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Best of Times, Worst of times...

Story by John Babinski on page 11 about his first DE experience at CMP!

People's Choice Concours winners at the Annual BBQ and Pool Party on July 18!

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Parade in the Rockies!

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Calendar

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- Aug 3 Registration opens for October DE at Carolinas Motosports Park. Details at www.clubregistration.net and on the website, www.carolinas-pca.com
- Aug 8 (Saturday) Triad Area Annual Swap Meet sponsored by Speedwerks. Details page 17.
- Aug 14-16 (Friday-Sunday) Triangle Area Tail of the Dragon trip. Details and registration form on the website.
- Aug 22 (Saturday) Crown Point Drive for Carolinas Region. Details page 18.
- Sept 5 (Saturday) Cars and Coffee in Charlotte. Details page 13.
- Sept 12 (Saturday) Porsche Corral at the American Children's Home Annual Charity Car Show in Lexington, NC. Details page 14.
- Sept 13 (Sunday) Lowe's Motor Speedway Food Lion Autofair. Details page 9.
- Sept 20 (Sunday) Tentative date Autocross #3 in Charlotte. Details on page 13.
- Sept 25-26 (Friday-Saturday) Petite LeMans at Road Atlanta
- Oct 3-4 (Saturday-Sunday) **Carolinas Region Drivers Ed at Carolina Motorsports Park.**
- Oct 10 (Saturday) Triad Area Oktoberfest (details to follow)
- Oct 10 (Saturday) Change of the Leaves Concours and Benefit hosted by Crown Point. Details page 19.
- Oct 17 (Saturday) Euro Auto Festival at BMW Zentrum, Spartanburg, SC. Go to www.euroautofestival.com for more information.
- Oct 30-Nov 1 **The Carolinas Challenge Club Race with limited D.E.**
- Nov 7-8 (Saturday-Sunday) **Fall tour hosted by Hickory Area.** Details page 8.
- Nov 21-22 (Saturday-Sunday) **Carolinas Region Drivers Ed at VIR, Alton, VA.**
- Dec 5 (Saturday) **Carolinas Region Christmas Party hosted by Upstate Area.** Details to follow

Note: Calendar events in bold type earn points toward the Carolinas Region Enthusiast of the Year Award.

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AREA Meetings:

Hickory Area

Second Tuesday of the month at 6:30
Flat Rock Grille, 1350 Hwy 321 NW Hickory, NC 828-324-7339
Contact Vincent or Vallie Piccirelli, Area Co-Directors



Hickory Area Co-Director
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Metrolina Area

Third Thursday of the month at 7:00PM
The Waldhorn Restaurant, 12101 Lancaster Highway, Pineville, NC
(Lancaster Hwy 521 (aka South Blvd,) south of Hwy 51)
Phone 704-540-7047
Contact Steven Zakely, Area Director



Hickory Area Co-Director
Vallie Piccirelli
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Mountain Area

First Saturday of the month at 11:00AM
Deal MotorCars, 621 Brevard Road, Asheville, NC
Contact Jim Peterson, Area Director



Metrolina Area Director
Steven Zakely
metrolina-ad@carolinas-pca.com
(704)293-0682

Sandhill Area (Pinehurst)

Meeting every odd month, example: July, September, November, etc.
Last Tuesday of the month at 6:30PM
The Italian Table, 136 Grant St. Seven Lakes, NC (910) 673-4725
Contact Marty Barrett, Area Director



Mountain Area Director
Jim Peterson
mountain-ad@carolinas-pca.com
(828) 654-6494

Sun Fun Area

Third Tuesday of the Month at 7:00PM
Carolina Wings in the Vista
600 Gervais St, Columbia, SC 29201 (803) 256-8844
Contact Rock Webb, Area Director



Sandhill Area Director
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Triad Area

Third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM
Big Shotz Tavern, 1480 River Ridge Road, Clemmons, NC
Contact Jerry Kilcrease, Area Director



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sunfun-ad@carolinas-pca.com
(803) 530-2864

Triangle Area

Second Saturday of the month at 8:30 AM
Manchesters Grill
2121 T.W. Alexander Drive, Morrisville, NC 27560
919.596.6000 or <http://manchestersgrill.com/>
Contact Martin Salas, Area Director



Triad Area Director
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(336) 476-3120

Upstate South Carolina Area

Third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM
Brick City Grille
215 Pelham Rd, Greenville, SC 29615
Contact Jim Horner, Area Director



Triangle Area Director
Martin Salas
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Upstate SC Area Director
Jim Horner
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New Members and Anniversary Memberships

The Carolinas Region would like to welcome new members and transfer in members. In addition, we would like to congratulate members celebrating anniversary memberships in the month of August for five, ten, fifteen, twenty, thirty, or more years of PCA dedication.

