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Photo by Michael Steinberg

Badges, badges, badges! Beautiful 356 SC at the recent Eagan Car Club social

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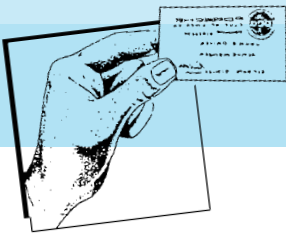
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Aaron Shilts

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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!

VOLUNTEERING: The club runs on volunteers! Meet fellow members AND get the most out of your membership. We exist because members volunteer 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!

From the racetrack to the Green Flag Gala, Nord Stern's relationship with **St. Jude Children's Research Hospital** has been a story of passion, purpose, and people. What began in 2021-2022 as a spark of connection through JDC-Miller MotorSports, Porsche Minneapolis, and Porsche St. Paul has grown into a powerful partnership. Together, Nord Stern members, Katie Cummings, and the St. Jude team have built friendships, raised meaningful funds, and shared unforgettable experiences — from hosting patient families at races to surpassing fundraising goals at our annual gala. We sat down with Katie Cummings, Sr. Account Manager, Corporate Partnerships, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, to reflect on this journey: how it started, the relationships behind it, and where it's headed. Don't miss part II of our exclusive interview with Katie in the November Nord Stern Magazine.

LOOKING BACK AT THE BEGINNING: Katie, can you share how the relationship between Nord Stern, St. Jude, and our Porsche partners first came together — and what those early days of collaboration were like for you and your team?

Absolutely! The partnership between Nord Stern, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, and our Porsche partners started to take shape around 2021-2022. I still remember getting an email from Roger Johnson about the idea of having one of Nord Stern's drives benefit St. Jude. Of course, we said yes — it felt like a great opportunity to

connect with a passionate community for a meaningful cause. But what started as a single event quickly evolved into something much more . . .

"I am 100% going to take credit for Katie's passion for all of this stuff. The story here is that the JDC / St Jude deal happened very quickly and none of us had any idea what we were going to do with this very cool opportunity. Katie and Amanda Cahow thought they needed to see what they were getting into, and at the last minute, they made arrangements to come to the Laguna Seca race. We started with "Hot Laps," where Katie and Amanda got a ride - at speed! - in a 911 GTS with a pro driver down



Pictured left to right: Katie Cummings and Amanda Cahow

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My column will be quite short and hardly worth reading (oh, please don't take that literally), as space is tight in this issue for a lot of very good reasons. Again, I have been 'gifted' with many, many wonderful photos from recent events. AND an article from one of our members on the recent Nurburgring Tour organized by Kris Skellenger of SPD Action Tours. Just a wow and watch here for write ups on the absolutely fabulous Alpine Tour he put together. I can't say enough about what a great trip, great organization, great driving, great people, great scenery . . . I could go on and on. But you'll see!

Plus there are still some truly excellent photos from events earlier in the summer (yikes, it's mid-August, the Great Minnesota Get-Together - aka The State Fair - has begun and that means the start of school is just around the corner). But for sure I'll hang on to some of those for those quieter winter months although the club recently doesn't go into hibernation (our cars might but not us!) as there will be a party or two, and for sure some interesting tech sessions giving us all the opportunities to learn more and more about our 4-wheeled 'toys'. Said with a grin.

But in all seriousness this also is recruiting time as club leadership looks to fill positions and needs in the club. We are strictly a volunteer entity and that means we need volunteers to step on up, get involved, help shape the club's activities and contribute to the health of this organization.

Don't wait to be asked, raise your hand (as my graphic

shows) and I guarantee you will not be sorry. We have fun event while we may at times end up pretty busy but the club has lots to offer members and frankly, to the community we live in (see Steve's column!!). Thanks, all!



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SEPTEMBER

- 2 Nord Stern Business Meeting ***
Location: Axel's in Roseville
RSVP to president@nordstern.org
- all are welcome

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

OCTOBER

- 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
- 11 Checkered Flag Party**
Time: Noon to 4 pm
Location: Buck Hill
Cost: \$40 per person, register @clubregistration.net

NOVEMBER

- 4 Nord Stern Business Meeting ***
Location: Location: Axel's in Roseville
RSVP to president@nordstern.org
- all are welcome

DECEMBER

- 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

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• MN CARS AND COFFEE •

First Saturday of the month, May - October

• CAFFEINE and OCTANE

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• CARS AND CAVES •

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

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Nord Stern Fall Color Tour

October 3 - 5, 2025

HQ @ Pier B on Lake Superior, Duluth

Friday Eve Social @ Kitchi Gammi Club

Saturday Drive Lunch @ Lakewoods Resort, WI

Saturday Eve Pizza Buffet @ Clyde Iron Works

Details, Costs, Registration at clubregistration.net

It's Summertime, It's Drive time, Its Vino in the Valley time

photos by Chuck Barr, Comments via Facebook page

Our Tour to **Vino In The Valley** was one of the most successful ever with 56 cars and 102 Nord Sterners participating! Many thanks to Porsche Saint Paul and their friendly staff for hosting us at the beginning of our drive. We enjoyed the 138 mile cruise through twisting roads and beautiful scenery. Our group was amazingly convivial, it's what happens when Porsche people get together. The fare set out by the Vino In The Valley chef was superb and the staff was both gracious and attentive!

