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PORSCHE 356 REGISTRY

A Message from the Registry Trustees and President Curt Dansby

Greetings Friends,

As we all strive to come to terms with the unfamiliar world we now inhabit, I expect that many of us have been looking forward to future dates on our 356 calendar. We are thinking of times that would provide us some respite, albeit in cloistered settings, perhaps only mirroring what has brought us together year in and year out - 356 community.

Sadly, I am unable to offer such relief. As of May 7, the office of the Governor of Oregon stated that all large gatherings through September of this year must be cancelled. Therefore, by governmental decree, WCH Bend is now postponed to **Sept 8-12 2021**. The easiest process to facilitate this change (and limit extra work on our Holiday Organizers) is that all registrations and hotel reservations will be rolled over to this date.

All registrants will be sent a separate email in the next few days with additional details to explain the process. You have the option to cancel your registration and receive a full refund. If you would like to cancel

please contact **Bob Cannon** (rcannon@surewest.net) and the hotel individually.

While this particular decision has been "made for us", many on the board have been struggling for some weeks with the appropriateness and even the moral responsibility related to sanctioning Registry supported events. Even though Covid-19 is an equal opportunity disease, most of our membership is in an age group at a heightened risk of dire consequences should they contract the virus. Actualities that would have never even been considered in past years are now potential matters of life and death. How many gas pumps are you going to touch, or over-the-road truckers are you going to encounter at those gas stations on your way to a Registry event? Can you even imagine social distancing at a Holiday?

As I have said before: the cars bring us together, but the members make the club. We cannot afford to encourage members to take risks when a simple matter of discretion could prevent tragic results. We are too important to each other to be encouraged to entertain such risks. To this end, the board has voted to withhold all financial support and insurance coverage for any event, for the foreseeable future. (This position means that the Heartland Rendezvous is also being postponed.) While this decision is unpleasant, it was not actually difficult. It is forged in what we agree to be in the best interests our club and the well being of our members.

Better days lie ahead, and our hope and intent is that we all reach them together.

Be safe
Be well
Wash your hands
KTF

So over the next few months

Let's try to stay upbeat and healthy and engaged in every way with our friends and our cars. If we are in a "glass half full" frame of mind, we all now have extra time to work on those automotive projects! Go to the Forums and ask fellow Registry members for their advice. Ask how everyone is doing and what they are doing.

Did someone mention "Father's Day"? Remember that our advertisers are still open! Reach out and find some great sources of information and products designed to keep our 356s and Dad happy and driving. Need to hear a cheerful voice? Give the Goodie Store a call. A smile will be included with every order!

We hope everyone stays safe and healthy. We'll be looking for you out on the road soon.

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