New Members:

George Eiben and Elizabeth Geller
2008 Cayman S

Curtis Price
1999 Boxster

Zack Ruffing
2005 997 S

Al and Lori Strochine
2009 Cayman

Mike and Drew Petty
1995 911

Mike Di Gregorio
1978 911 SC

Todd Robinson
1999 996

Ken and Janet Dennis
1986 911 Carrera

Tom Long
2007 997 GT3 Cup

Neill and Patty Rose
2001 Boxster

Charles Clements
1987 928 S4

Eddie Cifuentes
1971 911 T

Frankie Bellamy and Spiros Steiner
2001 Boxster

Jerry Vice
2009 Cayman

Michael Smith
2009 Cayman

Richard King
2000 911

John Linger
2008 Carrera S

Steve O'Reilly
1978 911 SC

Robert and Elizabeth Hay
1985 Carrera

Maurice Hull
2006 GT3 Cup

Rod and Debbie Schlieder
1989 Carrera

Joe Hayes
2003 996

Glenn and Lynn Davis
2006 Boxster

Steve Moss
1989 944

Rick and Shannon Brownfield
1970 911 E

Elizabeth Hobbs
2008 Boxster

5 Year Anniversaries:

Bill Berger
Mark Billman
Christy Bourne
Amy Chase
Elena Fouts
Steve Fouts
Don Hall
Andrea Moschetti
Mitch Moschetti
Patricia Mulligan
Mary Pagano
Stephen Pagano
Russ Schwalbert
Matt Smith
Donna Valdez

10 Year Anniversaries:

Mike Blair
Teresa Dearnley
Robert Falkner
Vincent Gallo
Joseph Glynn
Carol Newton

15 Year Anniversaries:

Frank Brunson
Daniel Diehl
Mike Masterson
Ed Zunich

20 Year Anniversaries:

Drew Smith

25 Year Anniversaries:

Kenneth Clayton
Kimberley Segal
Clarence Wilson

30 Year Anniversaries:

Raymond Sulecki

35 Year Anniversaries:

Andrew White

40 or More Years!

Bunny Craven (41)

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From the Driver's Seat - Harvey Yancey, President



Porsche Parade 2009: Tradition, Friends, Fun, Surprises and the Passing of an Era

Porsche Parade 2009 marked the fifth Porsche Parade that I have attended since joining PCA in 1995. Surprisingly it took 10 years before my first Parade in 2005. It just so happens that this was also the 50th Parade and since it was being held on the East Coast we all knew that it would be oversubscribed, and it was. I was somehow lucky enough to get in as an 'official' registrant. Many other local members were not so lucky but most decided to travel to the event anyway.

John Nelson, Bill Williams, Hal Michael, Tom Morgan and I (just to name a few) made the trek up Interstate 81 to Hershey PA. We ended up staying at a small motel in Hershey (think 1950's style) instead of the host hotel as it was completely booked. And though some were veterans of multiple Parades (John Nelson in particular) personally I really did not know what to expect.

The main event for all Parades, in my opinion, is the Concours d'Elegance. That is what most of us were there to see. However some of the most interesting action wasn't on the field of competition ... it was in the Concours prep area. I have grown to embrace the predominantly type 'A' personalities in this club but that week I saw some levels of obsessive compulsive disorder that would send a pharmaceutical rep into a tizzy.

I saw cars being rolled out of enclosed trailers in shrink wrap ... and yet there was still cleaning to do! Many cars had a specific set of wheels that were solely used to roll the car in and out of the trailer. The 'show' set of wheels went on at the end of the preparation process. Some people worked on their cars for 3 days before the Concours. It was fascinating and scary at the same time.

One of the more interesting features of the Hershey Parade was the Car Corral ran in parallel to the Concours. All like models were grouped together which was quite the sight. I think they had the largest collection of 964 RS America's ever in one spot.

Fast forward to Keystone ...

I had been through the Denver Airport a couple of times but had never had the opportunity to

spend any time there so I was really looking forward to the trip just to see the Rockies up close. Being there for Parade was just a big bonus. But first there was what has come to be known as 'The Drive'.

Bob Saville and I flew out to Parade together (on different airlines) and shared a rental car. The rental car agency shall go nameless to protect the culpable and the guilty. The nice women at the counter initially said 'Ford Focus' but then wrote 'Dodge Caliber' on the paperwork. It went downhill from there.

We Porsche folks tend to be a bit jaded when it comes to driving non-P-cars, but I personally try to keep an open mind when driving 'other' machinery. I should have gone with my first instinct in this situation.

Once we loaded everything into the car we noticed that everything was manual except the transmission. Manual windows, manual door locks, manual mirrors and no cruise control. It did have A/C luckily. I had no clue that you could order a car that way anymore.

The drive west from the airport through Denver was uneventful ... until we hit the first serious incline. And Colorado has some interesting inclines. The revs immediately went up to redline (well I am assuming it did based upon the noise emanating from under the hood since the car did not have a tach). We were doing 65MPH with the loud pedal to the floor and it would not budge any further. We both noticed that the tranny was not shifting and we thought the torque converter was broken. Bob thought we should turn around and get a different car before we got stranded. This went on for 15-20 minutes.

Then it dawned on me. I had driven a car that sounded like this before ... a Mini Cooper. I asked Bob to look in the owner's manual to see what transmission was in the car and my suspicions were confirmed ... it was a CVT transmission.

