Musik-Stadt Region
Porsche Club of America

www.musikstadtpca.org

Next Club Meeting

The next meeting of the Musik-Stadt Region PCA will be held on Tuesday, October 10 at:

Bavarian Bierhaus
121 Opry Mills Dr
Nashville, TN

Meeting time is 6:30 PM

Next Club Event

The next Musik-Stadt Region PCA event is:

October 21 driving tour to Gainesboro and The Bull and Thistle Irish Pub.
A Message From The President

Get ready for a great fall! September was a terrific month for Musik-Stadt with a great drive to Papa-Kay-Joe’s for BBQ. (I can see this is an annual trip with a variety of twisty roads to choose from and terrific food at the end of the trail.) We also had two members, J.C. Costarakis and Craig Flamme, drive down to the north Georgia mountains to enjoy Rennfest, a weekend of rallies, concours, autocrosses and Porsche fellowship with Peach State members. Then at the end of the month Ken and Kathy Knight along with the Martins were able to attend Treffen in Asheville. Was it fun? Let me tell you about it.

First of all, next time you see Ken Knight ask him about his drive over. We spoke before going and he suggested we do two-lanes only. My heart and ego said yes. My back, bottom and brain said “NO WAY”. I did however hop off I-40 when I reached Newport. From there I took U.S. Hwy 70 to Hot Springs, NC. This is a pleasant road that winds along the banks of the French Broad River where we saw very few cars and the ones we did see were headed west. Nice. At Hot Springs we headed south on State Route 209 and the change in topography was immediate and we knew we were in for a treat. Running uphill the twisties quickly became a challenge. It was a 14.7 mile run to the next turn at Trust, NC. And then it got crazy! Turning west on St. Rte. 63 you’re on a road deep in the Pisgah National Forest. A road with tight turn and demanding switchbacks that peaks at Mikes Knob, 4544 feet above sea level. The route from Newport to Asheville that we took is only 60 miles long but it took 90 minutes. The roads were perfect. Great asphalt without blemish. And there was no traffic on them. I’ve driven a few Carolina mountain roads and these two, 209 & 63, rank way up there.

Once we arrived at the Grove Park Inn (GPI) everything ran extremely well. We quickly registered, grabbed our welcome bag and headed to the room to freshen up before the reception. Treffen was not inexpensive. Cost for a couple was a bit over $900. Your registration fee paid for your breakfasts and dinners. Driving tours on Thursday and Saturday carried a nominal per person charge that paid for lunch. After that the only costs were bar tabs and lunch on Friday. Treffen is all about driving and eating. Eating well. On Thursday evening Donna and I went to Rhubarb with a bus full of brand new Porsche pals. By the way Rhubarb is owned by John Fleer the original chef at The Blackberry Farm in Walland, TN. The food was great and conversation was lively but surprisingly not Porsche-centric. What fun we had!

The two driving tours we selected were really enjoyable. The drives out each morning were about 1.5 - 2 hours in length. Donna and I visited Penland School of Crafts on Thursday and the Cradle of Forestry on Saturday. Both destinations were fascinating.
Dinner Saturday evening was held at the GPI Country Club. A great way to end this super trip. The food was excellent and there were some great door prizes given away including a set of Pirellis.

Treffen was well attended. It sold out its 480 spots in less than an hour! There was great demand for this Treffen because of the reputation of the North Carolina mountain roads. On our first drive one of the couples in our small group were from Portland, Oregon. That's right, OREGON! Joe Kelley drove his Black Edition Cayman on some famous roads and visited a large number of historic sites on his trek from Portland. Last year he drove to Parade in Vermont! While Joe may have driven his Porsche the greatest distance to Treffen there was one member who flew in from Hawaii to attend.

There will be two Treffens in 2018. Treffen Tamaya will be at the Hyatt Regency Tamaya Resort, Santa Ana Pueblo, NM. Treffen Banff will be at the Fairmont Banff Springs Resort, Banff, Canada. That's a bit too far for me. I think I'll go to Parade in Missouri.

