



# 2024 MEMBERSHIP MEETING

PCA CHICAGO REGION

WELCOME



2024 is Our 67<sup>th</sup> Year



# THE CHICAGO REGION

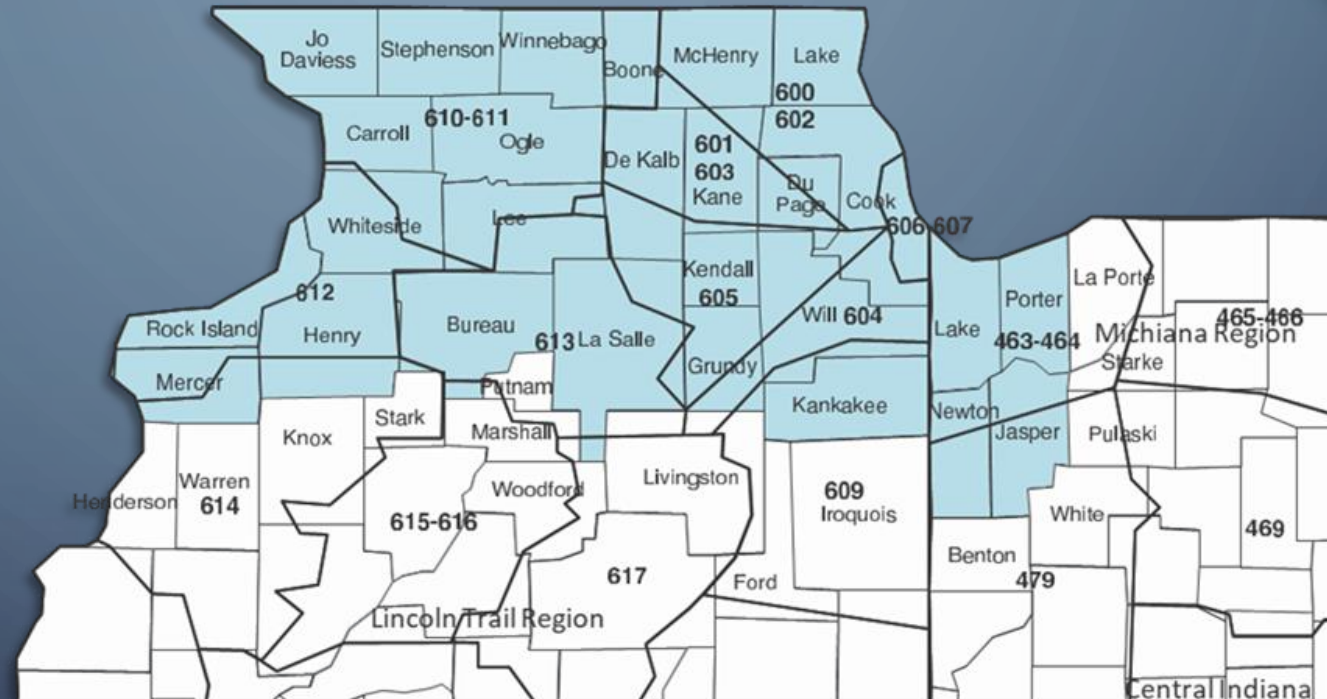
2649 Primary Members

1384 Co-Members

247 PCA Juniors

37 Test Drive Members

Total of 4033 Members



# 2023 HIGHLIGHTS



- We crossed the threshold of 4000 members in the fall.
- We held 47 events with around 1300 members attending (up from 42 with around 1150 attending in 2022).
- We held our first ladies only drivers education event, introducing the fun of driving your Porsche on the track to 32 new drivers, and in the process, raised more than \$3400 for our charity.
- We raised \$35,000 for our charitable community partner Mobile Makers.



# 2024 LEADERSHIP FOCUS AREAS

- Increasing the engagement of our membership as both attendees and volunteers in all areas of the club by:
  - Hosting events we have never held before such as Street Survival and actively seeking ways to improve how our existing events are run.
  - Leveraging the size of the membership and geography by holding social events in multiple locations on the same day.
  - Actively recruiting volunteers for all areas of the club.
- Improve the effectiveness of our relationship with our charitable partner by:
  - Increasing the funds raised.
  - Identifying joint event opportunities to increase the engagement between members of both organizations.

