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On the cover: This Boxster GTS 4.0 in Frozen Berry Metallic has all of the option boxes ticked. Seen here during our June Porsche at The Lot Event. Photo by Justin Flagg.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Gus Vasilakis, ARPCA President

Gus Vasilakis
ARPCA President

WHERE HAS THE SUMMER GONE? Well, our club calendar lists more to do! Read on with me for a minute.

With PVGP and the huge Pitt Race HPDE weekend behind us, we turn our attention to the specialty events that squeeze the last bits of summer out of the Allegheny region. I call these Act 2. I have to thank all the members who volunteered this year to make the stellar events of July, our largest, a success. In keeping with our social-side offerings, we have Porsche at The Lot at Edgewater coming up on August 5th. These casual Saturday mornings now have over 60 cars from early 911s and 914s to modern day GT3s and Turbo SUVs. There are also the monthly Tuesday PTC lunches to attend. And of course, everyone is always encouraged to attend our Club meetings which resume on September 7th. Even if you have nothing to say we'll let you have pizza.

Let's talk about our club giving back for a moment. So many people who do not understand our members might discount our genuine commitment to give back. However, since I have been an officer we have given thousands to the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank during the pandemic, and over $100,000 to the PVGP charities. A couple of months ago we held our June meeting at Rosedale Tech. After a tour of the facility given by Rosedale President Dennis Wilke, Linda Scanlon presented him with a $2000 check to be used for a scholarship. I must tell you that observing our women's group present that check, proceeds from their TopGolf event, was very rewarding and a proud moment for our club. Thank you all for your generosity.

Our membership continues to grow and even though we have members who only join for the one or two years of their lease, we retain over 95% of members year over year, and add about 50 total members annually. We can do so much more as we continue to grow. Looking at 2024 (wow, I'm jumping 6 months ahead), we can use help organizing and executing our spring and summer events. Please consider becoming more involved by reaching out to me, or Social Chair Lisa Malobicky, with your ideas and willingness to participate. Contact information is in *Rundschau* and on our web page under the About Us tab.

(L–R) Women of ARPCA members Lisa Malobicky, Mary Jo Dockman, Erin Rattenni, along with Rosedale Tech President Dennis Wilke and Women's Chair Linda Scanlon. Photo by Larry Sachs.

We have an exclusive event coming up at Station Square this month. The historic Grand Concourse will again serve as our setting for the 2023 Porsche at Station Square. Shine and display your car with 100 of our members. You can enjoy an afternoon with friends with our beautiful automobiles as our backdrop. Space is limited to 50 cars so register early.

Interested in trying an HPDE weekend? We still have a few spaces left for the Mid-Ohio experience in September. You need to register now and prepare your car. See our HPDE event page for more information to get you started.

In closing, I need to again thank our dedicated officers, committee chair people, many volunteers, and you our valued members for making this a vibrant and successful club.

Stay safe and hope to see you all soon,

–Gus

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Drake Core
ARPCA Vice President

Dogs & Cars

In 2018 Beth and I decided to get our first dog. Although we had rescued several cats the thought of getting a dog never crossed our minds until one fateful day when Beth was visiting her sister in Jackson, WY. Her sister's friend had a 5-month-old French Bulldog named Otis. Beth fell in love with Otis. Then the phone call came saying, "I met the sweetest dog ever and what do you think about getting a dog?" We are both animal lovers but we lived for 22 years free of the responsibility of having a dog. This was a huge life changing decision. I said "Sure! Whatever you want!"

We decided to contact Otis' breeder to see if she had any puppies or litters available. Sure enough, she had two litters on the way. Satisfied with our research, we committed to one of the puppies from an upcoming litter. There was just one caveat, the breeder was in Ft. Lauderdale and we would need to travel there, once to choose the puppy, and again to bring it home after it was weaned. No problem! But the biggest decision was yet to be made. What to name it? We didn't even know if we were getting a boy or girl.

