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## **2024 CLUB DAY AT LAKE PEARL SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH**

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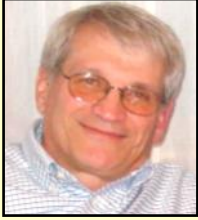


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## KEY MEMBERS-

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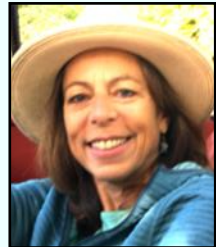
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## Editorial

My thanks to Allen for the comments in his Presidents message. I've enjoyed being the editor of TubTimes for the past 11 years and I hope that the membership has liked reading it as much as I've enjoyed doing it.

Doing TubTimes is all about the content. As long as I have content to fill up the pages, putting it together is fun. We have a lot of events during the year so there are always items to promote and report on. I'm grateful for the members who have contributed items of interest to the membership, Tom, Allen, Carl, John, Diane, Steve, and others.

I'm still having fun but by the end of next year it will be time for me to step down. We have plenty of time for someone else to get involved and eventually take over. Hopefully the structure of TubTimes is well established so the someone can easily pick up the job with little work.

Allen is being helpful to get someone to take over my job, but we will also need someone to take over as president. By the end of next year he would have been president for 8 years. He has done a fantastic job and it will be difficult to replace him, but and it's time for someone else to take over at the end of this term.

Ed. Tobolski, editor



## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE— SEPTEMBER 2024

For the past 11 years Ed Tobolski has regularly published our Club newsletter the TubTimes. Ed has also served as our Club Vice President for the past 6 years.

I have looked at all the regional Club newsletters. There is no doubt that TubTimes is the best of the bunch and published on the most regular basis. As Vice President and newsletter editor, Ed's vast knowledge of 356s and our Club, from long before I even knew what a 356 was, has been extremely helpful to me. He has prevented me from publishing several of my embarrassing and incorrect ideas in the TubTimes.

I think you will all agree that reading Ed's monthly edition of the TubTimes is one of the main reasons we remain members of this Club. The wealth of technical and social information published each month is helpful to us all.

However, Ed now rightly feels it is time to pass his editorial torch to the next generation. The December 2025, edition of the TubTimes will be the last one edited by Ed. So, we have a little more than one year to find a new editor. One of our members needs to step up and volunteer for this important role. Please consider volunteering for this position in the Club. This would be a great time to step up. That way you could become a co-editor for this coming year. Ed will be glad to show you how to use the publication software and teach you all the tricks of his trade. It will be a great learning experience and will be fun acquiring a new skill. It is a great way to connect with other Club members to learn fascinating technical information.

**The Club needs your help! Please consider becoming our new TubTimes editor.** You will be performing an essential Club service and will get to know lots of interesting Club members better.



"I am a big fan of editing and keeping only the interesting bits in"

-Sarah Vowell

and

"The writer who breeds more words than he needs, is making a chore for the reader who reads."

-Dr. Seuss

Please step up and help us keep only the interesting bits in the TubTimes just like Ed has always done.

Allen Sisson

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### **New Member** *Welcome to the Club*

Niece Haynes and her spouse, Michael Boucher have rejoined the Club. They live in Andover MA. and have a 1957 356A

**Happy Birthday  
Ferry  
Sept 22nd**



## **TYP356ne Event Calendar for 2024**

Events in blue are Club organized and sponsored. All other events are not Club sponsored and are included for your interest. See the Club website for the latest complete information. [www.TYP356ne.org](http://www.TYP356ne.org)

- August 30 - September 2, **Lime Rock Historic Festival 42**  
Lime Rock Park, 60 White Hollow Rd, Lakeville, CT 06039. For details see page 5 and at:  
[Event Tickets — TorkHub](#)

