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From the Driver's Seat

From Porschefest to Sommerfest

By Brian Powell, President

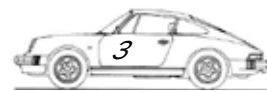


Many, many years ago Angela and I took the plunge and attended our first PCA event. The best I can remember, the year would have been 1998 and the event was Porschefest as it was known at that time. If I look hard enough, I think I may still have the event shirt stashed away somewhere. In the summer of 1997, I had purchased a 1983 911SC Targa and over the year has done some minor restoration work. I'd replaced a cracked dash, refinished the faded Fuchs rims and taken care of a number of other small items. The last item on the list was a repaint and I was planning to get it all done in time for the event. With that date in mind, I'd allotted 4 1/2 weeks for what had been estimated as a 3 week task, planning a 50% buffer. As the days passed, it became clear that I should have planned on 6 weeks instead. As I remember, just reinstalling the back glass on the Targa took 2 glass technicians 3 entire days to get it right. The car was finally ready on the Friday afternoon of Porschefest. We picked it up from the shop and drove straight to Southpark in Charlotte where the event was held that year. Once we registered, we turned for home. In my infinite wisdom, I'd registered for the concours. And while the exterior of the car was spotless from being freshly detailed at the body shop, everything else was covered with that fine dust that permeates every body shop known to man. Angela and I vacuumed, cleaned and polished the rest of the car on into the night. Not a small task considering, we also had a 11 yr old, a 6 yr old and a 4 yr old at the time. Saturday morning dawned and I got the car to the concours site while Angela stayed home. I couldn't tell you how I scored, I think I napped most of the morning. I do recall that with Mike Rich and his 83 SC black coupe along with Mike Jones and his 89 Carrera Anniversary edition holding the top spots, I could guarantee mine was pretty far down the list.

Saturday afternoon rolled around and Angela & I were scheduled for our first ever Gimmick Rally. Not knowing what to expect, we set off on the route planned by Chuck and Tina. You either love or hate gimmick rallies. For us, we had a blast. Driving

along the route, looking for clues, seeing the other participants on the route, some not getting out of 2nd gear, wondering if that car has stopped near a clue or just checking their directions. We were hooked. One encounter has stuck in my head though. We had pulled into a rally checkpoint, when the volunteer manning the checkpoint asked if we were the car that just came out of the paint shop the day before. Now how he knew that, or who told him, I have no idea. But that comment stuck with both of us. We were rookies at our first event, driving a 15 year old car, but we became part of the family at that moment. I don't think we even placed in the Gimmick Rally that year. But it became an annual activity that Angela and I made a point to enter for several more years. And we continue to do so when we get a chance. The Gimmick rally is our "must do" family activity at Parade, placing 3rd at Hershey, 1st in Charlotte and 3rd last year in Jay Peak.

We continued to go to Porschefest in those early years. As the kids aged, they became part of the scrub and shine team, helping me clean up the car for the concours. Give a 6 yr old girl a box of Q-tips and she'll go to town on a Fuchs rim. Start them early and those habits stick, show me another 20-something college girl who details her own car. Porschefest gave way to Sommerfest a few years ago when Porsche tightened up the use of the brand name. Its still a regional event and at its core its still the same. Its rookies, its veterans, its volunteers, its family, coming together for a weekend to enjoy our cars. This year, it will be at the Sheraton Imperial in Durham, NC on June 9th through the 11th. Adam Morrison and his team have a great event planned, including a tour of the Ingram Collection. There is a Gimmick Rally. But be careful, you might get hooked too.



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see area reports for more detailed information

Upstate

1st Monday of Month
Quaker Steak and Lube,
Greenville, SC

Triad

3rd Tuesday of month,
7:00pm River Ridge Tap
House 1480 River Ridge Road
Clemmons, NC

Triangle

4th Thursday of month 6:30pm
Nantucket Grill
5925 Farmington Rd
Durham NC

Hickory

2nd Tuesday of each month @ 6:30
Refer to monthly Area report for loca-
tion/details OR contact: hickory-ad@
carolinas-pca.com

Metrolina

3rd Wednesday of Month (or
check email updates)

Sand Hills

4th Tuesday of every Month
Rotating Meeting Location, refer to
Area Report for details

Recurring Cars and Coffees & Shine and Shows By Area:

Metrolina Area

3rd Sunday Monthly: 9AM to Noon, Foxcroft
East Shopping Center located at 7814
Fairview Road

Hickory Area

On hold until the spring. Keep your cars
warm though

Triangle Area

3rd Saturday Monthly: 8:30AM,
Panera Bread Patterson Place S/C 3603
Witherspoon Blvd Durham, NC 27707

Triad Area

2nd Saturday Monthly 9AM to 12PM
Winston-Salem Cars 'n' Coffee at Reynolda
Village. April to October.

3rd Saturday Monthly: 8am- 10am.
Greensboro Cars 'n' Coffee at UNC-
Greensboro. 550 Tate St., which is lot 7
behind the Weatherspoon Art Museum. Year
round.

Sandhills Area

3rd Saturday. Location varies

Upstate

4th Saturday Monthly: 8AM to 11AM, Mi-
chelin North America Headquarters
1 Parkway South & Pelham Road
Next to Marriott Hotel Intersection of Pel-
ham Road and The Parkway at Exit 54 of
I-85 in Greenville, SC.

New Members and Anniversary Memberships

The Carolinas Region would like to welcome new members and transferring members.
In addition, we would like to congratulate members celebrating anniversary member-
ships this month for five, ten, fifteen, twenty, thirty, or more years of PCA dedication.