Our puppy was born March 18th, 2018, St. Patrick's Day. Our new Frenchie would be a little bit Irish. Two weeks later, Beth was on a plane to select our pup. There were two bins of puppies! They literally looked like little potatoes. How to choose? Eventually she picked a Lilac Fawn potato and it was a boy! We now had to decide what to name our Frenchie. The name has to be car related, specifically Porsche. We thought for weeks and found the perfect name: Magnus, after Magnus Walker, an amazing Porsche enthusiast who has had a huge influence on the Porsche world. He has several videos on YouTube and has become so influential that Porsche has consulted with him on projects. We told the breeder his name and she began to call him Magnus.

Magnus at Sewickley Porsche looking unhappy because he can't reach the pedals. Photos by Drake Core.

Ten weeks later, Beth returned to Florida and brought our super cute and playful puppy home. Magnus did very well on the plane. I remember it like it was yesterday. It was the moment our lives changed dramatically. We are a couple without children so this new responsibility was a huge adjustment for us and we embraced it with all we had. At the beginning he had so much energy that we took him to doggie daycare and enrolled ourselves in a 12-week training class. Little did we know, Frenchies are notorious for being very hard to train. Bullheaded to be more precise. But we lucked out and he was actually a very astute little pup and listened most of the time.

As part of his training, we wanted to expose him as much as possible to our world. He went everywhere with us. Because we needed him to be comfortable around cars we took him to as many places as possible where cars were gathering, including Cars & Coffee, Sewickley Porsche, the Vintage Grand Prix, and Pitt Race. He has modeled several times on top of cars and inside cars and even made the cover of *Rundschau* in 2018. The exposure paid off. Magnus has been a good sport about being around cars and has a new RV to run around in while we attend DEs. If you are planning to attend the ARPCA DE at Pitt Race July 28-30, you might see Magnus. He'll be dragging Beth around the paddock looking for dropped morsels of food and maybe a scratch behind the ear. We look forward to seeing you at one of our ARPCA events and hope you get to meet Magnus.

A Few Words About Cover Photos

by Larry Sachs, Editor

When you shoot your photos try to remember that the space for the cover photo is square, even though the newsletter is not. I would encourage you to take several shots at different distances from your subject. Make an effort to leave space on all four sides, because when making your rectangular image square something is going to be lost. You don't want it to be the front or back end of the car (or main subject), or the top of somebody's head. Keeping these things in mind will help you to get a photo which may be suitable for the cover.

Some months I don't receive any submissions for the cover photo contest. There are times however when I receive multiple images which, while very nice as automobile photographs with great artistic merit, I am unable to use because of the reasons I mentioned above. This month I've decided to let some of these images see the light of day. I hope that you enjoy them.

Top Left Jim Mullett's 2019 Miami Blue Carrerra S Cabriolet. Kristen Butler photo.

Top to bottom, L–R :2021 Targa 4S Gentian Blue, Morgantown, WV. Justin Kupec photo. 963 at Daytona. Dan Bursick photo. Ruchlos Rallye, Snowshoe Mountain, WV. Kevin Rhule photo. 1984 911 with 38k miles. Steve Flowers photo. Sunset reflected on the panoramic roof of Michele Bursick's Macan. Michele Bursick photo.

Rosa's Cantina Roundup

by Mark Frumkin, PTC Co-Chair

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Waking up early and somewhat excited about our PTC Lunch, I figured that I had better get a move on! When a rainy day presents itself, there is always a decision about what to drive. Deciding my best option was to commandeer my wife's Macan, it was off to Sewickley to greet our friends and members. Arriving in town I located the public parking and snagged a spot at the top of the lot in an empty row. In as much as it was 10:30 a.m. I was somewhat alone in there and was hoping to have at least one line of cars. The parking arrangement assumed some basic meter knowledge and was a pain. The instructions on how to pay for a time period in your chosen spot were simple enough once you found the obscure little green button to turn the meter on.

John and his wife were next to arrive and parked across from me. He "enjoyed" purchasing some time as well. Most of our PTCers arrived in domestic vehicles, there were just a few P cars, no doubt due to the rainy day. Once all the parking was settled I went inside to join the crew.

The Sewickley Hotel and Rosa's Cantina is a neat little place. As you walk in, there's the old bar which I sat at in the 70s as a student at Robert Morris. It gives a strong feeling of nostalgia. It has been brightened up a bit now and is nicely decorated in a southwestern style.

