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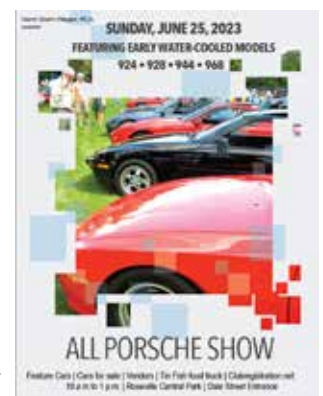
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So, Just What Do We Do In Nord Stern??!

A brief synopsis of activities and events offered by your club, Nord Stern, and/or PCA or, just enough info to pique your interest??!

Volunteering: The club runs on volunteers! A great way to meet members and get the most out of your membership. Our club exists BECAUSE of members volunteering their time and talents to plan and execute our many different events. With NO paid staff, we depend entirely on volunteers to run OUR club and keep the calendar full of interesting and well planned activities. Whether your interest lies in track events, social activities, technology, touring, tech sessions, car shows or other, we have a place for you and many an opportunity to get involved.

AUTOCROSS: A low-speed driving event, teaching one how to maneuver one's car around a set course of pylons on a closed circuit. Instruction is available, drivers compete against the clock. No modifications to one's car are necessary. Some safety equipment needed (helmet).

CLUBTALK: E-mail listserv for member (Nord Stern) subscribers focusing on car issues and discussions as well as a place to ask questions, get recommendations and comments. Also for last minute breaking news on upcoming events and activities. Subscribe at <http://listserv.nordstern.org/mailman/listinfo/clubtalk>, or any account edits, updates.

CONCOURS: A setting where Porsches are displayed for general viewing and/or inspection competition. Experienced judges evaluate the various models based upon cleanliness, overall condition and authenticity. Note: NS conducts an 'All Porsche Show' at which cars are 'shown' but not judged.

DRIVER TRAINING: A driving course designed to teach and enhance high speed driving skills and techniques on an actual race course. Training includes classroom sessions, on-track 'exercises' plus supervised lapping sessions. A Pre-Requisite for Driver Ed participation and NOT to be confused with Driver Education events. Driver Training includes both Novice and Intermediate level options. Check with DT Chair for additional options.

DRIVER EDUCATION: High-speed driving event on a closed-course racetrack (Brainerd, Blackhawk Farms, Road America, for example) where drivers are grouped according to prior lap times. Prior Driver Training participation, or the equivalent is required. Performance enhancements are frequently made (but not required!).

PARADE LAPS: Sometimes held during lunch at Driver Training/Driver Ed events at closed-course racetracks, this controlled environment, with a pace car, provides participants an opportunity to take street cars on the track at highway speeds to see what the course is like. Minors are permitted in state approved restraints and with a signed parental release.

PCA CLUB RACING: Wheel-to-wheel competition between drivers who hold PCA club racing licenses. There is a race class for every model Porsche. Safety modifications to your vehicle are required.

RALLY: An event wherein a driver and co-driver complete a predetermined route along open roads following a specific set of navigational instructions. Can be a TDS (time-distance-speed) or a 'fun' rally.

SOCIAL / MEMBERSHIP: Organized gatherings of club members, affiliates and family member to meet, eat, and drink beverages!

TECH SESSION: Casual educational session that span a wide range of topics, from general maintenance, through Concours prep, performance enhancements and general car/mechanical knowledge!

5 Years of Porsche: Ignite your Porsche Passion and Lifelong Friends

June 8, 1948 is the day. Chassis number: 356-001, Model Name, Porsche 356 “No 1” Roadster is the car that started it all. The founder of the sports car brand, Ferry Porsche, once summed up how it came about very succinctly: “In the beginning I looked around and could not find the sports car I dreamed of. So, I decided to build it myself.” A vision, a decision – a sports car.

Volumes have been written about the beginning, evolution and challenges our ‘brand’ have endured over the decades. Needless to say, we are grateful for those that have made it possible to enjoy our Porsche’s and the People who love them. This brings us to June of 2023 as we celebrate 75 years of the Porsche.



I would echo this sentiment about our club. Countess many have shared their time and passion so that we can enjoy our vibrant Porsche community and engage with each other and our cars in a spectrum of experiences Ferry Porsche could never have dreamed of.

When I have the opportunity, I would thank each and every one of you personally. The following story is just one example of leading with excellence.

Jim Southwell has been mentoring the new Membership

team since the first of the year and has officially turned over the reins. Jim, your leadership is a role model for us all. We are grateful for your thoughtful transition of Membership. You have elevated this vital element of our club in so many ways. Can you say ‘badges’? We know you will continue to contribute and expand your positive influence as our Volunteer Chair. We will use you, and your transition plan, as a role model for evolution of leadership and our chairs as we move forward. Bravo and THANK YOU.

In Jim’s words, *“Thanks, everyone, for the kind words. Being more involved in the club has really enhanced my enjoyment, and I have met many fun and interesting people. Involvement is its own reward.”*

This is a message for those that are engaged in club leadership or would like to step up and share your time and talents. We have a wide scope of opportunities to ‘jump in’, learn and grow with the support of experienced individuals. If you are considering being part of the ‘room where it happens’, reach out to me at president@nordstern.org or volunteer@nordstern.org and we will help you find a space and the support to elevate your club experience.

The next two months are action packed. Events are being added almost weekly. Keep your browser pointed to www.nordstern.org and www.clubregistration.net for details and a

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To say the club has been busy this spring is truly an understatement as the calendar literally has had something every week now (or so it seems). And to judge by the number of members attending any given event, it's just a 'wow' in my book.

I know the club has grown in numbers since the year we joined and became active (I'm not revealing that date!) which certainly affects the interest in what's being planned. It's undoubtedly also a reaction to several years of being tied down with pandemic related restrictions, but I also feel there's just been direction and leadership of late who have spurred and inspired a number of members to lend their time, talents, and expertise to the planning and execution of a variety of events. Kudos to many of you, and you know who you are! I've been in this club long enough to see some of the typical ebb and flow and it's just plain exciting to see how vital the club has been - and continues to be as it grows and offers an expanding roster of 'things to do.'

I'd like to point out that this issue is literally packed with

event follow up photos and commentary. While I don't attempt to caption all the photos, it is obvious that many are having an awful lot of fun these days at such a variety of options: track action at BIR, Tech sessions, Socials, Membership get-togethers to name a few. And we haven't even started the Drives yet. So be sure to check out ALL the excellent photography. A fair number are by our 'resident' photographer Michael Steinberg (who is so skilled!) and a big selection from DPWerks, Josh Hway.