New Members

Larry	Lane	Salem	SC
Mike	Swedick	Mooreville	NC
Kevin	Tollison	Simpsonville	SC
Robert	Mills	Cornelius	NC
Alcides	DaSilva	Rock Hill	SC
Adam	Williams	Charlotte	NC
Tom	Reedy	Pinehurst	NC
Gary	Marlar	Pinehurst	NC
Bradford	Cornell	Charlotte	NC
Robert	Dulskis	Charlotte	NC
Rick	Wiker	Williamston	SC
Arnold	Kosofsky	Charlotte	NC
Andrew	Panto	Waxhaw	NC
Jesse	Turley	Charlotte	NC
Gary	Grandon	Greensboro	NC
David	Gebhardt	Charlotte	NC
Brian	Sas	Simpsonville	SC
Wayne	Thomas	Lancaster	SC
James	Kang	Sanford	NC
Lake	Jr	Concord	NC
Holbrook	Smith	Fuquay Varina	NC
Bill	Walton	Charlotte	NC
Timothy	Danielson	Lenoir	NC
Mark	Grubich	Waxhaw	NC
Michael	Robinson	Greenville	SC
Stephen	Howard	Oak Ridge	NC



40 year anniversary

Killian	Michael	Cornelius	NC
Martin	Peggy	Cornelius	NC

20 year anniversary

Schneider	Erik	Huntersville	NC
Schneider	Samantha	CHARLOTTE	NC

15 year anniversary

Appleby	Dee	Leesville	SC
Moore	John	CHERAW	SC
Moore	Pal	CHERAW	SC
Oberer	Daniel	Charlotte	NC
Oberer	Lisa	Charlotte	NC
Scarborough	William	Leesville	SC

10 year anniversary

Christiansen	Gene	Matthews	NC
Christiansen	Anne	Matthews	NC
Simm	Stanley	Winston Salem	NC
Simm	Peggy	Winston Salem	NC

5 year anniversary

Angle	James	Delray Beach	FL
Babinski	Paul	Matthews	NC
Babinski	Bill	Matthews	NC
DiStefano	Frank	Statesville	NC
DiStefano	Karen	Statesville	NC
Harper	Charles	Conover	NC
Harper	Jo Ann	Conover	NC
Little	Samuel	Charlotte	NC
Little	Cheryl	Charlotte	NC
Merhar	John	Hickory	NC
Merhar	Mary	Hickory	NC
Reid	Mary	Augusta	GA
Reville	Julian	Augusta	GA
Rierner	Michael	Belmont	NC
Sikora	Michael	Waxhaw	NC
Stokes	Cynthia	Lexington	NC
Witthoeft	Trent	Charlotte	NC
Witthoeft	Heidi	Charlotte	NC



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2017 Calendar

See Area Reports for More Information

For additional information and events outside the Carolinas Region go to:
<http://www.pca.org/Calendar/PCACalendar.aspx>

April

- 21 Regional Tour One Porsche Drive / Porsche Experience Center
- 23 Autocross Event 1 Greensboro, NC
- 28-30 Exploring Blowing Rock Drive #2 -- Triad Area
- 29 Porsche TRAILS 2017 Uwharrie Forest

May

- 6-7 DE Event Atlanta Motorsports Park
- 5-7 Hurricane Region Brevard, NC, tour
- 30 Porsche Corral Charity Event @ ACH

June

- 3-4 Autocross Event 2 Greenville SC
- 3 Membership Appreciation Pinic -- Triad Area
- 9-11 SommerfestRegional Multi-event Sheraton Imperial Hotel
- 23-25 Roads and Rails Charity Drive -- Triad Area

July

- 9-15 Porsche Parade Spokane Wa
- 15 Autocross Event 3 Greensboro, NC

August

- 26 Autocross Event 4 Greenville, SC

September

- 9-10 DE Event at Carolina Motorsports Park
- 20-24 PCA Treffen Asheville, Grove Park Inn

October

- 14 Autocross Event 5 Greensboro, NC
- 14 Oktoberfest Event Triad Area

November

- 3-5 Fall Tour - The Ridges Resort
- 17-19 DE Event at VIRginia International Raceway

December

- 5 Triad Area Christmas Party

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ON THE COVER

This was taken at the Werks reunion. y far the cleanest engine I have ever seen. It was in a beautiful 944. I am sure it did well, but I drove my porsche back to South Carolina





Carolinas Region Tour

One Porsche Drive/Porsche Experience Center

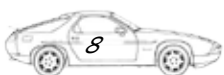
Friday, April 21st

Join us on Friday , April 21st for a special OPD tour arranged just for the Carolinas Region. We'll start by a tour of One Porsche Drive, Porsche's US headquarters located in Atlanta. We'll tour the Heritage Gallery containing a display of vehicles from the Porsche Museum in Stuttgart as well as a collection of vehicles from private owners. We'll see the Classic Car Workshop, where Porsche Certified experts service, repair and restore Porsche production cars. For those who chose, participants can experience a 15 minute session on the Driving Simulator Lab and get a sample of the handling track with hot laps driven by a Porsche Experience Center Driving Coach. Lunch will be provided, dining in Restaurant 356. After lunch, participants are free to remain at OPD or we will have an optional tour of the Delta Flight Museum, including their restored 1940 DC-3.

Event Registration fees: \$65/registrant for Tour, Lunch and event shirt. \$115/registrant for Tour, Driving Sim, Hot Laps, Lunch and event shirt.

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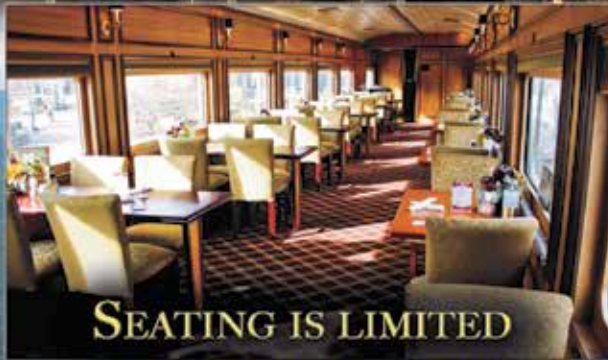
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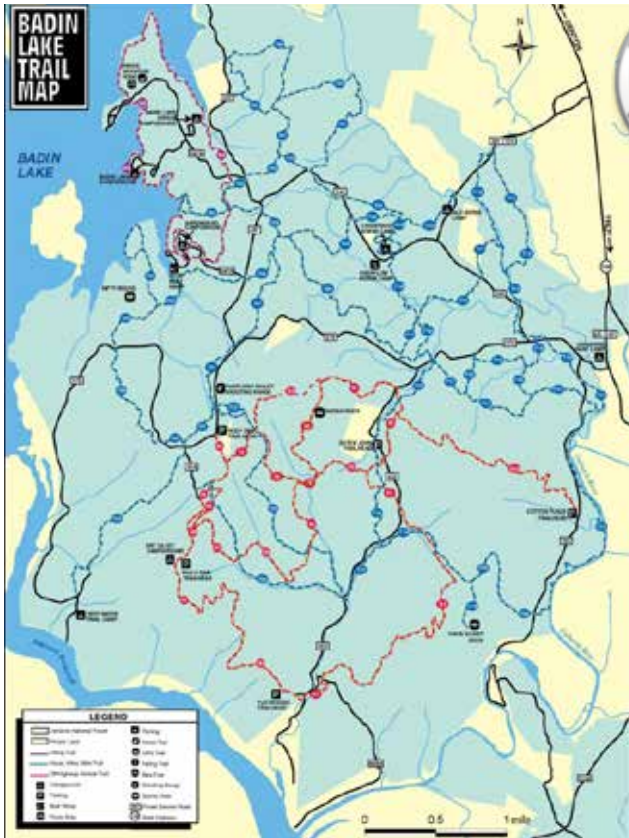
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Saturday April 29, 2017

Meet at Eldorado Outpost

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10:00am Purchase trail passes and boxed lunches

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11:30am lunch by Badin Lake

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*Course selected to suit Cayenne, Macan, 959 Rally Car, and Safari 911s.

