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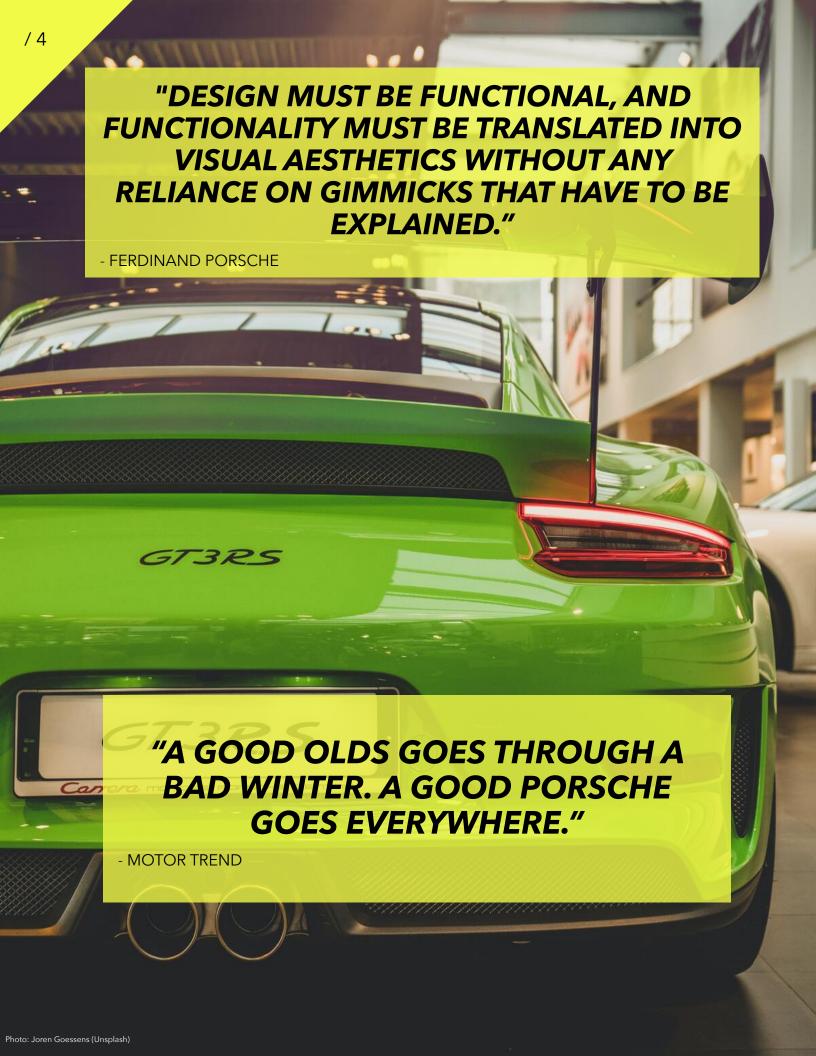


Cover photo by Leandro Nascimento: Daniel Thompson's GT3 Dark Blue @ Cars & Coffee Tri-Cities - March 2021

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## PORSCHE CLUB WEEKEND GETAWAY

4/10 & 4/11



COME TO DRIVE 500 MILES ACROSS LEGENDARY ROADS AT THE **GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS AND NANTAHALA NATIONAL FOREST:** TAIL OF THE DRAGON, HELLBENDER, MOONSHINER 28, TAPOCO ROAD, FONTANA DAM, CHEROHALA SKYWAY, FOOTHILLS PARKWAY AND MANY SURPRISE BACKROADS...

# DITOR'S COLUMN

pring is finally here and it is so good to see everyone getting their Porsches out as it gets warmer! It has been only a few days since the Spring officially started and we had done quite a few Porsche & Car things this year. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of 2021 we drove to Hot Springs, in February, almost 20 brave man and woman attended the Hugh Tackett Memorial Drive & Brunch on a freezing 25F weather, early in March, I met many of our members at the largest Cars & Coffee in Tri-Cities ever, we drove a new route mid-March and had dinner at The Tavern, some of our members attended SMT PCA Autocross, late in March, we had an amazing afternoon drive through the Snake to end the ride at the Abingdon Vineyards. As COVID-19 vaccine is becoming more available, I am happy to see again members that I haven't seen in more than one year. Welcome back, we missed you!