Don't miss one of the best 'Porsche stories' I've heard in a long, long time as told by Kim Anderson - a happy owner of a gorgeous 2015 Metallic Blue Boxster S as detailed (and photographed by Michael Steinberg) in her story on page 12 of this issue.

I know there are MANY fun 'first Porsche' or 'favorite Porsche' stories out there. Don't be shy, send in your info with a photo or two and your editor would LOVE to include in an upcoming issue!



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Celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the 911!
11 a.m. @ JDC
- 15 Nord Stern Social: Boom Island Brewery**
5 - 8 p.m. @ Boom Island Brewery
registration at clubregistration.net
- 19-20 Nord Stern Driver Ed Cheese Fling at Road America**
Location: Elkhart Lake, WI
- 25 Nord Stern All Porsche Show @ Roseville Central Pk**

JULY**2023**

- 8 Medina AutoMotorPlex Open House**
Porsche will be featured marquee
- 14-16 Nord Stern Loonacy Weekend, DE & Club Race**
Location: Brainerd International Raceway
- 23 Glacier Lakes Audi Club - Car Control Clinic**
Location: Dakota County Technical College
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Location: Meet@Porsche St. Paul 9 A.M.
Destination: Vino In the Valley
Registration/Details @ clubregistration.net

AUGUST**2023**

- 3 Nord Stern Night at the Movies**
St. Michael Cinema, 7 p.m.
- 12 Nord Stern Drives #3 Villa Bellezza / Ciao Bella**
Location: Meet@Porsche St. Paul 9 A.M.
Destination: Villa Bellezza/Ciao Bella
Registration and details @ clubregistration.net
- 31- Sept 2 Run For The Hills**
Dakota Region of PCA

SEPTEMBER**2023**

- 5 Nord Stern Business Meeting ***
Location: TBA
- 9 Nord Stern Drives #4 Fall Autotour and Brunch**
Meet@Porsche of Minneapolis 9 AM
Destination: Jordan Supper Club & Tap Room,
- 15-17 Nord Stern Final Fling Driver Training & Driver Ed @ BIR**
- 23 Nord Stern Social - Apple Picking and Pizza**
The Arbor at Young Acres, Prescott, WI
11 a.m. - 3 p.m. \$30 pp
- 27- Rennsport Reunion 7**
- Oct 2** Location: Laguna Seca, CA

OCTOBER**2023**

- 3 Nord Stern Business Meeting ***
Location: TBA
- 6-8 Nord Stern 2023 Fall Color Tour - NOTE DATE**
HQ will again be Pier B, Duluth, MN
Friday Welcome Party @ The Kitchie Gummi Club!
- 14 Nord Stern Checkered Flag Party**
Location: Buck Hill
Time: Noon - 4 p.m.

NOVEMBER**2023**

- 7 Nord Stern Business Meeting ***
Location: TBA

DECEMBER**2023**

- 5 Nord Stern Business Meeting ***
Location: TBA

** Business Meetings are open to all Nord Stern members, this year 2023 they are held the FIRST TUESDAY of the Month, contact the president for locations if not noted.*

LOCAL CAR EVENTS, OF INTEREST

These events are NOT organized, nor sponsored by Nord Stern or PCA, but club members are cordially invited

• MN CARS AND COFFEE •

First Saturday of the month, May - October

• OCTAINE AND CAFFEINE

2nd Saturday of the month Medina Autoplex, April - October

• CARS AND CAVES •

Last Saturday at the Chanhassen Autoplex • 8 a.m. - Noon

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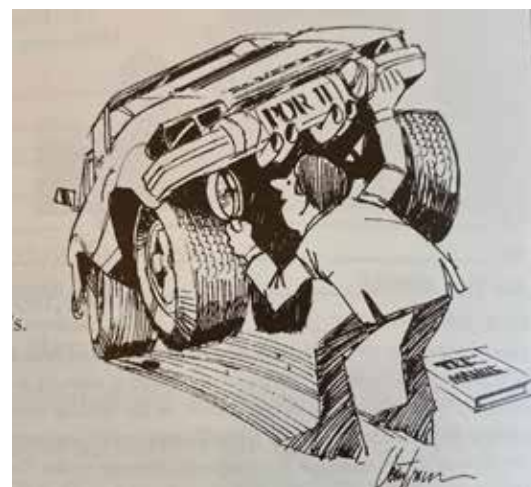
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Loonacy Weekend - Multi-Event Extravaganza!



What's New Loonacy 2023: Both the long (Donneybrooke) and short (Competition) tracks will be used. Split on Friday, Long on Saturday, and Short on Sunday.

- Why that matters: It's a bonus to know you will get to run both tracks for sure that weekend
- Whichever is your favorite track confirmation at BIR, Donneybrooke or Competition we are running it at Loonacy Weekend Driver Ed! We will be running the Donneybrooke course on Friday morning and all Saturday. We will be running the Competition course on Friday afternoon and all day on Sunday!"

What's New for FOOD: Coffee and scones from **Stonehouse Coffee** in Niswaga on Saturday morning. **Crabby Dale's BBQ Food Truck** for Friday-Saturday-Sunday Breakfast & Lunch. The **Iron Waffle Food Truck** will be on hand for Saturday Lunch and Saturday dessert.

- Food and coffee are a hassle at the track for morning coffee and lunch. This has always required folks to make stops on the way to the track and leave the track to go find lunch.
- So: "FREE gourmet coffee and scones from Stonehouse Coffee in Niswaga on Saturday morning, **compliments of Porsche Minneapolis/St. Paul**. Crabby Dale's BBQ Food Truck will feature a custom menu we've worked with them on and you will love! We promise.
- To handle the busy Saturday lunch, A second food truck in the paddock, the Iron Waffle Coffee Company. They will stay through Saturday dinner providing awesome dessert waffles.

New Attraction On Site: Sim Racing Challenge in the paddock!

- Ever wanted to try **Sim Racing**? We will be hosting a Sim racing challenge in the paddock where you can try it out! There will be prizes for the best time of the day in a GT4 Clubsport at a surprise track for both adults and youth. Come on up and check it out.

New: Driver Education TENT

- During the Club Race weekend, there were very few garage spaces available for DE drivers. The July sun can be HOT out in the paddock. No need to try bringing your own tent, we got you 'covered!'
- So check it out - a dedicated Driver Education garage tent! Get out of the sun and hang out in a dedicated DE tent garage spot.

