



Item: Fast Lane News #37 in 2023 (#184 since 2020) for Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup> 2023  
From: Peter in our office in Oldsmar, FL  
To: Our Fast Lane Travel Family and Friends at home in Australia, Canada, Europe, Iceland, New Zealand, Japan, Singapore, South Africa and in the USA!  
Subject: Status of the 2023 PCA Treffens, the Interlpen, and Tuscany Tours.

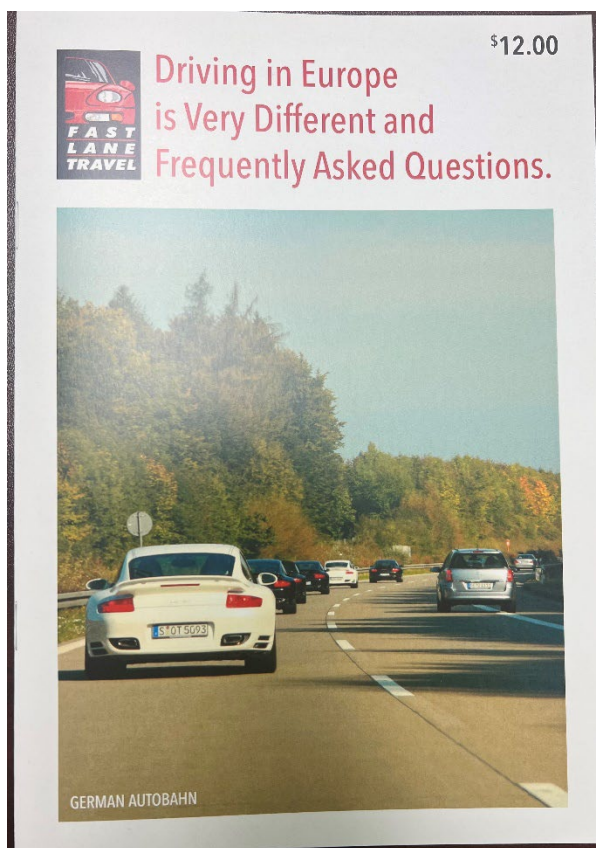


## I. The 2023 Fall PCA TREFEN to Stuttgart & PCA TREFFEN

**Plus.** This PCA Treffen and PCA Treffen PLUS will be our 229<sup>th</sup> and 230<sup>th</sup> PORSCHE trip! A lucky group of PCA'ers will be heading to Germany on Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. Most of them arrive on DL 116 non-stop from ATL to STR. They will be met at the STR Airport in Degerloch and whisked to the centrally located Graf Zeppelin Hotel. For folks from the West Coast flying into FRA is a better option. From the FRA terminal there is a direct ICE: Intra-City-Express, a one-hour bullet train to Stuttgart. You arrive directly across the street from our hotel. It's convenient and easy. You check in, freshen up and meet your fellow Treffeners (Treffen is a German word that means meeting). Prior to your departure you will already have received materials that will probably answer most of your questions.



About 46% of the participants have never been to Europe. What better way to get to know the "old country" than a PORSCHE trip? For your total PORSCHE enjoyment at the source, our top priority is safety. Thus, we require all participants to participate in a "Drivers' Safety Briefing" where you learn that driving in Germany is indeed different, perhaps, better than the U.S.? In 2008, my friend Eric Polins was driving a Turbo S with me as the



co-pilot. When he was moving along, on a straight stretch, on a sunny day with no traffic and briefly hit 120 mph, he exclaimed, no screamed: “**This is sooo right!**” To put your mind at ease it is safer to drive on the Autobahn, with about two thirds of it, with no speed limit, than in the U.S. In fact, the fatality rate, on Interstate highways in the US is 2½ times higher than that of Germany! In addition to our PowerPoint and/or Video Driver’s Briefing we sent you our mandatory reading Booklet: ***Driving is Different in Europe.*** You do have to know what you are doing; thus, we share our fifty years of experience with you.

