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It was an enthusiastic crew who tackled the 'ice rink' of curling at the Dakota County Curling Club. Word on the street was slip sliding was the 'move' of the evening.

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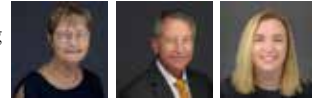
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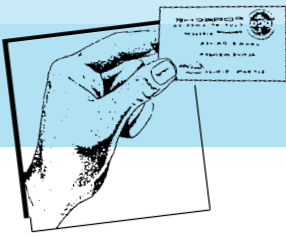
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WELCOME . . . New (or Returning!) Nord Stern Members

We hope to see you at upcoming events!

VOLUNTEERING: The club runs on volunteers! A great way to meet fellow members and get the most out of your membership. We exist because of members volunteering their time and talents to plan and execute our many events. With no paid staff, we depend entirely on volunteers to run our club and keep a calendar of interesting, well-planned activities. Whether its track events, social activities, tech, touring, tech sessions, car shows, or others, we have a place for you and many an opportunity to get involved. And we do have a lot of fun, join us!

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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??!*

AUTOCROSS: A low-speed driving event teaches a person how to maneuver one's car through a course marked by pylons on a closed circuit. Instruction is often available, and drivers compete against the clock. No modifications to one's car are necessary. Helmet required.

CLUBTALK: This is an email-based list server for member subscribers focusing on car issues and discussions and a place to ask questions, get recommendations and comments. Also last minute breaking news on upcoming events and activities. Join Clubtalk at this link.

CAR SHOWS/CONCOURS: Members enjoy gathering and looking over a wide range of Porsche models, most nicely detailed to show them at their best. A generally informal and social setting.

- **All Porsche Show:** Nord Stern annually hosts the **All Porsche Show** in late June. One of the biggest events of the year, often with 200+ cars in attendance. A non-judged, "shine and show" event that attracts members and their families, along with prospective members.
- **Concours:** A setting where Porsches are displayed for general viewing and/or inspection, with competition in many distinct model categories. Experienced judges evaluate the various models based on cleanliness, overall condition, and authenticity.

DRIVES: An organized drive over a planned scenic route, usually to a meeting spot that offers food, beverages, and space to socialize. Venues rotate among popular destinations that offer good amenities for Porsche enthusiasts. Also referred to as 'Tours'.

DRIVER TRAINING (DT): A driver training course designed to teach and enhance high-speed driving skills and techniques on an actual race course. Training includes classroom sessions, on-track exercises, and supervised lapping sessions. Completion of "DT" is a Pre-Requisite for "DE" participation and is NOT to be confused with Driver Education events. Driver Training includes both Novice and Intermediate level options. A current Snell-rated helmet is required at a minimum.

DRIVER EDUCATION (DE): A high-speed driving event on a closed-course racetrack (Brainerd and Road America for example) where drivers are grouped according to prior experience and car capabilities. Lapping sessions allows our members to enjoy the full performance capabilities of their cars in a relatively safe, controlled environment. Instructors are generally available for novices. Prior Driver Training participation is required. A current Snell-rated helmet is required at a minimum.

PARADE LAPS: Typically held during lunch sessions at DT/DE/Club Racing 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 so that they can 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 required. This national program is administrated and overseen by a volunteer, trained national staff. The PCA website has a full schedule of races and information. Prior race experience required and/or specific amount of Driver Education participation. Talk to our Chief Driving Instructor for further information.

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: Organized gatherings of club members, affiliates and family member to meet, eat, and socialize. Many different venues and activities are selected every year to bring members together.

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

Well, if you're anything like me this weather, has you contemplating an early test and tune, only to later talk yourself out of this endeavor, as it's too early in the year to expose your P Car to the unpredictable elements. That said, our early enthusiasm doesn't preclude us from ramping up, acknowledging our excitement, and looking forward to the season ahead!

For those of you who have recently joined Nord Stern or have been members for a while and have decided to become more active in the club WELCOME! Here are the three most important steps you can take to ensure you're able to take full advantage of your Nord Stern membership.

1. This one may seem silly. But you'd be surprised how often this comes up! So, if you haven't already, please be sure to visit the PCA membership page to join or check your membership status. - Visit the national Porsche Club of America: <https://www.pca.org/join/membership>. Remember, you must be a member of Porsche Club of America in order to be a member of Nord Stern. PRO TIP: Be sure to register your affiliate member (spouse, child, other) and include their email. This will keep them informed of PCA and Nord Stern news, social gatherings, track events etc.