# 2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS



- President – Dana Comolli
- Vice President – Adam Kern
- Treasurer – Catherine Fischer
- Secretary – Pete Hackenson
- Past President – Stanley Sangdahl
- Director – Pete Bukantis
- Director – Michael Bene
- Director – Mark Prescott
- Director – Henrique Regina
- Director – Robert Safe

# 2024 COORDINATORS



- Autocross
  - Overall - David Bowers
  - School – Joe Morsello
  - Tech – Buz Brown
  - Timing – Pete Bukantis
- Concours – Rich LaMarre, John Moore, Alex Block
- Drivers ED
  - Chief Driving Instructor – John Ruther
  - Autobahn – Dana Comolli
  - Blackhawk – Todd Conforti, Pete Hackenson, Pete Bukantis
  - Gingerman – Glenn DeWeirdt, Neil French, Mark Palmer
  - Road America – Cheryl Lehman Collier, Cliff Horn
- Driving Tours – John Diwik
- Historian – Shannon Costis
- Insurance – Bob Rath
- Membership
  - Overall – James Kaikis
  - Data – Ed and Debbie Leed
- Permanent Car Numbers - Ed and Debbie Leed
- Rallye – Sharon Gregor Olson, Steve Olson, Jack Stephensen, Karen Stephensen
- Safety – Todd Conforti
- Sponsorship – Dana Comolli

# 2024 COORDINATORS



- Social – Robert Safe
- Social Media – Adam Kern
- Tech – Jody Freund
- The Chicago Scene - Natalie Szabo
- TRAC (Road America Club Race)
  - Overall – Cheryl Lehman Collier
  - Registrar – Susan Shire, Mark Prescott, Ross Conforti
  - Tech - Todd Conforti, Jody Freund, Glenn DeWeirdt & John Westra
  - Safety – Todd Conforti
  - Event Doctor – Joe Losurdo
- Website – Dana Comolli
- Zone 13 Representative – Mark Roethemeier
- Charity Nomination – Dominique Sangdahl, Karen Stephensen, Cheryl Prescott
- Photographers
  - Jeff Brown
  - Neil MacDonald
  - Michael Bene

# 2024 CHARITABLE COMMUNITY PARTNER

## CASA of McHenry County



- Mission
  - To protect and support children who have suffered from abuse or neglect by providing them with a trained, committed volunteer to advocate for their best interest.
- PCA's Support Impact
  - Help Ensure 100% of the children in care in McHenry County have a CASA volunteer advocating for them
  - Help Launch a Transportation Program
  - Provide Care for Secondary Trauma
- Executive Director: Becky Morris



# STAYING CONNECTED

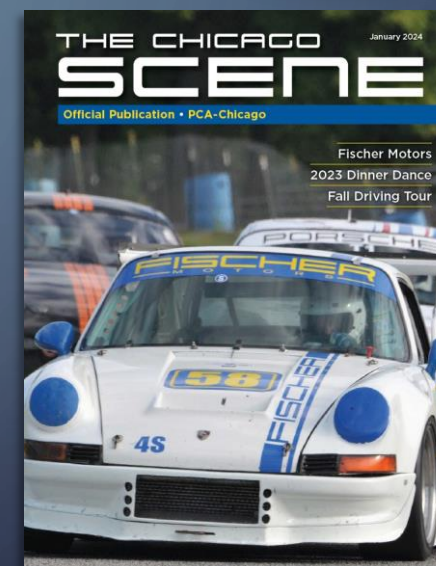


- eBlasts – Monday/Thursday eMail update with upcoming events
- Our Website – <https://pca-chicago.org/>
- The Chicago Scene
  - In your Mailbox and at <https://pca-Chicago.org/the-chicago-scene/>
- Social Media:
  - Facebook – <https://www.facebook.com/pcachicago/>
  - Instagram – [https://www.instagram.com/pca\\_chicago/](https://www.instagram.com/pca_chicago/)
- PCA National Website – <https://pca.org/>
- PCA Zone 13 Website – <https://zone13.pca.org/>
- Shared Calendar – <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/r?cid=ZXZlbnRzY2hIZHVzZUBwY2EtY2hpY2Fnby5vcmc>

# THE CHICAGO SCENE



- Bi-Monthly Publication in Hardcopy and Online
- Neil McDonald – Retiring Editor (2018-2023)
- Natalie Szabo – Editor Starting with the March Issue
- We want your input and articles so The Scene will reflect the values and events we share as a club!
- Deadlines for content submission are included in the PCA Chicago calendar: Feb 1, Apr 1, June 1, Aug 1, Oct 1, Dec 1



