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TO: Our Fast Lane Travel Family in Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Dubai, Ecuador, all of Europe, Iceland, Iceland, Japan, Kuwait, New Zealand, South Africa, and the USA!

Getting Ready

As many of you know, preparing for a tour often feels a bit like preparing for a family reunion. There are lists to check, details to confirm, last minute calls to make, and somehow there is always one more errand than expected. This week has been very much focused on getting everything ready for our upcoming Dolomites departure, and I am pleased to say things are coming together nicely.

Before all the excitement begins, I will be taking a short trip to spend a week with family in the Hamptons. Family time is something I never take for granted, and I am very much looking forward to slowing down for a few days, enjoying good company, and recharging before our busy fall travel season begins.

Of course, I will still be keeping an eye on things from afar. After all, travel planning never completely leaves your mind. It's a bit like trying to switch off a GPS. Even when you're not driving anywhere, it still wants to recalculate.

Dolomites Tour Update

Our Dolomites Tour departs August 30th, and we have been busy locking in arrangements for our early arrival guests. This is always one of our favorite tours, and I know many of you are eagerly counting down the days.

Several guests have asked about the mountain pass closures that have been discussed in recent months. These restrictions are the result of new government regulations affecting certain routes through the region. The good news is that we have been monitoring the situation closely and adjusting where necessary.

While some specific passes may not be accessible as they have been in previous years, our team has worked hard to ensure that the spirit of the tour remains fully intact. The Dolomites are filled with extraordinary roads, dramatic scenery, charming villages, and wonderful hospitality. Guests will still enjoy spectacular driving routes and unforgettable mountain landscapes throughout the journey.

One of the highlights continues to be our stay at the beautiful Hotel Fanes, a property that perfectly captures the warmth and charm of the region. We are confident that this year's itinerary will provide an exceptional experience despite the changes taking place in the area.

Looking Ahead to Tuscany

Not far behind is our Tuscany Tour, departing October 6th.

This journey combines many of the things that make Italy so memorable: outstanding cuisine, breathtaking scenery, historic villages, and some of the most enjoyable driving routes anywhere in Europe.

Guests will spend time at the wonderful Sacher Alpine Resort in Tyrol, one of the standout properties on the itinerary. From there, the adventure continues through landscapes that seem almost designed for leisurely exploration and unforgettable photographs.

We have included our special Weissach-Executive-designed Fast Lane hilarious Photo Rally with “valuable” prizes acquired at the Saturday Flea Market in Stuttgart.

As always, Tuscany offers the perfect balance between discovery and relaxation. Whether enjoying a memorable meal, sampling regional specialties, or simply taking in the views from the driver's seat, this tour delivers countless moments that remind us why Italy remains one of our favorite destinations.

Comments from Peter's Desk

One of the great joys of travel is that it reminds us how much there is still to learn. Every destination offers a chance to see something new, meet someone interesting, or experience a different perspective.

My travel tip this week is simple: leave room in your schedule for the unexpected. Some of the best memories are often the moments that were never part of the original plan.

And finally, a joke before I sign off:

I told my suitcase there would be no more trips this year.

Now it's dealing with emotional baggage.

Thank you all for following along, and thank you for trusting us with your travel adventures. Whether you're joining us in the Dolomites, Tuscany, or another journey down the road, we're looking forward to seeing you soon.

Safe travels,

Peter

Fond Memories

This award (left) was presented to Peter by Dr. Joe Blackburn last year in gratitude for the multiple Porsche trips Dr. Blackburn enjoyed and Peter's fifty years of service to the members of the PCA for not only resurrecting the PCA Treffen tour which had been dormant for over a dozen years in 1974, until Peter took action with the support of Prof. Dr. h.c. Ferry Porsche, personally and the 250 Porsche tours he created, organized and managed since then.

Peter, personally, has also taken delivery of 38 Porsches over the years. Prof. Dr. h.c. Ferry Porsche, also thanked Peter for his efforts in bringing thousands of customers to Stuttgart to visit the source of their passion and, thus, also whetting the appetite for well over 500 customers ordering brand new Porsches.

The classic success was Mrs. Gale Galloway who joined us on the 2009 Spring TREFFEN Plus. When she returned to CLT -Charlotte, NC, after a trans-Atlantic flight, she went straight to the local Porsche Dealer and immediately ordered a Panamera GTS! WARNING: joining one of our Porsche trips may cause you to by a new one!! Close to 600 participants bought new Porsches and had them delivered in Stuttgart or Leipzig. Peter picked up his Panamera in Leipzig – what an awesome experience!! More next time.

After our mandatory safety briefing, NAVI guidance and Instructions and guidance via walkie-talkies in every car. After providing this remarkable service experience for fifty years, over 50% of our customers have returned for a second trip. Several have been on over a dozen of our trips. We have now also conducted trips for other car clubs: like Audi, Merecedes, Corvette, Ferrari and . . . you name it. Our attention to detail is renowned as evidenced in the accolades we receive.

Yes, we do honeymoons.

Please stay healthy and happy. I'm looking forward to the great times we will have together again with my Team on one of the fabulous tours we are planning for 2026. All the best to you, **Peter**