

15-17 September 2017

# PAGODA SL GROUP PUB 2017 VIRGINIA



## PAGODA UNIVERSITY BLACKCLICK — IN VIRGINIA

**September 2017... The Pagoda University you remember from Blacklick, in a new setting and with added drives, sightseeing, vineyards and enjoyment. This time in the beautiful area around Charlottesville**

### Information

The Planning Committee for the 2017 PUB-Virginia is working hard in the background to put on a spectacular event for this September.

First, we want to thank Joe Alexander for hosting PUB for so many years. Joe is a teacher at heart and did a great job of laying the foundation for future PUB events away from Blacklick. We will lean heavily on this foundation as we plan events for September. Joe will lead several of our technical sessions and we look forward to his continued involvement in PUB.

Moving forward, a change in the venue from time-to-time provides an opportunity to take in social and cultural elements from the surrounding area. So think of PUB-Virginia as a mix of prior PUB events (tech-

nical sessions) as well as expanded social events that are so popular at our European Event.

The Greenwood, Virginia setting offers mountains, vineyards, craft breweries, historic sites, and scenic drives that should offer something for everyone. So in addition to the technical sessions, we will help organize outings to enjoy what Greenwood and Charlottesville has to offer. Greenwood is just 15 minutes via interstate 64 from Charlottesville, Virginia, home to the University of Virginia and Monticello-Thomas Jefferson's Plantation home and a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Ramsay Farm in Greenwood is "PUB central" where all technical sessions will be held as well as several of our meals and social events. Ramsay is on the National Register of Historic Places and more information on the farm, links to background information etc can be found at <https://www.sl113.org/wiki/Main/PUB2017>. The structures on the property include an Estate House, Cottage, Farm House, Barn, Studio, Carriage House and several run in sheds for farm animals.

Most of our sessions will be conducted in the Barn and paddocks area of the farm. The Barn itself will be used for food preparation, and offers two modern bathrooms. We will have several tents much like what Joe provided in Ohio.

We will host an optional Cocktail Party for early arrivals on Friday night at the Estate House formal garden, followed by dinner under the stars at the barn. Saturday lunch will also be at the Barn.



# VIRGINIA IN SEPTEMBER

So now let's talk money. Our quick math suggests that the all-in cost to a participant is roughly the same as in 2015 when all meals are counted. 2015's PUB was a la carte, with General Admission and meals priced separately. Since the format has changed to provide both technical sessions and expanded social events, we've combined several meals with the General Admission. General Admission, Friday night meal, Saturday lunch and Saturday night meal are now combined in one charge of \$150. If you arrive early on Friday, you are invited to the optional cocktail party at the Estate House for \$25 per person. If you bring a spouse or significant other, the additional meals for your loved one can be purchased for an additional \$75.

This year, we will use online registration for the event. Visit <https://www.sl113.org/wiki/Main/PUB2017> where you can find this information and more, and a form on which to complete your registration, buy tickets, and tell us about your travel plans so that we can help coordinate rides. You can also download the app so that you can present your ticket for entry upon arrival. The site also asks you to enter your departure ZIP for ride-sharing purposes and for those arriving by air, airport listings so we can try and match you up with other air travelers.

It gets better. If you came a long way and want more, we are organizing two scenic drives upon departure from PUB.

One will head south through the Blue Ridge Parkway with an overnight stop in Blowing Rock, NC continuing on the next day to Asheville NC (think Biltmore House).

The other drive heads north along the Skyline Drive national scenic route.

## Preliminary Program

### Friday

- Early Arrivals Meet and Greet. Optional Wine Tour 12:00-5:00
- General Question and Answer Session with the Experts 5:00-6:00
- Optional Cocktail Reception at Estate House Garden 6:00-7:00
- Friday Dinner at Barn 7:00-until late

### Saturday

Technical Sessions-I 9:00-12:00

- Under the Car
- Linkage Adjustment
- Distributors
- Car judging

Lunch and Scenic Drive 12:00-2:00

Optional Excursion—Monticello

Technical Sessions-II 2:00-5:00

- Exhaust Analysis
- Injection Pump
- Fuel Pump
- Starter Motor

Dinner at Offsite Venue 7:00-until late

### Sunday

Technical Sessions-II 9:00-12:00

- Dying Leather Seats
- Upholstery
- Oil Filter and Change
- LED Lights
- Vendor/Sponsor Update

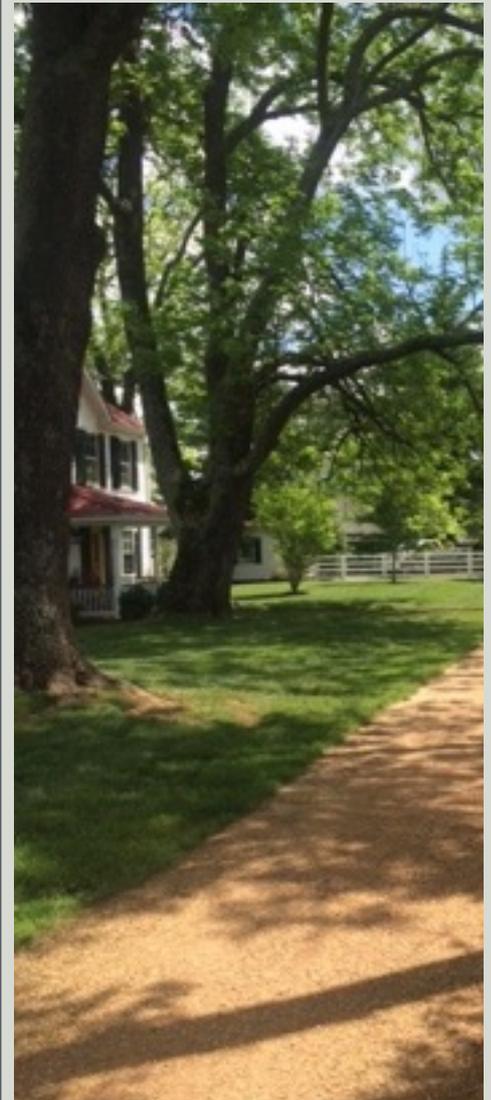
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Optional Wine Tour and Polo Match-King Family Vineyard 1:00-3:00

Optional Driving Tours South and North 3:00pm - departure

## Hotel Information

Check <https://www.sl113.org/wiki/Main/PUB-2017>



Please take note from the fact that taking part of this event will be at your own risk. Make sure that your insurance will cover you at all eventual risks. Do check if you are covered to get your car transported home in the event of a breakdown! (don't ask me how I know this).

## Useful sites

<http://www.kingfamilyvineyards.com>  
<http://www.veritaswines.com>  
<http://www.pollakvineyards.com>  
<https://www.monticello.org>  
<http://www.bluemountainbrewery.com>

The International Club for Mercedes-Benz 230 SL, 250 SL and 280 SL Roadsters based on the W113 platform.

This Group is established as a source of information relating to the Mercedes W113 cars and to help maintain, restore, exhibit, and promote the ownership and admiration of these cars among the international community of W113 enthusiasts.

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