– Chuck Barr



What a great day and an awesome route with some surprises after Ellsworth Creamery before we got to Vino in the Valley. Thank-you to Larry and his team on making lunch awesome and make us all feel so welcome.

– Scott Mallory

Thanks Chuck Barr for a great route. Best experience so far with Nord Stern and my 997.

– Jacques Pallet

So much fun! Thanks to all who made it happen!

– Dmitri S

Shout out to the Nord Stern Region of Porsche Club of America Drives team! Once again, delivering above and beyond for our membership . . . Hats off to you all. We wish we could've joined you.

– Jeff Eckroth

Thanks! Would have loved to have seen you and Michelle on the Tour in your new Underberg Green and Ipanema Blue Porsches, Jeff! Stunning colors!

– Chuck Barr

Bravo, Well done.

– Misty Martianos

It was a blast! Lisa and I loved the drive and friendships made . Looking forward to future events!

– Marco Molinari





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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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The idea started innocently enough. In the early spring of 2022, it occurred to me that few people travel to Germany in late October. By then, Oktoberfest is over, it's too early to ski and the Christmas markets have not gone into full swing. 2022 was going to be the year that I go to the Porsche Museum.

It's important to note that I had both selfish and unselfish reasons for visiting the museum. The selfish reason, obviously, was to see the museum and the awe-inspiring pieces within its walls. The unselfish reason was to create a photo catalogue for the folks who may never make it there. As far as I have found, there is no comprehensive, detailed Porsche Museum gallery on the internet. Granted, the exhibits change often. What follows is a short story about the logistics and experience of my trip. As well, there is a link to an organized, detailed Google Photo Album of over 500 pictures from the Porsche Museum at the end of October, 2022.

My wife was on board with a solo trip so long as I kept the cost down. I'm a no-frills kind of guy (sensible German in my own right). Having travelled extensively on budgets, I know how to keep a trip cheap. This would be an in and out, three-days on the ground, trip. I did not have to look far for great airfare. The lowest cost route was on Lufthansa from Newark, NJ to Frankfurt. This would also require taking roundtrip Amtrak trains from BWI to Newark on the US side. Once in Germany, I would be roundtripping the train between Frankfurt and Stuttgart/Zuffenhausen. The total cost of the trains on both sides plus airfare was way cheaper than flying direct into Stuttgart from any airport close to my home in Maryland.

I know some reading this may think what a hassle - Amtrak to Lufthansa to Deutsche Bahn to S Bahn to shoe leather express. Remember the goal was to keep the cost down. We have one in college and two more coming into college age in the not-too-distant future.

The bottom line is I could have travelled to Zuffenhausen with less hassle but at double the cost. Long-story short, I'm an experienced traveler accustomed to navigating other countries. I've been to more than 35 countries and have even spent a year circumnavigating the earth. So, taking a bit longer route is not an obstacle. If I'm being honest, I enjoyed my travel path to Zuffenhausen and met a few nice people along the way.

For accommodation, I picked Hotel B&B. This is a relatively small hotel chain operating around Europe. Rates are more than reasonable. The rooms are clean, comfy and perfect for folks



doing little more than sleeping and showering. More than anything, the Hotel B&B in Zuffenhausen is 300 meters from the museum. What more could I ask for? Before spring had sprung in 2022, I was booked for a fall trip to Zuffenhausen and counting the days.

About three months out, I got an email from Porsche saying that factory tours were back on. As you might have guessed, Covid shut down factory tours for a long time. So, yes, I scheduled a 911 factory tour for the unfathomably low rate of 10€. If my excitement was not already primed it went into overdrive with the idea of touring the factory. Oh, by the way entry to the museum for PCA members is only 5€.

At 7:30am on Wednesday, October 27th my flight made a blind landing in Frankfurt due to fog. With a short wait for my ICE train to Stuttgart, I enjoyed a few baked goods and a sandwich. Deutsche Bahn has a convenient long-distance station right next to Frankfurt airport that offers a seamless way to get moving once on the ground. The one hour and ten-minute ride deposited me at Stuttgart Hauptbahnhof where I switched to the local S Bahn. Four stops later and I was at the Zuffenhausen Neuwirtshaus stop at Porscheplatz. After a much-needed ten-minute walk, I checked in early to the hotel.

With this being a short trip, I knew it was critical to stay awake day one. For that reason, I booked the 911 factory tour in the middle of the day. Interesting content and a lot of walking would keep the sluggishness away. The tour started at the museum where we then walked across the traffic circle with the flying 911s. No cameras or cell phones were allowed on the tour. So, sorry no pics from the tour.