### **September**

- Tuesday, September 3, 2024 6:00 - 7:00pm [TYP356ne Board Meeting](#)  
Board meetings are held by video conferencing on the first Tuesday of each month. All Club members are welcome to join. To join the call, email Peter Venuti [pvenuti@typ356ne.org](mailto:pvenuti@typ356ne.org) to get the link.
- September 12 - 15, 356 **Catskills Tour**  
Riedlbauer's Resort, 57 Ravine Dr, Round Top, NY 12473. See our website for full details.
- Saturday, September 14, 10:00am - 1:00pm [TYP356ne Cars and Coffee](#)  
114 Larch Row, Wenham, MA. 01984. John Nai will host a 356 cars and coffee at his home and garage of Porsches with a brief talk. See page 7 for the details
- Thursday, September 19, Helen, GA - **Highway 356 Reunion**  
Tanglewood Cabins Rentals & Deer Crossing Lodge, 3387 GA-356, Sautee Nacoochee, GA 30571.  
See details here: [Helen, GA - Highway 356 Reunion - Events - Porsche 356 Registry, Inc.](#)
- Sunday, September 22, 10:00am - 1:00pm [TYP356ne Drive Your Porsche Day](#)  
New London, CT. Georg Becker-Birck and Greg Lane will arrange a 356/912 drive to celebrate Drive Your Porsche Day. See page 7 for details.
- Sunday, September 22nd **Drive Your Porsche Day.**  
The 356 Registry holds an annual "Drive Your 356 Day" in September.  
[Drive Your 356 Day - Porsche 356 Registry, Inc.](#)
- Sunday, September 29, 10:00am - 2:00pm [TYP356ne Club Day](#)  
Lake Pearl, 299 Creek St, Wrentham, MA 02093  
We will meet at 10 AM on the lawn at Lake Pearl for a couple of hours to talk and view cars. From 12 to 1 PM we will have lunch and at 1 PM there will be a speaker. See page 6 for full details.
- September 29 - October 3, **PCA Treffen Mt. Washington**  
Omni Mount Washington Resort, 310 Mount Washington Hotel Rd, Bretton Woods, NH 03575  
Find details here: [Treffen Mount Washington - Fall 2024 \(pca.org\)](#)

### **October**

- Tuesday, October 1, 6:00pm - 7:00pm [TYP356ne Board Meeting](#)
- October 3 - 6. **Audrain Motor Week**  
Newport, RI. Find details here: [Audrain Newport Concours and Motor Week \(audrainconcours.com\)](#)
- October 8 - 11, **Hershey AACA Eastern Fall Car Meet and Sale**  
Find details here: [2024 Eastern Fall \(Hershey\) - AACA - Antique Automobile Club of America](#)
- Thursday, October 10, 10:00am - 1:00pm [TYP356ne Drive and Lunch](#)  
Bolton Bean, 626 Main St, Bolton, MA 01740, USA  
Theo Kindermans will lead a back roads drive from Bolton Bean [Home | Bolton Bean](#) in Bolton, MA (just off Route 495) via Wachusett Mountain State Reservation [Wachusett Mountain State Reservation | Mass.gov](#) (for a rest stop) to the Harvard General Store [Harvard General Store](#) 1 Still River Road, Harvard, MA for lunch. The drive will be approximately 42 miles.

- Saturday, October 19, 2024, **5th Annual Boardwalk Reunion, Ocean City, NJ**  
The Flanders Hotel, 719 E 11th St, Ocean City, NJ 08226, USA  
PCA Zones 1 & 2, supported by the 356 Registry, <https://boardwalkreunion.org/>

## November

- Tuesday, November 5, 6:00pm - 7:00pm [TYP356ne Board Meeting](#)

## December

- Saturday, December 7, 10:00am - 12:00pm [TYP356ne Annual 2025 Event Planning Meeting](#)  
Sherborn Community Center, 3 Sanger St, Sherborn, MA 01770.

