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n July 20, Mike Newby led us on a thrilling ride through the Oregon wine country and nearby areas. Mike picked a great route. It was a beautiful and sometimes challenging drive, with plenty of curves to test our skills. (I have new respect for midengine Porsches.) The weather also cooperated. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. Indeed, there have already been multiple emails from participants lauding the drive!

As happens on most rides, due to stop signs, traffic, etc., cars got separated. But thanks to RWGPS, we knew that we would find our way until the group merged

again. Kudos to Dan Stockton who became a de facto leader of "Group 2." Dan's 944, an oldie but a goodie, was right behind my 2017 Porsche Panamera Turbo. We could not lose him. Heft him behind tractors, slow cars, whatever, sooner or later (usually sooner) he reappeared in my rear-view mirror, juggling Ride with GPS (a life saver that worked well), his stick shift, and occasionally also steering. He and I both need to invest in iPhone holders.

The drive ended with an enjoyable picnic lunch at Courthouse Square Park. Thanks also go to Warren Pease for sweeping.















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