For those of you that are not familiar with CVT (Continuously Variable Transmission) it does not have traditional gears, rather it has a belt or chain that moves up and down the input and output shafts varying the drive ratio. While it looks interesting on paper the execution ... inhales vigorously.

Needless to say the entire drive was laced with sarcasm and the occasional obscenity (sorry mom!) about the car, about the company that

built it and the fact that we were being regularly passed by Prius's. And that was just the 1 1/2 hour drive to Keystone.

I won't go into the details of why I had to drive back to the airport the next morning and in turn experience that drive all over again but needless to say it was less entertaining without Bob making gestures at all of the passing hybrids.

Needless to say this started the week off right and while the rest of the week was equally entertaining it was much less frustrating.

Some of you may know that this year marks the end of an era for Parade in that it will no longer be run by the local Zone or Region but by PCA National. In my opinion this was inevitable and logical due to the success of Parade and its resulting increase in size and complexity. One of the biggest problems faced by the Parade Committees the past few years was the lack of continuity from Parade to Parade resulting in the proverbial reinvention of the wheel every year. This was simply not sustainable. So next year our National Parade Chair, Tom Brown, and the National Parade Staff will take over all aspects of planning and execution of the Parade in St. Charles.

That's it for this month. As always if you have any ideas, comments or feedback please feel free to contact me at president@carolinas-pca.com or (704) 906-0343.

Harvey



964 RS Americas on display at Parade Hershey
Photo by Harvey Yancey

Fall Tour at Brasstown Resort & Spa

6321 US Highway 76, Young Harris, GA 30582



This Fall tour will take us to the beautiful Brasstown Resort in Young Harris Georgia. We will meet at Biltmore Square Mall parking lot, in Asheville, NC. Registration: 8:45- 9:15AM * Driver’s Meeting: 9:15AM
Departure time: 9:30 AM sharp.

Lunch will be on your own, in the town of Highlands and we will regroup at 1:30PM at Bryson’s Food Store. A map & directions will be provided at registration, in Asheville.

Saturday, November 7th, 2009
4PM to 5PM—Resort Check-in
5 PM to 6 PM Cocktail Reception
7pm— 10 PM: Dinner & Dancing
w/Door Prizes

Sunday, November 8th, 2009
7am—12pm— Check out
7:30 AM - 12 PM Breakfast
12pm—Self-guided driving tour
Note: Helen GA, 26 miles away.
Maps available at Resort.

Note: Registration cost is \$128 per car, (2 people) and includes 2 drink tickets /person (beer or wine), Dinner, DJ & Dancing, Tour gifts and Door prizes. Cash bar also available 7 PM to 10 PM.

Accommodations at The Brasstown Golf Resort & Spa, at a special negotiated rate, are \$189 per room. Breakfast is included in your registration.
After you have paid your registration you will receive, by email, the code you will need in order to make your reservation. All room reservations must be made by calling 1-800-201-3205, not later than Oct. 7th. With this code you will automatically get the Porsche Club group rate. Note: Only 45 Rooms are available. You will need to register early as space is very limited and the resort is very popular. This place is beautiful; please visit their website at <http://www.brasstownvalley.com>.

For more information on this event and activities contact Vallie Piccirelli by email at: valliesgarden@aol.com.

Please send this form and check payable to the “Carolinās Region PCA” to:
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Name _____ Name (Co-Entrant) _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Address: City, State, Zip

Porsche Model _____, Year _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: (\$128 x # cars) \$ _____.

****Your application must be post marked no later than October 1st, 2009 ****

FOOD LION AUTOFAIR FALL 2009

It is time once again for our fall visit to Lowe's Motor Speedway to be part of the Food Lion Autofair. Park your Porsche on the grass inside Lowe's Motor Speedway and be a part of what is billed as the "World's Largest Car Show". Come out and enjoy the show free of charge. Each entry receives 1 car pass and 2 tickets for entry. (Children 12 and under are free when accompanied by an adult)

Trophies provided by the Speedway are awarded in 8 classes plus the Best of Show.

WHEN: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2009

WHERE: LOWE'S MOTOR SPEEDWAY CONCORD, NC

WHY: TO HAVE MORE PORSCHEs THERE THAN CORVETTES

Email your registration to Mike Jones, mljjones@ctc.net. Include Name, mailing address, telephone number (both home and cell), and year and type of Porsche.

We are only allowed 70 entries so please plan on coming to the show if you register. Future entries are based on our level of participation at each show.

Mike Rich & Mike Jones

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Password: cabriolet

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1) The Special Edition Boxster S, commemorating the 550 Spyder, was introduced in 2003, at the Geneva Auto Show.

- a. True
- b. False

2) PCA Club Racing celebrated its ten year anniversary in:

- a. 1998
- b. 2001
- c. 2004
- d. 2006

3) Which component is NOT a part of the Porsche Stability Management System (PSM)?

- a. Wheel speed sensors
- b. Steering wheel position sensor
- c. Roll velocity sensor
- d. Brake pressure sensor

4) The oldest continuously run annual PCA rally is held in/on

- a. Long Island
- b. Baltimore
- c. San Diego
- d. Boston

Answers on page 18

Looking for Model Experts!