** Instruction in ground guiding and obstacle negotiation provided. This event conforms to PCA National off-road guidelines.

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Weekends

Father Daughter Team

By Tommy Buckman



I just returned home with my daughter Cierra from another memorable Drivers Education event with the Carolina's Region of the PCA—where snow fell early this morning—which means this story begins and ends with me having now driven 110 mph in the snow.

My love for all things mechanical started because my family owned and operated a couple of auto parts stores and repair shops in Eastern North Carolina. Being a young teenager in the early '70s, when all of my dad's mechanics drove some sort of muscle cars, I naturally developed an interest in muscles cars too, I followed suit, owning a string Camaro's, starting with a 70 ½, a 68, a 77, and finally a 67. They were great in straight line, but not so great at turning and stopping.

My appreciation for all sports cars later showed up when I started my family, and the need to get out of a Minivan prompted me to buy a Triumph TR6. I loved the car, but eventually needed money for something, so I sold it off.

a short time later, the Porsche was ready to go. I actually met Doc's Garage at Carolina Motorsport Park to pick the car up, and a HPDE was in progress. I was fascinated, but unable to afford to participate at the time. With five children, it was beyond the means of my budget. However, I knew others that were running them—several families from my childhood neighborhood that had foreign cars.

One family, long time members of the Carolinas PCA, Pete Peters, and his sons Richie and Hal, had owned Porsche 911s, 944s, and a 968, and he ran HPDEs all the time. Hal was good friends with my youngest brother Drew. Drew has always been a diehard Mustang fan. Hal talked Drew into doing an HPDE at Roebeling Road, and Drew was hooked. He started modifying the Ford to keep pace with the Porsches and ended up with quite a formidable Mustang and track weapon. (I had since sold my Porsche, having never gotten to drive it on track. If only I had it now, I could sell it and pay off my house.) Drew invited me to do an HPDE at Roebeling Road, and I acquiesced. I was hooked. My



Later, I was riding by a Chevy dealership and saw a 1973 Porsche 911T complete with 2.3L Mechanical FI. It was parked on the back row waiting to be sold off. Granted, this was back in 1997, and air-cooled Porsches had not gone crazy in price. Several shops worked on the car, but couldn't make it run correctly. I was living in Dillon, South Carolina, around the year 2002, and had joined the PCA. An ad in the back of *Tobacco Roads* led me to Doc's Garage in Lexington, South Carolina, and thankfully,

wife loved the look of the BMW Z3s, and I used this knowledge to quickly find a 2000 M Roadster to drive and do HPDE's with. The M Roadster worked, except I blew the head gasket the first time I took it out at a HPDE at VIR with the Carolina's PCA. A long wait for Drew to come back and get me with his trailer scared me into thinking I really needed to have a dedicated track car and trailer. By that time, my budding family was getting older. My son and eldest daughter never expressed any interest



in driving fast cars, and never wanted to participate with me at the HPDEs. However, my third child (second daughter, Cierra) really loved the whole car experience.

Cierra had a great job at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore, Maryland, and asked me what to get. I figured a nice used Miata was the way to go. We found one at the right price down in Laurinburg, North Carolina, and I taught her to drive a stick with my M Roadster on our way to get the Miata. I shortly thereafter sold the M Roadster and bought a truck, but longed to get back to the track. Meanwhile, after fixing up the Miata, Cierra was involved in an accident and the Miata was totaled. Now having heard me talk about the HPDEs and wanting to participate, she decided to get an affordable sports car with plenty of power and a hard top—a car she could take on the track without having to deal with a roll bar, since it would also serve as her daily driver. We found a 2010 Nissan 370Z, and she immediately wanted to do an HPDE. She put all-weather tires on it for the Baltimore winters, and I found some better brake pads for the track, and off we went to meet at VIR for an HPDE with the Carolinas PCA.

Unfortunately, the brake pads and tires didn't mix, and the Clutch Slave Cylinder quit working, so we decided we had to have a better dedicated track car. She had the money and I had a colleague that was trying to sell his 2001 BMW M3. We decided to go for it. Our first event in the BMW was at Atlanta Motorsport Park with the Carolinas PCA. Cierra fell in love with the experience, and was now hooked. The BMW had plenty of power but understeered terribly. A worn out shifter caused Cierra to miss a shift and come to a stop on track, and then she accidentally threw it in reverse, earning her the title of one of the only people to back up on a track, nearly causing a collision.

Having made some great contacts with Cierra's Instructor, David Yeary (Porsche Cayman) and son Sean (similar BMW M3 to Cierra's) sold us some adjustable camber plates they weren't using. We bought a couple of rear rims to put on the front (to square it up) and ran across a deal on some Toyo Proxes RA1's, and off we went to our second HPDE at VIR with the slightly modified BMW. A fantastic experience with the Carolinas Region kept us going. We made arrangements after the winter to join them at their opening event at CMP in March.

Little did we know that the weather would turn bad after the first day. We were commuting from Gastonia to save on hotel and food, and woke up Sunday morning to snow falling heavily.

It took us an extra thirty minutes to make it to the track, so we missed the opening drivers' meeting. I went out first in Blue Solo to experience a great time driving in the snow on a wet track. I hit 110 mph on the back straight, but quickly slowed down as I learned to slide the BMW around the corners on the slick track. The brakes were getting mushy after having now done six HPDE events and a marathon of three back-to-back sessions the day before. During Sunday's second session for Cierra, her sharp-eyed instructor, Mark Jackson, saw the light pop up on the dash that the brake sensors had lit up. They came in and we made the decision to pack it in for the day, since I didn't want to try to change out the pads on the snow-covered ground. Both Cierra and I have come a long way in our driving skills, thanks to the patience of the Carolinas PCA club and their great instructors at the HPDEs. We both moved up after the session, with Cierra to drive in Blue and me in White at our next event. Time and money allowing, we will see many of our new friends and develop more interesting stories at the track while sharing some great father/daughter time.