I am leaving for Stuttgart on **Monday, September 18<sup>th</sup>** to get a head start and to get ready **for the arrival of the 2023 PCA Group**: of only two (2) PCA’ers on the **PCA Traditional Treffen**, from California and, thankfully, twelve (12) on the **PCA Fall Treffen PLUS**, half of which have been on multiple PORSCHE trips with us previously – thank you!! We also have one **Euro Delivery Customer** on the PLUS in a brand-new **Panamera GTS**. If you ever plan on doing a Euro Delivery, this is THE best way to drive your new baby in Europe, because you are guided and connected with walkie talkies; parking is reserved everywhere, and your gas is paid for at \$11.25/gallon, these days. The trip outline is:

Tue	19-Sep	<b>2023 PCA Fall TREFFEN PLUS</b>	<b>2023 PCA Fall TREFFEN Traditional</b>
Wed	20-Sep	Depart Canada or the U.S.	
Thu	21-Sep	Arr in STR - Drivers' briefing - getting over jet lag	
Fri	22-Sep	Guided PORSCHE FACTORY Tour (no pictures) & MUSEUM (yes pictures)	
Sat	23-Sep	Pick up PORSCHEs & drive to Bavaria - Alpine Lunch & continue to Lake Constance	
Sun	24-Sep	FREE DAY in LINDAU	Return to Stuttgart - return cars & <b>Oktoberfest</b>
Mon	25-Sep	Drive to Ascona, Switzerland	Return to Canada or the U.S.
Tue	26-Sep	Drive & Ferry to Bellagio - Photo Rally Part 1	
Wed	27-Sep	Drive to Valle Verzasca - Photo Rally Part 2	
Thu	28-Sep	Drive to Stuttgart - return cars - <b>Oktoberfest</b>	
Fri	29-Sep	Return to Canada or the U.S.	

**Please Note:** for the first four days both PCA Treffens overlap.

We are always very mindful of the effects of jet lag. We do not want you to drive within two days of arrival in Germany. This is why on your arrival day we want you to get as much sunlight as possible. Walk down Königsstraße to the Schlosspark. Have a cappuccino at one of the little bistros by the park. Then have dinner around 6:30 pm and ideally go to bed at 8:30 – 9:00 pm. You'll still wake up around 5:00 am and you should be able to go back to sleep – but at least you must have a night's full sleep before you venture out. Over half of all guests choose to arrive a day early.

Next year we are also adding a very inexpensive **short PCA** Spring and Fall TREFFEN for those folks who are in Europe on business or in connection with another trip, but still want to enjoy the **very rare privilege of a guided PORSCHE Factory and Museum tour**. PORSCHE AG, perhaps understandably, has to be very stingy with Factory tours so as to not disrupt the workflow by distracting the workers. The word in Stuttgart is that the PORSCHE Factory Manager is God. I have been corrected by the locals that actually, that's not quite right, because God reports to the Factory Manager in Stuttgart. It's a good thing I speak Schwäbisch – the local German dialect.

**II. The 2023 Interlpen PORSCHE Fest: is SOLD OUT.** It is THE most favorite hotel of mine and will be featured prominently next year at our **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**. Here is the outline:

2023 INTERALPEN TOUR		
Wed	4-Oct	Depart the US or Canada
Thu	5-Oct	Arrive in STR - <b>Oktoberfest</b> - a lot more fun than Munich!
Fri	6-Oct	<b>PORSCHE Factory &amp; Museum</b> p-up Porsches/park GZ
<b>Sat</b>	<b>7-Oct</b>	Drive to Austria - Hahntenn Pass to Interlpen
<b>Sun</b>	<b>8-Oct</b>	Day Trip: Timmels to Italy, Jaufen & Brenner Passes
Mon	9-Oct	Achensee Bahn & relaxing day in Pertisau, Austria
Tue	10-Oct	Drive via Zell am See, Gerlos Pass return to Interlpen
Wed	11-Oct	FREE day - OPTIONAL Großglockner Pass & Gmünd
Thu	12-Oct	Silvretta Pass or Garmisch to Lake Constance
Fri	13-Oct	FREE day in beautiful Lindau at Lake Constance
<b>Sat</b>	<b>14-Oct</b>	to <b>Black Forest &amp; Stuttgart</b> , return Porsches
<b>Sun</b>	<b>15-Oct</b>	Return to the US or Canada