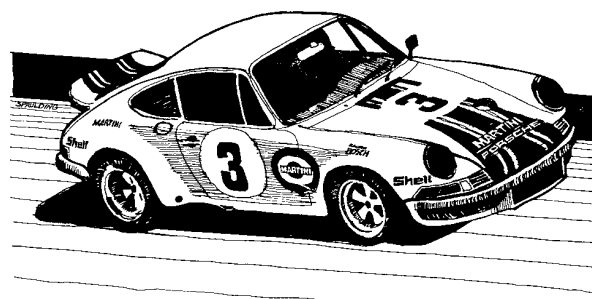
New: Porsche Minneapolis/St. Paul Tent

New: Family Options:

- More to do for family at the track with food trucks, Trackside dinner, Sim racing, enhanced Parade Laps, and announcer for the club races
- Not a DE or Club Racer, bring up the family and enjoy a magical, fun-filled weekend Brainerd International Raceway with Nord Stern's Loonacy extravaganza set in the beautiful Brainerd Lakes area with all the Up North action to make those fun, summer memories for every member of a family.

Old: But returning favorites:

- Free Trackside Dinner on Saturday night
- Again catered by Chef Mike and sponsored by Auto Edge!
- Lots of track time for all DE participants.
- Lots of racing for all Club Race participants.





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2023 SEASON OF SPEED

DATE	EVENT	TRACK (TYPE)
4/22-23	FIRST FLING	BIR (DE + DT)
5/20-21	SPRING FLING	BIR (DE + DT)
6/19-20	CHEESE FLING	ROAD AMERICA (DE)
7/14-16	LOONACY WEEKEND	BIR (CLUB RACE + DE)
9/15-17	LAST FLING	BIR (DE + DT)



Member Porsche's . . . Can You Love A Car??

Story by Kim Anderson and Michael Steinberg, photos by Michael Steinberg



There is a famous line in the Marx Brothers movie, *Bananas*, “Why a duck?” For the next five minutes in the movie, they keep asking this question and nobody can answer it.

When I heard Kim Anderson tell her story about a life-or-death situation that came up in her life, I sat quiet.

In her story she asks, “Why a Porsche?”

She was first introduced to a Porsche Spyder after grad school. Friends of hers in the deep South had purchased a high performance, luxury, smooth-riding, beautifully designed convertible car. Kim was in awe of driving in that car with the top down in the warm Texas summer nights. Can life be any better?

Studying as if she was still in grad school, she expanded her knowledge base of the Porsche Spyder . . . hmm, a mid-mounted engine more evenly distributes the weight of the car on all four tires, allowing them to grip the road at their maximum potential during cornering, braking and acceleration. WOW! . . . She thought. This is a fun car!

As life unfolds, she became a veterinarian and then shifted into becoming a technical science writer. And, as the saying goes, life happens.

Kim’s move to Minnesota started a medical journey. She started feeling ill with chronic jaw pain. After many doctor visits, a battery of tests and diagnostics, it was concluded Kim had a

congenital heart condition that required surgery. The doctor instructed her to draft a will . . . never a good feeling when a doctor says that.

This sudden news was certainly scary and devastating.

What if I did not make it out of surgery, she thought? What was life all about? Stay with me on my thinking process, as it made me feel alive and special.

As she explained, given this news there was no better time than the present to get a Porsche and enjoy a few adventures down the highway in a wonderful ride. A beautiful blue with tan interior piqued my interest as the choice of color. After searching available stock around the US, I found a beautiful blue metallic Porsche Boxster S in Philadelphia. I called the dealer and made an offer, and the vehicle was shipped on a hauler. I requested that they put a bow on the steering wheel. When the car arrived from the Philadelphia dealership, not only was there a bow on the steering wheel, but a bouquet of balloons!

For the next two weeks before my surgery, this blue beauty and I made many trips down the road together. These were special moments riding down the highways and winding roads, 80’s music blasting on the stereo, with the wind in my hair.



The surgery was successful. And today I am here to tell my story of how I was introduced to a Porsche, the very first sports car I rode and fell in love with. Can you love a car? Well, it was my deepest desire to have a Porsche convertible. Yes, I bought it on the fly and survived heart

surgery and now I will be enjoying my blue beauty, summer after summer.

So, “Why a duck?” of course it now makes sense.

Editor's Note: Welcome, Kim, to the Nord Stern Region of PCA and we hope you enjoy many of the upcoming drives in your gorgeous Boxster. After all, these cars were built to be driven! Michael took so many great photos that I couldn't limit the insertions - I'll admit my personal favorite is Kim (to the left) with her rescue Shetland pony and donkey - and her three rescue dogs below!
How can I pick a favorite . . .



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Contact volunteer coordinator, Jim Southwell, at volunteer@nordstern.org and Step Right Up and Join In! You won't regret it.

May Meeting Minutes

by Tom Sabow, Secretary

Attendees:

- Steve Kemp, Todd Smith, John Velure, John Blackburn, Tom Karn, Andy Golfis, Dave Anderson, Mary Driscoll, Bruce Boeder, Roger Johnson, Judy Sievers, Steve Albers, Karen Carson, Carolyn Veno, Michael Steinberg, Jim Southwell, April Barker, Stan Lim, Paul Davis, Bill Swisher, Bruce Parker, Kim Fritz

Call to Order:

- 6:30 pm

NEW BUSINESS:

President, Jeff Eckroth:

- no separate report

Vice President, Tom Karn:

- Discussed
- Porsche Track Experience at Barber Motorsports in Alabama, date to be sometime February '24
- Werks event on Saturday, May 13
- Fall colors tour, on calendar October 6-8

Treasurer, Todd Smith:

- First Fling was a success
- Discussed what to do with no-show/no cancellations at First Fling and at any future track days

Secretary, Tom Sabow:

- Meeting minutes will be distributed to chairpersons

Board of Directors, Steve Kemp, John Velure, Chip Smith

- Loonacy/Club Race Weekend:
- Plan in place for food trucks. **Crabby Dale's BBQ** will be there all weekend for breakfast & lunch. **Iron Waffle** will be there Sat for lunch and dessert.
- Free gourmet coffee & scones Saturday morning from **Stonehouse Coffee: Compliments of Porsche Mpls/ St. Paul**
- Club Race flyer completed and sent to national Club Race for promotion to racers
- Plan complete for Friday night Stewards dinner catered at Wheelie Bar for all Club racers

Advertising, Mollie Nygaard

- No report

All Porsche Show, Phil Saari and Hal Voges

- No report, event on calendar and being promoted in newsletter and online, email.

