

Porsche Club of America, Hawaii Region (PCAH)

Membership Meeting Minutes

Date: Sunday, 3 May 2015

Location: Mid Pacific Country Club

Time: 9:45 AM to 10:45 AM

Present: Ambro (President) & Liz Ilagan, Mel & Patty Akiyama (VP), Chip Hughes (Historian), John Meyers (Dealership Liaison) , Mel Choy (Secretary), Ron Perreira, Nic Perreira, Karlo Taijuakio, Gerardo Flores, Rod Lazlo, Ellen Schultz, Gary Yanagihara, Debi & Scott Mead (visitors from Maui), Eugene Villaluz (Director, Mercedes Benz Club of America, Hawaii Section).

Discussion:

1. **Call to Order:** Ambro Ilagan, President PCAH called the meeting to order at 9:45 AM.
2. **Guests:** Introductions of new members or special guests. Special guests from Maui, Debi and Scott Mead who are members of PCAH, were introduced by President Ilagan. They are proud owners of a Porsche 914. Eugene Vilaluz, representing the Mercedes-Benz Club of America, Hawaii Section was also introduced.
3. **2015 Food Bank:** 19 Porsches caravanned from Kaneohe, towards Waimanalo, around Makapuu, past Hanauma Bay and Diamond Head, Hawaii Kai, then on to the Food Bank drop-off point at the Restaurant Row on Ala Moana Blvd. Region Hawaii members contributed food and monetary donations of over \$1400 to the Food Bank. An oversized version of the check for \$1460 was presented to the Food Bank at the drop-off point. This was by far, the Region's best and most productive Food Bank charity event. Members culminated the event with a well-deserved lunch at near-by Highway Inn. Kudos to coordinators John Meyers and Gerardo Flores. Watch for our article in Panorama in upcoming issues.
4. **Aina Haina School Cars & Coffee:** Porsches were well represented at the recent Cars and Coffee at this new venue. The weather was great and the conversations with enthusiasts were enjoyable. Ed Kemper and his cameraman were there to film the event, which will probably air in a future Island Driver TV segment. See Channel 12.
5. **Auto Lunch Bunch will Feature Porsches:** The Auto Bunch Lunch is next Wednesday (6 May) at noon at the **Hawaii Yacht Club** at 1739 Ala Moana Blvd. The lunch will be on the 2nd floor. Porsches and PCAH will be featured. Bob Lyon's '89 Speedster and Mike Merino's '76 912E, Ambro's '97 993 along with a few new models from Porsche of Hawaii will be on display. RSVP for lunch please...contact Ed Kemper at 225-2965 or email him at edracers@aol.com. The Yacht Club needs to get a handle on how many are coming in order to ensure sufficient tables and staffing. If you haven't been to one of these before, you should attend this one. Come and show your support for PCAH members displaying their cars.
6. **May Event Report:** Event Coordinators Ellen Schultz and Rod Laszlo reported on progress being made on planning the May Cruise. This event is expected to honor the Military and Bones Marshall who will receive the Congressional Gold Medal in three weeks in DC. Event is scheduled for Sunday 31 May 15 at 9 am. Cars to gather at

Punchbowl Crater (National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific – Puowaina); depart crater at 9:30 am for a drive through Tantalus and culminate either at Hickam AFB or Ford Island for lunch. Please check PCAH website or our Facebook page for details as it develops.