Our first stop on the tour was the point where the painted bodies have been married to the chassis and arrive for the beginning of interior installs. We followed the cars along the way to wheel mounting. On the line, folks have minutes to get their parts of the car in place as the line moves. Funny point our guide made is that the wheel center caps are sent separate from the car due to theft in transport. From there, we visited the leather dying, prep and cutting area. We finished with the boxer engine assembly line. The engine line is long and has many stations that are by far staffed with humans. It's the rare station that has a robot arm swinging around. The 1.5 hours spent in the factory provided impressive insight into the logistics, precision and production of the iconic 911.

The tour wrapped up in the 3:00 hour and I was starting to feel my energy fade. While tempted to go back to the hotel and sleep until the next day, I opted to take the train into Stuttgart. Right before my arrival, the Porsche Brand Store opened in Stuttgart. Not a store per se, rather a boutique to

entertain and amaze. The 'store' does sell some items but seems to be more of a location for cobranding. In the time I was there, a popular DJ was spinning one night and another night there was a wine tasting.

The unseasonably warm weather made for a summer-like evening. Throngs of people shopped and wandered near the area around Schlossplatz. As the sun dipped below the buildings the glow of the Ferris wheel just outside the Neues Schloss grew brighter. At the same time, my energy faded with the sun. On the way back to the S Bahn, I lucked into passing a shawarma joint off Konigstrasse. I can't resist shaved meat stuffed in a pita with the works. With a full belly and short train ride back to the hotel, I turned in for the evening.

The Porsche Museum opened at 9:00 a.m. on Friday the 28th. I was up at 7:00 a.m. strategizing. Fully stoked for a day in the museum, I fueled up a block down from the hotel at Siegel's 711 bakery. The super friendly staff and wide array of baked goods, coffee, and sandwiches made Siegel's a no brainer.

The museum's layout takes you in a long, upward, counterclockwise pattern. Once at the top, you take a long escalator back down (Editor's note: today attendees ARE funnelled UP that long escalator and make your way downward). To that end, my strategy was to be there early and go straight to the top and work my way down as others came up. Then, later in the day, when others

were at the top, I would start at the bottom. My hope was few people in my photos.

Generally speaking, the strategy worked well as I had the top 1/3 of the museum mostly to myself for 45 minutes. The same was true later in the day. As the final stragglers came into the museum late in the day, they hurried through. This left the first 1/3 of the museum almost empty for the last 45 minutes of the day.

Over the course of two days, I spent seven (7) hours in the museum capturing all but four cars in fair detail. The four cars I did not capture are in the photos but were on a high shelf that did not allow for detailed photography. Once I photographed all the cars and their respective information placards, I tucked my phone away and wandered through the museum a second time to read, experience and enjoy.

I've been to countless museums around the world. In my opinion, there is no better run or organized than the Porsche Museum. The accessibility of the cars is the key. You can get right up to the cars and take as detailed a photo as you want (as you will see in my pictures).

I cannot express enough what a great experience the museum was. As you walk past some of the 917s you can smell the car. If you're a petrol head you know the smells I'm talking about. You will visit few museums that give you a visceral response like the Zuffenhausen Porsche Museum will.

I hope you enjoy the Google Photo album I put together. Feel free to reach out if you would like some of the raw pictures - henry.pcar@gmail.com.

Photos: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/GDzEKXn5zqL4BkEc6>

Editor's note: having just been to the Porsche Museum, I can attest that Henry's photos are excellent and he put in a lot of time and effort capturing many of the iconic Porsches from over the decades and makes and models, recognized a lot of what I had the good fortunate to see just a few weeks ago! A bucket list item for sure.

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the corkscrew, and here we are. I dragged them all around the track. What better introduction to sport scar racing than IMSA at Laguna”

– Roger Johnson, Nord Stern Historical Archivist

Looking forward As we continue to grow this partnership, what do you see as the next opportunities for Nord Stern and our Porsche partners to support St. Jude — and why is it important for our members to stay engaged in that mission?

As we look to the future, one of the most exciting opportunities is supporting St.

live tech demonstrations, light bites, special guests and a way to make your donation come alive on a sticker that will be featured on the Porsche 963 racecar.

- **September 21st** – Cheer on JDC-Miller MotorSports at the IMSA WeatherTech Championship Race in Indianapolis, where the team will be racing for a cause during Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

September is a time to honor the courage of children fighting cancer and to recommitting to helping St. Jude find cures. That’s why it’s so important for Nord Stern members to stay engaged—not just as car enthusiasts, but as change-makers. Every event, every donation, and every moment of support helps ensure that families never receive a bill from St. Jude for treatment, travel, housing, or food.

We’re proud to stand alongside the Porsche community in this mission. To learn more and get involved, visit www.stjude.org/jdc.

Katie’s reflections remind us that our club’s impact goes far beyond cars, tracks, or auctions. Every dollar raised, every event hosted, and every connection made helps advance the mission of St. Jude: ensuring no family ever receives a bill for treatment, travel, housing, or food. As Nord Stern members, our continued commitment means fueling hope for children and families everywhere. Together with Porsche partners, St. Jude, and one another, we’re driving something bigger than horsepower — we’re driving change.

