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## **TYP356NE SE CONNECTICUT SUMMER TOUR** see page 5 for the details



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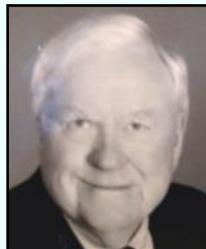
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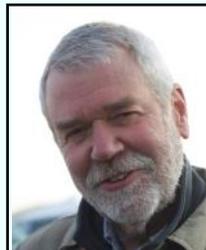
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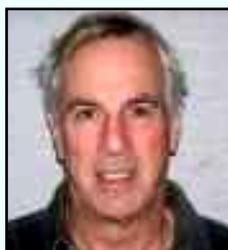


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## Editorial

The extremely dry and hot weather has made driving our unairconditioned Porsches uncomfortable to say the least. But that did not stop several of us from attending Greg Lane and Diane Mierz's CT tour. The event is covered starting on page 6 of this issue of TubTimes.

Thanks to Greg and Diane for doing a great job chairing the two day event. It was extremely well organized as members were able to attend the whole event or one or more of the separate pieces. What a great way to make it easy for more members to enjoy the activities. Thank you Greg and Diane for a job well done.

We have one major event remaining for the year. That will be Club Day on Sunday, September 11th. The official registration period is closed, however, we do have a limited number of open spaces due to cancellations. See the bottom of page 4 for more details. Let me know if you want to attend the event and I will do whatever I can to get you in.

Also note on the bottom of page 3 is some information about drive your Porsche day on September 18th, the Sunday after Club Day. Drive your Porsche and take a picture and send it to the Registry if you're a member. And you can also send one to me to be included in the next issue of TubTimes. I'll send a reminder before the October issue. Ed Tobolski



## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE— SEPTEMBER 2022

On Thursday and Friday, August 25 and 26<sup>th</sup> Greg Lane and Diane Mierz lead 25 of us on two wonderful driving tours of southern Connecticut back roads with lunch at a winery and a ferry ride across the Connecticut river.

There were two highlights of the tour. The first was a visit to the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century playwright, director, and actor William Gillette's former home Seventh Sister Castle, in the day, known as Gillette Castle, now. Gillette's most famous role was helping Sir Arthur Conan Doyle turn his famous collection of short stories into a play that debuted on Broadway in New York City in 1899 with Gillette starring as Sherlock Holmes. The play was a huge success. Gillette had many creative talents expressed within the huge castle he built between 1914 and 1919 made of local Connecticut fieldstone high on a hill overlooking the Connecticut River. He personally designed all the wooden light switches, roll-away tables, crafty mirrors, and even secret passageways inside the medieval-style castle from the Old World. The craftsmanship of his many wooden designs in the castle is a marvel to behold. He even designed wooded toys hanging from the edge of tabletops for his 17 cats, that occupied the castle with him, to play with.

The second highlight of this jam-packed tour was a visit to the Yankee Steam Works Museum in Guilford, CT owned and created by Chris Greaves and a host of volunteers. We were able to take a special guided tour lead by Chris since Greg Lane is one of the volunteers that has helped restore the many fascinating engines, buses and ships the museum contains. We saw many unique items such as a walking beam steam engine which were at one time commonly used to power side wheel paddle boats. Several operational Stanley Steamer cars one of which was used to give several of us rides. The beautifully restored 1896 steam launch ship the Loon and a restored 1950 Bristol Model KS Newcastle Transport Double Decker Bus. There were many early internal combustion engine and electric cars to view as well such as a: 1937 Supercharged Cord Phaeton, 1918 Detroit Electric, and a model T among many others. Chris told us many interesting stories of how he found and restored these various engines plus his experience driving them. Tours of this museum are only available by private arrangement; so, we were all very lucky to experience this fascinating place.

The tour ended after the Steam Works with a nice outdoor lunch hosted in Greg and Anna Marie Lane's back yard on Friday. Our Club is very lucky, and grateful to have such energetic and hard-working members such as Greg and Diane to arrange such wonderful and unique events for us. I seriously doubt any of the 356 Registry's other regional Clubs has hosted any tour more interesting and varied than the one Greg and Diane just held for us.



Several of you that missed Greg and Diane's special tour were able to attend Porsche Day at Larz Anderson Auto Museum with your 356 or early 911 on Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. The lawn was overflowing with mostly modern Porsches, but our Club was well represented with at least six of Club members' cars there that I saw.