Autocross, Andy Golfis

- Efforts to promote Autocross are bearing fruit

Charity/Community Relations (Open position)

- no report, no auction at Club Race

Club Race, John Velure

- Club Race being advertised in various media
- Overall marketing of the race is going well

Dealerships, Roger Johnson

- Porsche Minneapolis continues to engage with Nord Stern events

Driver Education, John Blackburn

- First Fling was a successful and cold event!
- Discussed moving date to avoid snow/ice
- Looking for happy hour captain for Spring Fling

Drivers Training, Ben Rogers, Scott Brown

- 13 new drivers at First Fling
- New In-car communications devices were used and provided an enhanced experience for new drivers and instructors
- A big THANK YOU to all First Fling instructors

Historic Archivist, Roger Johnson

- No report

Insurance, Jeff Carlson

- All certificates of insurance having been secured for events in May and June

Membership, Steve Albers, Michael Steinberg, Carolyn Veno

- 654 members
- 45 new members YTD.
- 296 badges in circulation!
- ALL Nord Stern members get one badge free of charge
- Possible Paul Krause/Auto Edge event in August

Newsletter, Christie Boeder

- Keep photographs and/or stories coming. Photos alone with a simple caption are great!

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NORD STERN JUNE 2023

New 'Save the Dates' To Add to YOUR calendar

from your Social Committee!

Save The Date:

August Social **"Nord Stern Night**



at the Movies"

St. Michael Cinema
**Thursday August 3,
2023**

7:00 p.m.

Movie and Registration
fee TBD

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Save the Date:

Checkered Flag Party

Buck Hill-
Burnsville
**Saturday October 14,
2023**

12 p.m. - 4 p.m.

More details to follow

Save the Date:

September Social

Apple Picking and Pizza



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**Saturday, September
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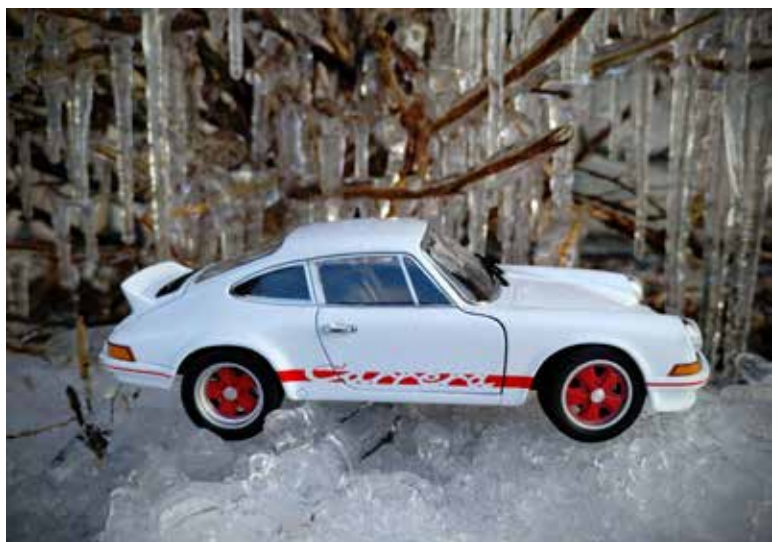
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First Fling Fun and Fabulous Fotos. . .



Photographer Michael had a bit of fun at this year's First Fling - photos to the right are 'almost' convince the viewer of serious snow depths at BIR. Yes, it was snowy and required plowing to clear the track! But an enthusiastic group of students partook of Driver Training and classroom instruction.



May Minutes . . .

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Registrar, Dave Anderson and Andy Barker

- First Fling: showed (57), cancelled (13), no-shows (6)
- Spring Fling: confirmed (2), pending (67), canceled (3)
- Cheese Fling: pending (65)
- Loonacy: pending (17)
- Last Fling: pending (12, 1 novice)
- Twins Game: confirmed (18/40)
- Wine Down Wed. confirmed (16/30)
- Vino in the Valley: pending (13/27)
- Rennsport Reunion: confirmed (35/42)

Safety Chair; Nathan Reader, Paul Thai

- First Fling: no incidents. Thank you to Judi for an excellent job at Black Flag station!

Shop & Tech Relations, Roger Johnson

- May 6 Tech Day: 9 am start at Porsche Minneapolis to view 356 restoration. Dentwerks at 10:15 and Midwest Clear Bra at 11:30
- May 13: Werks Automotive open house 11 am – 1 pm
- May 23: Porsche Classic Cars at MN Arboretum
- June 10: JDC Motorsports 11 am – 2 pm. See the new GTP Hybrid and celebrate 75th anniversary of Porsche. Drive from Porsche Mpls to JDC Motorsports in Savage.

Social, Michelle Weber-Eckroth and April Barker

- Twins game: was a lot of fun! 40 attendees, great turnout
- May 31: Wine Down Wednesday
- August 3: outdoor night at the movies
- Sept. 23: apple picking & pizza in WI
- Oct. 14: checkered flag party at Buck Hill

Social Media, Misty Martianos, Christie Boeder, Judi Sievers

- Facebook page ready to promote Club/ Loonacy & other track events
- Add VP as admin on Facebook
- Touring, Rallies, Drives, Theo Martianos, Nick Severson
- July 29: Vino in the Valley – meet at Porsche St. Paul @ 9am
- Aug. 12: Villa Bellezza – meet at Porsche St. Paul @ 9am
- Sept. 9: Fall Auto Tour & brunch – meet at Porsche Mpls @ 9am

