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Hudson Champlain  
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Running Through "The  
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# From the Nominating Chair

Who's in Charge Here? Maybe It's You!

Ever wonder who makes all our wonderful Hudson-Champlain events run so well? It's your turn to find out. President Marty Finkle appointed your erstwhile reporter as Chair of the Nominations Committee last month, and charged me with finding new people to lead Hudson-Champlain Region in the coming year.

I don't know all of you, so here's the deal: I'm looking for a few enthusiastic wheel nuts to help us run the region. The Nominations Committee is charged with, well, nominating a slate of officers for the coming year. We are also charged with coming up with interested folks who would like to help out with all the committees that make HCP one of the most active regions in PCA.

I've asked Mark Ambuhl and Craig Thorsland to lend their talent to this new talent search. (Dare we call it American Porsche Idol? Hmm, probably not.....) Together we have the task of finding four officers, and recommending eight committee chairs to the officer slate. The incoming president of the region has the prerogative of naming committee chairs, but we really want to have a group of volunteers that is interested in seeing that Hudson-Champlain remains one of the best small regions in Zone 1 of PCA.

Here are the positions that we will fill by election at the Annual Dinner in late fall.

**President** – Responsible for all Region activities and functions. He/She leads the Region in organizing and running (with suitable help) all activities. The President represents the Region to the rest of Zone 1, and attends semi-annual President's meetings, which, fortunately, are held here in the Albany area because we are the geographic center of Zone 1.

**Vice President** (or, as I like to call it, "President in charge of vice") – If the President is our shepherd, the Vice President is the shepherd's "crook". The VP helps out where needed, fills in if the President can't make an event or meeting, and generally makes him/herself useful.

**Secretary** – The Secretary takes minutes of meetings, and handles all correspondence on behalf of the Region. This can take little time, or some time, depending on the activities we're into, and the pace of events.

**Treasurer** – This is the POWER position. The treasurer minds the money. We earn money from National PCA rebates based on our membership size, plus event fees (especially from Driver's Ed events), and advertising in the Air-Cooled Advertiser. The Treasurer pays all the bills, deposits the dough, and lets us all know what's happening on the financial front. The position is responsible for the flow of tens of thousands of dollars each year.

Beyond these elected positions, there are a number of appointments made by the President. The Nominations Committee helps by looking for volunteers to assist with any of these.

**Newsletter Editor** – This is our most important position, the "glue" that holds the Region together by publishing the Air-Cooled quarterly. The Editor should be Web-savvy, have good English language skills (think grammar and spelling), be able to cajole other Region members into writing articles, and be able to point a camera and push the shutter button. It's fun. I know; I've done it on two different occasions.

**Webmaster** – In the modern world, we all get around on the Web. We need a Webmaster with basic web site skills who can update our HCP web site on a monthly basis. We post the Air-Cooled there, and folks all over the country send in

questions that the Webmaster routes to appropriate Region officials for answers. Will train enthusiastic volunteers.

**Activities** – The Activities Chair is mainly concerned with organizing our annual calendar of events other than track and autocross events. The Chair serves as the focus of Region ideas and event planning, and recruits helpers to see that each event is run in a fun, safe manner.

**Autocross** – The Autocross Chair organizes and operates our Region autocross program. Site selection, course design, calendar dates, and volunteer recruitment are all in his/her bailiwick. Our autocrosses are getting more and more popular, and the Chair makes a big contribution to their success.

**Membership** – Help us share the madness! The Membership Chair is responsible for fielding all PCA member leads, contacting prospective members, and signing them up for PCA and HCP. My wife Jane and I were Membership Chairs in the late 1970s. Plan on buying new sneakers, to chase down all those Porsches you see going by.

**Safety** – The Safety Chair is responsible for seeing that we all come back alive. Seriously, the

Safety Chair provides a focal point for our Tech Inspectors, and for our on-track and open-road driving event planning. This job is to see that we conduct ourselves in a safe (quick, maybe, but safe) way at all times when our Porsches are in motion in a PCA-sponsored event.

**Track Events** – The Track Chair organizes and coordinates all HCP closed-track events, usually 2 or 3 each year, generally at Watkins Glen and Lime Rock Park.

**Registrar** – Few positions within HCP carry the importance of our Registrar. The Registrar handles all event registrations, and deals not only with HCP members, but with other attendees from all over Zone 1. Organization skills, a friendly outgoing personality and not a small amount of tact are required to fill this job.

Our Club runs through the grace, skill and perseverance of many volunteers. Be one! You can contact the Nominating Committee by email at "tomt73@earthlink.net" or by phone at my house, 518-786-1491, or office 518-786-7733.

Pedal fast, someone might be gaining,

Tommy Thompson



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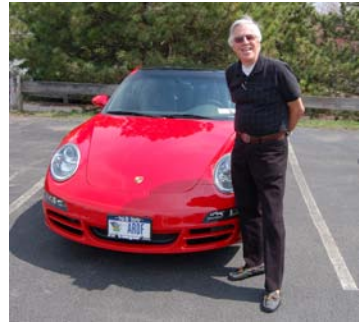
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# New Member Luncheon



Joe Lemme and his 1995 993.



Steven Weinstein and his 2007 Targa.



Don Schneider with his 2006 Cayman S.



Our new members had great lunch and had an opportunity to learn about our club.



# Autocross School



Everyone started the day with an instructor to learn the basics.



The slalom proved to be a challenging obstacle.



Each attendee had the chance to perfect the rotary.

Everyone enjoyed a fun and educational day learning to autocross.





# Lime Rock Drivers Ed

Photos by Andy Dorman



Andy Dorman takes his trusty 924S for it's last run.

Our shared DE with Connecticut Valley Region was a great success.



# Advanced Drivers Ed



One of many 997 GT3 hustles through the Bus Stop.

This 73 RS racecar enters the Off Camber.



# Jim Taylor's Garage



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A Jaguar XJ220.

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# Spring Autocross



Gary Hobbs placed 2nd in his class.



Roger Collrn completing his run.



Autocross Chairman Andy Dorman trying his hand in a rear engine Porsche.



The class winners for the Spring Autocross.

# Annual Picnic & Concours



Al Thompson's 1985 944 is ready to be judged.



Mike and Betsy O'Neill won their class with this beautiful 1974 Targa.



Jeff Markussen was this years grillmaster.

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**Mark Aldao**

## 15 Years

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**Mark Davison**

## 10 Years

**David Patton**  
**Ronnie Salvador**

## 10 Years

**William Craft**  
**Tom Pillsworth**  
**Scott Dewsbury**  
**John Driessen**  
**Brian Nealon**  
**Alan Miller**  
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## September

### Monday September 8th

**Monthly Meeting & Tech Session at  
Advanced Auto Service 14 Drywall Lane  
Voorheesville, NY. Starting at 6:30 p.m.**

**We will be presenting a seminar on the care and service  
of 944's and 911's (year 74 thru 89 on the 911's)**

### Wednesday - Thursday September 17th - 18th

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

### Saturday - Sunday September 20th - 21st

**Zone 1 Autocross at the Six Flags New England  
Amusement Park Agawam, MA**

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October 2008						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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## October

### Sunday October 5th

**HCP Fall Autocross NYS Parking Lot  
McCarty Avenue Albany, NY (at the end of 787)  
Registration will open at 9 am and close at 10:30 am**

### Monday October 13th

**Monthly Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Smokey Bones  
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### \*Sunday October 19th

**HCP Club drive and brunch at  
Inn at Willow Pond Historic Route 7A North  
Manchester, Vermont**

**\*These dates are tentative  
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