There were a bunch of us, and we were escorted to an outside covered deck type room, also with a large straight bar and a cook working in the back. We were seated at tables of four each under a cover (in case the precipitation resumed) and conversations commenced.

Although the food was delicious, the service was painfully slow with the table I was at seeing food around 1:00.

A charity donation dish was passed around which netted $95.00. Pretty good, I thought. After enjoying some time with our like-minded Porsche friends we adjourned well fed close to 2:00 p.m.

Photos by Larry Sachs.

PTC Heads to Peters Township

by Mark Frumkin, PTC Co-Chair

I recently met with the Event Coordinator of "Atria's Peters Township" with the hopes of securing an appropriate lunch location for our Touring Crew in August. Angel Weaver, who commands that position, was more than receptive as she is a Porsche lover herself and hopes to own one someday. Talking about what we needed she offered a private meeting room which should hold us, but if not, the dining room will be ours as well. Calling me back some days later she advised that she was also able to commandeer the side parking lot, graciously donated by the other mall tenants, which will easily accommodate our cars.

Atria's lunch menu is varied and includes burgers to BBQ and a large variety of salads. We can also select from the dinner menu, which offers steaks, crab cakes, etc. There is a full bar in addition to a solid beer selection. I have eaten here several times and it's always quite good. Tom and I are looking forward to seeing our fellow PTCers here on August 22nd at 11:30 a.m. in force!

Atria's Peters Township
4059 Washington Road
McMurray, Pa 15317
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(Front L–R) Atria's Management team: Jack, Angel, and Kris, (Back two, waiters).
Photos by Mark Frumkin

July Porsche at The Lot

by Larry Sachs, *Rundschau* Editor

The July breakfast gathering at The Lot at Edgewater in Oakmont proved to be popular once again with the ARPCA crowd as at least 60 cars, from 356s to GT3s, lined the blocked-off street in front of the restaurant. Dry weather and perfect temperatures certainly contributed to the impressive turnout. In addition to the always excellent food, Social Chair Lisa Malobicky brought a sheet cake to help club Secretary Tim Gustafson celebrate his birthday.

Photos by Larry Sachs.

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

The most recently approved business meeting minutes can be found using this link http://arpca.com/business-meetings/meeting-minutes/ or this QR Code.

Women *in* Wine

by Linda Scanlon, ARPCA Women Co-Chair

Not sure what it was this time that drove such interest. Was it a new venue in a central location? Was it the opportunity to sample different women-influenced wines? Maybe a little bit of both? Whatever it was, we had a sellout event! On one hand, it is wonderful to have a sellout, the reward for the planning and effort that goes into organizing a gathering. On the other hand, with a sellout, we have to tell some members, sorry, no more room, and that is a bummer.

We are not going to say that anyone was directionally challenged. We will agree that even with the address, the entrance to Barsotti Wines is unassuming and very small, requiring Erin Rattenni to stand out front as a beacon for those trying to find our party. Behind the door, we followed a greenhouse-like cobblestone path to the far back of the building. There we entered a small, industrial, yet intimate room, walls lined with bottles and boxes of wine, with a U-shaped table artfully set with charcuterie, plates, and tasting glasses. There was no doubt, this was going to be good.

Chef Jason and his fiancé, Becca, greeted us and once all were seated, we began our world tour of wines. We sampled wines from Spain, Italy, Argentina, and California, two whites and two reds, all while enjoying a bountiful spread of meats and cheeses. Jason was well versed on the wines, having traveled to some of the vineyards and meeting some of the women influencers. It was no big surprise that as the night progressed and the wine was passed, the volume from the women influencers in the room at times exceeded Chef Jason. By the end of the night, many had decided on which wines they wanted to buy, it was just a question of how many. Another fun gathering, with some new faces (love new faces!). Thank you all for coming, until the next one!

Photos by Justin Flagg.