Do you feel you are an expert on a particular Porsche model? Are you someone who has had an interesting club or Porsche related experience? Is there a certain aspect of club life that you know too much about? Would you enjoy writing a story for publication in Tobacco Roads?

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Best of Times, Worst of times.....

By John Babinski

In Charles Dickens classic novel "A Tale of Two Cities" he begins with these renowned words "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness.... we had everything before us, we had nothing before us,..." I started thinking about that quote while participating in my first DE weekend at CMP on Feb. 28 and March 1. The entire weekend was a study in complete contrasts on so many different levels.

It was the best of times... As members of the Upstate group began to roll into CMP on Friday afternoon it became obvious we were looking at a wet weekend. Plans had been made and expanded and our group ultimately wound up with 6 garage bays side by side that provided a relatively dry home base to run our operations. The camaraderie of this group and all the Carolina's region folks was fantastic. We kept each other's spirits up, we kept each other informed of track conditions, we kept each other well fed, and mostly we kept each other smiling! Much of this camaraderie occurred around the grill we had set up. It was used to cook burgers on Saturday for lunch but soon became a constantly burning fire pit we used to stay warm by tossing in a few more charcoal briquettes. It reminded me of a winter scene straight out of NYC - a bunch of bums standing around a burn barrel with outstretched arms trying to warm up their hands and joking around with each other by telling lies about how well they took a corner, the speed they held over the kink, or their ability to catch and pass that turbo. It really is all about the people.

It was the worst of times... Good golly that was nasty weather! Cold and rainy the entire weekend. Somehow it just didn't seem fair that after 2 plus years of drought conditions, the one weekend I really wanted to see dry conditions we got hit with 3 plus inches of rain, temperatures in the 30's and 40's, a chilling wind that cut right to the bone, and an impending snowstorm moving in Sunday afternoon! My car has been a fair weather cruiser ever since I got it. I can only remember getting caught in rain once. The thought of intentionally taking it out in the rain was unthinkable. So why is it that being out on the track with the windows wide open in freezing temperatures with rain coming down dripping water all inside the car some

how now feels so right and normal?? Did I get bit? Do I have the bug? Am I on that slippery slope??

It was the age of wisdom... I had fantastic instructors – Paula Kendrick was first up. I'm still not sure how she shoehorned me into the racing seat of her Miata for the initial drive around the track. More importantly, thank goodness no one had a video camera handy I ungracefully hoisted, twisted and cajoled myself out of her seat after the run. I was envisioning that video running nonstop on a continuous loop on a big screen TV at our next Upstate PCA meeting. Boy that would have been ugly! Anyway, Paula did a great job of making me feel comfortable as a first timer. In the car on the track while learning the brake points, turn ins, apexes and throttle points she always had that calm, comforting voice just talking nonchalantly into my left ear through the headset and giving me plenty of encouragement the entire time (turn in at the driveway, very nice, start braking at the #3 pole, very good, just a tap on the brake and then keep going, excellent!). Paula needed to get an early start home Sunday due to the impending snowstorm, so Gene Kendrick graciously agreed to substitute instruct me on my ride after lunch. He was able to give me a few pointers (relax a bit and quit fighting the car, wait just a little longer before reengaging the clutch after that braking downshift, take it all the way to the outside – outside – outside - outside) that really helped smooth out my style, improve my times, and give me more confidence in my Boxster's abilities. I felt fortunate to be able to get such great insights from two fantastic instructors.

It was the age of foolishness... Oh come on – what the heck was I even doing out there in that rain?? That was a weekend for sleeping in late, lounging around the house in sweatpants, and lying on the couch watching TV with the fireplace going full blast! As if to demonstrate the error of my ways and the foolishness of being on the track in such conditions, the Boxster let loose coming out of turn 8 during my second run in heavy rain. The back end went squirrely and it seemed like I used every bit of the pavement width to gain back control. Left, right, left, right and finally settling back to normal. It wasn't a spin, we weren't off the track, we were still moving forward, Paula was OK, I was OK,

the car was OK, nothing behind us, no yellow flag. Well then - let's keep on going!! Scary, exhilarating and confidence building all at the same time!! Over the weekend there were a number of cars that had similar or worse experiences on that corner with many not being as fortunate and winding up in the wide open mud field. That made me feel a little better about my one minor incident on the track.

We had everything before us... The next event just HAS to be a little dryer and warmer. That will give me a chance to test out the skills I've honed so well in these sloppy conditions. So let's see what I need to do before the next event. The hard top definitely comes off. No need to carry around that extra weight. Dump that blue tape I used for car numbers. It doesn't hold up well in the rain and those vinyl ones just look so much better. Might need to look into some of those fancy driving shoes people are wearing. And maybe upgrade the brake pads. Is it too soon to think about buying track tires? Let's see... What else.....

We had nothing before us... Are you telling me the next DE isn't until OCTOBER??? What am I supposed to do between now and then? That's like ... forever!!!!

PS. I have to give special thanks to my wife Martha. She was an absolute trooper spending the entire weekend at CMP with us. Through the rain and the cold - through being ignored while I talked with the guys - through putting up with 2 days without power due to snow once we got home, she was always there to support and encourage me. Thanks!



