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# TICK TALK

**Michael Feiler — Editor**  
*(Cody's Dad)*



Wow! We're essentially back to normal as regards Silver Sage events. This issue finds us reporting on many of our traditional activities; Coffee & Porsches, President's Mystery Tour, Auto-X, Adopt-A-Highway, Cruise-In, etc. and throwing in some human interest stories that sometimes border on the bizarre. Many of our club partners are reaching normalcy as well; The Rag Company hosted a Tech Session in May and Telaya Winery continues to weather the pandemic as does Payette Brewing (Judy and I can attest from first hand experience!).

Alas, we have not been able to partake of the resurgence in these activities as both Cody and I are recovering from recent surgeries. As noted above, this

hasn't curtailed our visits to Telaya or Payette Brewing...we need to keep our spirits up...excuse the pun.

A special shout out to Ernie Monroe and Gary Roeder for their collaboration on the cover page for this issue of the Tick. As always, Ernie provided the graphical expertise and Gary provided the corks.

*(Editor Note: Gary, there's help available).*

I am pleased to report that Porsche of Boise has agreed to be our anchor sponsor of the Tick going forward. Thanks goes out to John Sommerwerck for making this possible.

Cody and I expect to uncover the 911 and see you back on the road in June...hopefully.



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# PRESIDENT'S PAGE

**Lindsey Robinson, Silver Sage President**



## ***Hello Summer!***

I am so happy Summer is finally here! I love to get out for a drive in my beautiful Boxster with the roof down, sun on my shoulders and wind in my hair. I also love to get out in the country with my Cayenne and see the beauty of Idaho. One of the exciting things happening with the club is we can finally meet in person at Porsche of Boise for our monthly Board meetings. These meetings occur the first Tuesday of every month. We meet at 6:00 PM to visit, eat a little bit of food provided by Porsche of Boise, and then the meeting starts at 6:30 PM. This is a fantastic way to know what is going on in the club, to meet people, and to bring forward ideas. All Silver Sage members are welcome.

Just in case you are not aware, everything the club does is run by volunteers. These volunteers are people who have fun at events, have new ideas, are people who would like to meet others with similar interests, and/or they want to do something to enhance their Porsche Club experience.

Every volunteer position is different in scope and time commitment, but some things are constant. You will get to know and build friendships with more people in the club. You will always have help if you need it. Take it from me, you will be so glad you offered your time.

I volunteered to run the Autocross event a few years ago. My husband, Ken wondered if this was a good idea, but I figured I loved driving Autocross and had fun at the events. I also knew the club needed someone to step up to run the event. I had never ever run an Autocross, and had no idea what I was doing, but I knew there would be others to help me every step of the way. I enjoyed running this event, and got to know more members of the club that I wouldn't have gotten to know otherwise. You

know what else? When I was ready to pass the torch there were other club members to take it over.

Our club now has over 600 members. We would love for you to join in on the fun. We are currently searching for someone to help us out with our social media. Certainly, there is one person who would be willing to explore this position. Our current person holding this position will be happy to show you the ropes. This is an opportunity to learn more about the club, get to know others and help the club out. You do not need to live in the Treasure Valley, nor be a Social Media expert. All we ask is that you are willing to learn. PCA has webinars as well as a person available to help answer any questions you may have.

With so many people in the club, it is exceedingly difficult to ask every person individually if they can help. Please accept this brief President's letter as an invitation to volunteer. Email to [president@silversageporsche.com](mailto:president@silversageporsche.com) and let me know you are interested.

Get out and enjoy a Coffee and Porsche's drive- Due to the holiday, the July event has been moved to July 10. Join in on a Tour, come to a Tech Talk or meet up with us at our Monthly Cruise-In. Be sure and read your club email, events are popping up frequently. The updated calendar is located as a link in the emails you get from us. Also, don't forget we have a webpage at [www.silversageporsche.com](http://www.silversageporsche.com) that is full of information. My husband and I will be driving to French Lick, Indiana for the Porsche Parade in July. We will be joining hundreds of other Porsche enthusiasts from North America for a week of great drives, tours, and socializing. This is sure to be a week of Porsche fun. I can't wait to tell you all about it!

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Lindsey Robinson, President





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# 2021 President's Mystery Tour

Sid & Vicki Cannon



During the years Vicki and I have been members of the Silver Sage Region we have been on many local, regional and national Porsche Club tours.

Few tours were as well thought out, planned and executed as the 2021 President's Mystery Tour organized by current Silver Sage President Lindsey Robinson and navigator Ken. The destinations did not



"Madame President" & The "First Gentleman"

make this tour unique. Most have been visited on tours many times before. What made it special was how Treasure Valley and Payette Valley locations were geographically linked together and how the history of each location was presented and flowed throughout the tour. If you didn't attend then you missed a great tour. We will try to capture the highlights for your benefit.