# EVENT TYPES

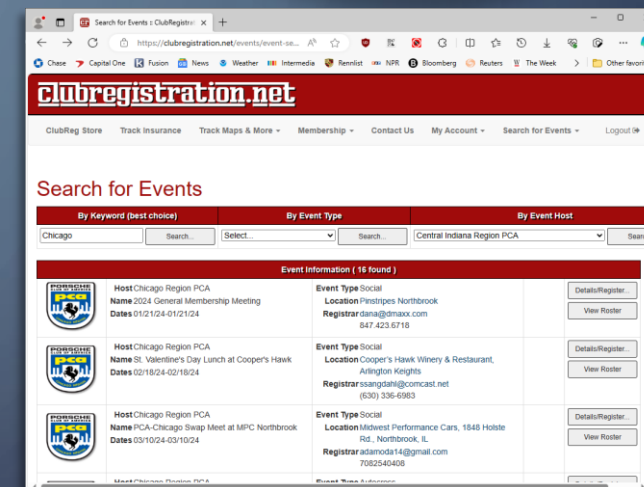


- Competitive
  - Autocross, Rallye, Concours, and Club Race
- Non-Competitive
  - Drivers Ed (HPDE), Tech Sessions, Driving Tours, and Social
- At the end of the year the top finishers in each of the competitive events are awarded trophies recognizing their performances throughout the year.
- Overall awards are also presented to the members who participate in at least one of each of these events (except Club Race) and is based on the combined top ten finishes.
- See <https://pca-chicago.org/general-notes-and-year-end-points/> for more details.



# REGISTERING FOR EVENTS

- All Event Registration is done through Clubregistration.net
- Separate login from pca.org website
- Advantages:
  - You can register and pay entry fees in one transaction
  - Check the roster to see who's attending and if your "event buddies" aren't listed, make sure they join you!
  - Event host can send out emails or texts from the platform to communicate any last minute changes or special instructions
- It is critical for coordinators to understand attendance to plan for trophy or t-shirt counts, meals, etc.
- See <https://pca-chicago.org/registering-for-events/> for more information.





# 2024 HIGHLIGHTS - AUTOCROSS

- Five Competitive Events this year – All at Wintrust Field
- Autocross School on April 20, also at Wintrust Field





# 2024 HIGHLIGHTS – CLUB RACING

- PCA Club Racing is the largest single-marque racing series in the world and TRAC is the most wide-ranging event for the Chicago Region every year.
- Club Racing is both a spectator and participant sport.
- TRAC is one of the most popular PCA Club Races of the National season and makes a great family weekend.
- It takes more than 65 volunteers each year to make TRAC a success, so make the trip, help out, and enjoy all there is to do at this action-packed event!





# 2024 HIGHLIGHTS - CONCOURS

- An additional Full Concours Event added; there are four this year.
- The season starts earlier with a combined Social/Concours event at the Klairmont Kollection on May 18<sup>th</sup>.
- A Monthly newsletter highlighting our activities, events, and results.
- Classes have been revised to mirror those used at Parade.
- Concours School is on March 24<sup>th</sup> at Napleton Westmont Porsche. Stop by the Concours booth for more information.





# 2024 HIGHLIGHTS – DRIVERS ED (HPDE)

- NEW - Street Survival teen defensive driving class
- Ten Driving Events across five different tracks
  - Ladies' Day at Autobahn North returns
  - Driving Autobahn Full Track twice
  - Gingerman to include the wildly popular Dinner/Live Entertainment introduced last year (book your hotel NOW)
  - Blackhawk has Novice Day, Track Tuesday, Aloha Fest, and one more.
  - Returning to Road America both Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends
- New drivers should attend Novice Day at Blackhawk on April 26 as well as the Autocross School the Saturday before on April 20.
- If you want to drive Road America, we highly recommend at least one prior HPDE event.



# 2024 HIGHLIGHTS – DRIVING TOURS



- This year, both tours will be visiting WISCONSIN
  - Summer Tour will visit La Crosse
  - Fall Tour will visit Door County and Washington Island



# 2024 HIGHLIGHTS - RALLYE



- A Rallye is a Competitive event that is based on Time, Speed, and Distance; closest to the standard for the route wins.
- Five Rallyes plus Rallye School
  - Rallye School is on Sunday, May 5 at Engineering Systems (ESI) in Aurora. This is a must for first-time participants.
  - Rallye 4's end point is Blackhawk Farms Raceway where you will meet up with the Blackhawk Aloha Fest weekend event for our always outstanding dinner, drinks, and bonfire.
- All Rallyes use the Richta cell phone ap. It is free to download and use.
- There is ALWAYS a Novice of the Year Award!



# 2024 HIGHLIGHTS - SOCIAL



- Fifteen events scheduled with more to come
- New - Barnaba Autosport/PCA Chicago Block Party – June 8
- Potter's Picnic, the Longest Running PCA Event – July 13
- Porsches & Planes returns, this time at Code 1 Aviation – September 14



# 2024 HIGHLIGHTS - TECH



- Learn how to take care of your Porsche from the folks that ensure your car is safe for your track day events.
- Spring Tech Session at Northstar Motorsports – April 14
- Fall Tech Session, location TBD – November 10



# SPONSORS



- Our Sponsors help us bring the large and diverse range of events to our membership. Here are just a few. Please thank them by giving them your business.



# RAFFLE TIME