By the way, Cierra wants to sell the Nissan and find a good, used Cayman she can track and drive daily. I might get a BMW out of the deal, and get to drive a Porsche on the track

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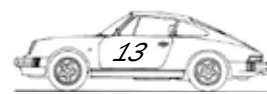
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Driver's Education:

Snow Day !!!

By: John Babinski



Our March 11th and 12th Drivers Education event at Carolina Motorsports Park in Kershaw, SC was a study in contrasts due to the crazy weather. When I looked at the extended forecast 10 days out from the event it said we'd have beautiful weather in the high 60's and low 70's. But the forecast showed a deteriorating situation the closer we got to the actual event and by the time the weekend started we were set to experience 3 seasons over 3 days. Summer on Friday, Spring on Saturday and Winter on Sunday. And that is exactly what we got.

For those who attended the Instructor School on Friday or simply showed up early at the track to unload and register, it felt like an early summer day with temperatures in the 70's and drivers arriving wearing shorts, T shirts and flip flops. After experiencing the hottest February ever recorded, it looked like we were off to the same thing in March. The hot weather had been fooling foliage into an early bloom and at one point the westerly breeze created a dust storm of swirling yellow/green pine tree pollen from the forest across Highway 521 that could be seen blowing across the infield. It was a harbinger of other things blowing around the infield later that weekend.

A quick bit of rain Friday night ushered in the start of a cold front that dropped temperatures into more spring-like 50's and 60's for



Saturday. Plenty of sunshine early provided participants a great day for being on track, but clouds started forming late afternoon and as the sun got blocked out temperatures started feeling a bit brisk. The forecast for incoming snow - particularly in the northern parts of the Carolinas Region - had the paddock area thinning out a bit earlier than usual, with some people packing up and leaving early to avoid possibly driving or trailering cars on bad roads.

Right as forecast, snow started falling at daybreak and was expected to continue until lunchtime. Temperatures were slightly above freezing, but the northerly breeze had snow flying sideways and made it feel much colder. A discussion with track management determined that with the warm weather all week they expected the track would simply stay wet as the snow

melted immediately upon hitting the asphalt. As long as it was just wet, we'd continue on schedule. And so we did. As the snow started covering the grass, we continued. As it started covering the buildings, we continued. As the snow started sticking to the tree limbs and cars, we continued. With headlights on and whiteout conditions at times, we drove through the vortex of falling snow. And then it was over and we were encased in a surreal picture of a track in

a winter wonderland. Having gone out on track at one point during the height of the snow, I can tell you it was one of my most memorable track experiences. Coming around the carousel and down the straight from T7 to T8 was a thing of beauty. The ground and corner stations were covered in snow, with more snow sticking to every tree limb lining the track. It gave a stunning contrast to the black ribbon of pavement I was driving. I wish I had my camera and could have stopped and taken a picture, but my thoughts immediately turned back to the task at hand - concentrating on proper and safe driving.

As the day went on, the remaining snow quickly started melting and by the time the event ended the snow was gone, leaving us with some very memorable track memories and the ability to start one of our driving tall tales with "Do you remember that time at CMP when it snowed"



Driver's Education:

DE Report and update

By: John Babinski



For some extra details about our March DE at CMP see the feature story "Snow Day". While the snow event on Sunday was the star of the weekend, we had lots of other activities during the event.

On Friday, Shane Tisdale our Chief Instructor, hosted the annual PCA National Instructor School. This school is open to candidates with at least 30 track days of experience. It requires a desire to give back to new drivers, good communications skills, proven driving skills, recommendations from past Instructors, and a positive attitude. We had 9 candidates sign up for this year's school and I'm pleased to announce that each of them successfully completed the classroom study and on track exercises, earning the right to be included in the PCA National Instructor pool.

Congratulations to the following new PCA Instructors:

Lorance Bumgarner	Arron Elsner	Karl Berg
Matthew Jackson	Jay McArdle	Mark Searls
Shaun Kopczynski	Gregory Miller	Holbrook Smith

We would not be able to complete the Instructor School without the help of current instructors acting as mentors and assisting with role playing during the on track exercises. Special thanks to **Amy Ambrose, Steve Barrier, Vince Braswell, Jim Buchanan, Carmine Dell Aquila, Colin Graidage, Don Morris, Marlin Onnen, and Jerry Widner** for their assistance.

Over the weekend we also had several participants who demonstrated proficiency in driving skills sufficient to advance into the next higher run group.

Congratulations to the following:

Rudi Bakker from Blue solo to White
Tommy Buchman from Blue solo to White
Cierra Buchman from Green to Blue
Bobby Cranford from Green to Blue

And finally we wish to welcome the following drivers who safely completed their first High Performance Drivers Education event with us in somewhat less than ideal conditions on Sunday. They were a dedicated group who stayed on track throughout the entire weekend to make the most of their first track weekend. We look forward to seeing you on track again to continue refining those driving skills.

Terry Almengual	Scott Anderson
Tony Brienza	Robert Bruker
George Denliker	Charles Green
Yvon Kan	John McKenzie
Curtis Stodghil	Adam Williams

Our next Drivers Education event is May 6-7, 2017 at Atlanta Motorsports Park (AMP) in Dawsonville, GA. We returned to that track last year after a several year hiatus. During our time

away the track continued their build out and made some major improvements with paving the paddock area, completing their karting track, installing a skid pad and "ice hill", and building a clubhouse with included tower, permanent bathrooms and classrooms. Overall, it is now a great facility with one of the most challenging tracks around. Road and Track even named it one of the Top 10 "Must Drive" tracks in the US due to the technical corners and significant elevation changes. Last year we held the event the first weekend in July. Due to unseasonably warm weather, it was just too hot and despite loads of positive comments regarding the track, participants requested we move the date.

We listened and were able to work with AMP track management to get an earlier date. Now we need your support to make this event a success.

Registration is currently open on clubregistration using this direct link. <https://clubregistration.net/events/signUp.cfm/event/8020>

We are scheduling just 4 run groups for this event so everyone can expect plenty of track time.

Thanks to everyone for a successful start to our DE season. Let's keep the momentum going.