Departing Boise Saturday morning May 1st, two tour groups headed for the town of Horseshoe Bend via windy Highway 55. The area was settled in 1962 when gold was discovered nearby. A left turn on the north end of town (and the site of the recent Silver

Sage Highway Cleanup) took the group along the banks of the Payette River, past Black Canyon Dam to Wild Rose Park at the foot of the 1922 arch-style Dam.

After a quick break and drive through the remainder of Black Canyon the tour headed straight west across the Payette Valley. While most have driven Highway 52 on the south side of the river, few have travelled along the north side on the West Black Canyon Highway. Anything but a highway, this quiet country road dotted with old farm houses usually sees nothing but local traffic let alone a swarm of Porsches. Well past Emmett a quick left turn took us across the Payette River and back toward Highway 52 on another oddly named country road, West Idaho Boulevard. How many of you have driven through the burg of Letha, Idaho? Crossing Highway 52 headed south we departed the fertile Payette Valley onto El Paso Road with a local Sheriff in our midst.

Several miles of barren desert and tumble weeds were quickly replaced by large scale farms and civilization and we passed the Idaho Youth Ranch's Hands of Promise Campus. After a few dogleg turns, a jaunt along the old Highway 30 and the outskirts of Caldwell we made a pit stop at Lake Lowell. Originally a low-lying area with many springs that fostered deer and elk, this irrigation reservoir is fed by Lucky Peak Reservoir via the New York Canal. Luckily a few primitive outhouses were available for the benefit of our group.

Our longest segment wound along the south shores





# 2021 President's Mystery Tour



Sid & Vicki Cannon

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of Lake Lowell on a route well-traveled on Porsche tours. Due south on Highway 45 the tour abruptly took a right turn on Map Rock Road denying some coffee drinkers the rest stop only a mile ahead. Map Rock Road is named after a large boulder with petro-



glyphs that experts have interpreted to represent a map of the Snake River and locations of ancient Dutch Bros and Starbucks. Fortunately Map Rock Road is designed for brisk driving and we were quickly at our next destination and lunch stop, Ste.Chapelle Winery.



Travelers spread their picnic blankets and folding chairs and ate a tasty boxed lunch while taking in the Owyhee mountain scenery and absorbing intriguing springtime aromas of the Marsing Wine Region.

The bonus stop, for those eager for some education on an agri-vital to the was a visit to tion Oben-



According to this family of the lead-hops in the started in a strips away leaves from the 16 foot tall vines leaving a flowery looking head that yields the ingredient critical to that unique flavor found in beer. In the next building massive drying tables remove moisture necessary to stabilize the hops for further processing. The final stop was a building where the dried hops are stacked, sorted and baled for shipping to beer producers around the world.

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One final interesting drive-by was Tree Top Ranches. If you have driven by this magnificent ranch and wondered what you were looking at you were not alone. What is a Lexington Thoroughbred Horse Ranch doing in Idaho? Well that is exactly what you were looking at. This 700 acre Thoroughbred Farm in Parma, Idaho near the confluence of the Boise and Snake Rivers is modeled after the leading farms in Kentucky and is a full service operation where horses are broken, raised and trained. It is a breath-taking sight even from the highway. Does anyone have connections for a future tour?





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# 2021 President's Mystery Tour



**Sid & Vicki Cannon**

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Thank you to:

Lindsey and Ken for a tour that required an incredible amount of time and effort.

Denis Dunlop for leading the second wave.

Corey Coles at Obendorf Farms for getting us set up for the terrific tour.

Lexi Oropeza and Orlando Razo for giving us an excellent tour, answering our questions, keeping us out of the storm and for the nice hats. We all learned something new.

Elijah Haddad for being our last-minute lunch courier.

Gary Cuddeford for providing color and humor during the hops tour.

All the participants for relaxing and enjoying the ride...even if we did get passed by a Prius.



# “HOW TO GET A FREE 4-WHEEL ALIGNMENT”

Bob Kunz

## Secrets revealed!

Some of you may know that a four wheel alignment for a car with adaptive cruise control costs \$990. That's a chunk of change and not something you'll want to do very often. But how do you get a basically free one? Well, you have to get creative and back your way through some other mechanical “updates” to the car.

Change out that front differential. Especially if a cooling fin is knocked off. Oh, also probably want to change out the sub-frame, maybe a few cross-members, a coolant pipe here and there. Don't forget the PDK and engine oil pans while you're at it. Tunnel braces? Yeah, sure. All the underbody covers since you're in there anyway.

But ultimately make sure you *hit the rock so that it goes down the center underside of the car*. That should do it. \$20,502 later (minus the deductible) you too can get a free alignment!

Thanks to Avis and Mike at Porsche of Boise for taking care of us on this mission to get our car repaired. In the end Mike dialed in a great alignment and now the car drives even better than before.

However, I don't recommend using my method to get a free alignment!