## Something to do this Labor Day weekend



### Lime Rock Park Historic Festival

Lime Rock Park's annual Historic Festival is unlike any other automotive event in the world. It's five days of motoring magnificence, from the vintage race car parade and 30+ historic race car competitions, to our Honored Collectors, fabulous Concours d'Elegance, Gathering of the Marques with 750+ cars, swap meet, special guests and displays – all on the same long weekend, all on the same beautiful and historic motorsports venue. Our fans tell us it's as if you combined the best elements of Monterey, Goodwood and Amelia Island, then every year brought it all to Connecticut's Northwest Corner during the first weekend of September. To learn more, visit [the main event page](#)

#### Thursday, August 29

- Vintage Racecar & Sports Car parade through Lakeville & Salisbury
- Street Fair in Falls Village with a **FREE** Wanda Houston concert!

#### Friday, August 30

- Practice & Qualifying
- Swap Meet
- Participant Cocktail Party & Dinner

#### Saturday, August 31

- All-day racing
- Swap Meet

#### Sunday, September 1

- Sunday in the Park Concours
- Gathering of the Marques
- Swap Meet

#### Monday, September 2

- All-day racing
- Swap Meet



Glorious racecars from bygone eras spend their Labor Day Weekend at Lime Rock Park doing what they were made to do: Go racing.



# **TYP356NE - CLUB DAY 2024**

**Sunday, September 29th**

**Lake Pearl in Wrentham MA.**

10:00am to 2:00pm

This years Club Day is only a few short weeks away.

**Registration is Now Open.**

Club Day will again be held at beautiful **Lake Pearl** located at **299 Creek Street in Wrentham, MA. 02093**. We will be using the large grass area to park our cars and their brand new Belvidere building, just completed this year, for our Southern BBQ Buffet lunch and speaker.

The day will start at 10:00am and continue to 2:00pm. At noon we will have an **Southern BBQ Buffet** lunch (see menu below).

Following lunch, there will be a speaker.

**The costs have gone up, so there will be a \$30 per person fee to attend the event.**

Note- this event is members only. Each member is allowed to bring one guest who does not have to be a member.

The deadline to register for this event is Sunday September 15<sup>th</sup>.

**To attend the event you have to do two things-**

1. Send an email to Ed Tobolski ([tobolsed@verizon.net](mailto:tobolsed@verizon.net)) telling him that you will attend and if you will bring a guest.
2. Send a check made out to "**TYP356ne**" to Ed Tobolski, 55 Hayden Woods Street, Wrentham, MA. 02093

## **Southern BBQ Buffet**

- **Memphis BBQ Chicken**
- **Carolina BBQ Pulled Pork**
  - **Marinated Beef Tips**
    - **Fresh Rolls**
- **Southern Cornbread with Honey Butter**
  - **Macaroni N Cheese**
  - **Baked Beans with Bacon**
- **Sweet Corn on the Cob with Butter**
- **Southern Potato Salad with Boiled Egg, Onion, Pickle Relish In a Yellow Mustard Mayo**
  - **Creamy All-American Cole Slaw**
    - **Peach Cobbler & Apple Pie**
- **Iced Tea, Lemonade & Water Station**

## Upcoming Driving Events

### **Massachusetts Northshore Cars and Coffee Saturday September 14th, 10:00am—1:00pm**

John Nai will host a Porsche 356 Cars and Coffee gathering at his home at **114 Larch Row, Wenham, MA, 01984**, on the Northshore. Donuts, Pastries, Coffee and other beverages will be available to attendees. There will be a brief overview of John's non-356 Porsches and well as a meet/greet opportunity with John's non-Porsche donkeys



### **Sunday, September 22, 11:00am - 1:00pm TYP356ne Drive Your Porsche Day New London, CT.**

Members, in order to commemorate Ferry Porsche's birthday on Sunday, September 22, 2024, at 11 AM Club members Georg Becker-Birck and Greg Lane have arranged a very nice 2 hour drive through the back roads of CT followed by a nice group lunch at Costello's Clam Shack.



The drive will start at 11 am at the Submarine Force Museum and Library located at  
1 Crystal Lake Rd, Groton, CT 06340.

There will be a break at about the 1 hour mark and group photograph to commemorate Drive Your Porsche Day at Stonington Point 2 Water St, Stonington, Ct 06378.

The 2 hour drive will end 45 minutes after the break at Costello's Clam Shack located at 145 Pearl St, Groton, CT 06340 where we will all have lunch.

