Spring 2008



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Hudson Champlain Calendar of Events

#### **April**

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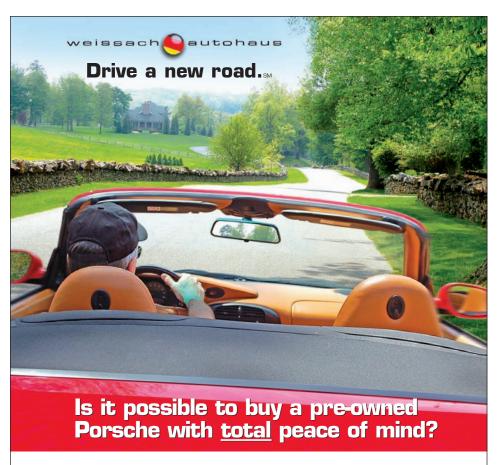
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Wednesday - Thursday May 14th - 15th Advanced Drivers Education at Watkins Glen International Raceway Watkins Glen. NY



The No. 7 Penske
Porsche RS Spyder at
the New York Autoshow

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## From the Track Chairman

Back on Track

As any one who knows me, (even slightly), can tell you, all I wait for is TRACK SEASON.

One of my favorite hero's famous saying puts it well, "RACING is LIFE! Anything that happens before or

after is just waiting".

Of course Driver Education is NOT racing, but you have to start some place to become familiar with your car and its ability. Doing so on the street in this day and age is totally irresponsible and down right dangerous. This is where I would invite you to take part in one of ANY of the Porsche Drivers Education events that are held every week during the track season by ours or other regions.

What is a Drivers Education Event?

From a technical perspective, Drivers Education (DE) is a program developed to allow drivers of all skill levels the opportunity to drive on real racetracks in a safe and fun environment. The event is usually run over 1 to 3 days. Each day you have 5 driving groups divided by experience and skill level. Usually you will go out on track 4 times for 20 to 30 minutes each.

In the Novice groups (two of them), drivers are accompanied by a PCA recognized instructor. The instructor will teach you about your car and how to handle it in a highperformance driving environment. Different techniques and fundamentals will be taught so that you and your car will be come good "friends" like you never thought possible before. DE is not racing. These events are not timed and there are no prizes (except that SA grin on your face at | Marty

the end of the day). Passing zones are restricted to ensure your safety and we ENFORCE safety rules.

What qualifications do I need?

You need to be a PCA member or associate over the age of 18, with a valid driver's license. In most PCA regions you need to be driving a Porsche on the track.

What type of Car?

Cars range from 1950s 356s to the latest Cup cars and everything in between. Your car needs to be in good mechanical order and needs to be inspected by a PCA-certified technical inspector (see the list in our area else where in this publication). Note that we do require a fire extinguisher after the first event and you will need a recent snell rated helmet. If you would like to read what I think is the best information on DE's on the NET go to www.redlinerennsport.homestead.com. I usually have most of my students read this information as they progress up through the different skill levels. Don't let this information make you feel nervous, as no one expects you to know even 1/10th of it at this point.

I could go on and on with this subject for ever (and some people say I always do) but for clarity may I just tell you my favorite saying on this subject...."IT IS THE MOST FUN YOU CAN HAVE WITH YOUR PANTS ON".

If I can answer any questions or if you would like to talk further on this subject, just e-mail me. After all, that is what a TRACK CHAIR does and I love it.

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#### 10 Years

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## **April**

#### Monday April 14th

Monthly Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Smokey Bones 1557 Central Avenue Colonie, NY 1220

#### Sunday April 20th

New Member Luncheon from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Century House in Latham, NY. New members who have joined the club during the last 12 months are invited to attend. Please R.S.V.P. to activities@hcp-pca.com by April 11th.

#### Sunday April 27th\*

**HCP** Beginner and Novice Autocross School

\*These dates are tentative and subject to change.

Please check our website http://hcp.pca.org for updates as we finalize dates.

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HCP-CVR Drivers Education at Lime Rock Park Lakeville, CT

#### Sunday May 4th

Tour of Jim Taylor's Fantastic Car Collection and Lunch at Lanzi's On The Lake

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#### Wednesday - Thursday May 14th - 15th

HCP Advanced Drivers Education at Watkins Glen International Raceway Watkins Glen, NY

Saturday - Sunday May 17th - 18th

Zone 1 Rally & Concours Croning, NY

#### Sunday May 25th

HCP Spring Autocross
NYS Parking Lot McCarty Avenue Albany, NY

June 2008								
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#### **June**

#### \*Sunday June 8th Annual Concours and Picnic at

John Boyd Thacher State Park

1 Hailes Cave Road Voorheesville, NY 12186

#### Monday June 9th

Monthly Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Smokey Bones 1557 Central Avenue Colonie, NY 12205

#### Friday - Sunday June 20th - 22th

Zone 1 48 Hours Driver Education Watkins Glen, NY

#### Sunday - Thursday June 29th - 3rd

PCA National Parade Charlotte, NC

July 2008							
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## **July**

Sunday - Thursday June 29th - July 3rd PCA National Parade Charlotte, NC

Friday - Saturday July 11th - 12th

Porscheplatz @ ALMS Lime Rock park, CT

#### Sunday July 13th

HCP Summer Autocross
NYS Parking Lot McCarty Avenue Albany, NY

#### Monday July 14th

Monthly Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Smokey Bones 1557 Central Avenue Colonie, NY 12205

#### Sunday July 27th

HCP Club drive to the Matt Brewing Company in Utica, NY



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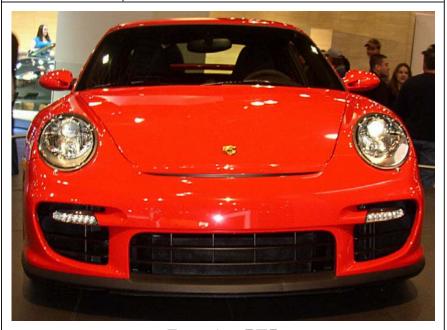
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