Probably what also sank the Titanic







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# 2020 BEARTOOTH TOUR

John & Nancy Sommerwerck

**March 2020:** the Corona virus caused our lives to be changed in ways we could have never imagined. We transitioned to Zoom for our meetings. We covered our faces with surgical masks. We 'socially distanced' (we are still not sure if that term is an oxymoron). Yet, we persisted and went ahead with our pre-planned drive of the Beartooth Highway and Chief Joseph Scenic Highway, as well as Yellowstone National Park.

The idea of this drive was not ours – we must thank Walt Gammill for his ideas on the drive. We mostly retraced the Walt's 2017 drive. We could not join Walt's 2017 adventure; John was updating his body parts – new shoulders.

Beartooth Pass, our goal, is a high mountain pass – 10,948'. The road and weather conditions change frequently. But it is a "Porsche road" and we were hoping that the weather gods would smile on our adventure. Note, when we pre-drove the tour, we could not drive Beartooth as it was closed due to snow. Thankfully, we had great weather for the entire tour. Unfortunately, the Covid 19 rules from three jurisdictions impacted our carefully laid plans.

## **Day 1: Sunday, 13 Sept.**

The tour began with eighteen cars from three different PCA regions with West Yellowstone, MT, as our goal. Those leaving from Boise, met at the I-84 Blacks Creek Rest Stop (gatherings of more than 10 people were prohibited in Ada County). Along the way, some of us detoured a bit and stopped to enjoy Mesa Falls outside of Ashton, ID.

## **Day 2: Monday: 14 Sept.**

We held the drivers meeting that morning, prior to the drive through Yellowstone National Park and ultimately to Red Lodge, MT via the Beartooth Highway. To practice social distancing, we each stood by our cars as we discussed the day's logistics. During the meeting we learned a number of interesting 'facts'. Porsche has a 'breakfast bar' option for some of their sports cars. We put this option to good use during the drive.



We also learned that we had a wolf in sheep's clothing – a 356 Outlaw. In the future, we will be more careful when suggesting car groupings.

As you can see from the picture taken at the summit of Beartooth, we had a great day for driving.



# 2020 BEARTOOTH TOUR

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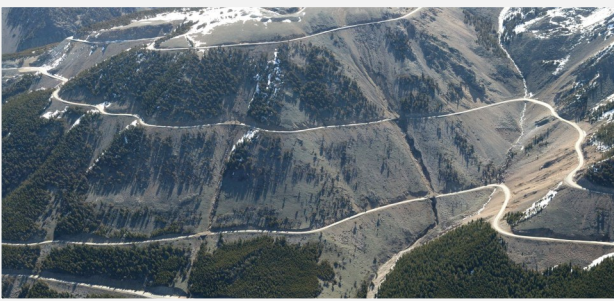
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The drive down to Red Lodge, Mt is equally fun as the drive up. We spent Monday night at the Rock Creek Resort. We were the only visitors. A once in a life-time opportunity to enjoy a great setting. At the resort we had a catered dinner – our only planned group dinner of the trip. Cocktails were on the creek side veranda. Dinner was served inside the ballroom where we once again practiced social distancing.

## Day 3: Tuesday, 15 Sept.

That morning, some cars wanted a rematch with Beartooth, while others wanted to drive Chief Joseph Scenic Highway (below). Thus, we had two drive groups for our destination to Jackson, WY.



After the pass driving, we drove back through

Yellowstone and of course came across the friendly or maybe not so friendly locals of the Park!



We drove through Grand Teton Park as we headed south to the Parkway Inn in Jackson, WY, for the night.

Everyone was on their own for dinner, but it became beer and pizza on the deck instead! Sometimes, ad hoc get togethers are the best, as a great time was had by all.

## Day 4: Wednesday, 16 Sept.

About half the cars left Wednesday morning, while the rest of the group enjoyed the optional day to tour the Jackson, WY area and/or revisit Grand Teton National Park. We gathered for drinks prior to going out in small groups for dinner.

The tour ended in Jackson and we returned home on our own. Again, we practiced flexible route planning as the fires in central Idaho precluded taking some Porsche friendly roads home.

We would like to thank those joining the tour and their flexibility. Clearly, this was not about the drive, nor the cars, this tour was about the people!

# “GLAMPING” PORSCHE STYLE

Walt Gammill

We all know Porsches are stylish, high performance cars, and the iconic 911 in all its versions is at the top of that food chain. But 911's and the like couldn't satisfy the bean counters. Enter the SUV. The first one arrived in about 2003, essentially a rebadged VW Touareg with a 911-ish front fascia named the “Cayenne.” Porsche's financial fortunes improved, allowing them to continue building those 911's for the purists.

The Cayenne sold well, its performance improved, and the purists took notice. If one needed an SUV, why not a Porsche version? Track rats jumped in – the Cayenne was rated at a more than adequate 7700 pound tow capacity. Why not tow the track car with a Porsche?

Taking that a step further – if you have a medium

sized travel trailer, why not pull that with your Cayenne? Think of it – a tow rig that gets you to the campground, and when it's unhitched, it's a Porsche!

