



Porsche Club of America
Potomac, The Founders' Region

2022 Executive Committee Elections

2022 PCA Potomac Elections will take place following the Annual Meeting on Saturday, December 4, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. – Location TBD

PLEASE REGISTER TO ATTEND AT: <http://msreg.com/2022Elections>

In accordance with the PCA Potomac's Bylaws, the 2022 PCA Potomac Elections will take place following the Annual Meeting on Saturday, December 4th, 2021 at a location not yet announced. The 2022 officer candidates, proposed by the club's Nominating Committee, will be presented 60 days prior to the meeting by October 4th, 2021.

As the current Executive Board was adjusted due to the resignation of the voted-in 2021 President in February, the current President, Diane Sullenberger, will automatically continue in her role for the 2022 year. In addition, the Past President, Mia Walsh, will continue in her role as well for 2022.

For the 2022 elections, the membership will be voting for the roles of Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary.

If you would like to nominate an additional candidate for Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary pursuant to the Potomac Bylaws, please submit your candidate, along with the endorsement of five active PCA Potomac members, to the Nominating Committee Chair, Mia Walsh, (pastpresident@pcapotomac.org), by November 1st, 2021.

Your vote is important to PCA Potomac. As a result, Potomac is providing two ways to vote this year: (a) electronically via mail-in ballot via email or (b) in person at the annual meeting.

To send your vote electronically, please email your vote to pastpresident@pcapotomac.org by November 20th, 2021.

2022 SLATE OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

President: Diane Sullenberger

For Past President: Mia Walsh

ELECTION:

For Vice President: Steve Bobbitt

For Treasurer: Stephen Kiraly

For Secretary: Ed Hahn

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ED HAHN, SECRETARY



Ed Hahn's fascination with cars and Porsches began while he was in high school, where he became friends with his chemistry teacher who owned a 1977 930 Turbo and also restored Corvettes and Austin Healeys on the side. After driving a Mazda FD RX-7 and a Lotus Elise, Ed purchased a 2012 Peridot Green Cayman R and joined the Porsche Club in 2011. Ed's current ride is a 2016 GT4. He began doing Drivers' Education events even before joining the PCA, and currently volunteers as a Track Steward. During Club Race weekend, you can find Ed in the Timing and Scoring building, assisting the national officials in generating qualifying lists and determining finish order, as well as using this information for Potomac's Rock the Summit Club Race awards.

Ed has served as Membership Chair since 2014. As Membership Chair, Ed has gotten to know a bit about each of the programs, as he creates the weekly PCA Potomac Friday email about upcoming events, and generates the monthly mailing lists for Der Vorgänger. His various efforts were recognized by former president David Dean with a President's Award in 2017.

In his professional life, Ed is an aeronautical engineer by training, and has been fortunate to work in aviation his entire career. He currently works on aviation safety issues involving airline pilot interactions with new Air Traffic Control technologies and procedures. Debra Pool, his wife of 25 years, is recently retired also from a career in aviation. In addition to PCA, his other hobbies include watch collecting, photography, and listening to music.

STEVE BOBBITT, VICE PRESIDENT



Steve Bobbitt joined PCA in 2014 after purchasing his first Porsche, a 5-speed Meteor Grey Metallic 2008 Cayman, and immediately participated in the Autocross School and High-Performance Driving Clinic. Since then, he has continued to participate in Autocross and DE events, becoming a Nationally Certified HPDE Instructor in 2018 and serving as Autocross Chair in 2019 and 2020. Steve has also volunteered at Potomac's Club Race as the Steward's Assistant since 2017. After participating in over 30 PCA Potomac activities in 2019, he took home the coveted Enthusiast of the Year award at the annual awards banquet in 2020.

Steve's passion for PCA and these amazing vehicles started at an early age when he first laid eyes on his uncle's 911 and heard about the club. Over the years, his cousins, father, and brother all acquired their own Porsches (914-6, 944 S2, 993 C2S, '87 911). After graduating college and starting a career in IT, it was time for Steve to get his own and join the club.

When Steve isn't preparing his 2009 Cayman S for the next DE event or helping fellow club members work on their cars, he enjoys hiking, yoga, and playing board games with his friends.



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STEPHEN KIRALY, TREASURER



Stephen Kiraly has been a member of Potomac PCA since 2012, when he purchased his first Porsche, a 2006 997 Cabriolet. Once he discovered PCA, he and his wife, Debra, became involved in the many Potomac events that give our Club such a good name.

Stephen got his start with Porsches after a stint riding high performance motorcycles. After deciding four wheels really are better than two, he began his "search" for the perfect car. If he only knew then what he knows now.

After many months of searching for the car that would meet all his goals, which at that time were limited to color, convertible top and coolness, he found his car at a Lamborghini dealer in Atlanta. Confident in his decision he bought a one-way ticket to Atlanta. When the Dealer pulled up in car at the airport, he knew he wouldn't be buying a return ticket. Three hours later he was on his way home in his 1st Porsche.