Cheers, Steve



Katie and her husband Daniel on the grid at Road America handing out cards promoting St. Jude. She is with our Green Flag Party speaker Colleen Kelley and daughter Melea. Look carefully, as Colleen’s son Colton is behind looking in the car with Katie Church. What’s fun is the guy next to them is Roger Penske.

BUILDING MOMENTUM

From welcoming patient families at Road America to raising nearly \$13,000 at our 2025 Green Flag Gala, what moments stand out to you as milestones — both in terms of fundraising and in the relationships you’ve built with Nord Stern members and leadership?

There have been so many meaningful moments, but a few really stand out as milestones for both fundraising and relationship-building. Road America and Indy were turning points—welcoming St. Jude patient families into such a high-energy, passionate environment was incredibly special. Seeing the way Nord Stern members embraced those families with warmth and genuine care made it clear that this partnership was about more than just events—it was about community...

Jude’s larger initiative to unite the Porsche and racing community through Love Racing. Stop Cancer. This campaign is a powerful way to channel our shared passion for motorsports into something truly meaningful—finding cures and saving children’s lives.

Nord Stern and our Porsche partners have already shown how impactful this community can be. Now, we have a chance to take that even further by rallying around upcoming events that directly support this mission. Two key opportunities are coming up:

- **September 4th** – Join us at JDC-Miller MotorSports in Savage, MN for a special **Love Racing. Stop Cancer** where we’ll kick off National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month raise awareness for St. Jude with

Rain or Shine, It was Eagan Car Club time!

by Chuck Barr

While off to a rainy start this morning, our breakfast at Joseph's and the drive to the Eagan Car Club condos was great fun! As always, the Porsches were beautiful and the camaraderie was exceptional. It's always good to make new friends. Thanks to all those who helped out and to our host for making this event another Nord Stern PCA success.

We in the Drives Committee try to make our drives interesting combinations of beautiful scenery and twisty, sometimes challenging roads. If you have any favorite routes that meet these criteria, please share them, and we will try to incorporate them into a future drive. PM's are fine as are emails to drives@nordstern.org.

Editor's note: I choose this combo of photos as the variety of Porsches colors is certainly stood out: Red, yellow, Blue! AND the models, wow.





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Sep 28th	Track Repave (Possible Event Day)	DCTC	
Sep 28th	SCCLAC/LOL #6	SCCLAC/LOL	West Salem
Oct 4th	MOWOG 9	MAC	Canterbury

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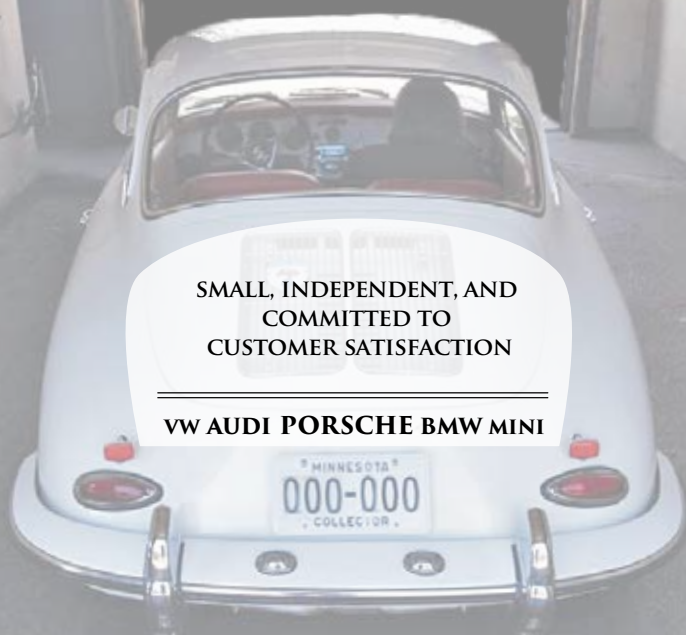
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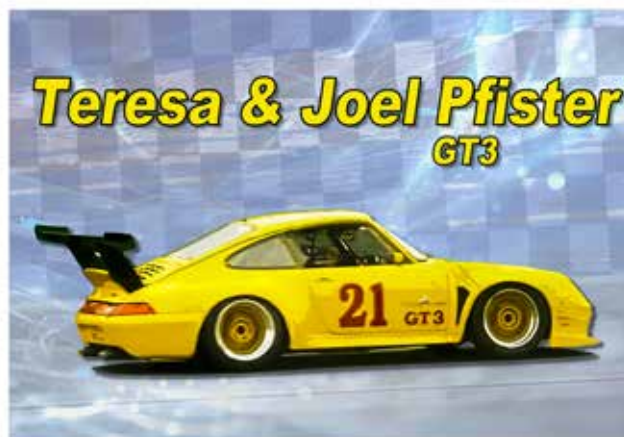


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Two 'trading cards' for two very iconic Nord Stern Porsches!