The event is open for all members and guests. We will reach out to the local 912 community and invite them to join as guests as well.

If you plan to attend please sign up under the following link:

<https://forms.gle/Z7He2bcSdZVEqPHNA>

For any questions please feel free to reach out to Georg Becker-Birck at [gbeckerbirck@typ356ne.org](mailto:gbeckerbirck@typ356ne.org).



### **Thursday, October 10, 10:00am - 1:00pm TYP356ne Drive and Lunch**

Bolton Bean, 626 Main St, Bolton, MA 01740, USA

Theo Kindermans will lead a back roads drive from Bolton Bean Home | Bolton Bean in Bolton, MA (just off Route I495) via Wachusett Mountain State Reservation Wachusett Mountain State Reservation | Mass.gov (for a rest stop) to the Harvard General Store Harvard General Store 1 Still River Road, Harvard, MA for lunch. The drive will be approximately 42 miles. More details next month.

## Recent Events



### **Vanilla Bean Drive, NE Connecticut Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**



Friday August 2nd was another hot and humid day. The kind of day where it was cooler to be driving than when you were stopped. With a nice mix of Porsches and one Miata, we started from Dunkin Donuts in Webster, MA which is just north of the MA-CT border in the NE corner of CT. Webster, by the way, is the home of famous lake Chaubunagungamaug (also known as Webster Lake). We were able to see parts of the lake as we headed south into Thompson, CT.

We spent nearly 2 hours touring the twisty, curved and hilly roads of NE CT. Hats off to Greg and Diane for finding all of these great Porsche roads for us to tour. We passed the Woodstock fair grounds and lots of scenic farm land. Greg says that planning this trip required three drives to find, drive and remember the roads. Along the way, Diane and Greg ran out of gas and helped get two lost dogs back to their farm. To everyone's surprise we drove a mile of freshly graveled road along the way. Greg and Diane were horrified since it was not there the last time they ran the course. Those things happen. Just ask Tom Coughlin who had the same thing happen on his Southern tour this year. We all just slowed down and got through the area without any problems.

After our tour we ended up at the Vanilla Bean Café in Pomfret, CT. Years ago the Club used to have tours there almost every year, mainly in the fall as a foliage tour. The food is exceptional. Always crowded, it is located in the country not near any big town. I wondered why there were so many people there. It's definitely the food. The service was great and we had an enjoyable lunch with our fellow Club members.

To complete our day with a little drama, Lise Merrifield's battery would not start her coupe. A quick push and off it went. Some of us hit rain on our way home which washed off the dust from the dirt road.

Thanks to Greg and Diane for putting on this fun event. They both live in Southern CT, so it was a lot of driving for them to setup this tour in the NE corner of CT.

Ed. T



Gathering at Dunkin's  
Left to right– Greg, John, Lise, Allen, Diane, Steve, Reid, Darlene, Ed





Drivers meeting



Above -Touring NE CT.

Horror's!!! A stoney dirt road



Right- parking for lunch at the Vanilla Bean

Left- admiring Bruce and Jerri MacMillian's beautiful, original, 1960 B Roadster



# **MONTEREY CAR WEEK 2024** by Diane Mierz

When my sister Sue invited me to join her for Monterey car week I couldn't buy my plane ticket fast enough. We have talked about doing this for years and now that we are both retired could finally devote the time necessary to attend some of its many events. We knew in advance we couldn't do it all so with the exception of the Pebble Beach Concours we focused mostly on events which were free for spectators to attend which included many options.

One surprise for me was how close in proximity everything was - we were based in Carmel so we could easily walk downtown for events based there. - Pacific Grove and Monterey were a few miles away and with so many events happening concurrently even when we drove to events we really didn't sit in traffic as long as we planned our routes out, parking as early as possible.