Do not forget our biggest event of the year Club Day, hosted by our Vice President and Newsletter editor Ed Tobolski, is coming up soon on Sunday, September 11, 2022. 45 members have registered for this event so far. Member Adam Wright of Unobtanium will be speaking to the group about the "Anatomy of a Barn Find". I have heard Adam speak before at 356 Registry events. His presentations are excellent and very informative. You do not want to miss it!

I will close with another quote from the famous Formula One champion Juan Manuel Fangio: "Never think of your car as a cold machine, but as a hot-blooded horse."

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### New Members, Welcome to the Club

- Gene and Kim Langan. They live in Glastonbury, CT. and have a 52 356 Cab, a 55 356 Speedster, a 58 356 Carrera , 59 356 and a 63 356 Carrera 2
- Jeff and Kara Brandes. They live in Lexington, MA. and have a 1957 356A Cabriolet

## Drive your Porsche Day - September 18th, 2022

Drive your Porsche day has become a big tradition among Porsche owners. It is celebrated on the Sunday nearest to Ferry Porsche's birthday (September 19th). This year it will be celebrated on September 18th. The idea is to encourage you to drive your Porsche to a scenic spot and take a picture of it. If you're a 356 Registry member you can email the picture to [lorischultz@porsche356registry.org](mailto:lorischultz@porsche356registry.org) and it will be included in their newsletter. Photos need to be a minimum of 1000 pixels, and send first and last names of those in the photos, location including state and country, and year/model of the 356.

## **TYP356ne Event Schedule for 2022**

See the Club website, [www.TYP356ne.org](http://www.TYP356ne.org), for the full information and latest details.

Events in blue are TYP356ne events.

All others are not club organized and are listed for information only

### **September**

- Thursday, Sept. 1st, 6:00 – 7:00pm, [TYP356ne Board of Directors Video Conference Call Meeting](#).
- Saturday, September 3, 2022·11:00am – 3:00pm -Unobtanium Open House (Cancelled)
- September 1 – 5, Lime Rock Historic Festival  
60 White Hollow Rd, Lakeville, CT 06039, USA  
For details see this link: [Historic Festival 40 Labor Day Weekend | Lime Rock Park](#)
- Sunday, September 11, 10:00am – 2:00pm—[TYP356ne Annual Club Day](#)  
Lake Pearl, 299 Creek St, Wrentham, MA 02093, See below
- September 14 – 18, - 2022 Catskills 356 Northern Drive  
57 Ravine Dr Round Top, NY 12473  
See this link for details:  
[2022 Catskills 356 Northern Drive - Events - Porsche 356 Registry, Inc. \(clubexpress.com\)](#)
- Sunday, September 18th - Drive Your Porsche Day (the day before Ferry Porsche's Birthday)

### **October**

- Tuesday, October 4th, 6:00 – 7:00pm, [TYP356ne Board of Directors Video Conference Call Meeting](#).
- Saturday, Oct. 29, 10:00am – 1:00pm [TYP356ne Thompson's 2nd Annual Halloween Drive & Lunch](#)  
Turkey Hill Rd, West Newbury, MA 01985, full details in future issue.

### **November**

- Tuesday, Nov. 1st, 6:00 – 7:00pm, [TYP356ne Board of Directors Video Conference Call Meeting](#).

### **December**

- Saturday, December 3, ·10:00am – 12:00pm -[TYP356ne Annual Event Planning/Board Meeting](#)  
Sherborn Community Center Foundation, 2 Sanger St, Sherborn, MA 01770,

## ***The 7th Annual TYP356ne Club Day***

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2022**

10am to 2pm at

**LAKE PEARL**

**299 Creek Street, Wrentham MA. 02093**

Registration for Club Day is closed. However there is still limited space available.

If you want to attend this event, contact Ed Tobolski– [tobolsed@verizon.net](mailto:tobolsed@verizon.net)

See the August issue of TubTimes for full details

# TYP356NE SE CONNECTICUT SUMMER TOUR by Diane Mierz



It's been an incredibly dry year in Connecticut and we have spent most of the time wishing for downpours. There's been no significant precipitation since early June; reservoirs are at an all-time low and leaves are dropping from trees prematurely. The desire for rain suddenly disappears the week you're holding a tour, though, and Greg and I watched with bated breath when storms started to move in a few days beforehand. Thankfully, the weather



returned to its normal state on Thursday and Friday- dry and hot and we breathed a collective sigh of relief –everything else about this tour had been planned out to the nth degree; now with the weather's cooperation we knew we'd have a successful tour.

