can provide, and we've built the world's largest Porsche community around that very feeling. PCA offers driving and social experiences, monthly magazine, member benefits, and camaraderie second to none. PCA makes the best gift this holiday season!

Go to **web.pca.org/giftmemberships**

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Join a PCA Special Interest Register today!

PCA has 21 registries for those super enthusiastic about their Porsche model

The PCA Registry program was established in 1995 to encourage closer relationships within Porsche model owners in PCA. The program allows PCA members to network with others in their specific area of interest. Sharing of information fosters restoration and maintenance of members' automobiles. A registry can potentially provide a new resource for historical displays at Parades and other PCA events, along with information for articles in *Porsche Panorama*. Don't see a registry for your Porsche? We are also looking for individuals who are interested in starting a registry for a model that doesn't have an existing registry.

CHECK OUT THE REGISTRIES AT: www.pca.org/connect/special-interest-groups

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TREFFEN AT SEA
2027 BRITISH ISLES VOYAGE
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PCA Treffen at Sea 2027

12-Day British Isles with France & Belfast - Starts at $2,779/person

Sail with fellow Porsche Club of America members and book now to take advantage of the best available cabins and all the benefits of Princess PLUS®. Enjoy an unforgettable round-trip voyage from Southampton, England, where history, culture, and dramatic scenery define every destination. This immersive itinerary journeys through England, Ireland, Scotland, Northern Ireland, and France—balancing legendary cities and rugged coastlines with refined comfort at sea. Demand is high—reserve your preferred stateroom now to secure the best cabin selection for this exceptional British Isles experience.

More information: pca.princesspartnerships.com/pcacruise/pca-treffen-at-sea-2027

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Zone 7 … stay connected.

Zone 7 website	**zone7.pca.org**
Zone 7 Facebook - main page	**Zone 7 facebook**
Zone 7 Facebook - AX page	**Zone 7 AX facebook**
Zone 7 Facebook - Concours page	**Zone 7 Concours facebook**

Porsche Club of America Zone 7

zone7.pca.org

Look for the 2027 Zone 7 **Autocross** Series Schedule HERE SOON

Date	Region	Location	Links coming

Regions are now using the Zone 7 classification system https://zone7.pca.org/autocross-rules/ for more info.

Porsche Club of America Zone 7

2027 Zone 7 **Concours** Series

Schedule will be updated when events are added and dates confirmed

Date	Region	Location	

Driver Education (DE)

PCA DRIVER'S EDUCATION "DE" EVENTS SCHEDULE

PCA – Golden Gate Region

- **pca-ggr.org/track**

PCA - Diablo Region

- **diablo-pca.org/driver-ed**
- For further information: Contact Ed Won at DiabloPCA.DEchair01@gmail.com

Look for the 2027 Diablo calendar to be announced here SOON

PCA - California Central Coast Region (PCA - CCCR)

- Our friends in Zone 8. Who hold events at Button Willow and Laguna Seca.
- For further information: Contact Bob Bruington at aircooled911sc@gmail.com

Zone 7 Events - Website

2027 Zone 7 Autocross - Click here for information on the Zone 7 Autocross schedule.

2027 Zone 7 Concours - Click here for information on the Zone 7 Concours series.

2027 Sacramento Valley Region (SVR) Time-Speed-Distance (TSD) Road Rally Series

- Open to all members in all Regions.

The Sacramento Valley Region (SVR) of the Porsche Club of America will be hosting a series of **Time-Speed-Distance (TSD) road rallies** that start at various locations within the greater Sacramento Region. The rallies are scheduled for Saturdays with the first car departing at 9:31 AM. They will typically be 90 to 120 miles in length and less than four hours in duration. The rallies will have reasonably easy to follow directions using mostly scenic low volume paved roads.

- Route instructions will be consumable for the beginning rallyist but still providing challenges and learning experiences for all participants.
- Time and location details for all events will be posted to the SVR website *svr-pcaor.org*
- Registration for all events will be through MotorsportReg.
- The entry fee for each event will be $25 per car. Entry requires a street-legal vehicle, a licensed and insured driver, a navigator, and a smart device (e.g., cell phone or tablet) running the FREE Richta GPS Competitor 'app.'

COME JOIN US FOR THE FUN!!

PCA/PCNA Events

- Click here for a list of upcoming PCA events (the national website).
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pcaclubracing.org

2027 schedule coming