This honestly was one of the coolest car-related things I have ever done - I wasn't prepared for the variety of *really* interesting cars to all be in one local for a solid week. It got to the point where there were so many super and hyper cars milling around that we wouldn't even look up when we heard the familiar angry hornet whine of a Lamborghini or Konigseg drive by. Vintage Ferraris, Aston Martins, and Jaguars were everywhere and Porsches were beyond plentiful - including 356s. So many incredible vehicles - one offs, million dollar plus price tags, past concours winners - they could be seen parked on side streets and cruising down the roads of town; my sister and I would typically hit an event or two and then just spend the rest of the day walking around town checking out what was parked in driveways and just parked along the street. Truly sensory overload...

On Monday we attended the Porsche Monterey Classic held at Porsche of Monterey. This was its 7th year and was free to spectators - It appeared that the dealership was cleared of all of their inventory and made available to Porsches on display - and there must have been at least 25-30 356s. My favorites included a beautiful Fjord green roadster, a 1965 paint to sample Meissen Blue C cabriolet (which would turn up at other events) and was what appeared to be a fairly original 1954 speedster. There was free champagne and a lovely display of 356s in their service area. A great way to start the week off!

Our next event held Tuesday was based in Carmel, called "Concours for a Cause" which benefits local charities. Ocean Avenue and side streets in downtown Carmel are blocked off and a variety of vehicles are displayed in different areas. There were 3 live bands set up in different areas - a Beatles band playing for the British cars, an Oom-pah band playing for German vehicles and a American band playing for everything else. There was a huge variety in the automobiles featured - a boat tailed Bentley and a 1920s cement truck to name a few. The Meissen blue cab made another appearance along with some beautiful speedsters - notably one painted Glacier white with a green interior.

Other very interesting and rare cars included a 1957 Denzel complete with racing history and a 1958 Beeskow Rometsch, just incredible.

On Wednesday we hit "The Little Car Show" held on the streets of Pacific Grove. This show limits entrants to 1800cc or smaller engines so the lineup tended to be somewhat eclectic and quirky. Fiats, tiny BMWs, a pristine purple Geo Metro, Minis. There were a few 356s including a nice 61 red notchback similar to our own Greg Lane's.

Pebble Beach's Tour d'elegance was held Thursday. This is a 70 mile tour open to all entrants to the concours. A vehicle participating in the tour has a leg up in competition at the concours against one which didn't drive it. The tour runs from Pebble Beach, down Route 1 to Big Sur and back. We staked out a place along Route 1 and it was incredible to watch such showpieces just drive by, one after another at a pretty fair clip.

I had heard from a friend earlier in the week that a twin to my car was to be auctioned off at Mecum on Friday. When I watched the video he sent I was able to freeze the picture to determine what the VIN of the car was and was astounded to realize that it was **one** digit off what my car is - I had known this car existed in unrestored condition but not that it had been sold and subsequently beautifully restored by Thomas Drummond III of California. I knew I needed to see this car which had been on the assembly line in back of mine, so my sister and I attended Mecum Thursday as spectators. The car was absolutely beautiful and I am glad I got to see it and it did sell but I have no idea who bought it or where it will wind up. As luck would have it Mecum unveiled Jerry Seinfeld's ex Steve McQueen 917K while we were there to be auctioned off in Florida next year. Very cool car but behind a wall of plexiglass so you couldn't get too close to it.

Friday was also the PCA Werks reunion located a half mile away from Mecum so we were able to walk there, avoid the traffic jam to it and also not have to pay \$40 to park. The 356 class had another great line up of beautiful cars including a beautiful stone grey/green cabriolet which won the class. A well travelled 1957 Carrera GT was on display as well as the Denzel we had seen previously. One of my favorite cars at Werks was parked in spectator parking - what seemed to be a pretty original speedster complete patina and dirt.

We hit the Concours d'Lemons Saturday which was chock full of rusty, dented wonders but alas no 356s. We did see a ratty 911 and clapped out 928, though. Such a fun event where no one takes their cars seriously and bribing the judges is not only commonplace but expected. After this we walked to the "Exotics on Broadway" which abounded super and hyper cars. One vehicle of note was a beautiful Emory Speedster - just lovely in every detail.