On our last newsletter, I told you that our region, the smallest region among all 16 regions on Zone 3, got the #1 Factored Region Growth Award in 2020 and we are only three months down the year and already have a better start than last year in terms of new members! By the end of March, we had 11 new members and I can't thank enough those who have helped spreading the word! If you know someone who rides a Porsche and it is not a member of PCA, please them them to check on us or bring them as a quest on any of our events.

### - Leandro Nascimento



# W ILDERNESS TRAIL REGION NEWS





he year of 2021 brought a breath of fresh air with the hope of the pandemic being controlled by the Summer. The pandemic affected all of us in some way and many big car's events had to be cancelled in 2020 (Porsche Parade, Monterey Car Week, NY Intl. Auto Show, Detroit Auto Show, just to name a few) but 2021 seems to be promising in all spheres, not only car events are coming back, but cruise trips, concerts, sports gathering, etc.



### EW YEAR'S TOUR DRIVE:

### DEVIL'S FORK GAP, HOT SPRINGS, THE RATTLER



December 30th, it felt that was to get there takes you through one year ago! I could not the Devil's Fork Gap, in Unicoi believe when I saw the forecast and since we were at the Hot to the first Saturday of 2021: 65F - partially cloud - ON A JANUARY 2nd!

I have never called a drive with just 3 days notice and I wasn't sure how many of you would come out, but you surprised me. Twenty cars showed up in the morning and every's mood was calling for some fun ride! We went to a place where this

ur last club drive of group used to go often in the 2020 was in mid-past but we have not been in a November, but by while: Hot Springs, NC. The way Springs, why not to ride the NC-209, aka The Rattler? So we did! The Rattler, has a little bit of everything a Porsche driver is looking for - pastoral valley views, challenging mountain climbs, twisty and tight technical sections, 290 curves in 24 miles.

> Visit our event's gallery to see more photos of this event: wtrpca.org/gallery/

### NEW YEAR'S TOUR DRIVE **PHOTOS**





## **UGH TACKETT MEMORIAL DRIVE & BRUNCH:** AMIS MILL EATERY



ur region's official kick-off to the driving season is a drive in memory of Hugh Tackett, who left us 3 years ago. Tackett's lifelong beloved wife Brenda and his daughter Natalie did join us, reminding us that love leaves a memory no one can steal.

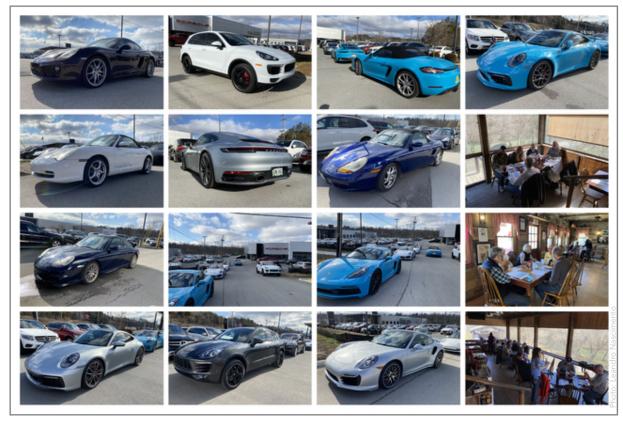
The morning of March 20th started cold, 25F, but roads were dry. One day before, I drove the route to make sure that roads were in good condition and there were no salt or ice, all good!

We met at Rick Hill Porsche, who greeted us with fresh Coffee and Doughnuts. Different from the past year, this time we took the backroads route and everyone seems to have enjoyed the ride. When we got at Amis Mill, tables were set to allow social distancing, the restaurant was warm, service and food were great, as usual.

Erik Hubbard, promoter of Backroads of Appalachia, came to meet us and talk a little of the plans they have to our club's future drive, in July.

Visit our event's gallery to see more photos of this event: wtrpca.org/gallery/

## **HUGH TACKETT MEMORIAL DRIVE** PHOTOS







### **FDIFVAL DRIVE:**

### SOUTHWEST CORNER OF VA & THE TAVERN



the club never had been Dickenson and Wise. At the before.