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Gordon D. Fisher	34	Richard W. Nagel	12
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Brett L. Davis	32	Scot J. Morgan	11
Daniel M. Bursick	30	Tom Plaitano	11
Richard Bishop	29	Frank P. Bresz	10
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James M. Frey	22	John Pirrello	9
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Jeffrey Koontz	20	Paul Lecker	8
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Robert A. Kovalchik	14	Michael Rytel	6
Larry Sachs	14	Karl Cherry	5
Alvin J. Williams	13	Members with less	
Brian M. Cohen	12	than 5 years:	34
Tom G. Gentile	12		

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

James A. Cassandro	1974	914 2.0
Alex Dehart	2001	Boxster
Thomas Gilchrist	2009	911 Carrera S Cabriolet
Gregory J. Gromicko	1971	914 1.7
Virginia Merchant	2023	Macan
Jamie L. Veltri	2022	Panamera 4 E-Hybrid

Test Drive Participants: 8
PCA Juniors: 62

JUNE STATS

PRIMARY MEMBERS	AFFILIATE MEMBERS	TOTAL MEMBERS
912	529	1,441

Porsche Grand Concourse at Station Square

Saturday August 26, 2023
12:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Allegheny Region Porsche Club of America is once again hosting a People's Choice Car Show and Social at Station Square. This is the ninth year for this Porsche-Only event.

Station Square will close West Station Square Drive for exclusive Porsche parking. The display area will begin in front of the Grand Concourse restaurant (just below the Smithfield Street Bridge) and occupy the street westward toward the Hard Rock Café. Space is limited to 50 vehicles. Security guards will be present to monitor the car display. After perusing through the Porsches, make sure to cast your ballot for your favorite Porsche (other than your own, of course). The Club social is hosted on the Gandy Dancer patio. Members will be treated to an extensive lunch buffet featuring Lemon Chicken, Vegetable Ravioli, Martha's Vineyard Salad, desserts, coffee and tea. (Alcoholic drinks are self-pay). "People's Choice" trophies will be awarded for the top 3 cars.

$40/car | **Limited to the first 50 Porsches**

All vehicles MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED
Registration Deadline is August 20th, 2023

http://msreg.com/2023-Station-Square

Remember, the days of summer will be starting to wane so why not take advantage of this opportunity to drive your Porsche and enjoy a late summer gathering with friends.

2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Event Key: Business Meeting | Track & Autocross | Social | Tour & Rally | Non-ARPCA | Requires Registration

August 22 | 11:00 am
Porsche Touring Crew
Atria's, Peters Township, McDowell Square,
4059 Washington Rd, McMurray, PA 15317
Contact: Tom Mueller, emtcm@verizon.net

August 26 | 12:00 – 3:00 pm
Porsche at Station Square
Grand Concourse, Station Square
125 W. Station Square Dr.
Pittsburgh, PA 15219
Contact: social@arpca.com

September 15 – 17 | All Day
High Performance Driver's Education
Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course
7721 Steam Corners Rd.
Lexington, OH 44904
Contact: track@arpca.com

September 20 | 6:00 – 9:00 pm
Women of ARPCA
Enrico Biscotti Pizza Class
2022 Penn Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15222
Contact: women@arpca.com

September 26 | 11:00 am
Porsche Touring Crew
Dutch's at Silver Tree, Deep Creek, MD, 567
Glendale Rd, Oakland, MD 21550
Contact: Tom Mueller, emtcm@verizon.net

October 21 | TBD
Fall ARPCA Rallye Tour
Pittsburgh – Mountains of West Virgina
Contact: Kevin Rhule, krkrhule@gmail.com

October 24 | 1:00 pm
Porsche Touring Crew
Franco's Trattoria
4120 Washington Road McMurray, PA 15137
Contact: Tom Mueller, emtcm@verizon.net