Track Relations, Jim Bahner

- No report

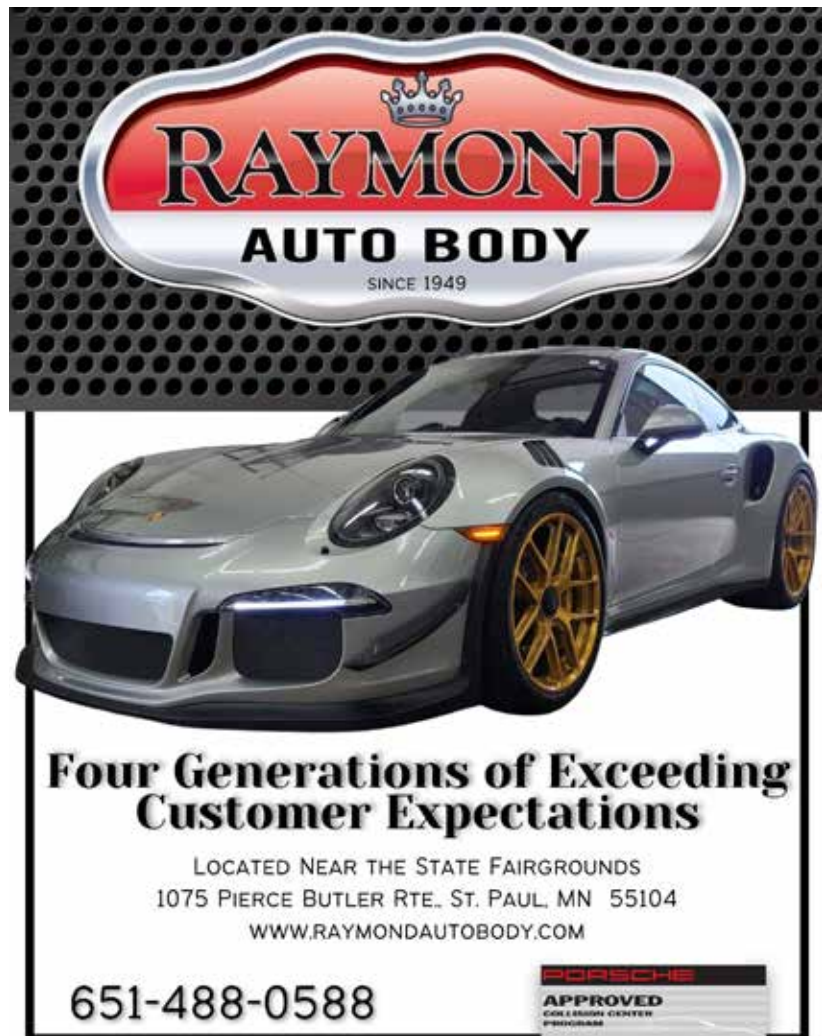
Webmaster, Dave Anderson and Christie Boeder:

- Lots of clean-up going on behind the scenes
- New YouTube channel up and running
- Working on a new landing page

Next Meeting: June 6 at The Exchange in New Brighton

Meeting was Adjourned @ 7:59 pm

Respectfully Submitted by:
Tom Sabow, Secretary



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Springtime Snow Sculpting . . . An even better view

text and photo by Mark Amfabr

As we reported last month in the May issue, Mark sent in a fun photo showing a family project this past winter with our more than abundant snowfall. He sent a couple additional photos that show off their artistry even better and I can't resist including it one. Hopefully readers had fun with this, but if anyone missed it here's another view! Now with warmer weather, melted snow, we can begin to enjoy our Porsches again and any and all upcoming racing! A recap:




After some shaping and sculpting, the snow mound became a 917K. We intended to add more detail and smooth out the surfaces a bit, but we were fighting a losing battle with the 50-degree temps of early April melting our car almost as fast as we could build it. We'd form part of the car while another would be melting away. Later in the afternoon as the sun got low, we had the opposite problem where the snow wouldn't pack due to low temps!

But we felt we'd captured the basic shape and character of the car, so that had to be good enough. We enjoyed the project and are looking forward to our trip to Laguna Seca in September!

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Judi was kind enough to share some images from First Fling, along with these comments the first day of the event: *"This was a first for me! Race weekend with snow on the ground. Lots of it - wet then frozen, like rocks, and didn't melt as the sun only peeked through 3 times for about 5 minutes each. 'Feels like' temp at 19 degrees. But, it was fun!"*



udi then sent over a number of photos from Sunday, day two of First Fling at BIR and had this to say:

“Sunday at BIR was much nicer. The sun was out! It will be an event to remember. First time for me to clean out snow from front grill and side turbo (is that good for a GT4?).”

Additional photos in this issue as it inspired a lot of photography. And I’ve been around long enough to have FF actually cancelled due to blizzard conditions so at least it was NOT a total bust by any means.

Beep Beep, Beep Beep, Yeah. . . .

by Danielle Badler, June 2023

Get it? The car show returned to my home stomping grounds, this spring, after a Covid-related hiatus and an effort to reinvent the concept in an outdoor venue.

An outdoor venue? Yes, a parking lot and, no, it didn't work. Not if you've ever spent time in Denver on a warm sunny day. It's hot, too hot.

So anticipation ran deep as I made my way back to the traditional venue, the Convention Center, for the annual conclave. Once again, for the eighth, ninth, tenth, I can't remember, year, I joined my colleagues from the Rocky Mountain Automotive Press Assn. on Press Day.

Although Press Day was not much more than a morning – the doors swung open, and the public joined us after lunch. No matter, half the fun is talking “gearhead” with fellow scribes, regardless of who else is around.

The take-away? Comments like, gee, are we getting old, or does the hall seem to have shrunk? It was the floor space devoted to the show that had shrunk. And, gosh, a lot of pick-ups and SUVs and EVs this year. There were no Porsches (they've never shown up, in my recollection,) no Mercedes, no BMWs.

But there was a star-burst of excitement . . . McLaren. That's right. A local dealer brought four cars, which we could sit in. Which we all did. Then, a salesman, quite knowledgeable, gave a presentation on their line-up.

What they wanted to hype was the Artura. Although they didn't have one there. And the upcoming 750S, which they didn't have, either. Although they did have two 720S models.

The salesman noted that the Artura will lose two cylinders from the traditional McLaren V8. But it gets sufficient charge, from an electric motor, to add up to 671 hp. And it still weighs 3,400 lbs, more or less. If this is the future of car enthusiasm, I'm all in. Although I wonder if it is.

Then someone asked what the MSRP is. The salesman replied that the model starts at \$237,500. We collectively sighed -- that's a lot of money. But then someone noted that it's not too far off from a new Porsche Turbo S. And that enlisted a lot of conversation over which one we would choose. Which came down to, introvert or extrovert? How badly do you want to show you've made it? How much attention can you live with?

Someone asked the salesman, who buys them? Doctors, lawyers, Indian chiefs, he said. What sells them? Two words, the salesman said, drive it. That's all it takes. They sell every car they get.

I'm not sure we can say the same thing at the Nissan display, where two very nice reps walked us through . . . you know, I don't remember what they walked us through. And I don't think it matters. I wasn't interested. What I do remember is that a few colleagues asked some relatively esoteric questions . . . and they said they'll get back to us. They didn't have an answer. It happened several times.