Fast forward a few years, and anecdotes began to appear amongst Silver Sagers about camping with trailers pulled by their Cayennes. Fergots got the ball rolling with a nice Airstream behind their red Cayenne. Gammills traded their Touareg (thanks, VW Dieselgate) for a diesel Cayenne to pull their “Backpack.” Roeders went for a stylish little Airstream “Basecamp” behind their Cayenne S. The Cuddefords upgraded to a '17 Cayenne and bought a trailer to enable a Covid-free trip to Florida for the winter.

Silver Sagers, friendly folks that they are, like to do things as a group, and so naturally the first Silver







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# “GLAMPING” PORSCHE STYLE

Walt Gammill

*(continued)*

Sage Cayenne Campout was envisioned. Discussions began during the winter about where and when, working around schedules and finding a suitable group site. It came together with plans to spend a couple of nights at the beautiful river-side McCall RV Resort, and the outing was set to begin May 20<sup>th</sup>.

The friendly folks at the resort put the group mostly around one central area. The four Cayennes were down to three, as Fergots had gone to the dark side by getting a larger Airstream that required a big Ford pickup to pull, but they have other Porsches. Not to be outdone, the Dunlops recently acquired a 5<sup>th</sup> wheel that they pulled with a Dodge Ram, but they have other Porsches as well. Porsche owners are nothing if not inclusive, and each newly arrived rig was set up with plenty of helpful (?) advice from the others.

The 80 degree weather earlier that week gave way to a forecast of cold and rain, but the weather gods were kind. While it was cold (40's) and a bit windy, the rain stayed away. We enjoyed lively conversations around the Cuddefords' gas fire pit and leisurely walks around the area, and gathered in the resort's spacious lodge in front of a warm fire for gourmet soups, chili, and deserts along

with Sharon Fergot's amazing sourdough bread. We did call this “Glamping,” didn't we?

We awoke to a skiff of snow the last morning, but the sun came out and melted it away before we all hitched up our rigs and headed home. The first Silver Sage Cayenne (and others) Campout was a suc-



cess. More outings are planned, and Sharon Fergot has been tasked with leading the charge. If any of you Silver Sagers want to join up, give Sharon a call.



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# AN OCCASIONAL AUTOCROSSER

**Bob Pentecost**

I've had my 993 C4S for over 20 years and autocrossing is just one of the fun activities I enjoy with it. I don't do it very often, but I do feel like it is something I should do periodically.

"Why?" you might ask. It is fun to push the car harder than can be done on the street because there's plenty of runoff room so it would be difficult to do any accidental damage. Another reason is so I can remind myself how much more capable the car is than its driver. The only problem with this is someday the driver might become more capable than the car, and then I'd need to get a new car!

When my kids started driving, I let them autocross the car and the competition was fun. Until they beat me, then I didn't let them autocross it anymore. But they did learn some skills that made them better drivers.

Come on out and give it a try for the first time. There are lots of friendly people who will help you. Now that instructors can ride with you, you can blame your errors on poor instruction! If you have autocrossed before, but not lately, it's time to get the feel of your car again.

Sure, you might find yourself becoming addicted and participate all the time, or you might be like me, just an occasional autocrosser





# Welcome!

## NEW MEMBERS

Laura Outlaw

***A warm welcome to all our new Silver Sage members; YOU HAVE PUSHED US OVER 600 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP!***

We have been actively trying to determine a fun and safe New Member event. We will share information related to that event as soon as we have more details.

### March 2021

Bob Barnett	Don Rayburn	Gerry Winkler
Theresa Bloom	Barbara Freudenburg	Gloria Young
Joy Hoffman		

### April 2021

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### May 2021

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Carson Sofro	Brian Shirley	William Schultz
Kristina Harrington	Edwin Cryer	Michael La Pointe
Troy Badger	Kamran Khademi Ghahfarokhi	Bryan Hill
Michael Stock	James Knight	David & Jamie Dahlberg

### Transfers

David Bell	Julio Deulofeu & Agneta Sundberg	Arthur Petersen & Monica Brock
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Reminder: Porsche Club of America recognizes membership anniversaries in five-year increments. Five- to 20-year anniversary materials are available upon request. Members can request anniversary materials by clicking [www.pca.org/anniversary](http://www.pca.org/anniversary) (must be logged onto PCA website to use link). Members will receive a letter, certificate and decal commemorating their anniversary

# “IN THE ZONE” - SPRING

**Mark Prusynski—PCA ZONE 6 Representative**

## Spring in Zone 6

On March 6 we held the last of four Region Presidents’ Meetings since I have been Zone 6 Rep. The purpose of these Presidents’ Meetings is to get all the presidents in the Zone together during the first quarter of the year to go over what is going on nationally and exchange ideas among each other. I recall worrying before my first meeting that I would face some reluctance from some of the ten presidents. Some Zone Reps had trouble with attendance at their meetings. My concern was unfounded. Our ten region presidents have been willing participants in all of the meetings and often brought other region officers to the meetings. Prior to our virtual meeting on March 6, we tried to rotate the meetings around the ten regions. Our host region would invite its region members to a dinner with the officers from all the regions, the Zone Rep and at least one member of the PCA Executive Council.