December 5 | 11:00 am
Porsche Touring Crew
Kaufman Tavern, 105 S Main St.
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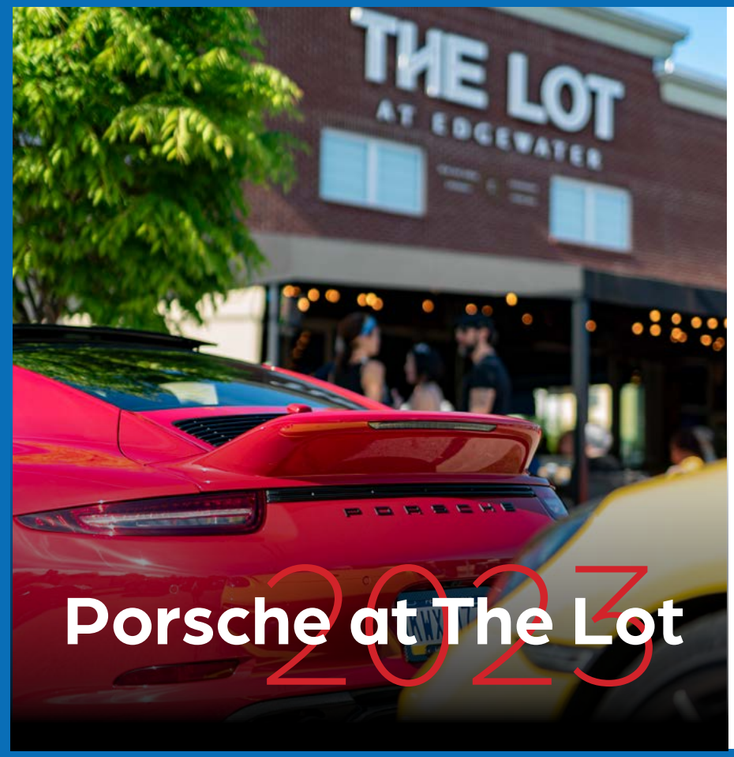

This year's Saturday morning Porsche gatherings at The Lot are scheduled for the following dates, so mark your calendar.

The Lot at Edgewater is a full-service restaurant that offers a wide menu selection including traditional favorites like Belgian waffles, house-cured bacon steak, and made-to-order omelets, as well as specialties such as avocado toast with pepper jam and a fried egg. There is a full-service coffee bar with a large assortment of pastries and a full-service bar featuring brunch cocktails, alcoholic milkshakes, and craft beers.

The venue has a large parking lot and an outside covered patio that overlooks the parking area. Parking space for Porsches has been reserved along the Allegheny Avenue (Railroad Side) of the restaurant.

There is no cost for this event and registration is not necessary. Just show up with your favorite Porsche and share some coffee, breakfast, and stories with your fellow ARPCA members.

THE LOT
AT EDGEWATER

August 5th • September 9th • October 7th

8:00 am – 10:30 am

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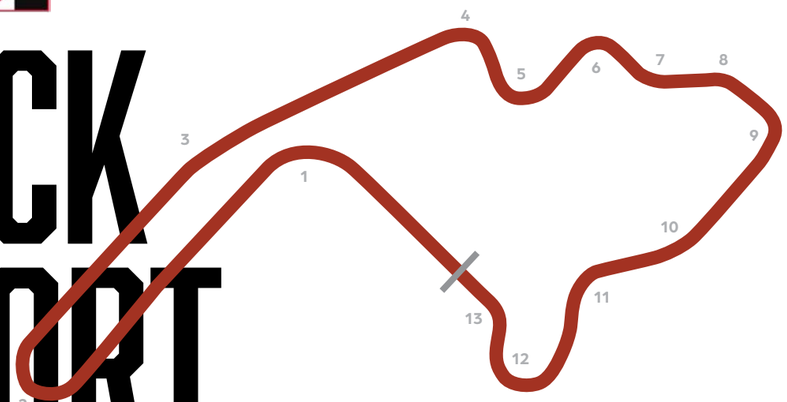


John Rattenni,
Track Chair

Here we are entering into the final month before the Pitt Race Track event (which by the time you read this will have already taken place), and we are focusing on our Mid-Ohio event. As we prepare for the Mid-O, I'm reminded of some personal events which took place there.

My first experience with Mid-O occurred in 1988 while I was working as an automotive design engineer for Hydro Aluminium, a Norwegian-owned aluminum producer. At that time there was a huge push to increase fuel efficiency of cars which focused on making cars lighter. My job was to help car designers redesign steel parts and covert them to lighter aluminum components. At this time Harald Huysman, a young Norwegian race driver, was making his way through the European Formula 3 Race circuit. Our company decided to bring Harald over to race in USA in what is now the Indy Light series. As my territory was the "Automotive Corridor" between Rochester, NY and Detroit, MI, I decided to invite my clients to the race to meet Harald at the Mid-Ohio event. Harald and I had dinner at Buck's Bar and Grill, a racing landmark where a lot of famous race drivers hung out including Paul Newman and John Rattenni. We spent the weekend together and Harald took the time to show me around.