**III. The 2023 Tuscany PORSCHE Fest: is SOLD OUT.**

I have customers returning for the Tuscany trip a second time. We stay at the beautiful winery: Casali di Bibbiano and do excursions from there to Florence & Siena (by bus), Montepulciano, Pienza, the Roman Baths at

Bagno Vignone, parts of the legendary Mille Miglia Route and, of course, Buonconvento. Our concluding **photo rally**, with “valuable prizes”, that I purchased on the Flea Market in Stuttgart, is a hoot each year. This vendor at Stuttgart’s Karlsplatz can’t wait each year for me to show up on Saturday.



<b>2023 TUSCANY PORSCHE FEST</b>		
Mon	16-Oct	Depart the US or Canada
Tue	17-Oct	Arr. STR or FRA
Wed	18-Oct	Drivers Briefing & Mercedes Museum - p/u PORSCHEs
Thu	19-Oct	Drive to Austria - Hahntenn Pass to Seefeld Astoria
Fri	20-Oct	To Casali di Bibbiano - arrival Canapes by the pool
<b>Sat</b>	<b>21-Oct</b>	Day trip: sightseeing in Florence - no driving
<b>Sun</b>	<b>22-Oct</b>	Abbey - Montalcino - Pienza - Wine Tasting - BBQ
Mon	23-Oct	Day trip: sightseeing Siena - Cooking Class - no driving
Tue	24-Oct	Photorally - Montepulciano - Rally Dinner -it's a hoot!
Wed	25-Oct	Drive Buonconvento to Interlpen, Innsbruck Austria
Thu	26-Oct	Drive to Zufenhausen & return PORSCHEs
Fri	27-Oct	<b>PORSCHE Factory &amp; Museum</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>28-Oct</b>	Return to the US or Canada

**NOTE:** I'll be doing Tuscany again next year – don't miss it: **Sunday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> 2024.**

**IV. LOGISTICS:** One of our “we try to think of everything” features of our trips is that each night every participant finds a personal note, outlining tomorrow’s activities, on their pillow with a PORSCHE or Fast Lane gift, when they get back to their room after dinner. One of the challenges we have every year is not to have the hotel screw it up. One year, at the Graf Zeppelin, a new bell boy simply tossed one gift into each room – the exchange of polo shirts the next day at breakfast was memorable. Some people had shirts that stopped at their naval, others had shirts that went down to their knees. We now make sure that every customer’s name and size they ordered is displayed prominently on the outside of the nightly gift.

Consequently, when I travel to Germany, ahead of everyone, this is what my check in looks like:



V. Of course, Fast Lane's **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary PORSCHE Fest** in 2024 will be spectacular – still working on the details – save the date! Our plans for **all PORSCHE trips** next year looks like this:

2024 Fast Lane PORSCHE Trips in Planning V-35					
Day	Date	To	Date	PORSCHE Tour	Highlight
Tue	16-Apr	Sat	20-Apr	Mini PCA Spring TREFFEN	Factory & Museum & Frühlingsfest ...
Tue	16-Apr	Mon	22-Apr	Original PCA Spring TREFFEN	... and 2 days' driving, Autobahn ...
Tue	16-Apr	Thu	25-Apr	Original PCA Spring TREFFEN PLUS	... and 3 more days' driving, Black Forest
Sun	28-Apr	Mon	6-May	Seven-Country Adventure - V. POPULAR	NEW: D, L, B, F, CH, FL & A
Mon	3-Jun	Thu	13-Jun	Best of Fast Lane	Zeppelin, Helicopter Glacier, Black Forest
Sun	9-Jun	Mon	17-Jun	101st Le Mans Race	Chateau near track, paddock, grid walk
Mon	17-Jun	Wed	26-Jun	Twelve Alpine Passes	An annual favorite: Austria, Switzerland
Sun	30-Jun	Sat	6-Jul	US Celebration of Freedom	NEW: Milwaukee to Mt. Rushmore - Denver
Wed	10-Jul	Fri	19-Jul	US COLORADO Rocky Mountain High	5th: Pikes P, Nat'l Monument, Ritz Carlton
Sun	1-Sep	Thu	12-Sep	50th Anniversary PORSCHE Tour #1	NEW: Salzburg, Zell a See, Müzz., Vienna,
Sun	29-Sep	Sat	12-Oct	Tuscany PORSCHE Fest - Private Estate	14th Florence, Siena, Montepulciano, Cooking
Wed	16-Oct	Sun	20-Oct	Mini PCA Fall TREFFEN	Factory & Museum & Oktoberfest ...
Wed	16-Oct	Tue	22-Oct	Original PCA Fall TREFFEN	... and 2 days' driving, Autobahn ...
Wed	16-Oct	Fri	25-Oct	Original PCA Fall TREFFEN PLUS	... and 3 more days' driving, Black Forest
Sun	20-Oct	Sun	27-Oct	US Southern Moonshine Festival Rally	NEW: Dragon, Cherolhala, Moonsh.Festival