Sunday was our last full day and the Concours d'elegance at Pebble Beach. The whole experience was just amazing and the venue on the 18th hole of the Pebble Beach golf course has got to be the most breathtaking location for a car show. The lineup was spectacular and the classes varied -

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featured marques were Packard and Maserati and a extremely interesting class for wedge-shaped cars. There was an exhibition of Queen Elizabeth's Rovers. Pre and post war preservation classes had some of the most spectacular entrants including the 1934 Bugatti Type 59 sports which would win Best in Show. The one 356 entered in the concours was a original 1958 speedster brought over from the UK which was displayed with a case of its early trophies and had been raced successfully at Laguna Seca. In addition to the show field at Pebble Beach there are many tents set up on the perimeter selling everything from event memorabilia to automobilia. There was a artist named Denny Osborne who makes half scale models of Speedsters which appeared incredibly accurate. Photos I took of them are impossible to tell from the real thing. For a cool \$12K he will build one to your specifications but you will have to wait 3 years for it!

Monday, Sue and I took one last drive through downtown Carmel to see if there were any vestiges of car week left. Ferraris and Astons had been replaced by Lexus and garden variety BMWs and we knew it was time to head north. She seems interested in doing this again- perhaps making it an annual event, one I'd be hard pressed to turn down. Honestly, if you ever get the chance to experience Monterey car week I am positive it's the most fun you can have in 168 hours. There is something for everyone; plenty of great places to eat and drink, spectacular views, and enough 356s to satiate the even most hard-core early Porsche fan. It really doesn't get much better than that!

Diane



Super 90 Roadster at POM



POM Show Room



Picture Code  
 POM= Porsche of Monterey  
 CCFAC = Concourse for a Cause  
 LCS = Little Car Show  
 Werks =PCA Werks Reunion  
 PB = Pebble Beach



54 Speedster at POM



Above—lineup at POM



Meissen Blue C Cab at POM

Right-  
55 Speedster  
at POM



Three pictures of the 57 Denzel at CCFAC



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1958 Beeskow Rometsch at CCFAC



Meissen Blue 65 C Cab at CCFAC



57 A Coupe at CCFAC



61 B Coupe at CCFAC



Glacier White Speedster at CCFAC



Glacier White Speedster interior at CCFAC



Speedster at CCFAC



61 Notchback at LCS



160346 at Mecum, the next 356 built after Diane's Cab



The Steve McQueen/  
Steinfeld 917 at Mecum

Right- Champagne Speedster  
at Werks



B Coupe at Werks



Above—Original Speedster at Werks



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D'ieten Roadster at Werks



Aquamarine Conv D at Werks



Well traveled 57 Carrera GT at Werks



63 Stone gray B Cab at Werks



Left and Right-  
Danny Osborn's  
half scale 356  
Coupe



Above- Original 58 Speedster from the UK shown at PB with it's Vintage Racing Awards



Emory Speedster

**Some  
odds  
and  
ends!!**



Above- Singer 911 Targa



B Coupe in traffic



A Coupe at Carmel Waterfront Rd.



956K mile Conv D in Carmel

## 356ers Showed Up Strongly at The CVR-PCA Concours, Saturday, August 24, 2024, Guilford, CT

Review & photos by Steve Mierz (with additional photos by Bill Silvestri)

The Connecticut Valley Region – Porsche Club of America (<https://cvrpca.com/>) held their 51<sup>st</sup> annual “People’s Choice Concours,” with supplementary barbecue luncheon, on Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 200024, at the Guilford Fairgrounds, in the scenic shoreline town of Guilford, CT. Normally held at the Farmington Polo Grounds in Farmington, CT, it appeared that the concurrent (& mega-popular benefit event) “Dream Ride” event (<https://www.dreamride.org/>) must’ve necessitated the venue change this year. Whatever the reason, Diane and I were very pleased to only have to drive one town over to attend!

There were several car show classes broken down by era and model, and for the 356 class, an impressive 10 or so entries made a great early car showing, even if dwarfed by the huge classes dedicated to the later era Porsches. A “featured vehicle class” appears normally to be a part of these CVR-PCA Concours events, and this year it was the first-era of water cooled 911 Porsches, the “996.” It just so happens that our friends Bill and Gloria Silvestri own a magnificent 996 Cabrio, and so they drove that beauty to attend; it was great seeing them, and Bill forwarded along a couple of great photos he took at the event!

