

Mach Schnell



Central Wisconsin Region – Porsche Club of America

May/June 2015

CWI Autocross, Sugar River Raceway

Friday, July 17, 5:30 PM

Sugar River Raceway, N2236 Mt. Hope Rd.,
Brodhead, WI

We'll quickly set up the track and run until dark. Sunset is at 8:30 PM and it usually stays light for a half hour longer. This is a great little track, like a mini road course. Come and run or even just to watch.



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Tour to Potosi Brewery, Sunday July 26

A drive through some of the very best undulating and twisty roads in Wisconsin. We did this tour last year and several asked for a repeat. We stop for coffee en route in Mineral Point and have lunch in the Brewery restaurant at the Potosi Brewery. There will be an opportunity to take a tour of the brewery museum. **Meet at 9:30am at Target Super Store, 6321 McKee Rd, Fitchburg, WI 53719**

I will need to know numbers to book for lunch so please let Trevor know by July 20th latest if you would like to join this tour. tspassmore@aol.com



CWI-PCA Calendar

July 5 (Sun) 8:00 AM Cars & Coffee,
Church St., Lake Mills.

July 15 (Wed) 7:00 PM Monthly Meeting
Lees Automotive, Watts Rd.

July 17 (Fri) 5:30 PM, Autocross, Sugar
River Raceway. Brodhead, WI

July 26 (Sun) 9:30 AM, Meet at Target.
Fitchburg

Aug. 19 (Wed) 7:00 PM Monthly Meeting
Lees Automotive, Watts Rd.

Sept 16 (Wed) 7:00 PM Monthly Meeting
Lees Automotive, Watts Rd.

CWI Monthly meetings. Come
join us for pizza and car talk!



Writers Block

Mach Schnell Editor, Chuck Schmeling

One of our members, Ryan Braithwaite, has generously volunteered to write some articles for Mach Schnell. The following is a short "auto biography" on his automotive affliction. Anyone recognize their own beginnings? How many of us caught Mad Car Disease this way?

Origin of the Species: How I Learned to Love Cars and Car Data

The first memories are of orange 4x4s, the Dukes of Hazard and a plastic Datsun 280ZX. It was 1979 or 1980. I was three or four years old.

The next significant period began with posters. Someone gave me a BMW M1 Twin Turbo Poster. 475 hp and 187 MPH. It had performance numbers right on the poster! I was no more than 7. My love of cars and car data had begun.

That same year, I received a Porsche model collection poster, showing their street cars from 1949 to 1983. It made it through law school before it fell to pieces from years of unframed display. It had great data: weight, engine displacement, horsepower and top speed.

The racing montage version now hangs in my 'car room' at home, but in those days it was the street cars that had my attention. Even at the age of 7, I could see the obvious differences between Porsche models. I was naturally drawn to the 1973 911 Carrera RS 2.7 and the 1976 930 Turbo. Another favorite was the 928. I still appreciate and aspire to own those cars (and many others) to this day.

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Madison Area Car Event Spotlight *Ryan Braithwaite*

Cars & Coffee in Lake Mills

Lake Mills Cars & Coffee has been a local tradition for several years. Held on the first Sunday of each month from May to October, it brings a diverse group of cars with a particular focus on Porsche. In addition to the monthly events, a larger Concours on the Green event has traditionally been held in August.

The event starts at 8am and runs until 11am. It is held in the street in front of 119 Church Street, Lake Mills, and the surrounding parking lots.

The next event is scheduled for July 5th. On that day they have partnered with Cheese Wheel, Inc., to host Aztalan's Rally to the Sun, a Time-Speed Distance Rally to benefit Children's Hospital of Wisconsin. The rally runs from 10am to 1pm, after Cars & Coffee.

The quality of the cars on display can be stunning, but is never intimidating. Porsches range from pristine 356s and long-hood 911s to the latest GT3, and everything in between. Italian exotica rub shoulders with bagged Subarus and BMW 2002s. Respect is shown to Acura NSXs and Jaguar E-types alike. You are just as likely to find an LS motor-swapped Nissan S14 between a pair of Ferraris as you are a Testarossa.

What started as a somewhat modest event attracting 40-60 cars has grown substantially in recent years. At the recent gathering in May, more than 200 cars were in attendance.

Several club members have been attending this event for years, but it would be nice to see a strong and regular presence from the CWI Region.

From I-94, take exit 259, Highway 89 South into downtown Lake Mills, about 1.5 miles. As you pass Commons Park, take a Right onto West Lake Street. You should see signs and are likely to be in a line of show cars at this point.

Arrival at or near the 8 am start time may be necessary to obtain a prime parking spot, but the show is still worth attending even if you have to park in one of the back parking lots.

Quaker Steak & Lube Car Night in Middleton

This weekly event is held on Thursdays from 4:30 pm to around 9 pm. Car nights began in early May and run through September, with live music starting in June.

There is an emphasis on classic and muscle cars, but a few Porsche enthusiasts participate on a regular basis. Some of the nights have themes, but attendance is always varied and all are welcome. Additional information is available on the Quaker Steak Middleton Facebook page.

Cars & Coffee in Madison (Fitchburg)

For those that can't go more than a week without spending their Sunday morning at a car show, there is a small, informal event held weekly at Barriques Fitchburg, 5957 Mckee Rd. (Highway PD near Seminole Highway).

On average, 10-15 cars may attend. It starts on Sundays at 9 am and typically runs until around 11 am.

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Origin of the Species: (continued)

Shortly thereafter I was given a book: The World's Fastest Cars, by John McGovern. The year was 1985. Porsche 959, 911 Turbo and Club Sport, 928S, 944 turbo and 924. Other highlights included the BMW M6. Audi Sport Quattro. Ferrari 288 GTO. Aston Martin Vantage. Lotus Esprit Turbo. Jaguar XJ-S. Thirty years ago, 125 MPH qualified you for entry into the book. Fiat and Toyota hatchbacks just made the cut. I still have it today.

I wanted to know every statistic you could imagine. The Road Test section of Road and Track was my bible. I was a cornucopia of useless knowledge.

My first issue of Road and Track was June of 1986. I don't think I have it anymore. I have kept far too many magazines, but have not yet approached hoarder status. The accumulation of a vast number of car magazines is one of the only downsides of Autoweek, particularly when it was a weekly. My statement was not meant to imply that I applaud that change. Autoweek should be a weekly.

The Porsche 959 was on the cover. It was in a different league from the Italian exotica. When I would finally acquire my first Porsche in 2012 it would be the modern 959, a 2004 996 Twin Turbo. The similarities are undeniable, in specification and in spirit.

Anyone else with a similar story to tell? Let us know and send us your tale! cwi.pca@gmail.com

Marketplace

For Sale: Turbo calipers. Front 996 Turbo 'Reds'. Like-new paint and decals done professionally by Pcar. Includes a set of new Pagid Orange pads. \$500.

GreggT@DrivingFanatic.com

Wanted: 2007/2008 GT3. Low mileage (less than 20K), unmodified, no accidents, no track time. Prefer white but red or yellow will also work. Contact Jan Scott at 563-590-1464 or e-mail: jan.scott@unisonsolutions.com.

For Sale: 1975 Porsche 914. 1.8 liter, one owner from new. Upgraded to 916 bumpers. Runs well. Please call Doug Kissell for more details. 262-353-6664



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