On March 13th, we went on a 120 miles drive with 31 cars and 50 people through the Southwest Corner of VA (VA-80, Hayter's Gap) and circled back on some great Visit our event's gallery to arrived in Abingdon for event: wtrpca.org/gallery/ dinner. On this drive, we

ne of my favorite drove through the counties things planning the of Sullivan (TN) and the VA rides are bringing counties of Washington, new routes and roads that Russell, Buchanan, end of the drive, we were allowed to park our cars on a private business' parking lot in Abingdon, where 45 of us stayed for dinner at The Tavern.

backcountry roads until we see more photos of this

## MEDIEVAL DRIVE

### PHOTOS







### **RIVE & WINE:**

### THE SAKE & ABINGDON VINEYARDS



hat a Saturday! Forecast was calling for hail, severe thunderstorm, +70mph wind and flooding.

I always say that our events are rain or shine. I was not expecting a golf size hail storm hitting my neighborhood one hour before leaving my home to this drive. My driveway was fully covered with hail and I had no way to take my car out, unless I cleaned it, so I did. I had to look for my snow shovel and hurry to clean the mess. Meanwhile, the sky was getting darker and darker, and I started getting many text messages on my phone of drivers cancelling telling me they would not be able to

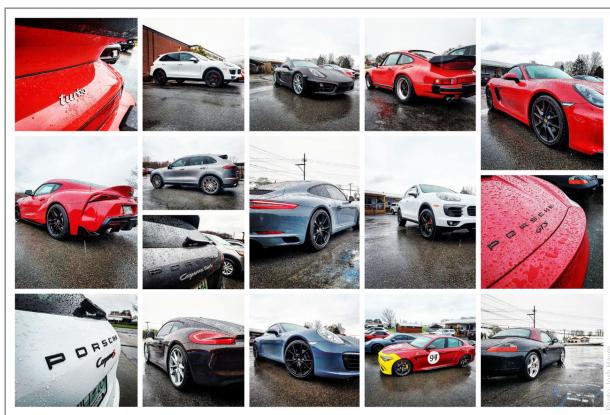
make it to the drive. I didn't blame any of them, but asked myself why I didn't cancel it!

I am glad I didn't! I knew there were at least one car showing up, and I didn't want to disappoint anyone. We had 12 cars attending the event. Roads were wet, we drove extra carefully. Logs and debris made us slow down several times, but arriving at the Abingdon Vineyards was rewarding. The rain was gone, the atmosphere was amazing, and we all could finally relax a little, have some good food and wine and enjoy some live music!

We will repeat this drive on June 26th.

## DRIVE AND WINE PHOTOS





### **Tri-Cities Cars & Coffee**

ars and Coffee Tri-Cities brings many beautiful cars on every edition. The meet is on every 1st Saturday of each month, almost year round, from 8:00 to 10:00 am at University Parkway Baptist Church in Johnson City.

If you are on Facebook, search for Cars & Coffee Tri-Cities group on Facebook to be informed about any updates on the event. Check below how the September meet looked like.





### **APRIL**

03: Tri-Cities Cars & Coffee: Click **here** for more information. \*\*\*Not a sanctioned PCA event. PCA insurance does not apply.\*\*\*

10 & 11: Weekend Getaway: Tail of the Dragon, Cherohala Skyway, Foothills Parkway, Deals Gap, Hellbender, Fontana Dam, Moonshiner 28, etc. - RSVP on WTRPCA.ORG

25: Harper Auto Square's Cars & Coffee: Click here for more informations. \*\*\*Not a sanctioned PCA event. PCA insurance does not apply.\*\*\*

30 (and May 1st, May 2nd): PCA Smoky Mountain Spring Thing in Johnson City: Autocross at Bristol Motor Speedway, Concours d'Elegance and thrilling tour drives are some of the highlights of the weekend. Registration closes on April 14th.



# RICK HILL CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAY



RICK HILL IMPORTS will welcome customers and Porsche Club members at the BACK OF THE DRAGON Welcome Center after a group drive on May 16. There are few other things reserved to that day: Porsche Test Drive at BOTD, PCA prizes, live music and more.



