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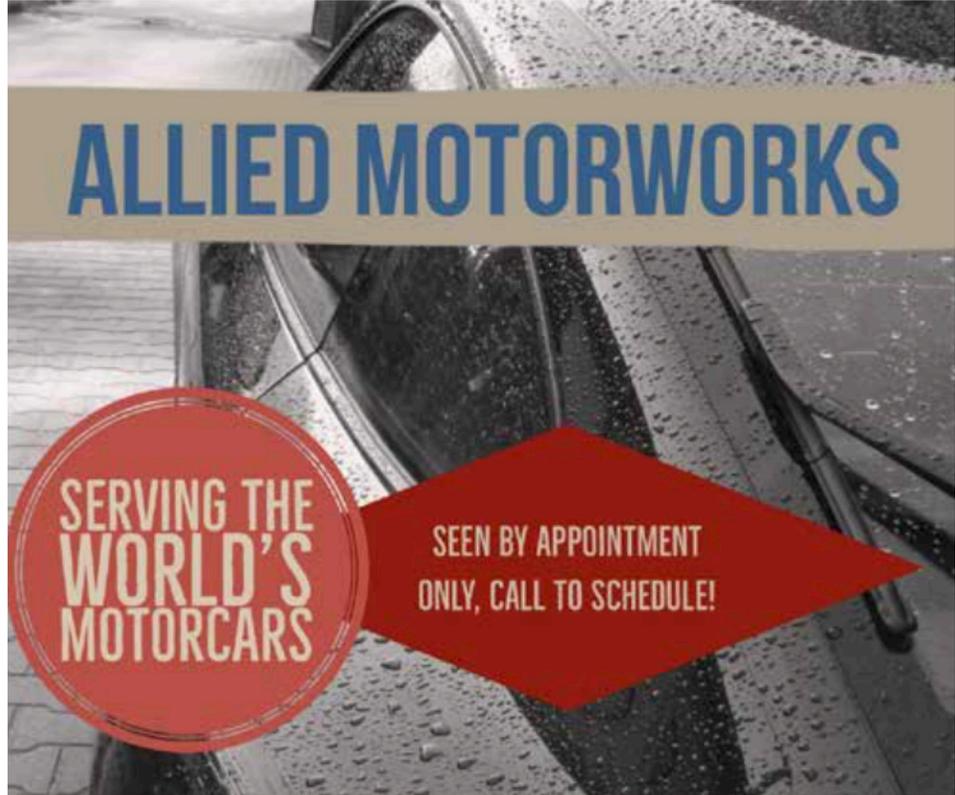
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EDITORS' NOTE

BY: GREG ARMSTRONG & JOE SHEAMER

Dear der RÜCKSPIEGEL Readers,

How has your year been progressing so far? Have you been sticking to your New Year's resolutions—if applicable, or have they fallen into a locked mental compartment labeled "Denial"? Have you considered getting involved in our Member Porsche Extreme Lightweighting project? In case you weren't aware, the concept of lightweighting is popular right now, so we're trying to jump on the bandwagon. Once the weather warms, we can maybe add a new component to the lightweighting challenge. Each class winner will have the opportunity to drive their cars into the water to see whose floats the longest. The winner will—like all of those who attempt but don't win this stage—need a new car after this round. Since it might be statistically impossible to have too many Porsches, this is a win for everyone involved. Please consult with your auto insurance agent before agreeing to compete in the floating car challenge. Voluntarily driving into the drink is probably not covered by your policy, but we are not insurance experts.

The biggest stumbling block to most of the ideas that we have proposed over the past year has been that none of those ideas have any hope of getting the Board's approval. Well, there's another stumbling block in that we do not garner sufficient member activation to persuade the Board to approve any of our ideas because it is clearly what the members want because no members have said that yet.

If you're bored from binge watching movies and shows on your favorite streaming services, or if you're just looking for something new to capture your attention, consider sending us an article for the newsletter. A couple of members have already sent us photos of their Porsches, and we are delighted to be able to start including those in this issue. We can always use more photos and stories to fill these pages with quality content.