One of the prime movers in CVR-PCA, Lynn Keller, who is their Community Service Chair, once again spearheaded a pet food/pet supplies donation booth as part of the overall event, that benefited a wonderful local CT-area animal benevolent organization, and the VFW of Guilford, CT were also beneficiaries of a donation from the proceeds of the event. Fantastic job by Lynn and CVR-PCA with these dedications!

At noon time, those who’d pre-registered for the barbecue lunch enjoyed a fantastic buffet of all sorts of grilled and barbecued meats, salads, and various side-dishes, which ensured that everyone ended up “well stuffed”! Awards and raffle prize drawings followed the luncheon, providing additional entertainment and highlights to the day! During the awards ceremony we heard that Ned Gorski won the 356 class with his beyond-magnificent ’55 Convertible! A ton of cool raffle prizes were also given out!

It cannot be overemphasized the amount of work, and number of dedicated people that it takes to plan and produce an event such as this, and endless thanks are due to the folks from the CVR-PCA for one positively fantastic day for Porsche fanatics!



Rick Parks’ original 58 Coupe

Ned Gorski’s 55 Cab



Great Reflections



The 356 Class

Below– Bill Silvestri and Gloria



## TubTech— Batteries

In late July, Alex Dearborn sent an email to the members about a problem he had with a 6 volt battery (see below). His email generated several other emails about batteries. This is not a definitive article about 6 volt batteries, just a recap of those emails and some general information.



As often happen, when someone mentions an issue, several others have the same or similar issues. A couple days after Alex's email, I took my 911 to the gas station to full up for the CT tour. At the station, the engine barely cranked over. It started but the battery needed to be replaced. I realized it was 20 years old. 12 volt batteries are not difficult to find so a quick trip to Auto Zone found an exact replacement of the same brand, DuraCell.

Then after lunch, at the Vanilla Bean, Lise Merrifield's coupe had a dead battery and had to be push started!!!

A quick google search of Porsche 356 6 volt batteries will generate a lot of choices. You just need to find one the right size. The correct Classic size is 8.5 in High x 6.2 in Wide (which is front to back in a 356) x 7.2 in Long (which is left to right in a 356). The Tractor Supply, 9.2 x 7.25 x 9.1, unit fit in my T2, A coupe.

As you can see in the emails below, there are several places that sell 6 volt batteries. Fortunately some tractors and other farm vehicles also use them so

we should be able to get them for some time. I've used a couple from Tractor Supply, but found that the life of theirs was not great. The first one I got from them, an Exide Comp-1NP only lasted 3 years. The second one lasted longer at 7 years. The last 6 volt battery I purchased was from O'Reilly, in 2020, a Fleet & Heavy Duty Super Start. I've been very impressed with its performance, much stronger than the Tractor Supply's units. I hope it lasts longer. Apparently, however, from Jona Kee's comment, they may no longer offer them.

Optima also sells a 6 volt unit. You may have to make some mods to get it to fit but they will work.

Good luck, Ed



### Recent Emails about 6 Volt Batteries.

On July 31st, Alex Dearborn wrote-

I had a 6 battery failure this month, but with a battery I bought just last year. Turns out the battery, bought "fresh" from a parts store, had a tiny little stamp on it that says "2018"! Lesson learned. My mech says buy batteries from Tractor Supply, as they have good turnover of stock.

Peter Thompson wrote:

Get your battery from Altman distribution in Ipswich. Their Deka battery has lasted 8 or more years.

Jona Kee wrote-

I've bought a few 6v 19L batteries directly from Napa auto parts. They were new (within the year) and factory correct LxWxH.. The battery cover fit perfect. Neither O'Reilly, Advanced nor Auto zone had them.

Rob Burt wrote-

This is all very helpful. The Lucas 6v I purchased from a Canadian MG specialist lasted 6months! Not for a 356 but a '25 Austin Chummy.