2. Find us on Socials! We're on Facebook and Instagram - Misty Menagerie, Christie Boeder, and

our social volunteers do an exceptional job of ensuring a positive culture of learning, sharing and staying on top of all our amazing social gatherings, technical workshops, drives and tours, track events and competitive racing. PRO



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3. Visit and bookmark our website nordstern.org - Here you'll have direct access to our calendar of events, as well as, Club Registration. Also, renew your membership, explore our history, access this award-winning magazine, and gain access to our amazing vendor partners and advertisers. PRO TIP: If you want to be the expert on the history of Porsche Club of America, go to <https://ww2.pca.org/pca-history/> - it's updated annually.

WHAT'S NEW!

Exciting news! Our website is undergoing a full restoration. Currently all of our chairs are collaborating with David Anderson, our webmaster, Christie Boeder, our magazine

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1/2 pg.	\$85, per month
1/4 pg.	\$65, per month
1/8 pg.	\$55, per month
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Back cover	\$130, per month (N/A)
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* 12 month pre-payment required for ad insertion, billed yearly

Well, rumors have it that ‘it was fun’, ‘a few bumps and bruises’, ‘no one fell’, ‘well, that’s not actually true!’ So what in the world were Nord Sterners ‘doing’ that elicited comments along these lines? Interestingly and for sure a first, a very hardy group of members made it to the Dakota Curling Club for some instruction and demonstrations on the rather obscure sport of curling. Was it the promise of pizza and beverages, or the sheer idea of trying something that very few people do (gee, that kind of sounds like Porsche Driver Training, Driver Ed and track events so perhaps this first-ever social wasn’t so crazy after all.)? But seriously, check out the photos in this issues taken by Social maven Karen Laumbach and Michael Grabner of the brave folks who had some fun slipping and sliding and pushing those rather heavy ‘stones’ on slipper ice. All in an effort to knock their opponents’ stones out of the bull’s eye and position themselves for ‘the win.’ Gotta love any group of people willing to be so adventurous and perhaps put themselves a bit out of their comfort zone!

Be sure to keep a watch on the Nord Stern calendar (website, newsletter, Facebook) along with PCA eblasts from Prez Steve keeping you up-to-date with events, details, and any registration requirements. LOTS going on! See his column in fact.

And in the spirit of recognizing our members for being ‘out and about’ it was truly fun to see the posting of one of our long-time Nord Stern members (and former President)

Bret Bailey’s interview in the Wall Street Journal! That’s major exposure although the focus was on car ‘condo’ garages and residential mega-garages. I won’t go into any detail or critique of the author’s writing (hint, the title of the piece was “Garage Mahals’ Are Driving Neighbors Nuts) other than to say the two ‘options’ for storing and enjoying the ‘toys’ of one’s automotive passion really aren’t the same thing at all. Since this was posted on WSJ’s website, it wasn’t accessible unless one happened to be a subscriber. But nevertheless, it was fun to see the picture of Bret in his personal garage at the Chanhassen Automotorplex complex. As the article stated, Bret’s 3-car garage was full and forced him to store his Porsche race car in a trailer, outside in the winter (calling our winters ‘brutal’ really??!). Anyway, fun to see a member in a national publication. I know there are some awesome garages in this club - send me your photos and let’s celebrate your P-car!



HOW TO JOIN PCA AND THEN NORD STERN REGION PCA

1. First, JOIN Porsche Club of America (PCA). Please visit www.pca.org for membership instructions.
2. Second, join Nord Stern
 - Visit www.nordstern.org and remit dues via Paypal hotlink on the Membership page.
 - Or, send check, payable to Nord Stern, directly to the treasurer via the snail mail address below.
 - Your membership information with PCA is available for our club’s records.
3. To RENEW an existing Nord Stern membership
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- Or, send your check, payable to Nord Stern, to Scott via snail mail address - available upon request

Address Changes:

Please send any address changes or updates via email to [membership @ nordstern.org](mailto:membership@nordstern.org)

Mail renewal checks to:

Scott Brown - email editor @ nordstern.org for address

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\$40 per year (helps defray monthly newsletter costs!)

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\$40 per year, or \$108 for three years

LIFE, \$30 per year includes magazine

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* Check your mailing label for your expiration date

APRIL

- 1 Nord Stern Business Meeting ***
 Location: The Exchange, New Brighton, MN
 RSVP to president@nordstern.org
 - all are welcome
- 12 Nord Stern Open House @ Auto Edge**
 Location: Auto Edge, 900 Wildwood Dr, Mahtomedi,
 Details: TBA
- 26 Nord Stern Midwest Clear Bra Tech Session**
 Location? Midwest Clear Bra, 2405 Annapolis Ln N
 Suite 210, Plymouth MN
 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