And I realized that these reps were not gearheads, not by a long shot. It was their job. I had a similar revelation years ago when I was with Kraft in Chicago. We hired a new speechwriter, Alan, who came from General Motors where he had written for Roger Smith.

Which made me need to get to know Alan. I took him to lunch, and asked him, what's it like working for a car company? Can you, like, call down to the motor pool, and requisition the new Corvette for the weekend?

Alan responded that, yes, you may be able to do that. Although, I must say, it sounded like he wasn't sure. So I asked him, well, uh, are you a car enthusiast? I was being polite. He said, and I quote, “you learn to appreciate the product.”

The Nissan reps were following the same playbook. You could see it, they were learning to appreciate the product, too. Because, no, they didn't know the allocation schedule for the 400 Z. They didn't know why the Nissan GTR wasn't at the booth. They had no information on future product plans.

I moved on. Toyota had a roped off exhibit of future personal transportation devices, all painted in white. Something called a Prius Prime i-Road personal electric mobile vehicle, and something called an LQ, with built-in artificial intelligence, the sign said. It was a one-seat cross between a space capsule and an electrified motorcycle.

What else? Next-gen autopilot variations. Traffic jam assist. Proactive drive assist, which “learns” the lane. I couldn't resist, I started humming, “Baby you can drive my car.”

And yet, and yet. Of course I'll go back next year. If only for a brush with McLaren and the good gearhead conversation.

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Sign up @ <https://nordstern.org/badge-request/> and we'll do the rest. Click "Submit" just once. Badges will be mailed directly to whatever address you provide. No PO Boxes, please. We hope to see our members out and about at our events, sporting their badges, and enhancing the connections we all make through Nord Stern.

We will soon also offer badges to PCA Affiliate members and the ability to offer a second or replacement badge if a member wishes. Stay tuned.

Sign up now!



Nord Stern History Blog #52 ... PCA 50th Anniversary DVD

by Roger Johnson, Historian



This week we received a request through our Facebook page from the Michigana Region asking about the origin of some of the the video clips that were featured in our 60th Anniversary video. There were two versions, one at the beginning of the year and another recapping the year. They can be found on the NordStern.org home page here. There are sections in those videos that come from a DVD produced for the celebration of PCA's 50th Anniversary.



I dug through a drawer and found the DVD from 2005. I think you will enjoy watching it as it is still very relevant 18 years later. It was produced primarily by Lynn Kessler with help from Betty Jo and Leonard Turner. Of course, Parade MC par excellence Mark Shevitz does his usual amazing job narrating.

The DVD can be watched on Youtube at this URL:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dCpZDt9aX08&t=1s>
or: <https://website.nordstern.org/nord-stern-history-post-52-pca-50th-anniversary-dvd/>

Random Photos of Nord Stern members 'Out and About'!



There are so many fun, wonderful First Fling photos, I wish I could publish them all but here's one courtesy DE Eventmast John Blackburn from First Fling '23 from the top of the Tower at BIR.

L to R: Gary Amendola, Max Blackburn (John's son who has become a track rat!), John Blackburn, Scott Perkinson, Steve Kemp, and Matt Jones



And another favorite was this Selfie from long-time member/DE Instructor Jerry Greene at the track with sidekick Rick Polk. I call this 'Dos Amigos,' with a side of snow. Jerry reported plenty of traction despite the 20 - 35° temps!

Impressive mounds result when one has to get the snowplows out to clear the track! Not the first time we've experience snow at First Fling but undoubtedly a record amount - in keeping with our now rather infamous 2022-23 winter.

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Where We Were . . . 60+ Years!

Curated by Ron Faust, 1980 Weissach 911 SC, 50th Anniversary 911, 356 and Kevin Egan, 2018 718 Cayman

July 2001

The front cover (below) of Nord Stern for July of 2001 featured a photo of a couple of cars dueling inside of Turn Ten at BIR during the Club's First Fling of 2001. The photo was taken by Club legend **Ron Faust**. The back cover was a series of six photos taken during Nord Stern's Club Race in 2000. Several featured an off-road excursion by (the other) **Roger Johnson** and **Ronnie Randall** struggling inside of Turn Four at the Brainerd international Raceway. The photos were taken by **Cliff Anderson**.

Editor **Christie Boeder** noted that the graduation of Bruce and Christie's son Geoff occurred last month. Where does the time go? Club president **Jim Holton** reminded all that the Courage Challenge was a key element in Nord Stern's annual Club Race. The fundraising efforts in August of 2001 supported the Courage Center, which continues to this day to assist the handicapped as the Courage Kenny Rehabilitation Institute.

Nord Stern's Porsche Personality feature, written by hard-working **Marsha Drake**, focused on **Jon Beatty**, a past president of the Club. Over six+ pages, Marsha painted a picture of



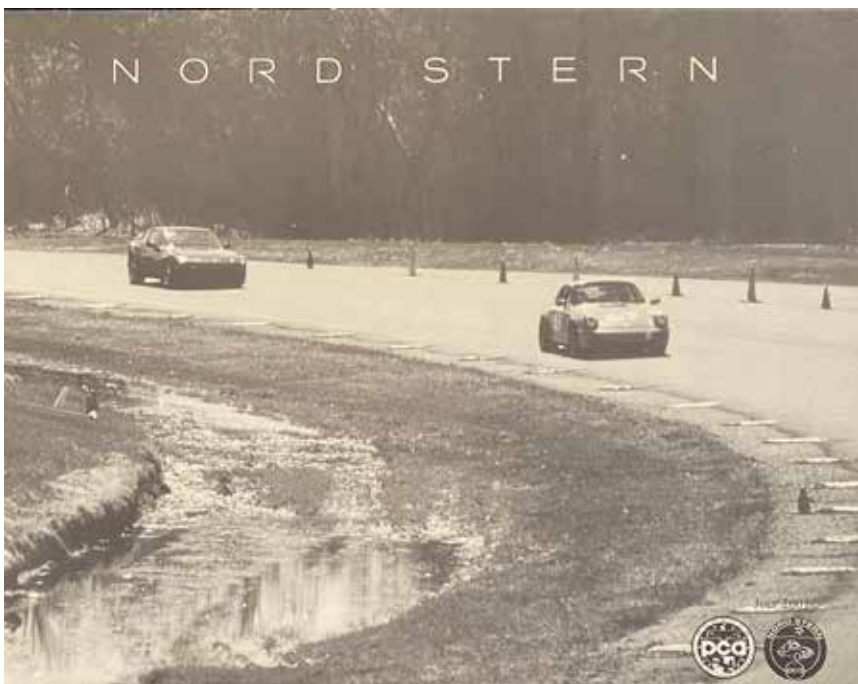
an intense driver and a great family man who truly loved his Porsche's and Nord Stern. Jon met his wife Muriel in France while traveling in Europe. Eventually, Jon and Muriel found themselves with son Yann, who obviously shared a similar interest in quality and fast cars.