We started out at the beautiful Maugle Sierra Vineyard in Ledyard, Connecticut. In addition to Greg and Anna Marie Lane ('61 Signal red Karmann hardtop), we were joined by Ed and Darlene Tobolski (Black 1983 911SC), Allen Sisson and Mary Grace (Oslo blue '63 S coupe), Lise Merrifield and John Amarante (blue '64 SC coupe), Paul Ahnell and Dan O'Connell (red Speedster replica), Bill Silvestri ('67 blue VW) and Steve and me ('65 Slate grey SC cab). Jay Boyce and Terry Hamelin (Slate grey '64 SC coupe) joined us for lunch

but had other engagements and couldn't attend the drive. We sat on the open porch overlooking the spacious grounds at the Vineyard enjoying our Italian grinders from Valentino's enjoying the view and the cooling effect of the overhead fans. This was followed by many of us participating in a wine tasting which has to be the best way to start a tour.



Greg had chosen a beautiful route through the southeastern part of the state. The first stop was at Salem Farms for ice cream- a welcome treat for a hot day – and they are arguably



## TYP356NE SE CONNECTICUT SUMMER TOUR continued

the best (if not the best) among ice cream stands in the state. The next leg of the tour was exclusively on windy, narrow, and unbelievably scenic areas east of the Connecticut River past beautiful historic houses flanked by stone walls and



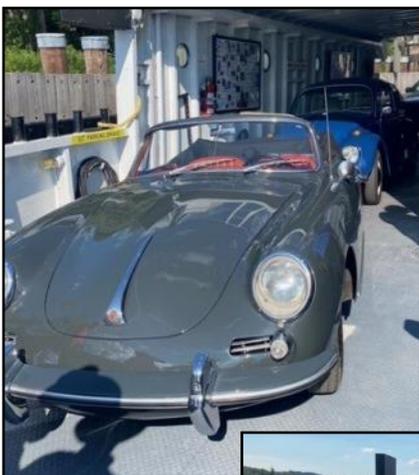
marsh. We wound up at the iconic state park – Gillette’s castle where all of us enjoyed the airconditioned visitor’s center and many of us took the tour of the castle. The last time I had been on the tour was in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and I was really glad to do it

again because it was fascinating. William Gillette was a well-to-do eccentric actor and his stone castle certainly reflected that. He is best known for his signature role of Sherlock Holmes circa 1900.

Oh, and he also owned 17 cats. And a 3 mile miniature steam railroad that Albert Einstein once rode on. The grounds themselves are lovely and there was ample parking for our little cars which other visitors to the castle enjoyed.



We left the castle to cross the Connecticut River by the Hadlyme ferry which accommodated all of our cars as well as a few SUV “interlopers”. Crossing the river didn’t take long



but gave us all the benefit of cool breezes, the vista of the castle up on the hill and a few bald eagles soaring high above us. We disembarked and headed to Essex where some of us would stay the night at the Griswold Inn.

Though I have lived 20 miles from it my whole life I had never

set foot in the Griswold before. I am glad I finally had the opportunity because it’s a pretty cool place. It’s been in operation as an inn and taproom since 1776 and is



loaded with historically significant works of art. Kind of like partying in a museum. We enjoyed a cocktail hour which extended into a fine dinner and finally trundled off to bed, exhausted after a long hot day.

Day two of the tour commenced in the parking lot the next day. Greg had secured “356 only” parking for our little cars which allowed us to socialize away from them without worry.



Day 2’s group was roughly the same as day 1’s with the addition of Reid and Dee Hanford (’63 Silver S coupe) and Rudy Zimmerman and Mike Litwinski (’64 Silver SC coupe). Greg had chosen more great winding scenic roads and after about an hour we got to our first destination of the day – Chris Greaves’ Yankee Steam Works museum where we enjoyed a private tour and were joined by Diane and Bill Hare (’64 Slate grey SC coupe) and Rus Mehta (’73 Bluette Alfa Romeo GTV). Greg is a

volunteer at the museum and is extremely knowledgeable about the exhibits and for two hours he and Chris regaled us with historical facts and anecdotes about the displays. There was really something there for everyone – a double decker bus, steamboats, multiple Stanley Steamers, internal combustion cars spanning all decades, high wheeled bicycles and much, much more. We could have easily spent more time there but we had promised to be at the Lane’s for a picnic lunch by 1PM.



While we were enjoying ourselves all morning Anna Marie, Jane Ahnell, Dan Lane and Mary Grace had put a huge amount of effort into getting the Lane’s backyard ready for a party and we arrived to find tables full of delicious food and drink. Jane had even made her famous soft pretzels which we eagerly munched while sipping delicious and refreshing Koelsch beer. There were all sorts of sandwich options and cookies and watermelon for dessert. Chris Greaves gave people rides in his Stanley Steamer touring car. Truly the perfect way to cap off 2 great days of touring and socializing with some wonderful people. Now that our tour has been completed we can go back to wishing for rain; and please – don’t miss out on the fun and consider joining us for another great tour next year!