This year we missed the social interaction we’ve had in the past, but still had a great exchange of information and ideas. We shared how the regions coped with COVID and discussed plans for the future in the regions, Zone 6 and nationally. Our region officers so enjoyed each other and found the meeting so valuable that we agreed that we should have another meeting later in the year. In the future the next Zone Rep may have the first meeting in person and the second virtually so that we all can stay in touch and be updated on what’s going on in each of our regions and nationally. The second half of this year is looking to be so busy that we might have difficulty finding time for a second meeting.

Spring is here and Porsche events are on the up-swing. The big national events such as Treffen and Parade are still going and both Treffen Scottsdale and Parade attendance are at the maximum. The Treffen and Parade staffs are working hard to make

sure the events are safe but fun. The second half of the year promises to be full of the region social events that we have been missing during the pandemic. I look forward to a busy 2021.

See you in the Zone.





# “IN THE ZONE” - MAY

Mark Prusynski—PCA ZONE 6 Representative

## Zone 6 May Update

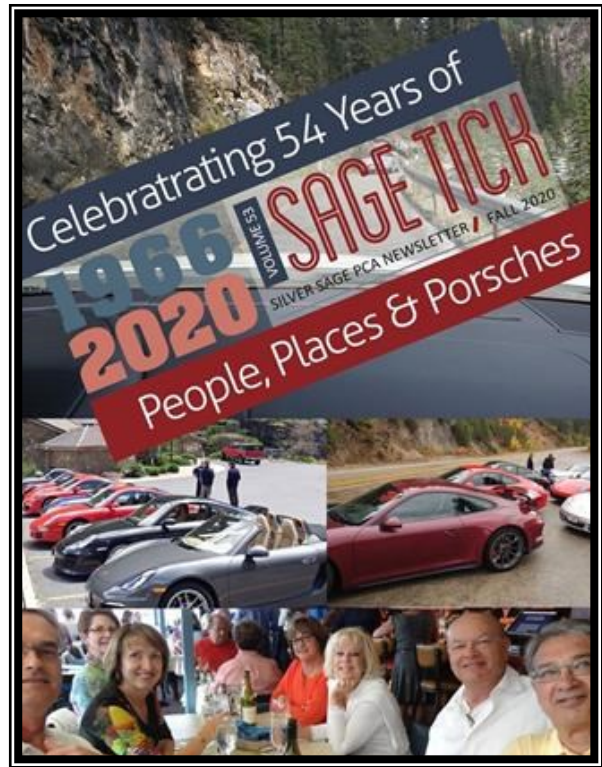
Our dry, warm Spring has been perfect to get the Porsches out in anticipation of a near “normal” diving season. We’ve already had a few autocrosses and tours in Zone 6 and social functions limited by the ever-changing rules regarding COVID. I’ve had a few questions about what PCA’s “procedure” is now that various jurisdictions in Zone 6 have loosened their restrictions and some of us have been vaccinated. It’s quite simple: follow your local laws. Also, if a business, for example, wants patrons to mask up, even though the local jurisdiction may not have a mask mandate, wear your mask as requested.

We recently attended a social function where masks were not required and I felt somewhat uncomfortable. It might take awhile to get that comfort level back, and that should be understood and accepted. I hope we get through this next few months without a spike. Treffen Scottsdale is on the horizon and we have quite a few Zone 6 members attending. We’ll see how things go after a year of limited Porsche activities. Linda and I also plan to attend the Inland Northwest Region wine tour in May. We missed it last year, but have attended at least 20 of them and it’s often our first trip outside Silver Sage.

The Canadian border is still closed, so Black Rock on Vancouver Island will be limited to Canadians. It’s a great event that everyone should try to attend. We hope the border is open in time for the British Columbia Regions’ anniversary parties in the fall. Meanwhile, I hope to attend a tour with the Oregon

Region in June and the Porsche Parade in French Lick, Indiana in July. Treffen and Porsche Parade registrations are probably indications of PCA members’ COVID fatigue. Zone 6 will be well-represented. Linda and I will be driving to Indiana in her Macan and returning via Route 66. That will be an early birthday celebration and our longest trip together since we traveled out here looking for a place to settle down in 1978. They say the TSD Rally at Parade is a good test of a relationship.

The calendar is filling up. I hope we have a year without cancelations so I can say hello again. Don’t be offended if I am hesitant about shaking your hand. I’m out of practice. Stay safe.