Roger Johnson's article Racing for Courage was rerun from the Club's newsletter of a year ago. The article recapped the annual Club Race and its charitable mission. As Roger noted, everybody at Nord Stern contributed to the process of racing for dollars.

Prescott Kelly, from the Connecticut Valley Region, highlighted the many collectible posters from the first Can Am Championship year of 1972. Prescott noted that the value of these colorful collectables have only grown over the years. Too bad our newsletter was printed in black and white years ago.

Marketplatz from 22 Years Ago

- 1999 Boxster. Arctic silver with Metropole blue top and blue interior. Sport touring package including cruise control, a sound system, CD changer, an onboard computer, aluminum dials, etc. No dings, no scratches, no smoke, no snow and no food. Exceptionally pampered with only 15,000 miles on the clock. Two years remaining on factory warranty. Must sell with a 2002 Porsche 911 S on order. \$42,900. Call Al Meyer.
- 1984 911 Porsche Carrera. Auto Edge built race car. 3.2 engine converted into a 3.4. KMR Penske coil-over suspension, Porsche big red slash Alcon brakes and new paint. Authority mass flow with K&N filter and an extruded, honed intake. Recaro seats with a roll cage, all glass replaced with Lexan. IROC bumpers, external oil cooler, header kit, Tri-Flow muffler, big bore throttle body, twin plug, hot lap with performance module and race tachometer. \$52,500. Call Don Erickson.
- 1959 356A Cabriolet. Bare metal "up paint" Fjord green with a tan top and leather interior. No rust or bubbles. 912 engine with 1750 CC 's of power with an external oil cooler and a breakerless ignition. You can proudly drive this one anywhere. \$29,000. Call Charlie Lloyd.
- 1961 Porsche 356B Super 90 coupe. Needs motor and plenty of work. \$2500 or best offer. Call Lewis.



- 1987 Porsche 924 S race car. New engine by Auto Edge with chip and a full cage. Koni's, limited slip differential, quick shift, springs, bushings, new paint and three full sets of wheels. Butler seat, harness,

passenger seat, lots of spares and a Supertramp. Street licensed. Radios available. Trailer available. One fast car for track or driver's school. \$11,000. Call Mac.



This issue's scans from July 2001 featured Porsche Personality Jon Beatty left column

3 images along the bottom row are several of the 1972 Porsche Posters that Prescott Kelly detailed

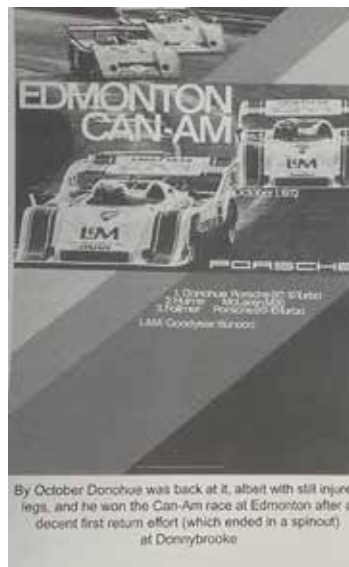
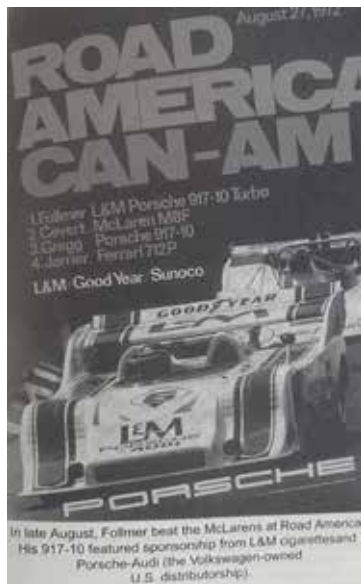
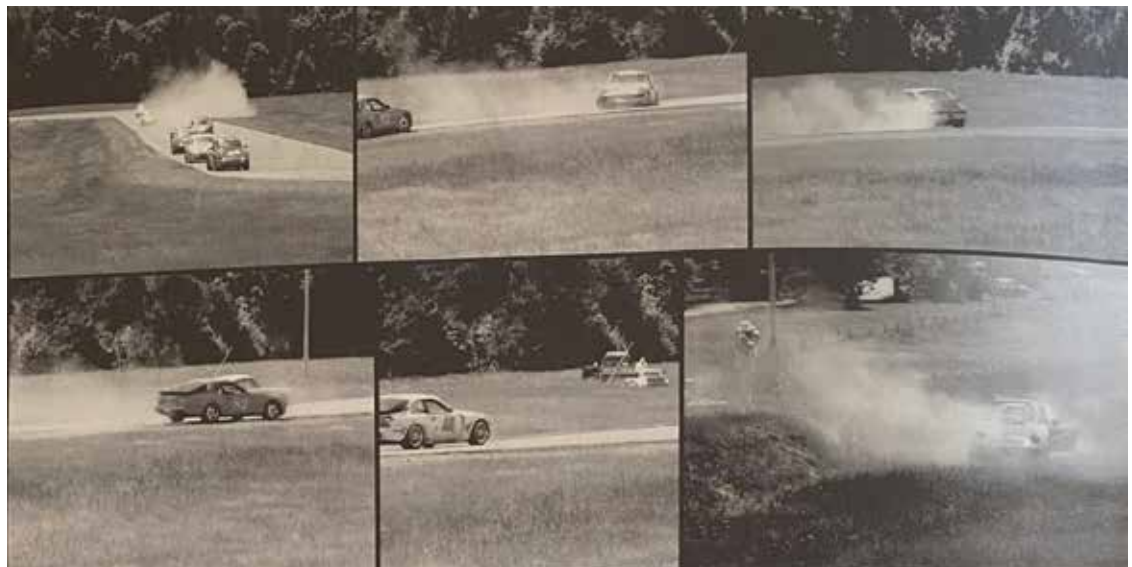
Above right is a nice shot from the top of the tower of the mile-long front straight at Brainerd International Raceway.

Right are 4 representative images from the Fast Fling 2001 which was a 2-day DE at BIR that used to be scheduled in June; nowadays we host 2 days at Road America

And below is a series of images from a bit of 'off-road' action during the 2000 Club Race.