At the time a Dutch driver by the name of Jan Lammers was racing for Tom Walkinshaw Racing, driving a Jaguar in the IMSA series that weekend. Jan had taken his fellow European Harald under his wing which allowed me to spend time with them in the TWR drivers trailer between races. Jan went on to win Le Mans that year in a Jaguar XJR9. Several months later I met up with Harald at Watkins Glen where we again spent the weekend entertaining customers and hanging out. Harald went on to race at Le Mans in 1989 in a Brun Motorsport Porsche 962 C sporting a Hydro Aluminium livery, where he finished 8th. Later that summer I briefly met up with Harald in Denmark. Regrettably we lost touch after that.

I was recently watching the F1 Channel "Chasing the Dream" series and lo and behold, there was Harald on my TV, which prompted me to try and reconnect with him. I spoke with Harald briefly and learned that he is responsible for discovering and managing F1 Champion Kimi Raikkonen and is now managing up-and-coming Norwegian Formula 2 driver Dennis Hauger. Also, his daughter is dating F1 driver Mick Schumacher. We hope to hook up again when he is in the States.

MY WIFE AND MID–OHIO

I met Erin in late 2000 and immediately learned that we shared a passion for auto racing. Her interest developed from her dad who was a huge racing fan. Erin and her dad had been corner workers for numerous events including PVGP. In fact, Erin has worked the corners since she was 13 and works same corner she and her dad worked all those years ago for PVGP to this day. The same weekend I met Erin, I bought a Dodge Viper.

Formula 1 had returned to the USA, and Erin and I attended all the Indianapolis races until their departure in 2007. So on to the Mid-O story. Viper entered the American Le Mans Series in 1999. When American Le Mans added Mid-Ohio to the race circuit in 2001 Erin decided that we should take a trip with her dad to Mid-O to watch the race and give me a chance to get to know him. The trip was planned for an early Sunday morning start. Unfortunately, Erin and I dragged our Saturday night adventures deep into the a.m. and as a result I didn't get much sleep. We picked up Dad and began the 2 ½ hour journey to Mid-O. All I remember is this guy would not shut up, just rambling on and on about the stupidest stuff. It was making me nuts and I couldn't wait to get out of the car. I later mentioned this to Erin who, with her often used "you're an idiot" tone, shared a conversation she had had with her dad. He said he was afraid he was going to run out of things to say but wanted to keep talking so I would stay awake at the wheel. That weekend at Mid-O was the beginning of one of the most important relationships in my life. I still miss him every day.

Above: The Hydro Aluminium 962 C. Photo courtesy of Richard Opie, New Zealand.

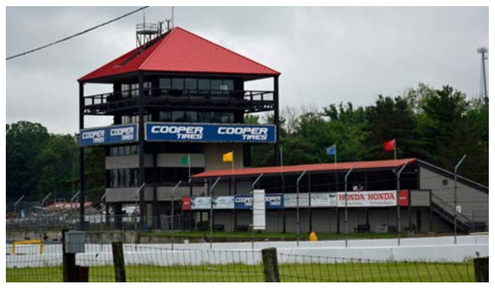
HISTORY OF MID–O

The Mid-Ohio track is truly one of the USA's most iconic race courses. Many world-famous race drivers have shared this track with us: Bobby Rahal, Kevin Magnussen, Al Unser, Mike Skeen and Juan Pablo Montoya to name a few.

The track was the brainchild of Les Griebling, who convinced some local business acquaintances to invest in a track for weekend sportscar racing. Several hundred acres of farmland were quickly deemed appropriate and construction began in 1961. Following the topography, a series of twisting and plunging corners was created, linked by a fast bent back straight. By 1962 Griebling's challenging course was ready.

Griebling said "I wanted it to be difficult and it came out my way. It's very interesting because the driver is busy all the time."

Drivers, however, complained that one section, Oak Tree Bend, was too slow. In response the track was modified in 1963 by removing the oak at Oak Tree Bend and straightening that section into what is now Thunder Valley. A small portion of the pavement from the original bend still survives within the infield.