See you at the track
John Babinski
DE Chair

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The Journey is the Reward:

Amelia Island Werks Reunion

By: Marvin Waters



I received the best Valentine's gift a man can receive on February 14 when I retrieved my mail. It was an envelope from "The Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance" accepting our 1986 944 Turbo at Cars and Coffee at the Concours! I make my plans to attend the Amelia every year and this year was set to be very special. Amelia Island means different things to different people. If you are reading this, I know you understand Amelia is the place to be each year for the second week in March



The Amelia, as the long 4-day weekend is becoming known, has grown into what many agree is second only to Pebble Beach in terms of stature and scope of offering. The main event is Bill Warner's Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance traditionally held on Sunday at the Amelia Island Ritz Carlton utilizing the 10th and 18th fairways. Warner's team also hosts the

Cars & Coffee at the Concours on the same fairways the day before. This year, in an unprecedented move, Bill Warner and his team moved the Concours to Saturday due to guaranteed inclement weather on Sunday. It would have been easy to cancel Cars & Coffee but Amelia has always been for and about the people. The Cars & Coffee event was simply moved to the 1st and 2nd fairways of the Ritz Carlton golf course and both shows came off without a hitch! By the way, Sunday was cold, rainy, windy and generally a day best spent indoors. In fact, by the time we made our way back to North Carolina late Saturday evening, snow was impending and we awoke to 2" of snow Sunday morning.



Plan your trip to Amelia Island and simply attend the Saturday Cars & Coffee and Sunday's Concours and you will enjoy two of the best days the collector automobile world has to offer. But you will miss an incredible opportunity as there is so much more on offer. Numerous auctions, other car shows, major factories with their newest offerings available for test drives, silent auctions, memorabilia on offer, dinners, book signings.... the list goes on and on.



The newest event for 2017 Amelia Island was the Amelia Motoring Film Exhibition presented by Guy Smith and his production company Vintage Auto Television. Noted collector and author Tom Cotter and Sports Car Market Founder Keith Martin, among others, enjoyed adult beverages, hors d'oeuvres followed by shrimp and grits before adjourning to the vintage Florida theatre to enjoy 3 incredible films. The films featured were Guy's very own "The Red Grifo", a documentary that recounts one family's love for the Iso Grifo, Adam Carolla's "The 24 Hr. War" which chronicled the FORD vs. FERRARI war in the 1960's. Also featured was "Climb Dancer" a very short but high octane film featuring Peugeot rally cars from the Gruppe B era. Thanks to Brad Phillips from Hagerty Insurance, the event was off to a great start as the "Hagerty Amelia or Bust Rally" participants rolled in to the parking lot. Plan to kick off your 2018 Amelia weekend with Guy Smith's Amelia Motoring Film Exhibition, you will be glad you did!



Porscheophiles were excited to learn in late 2016 that an East Coast version of the uber successful WERKS REUNION had been added to the schedule at Amelia Island. It was set to be held on Friday at the Omni Plantation on Amelia Island

and registration would open in March 2017. When the dust settled and the lovingly prepared Porsche's were placed on the show field by their owner's, past PCA President Manny Alban announced 671 Porsche's were registered for the East Coast version of WERKS Reunion! The Ingram Collection of Durham NC has supported the WERKS Reunion held each summer in Carmel and did not disappoint at Amelia Island. The Ingram Collection displayed their 1967 911R alongside their new 2016 911R both in identical livery. Stunning! Also on display was their 1984 911 SCRS in ROTHMAN'S livery, Porsche only made 20 of these Rally Cars and the Ingram's own 2, the other being an incredible 1500 original mile example.



Porsche Rally cars are enjoying a resurgence in popularity thanks to the Ingram's gracious sharing of their 911 SCRS and also in large part to Leh Keen and Jim Goodlet. Lee was a driver for Brumos Racing and was instrumental in delivering the 2011 IMSA Championship to Brumos, likely the last Championship ever for Brumos. The car built by Lee is known as the Safari 911 and has proved to be popular with all Porsche aficionado's and in fact one of Lee's Safari 911's was auctioned off for charity at last year's Luftgekühlt in California for a record \$275,000 with all proceeds donated to funding pancreatic cancer research.

Jim Goodlet has built a faithful recreation of the 911 SCRS based on a 1978 911 SC. Jim's Porsche is quickly becoming known as the "most photographed" Porsche in America! As you gazed around the show field at WERKS Reunion at 669 immaculate Porsche's, it quickly became apparent that Lee and Jim had a decidedly different approach to "concours prep" for WERKS. It looked as if both of their cars had been driven through every bog and field on the way to Amelia Island, they were completely covered in mud!! Ole!



Class awards were presented at WERKS and as the day drew to a close in perfect late March Florida sunshine, everyone agreed WERKS had been a tremendous success and word would spread through the Porsche community quickly. Make plans early to attend 2018 WERKS Reunion at Amelia Island. I know I will be

back in 2018 trying to improve on my 2nd Best in Class for front engine Porsche's!



Auctions are a large part of The Amelia experience. RM Sotheby's was based at the Ritz Carlton and lucky for Werks attendees, Gooding and Company set up shop directly across the street from the Omni Plantation, within walking distance! Many incredible Porsches were on offer but Gooding had the ultimate "piece de resistance" in the 1998 GT1 Strassenversion. The Strassenversion is a 1 of 20 homologated road going version of the GT1 Porsche won Le Mans within 1998! The GT1 hammered sold at \$5,665,000.



Historically significant Porsche racecars are the pinnacle of the marque and Gooding and RM did not disappoint. Top selling Porsches at Gooding included: 1977 Porsche 934/35 \$1,375,000, 1993 Porsche 964 Turbo S Leichtblau \$1,540,000, 2011 Porsche 997 GT3 RS 4.0 \$748,000 and the list goes on. All auction results are available at gooding.com and rmsotheby's.com.

It was now late Friday evening, which meant it was time to hustle over to the 10th and 18th

fairways of the Ritz Carlton and hopefully catch uncrowded views of Saturday's Concours participants whose owners wisely chose to park their prized possessions early to avoid the rush of Saturday morning. We were not disappointed. When Bill Warner announced late last year that his Concours would feature a class made up entirely of Brumos Racing Cars, I bought a ticket immediately and knew full well that I would be happy to simply view the Brumos Cars Class the entire day! Twelve Brumos Race Cars were carefully placed on the show field with signage describing the significance of each car. It was mesmerizing for any fan of Brumos over the years.



After spending a disproportionate amount of time digesting the Brumos Cars and realizing the sun was setting fast, we decided to explore the rest of the show field, knowing Saturday would be full of eager car aficionado's all vying for the same space around

the show cars. As we made our way to the 10th fairway we saw photographers running to a stage that was already completely surrounded by anyone on the fairway that had a camera. Based on the fury and commotion we decided there must be naked supermodels handing out \$100 bills and decided to investigate! When we could finally get close enough we realized we were looking at a 1995 McLaren F1LM in McLaren orange, 1 of 5 ever made and certainly a \$40-50m vehicle if one ever found its way to auction. Use any superlative you can imagine to describe this automobile and you still come up short.