Diane

More pictures on pages 7,8 & 9



Starting at the Winery



Below- The Ice Cream stop!!!



In and around  
The Gillette Castle





Above and below left– at the Griswold



Below– at the Yankee Steam Museum



Cars at the Yankee Steam Museum-  
 Above left– an Auburn Boat Tail Roadster.  
 Above right a Cord Roadster  
 Left a completely original Model T.  
 Right—an MG TC





Lunch at the Lane's back yard.

Below right—Chris priming the Stanley Steamer to give some rides.



# Four Speeds and Drum Brakes by Tom Tate

## Chase in the Desert

After a year and a half driving Rob's 2014 C4S it was time to give the car back. It wasn't a bad deal for him either as he had my 2015 Turbo S in his garage in Arizona. There was a tire/rim swap to be done between the two cars so it was necessary to have them both in the same place at the same time, at least for a while. Since the driving season was at full speed in the valley of the sun we decided that it would be fun to run both cars at a PCA Driver Education event when they were both in the same garage.

I set about getting a shipping company to pick up his car in Medfield and buying plane tickets and he worked on getting us into the same Run Group at the DE so we could play on the track together. To level the playing field a bit

driving his car Rob and his crew were playing mechanic on mine. With four year old street tires on my car we figured they would lap at about the same times.

The pick up went smoothly considering that it was in the middle of a snowstorm. It was pointed out to me



that modern car carriers are now built so that the sides are open and the drivers door can be used for easy entry/exit. Apparently, in years past drivers had to get in and out of the car by climbing through the window. For the 300lb driver that picked up this ride that would've been a nonstarter.

The trip out to Goodyear only took a week and the cars were finally together. Tires were swapped and the cleanup was done by Louie, Robbie and Tommy and they were rewarded with rides back and forth to school. Louie even ran errands with it after calling me to get permission. Great crew.

With the Arizona Motorsport Park less than a mile from the house the oil wasn't even warmed up the morning that we drove both cars over to the track. It was chilly as the sun came up but turned into a great day for driving. Our shelf paper numbers looked great on the doors. The only panel done in metal anymore are the rear fenders so my old magnetic numbers have been retired to the back of the garage door. Rob made it easy by requesting numbers 31 and 311, all straight numbers in the Porsche font. Details are important.



we put the Hoosier race tires on his car to compensate for the extra 200 hp that the Turbo produced. That was after a few modifications, like exhaust, intake plenum, and Cobb ECU tune boosted the output from 520hp to around 650hp. While I was



Our advanced run group didn't start until 9:30 so we had time to go back to the house for breakfast after dropping our gear in a premium parking spot. The track is flat as a pancake, think big autocross, and over three miles long. With a couple of decent straights the C4S was going to have to be better in the turns to keep up with the Turbo S. The grippy race tires were definitely up to the task. There were to be four 20 minute sessions and they kept to the schedule down to the minute, very impressive.

The first session saw me finding my way, I didn't want to be the guy who went off into the dirt and there was a lot of dirt. The video I had watched at home was helpful but it was tough to look ahead which what we tell every new student to do at a new track. If you know the track it's easy to know when to keep your right foot down and when to

tiptoe. As I was still learning, Rob was driving away. In the second session I had a better feel for the playing field and was able to keep up a little better. I chased him for a while but couldn't get around him, he just went way too deep into the turns. He motioned me by to see if I could drive away but I couldn't. We ran nose to tail the last ten minutes of the session, passing other cars like a train. Great fun.

By the third session it was catch me if you can. I had a better sense of the PCCB (Ceramic brakes) and could brake later than the C4S. Rob was still keeping up well but he ended the session early after his brakes began to fade. Turns out, he also corded a new Hoosier tire, a left front (we were running the track clockwise), so I know how hard he was trying. All in all, a terrific day at the track.



The Big Dog is now back in Medfield having made the trip on the same truck with the same driver that took out the C4S. Strange how some things work out.

I may give the '72 a rest this year and run the Turbo S in the Autocross series just to keep the young guys honest. I wonder how the Turbo S would look in a Martini suit? We'll see.

KTF

# Porsche Miles Driven in 2022

Below are the miles members have driven their Porsches this year, as of September 1st.