# “IN THE ZONE” - JUNE

Mark Prusynski—PCA ZONE 6 Representative

## Zone 6 June Update

Spring has been busy in Zone 6, although it just might seem that way after months of inactivity. I can't say we're back to normal yet, because we still had some COVID restrictions until recently. Those of us who have been vaccinated are no longer required to wear masks in most places. Socializing in person is becoming common.

Linda and I started May with a Silver Sage President's Mystery Tour, an annual tradition in the Spring. It was great to get out on a pleasant day and drive some Porsche roads. There were a couple of roads that were new to us, even though they were within 50 miles of our home for the last 43 years. Several of us asked why we hadn't been out driving around the countryside for the last several months. A couple days later we were on our way to Treffen Scottsdale. Although it was a long trip for many of us from Zone 6, we were well represented. A few Zone 6 members have homes in the area. Still, temperatures over 100 degrees in early May were a bit of a shock, but everyone had a great time.

We were home for a few days and left for the Inland Northwest Winery Tour. It's one of our favorite events and we typically attend with several other Silver Sagers. COVID restrictions didn't change until it was too late to invite surrounding regions, so attendance was much smaller than usual. It was still a great time with a few new members, new wineries and the same Inland Northwest hospitality we have enjoyed for many years.

Although May seemed as busy as we were before the pandemic, we don't have any travel plans for June. Let me know if you have an event that isn't full already. We'll be driving to Parade in July and taking Route 66 back home. That will take care of most of July. I expect to be busy visiting our regions in August and well into the Fall. I hope the Canadian border is open by then.

Stay safe and I'll see you in the Zone.





# ***“SUMMER-IZE”* YOUR PORSCHE**

## **Porsche of Boise**

*Summer-ize your Porsche: It's time... weather's getting warmer and it's road trip season!*

As you are getting your summer plans in order, whether it's camping, hunting, fishing, boating, family vacations or just touring and enjoying the open road, be sure to have your Porsche in peak condition for not only air conditioning but for all safety concerns including tires and brakes. When you're away from home, the last thing you'd ever want would be to have any kind of car trouble, so why not make an appointment at Porsche Boise to make sure everything from the AC to the tires to the brakes to every one of the 50 inspection points is in the green and ready to go!

As the weather warms, you'll certainly want to be sure your Porsche's AC system is functioning properly and has all the fluids needed to ensure it continues to keep you cool. It's also very important to make sure your Porsche's engine coolant level is topped off, as summer temperatures cause your Porsche to run hotter than at other times of the year. Tires also

behave differently during warmer temperatures, and your tires' inflation levels may need to be adjusted. Checking for proper tread depth level is also very important, especially if planning some longer road trips than usual. Finally, and perhaps most important is your Porsche's brakes. Rain and thunderstorms do happen during the summer, and this causes brakes to perform differently than during dry times. So for all these reasons, and to beat the heat, be sure to bring your Porsche to Porsche Boise before kicking off your summer travel this year.



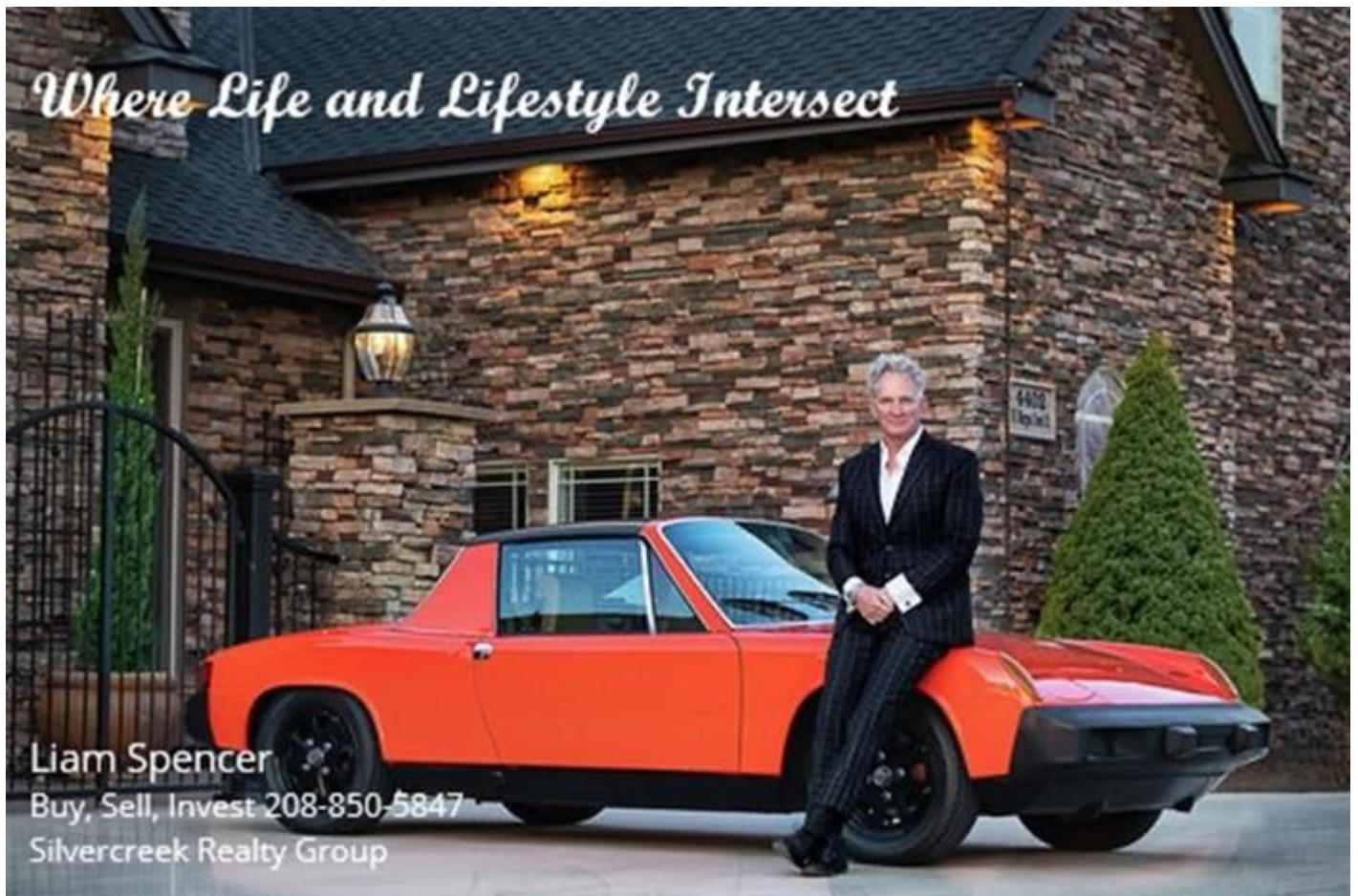
# “CORKS & CARS”