Photo by Martha Babinski

Hickory Area Report

Vincent & Vallie Piccirelli, Area Directors

July is half over and still so much going on! We had 29, in attendance, at the Flat Rock Grill.

Sadie & Jerry Kilcrease brought a well stocked goodie store with many new items. We had five 1st timers, which included John Forbes of Black Forrest racing.

We had a great time at Crown Point with 10 people from our group. Thanks to Scott Roberts for all the fun activities, food & desserts they provided. Please feel free to visit them again on August 22nd and definitely join us on October 10th for the Charity benefit tour and Concours at Crown Point.

Bryson, Kathy, Vallie and I did a trial run, of the Fall tour and were guests of the Brass-town Resort & Spa.

You must go to the website, <http://www.brasstownvalley.com/>. This place will spoil you for future events and is worth the difference of what we normally pay.

Thanks to Bryson for planning a great route.

It has lots of beautiful scenery and great roads, all the way.

This place will fill up fast, with room for only 45 cars, so be sure to get your paid registration & room reservations in early.

The Tour is set for November 7th and 8th and will leave from Asheville, further details on the registration form. Also, we are planning a group picture overlooking "Devils Courthouse" at 5460 ft elevation.

Our next meeting on August 11th at 6:30 will feature a slide show presentation, of the Porsche Museum, by one of our members who visited it 2 months ago.

Our meetings are held at Flat Rock Grille, 1340 US Highway 321 NW Hickory, NC 28601.



Photos provided by Vincent Piccirelli

Metrolina Area Report

Steven Zakely, Area Director

The Metrolina Area sponsored its first autocross of the year on June 21st. Yes, I admit it. I missed the deadline to submit an article for the July edition of Tobacco Roads. I believe my dog ate it. No, I'm getting confused; it wasn't the dog, my computer hard drive crashed. Talk about devastating, I'm still trying to patch things back together. Regardless of whether it was the dog or the computer, I can say without hesitation, that the autocross was a big success. We held it at the appropriately named Metrolina Tradeshow Expo. Before the driver's meeting, entrants were treated to a nice breakfast, provided by Hendrick Porsche of Charlotte. Thirty drivers showed up to test their skills and vie for the ultimate bragging rights of "fastest time of the day". Our illustrious Autocross Chairman, Walter Stone, won the title after only two runs, in a car that wasn't even his. I guess that's why Walter is the autocross chairman. The event went very smoothly; and everyone in attendance liked both the venue and the

track layout. The dimensions of the parking lot will give us a lot of flexibility in designing future events. Given the success of our first autocross we are feverishly working on sponsoring another autocross sometime in the fall.

Upcoming Events:

September 5th- Cars and Coffee at Panera Bread, Northlake Mall (9-11:00am). Get there early as parking fills up quickly.

September 13th- Lowes Motor Speedway Food Lion Autofair

September 20th (tentative date)- PCA Autocross sponsored by the Metrolina Area. Where: Metrolina Tradeshow Expo, 7100 Statesville Road, Charlotte NC 28269 Time: 9:00AM – 4:00PM

Events in the works:

- * New member orientation
- * Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre
- * Panamera unveiling event

Our meeting locations have been finalized. We have had a great response to our northern location at Hickory Tavern, off exit 18 on I-77. The food is good, the beer is cheap and the room is large enough to accommodate everyone comfortably. We even have the ability to run slideshows with their extensive audio/video equipment. As a reminder, due to our rotating schedule we will be meeting at the Waldhorn on August 20th and Hickory Tavern on September 17th. Hope to see everyone there!! Drive safely and enjoy the rest of the summer.



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Mountain Area Report

Jim Peterson, Area Director

The “in den Bergen” (in the Mountains) People’s Choice Concours event in Waynesville 7/24-26/09 is now history. 30+ Porsches were scheduled for the event. Thanks to Ron Becker for his efforts and support in scheduling and coordinating the event. The staff at the Waynesville Inn, Golf Resort and Spa was also instrumental in the planning and staging of the event. I hope you were able to attend and enjoy the event.

We have drive and dine events planned for our monthly meetings in August, September and October. These events have proven to be very popular with Club members. Please bring your spouse or significant other along for an enjoyable day. Great roads, good food and wonderful company are on the agenda:

August 1 monthly meeting – drive and dine in the Black Mountain and Old Fort areas. **9:30 am** start/meeting time at Deal MotorCars in Asheville. Mike McMahan will lead

Sun Fun Area Report

Rock Webb, Area Director

“Summertime and the living is easy”

CC Canada treated us to lunch and his neat car collection, which included 3 early Camaro’s, a 1965 Shelby Mustang, a 1963 Pontiac GTO, and various other Muscle Cars. His Porsche 934 IMSA racecar was being restored. Thanks for having us over CC.

Our next meeting is August 18 at the Dockside on Lake Murray, at 6:30 (1600 Marina Rd. Ballentine SC).

We are planning a trip to Prosperity in September!

the tour.

September 5 monthly meeting – drive and dine in the Hendersonville (Haus Heidelberg for lunch) and NC/SC escarpment area to include the drive up to Caesars Head State Park. Meet at Deal MotorCars in Asheville at 11 am. Glenn Young is our tour leader.