The Track Tower at Mid Ohio. Photo courtesy of Mid Ohio Sports Car Course.

At most legacy tracks many sections of the track have cool names, and Mid-O is no exception. Two signature corners - the Keyhole and the Carousel - provide additional challenges for drivers and riders. Speed Trap leading to China Beach, Madness, the Chute and Thunder Valley all present their own unique experiences for the drivers. Regardless of who you talk to, most seasoned track drivers will tell you that Mid-Ohio is one of their favorites and a must drive track.

We are preparing for our ARPCA Mid-Ohio event on September 15-17 and are very proud to be able to offer our members the opportunity to drive on such an iconic track. Whether you are new to track or a seasoned track rat, we would love to spend the weekend with you at Mid-O. Come on out and let's make some memories together. **Hope to see you there.**

Stuttgart Market Letter

by David K. Whitlock

If we're taking the market's temperature, June would appear hot as we achieved 2023 highs in our dollar volume and unit volume, thanks to $20m in sales and nine new auction records at Broad Arrow Auction's 75th Anniversary Porsche sale held in Atlanta mid-month. But take out this once-every-five-year auction event, and the market looks as cool as it did in May, with a 70% sell-through rate and just over $30m in sales.

Highlights from the 75th Anniversary sale were plenty, but one real standout was the sale of a 1999 996 Coupe for $1.2m. This car wasn't just any 996 for that kind of money, but the 996 Classic Club Coupe project dreamed up by the Porsche Club of America and Porsche's Sonderwunsch department. Built to showcase what Porsche's "Special Wishes" program is capable of, the Classic Club Coupe features a GT3 engine and drivetrain, a custom interior, and an exterior designed with nods to the 911 Carrera 2.7 RS and Carrera GT. And the buyer of this world record 996? None other than Jerry Seinfeld.

We also saw this auction buck the trend of historic Porsche race cars failing to sell this year, with a 1964 904 Carrera GTS selling for $2,535,000 and a 1984 962 in Coca-Cola livery with both 24 Hours of Daytona and 12 Hours of Sebring history selling for $1,270,000. One notable no-sale, however, was a 1967 910 that failed to sell at a final bid of $2,300,000. $200,000 short of the recent 910 sale on Bring a Trailer.

The Carrera GT market continued to soften as two examples crossed the block this month. The first, a 2005 example with 16,765 miles, sold for just over $1m at $1,028,000, about $200k shy of where comps with similar mileage were not too long ago. And the second, a 2004 example finished in Speedster Blue by Porsche Classic partner Porsche North Houston sold for $1,462,500. An impressive number, but considering rare colors were all $2m cars this time last year, reasonably light.

Also showing signs of softening for the second month in a row is the 992 GT3 market. Save for the one example that sold at the Broad Arrow sale for $300,000, all others continued to slide with an average selling price of $255,000 and a market low of $177,250. We also saw the first 2023 992 GT3 RS come up for auction, failing to sell at a high bid of $415,000. The GT4 RS also continued its downward trend, with one example failing to sell at a high bid of $230,000 and the other finding a home at $245,000.

On the classic side of the market, 356s showed mixed results with a 64% sell-through rate compared to last month's 88%, but those that did sell kept the momentum going price-wise as they continued to trend up. Notable 356 auctions this month include a 1964 356 SC Cabriolet that sold for $215,600 and a 1958 356A Sunroof Coupe built by Rod Emory that failed to sell at an eye-watering $699,356.

The modern classics, especially the 993 market, were the biggest movers in June, with a 993 Turbo S selling for an above-average price of $560,000 and your standard 993 coupes averaging $100,000. We also saw a new five-year record for 993 Turbos, with a 645-mile example selling for $486,000 on Bring a Trailer.

With no headlining auctions on the calendar for July, it will be interesting to see if the market stays consistent at its ~70% sell-through rate and $30m in sales before we head into the summer heat of August with Pebble Beach where all major auction houses will be bringing out the big guns. We'll see our first 911 reimagined by Singer we've seen in a while, crossing the block at RM Sothebys and a 1966 906 at Bonhams.

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