Continuing from the August issue: From the very start, Ferry Porsche connected his sports cars to the vision of fulfilling dreams, and the brand has remained true to this objective to this day. Today more than ever before, there is very little chance that two identical Porsche models will leave the factory halls. And yet the customization trend began rather unremarkably. For example, a rear windshield wiper for the 356 A Coupé of industrialist Alfried Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach in 1955: not a problem for the repair department at the main factory in Stuttgart-Zuffenhausen.

What seems ordinary today was an exotic option at a time when a car radio, for instance, was viewed as an extravagant add-on. The first car phones were an absolute rarity, usually ordered by government clients. The factory responded to the growing demand for customization by expanding the range of accessories, which included reclining seats, grab handles, rev counters, and luggage racks.

1968: 911 2.0 rally model

In 1968, this 911 was converted for the London–Sydney Marathon, which covered more than 16,000 kilometers through Europe, the Middle East, Asia, and Australia. The tailpipe was extended to roof height for river crossings, while the spectacular tubular frame on the outside offered protection from rollovers and collisions with wild animals. Support for motorsport drivers with a variety of projects, some of them quite unusual, was one of the many reasons for founding the customer racing department in 1973. A close connection between racing and customization still exists to this day.



1975: 917 “Kurzheck” street version

Converting a “Kurzheck” (short tail) 917 for operation on public roads was a unique challenge. The order came from spirits manufacturer Count Gregorio Rossi di Montelera

of Italy, the main sponsor of Porsche Motorsport for many years. Fitted with exterior mirrors, turn signals, and a rear muffler, the race car was ultimately approved in the US state of Alabama, which also authorized operation in the Count’s chosen home of France. A second “917 Street” was presented to a German customer in 1977.



From factory repair to Sonderwunsch programme

The history of the Sonderwunsch (special request) programme is full of unique projects that illustrate the brand’s innovative power and attention to detail. Examples include modifications to engines, chassis, and brakes for racing purposes. Particularly active motorsport customers were interested in optimizing their series models for competitions, and the brand helped them with tailored solutions.

For example, the highly modified version of the 911 S 2.0 was developed for the London–Sydney Marathon in 1968. In addition to two factory cars, a 911 owned by a customer was converted and adapted to the rally version of the 911 S 2.0, an important step in founding the customer racing department in 1973. With projects like this one, Porsche was able to lay the groundwork for the connection between motorsport and customization, which is still important to this day.

Up to Speed, or My First Nurburgring Experience

by Pat Schevern

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I was actually interested in a Porsche Tour through Europe, and low and behold! The Nurburgring to Stuttgart presented itself. Wasn't sure what to expect . . . LET ME TELL YOU!

We all arrived Sunday, July 20th. A group of 4, a bit small ~ certainly easier to manage plus an opportunity to get to know fellow enthusiasts. And, hear their stories!

Oz, his son ~ Aidan, Jesse and me were all collected at Stuttgart airport, and transported to Le Median Hotel, Stuttgart for a few nights. Did introductions at breakfast and proceeded to assemble in our Mercedes-Benz van, I jumped into the front seat staking my position. I knew I could ask questions and capture most of the scenery. First stop, Porsche Museum, definitely a lot of fancy, fun, and extravagant cars!



The Mercedes Museum was incredible, I have a whole new respect for Mercedes. The layout, presented history of the vehicle's origin which included pertinent stories of our past. The architecture and decor was beautifully displayed, a thumbs up indeed!

Then there was the Technik Museum in Sinsheim, Germany ~ if you've not been do put on your to do list. Three hours were hardly enough, more on the history of motorsports including bicycling, numerous hot rods, sports cars, air planes and World War I and II memorabilia ~ very impressive and touching!

The AMG GT Factory tour was another AWE! One engine at a time, and each engine was scrutinized every inch of the



process. The area was immaculate, I literally could have heard a pin drop.

The Porsche Experience Center Hockenheim was a bonus, we all drove the track ~ Porsches ~ of course, and some faster than others. We were hosted and toured by a charming young woman who loved to race. Kris, managed to arrange a trip to the basement ~ I think I counted 52 cars of every size, shape and color. Kind of rush for me ~ a lot of engines!

We arrived at the Dorint Hotel Am Nurburgring, rooms right on the race track at Nurburgring ~ WOW! The photos



displayed on the walls in public areas and hallways reflected years of memories. Some exuberant times, some sad. The Nurburgring Museum was full of interesting facts including cars, racing uniforms and souvenirs galore. Couldn't leave without purchasing a Porsche shirt and postcards for family.

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It Was Vino in the Valley Version 2025

photos by Mollie Nygaard



Just like at the track DE's, before any event commences, a drivers' meeting is held - the attendees gave their rapt attention to the Drives team ahead of lining up and heading out on a lovely drive ending at the VINO in the Valley winery where refreshments and buffet lunch were thoroughly enjoyed.





What a weekend! The 2025 Loonacy Weekend Club Race and Driver ED was one for the books—great weather, great company, and even greater driving.