MAY 16 @ 9:00 AM RSVP: WTRPCA.ORG



### **MAY**

01: Tri-Cities Cars & Coffee: Click here for more information. \*\*\*Not a sanctioned PCA event. PCA insurance does not apply.\*\*\*

08: Macan Raffle Drive: We are planning a drive that will end at the KBGC Porsche Macan raffle draw location so that we can see one of us winning it:)

15: Officers Meeting

16: Rick Hill Customer Appreciation Day @ Back of the Dragon

### **JUNE**

04, 05, 06: Rennsport Dragon Rally: Click **here** for more information. \*\*\*Not a sanctioned PCA event. PCA insurance does not apply.\*\*\*

05: Tri-Cities Cars & Coffee: Click **here** for more information. \*\*\*Not a sanctioned PCA event. PCA insurance does not apply.\*\*\*

16: Drive & Wine 2 - The Snake & Abingdon Vineyards

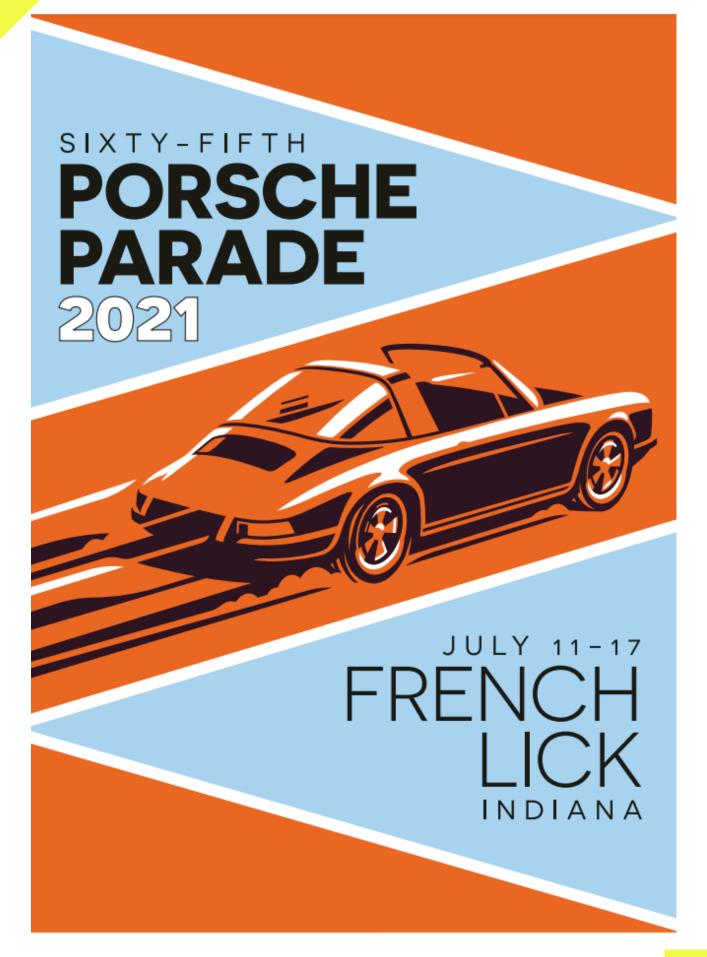
### **JULY**

03: Tri-Cities Cars & Coffee: Click here for more information. \*\*\*Not a sanctioned PCA event. PCA insurance does not apply.\*\*\*

09: Wilderness Trail Region 43rd Anniversary - A drive, dinner or happy hour... we have to celebrate... more details coming later.

11 to 17: 65th Porsche Parade in French Lick Indiana

31: Appalachian Autobahn, Dragon Slayer (KY160), Eastern KY



# ENERAL INFORMATION

### **OLD MATERIAL HUNTING**

Everyone who has old materials of any significance, please bring this information to our next meetings or email them to me. If it is a printed material, and you are not coming to any meetings soon, you can mail me, if it is digital, please send it to wtrpca@gmail.com and we will make it available on our website and future newsletters.

### **EVENTS**

We would like for our members to come up with some new ideas for events we could do as a club for the remaining of the year and for 2021. Please report on DE's, Concours shows, tours/drives, racing, autocross and anything which might interest our members for more camaraderie and a good time.

### **UPDATE YOUR PROFILE**

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## CA MEMBERS' DEMOGRAPHICS

**AGE** 

ARE MALE

ARE MARRIED

ARE COLLEGE **EDUCATED** 

HAVE ADVANCED **DEGREES** 

**OWN REAL ESTATE** 

HAVE AN HHI OVER \$100,000 HAVE AN HHI OVER \$250,000



OWN FOUR OR **MORE VEHICLES** PER HOUSEHOLD

GO ON TWO OR MORE VACATIONS PER YEAR

HAVE OWNED 2 OR MORE **PORSCHES** 

PLAN TO BUY A **NEW PORSCHE** IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS

WORK ON THEIR OWN CARS

Source: Panorama Magazine Media Kit 2018

# ORSCHE MACAN RAFFLE





### **2021 PORSCHE MACAN RAFFLE**





### Can't you just see yourself in this beautiful 2021 Porsche Macan?

Purchase your ticket today - \$100 may find you behind the wheel! Only 1,300 tickets will be sold - Drawing on May 8, 2021.