October 3 monthly meeting – drive and dine in the Marion, NC area. Pot luck lunch (stay tuned on what to bring.) Tour departs from Deal MotorCars in Asheville at 11 am. Broadus Brannon leads the way on this tour.

I welcome your ideas and initiative in planning our upcoming meetings. At present we are planning future tech sessions on high performance tires and also on auto paint and body issues for your Porsche. Please let me know if you have information on car collections, shops and/or museums that we can visit in the area. We are always on the look

Racing and Rambling

Short report: it was damn hot at VIR.

The PCA/VBC bunch had a hot time, Two trailer flats on the way up. Bill Eaddy lost his clutch, John Taylor sheared a CV joint, Jamie Farrell lost his brake lights, John Buhler, from Indiana, wrecked his car at the Oak Tree, I lost a headlight avoiding a spinning car (see picture) and running out in the boonies, a little bumpy!

Mike McMimmis, Mike Branning and Dick Lane had no problems and won their classes! And we will never race again when its 95 F without a cool shirt!

The rest of the Carolina crowd “did well” with many podium finishes. Steven and Doug Roach’s dad ran his first PCA race and

out for new tour routes and favorite lunch spots too. This is your club – let me know what you would like to see or do in our future monthly meetings. Don’t forget to take a look at the Calendar of events of the Carolinas Region as well.

Yes, the rumor is true – The Mountain Area will be hosting Porschefest 2010 in Asheville again next Memorial Day weekend! Upon reflection, we decided to give it another go and are currently forming our plans for this signature event for the Region. Our success with the 2009 event and plans for 2010 are entirely dependent on the ideas and efforts of volunteers. If you would like to be part of the planning and staging of Porschefest 2010, just let me know – we can use your assistance. More to come on Porschefest 2010.

I hope to see you at a future event.

was grinning ear to ear the last time I saw him.

Kathy and I are headed to Bonneville for speed week in August, I will keep you posted!

“KEEP YOUR HANDS ON THE WHEEL AND YOUR EYES UPON THE ROAD”

Rock

Photos provided by Rock Webb



Triad Area Report
Jerry Kilcrease, Area Director

The Triad Area's monthly meeting was held at Big Shotz Tavern in Clemmons on Tuesday, July 21st. We had 40 members and guest attend and we were all glad to see **Art** and **Randi Weiss**, who drove down from Lake James to join us. **Ron Reed** showed photographs on the overhead video projector of current PCA events for everyone to enjoy. **Charles** and **Emily Branch** were recognized for winning 1st place in their class (with their 997 white cabriolet) in the people's choice concours held at the Carolinas Region BBQ and Pool Party on July 18th in Spartanburg, SC. **Sadie** announced that the GIP (Girls in Porsches) would hold their next luncheon on August 6th and she also told us they had 11 members and guest at their last meeting. During the business meeting we discussed upcoming PCA events and the members were given a brief report on last week's Carolinas Region Board of Directors meeting. **Sadie** had the Goodie Store table available and several members shopped for PCA items. After the business meeting and dinner, most of us moved to the parking lot, visited and checked out the cars.



Past Events:

June 20th (Saturday)- Cruise to "Life at the Top" Luncheon, hosted by Club Ferdinand/Mast Farm Inn and Crown Point. The Triad Area had 8 cars (16 members and guest) travel

up from the parking lot at Big Shotz Tavern early on Saturday morning to Mast Farm Inn where we were treated with coffee, Danish rolls and bagels. There we met up with other Porsche enthusiasts and after a short rest, we all followed the leader up to Crown Point, taking the back road through the mountains to West Jefferson. When we arrived we were greeted by **Scott Roberts** and staff, then after everyone made it back from the restrooms, the folks at Crown Point served a great lunch along with an assortment of "to die for" desserts. Afterwards we all joined in on a "Porsche related" trivia game, putting contest, toss the golf balls, roll the golf balls, and everyone's favorite, the down the hill and back autocross event driving a golf cart. Afterwards, we all gathered for awards and a raffle, then we said our goodbyes and everyone headed home.

June 21st (Sunday)-Several Triad Area members traveled to Charlotte to participate in the Carolinas Region Autocross Series Event, hosted by the Metrolina Area. **Wayne Capwell**, **John Rutledge**, **Sadie** and **Jerry Kilcrease** drove in the event and while neither of us were class winners, we had a great time. **Steven Zakely**, Metrolina Area director, **Walter Stone**, Autocross Chairman, and all the other volunteers, did a great job. There were 29 cars entered and everyone had fun and are looking forward to the next autocross.