It was then time for dinner at Peppers in old town Fernandina Beach and much storytelling about the day's activities!

Saturday arrived with slightly windy and cooler conditions on Amelia Island, perfect because we had a tremendous amount of ground to cover. First, back to the Brumos Cars to make sure what we had seen the night before was indeed real. Yep, there they were, only now Hurley Haywood, Dan Davis, Harris Snodgrass and Derek Bell were walking amongst the racecars.... just when we thought it couldn't get any better!!



Don Ahearn of PORSPORT always displays very tasty racecars from Porsche's glory days and Don did not disappoint this year. On display was the 1967 Porsche 911 of Porsche American Racing Team fame and it was stunning. Don's efforts restoring the P.A.R.T 911 paid off, winning the Amelia Award for Historically Significant Racecar.

This year the Jaguar D Type was featured in their own class at Amelia and deservedly so, they were placed on the other side of the pond and across the bridge that in years past has featured the Ferrari GTO and Ford GT 40 among others. It is hallowed ground for sure.

Bill Warner keeps his Concours fresh and vibrant by featuring not only the most highly desirable vehicles known to man but also very eclectic and fun classes as well. This year was no exception as MOVIE CARS had a class of their own. The Rolls Royce and Ferrari 275 GTB NART Spyder used in "The Thomas Crown Affair" were on display alongside the Ferrari 365 Daytona Spyder used in "The Gumball Rally". Possibly the best and certainly the most iconic car film ever made was Steve McQueen's "Le Mans", you guessed it, there it was- the Gulf Liveried 917 used in the film. The 917 now owned by Bruce McCaw of Tacoma Washington. Cars &



Coffee at The Concours was happening across Amelia Boulevard and it was now time to make our way over and check out the action. Place this event anywhere else in the country on Saturday and you could charge whatever you wanted for admission. At the Amelia it is a no charge event and the machinery on display is incredible. American muscle cars, Porsches, BMWs, stock, modified...you name it and it is on the fairway. Most cars on display are the pride and joy of local car clubs and many rival the show on the big field for level of preparation!



Porsche and McLaren were on hand in front of the Ritz Carlton with their new offerings. Simply sign up and go for a drive around Amelia Island in the newest Porsche or McLaren!



Automobiles are the reason The Amelia exists but people are the reason it thrives year to year. Every year brings together old friends, provides the opportunity to forge new friendships and really allows all attendees to be completely immersed in the world of collector automobiles. We always like to finish our Amelia trip at the Ritz Carlton with close friends, new and old, and a cold beverage and storytelling. This year was no exception and allowed the opportunity to catch up with old friend Gary Crist, retired attorney, Porsche pilot and renowned author. As we said our good byes, the message was the same. Same time, same place in 2018.





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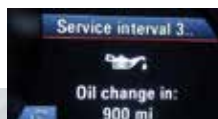
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Area Updates: April 2017

Triad Area By Jerry Kilcrease



Meeting: Third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM
River Ridge Tap House, Clemmons NC
Contact Jerry Kilcrease, Area Director
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The Triad Area held its first monthly meeting for the first time ever at Porsche of Greensboro's show room on Tuesday, March 21, 2017. We were pleased to have 57 members and guest attend our member and we were especially pleased to have quite a few PCA members in attendance that live in the Greensboro community as well as members from different locations within the Triad Area. After a short business meeting with announcements of past and upcoming events, we turned the meeting over to Steve Sudler, Director of Marketing for Foreign Cars Italia and Porsche of Greensboro. Steve was the host speaker for the evening and he gave the group a short presentation discussing details of the new 2017 Porsche 911 GT3 and he showed the group a factory video on the big TV monitor of the GT3 in action on the track. Steve also discussed some of the details of the new 2017 Panamera Sport Turismo. The 50/50 charity split the pot winner for the evening was Bobby Royal. Thanks to Porsche of Greensboro for hosting the meeting and for providing a delicious variety of deserts and

coffee. Please remember that we will rotate back to River Ridge Taphouse in Clemmons for the April 18th monthly meeting. Thanks to all for attending and we forward to seeing you again next month.



PAST TRIAD AREA HOSTED EVENTS:

Technical Session – held Saturday, February 25th, 2017 –

Sponsored by Porsche of Greensboro in their maintenance facility in Greensboro. Scott Owens, Porsche certified technician, did the instructing and he set up a couple of work stations demonstrating maintenance and car care operations. Members were treated to the opportunity to talk with the professional Porsche technicians and ask questions all during the tech sessions. Coffee and assorted pastries were available. We were pleased to have 25 PCA members and guest from all over the Carolinas Region join us as we all learned more about maintenance and how to take better care of our cars. Thanks again to Porsche of Greensboro, Scott Owens and the rest of the staff for hosting the tech session.

UP COMING TRIAD AREA HOSTED EVENT:

Explore Blowing Rock Drive – April 28th – 30th, 2017 – Rich Huskins & Bill Suite, Chairman – Please make plans to join other PCA members and experience an enjoyable weekend in Blowing



Rock. Rick and Bill have planned a fun drive leaving from Porsche of Greensboro on Friday morning, April 28th and caravanning the back roads up to Blowing Rock with lunch stop along the way. For complete registration information and details see the event flyer in

this edition of Tobacco Roads.

Porsche Corral/American Children's Home Car Show – Saturday, May 20th, 2017 –

We hope you will make plans to join us on May 20th as we partner with the American Children's Home in Lexington, NC for the 19th Annual Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show. Last year we had 22 Porsches on display for the People's Choice awards along with several new Porsches that were displayed by event sponsor, Porsche of Greensboro. This year, with your support, our goal is to have 30 Porsches on hand. This is one of our major charity events so please circle the date on your calendar and join us. For Details and Registration information see the flyer in this edition of Tobacco Roads.

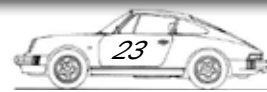
Membership Appreciation Picnic – Saturday, June 3rd, 2017

- This is the second year that Herbert and Kathy Boehm are chairing a picnic at the Greenstreet Mountain Resort Campground in Traphill, NC. There is no cost or registration fee and all PCA members and guests are invited. Complete details and registration information is included in the flyer in this edition of Tobacco Roads.