For once, we didn't have to race in 90°F+ heat and melt on the pavement . . . And we're not complaining!

- Huge thanks to our incredible volunteers who dedicated their time and energy from Friday through Sunday. Whether it was setup, registration, grid, or making sure everyone stayed safe and hydrated, we simply could not have done it without you.
- And talk about exciting moments—a new track record was set during Club Race qualifying!
- Ryan Gates put down a blazing lap of 1:35.1, edging out the previous record set by none other than . . . His dad, Bruce. Talk about family legacy!
- We also want to extend our heartfelt thanks to our event sponsors:
- Porsche Minneapolis, Porsche St. Paul, and AutoEdge. Your continued support makes weekends like this possible.
- During Saturday's parade laps, we raised over \$1,700 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital—enough to pay for one full day of chemotherapy for a patient. Thank you to everyone who donated or participated.
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Thanks again to everyone who made this weekend such a success—we'll see you at the next corner!

Cheers,

The Nord Stern Team

and enthusiasm. It is a major commitment to make the trip to BIR, spending all or part of a valuable weekend to do so. Since Loonacy is the highest profile event of the year, you can be proud of what you have contributed.

While everyone's participation is appreciated, a few people stand out. **Phil Saari, Chad Lemmons, and Al Stasny** worked EVERY Grid session BOTH days, alongside Grid Lead **Scott Quick**. **Mary Wein** helped out at Registration and Merch Sales both days. **David Manzey** came all the way from Fargo and worked in several distinct areas. Whether you worked one volunteer slot, or many, Thank you!

Also, I hope you noticed the participation of our Nord Stern leadership and Chair persons who ran the event, they volunteer their service to the club all year long. **John Velure** was Event Chair, as he has done the last few years. Well done, all!

Lastly, I hope all volunteers received an event T-shirt. If you did not receive a shirt, please let me know your size and I'll work on that for you. The shirts seemed generous in size, but think "cotton."

— Jim Southwel

Nord Stern Volunteer Coordinator

A huge congratulations and heartfelt thank you to all the volunteers, chairs, executive team, and BOD who made the 2025 Loonacy Weekend a resounding success. Your time, passion, and teamwork created an unforgettable event. Nord Stern is stronger, faster, and more connected because of your efforts. Well done, everyone!

Kindest Regards, Steve Albers

Jim, Many thanks to you as well. Great job hurding us all.

— Wally Raduenz

Yes Jim. You herd well and thank you, also, for your consistent dedication to this club. It makes for enjoyable activities and socializing.

— Karen Laumbach

Wow, Loonacy Weekend 2025 is in the books! Thank you to all the volunteers, you made it happen. The Region appreciates your flexibility



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Out and About . . .

I can't resist sharing the couple of photos I received recently from a long-time Nord Stern member, Brian Lewis. At a recent family gathering, he had this to say:

"My brothers and sisters showed up at the cabin today and we thought we would get a family picture!"

"They said I am a bad influence!"

Needless to say, I had to ask Brian, how many siblings DO you have? His response was 7 so obviously a big family and I will only chide them on their color choices as it would be nice to see some 'color' in a lineup like this! Thanks, Brian, it truly made me smile the other day. And still makes me smile when I look at the pictures!

Way to go, that kind of 'influence' is to be admired and promoted!



10 Fascinating facts about the Carrera GT



A total of 1,270 Carrera GTs were built between 2003 and 2006. Certainly not a small number but still rare enough that the sighting of one automatically draws a crowd of onlookers and admirers. Porsche was intent on not losing money on this car like they had with the 959. This meant a different approach to manufacturing and design. It would use a carbon-fiber monocoque and subframe with an F1/Le Mans-inspired V10 that had neither a hybrid system nor turbochargers. Once you hear a Carrera GT wail at high rpm, you will never forget it. Here are ten things you may have not known about the development of the Carrera GT.

1. **The name is a throw-back to the lightweight 356s** of the same name that used the four-cam Carrera engines with aluminum body panels. On this car, it would be one of the few times Carrera was not used as an additional name (such as 911 Carrera, 356 Carrera, 924 Carrera, etc. The 1960s' 904 Carrera GTS and 906 Carrera 6 were the exceptions). Management thought it appropriate that it simply be named Carrera GT since it would be the sportiest car you could buy from Porsche.
2. **The Carrera GT had close to 70 patents** attributed to it. Most of which were related to the manufacturing of the car.
3. **In the beginning, the team for the Carrera GT was only around ten people.** Once the okay was given to proceed with the project and to build a prototype, the team expanded to 50 people (ballooning up to 150 people depending on what was being worked on).
4. **The V10 engine used in the Carrera GT** was supposed to have replaced the Footwork Arrows Formula 1 V12 engine. However, the team was so disenchanted with Porsche V12 that they passed on



even trying out the new V10. Once it was determined that it would not be used for Formula 1, it was reconfigured for Le Mans and Porsche's LM2000 project. That also would be shuttered. It would then be revived when the Carrera GT project came to the forefront.