July 9th (Thursday)-GIP Meeting (Girls in Porsches)-(Write up by Sadie) - Our July meeting was held on July 9th at Bravos. First time attendees were **Delores Lassiter**, **Cindy Rutledge** and **Peg Simm**. Special guests were **Kate Hewitt**--**Jane Hewitt's** granddaughter and **Carolyn Clary**--**Diane White's** sister. It was also great to have **Diane White** back with us. **Emily Branch** won the "split the pot". After a delicious lunch, several of us hit the Shops at Friendly Center. It was great fellowship and just a little "buying." **Our next meeting is August 6 and is scheduled to be held at Cheerie's Cafe in Clemmons.** **Emily Branch** is in charge of this meeting. The meeting time for this luncheon is being changed to 11:00. Mark your calendar and come out and join us for food, fun and fellowship. (GIRLS ONLY) Contact **Sadie Kilcrease** for questions, etc @ sadiek@triad.rr.com



July 18th (Saturday)—Carolinas Region Hawaiian BBQ and Pool Party in Spartanburg, SC—Several of the Triad Area members (Charles and Emily Branch, Ron and Tanya Reed and Jerry and Sadie Kilcrease) decided to drive down and join in on the fun. It was a great event, most folks wore Hawaiian style attire, enjoyed the nice sunny day checking all of the Porsches staged in the people's choice concours, and topped the day off with a great BBQ dinner. When the ballots were counted, Charles and Emily's 997 White Cabriolet took first place in their class and they picked up a nice trophy. There were about 40 cars staged in Gene and Paula's backyard so those that were not by the pool, spent time looking over the cars. Sadie set up the Goodie Store so that the Upstate Area members and other attendees could stock up on their choice of Carolina Region/PCA caps, shirts and tee shirts. It was a fun time, Gene and Paula Kendrick were excellent hosts and the event was a huge success.



Triad Area Events Agenda for 2009:

August 8th (Saturday) – Triad Area Annual Swap Meet – Hosted by Speedwerks - located at 6 N. Robbins Road in Thomasville-Swap meet starts at 8:00 until 2:00pm. Contact Wayne Overman, chairman (wayne.overman@alltel.com) to get space assignment and details or contact Jerry Kilcrease at jkilcrease@triad.rr.com or call at 336-476-3120. As an added treat, Speedwerks will have some exotic Porsche Race Cars on site for participants to check out. Be sure to gather up your Porsche parts and accessories that have been lying around and bring them to our annual Speedwerks Swap Meet. Sadie will also be there with the Carolinas Region Goodie Store so be sure and come join us.

September 12th (Saturday) – Porsche Corral at the American Children's Home Annual Charity Car Show in Lexington, NC- This will be the Triad Area's major charity event for the year. All entry fees will be donated to the American Children's Home and the Carolinas Region will match it (up to \$500) so

please make plans to shine up your Porsche and come by and join us for this very worthy cause. There will be food and other activities and trophies will be awarded. SpeedWerks of Thomasville will be bringing several special 'Marquis' Porsches that will take center stage in the corral. Registration form with event details is located on page 14.

October 10th (Saturday)-Oktoberfest at Foreign Cars Italia in Greensboro- This annual event is hosted by Foreign Cars and they will provide a free German style lunch to all PCA members. The Triad Area will host an autox along with a "shine and show" event, along with other activities. Details will be coming later.

December (TBD)-Triad Area Christmas Party – The annual Triad Area's Christmas Party will held in early December. Location and details will be coming later.

NEXT TRIAD AREA MONTHLY MEETING: TUESDAY, August 18th, AT BIG SHOTZ TAVERN LOCATED IN CLEMMONS, NC.

Please come out and meet your fellow Porsche enthusiasts at our next monthly meeting. The meeting starts at 7:00pm. Here are directions to Big Shotz: If you are heading West on I-40, take Hwy #421 exit; then take the Lewisville-Clemmons Road exit; at the top of the ramp, take a left back across Hwy 421; at second light take a right onto Styers Ferry Road and Big Shotz Tavern in on the right just behind Rite Aid Drug Store.

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Triangle Area Report
Martin Salas, Area Director

Our monthly meeting was cancelled due to the Chateau Morrisette Blues and Wine festival drive. Two other drivers had registered but cancelled at the last minute. So, my wife and I went alone to this event. I had planned a new route through some Carolina back roads that turned out to be great. As in previous years, we took an early departure to arrive at the Chateau at lunchtime. The weather was great. Some storms around the area cooled down the day, which made for a great afternoon. While the Triangle area was in the low 90's we were having lunch and listening to music in the low 70's. In addition to the food vendors, there were also some arts and crafts from the local artists. By 2PM the place was packed and people was still arriving at 3PM when we decided to depart. It really is a popular event for the area and we will definitely come back again next year. Great music, great food, great weather, great drive... it is a shame no one else in the Triangle area enjoyed it.

Our Tail of the Dragon run in August seems to also lack some participation from the group. Only seven cars have registered and only a couple from the Triangle area. This

event will take place regardless of the number of people participating. In addition to being the same as last year's, I have planned a couple of surprises for Saturday evening and Sunday morning on the way back. If you decide at the last minute to come to this event, send me an e-mail.

Some people in the group are already planning for Drivers Ed events in October at CMP and November at VIR. For those of you who would like to know more about Driver's ED, send me an e-mail or come to one of our monthly meetings. DE's are a lot more fun in a group when sharing the experiences.

For September, we may either have a drive to the Beach or a BBQ Run. We have done both in the past and have some routes so we will discuss these options at our August meeting.