2017 Roads and Rails Charity Drive – June, 23rd-25th –

Registration is OPENED! Please join us for the 6th Annual Roads and Rails Charity Fundraiser this year as we will be riding on the Great Smokey Mountains Railroad leaving out of Bryson City, NC. Please see the event flyer is this edition of Tobacco Roads. To register and get all the details and event information go to www.clubregistration.net.

NEXT TRIAD AREA MEETING – TUESDAY, April 18th 2017 – Please come and join us for the April monthly meeting at our regular location River Ridge Taphouse located in Clemmons, NC. We start socializing around 6:30pm with our business meeting starting around 7:00pm. We will be holding our annual "Manager's Choice Award" at the meeting in April so be sure to wash up your Porsche and come out to the meeting. We will ask the Manager at River Ridge to roam the parking lot and select the Porsche of their choice and at the end of the meeting, the winner will be announced and presented an award. This is a fun event so be sure to circle the date on your calendar.





EXPLORE BLOWING ROCK DRIVE
APRIL 28TH, 29TH & 30TH, 2017
HOSTED BY: TRIAD AREA PCA

WHAT: Relaxing drive up to Blowing Rock. We plan to form a caravan and drive the back roads through the foothills (with stops along the way) ending up at host hotel in the afternoon. Saturday group drive to Little Switzerland and beyond with group dinner Saturday night in Blowing Rock and return on Sunday. Plenty of sightseeing, shopping opportunities and other surprises!!!!

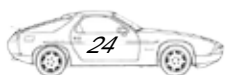
WHEN: Leave on Friday morning, April 28th from Porsche of Greensboro. Participants should arrive NLT 9:00am for check in and drivers meeting. Coffee and pastries will be provided. Departure at 10:00am sharp.



REGISTRATION: \$35.00 per car with all proceeds being donated to charity. To register mail your name(s), address, model Porsche, and cell number, email address along with check made payable to Carolinas PCA to Rick Huskins, 2333 Hickory Forest Drive, Asheboro, NC 27203. There is a 20 car maximum so get your registration in early. If you have two way radios bring them along.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Must make your own reservations. Event hotel is The Meadowbrook Inn in Blowing Rock. Telephone # 828-295-4300. Special club rate (mention Group Code: 70427N) is \$134.17/night for double occupancy or \$168.00/night for suite. Rates includes tax, complimentary breakfast, reserved parking area and car wash site. Each person is responsible for the cost of their meals.

QUESTIONS: Contact Event Co-Chairman Bill Suite at (wrsuite@gmail.com) or 276-730-4075; or Rick Huskins (huskinser@hotmail.com) or 330-329-1185.



Hickory Area By Michael Vittorria



Meeting: Second Tuesday each month at 6:30 PM
Refer to Monthly Area Report for Location/Detail
Contact Michael Vittorria, Area Director
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Our March meeting was hosted by Ken and Kelli Coffey, proprietors of the auto restoration shop BlackTop Studio in Morganton, NC. Following a light dinner, compliments of our hosts, Ken talked with the group about automotive finishes, their various types and what can be done to keep them in top condition. As an experienced auto painter (he estimates he has painted over 800 cars) Ken was able to provide some interesting insights about what constitutes a quality paint job and some of the challenges involved in restoring the finish on older Porsches.



poorly done paint jobs that Ken has been asked to correct. These represented a great opportunity to see first hand the importance of substrate preparation and/or paint application. Though some of our members were offered opportunities for some “hands on” experience in paint prep, most declined. I guess they were a bit wary of getting their hands dirty.

Many thanks to Ken and his associates for an interesting and informative evening.

~ Our Next Meeting ~

Drive and Dine: Asheville's Sierra Nevada Brewery
, Saturday, April 22, Porsche of Hickory, 1205 S. Center Street, Hickory, NC 28602 Plan to join us at 8:30 AM for a light breakfast provided by our host. Following a brief meeting and program, we will have a mandatory drivers meeting then depart at 10:00 AM for a scenic drive to Asheville, NC and lunch at the Brewery. This is a fun venue: good food, beautiful grounds, music, and, of course, good beer. Please plan to join us. NOTE: Though Sierra Nevada has a great lunch venue, they unfortunately do not take group reservations. Therefore, our event ends upon arrival at the Brewery and you will be on your own for lunch. For more information about the brewery and to schedule a tour of the facility, see: <http://www.sierranevada.com/blog/north-carolina-brewery>



As a compliment to Ken's comments, Andy Straw presented the group with a trivia quiz matching classic Porsche paint names with their respective colors. This proved tougher than expected! Surprisingly, most of the names really have no relationship to the paint colors they represent. Nonetheless several “winners” received prizes from Ken and his associates.

Later, Ken invited us into his shop where we had an opportunity to view several restoration projects in process. From the “ground up” restoration of a vintage Jaguar to creation of a “sleeper” 70's era Hemi powered station wagon, these were fun to see and highlighted the capabilities of Ken and his associates. The amount of work - from metal fabrication, mechanical repair, paint, etc. - and level of care that goes into these projects is truly amazing. We were also shown some examples of

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Triangle Area By Adam Morrison



Monthly Meeting: Fourth Thursday of Month
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We had an excellent group for Cars & Coffee. Which led directly into our dine & drive to Hillsborough BBQ. As usual there was plenty of lively conversation and good food & coffee. ☺



The dine and drive was a blast. Jim and Steve did a fantastic job designing the route, conducting the driver meeting and leading the drive. The scenery was amazing. Many remarked that they would like to see this same route again when the season changes and we have leaves on the trees. Thank you Jim & Steve.



Sommerfest 2017 is open for registration on www.clubregistration.net. Please register early. We are limited to 100 participants and you will not want to miss the Ingram Collection. The event begins with a reception Friday night and concludes with a shine & show Sunday morning at Porsche Southpoint. Saturday there will be plenty of activity with a tour of the Ingram

Collection, gimmick rally, wine tasting, and banquet dinner. We promise there will be plenty of excitement and entertainment. Register now, June 9-11.

Recurring Triangle Events:

1st Saturday: 9:00am every 1st Saturday @ Porsche Southpoint.
122 Kentington Dr, Durham, NC 27713. Sponsored by Porsche Southpoint.

Cars & Coffee: 8:30am every 3rd Saturday @ Panera Bread,
Patterson Place. 3603 Witherspoon Blvd Durham, NC 27707.

Dinner Meeting: 6:30pm every 4th Thursday @ Nantucket Grill,
5925 Farrington Rd Durham, NC 919-402-0077.

Future Events:

1st Saturday. April 1st at 9:00am.
Porsche Southpoint invites all Club members to join them for coffee, finger food & fellowship. They typically make a point of having a presentation you will not want to

miss.