To include your miles in the list, the rules are simple. The miles counted have to be in the current calendar year. You have to drive (or be driven) in a 356 or other vintage Porsche (you can define what a vintage Porsche is) owned by you. If you have more than one vintage Porsche, all the miles count, just list them separately. Replica miles count. Trailered miles don't count.

This is not a contest, there are no winners or losers. I'll keep a running total to see how many miles we drive our Porsches during 2022.

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Porsche</u>	<u>Miles</u>
Allen Sisson	356B	2658
Greg Lane	356B	844
	Boxter S	638
Ed Tobolski	356A	556
	911SC	555
John Henry	356C	271
Diane Mierz	356SC	1443
Tom Tate	Speedster	1630
Carl Luck	356A	1387
Neil Fennessey	912	507
Georg Becker-Birck	912	770
Ray Ashenhurst	356B	449
David Lawrence	356C	658
Peter Thompson	356S	804
	911	260
	Boxster	1303
Phil Brzezinski	911 Carrera	1897
George Kehler	356 Continental	70
Ken Nykiel	Boxster	784
Craig Amerigian	912	151
Ellen Beck	54 Speedster	40
	356C Coupe	150
	911	540
Bill Slinko	912	275
Theo Kindermans	356B	93
	911 Targa	359
Tom Clark	356A Patina Queen	243
Randy Robinson	356B	331
Ed Fanning	356A	346
John Consigli	356C	325
	914	100
Rudy Zimmerman	356C	207
Bob Gilbert	Speedster	7
	Total	20651



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### For Sale

Front Drum Brakes from a 62 356B

Asking, \$750 - Contact Jonathan Bernstein at [jab7106@gmail.com](mailto:jab7106@gmail.com)



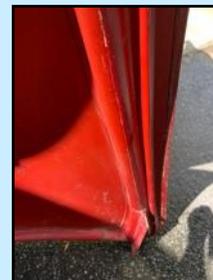
### For Sale

Pre-A, Early A hood \$1700

A straight, **un-molested** hood for an early A or Pre-A with no kinks at the hinges or anywhere else. The hood is pretty much ready for final prep. and paint. Sold FOB Dedham, MA,

Here are some pictures and as you see the color is a faded red, probably original. Shoot me an email at [tlc356@verizon.net](mailto:tlc356@verizon.net) and I'll send you copies of these pictures if you want to expand them for a closer look.

Tom Coughlin



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### *For Sale*

#### **MODA Wheels for 987 Boxster**

#### **Four clean MODA wheels with tires: MD1903E Black centers with stainless steel lips.**

- Front wheels: 19x8.5. Unit price new: \$99.00.
- Front tires: Michelin Pilot Sport AS+XL 245/35R19 all season. Low mileage, no visible sidewall cracks but 13 years old.
- Rear wheels: 19x10. Unit price new: \$119.00
- Rear tires: Michelin Pilot Sport AS 275/35R19. Same tire condition as above.
- Purchased all above from Tire Rack November 2009.
- One wheel has very minor curb rash (pictured).
- Includes TPMS units which were still working when wheels were removed in April 2022.
- Complete original package from Tire Rack \$2274.82 in 2009.
- Package price: \$195.00.
- You pick them up from Madison, CT.

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## CLUB ITEMS AVAILABLE

**Clothing**- TYP356ne has an online store where you can order hats, polo shirts, canvas bags, and any other item that Land's End Business Outfitters carry in their inventory. You can customize any of the items you purchase with the Club's black oval patch. The store address is:

<http://business.landsend.com/store/typ356ne>

When you are on the site, select the product you want to purchase and the quantity. Then select the Apply Logo box and a page will come up with Logo 1. Follow the instructions to complete your order.



**Name Tags** - We have found a quality vendor that can make and ship you a personalized TYP356ne name badge. They are \$8.50 each with the pin style attachment and \$10.50 each with a magnetic attachment, plus \$3.95 postage. Note: the magnetic backing means you do not have to put pin holes in your TYP356ne polo shirt to wear your name badge.

To order go to <https://www.holmescustom.com/corporatepages/typ356ne> and click on the TYP356ne name badge and it will take you through the process. Within a few days you will have your personalized TYP356ne name badge delivered right to your door. If you have any comments or questions contact Tom Gentz at [tgentz@typ356ne.org](mailto:tgentz@typ356ne.org).

### **New Club Grille Badge**

Club members can purchase the "Official Club Badge" for a cost of \$35.00. It is a beautiful badge complete with mounting hardware.

To order a badge, first contact Peter Venuti at - [pvenuti@typ356ne.org](mailto:pvenuti@typ356ne.org) and give him your mailing information. Payment can then be made by paypal on the club website.



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