

Summer is almost here! Someone should let winter know. Although there was another weekend in April that was spoiled by snow, the Porsche driving season still started. Several regions have already had tours and drives. Chicago Region held their annual High Performance Driving School, followed by their first Autocross and then their Novice Day Drivers' Ed event at Blackhawk Farms. So the season is upon us, even if Mother Nature is not totally cooperating.

So with the beginning of the season, it is my time to issue my annual reminder about the responsibilities of event chairs. Any event where an Insurance Certificate is issued requires the completion of both a Post Event Report and an Observer's Report. Both these forms are completed online at the National Website. The Post Event Report is completed by the event chair and submitted within 5 days of the event. The Observer's Report is completed by an impartial party who attended the event and submitted within 10 days of the event.

These forms are found at [pca.org](http://pca.org) under "Forms & Documents". A link to the forms is also found on the Zone 13 website ([www.Zone13.pca.org](http://www.Zone13.pca.org)). Both of these web-sites require that you be logged on as a member. Hard copies are available in the 2019 version of the Region Procedures Manual (RPM).

The importance of completing these forms cannot be understated. The post-evaluation process is one way to provide continued improvements as well as insure the safety of the event. It also demonstrates to the Insurance Company that the Club is maintaining the highest of standards. We are fortunate as a Club to enjoy reasonable insurance rates for our events. Without affordable insurance rates, we would not be able to enjoy our cars in the way we have become accustomed. So, if you are asked by an event organizer to take on the responsibility of completing the Observer's Report, please accept this duty and complete the form in a timely fashion.

The 2019 Parade is right around the corner. As everyone knows by now, it is being held in Boca Raton, Florida at the 5 Star Waldorf Astoria Boca Raton Club and Resort. It is a spectacular resort. I had the opportunity to visit there for a Parade Planning meeting. It is truly stunning. Yes, it will be hot outside; however, accommodations are being made to minimize the heat. The Concours field is right across the street from the hotel on the golf course. All the Banquets are being held inside and events are being scheduled early to avoid the heat of the day. For those who like to Autocross, the Parade Autocross is being held at the Palm Beach International Raceway. The course is being setup on the race track as opposed to a parking lot or a runway. It should be a blast!

For those already coming down, Zone 13 will be hosting a get together prior to the Welcome Party. I will be sending out more details as we get closer to the event. Rooms are still available at the Hotel. So it's not too late to sign up to come.

Please check out the Zone 13 webpage and also become a member of the Zone 13 Facebook Group page. The Facebook Group page can be found [www.facebook.com/groups/Zone13/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/Zone13/). In addition please mark your calendars to attend the PorschePlatz being at Road America August 3rd and 4<sup>th</sup> during the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championships.

Enjoy your Porsche and enjoy your Club!

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