"Last year we let it slip that we had been contemplating attending Parade for the first time. The event was of course cancelled within hours of that information being released"

Last year we let it slip that we had been contemplating attending Parade for the first time. The event was of course cancelled within hours of that information being released. This year's Parade is much closer than Palm Springs, CA, but we are not going to say anything about the potential for any member of the editorial team attending. We don't want to risk getting this one cancelled also.

The month of February was filled with a lot of brainstorming sessions by the editorial team. These sessions wouldn't be necessary if we weren't surrounded by all of this snow and could get to the track. Then we would be too busy lapping to be thinking about anything else. Right now, virtual lapping is the best we can do. And making snow people and igloos.

We have been thinking about creating a tradition that new members will be strongly encouraged to submit an article within their first calendar year of membership. There aren't any repercussions if this doesn't happen—we don't believe in hazing since it has basically become a crime—other than those members will be depriving the other members of a chance to become better acquainted with the newest ones. It may not be the best choice to use the word "depriving" when talking about Porsches, but we did it. And the truth is, we all miss out when those who have something to contribute stay silent. The initiative could be expanded to lapsed members who are returning also. Or, we could just go for full inclusion and ask that every single member of MVR at least contribute a photo and/or article at least once. This way we can find out not only what you're driving, but also what drives you.

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Soon it might be Spring again and the snow will be a long-forgotten memory from the previous day. When that occurs, we will be eagerly watching the inbox waiting for all of your wonderful stories and pictures to start arriving.

Thank you for reading,

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BY LISA SORIANO

For the past 8 years, the month of February has been a month dedicated to PCA meetings for Michael and me. At the beginning of the month, we attend the National Staff Meeting, and later in the month is the National Board of Directors' Meeting as well as the Zone 4 Presidents' meeting. From 2014-2017, Michael was in charge of organizing and running the 2 days of meetings. In 2018, 2019, and 2020, he presented information and answered questions about the National Awards. This year, all of these meetings were held virtually via Zoom.

At the National Staff Meeting, there was a presentation from PCNA and each National Chair gave a report. The Executive Council announced that with a great deal of adjusting, PCA had another successful year with an increase in membership and enough excess funds to once again provide the regions with a Surplus Rebate, the amount of which has not yet been determined.

The results of the PCA Fall Raffle were announced in early February. In all, seven 2021 911 Targa 4S vehicles were awarded. Here is a link to the announcement and video: <https://www.pca.org/news/fall-2020-member-only-raffle>.

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There have been 2 TechTactics LIVE episodes that have aired since my last article:

- Meet the new Porsche 718 Boxster 25 Years and rear-drive Taycan
- Understanding bore scoring and the future of cylinder coatings

If you would like to view either of these episodes or any of the previously aired episodes, they can be found on the Porsche Club of America YouTube channel which can be accessed from the TechTactics Live tab on pca.org.



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Last month, I reminded everyone that Parade Phase I Registration opened on February 10, 2021 at Noon. On February 11, I spoke with the Parade Chair and learned that this year we set a 1-day registration record of 875 registrants, and the initially reserved hotel rooms sold out in 5 hours, but additional inventory has been added. If you registered and were not able to get all of the hotel nights you wanted or if you still want to register, a Waitlist Hotel has been set up and can be accessed on PorscheParade.org.

In last month's issue, the editors requested that members send in pictures of their favorite current or previously owned Porsches. Greg, Joe, and Sebastian work hard putting this newsletter together every month. Please help them out and send your pictures with a short caption to derruckspiegel@gmail.com.

I would like to welcome our newest members Josh Everhardt, Lewis Greenman, and Steven VanDromme.

Please continue to be safe and stay healthy!

Thanks,

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Dax Bushmeyer was the first—but not the only person—who sent us photos for the newsletter. These shots were taken pre-pandemic at Mid-OH.

Thank you, Dax!



Mierzwiak's GT3 along with Dax's GT3 and Tony Calabrese's GT4



Dax's GT3 and Tony Calabrese's GT4



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Scroll to the bottom to vote for the Porsche of the Month, and to see July's winning photo.