Enough about Treffen. We have some great things going on here in Musik-Stadt:
- October 7 - Driving Tour to Tommy Trabue's Porsche Collection, White Bluff
- October 10 - Monthly meeting - Bavarian Bierhaus, Opry Mills, 6:30 PM
- October 14 - German Cars & Coffee, 8-10:00 AM, 230 Franklin Rd, Franklin
- October 21 - Driving tour from Cracker Barrel, Lebanon to The Bull and Thistle, Gainesboro

Have fun and stay safe.
Dan
Monthly Membership Update

Melissa Schmittou, Membership Director

Monthly Membership

444 Regular Members

Welcome New Members!

Ken Bishop - 2016 911 Carrera
Wesley Gammill - 2014 Boxster
Joshua Gray - 2017 911 Carrera GT
Luis Hernandez - 2013 Boxster S
Michael Paris - 1975 911S
Jonathan Pettit - 2007 Cayman S
Jason Pharris - 2013 911 Carrera 4S
Grant Robinson - 1999 Boxster
Brett Stevenson - 2014 911 Carrera
Joshua Swayze - 2002 911 Carrera 4

Member Anniversaries

James and Layne Lindsey - 5 Years
David Martinez - 5 Years
Timothy and Lise Boyle - 5 Years
Douglas Lewis - 5 Years
Scott Lewis - 5 Years
John Orman - 5 Years
Rick Mills - 5 Years

Transfer In

None This Month

Membership Card

When you joined the Porsche Club, you should have received a membership card in the mail. This card is very important to carry with you at all times, especially because of the discounts we receive at Porsche of Nashville. They will give you a 10% discount on parts and service, but you must present your card so they can verify your membership. Please don’t miss out on these discounts. If you never received a card or need a new one please let me know.

For over 50 years, the Porsche Club of America has been dedicated to enhancing the Porsche ownership experience. No matter what your interest - social, technical, or competitive - PCA has something to offer every Porsche owner.

We know the unbridled joy that owning a Porsche can provide, and we’ve built a community around that very feeling. The Porsche Club of America offers driving experience, technical assistance, member benefits, and camaraderie second to none. Over the years, our club has grown to 144 Regions across North America.
Upcoming Events and Activities

Musik-Stadt Events:
October 10
Musik-Stadt monthly dinner meeting at Bavarian Bierhaus
October 21
Tour to Gainesboro and The Bull and Thistle Irish Pub
November 14
Musik-Stadt New Member Mixer, Porsche of Nashville, 6:30 PM
November 18 - 19
Bourbon Trail Tour
December 12
Musik-Stadt Dinner Meeting, Location TBD
January 20, 2018
Musik-Stadt Annual Banquet, Brentwood Country Club

Other PCA And Gear Head Events:
October 14
German Cars & Coffee (hosted by BMW Club)
The Factory - Franklin 8AM
I’ve been told that participating in a Time, Speed, Distance (TSD) Rally can strain the best of relationships. Some of my married friends have competed with their significant other and swear that if they ever competed again with their spouse that there would soon be a divorce or a murder. So I’ve always been leery of trying one out.

This year’s Rennfest provided an opportunity to break my TSD cherry. I found a willing participant in JC Costarakis. He’s never competed in one of these events either. He volunteered to pilot his Boxster and I volunteered to be the “Naviguesser.” We did have a little bit of prior experience. We participated in Carl George’s infamous rally round Williamson and Davidson counties trying to search out the obscure answers to his obscure questions while trying to keep within the allotted mileage and time. Not a true TSD but fun none-the-less. But I digress…

This year’s Rennfest was located in the North Georgia mountains. Beautiful scenery and some great twisties all within a 10-mile radius of the Ridges Resort in Young Harris (or so it seemed). There were 2 classes – Seat of Pants (SOP) and Tour. We were in the latter class. The Tour class is provided with fairly easy directions from the start to the finish. The SOP class is given the same directions and routes (but not as clear). SOP class participants are also not provided the mileage between stages. I think this is where interpretation comes into play and where the angst can truly set in…

I’m glad that JC overruled me as we decided which class to participate in. Since we were beginners it was the best decision to try the easier class. And it proved to be a wise choice. Even though the directions between the 5 stages were complete, the Rally Master threw some quirks into the mix! Interpretation of the directions and rally rules is paramount! You definitely need to attend the driver’s meeting before hand as well as the any clinics that might be held…arguments between the rally officials and participants can ensue and be quite entertaining!

