#### PCA High Performance Driver Education "HPDE"





# Agenda

- What is HPDE/DE?
- Who runs these events?
- Who attends Des?
- What safety measures are in place?
- What types of cars are allowed?
- What is DE weekend like?
- What will I learn?
- What happens at a DE?
- Q&A









# What is HPDE?



- Learn to drive your car at a fast pace in a controlled environment
- Classroom and in-car coaching
- Paved track, corner workers
- Typically four 20 25 minute ontrack sessions, plus classroom







### Who runs these events?



- PCA volunteers!
- DE Chair- organizes
- Chief Driving Instructor (CDI)- manages all on-track activity
- Coaches- Trained and selected to PCA standards to provide in-car and classroom instruction







# Who attends DEs?



- Drivers who:
  - Want to enjoy performance in controlled environment
  - Want to become better drivers on the road
  - Want gateway to competitive driving (time trials or club racing)
  - Want to learn more about the technology of their cars
  - Want to enjoy their cars with friends new and old





### Is it safe? – Driver Measures



- Helmets required
- Passing rules
- Two spin rule
- Bad attitude rule
- Strict enforcement
- Run groups based on experience and skill







# Is it safe? – Car Measures



- Technical safety inspection
- Very low % of incidents
- Track insurance







# Is it safe? –Will it hurt my car?

- Porsches are made for high performance driving
- Tires and brake pads
- Brand new to very old Porsches on track
- Doesn't void warranty





#### What types of cars are allowed?

- Any make or model as long as it passes tech inspection
- Convertibles with factory roll over protection
- Modifications not required







# What can I expect during a DE Weekend?

- Early morning driver meeting
- Garage or paddock
- Mentors
- Classroom and on-track sessions
- Saturday social
- Friendliness
- Helpfulness







# What can I expect during a DE Weekend as a Novice Driver?



- On track with those with no, or just a handful of weekends' experience
- Mostly stock cars
- Lots of help don't hesitate to ask
- Classrooms to learn, meet others, and to ask any questions
- PCA trained driving coach in car at all times









# What can I expect during a DE Weekend- Family and Friends

- Family and friends welcome, free of charge
  - Ear protection, especially for kids
- Admire the cars, talk to the owners
- Parade laps
- Saturday evening social



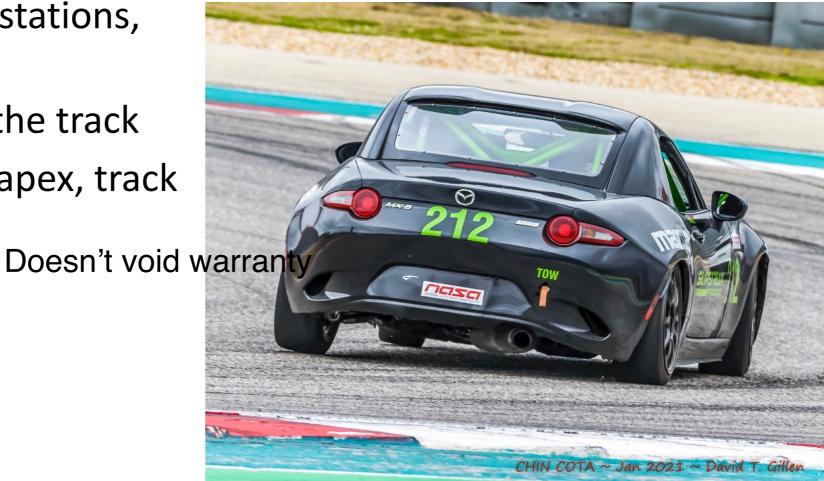




# What will I learn?



- Safety Meaning of flag stations, flags, hot pits, etc.
- The fastest way around the track
- The best "line"- turn in, apex, track out
- Braking technique
- Weight transfer
- Car control
- Car rotation









### Introduction to HPDE

- A "taste of the track"
- Available only to those who have never experienced HPDE
- Half day, morning or afternoon



- Classroom and 2 on-track sessions with coach
  Coach
- \$399







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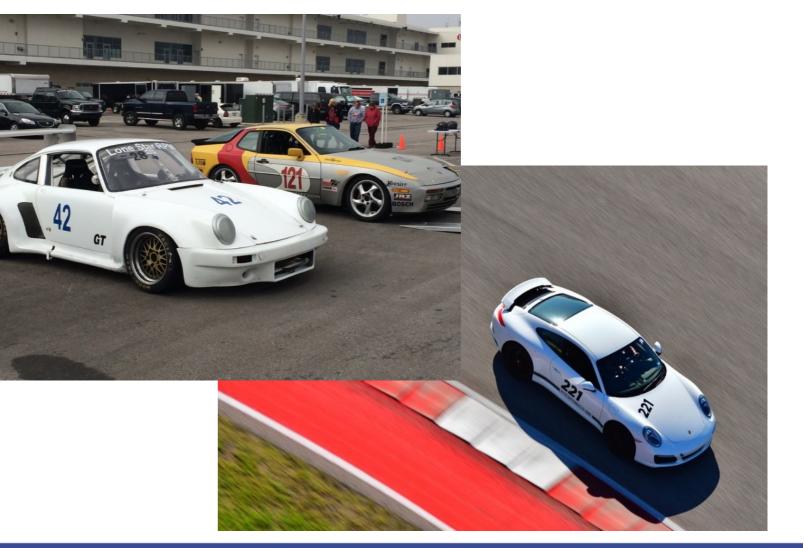
March 8-9 November 22-23

#### **Options:**

- Register for DE or intro
- Visit
- Parade Laps
- Saturday Evening Social



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# Q & A



- Questions
- Concerns
- Will you do a DE?