Order yours online at www.kbgc.org or call (423) 230-4160. Winner need not be present to win.

Payment must accompany ticket. Deadline for internet and phone sales is May 5, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. EST. Remaining tickets may be purchased at event until 8:00 p.m. EST on May 8, 2021. You must be 18 years of age or older to participate. Payments are not tax deductible contributions and are nonrefundable unless event is canceled. If 800 tickets are not sold, a full refund will be provided and the raffle will not occur. This is a fund-raising event and all proceeds directly benefit the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Kingsport. Winner need not be present to win. Winner will be responsible for all federal, state and/or local taxes and any delivery/shipping fees. An independent accounting firm will supervise the entries and drawing of raffle.

### **Previous Winners:**

2020 - Jon B.

2019 - Darrell D.

2018-Mike S

2017 - Andy J.

2016 - Laura M.

2015 - Tom N.

2014 - Heather G.

2013 - Gordon B.

2012 - Janet W.

2011 - Charlie H.

2010 - Sam N.

2009 - Amy V.

2008 - Anne H.

### 2021 Winner: YOU!

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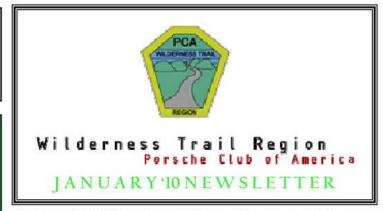
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Our January WTR PCA meeting was held January 11th at Giuseppe's in Kingsport. As usual the service and food was very good and they had set up a screen for us but we had no projector, as Greg had a medical meeting. VP Craig Haltom did a 'very smooth' job of conducting our meeting, he shows excellent qualifications for Presi-

Barbara gave a treasurers report and stated our bank balance was \$11,976.20 which included some last quarter rebates from PCA on memberships.

It was reported that our former meeting location Kaffe Blue is closed, supposedly they could not come to terms with their landlord on some issues. Owner Michelle was reported to have said, they are looking for another location.

Our next DE is coming up March 25th and we will have another one on September 16th. You can register for either by going to www.motorsportreg.com. So far we have ten (10) already registered for our March DE. For those of you who have never participated in a DE, you of course will have to enter the novice class but will have an instructor to show you the lines and special points of the track. The best part is that you can drive as fast as you want to enjoy your car without kids in the road, police or SPEED LIMITS. There is no better place to enjoy your car, particularly a Porsche, than a great road course. VIR is one of the best in America today, quite safe and beautiful. The setting is very relaxed and properties well maintained. If you have never been to VIR you will be impressed.

Joe K reported that a friend, Rick Houser, has purchased a 911 and although he could not make the meeting tonight is looking forward to joining the PCA and getting involved with WTR. Many members are already acquainted with Rick and know he will always give Joe a 'run for his money' in having the most detailed Porsche in our club.

Since our Christmas Party was canceled due to weather, Greg would like to reschedule in February. More to follow.

Craig asked everyone's on ideas and topics for trips and events this year with our club. Many members had some great ideas from a seafood buffet at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville or P F Chang's also in Asheville, following with a movie at the Cinema next door. Other ideas were visiting covered bridges, tours to N GA (Johnathan will look into) and wine tasting at Johnathan's home, then alternating wine tasting at other members homes. Members will look into many of these ideas and report back at our next meeting.

Joe K also suggested visiting the BMW plant again in Greenville, S C. Everyone seemed to have a good time before and manufacturing is always interesting.

Please give Hugh the information on any events, tours or other plans for the club and he will e-mail to the membership for consideration.

Justin Cook recommended visiting the USF1 race facility in the Charlotte area near Mooresville. Hugh also suggested visiting the TRG race shops as well since they are also located in that same area. Hugh will contact Kevin Buckler, owner of TRG in Sonoma, and see if he can arrange a visit and also try to find the location of USF1 and contact them for the same reasons.

Justin and Tracy are planning a trip In June to attend the F1 race in Montreal and invited others to attend. They plan to be there for practice on Friday and spend the weekend. Several other members expressed interest in going and will co-ordinate arrangements with the Cooks.

Johnathan suggested we charge a small fee for the wine tasting events we plan to have and donate the money to a charity.

