

From Within the 13th Zone – August 2008

And Another Month's Gone

Congratulations to the Bluegrass Region for raising over \$4300 at this year's Paddock Challenge at the Keeneland Concours in Lexington, KY. The real winner is the Kentucky Children's Hospital that benefitted from all the Concours proceeds. As a reminder, regions that have a special charity event can apply for a "Charity Subsidy" from PCA National for \$350. Free money. Why not ask for it? Details can be found in your 2008 RPM (Regional Procedural Manual). Porscheplatz is coming to Road America on August 8th and 9th. If you have never experienced a pro race, this is definitely one not to miss. PCA's Bob Miller and Kurt Gibson will be attending from the National office. Come see the Porsche RS Spyders clinch victory in LMP2. Due to low entries, the Milwaukee Cup Club Race was cancelled. Registration is still open for the Milwaukee Regions' DE at Blackhawk Farms Raceway August 16th -17th. Spots are still available for TRAC (The Road America Challenge), Chicago Region's DE and Club Race in Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin. Come out and enjoy your Porsche! PCA Treasurer, Ruben Ledesma is looking forward to joining the Fox Valley Region for their Fall Tour.

Charlotte Parade Wrap Up

Zone 13 combined with Zone 9 and 10 to make up the "Midwest Zone" in the Zone Challenge at the Charlotte Parade. We finished 3rd overall. The competition included a tire changing for time, a valve spring exchange and race simulators. Special thanks goes out to the Gutmann clan for helping staff the team with 3 generations represented! Once again, congratulations to everyone from Zone 13 that made the trip to Charlotte and competed. We were well represented and competitive! Several people from our Zone have come away with trophies and smiles.

Next year's 2009 Parade will be in Keystone, Colorado with 2010 Parade coming to St. Charles, Illinois, west of Chicago. It will be the first "Nationally" run Parade and should ease some of the stress typically related to hosting a Parade. The Zone's Presidents will be on a conference call with Tom Brown, National Parade, on August 5th and we have a "Spark the Interest" meeting slated for September 27th at Pheasant Run which will be the host Parade hotel in 2010. If you want some more info or wish to attend, please let me know ASAP so we can plan for a tour, etc of the facility.

Escape to the Birthplace of Aviation

What is an Escape? It is a new PCA tradition that was conceived by the zone reps in 2005 to be the alternative for those not making the trip across the country to Parade. This year's event will be in Albuquerque, NM. These events are a long weekend and have more tours rather than any competitive events typically held at Parade. The winner for the 2009 Escape will be Ohio Valley Region and the ***Escape to the Birthplace of Aviation***. It is slated for October 2009. I would recommend giving this new event a try especially since it will be within a reasonable drive for most within Zone 13. Heard lots of great stuff regarding "Porsches to Oxford" which taunted in excess of 415 Porsches to make the trip to Oxford, Ohio this past weekend.

Membership

Seasoned members reach out and make a special effort to welcome new or unfamiliar faces at upcoming events. New members, should get involved and volunteer at a future event. It is a great way to learn members, have some fun and enjoy the different aspects of the Porsche Club. Members are the lifeline of the future of our club which is now over 58,000 strong!

It's not the cars, it's the people. Go out and start enjoying the Porsche Passion! Until next time...

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