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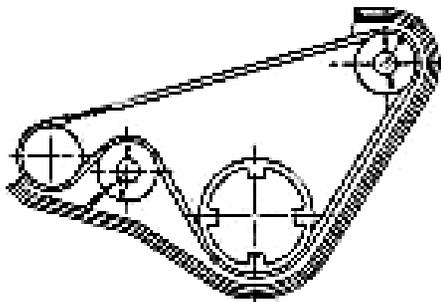
944 Turbo Vibration At 3000 RPM – 1989 944 Turbo

Question: I am feeling a steering vibration under power which comes on at about 3,000 rpm. It's not severe--just a low buzz in the wheel as the power comes on. The vibration is not in the shift lever and I do not feel it while idling or coasting. It seems to be isolated in the steering rack. The engine was recently rebuilt. New clutch. New motor mounts. New turbo and exhaust. Replaced Koni struts and shocks. Car has been serviced and belts properly tensioned. My car is a low mileage 1990 944 Turbo (drop down only allows me to enter 1989 but this is one of 144 1990 turbos that came to NA in that year). Thanks in advance for any suggestions on what to check.

Answer: Submitted by George Beuselinck

Based on your description, I'm going to take a guess that one or both of your balance shafts are not properly timed.

Not only does the belt have to be in the correct position, but the sprockets on the balance shaft can be installed in the wrong positions. This is a common mistake that shops without 944 experience make. The following diagram can be found on page 13-2 of the factory workshop manual.



"Not only does the belt have to be in the correct position, but the sprockets on the balance shaft can be installed in the wrong positions."

Brake Pad Too Small – 2009 Boxster S

Question: While installing springs on the front, I noticed that my rotors have a 1/2-inch strip of rust (unused) rotor surface all the way around toward the inside. I purchased the car 3 years ago with fairly new brakes. Is it possible that the Base model Boxster pads were installed instead of the required "S" model pads? I understand that the S model has larger rotors/pads.

Answer: Submitted by Pedro Bonilla

You can look to see how far the pad goes in order to determine if the correct one was installed. You may also have the right pad but the pad may be worn down on the bottom edge so it's not contacting the rotor correctly. I would recommend physically removing the pad and checking the caliper to make sure that the pistons are operating correctly and that there's nothing binding the movement of the pad.

Oil Level – 2011 Cayman S

Question: Hi Pedro. Last we spoke I was having shifter cables replaced on my new (to me) 2011 Cayman S. While they had the car in, I requested oil change and a few other things. I made it a point to tell them not to overfill the oil. When I got it back, I checked oil level and the bars on the indicator were full above the highest marker. - Too much oil!!

I returned and they straightened it out but my question is, what problems can come from overfilling and can damage be done right away or is it something that damages the engine in time?

Answer: Submitted by Pedro Bonilla

These engines don't like to be overfilled. If you have to be wrong by half a quart, it's better to be low than over. When you have too much oil the oil pressure regulator has a harder time managing the pressure and we have seen more failed Air Oil Separators (AOS) because of high oil levels.