Gary Roeder

## The Story Behind the Tick Cover Page

You never forget your first Porsche. Mine was a sepia brown 1972 911 T Coupe with S spoilers. Every time I see a brown 911, memories flood back of speed runs between the Air Force Academy and Denver, of the flat-6 howl in mountain canyons and the thrill of my first track laps with my local PCA region. Decades forward and now retired, I was still enjoying “all things Porsche” with my 2015 Cayman S – until Covid cancelled many PCA club events. With too much quarantine time on my hands, I imagined a classic 911 once again in my life. Without a garage spot but with a blank living room wall, I decided to marry my love of wine and Porsche by creating this 8-foot wine cork

artwork of my first 911. As I cut the plywood, each curve of the 911 silhouette triggered memories of hours spent waxing mine. Each cork chosen, cut and mounted brought back vivid memories of good wine shared, special events celebrated and great dinners with friends. Three favorite wineries, one in Germany and two in Idaho are given special accent. Of course, the windows aren’t complete without a PCA sticker! Now parked on my wall, whether I’m sitting with the first cup of coffee or another glass of wine, my first 911 reminds me to cherish past drives, enjoy today’s curves, and perhaps, see if another 911 lies ahead for me on my future roads.



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# “MOLLY’S JUNE TOUR ROUNDUP”

Christine Raymond

Scottish poet Robert Burns wrote: “The best-laid schemes o’ mice an’ men gang aft a-gley [go often astray].”

That was how the June trek to the Emu-Z-um in Grandview Idaho began. Despite the route having been checked repeatedly, the Idaho DOT decided to throw a wrench in our plans and close the on-ramp to I84 that we needed. After a detour, we still managed to get to the museum on time.

There isn’t one word to describe the Emu-Z-Um. It is an eclectic mix of mostly Americana laid out in rooms that have themes. There is also an emu, which is the reason for the name. It is billed as a museum of Owyhee County along the Snake River, but it seemed that everyone in our group made a personal connection to some piece of history displayed there. In fact, there was an egg vending machine from one of our member’s families.



*The official greeter?*



*Editor note: Not exactly the same museum, but close?*

To enter the museum, you drive down a dusty driveway with rusted farm equipment on each side. We parked and Jack and Belva Lawson, the owners, greeted us, directing us where to start our tour. They were on-hand to answer any questions we had.

When we finished the tour we had lunch and some of us went onto Huston Vineyards on Chicken Dinner Road in Caldwell where we had a chance to taste wines and meet the owner. The last stop was Enrique’s in Kuna for a Mexican dinner.

# “EMISSIONS MISSION”

Bob Pentecost

As happens every other year, my 1997 993 was due to be tested in April this year. Since the Check Engine Light (CEL) had been on for a few months (and periodically over the past few years), I thought I would get an early start on the testing process; testing can be done up to three months before the due date.