Essential tools are a clipboard, pencil and a stopwatch to time yourself between stages. I tried to figure it out on the fly but failed miserably. As you can see from our score sheet, we didn’t hit the target times. Though we came close in a couple of stages, the one stage we were early we were heavily penalized. Who knows how we would have done if I could have only figured out a few turns here and there!

With the huge penalty, we resulted in 6th place. But we brought home a beautiful trophy anyway! And our friendship is still intact (that’s the most important part)! I think we will try this again. I’ve even bought a book called “The Road Rally Handbook – The Complete Guide to Competing in Time-Speed-Distance Road Rallies” by Clint Goss. Just skimming through it there is a real science to this sport. It may take me a while to figure it out but watch out when I do…

JC and I have discussed organizing a Poker Rally so stay tuned! We think that this may be a good way to introduce rallying to Musik Stadt. Let us know if you’d like to participate in this event or the more competitive TSD rally. It is a fun way to spend the afternoon chasing twisties in our favorite rides!

Cheers!
Our Official Score Card! Notice the 300 points for being early in Stage 3 - Ouch!!!
Tour to Tommy Trabue’s Collection

Photos: Randy Lynch
Musik-Stadt Thanks The Following For Their Support

To all Musik-Stadt PCA members that renew year after year, thank you!

Prost!

Oktoberfest 2017

SPECIAL EVENT
Shows Oct. 20 & 21
8pm to 11pm

the polka floyd show

The music of Pink Floyd - Polka style.

Visit our website for more information
bierhausnashville.com
www.RollingHillsRealtyDickson.com

www.EJSAIN.com
615-385-1212
4017 Hillsboro Pike, Nashville, TN 37215
Directly across from Whole Foods in the Green Hills Shopping Center
NAME TAGS FOR PICK-UP

Many members have paid for name tags, but have not been to a meeting lately to pick it up. Please come and pick up your name tags.

---

**Advertise With Us!**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>1/8 Page</th>
<th>1/4 Page</th>
<th>1/2 Page</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>$120 Per Year</td>
<td>$240 Per Year</td>
<td>$600 Per Year</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Ads are pro-rated for partial year. As always, member ads for Porsches and related parts are run free of charge for up to 3 months.

---

**Names**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>NAME TAGS FOR PICK-UP</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Many members have paid for name tags, but have not been to a meeting lately to pick it up. Please come and pick up your name tags.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Advertise With Us!**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>1/8 Page</th>
<th>1/4 Page</th>
<th>1/2 Page</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>$120 Per Year</td>
<td>$240 Per Year</td>
<td>$600 Per Year</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Ads are pro-rated for partial year. As always, member ads for Porsches and related parts are run free of charge for up to 3 months.

---

**Names**

The Solid Gold newsletter is the official publication of the Middle Tennessee Porsche Car Club of America, Inc. The club assumes no liability for any of the information, opinions or suggestions contained herein. None of the information is factory approved. The acceptance of advertising for any product or service in the newsletter does not imply endorsement for that product or service by the club. Copyright © 2008 Musik-Stadt, PCA. Solid Gold is published by the Musik-Stadt Chapter PCA, P.O. Box 3142, Brentwood, TN, 37024. Visit our website at [www.musikstadtpca.org](http://www.musikstadtpca.org).
With 26 letters available, don’t settle for just point A to point B.

The Macan inspires the long way above all. Makes intentionally wrong turns feel oh so right. And fuels spur-of-the-moment decisions that confound the GPS*. They are all moments made possible by one type of car. A sports car, the only kind worth making. Porsche. There is no substitute.

The new Macan.
Starting at $47,500.