**Note:** To assure the maximum participation of PCA members in various **PCA Regions** we are offering **3 PCA TREFFEN variations** (highlighted). The **mini-PCA TREFFEN** is for the budget minded or members who want to add on to another trip and are already in Europe at that time. It's basically the **PORSCHE Factory & Museum** visit and guided tour and the Spring and Fall **Oktoberfest** for a true immersion in the German fun culture. The **Original PCA TREFFEN** includes the opportunity to rent the PORSCHE model of your choice for a couple days to get the coveted **Autobahn** experience before the "Greens" party succeed in pushing speed limits onto the Autobahn. **The PCA TREFFEN PLUS** contains all the features of the first two, but also includes 3 more driving days in **Bavaria** and the **Black Forest**.

## VI. My Final Thoughts: SEMINARS FOR WOMEN (prepared and presented by men)

1. Are You Ready to Leave? Definition of the Word YES
2. Appropriate Rhetorical Questions (formerly titled "Honey, Do I Look Fat?")
3. Elementary Map Reading

4. Crying and Law Enforcement
5. Advanced Math Seminar: Programming Your VCR
6. You CAN Go Shopping for Less than 4 Hours
7. Gaining Five Pounds vs. The End of the World: A Study in Contrast
8. The Seven-Outfit Week
9. PMS: It's YOUR Problem, Not Mine (formerly "It's Happened Monthly Since Puberty: Deal with It")
10. Driving I: Getting Past Automatic Transmissions
11. Driving II: The Meaning of Blinking Red Lights
12. Driving III: Approximating a Constant Speed
13. Driving IV: Makeup and Driving: It's As Simple As Oil and Water
14. The Super Bowl: Not a Game: A Sacrament
15. Telephone Translations (formerly titled "Me Too Equals I Love You")
16. How to Earn Your Own Money
17. Gift-giving Fundamentals (formerly titled "Fabric Bad, Electronics Good")
18. Putting the Seat Down By Yourself: Potential Energy is on Your Side
19. Know When to Say When: The Limits of Makeup
20. Beyond "Clean and Dirty": The Nuances of Wearable Laundry
21. We Forget Birthdays, You Forget Sports Stats: LET'S LET IT DROP
22. MYOB: Proper Response to Other Couple's Public Arguments
23. Yes, You Can Buy Condoms (formerly titled "WE learned to deal with the embarrassment")
24. Joys of the Remote Control: Reaping the Benefits of 50+ Channels
25. What Goes Around Comes Around: Why His Credit Card is Not a Toy
26. His Poker Games: Deal Yourself Out
27. Commitment Schmittment (formerly titled "Wedlock Schmedlock")
28. To Honor and Obey: Remembering the Small Print Above "I Do"

29. Why Your Mother Is Unwelcome In The House

30. Your Mate: Selfish Bastard, or Victimized Sensitive Man?

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Please stay healthy and stay young; be happy and take good care of yourself...Let's look forward to the great times we will have together again on one of our fabulous PORSCHE Tours this year and let's look forward to 2024. **I will see you soon in Stuttgart. Can't wait. Peter**