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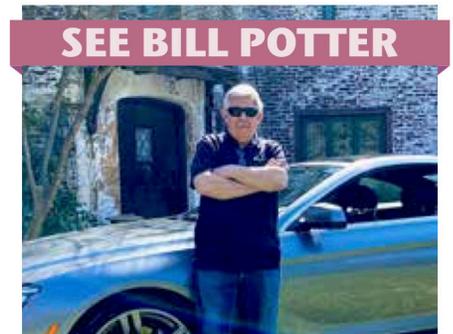
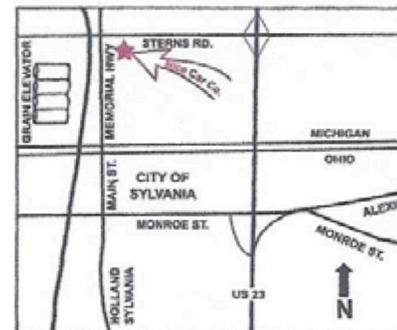
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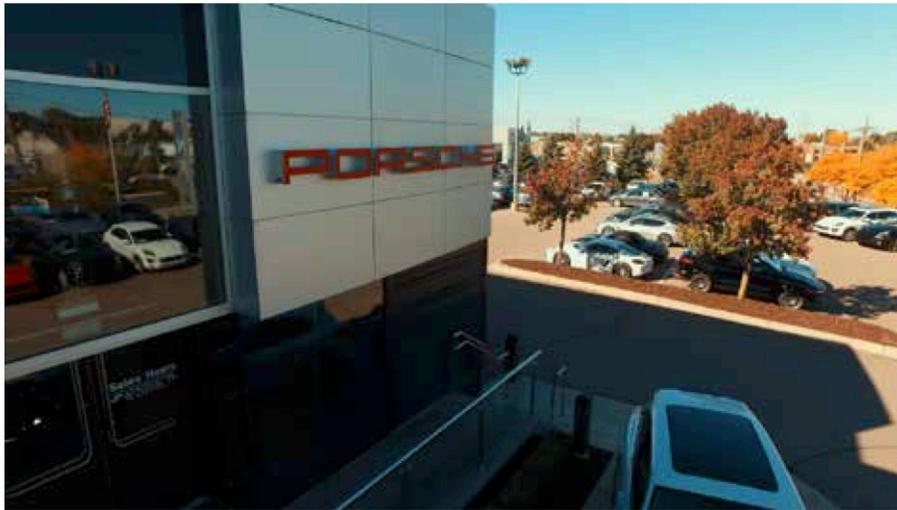


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Let's fill the rest of this year's issues to the brim with your favorite pictures of your favorite Porsche. They can be of currently owned vehicles or even the ones you let "get away" and wish you still had.

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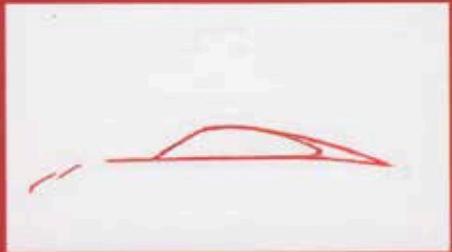


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Around the Zone
by Lori Schutz



Hi Zone 4 Friends and Family,

As the world is starting to get back to some sort of normal, I hope this finds everyone feeling optimistic about 2021. Some of you may have already received the vaccine, others registered and waiting your turn. Your region boards are planning for a fun filled year.

Later in February, the annual Zone 4 President's meeting will happen in 2 evenings of zoom calls, rather than our typical gathering in Toledo for a day. This is when we hear from a member of the National Executive Committee with a PCA national update, and a few other National Chair invited guests. This collaboration brings new ideas and resources to your region Boards for the coming year's activities.

Is this your year to try something new with PCA? While it will likely be a few months away, there will be events starting up - driving schools, tech sessions, tours- you can think about attending in a safe manner. And, perhaps volunteer to assist in the execution of that event?

In the meantime, there are a few online resources to stay engaged with your PCA buddies. I hope you are getting eBrake news, in your email inbox. TechTactics has been a long running tech session event on both coasts. With the advent of COVID, this has gone online with sessions on the YouTube channel nearly every 2 weeks. You can view past sessions, and attend new sessions live. You can subscribe to the channel <https://www.youtube.com/porscheclubofamerica> and learn more about the history of Porsche cars, and what is coming in the future. Some sessions are deep dives into the care and feeding of your Porsche, and minor repairs. Check it out!

And visit our Sim Racing page and enjoy some of the online racing with your region pals. <https://pcasimracing.com/zones-group-2-4/>. We just passed our 500th racer registration since the start of the program. What fun!

The racing season will be underway by the time you are reading this message. As many of you know, I'm a huge auto racing fan, and looking forward to the 24 Hours of Daytona, Daytona 500, and the start up of the Formula 1 and IndyCar series to follow.

Stay safe and warm, and we'll see you soon!

Lori Schutz
Zone 4 Representative



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