MAY

- 3, 4 Nord Stern First Fling - NOTE NEW DATES**
 DT and DE at Brainerd International Raceway
- 6 Nord Stern Business Meeting ***
 Location: Spasso's, Minnetonka (101 and Mtka Blvd)
 RSVP to president@nordstern.org
 - All are welcome
- 9 Nord Stern Porsche and Pints**
 Boom Island Brewery
- 17 InterMarque Spring 'Kick-Off' (not a NS event)**
 32nd Annual Vintage Foreign Car Show
 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (placement begins at 9 a.m.)
 Osseo, MN

JUNE

- 14 Automotorplex Car Show**
8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
 3600 Arrowhead Dr, Medina, MN 55340
 Porsche is featured marque
- 23-24 Nord Stern 'Cheese Fling'**
 DE @ Road America in Elkhart Lake, WI
- 28 Nord Stern All Porsche Show**
 Roseville Central Park Dale Street Entrance
 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 All models welcome, food truck, vendors

JULY

- 11-13 Nord Stern Loonacy Driver Ed/Club Race**
 Location: Brainerd International Raceway
 Details TBA!

AUGUST

- 16 Nord Stern Eagan Car Club Drive and Open House**
 Location: Eagan Car Club, 501 Classic Ct, Eagan, MN
 Details TBA

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Nord Stern Business Meeting ***
 Location: The Exchange, New Brighton, MN
 RSVP to president@nordstern.org
 - all are welcome

- 2025 13-14 Nord Stern Last Fling - NOTE NEW DATES**
 DT and DE @ Brainerd International Raceway

OCTOBER

- 2025 3-5 Nord Stern Fall Color Tour**
 Location: PierB, Duluth MN
 Details TBA
- 7 Nord Stern Business Meeting ***
 Location: Spasso's in Minnetonka (101 & Mtka Blvd)
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 - all are welcome

NOVEMBER

- 2025 4 Nord Stern Business Meeting ***
 Location: The Exchange, New Brighton, MN
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 - all are welcome

DECEMBER

- 2025 2 Nord Stern Business Meeting ***
 Location: Spasso's in Minnetonka (101 & Mtka Blvd)
 RSVP to president@nordstern.org
 - all are welcome

** Business Meetings are open to all Nord Stern members and we welcome all to join in and enjoy some refreshments and hear what's on tap, note that this year 2025 they are held the **FIRST TUESDAY** of the Month, September - May 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

• CAFFEINE and OCTANE

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

• CARS AND CAVES •

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

***Please note: Nord Stern-sponsored events are officially designed 'Nord Stern' and/or PCA (Porsche Club of America) activities. Non-Nord Stern events of potential interest to our membership may be added, upon request, and dependent on space availability, to this calendar as a courtesy to the organizer, or an organizing entity, and strictly at the discretion of the editor or Nord Stern president.*

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This year at Porsche Parade, PCA has plans to celebrate the club's 70th anniversary, including a special PCA History Museum in the hospitality area.



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2025 PCA Driver Education Pre-Track Car Safety Technical Inspection Form

This form must be completed for EVERY vehicle registered.



Circle the month of the inspection

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Inspection Date: _____

THIS INSPECTION IS VALID FOR 120 DAYS FROM DATE OF INSPECTION*

PLEASE PRINT DOUBLE SIDED

INSPECTION If car has been in an incident requiring the filing of a PCA Incident Report or experienced a mechanical or technical failure on track, this Inspection Form is no longer valid and a new Pre-Track Inspection Form must be completed.
**** DRIVER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR BRINGING ORIGINAL TECH INSPECTION FORM TO EACH EVENT *****

General Information – to be completed by Owner/ Participant prior to inspection

Driver Name: _____	Car#: _____
Marque: _____	Color: _____
Model: _____	Modified? _____
Year: _____	_____
PCA Home Region: _____	PCA Home Region _____
	Run Group: _____