Learning of Potomac upon joining PCA, Stephen signed up for the Fall HPDC formally starting his journey down the "slippery slope" of Porsche high performance driving. After an off-track excursion at the very next DE, Debra said he couldn't take that nice car to track again. Not to be deterred, Stephen purchased an inexpensive, at least in terms of Porsche Bucks, 2002 Boxster S just in time for the next Potomac DE. In fact, he drove his new purchase directly to the track and was "black flagged" for a loose 30-day tag.

In the following years, Stephen has continued his slippery slide purchasing a 2009 Cayman S track car along with an enclosed trailer and a new pickup truck to pull it. Stephen became a DE instructor in 2016 and enjoys giving back in the way that all the great instructors he had gave to him. He also became an official steward for the DE program in 2016. The 2020 Club Race at Summit Point was his rookie debut to PCA Club Racing.

Stephen and Debra have also enjoyed the social activities that Potomac organizes. He has been to Wintergreen, Homestead and Nemaquin "Drive and Stay" events enjoying the camaraderie of other Porsche enthusiasts, even if one of them drove a Corvette. Because as the say - It's about the people...not just the cars.

Stephen has served three years as Potomac's Treasurer and is committed to making the Club function as smoothly as possible in a sound fiscal manner.

DIANE SULLENBERGER, PRESIDENT



Diane Sullenberger is greatly enjoying her trial by fire as PCA Potomac Club President in 2021. She appreciates the opportunity to help the many successful programs that make up our region achieve their goals (Autocross, Club Race, Community Service, Concours, Drive and Dine, Drivers' Education (DE), *Der Vorgänger*, Club History, Legal, Membership, Rally, Safety, Social, Social Media, Sponsorship, Volunteers, and Web) and to give feedback to and learn from other large PCA regions, as well as our fellow Zone 2 regions and the impressive array of National programs and leadership.

She is delighted to bring back Potomac's social events and charity events after such a long pandemic hiatus, and is eager to launch new events, including the



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2022 Potomac Region Meet-Up at Parade in the Poconos, while keeping a watchful eye on evolving Covid guidelines.

Diane has been a member of Potomac since 2009 and learned first and last names (with the occasional middle initial) by serving as DE Co-Registrar for three years. She has volunteered at the PCA Potomac Club Race since 2015 as a flagger and then with the pace car, and often can be seen inspecting rotors and brake pads during grid tech at DEs. She recently became a National PCA Instructor and discovered that the lore is true: It's super fun and rewarding to teach, which in turn improves your own skills as a driver. (It also gives you purpose when your car breaks down at the track.)

She still misses her trusty, yet spinny, Honda S2000, which sparked her DE driving addiction in 2000 at Summit Main. She also misses her Ducati motorcycle (2008 848), which she tracked, then raced with WERA. She is grateful that owning her Porsches (2005 911, 2006 911 C2S, 2011 911 GTS) and being active in PCA Potomac have allowed her to meet a diverse group of people and to learn their individual Porsche stories at local and national events. She loves meeting new members and sharing her excitement about how the club can enrich their Porsche experience.

Diane has lived in the DC Metro area almost all her life and is executive editor of the research journals of the National Academy of Sciences. Her husband, Scott Antonides, drives his 2004 BMW 330i ZHP with the BMW Club and FATT, and often attends PCA social events. When Diane is not at the track, she competes at National Cutting Horse Association shows on her quarter horse, Magic Lights, and teaches her border collie, Marvel, new tricks.

MIA WALSH, PAST PRESIDENT



Mia Potthast Walsh has been in the Porsche Club since 2008, along with her husband, Brian. During this time, she has served as the Social Chair, the Membership Chair, the Volunteer Coordinator for the Potomac Club Race, Secretary from 2015-2016, Vice President from 2017-2018, President from 2019-2020 and Immediate Past President in 2021. She has enjoyed her leadership role in this amazing organization and looks forward to a strong Potomac entourage at Parade 2022 in the Poconos.

Her passion in PCA Potomac is participating in the Drivers' Education and Club Racing events, both as DE driver and a racer in GTB1 and GTB3 classes, winning the 2015 Rookie Racer award by PCA National at Potomac's Club Race, as well as three podiums over the years. She has been instructing for High Performance Drivers' Education since 2013 and utilizes her communication and training skills honed as a high school teacher while in the right seat with Potomac's novice drivers. She was integral in championing for her two new favorite events of 2021: the Women's High Performance Driving Clinic and the Tire Rack Street Survival Teen Driving school. She thoroughly enjoyed co-hosting Treffen at The Greenbrier with some of the other Zone 2 regions.

In addition to HPDE, Mia enjoys taking her girlfriends to Rally and Drive & Dine events and was excited to participate (as a spectator) in her first real Concours in 2020. She has been banned from Autocross after causing the death toll of orange cones to rise exponentially. Mia is a frequent contributor to Potomac's *der Vorgänger* magazine as both a writer and a photographer and has accumulated 15 DV cover photographs since 2011, along with countless inside edition photographs.



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Mia's favorite part of being part of PCA is talking to all the members about their love of driving Porsches. We each have a specific individual reason why we joined Potomac, but we all share the same passion of our fine German cars, however we may choose to drive them! Most of all, she enjoys the "romantic" weekends at the track, especially when watching her husband, Brian, drive past her on the circuit in his always-newer-and-larger-horse-powered car.