



In the Zone

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Getting Involved with your Club:

There is a saying among long time PCA members that only about 20% of their region membership participate in club activities and even less volunteer to chair an event or consider serving on the board. This is quite unfortunate as it puts the burden of running the club on just a few dedicated members to run and plan the operations of the club year in and year out. I am reaching out to active members who have participated in club activities and found them a lot of fun and have experienced the sharing of a common passion for the Porsche brand. If you have the time and enjoy the types of activities and events the club organizes, then step up and help-out. Imagine what your club would be like without a board or volunteers to organize tours, tech sessions, a concours, or driver education event. Kind of boring and not the reason you joined the club in the first place. I assume you joined because of all the good things you have heard about regarding membership. If you would like these types of events and activities to continue, consider volunteering. With many clubs scheduling their annual planning meetings in the coming months, it is a perfect time to contact your club president or activities director about volunteering. Think about organizing a dinner at your favorite restaurant or organizing a tour on your favorite back country road.

Zone 7 Concours Series Date Changes

The final 2 concours of the season was originally planned by Golden Gate Region on October 24th and another by Loma Prieta Region on November 7th. Due to weather related issues surrounding the October event, it has now been re-scheduled for November 7th while Loma Prieta Region has now rescheduled their event to November 14th. Registration for both events is now open. For more information please visit zone7.pca.org

Diablo Region hosted their annual concours at Porsche Fremont on October 17th and had a nearly record turnout with over 33 judged cars and some 27 cars on display. Event chair, Marc Giammona and his crew were very organized and the event was conducted with no hitches. I believe the competition was close in all classes with 1 car being judged in the full concours class, 14 in street, 9 in touring, and 8 cars in the full concours class. Visit the Zone 7 website at <https://zone7.pca.org/>. for the most current series standings.

Zone 7 Concours Series Calendar

Date

November 7th

Novmeber 14th

Region

Golden Gate Region

Loma Prieta Region

Location

Porsche Redwood City

Porsche Livermore







Zone 7 Autocross Series Update



The Zone 7 Autocross series concluded with a 2 day weekend at Thunderhill Raceway Park on October 16th and 17th with Sacramento Valley hosting 63 drivers on Saturday and Redwood Region hosting some 46 drivers. The weather over the weekend was fantastic with temperatures in the mid 80's on Saturday and in the 70's on Sunday. There was a buffet dinner arranged on Saturday evening following the autocross and 29 drivers dined together and had an opportunity to do some bench racing based on the day's activities.

For Saturday, it was quite a competitive event in almost all classes with **Tara Shapowal** taking the top time of day with a blazing 39.45 followed closely by **Steve Lau**, 39.911, **Monty Pack**, 40.792, **RJ Harrison**, 42.165 and **Drew Powers**, 42.332. Results are available on the Sacramento Valley Region website under the autocross tab.

The results for Sunday have yet to be posted on the Redwood Region website but should be by the time this column is published.

It was an appropriate ending to an incredible season that was faced challenges almost every month related to Covid restrictions or with date changes imposed by the facilities. A sincere thank you goes to **Himanshu Patel**, **Ed Hunter** of Golden Gate Region, **Grady Carter**, Zone 7 Ax Chair, **John Leet**, Sacramento Valley Region, **Drew Powers** and **Stacy**

O'Connel, Redwood Region for their tireless efforts to make autocross a huge success in Zone 7. See below for an update on the Zone AX Awards banquet.

For 2021 final standings in the Zone 7 Autocross Series visit the Zone 7 website to see who are the current class as well as PAX leaders or go to the Zone 7 Website link at: [Autocross Results – Zone 7 PCA](#).

2021 ZONE 7 ANNUAL AWARDS



The annual Zone Awards Banquet has generally been held in November prior to the holidays but has also been held in conjunction with the annual Zone presidents meeting in late February or early March. Due to the rescheduling of several concours events in November and the lead time necessary to order the trophies the awards banquet will now be held in early March in conjunction with the annual Zone presidents meeting. Please watch this column for further updates on date and location.

2022 Shasta Region Zone 7 Tour:



The 2022 Shasta Region Zone 7 Tour will have Open Registration on **Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 7:00 am.** The Tour is limited to 54 Porsches, so it is expected to "Sell Out" rapidly.

The following is suggested:

- Registration is through MotorSportReg.com, so if you don't already have an account set up with them, you might consider doing so in advance--it will save time when registering for the Tour.
- This is a "private" event, so you can only find the Zone 7 Tour by use of a "hyperlink" that you find below. (ONLY ZONE 7 MEMBERS RECEIVE THIS EMAIL WITH THE LINK, so don't share it with other Zone Members.) .
- Sign up early on the 1st, if you wish to obtain a spot on the Tour. If it fills up, a Waitlist will be created, for possible cancellations.

If you have questions, there is a direct link to the Organizer's email is on the MSR Webpage.

Events of Interest:

- 1) PCA Spring Treffen at the BRO^ADMOOR, Colorado Springs, Colorado, April 27-May 1, 2022
- 2) Porsch Parade 2022 at Kahalari Resort Poconos, Pennsylvania June 12-18th

Note that past Treffens have sold out in as little as one hour due to their popularity. Registration for the Treffens typically opens 3-4 months prior to the event.