SECTION A PCA Region Authorized Shop / Inspector – Complete Section A Only

<p><u>This vehicle inspected by: (check only one)</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PCA Region authorized tech inspector</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PCA tech inspector approved by other region safety chair</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Porsche or other dealership</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Specialty repair shop or independent Porsche mechanic</p> <p>Inspector Signature: _____</p> <p>Inspector Name (print): _____</p>	<p style="color: red;">Shop / Inspector Stamp (or business card) or Region Tech Stamp</p> <p>Shop Name (if applicable): _____</p> <p>Shop / Inspector Contact Email or Phone: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p style="text-align: center; color: italic;">Insert stamp here</p>
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Pre-Event Inspection	These must be performed by a PCA Region Authorized Inspector . Please familiarize yourself with the PCA DE Minimum Standards found here: https://www.pca.org/drivers-education/Drivers-Education-Minimum-Standard
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- P F **Helmet:** Snell rated current or last date certificate, no cracks; Chin strap in good condition.
- P F **Roll Bars/Cages:** Mandatory for all open & semi-open cars without manufacturer's structural or deploying roll over protection; roll bars must pass the broomstick rule and must be covered with closed cell foam padding in any place where a helmet could come in contact with the bar.
- P F **Safety Restraints:** Factory or better installation in both seats; must be securely mounted; belts not frayed; equal restraints for passenger and driver. 4 point harnesses prohibited except Schroth Quick Fit on Schroth-approved car models only. 5-, 6- and 7-point harnesses must use seat with factory routing holes. Expiration dates adhere to SFI and FIA notification in DE Minimum Standards.
- P F **Head and Neck Restraint (HANS):** Required with harnesses.
- P F **Structural Integrity:** No loose body or interior parts; no structural rust at or near suspension points.
- P F **Doors:** Must be operational from inside and outside.
- P F **Windshield:** No cracks in front windshield in driver's direct line of sight. Does not impair vision.
- P F **Mirrors:** Minimum of single mirror in good condition and securely mounted.
- P F **Brake Lights:** Functioning and visible brake lights.
- P F **Turn Signals:** For registered street cars, functioning and visible turn signals, left and right and front and back. Not required for unregistered race cars.
- P F **Gas Cap:** In place and secure, gasket intact.
- P F **Fluids:** NO DRIPPING LEAKS of any fluid of any type.
- P F **Fluid Lines:** Proper fittings and line condition.
- P F **Battery:** Check for general condition of cables, corrosion, or signs of leakage. Battery should remain securely fastened when wiggled vigorously.
- P F **Throttle Return:** Freely operating and proper spring(s).
- P F **Belts:** Fan and other auxiliary belts in good condition with proper tension.
- P F **Brakes:** Brake pedal must be firm.
- P F **Engine Compartment / Fluids (general):** ANY LEAKAGE OF FUEL OR BRAKE FLUID IS UNACCEPTABLE. No excessive engine oil, coolant, or power steering fluid leaks. Hoses/ wires must be in good cond. w/ no cracks/ abrasions, and secured away from all moving parts.

P F	Date of last brake fluid flush: _____	Fluid type: <u>Brake Fluid:</u> Sufficient brake fluid; premium fluid recommended. Brake fluid must be changed at least annually.
P F	FOR PORSCHE GT PASSENGER SEATS ONLY Installation of anti-submarine belt per Section 10(h) of Minimum Standards	Additional inspection must be performed to ensure there is no fraying or weakening of harness belts, especially in area of seat punch-out.
P F	<u>Wheels – Overall Condition:</u> No cracks, bends or flaws.	
P F	<u>Wheel Bolts & Lugs:</u> All nuts engaged; pay special attention to after-market wheels.	
P F	<u>Wheel Center Locks:</u> Make sure locking devices are fully engaged.	
P F	<u>Tires:</u> General good condition. No cracks, cuts, cords or blisters; The tires used at the track should be teched on this form.	
P F	<u>Brake System:</u> Sufficient brake pads (3/16”/4.88mm minimum); rotors and pads are in good condition; no cuts or abrasions in brake lines. There should be no visible cracks extending to the edge of the rotor. With co-driver, pads should exceed minimum standard.	

Vehicle MUST be raised to complete the remaining inspections:

P F	<u>Wheel Bearings:</u> Proper free rotation; No looseness in hub.	
P F	<u>Front Suspension:</u> No excessive play; ball joints and tie rods secure; boots and all seals in good condition.	
P F	<u>Rear Suspension & Axles:</u> Check half-shaft bolts, half shaft boots in good condition; mounting hardware in good condition; no leakage.	
P F	<u>Exhaust:</u> Securely fastened and in good condition.	

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2. The completed Form correctly and accurately shows the condition of the Car identified above at the time of the inspection.

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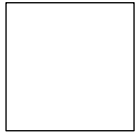
I acknowledge that I am responsible for any Facility damage caused by me and that I shall pay for the damage of any portion of the Facility (structures/track surface/paddock/grass) billed directly by Facility or Region to me at the time of occurrence. Hybrid / Electric vehicle owners shall also be responsible for damages to the Facility caused by any battery combustion.