5. **Harm Lagaaij, Porsche's Head of Design, was given a blank canvas** to design the Carrera GT. Design concepts were submitted by the Porsche's new West Coast studio as well as their one in Germany. They actually tried not to make it look too much like a 911. Grant Larson would ultimately design the show car while Tony Hatter took on final production design duties.
6. **The Carrera GT was assembled in Porsche's new factory**, at that time, in Leipzig (formerly in West Germany). There were three Carrera GT's built per day



and Walter Röhrl (factory race, rally and test driver) test drove each one on the test track at the factory. Those assigned to build the Carrera GT wore white overalls while the rest of the factory wore the traditional red.

7. **In order to place the engine and transmission as low as possible** in the car, a multiple-disc, ceramic clutch of 6.65 inches was used. To give you an idea, the 911 GT2 used a 11.5-inch clutch.
8. **The Paris show car had neither a roof nor side windows.** This turned out to be a poor choice since it rained on the morning of the reveal at the Paris Auto Show. Walter Röhrl drove the Carrera GT down wet, cobble-stoned streets with the Arc de Triomphe in the background, to the throngs of photographers who caught their first glimpse of the newest Porsche supercar. It was at this point they decided that the car definitely needed not only a roof, but one that could stay on at 200 miles per hour.



9. **The original show car had fog lights** but in final testing the front end was slightly reworked to achieve better aerodynamics. This meant that the fog lights would have to go but it was a smart compromise as the car had a final drag



coefficient of 0.39

10. **One of the major changes from the show car was the elimination of a high-tech digital dash display** in exchange for a 911-style analog gauge package. The tachometer did go to 10,000 rpm (redline 8,400 rpm) and the speedometer maxed out at 235 mph, though the car was actually good for 205 mph.



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Nurburgring . . .

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The best part was when Kris asked if we wanted to drive the track just to see, plus get a feel for how it flows in the **black van!!!** Yes, unanimous!



kids we were all hanging on and the giggling was somewhat muffled. Kris seemed to have a certain satisfaction in passing other vehicles especially the BMWs, maybe a few Porsches too! I can now say I have raced in a Mercedes-Benz van, trust me ~ Kris knows how to drive!!!

horse power ~ or, get up and go! We were all required to have a training driver when driving the track. Kris was ready available to drive Oz and me around the track, we both wanted to see how to do it, trusting Kris to demonstrate his own skill set.

Mother Nature provided some further challenges with intermittent rain falls, I suspected that added to a few accidents. I was completely intrigued with the whole operation of the track world and business protocol. Nurburgring Taxi Labs were available if you just wanted to go for a ride with a skilled driver. It truly was all foreign and amazing to experience and learn about the race track industry.

When not driving we spent time hanging out at various corners or places of interest to watch the vehicles speed by. Every car or driver had their own style of movement. The People watching was pretty darn good too!

On Monday, we motored back to Le Meridian Hotel, Stuttgart on Monday, all somewhat melancholy ~ we had so much fun and now back to reality. We had all grown to know our fellow travelers, I will cherish my memories and new acquaintances.

I've already asked Kris if I can make a deposit for the next adventure ~ AMAZING it was!