Porsche Trails. April 29th @ 9:30am. Eldorado Outpost,
Uwharrie National Forest. 4021 NC Hwy 109N Eldorado, NC 27371. Not for the faint of heart.

Sommerfest, Jun 9-11.
Sheraton Imperial Hotel. 4700 Emperor Blvd Durham, NC 27703. 919-941-5050. Rooms are \$99/night. Limit 100 participants. Sign up at www.clubregistration.net. Join our MeetUp Group to keep up with future Triangle Area

events. <http://www.meetup.com/triangle-area-carolinas-region-pca/>

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Sandhills Area By Marty Barrett



Meeting: Fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM
Rotating Location - See report below
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Sandhills dinner meeting in March at Elliott's On Linden attracted thirty-eight members and guests. Roy Neal put the event together with Mark Elliott and it was one of our best dinner meetings of the year! Thank you guys!

Tom Vicenik, assisted by Porsche Gold Tech Andy Coons, explained to the group the functions and performance of Tom's '16 Panamera S e-hybrid...some very cool technology in a beautiful wrapper!

Our next dinner meeting is at Thyme & Place in So. Pines on March 28. Jason Hausler, service manager from Porsche Greensboro, will be our guest to explain the support systems and services provided to Porsche owners in Sandhills Area.

Six Sandhills members attended Werks Reunion and the Amelia Concours in March. As you have read, and seen, an over the top Porsche/PCA event! And, I saw a number of Porsche friends from other regions as far away as Texas. Marvin Water's 944 Turbo took second place in class in the judged group. In the paddock parking area we were welcoming Wayne & Shirley Ray and a beautiful 911R pulls up in the next open parking place! Nice company! Marvin Jennings, Marvin Waters and I were invited by Jay Howard to

attend the Gooding auction...it's difficult to describe the 100 stunning cars (at least 20 Porsches) in the auction! A GT1 street car, several very rare RS models, a 964 Turbo Lightweight, GT2RS, etc...and the money!

The Pinehurst Concours is May 6. Forty-six PCA members have registered for the PCA Fairway Club display...we have 64 PCA spots reserved until end of March...then it's first come first served. There will be paddock parking too at the Fair Barn. PCNA will have new vehicles and demo rides, and the Ingram's will have a large display too. There is also an informal Porsche & Corvette gathering on Friday from 4:00 - 7:00 PM.

Sandhills Spring beach tour on 25-27 March has been organized by Bill and Barbara Ainsley. We have 13 cars registered. Our first stop is lunch at Holden Beach where several Cape Fear

Area PCA folks will join us. Then on to Southport, Bald Head, Georgetown and Beaufort, SC.

Looking forward to Sommerfest! Do your Spring service stuff and enjoy the drive!

Marty



Metrolina Area by Laura Varney



Monthly Meeting: Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM, see report for location. Contact Laura Varney Area Director metrolina-ad@carolinas-pca.com

Our March meeting was held on the 15th at the Waldhorn German Restaurant in Pineville. We discussed a planned overnight ride to Asheville for April 29th, so anyone who is interested in attending please contact me and more details will be provided at that time since we are still working on accommodations. Our next meeting is tentatively schedule at Ilios Noche off of Providence Road pending that they are able to provide space for us during their busy Spring.

Our members enjoyed the 2nd Stuttgart Saturday at Hendrick Porsche that drew several cars for breakfast and coffee. This event is ongoing and will held monthly at the dealership. For those who live on the North side of town, we will be moving from Summit Coffee to the Port City Club for April, May and June. Port City is at 18665 Harborside Drive, Cornelius, NC. This is in addition to our regular monthly meetings in Charlotte.

Please do not forget to sign up for the April 21st Regional event at the OPD in Atlanta Georgia, where a tour lunch and other packages are available along with lodging arrangements.

For those who are interested in the Pinehurst Concours please be sure to check out the details at: www.pinehurstconcours.com or on the attached flyer.

We are looking for members to write stories of their Porsche experiences so if you are interested in sharing your story, please let me know. Our member David Mather and his son Matthew will be attending Treffen this year and will be writing an article about their adventure.



Upstate Area By Johnny Edwards



Meeting: First Monday of the month at 6:30 PM
Quaker Steak & Lube
10 Chrome Drive Greenville SC
Contact Johnny Edwards, Area Director
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Greetings from the Upstate! By the time this is published, the Upstate Area will have enjoyed Rounds 1 and 2 of the NCAA Men's Basketball March Madness! It will without question be an incredible weekend in Greenville and although this has nothing to do with Porsche, we are all looking forward to a great event in town.

Thanks to Robert Rainer for providing a great writeup on the Protech Chili Cook Off in February. He left the announcement of winners to me, so here goes. The winner of the best chili ever (OK, maybe the best chili of the night) went to Dennis Knight! Second place went to Shane Tisdale and third to Paul Lusekow. The winner for the best dessert was Mark Mulkey. Thanks again to Protech and everyone who attended (over 100 folks) for a wonderful evening.

Our "on again, off again, on again" March meeting was great! We had over 60 members attend at our local hangout, Quaker Steak & Lube. We welcomed one new member, Michael Robinson and enjoyed his Porsche history that went back to his much younger days. Congrats to Rick Ratchford for having his Boxster selected to be shown at the 20th Anniversary Display at Amelia Island. Randy Cockrill and Bill Green gave us a great report from the Rolex 24, including some good tips on camping out!

I forgot to mention at our March meeting that one of our members is looking for some assistance in rebuilding the 3.6

liter engine he has in his 1980 911. If anyone wants to help out a fellow member, please contact me.

Up next is the Porsche of Greenville Panamera Launch Party on March 20th from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Should be a fantastic event. For those who have not driven a Panamera, I encourage you to do so. I've had the privilege of driving a friend's Panamera 4S on the autobahn at 150 mph and also on the Nürburgring. It is truly a fantastic car that handles exceptionally well for a large sedan. Thanks to Porsche of Greenville for inviting the Upstate Members to the event.

That's about all from the Upstate. As I write this with temps in the 20s, we are all looking forward to Spring with more great Drive & Dines arranged by Robert and the start of the DE and autocross seasons.

Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Monday, April 3rd, 6:30 pm at Quaker Steak & Lube, Greenville.

Johnny



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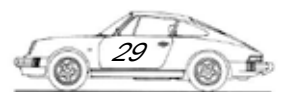
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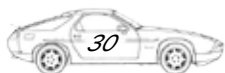
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