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Driver’s Signature: Driver 2: _____ **License Expiration Date:** _____

Emergency Contact Name: Driver1 _____ **Tel. Number:** _____

Emergency Contact Name: Driver2 _____ **Tel. Number:** _____



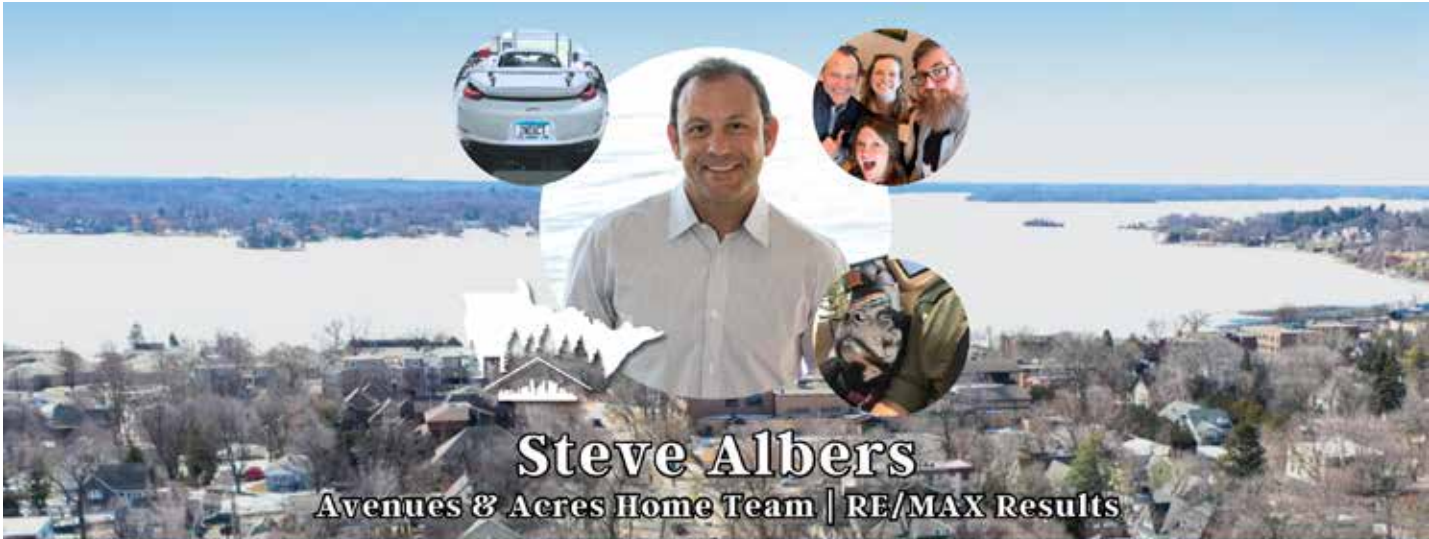
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DATE	EVENT	TRACK (EVENT TYPE)
MAY/ 3-4	FIRST FLING	BIR (DE + DT)
JUNE/23-24	CHEESE FLING	ROAD AMERICA (DE)
JULY/11-13	LOONACY WEEKEND	BIR (CLUB RACE + DE)
SEPTEMBER/13-14	LAST FLING	BIR (DE + DT)

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Attendees:

Mike Steinberg, Derek Laumbach, Karen Laumbach, Carolyn Veno, Scott Brown, Andy Golfis, Todd Smith, Andy Barker, Jim Southwell, Steve Albers, John Velure, John Blackburn, Jeff Eckroth, Michelle Weber-Eckroth, Scott Brown, Christie & Bruce Boeder, Pat Schervan

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order by Steve Albers at 6:32p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

President, Steve Albers:

- Reviewed February Nordstern Board meeting
- Insurance discussion
- Nominating committee creating to fill vacant chair positions

Vice President, Derek Laumbach

- No report

Treasurer, Scott Brown

- Financials are good

Secretary, Tom Sabow

- no report

Board of Directors, Steve Kemp, John Velure, Jeff Eckroth

- 2025 plans look good

Advertising, Mollie Nygaard

- No report

All Porsche Show, Phil Saari and Jim Southwell

- June 28. Venue has been moved back to Central Park in Roseville due to district summer construction issues.

Autocross, Andy Golfis

- 2025 schedule & classes are available

Club Race, John Velure

- 7/11-7/13: long track, negotiations are still ongoing

Driver Education, John Blackburn

- Using PCA tech forms available on our website
- Good for 120 days only
- Discussion about BIR regarding improvements/safety
- Spring Fling: 5/3-5/4 on short track
- Last Fling: 9/13-9/14

Driver Training, Ben Rogers, Scott Brown

- Discussed new driver social gathering

Drives, Touring, Chuck Barr, Rich Rolf, Nick Severson

- No report

Fall Color Tour

- October 3-5, registration pending
- dates are on the website calendar, more details TBA

Historic Archives, Roger Johnson

- No report

Insurance, Jeff Carlson

- No report

Membership, Carolyn Veno & Michael Steinberg, Amanda Zander

- 460 active members
- 6 new members in February

Newsmagazine, Christie Boeder

- Latest newsletter is available online

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Prez Sez . . .

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editor, and Andy Barker our registrar and payments specialists to 10 X our visuals and visitor experience. Stay tuned!