First some background information. In 1996 Porsche added On Board Diagnostic II (OBD2 for short) to the 993 to meet emissions standards. It turns out one of the systems it monitors is the secondary air injection and that is prone to failure due to clogging of the ports when valve guides wear. A 1995 993 may have the same issue, but without OBD2, it doesn't become a problem. So, what happens when your vehicle won't pass the emissions test? First you must attempt to have it repaired by spending at least \$300 at a repair facility. If it still won't pass, you can get a two year waiver, but then you must get it fixed. For my 993, the fix is a top end rebuild of the engine which, as you might imagine, is a significant investment.

After studying the emissions testing requirements in detail, I headed to Porsche of Boise so Mike Bell and I could discuss how we might get the 993 to pass. He connected the car to his test equipment and found that although the CEL was on, the secondary air injectors were working properly. I took the car to the emissions test station on Overland Rd, east of Cole and in front of D&B, to have it tested. The technician right away commented how his former boss would have loved the car, but he had died due to COVID-19

recently. I asked if this was Wilke Myers (see the last issue of *The Sage Tick*) and he confirmed it was, and then we proceeded to discuss various Silver Sage people we both knew and various club activities “back in the day”. Finally, we connected the car for testing and he said as long as the CEL was on, it won't pass, regardless of how sensors were working.

So, back to Porsche of Boise for Mike to clear the CEL. Whenever the CEL is cleared, the Readiness Monitors (seven of them) are also reset (Not Ready). For a successful emissions test, the Readiness Monitors (five of the seven for a 1996-2000 vehicles) must be “Ready” and the CEL must be off. Mike was able to set two monitors to Ready and I needed to drive the car until at least three more Readiness Monitors were Ready. Mike advised me to drive less than 60 MPH and keep the RPMs low. I went for a drive south on Cole Rd and then north on Pleasant Valley, back to the test station. The test technician said there were five Readiness Monitors reporting Not Ready; he suggested letting the car cool down before driving it some more, so I went for some lunch to let it sit and then drove it some more. A third visit to the test station yielded the same result and he suggested letting the car sit overnight before driving it even more, so I headed home.

With a bit of Internet searching, I found the suggested Drive Cycle for the Porsche 993 for the Readiness Monitors to be Ready. Here are the steps.

- Gas tank needs to be ½ to ¾ full.
- Start the engine from cold and let it idle 2 minutes, 10 seconds.
- Drive 20-30 MPH for 3 minutes, 15-30 seconds (do not exceed 3000 RPM).
- Drive 40-60 MPH for 15-20 minutes (do not exceed 3000 RPM).
- Come to a stop and idle for 5-6 minutes.
- Repeat the above a second time.



# “EMISSIONS MISSION”

Bob Pentecost

*(continued)*

I figured the best time to try to do a Drive Cycle would be a Saturday morning when traffic would be light. Living in West Boise, it seemed a drive west on Chinden would be my best bet for keeping my speed at 40-60. I picked Saturday because that is the day emissions test stations are open and I didn't want to do anything between a Drive Cycle and testing that might cause the CEL to go on. On a Saturday morning I followed the instructions as best I could and then headed to my favorite test station at Rocky Mountain Collision in Meridian (technicians seem to be “car people”, testing is \$10 instead of \$20, and there's no charge if the car doesn't pass). Once again, five Readiness Monitors reported Not Ready. The technician showed me his Autel AutoLink AL319 which is a tool that plugs into the OBD2 port and will display the status of the Readiness Monitors; best part is the tool is only \$40. I got the tool and set out on second Saturday morning, anxious to see if I could get some monitors Ready. As I approached I84 on Chinden I had given up and was ready to head home when the tool suddenly displayed all green, indicating all monitors were ready! I hopped on the Interstate to head to Meridian, happy I could exceed 60 MPH and 3000 RPM.

At the test station we connected his test equipment and soon he says “**PASSED!**” I was elated that the car is good for another two years, which puts me closer to the car being 30 years old at which time it no longer needs to be tested. I told the technician how I had spent hours driving the car for this effort and he said “If you have to drive, this isn't a bad car for driving!” I didn't tell him about the under 3000 RPM rule.

Special thanks to Mike Bell and Porsche of Boise for their help getting the car to pass. Sorry Mike, but the top-end rebuild will need to wait a little longer. And, I now have an OBD2 tool to loan.





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## CALENDAR

### June 2021

Jun. 1 Board Meeting  
Jun. 5 Coffee & Porsches  
Jun. 5 Coffee & Dirt  
Jun. 17 Porsche Cruise-In  
Jun. 26-27 Autocross

### July 2021

Jul. 6 Board Meeting  
Jul. 10 Coffee & Porsches  
Jul. 11-17 Porsche Parade  
Jul. 15 Porsche Cruise-In

### August 2021

Aug. 2 Warm Lake/Riggins Tour  
Aug. 3 Board Meeting  
Aug. 7 Coffee & Porsches  
Aug. 19 Porsche Cruise-In

Note: Silver Sage Board Meetings are normally on the first Tuesday of the month, 6:30 PM at Porsche of Boise