Photographer son Yann, having fun! Or, "Allens" must be back for a rerun!



All Stops were Pulled Out for the WERKS Open House!

photos by Michael Steinberg





Again, Nord Stern members arrived in force to enjoy a morning of "car talk" and catching up with newer and long-time members at the recent Werks Open House (formerly Courtney Truck Service). Lots of cool cars, techie stuff, good food from Market BBQ's Food Truck. Above, Jim Southwell's grandson Jarvis is already a 'car guy' and whose grin couldn't be any bigger. What fun.



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complete list of our ever-expanding Drive, Social, Membership, Tech and Track events. We have something for everyone! All events require registration.

June 10 @ 9:00 AM:

Nord Stern Drive to 75. Join a caravan of members and their Porsche's, old and new, on the way to the 75th Anniversary Celebration.

June 10 @ 11:00AM:

Celebrate 75 Years of Porsche – Sponsored by Porsche Minneapolis & St. Paul and JDC-Miller Motors and featuring the Porsche 963 racing car.

June 15, 5-8pm:

Porsche & Pints @ Boom Island Brewery is back. Always a popular spot!

June 19-20:

Cheese Fling @ Road America Driver Education/HPDE

June 25:

All Porsche Show - Join Nord Stern as the Club hosts the largest collection of Porsche's in the upper Midwest! All models and years of Porsche automobiles are welcomed and invited to display their cars.

July 14-16:

Loonacy Weekend 2023. This Signature Club Weekend has taken it to a new level and there truly is something for everyone. Do not miss this one. Look for more details on page 10.

In closing, I want to continue to share my gratitude to our clubs' leadership and chairs. It's truly my pleasure to work alongside each of you as we elevate our members' experience in the club and with their cars.

Your Prez, Jeff Eckroth,
president@nordstern.org



Ah, It's that time of the year: Top down!

photo by Andy Golfis

Andy recently submitted a pretty fun photo of his 1994 968 ready and raring to go, now that we actually no longer have snow on the ground and the temperatures are WAY above freezing. Taken in one of the parking ramps at the Mall of America, the 968 looks ready to almost 'fly' out the opening, up up and away. Thank you, Andy for sharing the shot. It truly resonated with this editor. Here's to summer, when the living is easy and driving is inspired.



And One More Cool Picture

from the Werks Open House

There just is something about orange and blue together that I, aka editor, can't resist! Loved this photo from the recent Werks event showing the lineup of P-cars, especially the GTS 4.0. Wowie. Vroom vroom.

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Nord Stern's 2023 Fall Color Tour 'Pre-Event' Info . . .

Never too early to get some of those details noted and on one's calendar! 2023 Fall Color tour will once again headquarter out of Duluth and the lovely PierB Resort. The dates for 2023 are October 6 through 8th. That weekend avoids any conflict with the big Rennsport Reunion out at Laguna Seca, for the many Nord Sterners already committed to attending.



Room block has been secured at Pier B: When making your reservations, us the leader number 180733 when calling.

There are 25 rooms blocked for the dates of arriving October 6th, 2023, and departing on October 8th, 2023. There are 15 two queen classic views for \$244 per night before tax and 10 king harbor views for \$274 per night before tax. Any rooms NOT picked up by August 29th, 2023, will be dropped to the public.

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DATE	EVENT	SPONSOR	LOCATION
May 7th	AUTOCROSS	CVSCC	CHIPPEWA FALLS
May 20th (Sat)	SCCLAC/LOL T & T	SCCLAC	South East Tech-Winona
May 21st	SCCLAC Championship #1	SCCLAC	South East Tech-Winona
May 21st	MOWOG #3	MAC	DCTC
May 26-29	<i>Spring Nationals/ Memorial Day Weekend</i>		
June 4th	Novice School #2	MAC	DCTC
Jun 10th (Sat)	MOWOG #4	MAC	MINN STATE FAIRGROUNDS
Jun 11th	MOWOG #5	MAC	MINN STATE FAIRGROUNDS
June 17th (Sat)	SCCLAC Championship #2	SCCLAC	South East Tech-Winona
June 18th	SCCLAC Championship #3	SCCLAC	South East Tech-Winona
June 25th	SUPERSUNDAY AUTOX	COM	DCTC
July 8th (Sat)	Practice #2	MAC	DCTC
July 9th	MOWOG #6	MAC	DCTC
July 23rd	SCCLAC Championship #4	SCCLAC	South East Tech-Winona
Aug 5th (Sat)	Practice #3	MAC	DCTC
Aug 20th	SCCLAC Championship #5	SCCLAC	South East Tech-Winona
Aug 26th (Sat)	MOWOG #7	MAC	DCTC
Aug 27th	MOWOG #8	MAC	DCTC
Sep 2nd-Sep 8th	<i>SCCA Solo Nationals</i>		
Sep 10th	AUTOCROSS	CVSCC	CHIPPEWA FALLS
Sep 17th	SUPERSUNDAY AUTOX II	COM	DCTC
Sep 24th	SCCLAC Championship #6	SCCLAC	La Crosse Fairgrounds Speedway
Oct 8th	MOWOG #9	MAC	DCTC

SCCA TRACK NIGHT IN AMERICA @ DCTC: May 5, June 9, June 30, July 27, Aug 18, Sept 15; @BIR: July 7

PCA DRIVER EDUCATION at BIR: APR 21-23, MAY 20-21, SEP 15-17, CLUB RACES July 14-16

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On View at Auto Edge Membership Social | Tech Session

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The FOOD!

VP Tom Karm



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Raffle Tickets are popular





Auto Edge | Nord Stern Tech Session and Open House . . . Was Outstanding!

On behalf of the staff at Auto Edge, Emma Fearing, sharing the following comments for our Nord Stern leadership and members:

"There are not enough words to express our gratitude to everyone who made our Annual Open House possible!"

From Steve Albers with Nord Stern who worked with us closely to provide an amazing experience, to everyone at Nord Stern for their help, our team who worked diligently to get Auto Edge ready, Lila Buffet Styling for amazing food and service, and to Paul Krause, our guest speaker,

We would like to thank Dynamic Photoworks (DPWerks) for capturing ALL the fun moments, and to all the amazing people who came to check out our Open House! We are excited for next year!"

And for sure, the pictures certainly show just how fun, yummy, interesting, and informative the event at AutoEdge was! This is a 'don't miss' event once again.



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