WHAT'S NEXT!

- **APRIL 5, 2025** - DotPlaid Watercolor Stationary Class
- **APRIL 12, 2025** - Nord Stern Membership Social: Auto Edge Open House
- **APRIL 26, 2025** - Midwest Clear Bra Tech Session

You may visit our website events calendar and follow our Facebook Page (- for details.

Cheers!

Prez Steve,
president@nordstern.org

It's a Wrap at PrintLab Wrap Tech Session

photos by Michael Steinberg

Another Nord Stern tech session this winter found members learning how printing and wrapping wraps work to both protect and enhance the visuals of your favorite 'toy' or favorite mode of transportation! Thanks to the crew at PrintLab Wraps. Members were attentive, to say the least!

Truly a picture can paint a thousand words; enjoy these 'visuals!'



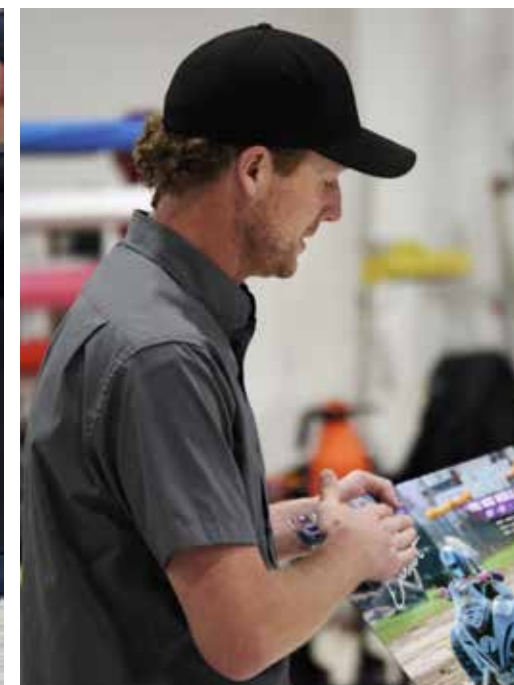


Enjoyed a fun tech session at PrintLab Wraps in Lakeville with 22 fellow Nord Stern Region of Porsche Club of America members. One new member joined at the event!

Our hosts, Dennis and Clint of PrintLab Wraps, showed us many of the wonderful and very creative cool things they do with wraps, PPF, single ads, and lens colorization.

You missed out if you didn't brave the weather to join us!

Right: Todd Smith's track/Club Racer sporting its 'wrap'!





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- Nord Stern is a club, an organization made up of members who share a passion, an interest, a desire to delve ever deeper, in our case, into the Big Wide World of Porsche!
- In '24, over thirty members signed up to work either the All Porsche Show in June or Loonacy Weekend in July. The call will go out in early May for these events this year. Watch for a signup page on our website soon, under "Volunteer". We need you! <https://website.nordstern.org/membership/volunteer/>
- Think big! Nord Stern is always on the lookout for members that want to take on bigger responsibilities in club leadership. We need people to bring their ideas and energy to keep the club moving forward. Contact volunteer@nordstern.org to let us know where you can help.
- ***And remember: The club needs those helping hands all year round.***

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DATE	EVENT	SPONSOR	LOCATION
April 12th	Novice School	MAC	DCTC
May 4th	MOWOG #1	MAC	Canterbury Park
May 10th	Track Cross #1	MAC	DCTC
May 17th	Novice School #2	MAC	MN State Fair
May 17th	CVSCC Autocross #1	CVSCC	Rock Falls Raceway
May 17th	SCCLAC Test & Tune	SCCLAC	Winona
May 18th	MOWOG #2	MAC	MN State Fair
May 18th	SCCLAC/LOL #1	SCCLAC/LOL	Winona
June 7th (Sat)	MOWOG #3	MAC	MN State Fair
June 8th	MOWOG #4	MAC	MN State Fair
June 14th	Evo School	MAC	MN State Fair
June 14th	SCCLAC/LOL #2	CCLAC/LOL	Winona
June 15th	Evo School	MAC	MN State Fair
June 15th	SCCLAC/LOL #3	SCCLAC/LOL	Winona
June 22nd	Super Sunday Autocross	COM	DCTC
June 28th	Practice Event #2	MAC	MN State Fair
June 29th	MOWOG #5	MAC	MN State Fair
July 12th	MOWOG #6	MAC	MN State Fair
July 13th	MOWOG #7	MAC	MN State Fair
July 20th	Trackcross #2	MAC	DCTC
July 20th	SCCLAC/LOL #4	SCCLAC/LOL	Winona
July 26th (Sat)	Trackcross #3	MAC	DCTC
Aug 3rd	MOWOG #8	MAC	DCTC
Aug 10th	Super Sunday Autocross II	COM	DCTC
Aug 17th	SCCALC/LOL #5	SCCLAC/LOL	Winona
Aug 30th-Sep 5th	SCCA Solo Nationals Championship		
Sep 7th-21st	Track Repave?	DCTC	
Sep 13th	CVSCC Autocross #2	CVSCC	Rock Falls Raceway
Sep 28th	Track Repave (Possible Event Day)	DCTC	
Sep 28th	SCCLAC/LOL #6	SCCLAC/LOL	West Salem
Oct 4th	MOWOG 9	MAC	Canterbury