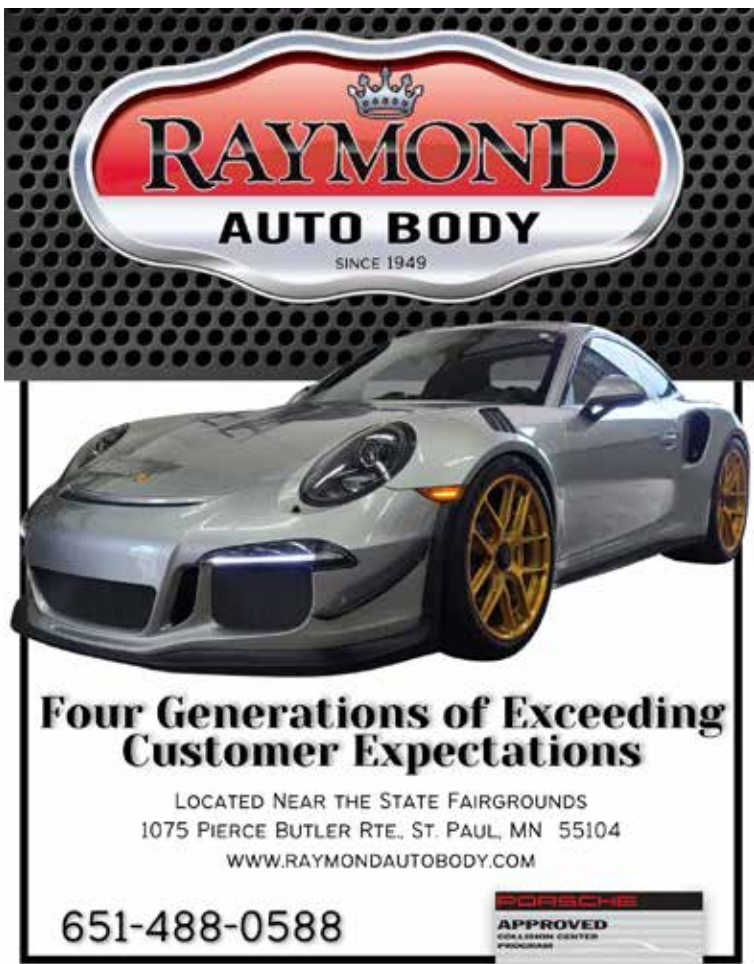

Thursday evenings, are open driving at the Nurburgring Race Track. All buckled in, Kris paid the entry fee and we proceeded to the entrance. Kris was anxious, the look on his face was that of pure excitement. He was totally aware of his surroundings, and off we went full gas! Like a bunch of little

Over the weekend we all rented vehicles to drive. Oz selected a Porsche Spyder, Aiden drove a Porsche Cayman, Jessie started with a VW Golf R then upgraded to a BMW 240 and for me, Hyundai Performance which was upgraded to the VW Golf R. Jessie and I were obviously seeking a bit more

Lots of Porsches Basking in the Sun at Vino in the Valley

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It was F. Scott Fitzgerald who famously said, “The rich are different from you and me.” And it was Ernest Hemingway who allegedly responded with, “Yes, Scott, they have more money.”

I love that. The implication, to Hemingway, is that the rich are different because they can afford to be different, to indulge in whatever floats their boat or, in our case, drives them down the road. While the rest of us stand by the wayside and gape, or wax poetic about what we'd do if our lottery ticket hit the jackpot, or our business IPO led to a valuation with too many zeros to count.

Take the collector. The big-money spender who, after buying the yacht, the palatial abode and the Gulfstream jet, amasses a fleet of vehicles so big that one person could never possibly use them all, in many lifetimes.

I recently came across an on-line story in *The Drive*, about a car collection that was being liquidated in a month or two. What got me was the headline, which read, “Huge Auto Museum Is Shutting Down and Selling Off 295 Pristine Collector Cars.” It was the Klairmont Collections Automotive Museum in Chicago.

Apparently, Larry Klairmont had amassed a small real estate empire (he passed in 2021) and applied his, shall we say, ample resources to what his widow says is “the largest collection on display anywhere in the Midwest.”

That piqued my interest . . . just what do you buy if you can afford 295 vehicles? And my answer was a click away. Because *The Drive* listed each of them.

All I can say is that, at the end of the road, Fitzgerald must be gasping, and Hemingway must be laughing hysterically. I mean, 13 Vespa scooters. A DeLorean and a Bricklin. Two Corvairs. A VW Thing, a Beetle and a Karmann Ghia convertible. Two Messerschmitt cars, one a convertible. Three Goggomobils. Thirteen Jeeps in various configurations. Fourteen Rolls Royces, from the '20s to the '80s. A Zimmer Golden Spirit. Three 1941 Cadillacs. A 1948 Tucker replica.

Sorry, no Porsches. No Ferraris. Two BMWs, an Isetta from the '50s and a 1936 319 cabriolet. One Fiat, a 500 sport sedan from 1959.

Performance? You want performance? A Lamborghini Espada, a Citroen SM, a 1969 Camaro pace car, two Pontiac GTOs, a Dodge Super Bee . . . it goes on and on . . . and on. As the Church Lady might say, isn't this a bit . . . eccentric?

My brother-in-law collects and sells rare books. A lot of first editions, a lot of sci fi. All lovingly hand-wrapped in plastic. I once asked my sister, what is the attraction in collecting books? Aren't they meant to be read? I mean, they're books, aren't they? Isn't that what they're for?

And she answered by saying, “you're not a collector. You'll never get it.”

Which I guess is true. I don't get collecting books that you don't read, and I don't get the point of assembling one of the most eclectic and apparently self-indulgent car collections I've ever come across. Just like I don't get collecting sports memorabilia off the sweat of athletes.

And that leads me to bring up one of my very own quotes. “The rich are weird. Because they can afford to be weird.” Please cite me, if you ever use it.

How else do you explain the mania?

Take Paul Allen, who co-founded Microsoft. He virtually cornered the market in collections. A billion-dollar art collection. His collection of first-gen tech and Titanic memorabilia, which brought in \$10 million at his death. He also co-founded the Allen Science Fiction Museum and the Museum of Pop Culture. And he died at 65 in 2018.

Which reminds me of the maxim that you can't take it with you. To which I would add a big “but” that, if you've got the resources, you sure can enjoy the ride . . . in whatever form you desire, I guess.

Is this being obsessive? Who's asking?

Editor's Note: I do so get this; as I don't get the collector mentality either! Our mantra in our home is ‘you can't take it with you!’ and that frankly is a pretty freeing mentality.

But that's just me and I admit I have no issue with also recognizing it's a big world populated by a BIG variety of folks! My other mantra is ‘variety is the spice of life!’

Cheers.



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