Craig suggested members be looking for a restaurant meeting place. There are many new facilities in the area, however, it is important that we have a separate room and that the menu prices are not increased as some restaurants do. Unless someone finds something better than Giuseppe's we will more than likely be here again in February. The great thing about Giuseppe's is the central location, easy to access, good food, private quiet room with reasonable service and screen/electrical for slides or movies. Starting next month Johnathan is selecting a new wine menu for the owner of Giuseppe's, if it "ain't no good" we know who to blame!!!

See everyone next month unless we have a Breakfast Posse or Ice Cream social later in January. We will let everyone know via e-mail.

Hugh Tackett

# ORSCHE LAUGH

### **Ten Commandments of Porsche ownership**

- I. Thou shalt not worship any brand before Porsche
- II. Thou shalt not tolerate the name of Porsche on counterfeit goods
- III. Thou shalt not use the name of Porsche with incorrect pronunciation
- IV. Thou shalt always open windows in a tunnel, for it is holy
- V. Thou shalt honor thy air-cooled mother and father
- VI. Thou shalt not use budget grade fuel, oil or tires
- VII. Thou shalt not entertain thoughts of GT-R's, Huracans or McLarens
- VIII. Thou shalt not fail to wave at another Porsche owner
- IX. Thou shalt not speak of IMS bearing failures
- X. Thou shalt respect thy manual and thy PDK and rightfully shun thee **Tiptronic**

# M<sub>FMBERSHIP NEWS</sub>

We would like to welcome all the 2021 new members:

David Pryputniewicz - 2011 Black 911 Turbo S Anthony Melson - 2017 Metallic Gray Macan S Chad Kisner - 2017 Black Macan GTS Earl Quick - 2014 Red 911 Turbo Joshua Hayes - 2019 718 Boxster Louie Leach - 2021 Gray Cayenne John Rambo - 2015 Palladium Macan Turbo William Miller - 2000 Black Boxster S. Doug Call - 2019 Red 718 Boxster Dirk DiSantis - 2021 Macan S Rob McCollum - 1987 928 S4 Silver

Join me welcoming them to the PCA Family!

If you see them on the road, blink your lights or honk!

If you meet them in one of our upcoming events, please, help me making them feel welcome!

### CLUB MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

George Booze - 44 years Ed Yates - 41 years Scott Arnold - 39 years John Dellis - 39 years Dow Strader - 32 years Kernie Timmons - 31 years Tom Raymond - 30 years Scott Hubbard - 30 years Wes Adams - 29 years Michael Roberts - 29 years Tim Loy - 27 years Mark Finley - 26 years Joseph Brown - 21 years Ted Koehner - 21 years Randy Moore - 21 years Jerry Godsey - 20 years Frank Saylor - 18 years Robert Scales - 18 years Jaye Cornett - 18 years Wayne Thacker - 17 years John Kressin - 17 years Gregory Miller - 15 years Paul Straub - 15 years David Miranda - 14 years David Kreshek - 13 years Willie Chaffin - 13 years Howard Cummings - 13 years Greg Schuette - 13 years Broughton Jolley - 12 years Jim Holmes - 11 years Grady Moore - 11 years Gregory Chudzik - 11 years Dennis Bellamy - 10 years Parker Smith - 10 years James Myers - 10 years Jerry Smith - 10 years Gary Poe - 10 years Carter Haws - 9 years Tom Kwasigroch - 9 years



Carl Justice - 9 years Bobby Gibbons - 9 years Paul Jaynes - 9 years Scott Cole - 8 years Mike Lamb - 8 years Gary Umbarger - 8 years Steven Blankenbeckler - 8 years Garrick Ho - 8 years Ryan Elswick - 7 years James Boles - 7 years Jason Carter - 7 years Gene Greene - 7 years Wayne Culbertson - 7 years David Fagerburg - 7 years Derek Guske - 6 years Dave Sample - 6 years Michael Kidd - 6 years Patrick Morrison - 6 years James Maxwell - 6 years William Campbell - 6 years Steve York - 5 years Robert Quillen - 5 years Mitchell Rainero - 5 years Ira Deere - 5 years Kenny Parker - 5 years Wayne Stevens - 5 years

Congratulations on your Membership Anniversary!

Lawrence Reid - 5 years

Randy Still - 5 years

Check on www.pca.org/anniversary details of Membership Anniversary recognition.