SCCA TRACK NIGHT IN AMERICA @ DCTC: 4/25 , 6/13, 7/11, 8/15, 9/26

SCCA TRACK NIGHT IN AMERICA @ BIR : 5/23 & 8/29

SCM PRACTICE DAYS/LAPPING at BIR: 06/16 & 9/15

SCCA RACING EVENTS @ BIR: REGIONAL/DIVISIONAL ROAD RACES

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Not all the Action HAS to be on a race track! Curling fun

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- **September 12th (Friday)**
- **October 5th (Sunday)**

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February Minutes . . .

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- April issue will not be mailed to those member non-renewals
- Will move to also not mailing non-responding LIFE members

Photography, Michael Steinberg

- There is a new Nord Stern “bookmark” for display and hand-out at Porsche dealers

Registration, Andy Barker

- Cheese Fling registration is open
- Paypal is working on the website
- Merchandise will remain available

Safety, Paul Thai, Nathan Reader

- No report

Social, Karen Laumbach

- March 5: Bald Man Brewery
- April 5: women’s event in Stillwater
- May 9: Boom Island Brewery
- Winter curling event was a blast!
Photos in this issue



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Social Media, Judy Severs, Misty

Martianos, Christie Boeder

- Thank you all for sending in content

Tech & Shop Relations, Roger Johnson,

Stan Lim

- 3/15 Further Performance
- 4/26 Midwest Clear Bra

Volunteers, Jim Southwell

- Call outs for Loonacy & All Porsche Show volunteers begins in May

Webmaster/Tech Dave Anderson & Andy Barker

- Google Docs up and running

Next Meeting: April 7 at The Exchange

in New Brighton

Adjourned @ 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Tom Sabow, Secretary



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2025 Club Race Loonacy organizing meeting

photo by Michael Steinberg

Nothing happens in Nord Stern without a LOT of planning, organizing, analyzing, discussions, decision-making, volunteering and assignments of responsibilities. And of course our Loonacy, or Club Race weekend at Brainerd International Raceway is NO exception. If anything, it requires even more discussion based on all the changing and unknown factors that influence this big event. Meeting recently for a dinner meeting with John Velure (head of table) were (L to R): Derek Laumbach, Andy Barker, Ben Rogers, Jim Southwell, Scott Quick, John Velure, Scott Brown, John Blackburn, Carolyn Veno, Ryan McGee, Karen Carson (and of course Michael Steinberg behind the camera!

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Two (2) Rear 295/30 ZR18 - 56Yo222. Have 110 Laps on them Rotated L to R then R to L after every 48 laps. Balanced Tread depth at .10 -.12 mm 7/64. Mounted on Turbot Twist Rims.

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As part of the Nord Stern Region of PCA Board of Director’s commitment to its membership, we are in the process of amending the Bylaws. One key area of change involves finance, including formalizing the Treasurer’s responsibility to report to the full membership. This reporting includes the following narrative and financial statements.

While the Treasurer typically provides updates at the business meeting, we are also sharing an annual financial update following the completion of our 990 filing (our annual information tax return, available upon request).

The organization’s financial position has rebounded after a challenging 2023. Our cash balance increased by approximately \$24,000, reaching \$105,627, up from

\$81,843. In September 2023, NordStern implemented QuickBooks, enhancing our ability to track program costs more effectively. Chairs and event leads continue to work diligently to control expenses and operate in the black whenever possible.

Upcoming cash outlays include payments for Road America in March and April (\$52,000) and additional payments to Brainerd International Raceway, typically due 30–60 days before the event.

We encourage members to review the financial statements and reach out with any questions or concerns. For specific inquiries, please contact Scott at treasurer@nordstern.org.