John Schiavone wrote

I use a local Interstate distributor here in SE CT -- maybe you have one in your area?

## 356 Market Place

There are a large number of Porsche 356 sales transactions on Bring-A-Trailer (BaT). Check them out.  
[Porsche 356 For Sale - BaT Auctions \(bringatrailer.com\)](https://bringatrailer.com)

Below are a few recent auction results of 356s

Note— there were several Speedster replicas this month that sold from \$33,000 to \$51,000.



Porsche 356 Speedster Replica by Vintage Motorcars

Sold for **\$51,500** on 8/11/24



1962 Porsche 356B Coupe

Sold for **\$85,000** on 8/16/24



1959 Porsche 356A Cabriolet

Sold for **\$150,000** on 07/25/24



43-Years-Owned 1960 Porsche 356B Coupe

Sold for **\$86,500** on 7/30/24



Modified 1963 Porsche 356B Coupe 5-Speed

Sold for **\$150,000** on 8/1/24



1959 Porsche 356A 1600 Carrera GS Coupe

Bid to **\$802,000** on 7/30/24





Porsche 356B Tool Kit

Sold for **\$2,501** on 7/03/24

## 356 Market Place

Some odds and ends that were offered for sale on Bring a Trailer recently



15x4.5" Rudge Knock-Off Wheels and Brake Drums for Porsche 356

Bid to **\$55,058** on 8/13/24 Wow!!

## Porsche Miles Driven in 2024

	<u>Porsche</u>	<u>2024 Miles</u>
Phil Brzezinski	2006 Carrera	810
Ed Fanning	356A Mel	953
Randy Robinson	356B	217
Bill Slinko	912	250
Theo Kindermans	356B Sunroof	427
Ed Tobolski	356A Coupe	376
Ed Tobolski	911SC Coupe	522
Al Hanmer	68 912	45
Tod Beaty	356C Cab	214
Greg Lane	356B	537
Greg Lane	Boxster S	2328
Carl Luck	356A Coupe	879
Tom Gentz	1967 911	74
Weld Morse	356B Cab	249
Ray Ashenhurst	356B Cab	418
John Henry	356C Coupe	410
Steve Turino	356B Coupe	460
Steve Turino	Boxster S	816
Peter Thompson	356	350
Peter Thompson	911	650
Peter Thompson	Boxster S	675
Diane Mierz	356SC Cab	1826
Allen Sisson	356B S90 Coupe	1059
George Kehler	Pre A 356 Coupe	205
John Consigli	356C Coupe	120
John Consigli	914	90
Georg Becker-Birck	912	802
Neil Fennessey	O'l Blue 912	1590

Total 17352



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**Clothing**- TYP356ne has an online store where you can order hats, polo shirts, canvas bags, and any other item that Land's End Business Outfitters carry in their inventory. You can customize any of the items you purchase with the Club's black oval patch. The store address is:

<http://business.landsend.com/store/typ356ne>

When you are on the site, select the product you want to purchase and the quantity. Then select the Apply Logo box and a page will come up with Logo 1. Follow the instructions to complete your order.



**Name Tags** - We have found a new vendor at [nametagwizard.com](http://nametagwizard.com) who can make you a personalized TYP356ne name tag. All name tags come with a magnetic attachment which means you do not have to put pin holes in your TYP356ne polo shirt to wear your name tag. They are \$11.48 each plus fees and shipping. Payment can be made by credit card or PayPal.

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Email Ed Tobolski, [tobolsed@verizon.net](mailto:tobolsed@verizon.net), and he will send you the detailed directions you need to order the name tags online. Follow the directions and within a few days you will have your personalized TYP356ne name tag delivered right to your door.

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Club members can purchase the "Official Club Badge" for a cost of \$36.00. It is a beautiful badge complete with mounting hardware.

To order a badge, first contact Peter Venuti at - [pvenuti@typ356ne.org](mailto:pvenuti@typ356ne.org) and give him your mailing information. Payment can then be made by PayPal on the club website.



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