7. **June:** No events are planned inasmuch as the May event is on the last day of May, it will somewhat bridge into June and into early July for the next event.
8. **Annual Picnic at Hawaii Loa Ridge, Sunday 12 July:** Elena & Joe Chan will host this event. Coordinators John Meyers and Mel Choy will form the picnic committee. We'll be highlighting the 60th anniversary of PCA. Subcommittees will be formed soon, please volunteer. This is one of PCAH's most popular and largest events. Please make sure to put this on your calendar.
9. **Annual Rally, Aug 9** - Coordinators Ambro and Liz Ilagan have contacted Porsche of Hawaii and this date has been set for another PCAH/PoH Joint Rally. PoH hopes to make it even better with their usual sponsorship of a continental breakfast and light lunch. Prizes will also be provided by PoH and PCAH. Please make sure to put this on your calendar.
10. **Tech Session with T'nT Tinting (September):** Mel Akiyama reported that he has contacted Al Souza of T'T for this Tech session to be held in September. Stay tuned for further details. Further discussion was that there may be a possibility to have a tech session at PoH Service Dept. John Meyers to follow up with Keith George of PoH.
11. **September 2015:** Election process for New PCAH Officers for the term commencing January 2016 ending December 2017. Stand by for directions on providing nominations and votings.
12. **Oktoberfest October 4, Sunday:** Eugene Villaluz of the Mercedes Club reported that the Oktoberfest 2015 is planned for the Bishop Museum Great Lawn. This should be a much-improved venue over the Pali Golf Course, from the standpoint of weather and ground condition. The Makana Kup Trophy that PCAH won last year for most participants (31 cars) will be up for grabs and our Club needs to rise to the occasion to defend this perpetual trophy by entering the most cars. Apparently the BMW Group is aggressively working to displace PCAH. Food vendors will be available and the participation should be in excess of 200 cars. M-B Club and PCAH representatives will meet with Bishop Museum on Friday 8 May 15 for preliminary discussions.
13. **Toys for Tots (November):** John Meyers mentioned that we may do a similar drive to last year's to windward side of Oahu and ending at the same Kakaako collection point. Perhaps parking after toy delivery at PoH and lunch a Highway Inn or another convenient restaurant in the area. More details to follow.
14. **December 19th Annual Christmas Party:** Richard Lau, Patti Akiyama, & Liz Ilagan will orchestrate our annual Xmas Party. The party will be in the main ballroom of MidPac CC. As we did last year, we'll be looking for a way to incentivized attendance and subsidized cost. We'll also be announcing the results of our election of new officers.
15. **Porsche Parade:** The Parade is 21-27 June and takes place in French Link Indiana. For more info, go to the PCA website for the link to the official Parade website. Region Hawaii has submitted applications for three PCA National Awards, the Public Service

Award, and the Family and Enthusiast of the Year Awards. We're hoping that Region Hawaii members attending the Parade can accept the award(s) should we win, on behalf of our Region. John Meyers is planning to attend.

16. **Treasurers Report:** President Ilagan, in Bernie Pang's absence, reported that the PCAH bank balance is \$4500.

17. **Membership status:** It was reported that we current have 187 Active Members and 86 co-members. Greater participation by Hawaii Island, Maui, and other outside islands were discussed. Debi Mead from Maui PCAH volunteered to be the liaison from Maui. Membership Chair Chip Hughes to invite other Islands to volunteer similar liaisons. Hawaii Island and Maui have about a dozen members each with smaller constituencies on Kauai. No members reported from Molokai, Lanai, Niihau, Kahoolawe and Mokuauas or Manana 😊.

18. **Non-Profit Incorporation:** The Region has recently been incorporated as a non-profit organization. This means we file tax forms at the end of the year, maintain auditable records of our purchases, reimbursements, revenues and expenses, and maintain the minutes of all our meetings – regular and special. Region incorporation is a recent change in PCA policy. FYI, PCA has more than 100,000 members, 140 regions (note that each club is a region) with 13 zones. PCAH zone is 11 with Alaska. We are one of the smallest zones with San Diego and Florida the largest with over 1000 members.

19. **New Tent:** This initiative for purchase of a new canopy type tent was proposed. The tent will be all black, approximately 10 ft x 10 ft open on all sides with a roll down side/back curtain with the PCA logo affixed. Cost was estimated at \$1000 and is estimated to take about 2-3 weeks for delivery after order is place. All present unanimously agreed to purchase. John Meyer's to order.

There was no further business from the floor.

President Ilagan adjourned meeting at 10:45 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mel Choy
PCAH Secretary