Scott Brown, treasurer@nordstern.org



Nord Stern Region of Porsche Club of America

Statement of Financial Position

As of December 31, 2024

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	\$105,627
Accounts Receivable	\$195
Other Current Assets	\$117
Total Current Assets	\$105,939
TOTAL ASSETS	\$105,939
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$0
Other Current Liabilities	\$0
Total Current Liabilities	\$0
Total Liabilities	\$0
Equity	\$105,939
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$105,939



Nord Stern Region of Porsche Club of America

Statement of Activity January - December 2024

	TOTAL
Net Cash	
Advertising & Sponsorship Revenue	37,270
ClubReg Receipts	246,531
Membership Dues	11,608
Misc Deposits	128
Name Badges	329
PayPal Rcpts	9,279
PCA National	24,406
Product Sales	3,544
Total Revenue	\$333,095
Net Cash In	\$333,095
Operating Cash Out	
Advertising/Promotional	5,920
Awards and Trophies	822
Badges & Related	1,031
Bank Charges	877
Conferences & Meetings Expense	541
Food and Other Event Costs	40,793
Insurance	4,750
Legal & Accounting Fees	1,796
Lodging and Travel	322
Magazine Printing and Expenses	36,208
Mail/Postage	276
Office Expenses	3,673
Tech Expenses	1,878
Towing	3,000
Track Rental	185,479
Travel	2,480
Total Expenditures	\$289,845
Net Operating Cash In (Out)	\$43,250
Other Cash In	
Interest Earned	64
Total Other Revenue	\$64
Other Cash Out	
Donation	1,190
Total Other Expenditures	\$1,190
NET OTHER REVENUE	\$ -1,126
Net Cash	\$42,124

Well, I started watching season seven of Drive to Survive last night. And I stopped. I don't think I'll go back.

Why? It's simple. Because I know what's going to happen. So I don't really care. I watch all the F1 telecasts and, if I can't see them live, I record them for playback when I can. Also, I subscribe to Planet F1. And what I get are updates on the rumors, the backbiting, the total soap opera that is the F1 circus, delivered to my e-mailbox, on a daily basis.

But wait, you say, the cinematography is good . . . and that's true . . . so is the soundtrack . . . but that's not enough.

The last six years, yes, six whole years, I've devoted this space to a review of the series. I've turned blue in the face from exhorting the producers to do something, anything, to get beyond the cry to "push, push, push." I feel like I'm trying to give birth. Excuse me while I have a bout of morning sickness.

I've recommended they dive into just how to drive one of these monsters. Who are the mechanics, what do they do, why, how much do they get paid? When a team makes upgrades, what are they? And how do they know the upgrades work? Which means just what is an F1 simulator, where they actually test this stuff? What's the performance envelope of current F1 cars? Why do companies sponsor? How much do they pay? For what exposure? What does an F1 "pilot" actually do, off the track, during a full race weekend?

And that's just off the top of my head. None of this. Nothing is covered, beyond which driver (not car) is fast, which driver is slow, and what's going to happen to them as a result. Ever.

To lift a phrase shamelessly from a clothing retailer who used to advertise regularly when I was growing up, "an informed consumer is our best customer." Right? What's so hard to get, Netflix? If I want to watch a soap opera, I'll tune in "The Days of our Lives."

Oh, I've compared Drive to the golf series, the tennis series, the Indycar series. I even watched the series on polo. Why? Let's just say I was curious. And what did I find? The same derivative format. A demonic commitment to a hyped-up human drama. To the near total elimination of all else related

to the sport. Although, oh wait, I did learn how they score polo . . . what a chukka is, or is it chucker. I don't remember, and I don't care.

No, what's happening here is something we see again and again. An unwavering commitment to what works. It's a pattern. First, there's the breakthrough event. Like season one of Drive. Good for Netflix, nothing like it had been done before. And it put F1 on the map in the US, for the first time. Which, for us car nuts, was a great thing.

Then they began to slavishly stick to the formula. To what works.

Is it laziness? Rampant risk-aversion? I don't know. But I do see it in other places, like the creation of an entertainment "franchise." The book, the movie, the Broadway play, the cast album, the road show, the sequel, another sequel. It's safe. It's boring. It's overdone.

Hey, creating that franchise is hard. It's risky. It's expensive. I get that. It's hard to get out of one's "comfort bubble." Especially when your owners or shareholders, and their accountants, are breathing down your neck.

How hard? To find out, I did a Chat GPT search on "complacency." Out came a document titled "Over 100 Inspiring Quotes to Overcome Complacency." In categories, no less. Here are a few highlights.

Under the subhead "Quotes on the Trap of Complacency" was "Complacency is the enemy of progress," "The comfort zone is a beautiful place, but nothing ever grows there," and "Momentum is lost in the quagmire of contentment,"

Under the subhead "Quotes to Break Free from Complacency" were "Take risks, that's where the magic begins," and "Never mistake a hint of success as a sign to stop pushing forward."

Maybe I'll forward the list to Netflix. Then again, maybe I'll first finish season three of "The White Lotus." Or maybe I'll imprint on my forehead this quote from the list, "The biggest room in the world is the room for improvement." I don't know. I don't know.

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