The group that gathers at the Wake Zone decided that it is best to move our monthly meetings to another place and keep the Wake Zone more of a social gathering. Thus, we are going back to our old meeting time and location. The club meetings will take place the second Thursday of the month (the next one on August 13, 2009) and the location will be:

Manchesters Grill
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Upstate Area Report

Jim Horner, Area Director

There were a lot of big events to talk about at our July meeting! First and foremost, we all thank **Gene, Paula and Katie Kendrick** for continuing their wonderful tradition of opening their beautiful home and garden to our Regional Hawaiian BBQ and Swim Party on July 18. About 130 of us enjoyed a perfect summer day, with great weather, music, food and people! Many folks brought yummy desserts and snacks to share, which were appreciated by all.

Another big “thank you” goes to **George Nolder**, who did his usual fantastic job of running the People’s Choice Concourse, with these winners:

Group A: '99-'07- all 911's including GT3s and Turbos

1st – Charles Branch

2nd – Paul Lueskow

Group B: '65-'98 – all 911s, 912s

1st – Paul Dengler

2nd – Paul Hunt

Group C: Boxsters and Caymans

1st – Tim Ziegenfus

2nd – Alex Galloway

Group D: 356s, 914s, 924s, 928s, 944, 968 and Cayennes

1st – Jim Phillips

2nd – John Budinich

An unexpected highlight was a track simulator created by **Dr Robert Rainer** of Spartanburg, which was installed in the Kendrick's track trailer for all to enjoy. This sophisticated

set-up would have been challenging enough under normal conditions, but with the addition of the adult beverages of the day, it was more than most could master. A big, queasy “thank you” to **Dr. Robert Rainer!**

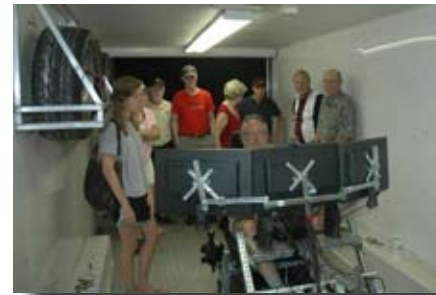
Thanks also to **John** and Martha Babinski for staffing the check-in table and collecting funds. And to **Sadie Kilcrease** for bringing her Goodie Store on the road to our event.

The evening came to a close with a borrowed camera and some creative photography late at night that showcased some interesting moonlit activities. Here's betting that **Hang To** doesn't leave her camera behind ever again! It was a beautiful, relaxing day to catch up with old friends and make new ones, and enjoy some special cars and fun music. Another wonderful summer party with the **Kendricks!**

Alex Galloway shared stories from his trip to Colorado for the 2009 Porsche Parade that he attended with **Gale Galloway** and **Marc Mulkey**. Despite some technical difficulties with both Boxsters, the trip sounded like a great success. And we all got to see photos of the beautiful scenery, events and special cars they enjoyed out west. They are already planning on next summer's Parade near Chicago.

In the first seven meetings of this year, generous raffle ticket purchases by our members have raised \$690 toward our end-of-year charitable donation. We're a bit behind where we were at this time last year, but who isn't in this down economy? Many

thanks to those who donate items to include in the raffle, and to those who continue to buy tickets even though they have WAY too many garage posters at home. It's all for a good cause!



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24 Hours of LeMons by Andy Shoun

I'm not sure where the idea to enter the race came from. I'd heard Shane Tisdale's tales of adventure last summer at a PCA club meeting. I'd never raced before, but the idea of endurance racing a bunch of junker cars had immediate appeal. It is the same appeal of a demolition derby or building a raft and sailing down the Mississippi. Drop the pretentious crap, clean uniforms and CNC machined engine parts. Go racing like you did when you were a kid on top of a red Western Flyer wagon down the steepest hill in the neighborhood.

The first step was to find some like minded persons with the time and cash to make the dream come true. Ken was easily recruited. He loves underdog cars and had extensive race driving experience. Bob was recruited because of his talents as a welder and he had a nice shop space to work on the car. When asked to help, Bob replied, "I've always wanted to build a roll cage." Why? We're still not sure why. Ken's wife, daughter and vintage racing friend from Florida filled out our driving team. I provided the car. A gold '95 Saturn SL 4 door sedan. 100hp single overhead cam motor and 5 sp manual transmission. Actually, I first had to repossess the car from my son at Georgia Tech. He asked if he could get the car back after the race. I told him that there was a good chance the car would not survive. Also, it would be a two seater and would not have side windows. Adam's response? "Cool, it will have street cred."

We applied to enter the race and amazingly, we were accepted. The car was retrieved from Atlanta and we had a great day pulling the interior out of the car. It may have been the most fun I've ever had "working" on a car. At the end of the day I had a pile of seats, headliner, carpet and door panels to dispose of and almost \$4 in recovered nickels, quarters and dimes.

The team of three (Bob, Andy and Ken) spent the next 6 weeks making simple car repairs and learning how to build a cage. A brake line and torque brace were replaced, the springs were shortened and the air conditioner removed. Additional radiator venting was added. Read this as "a big hole was cut into the plastic and foam bumper." The roll

cage fabrication was probably the slowest on record. One day of planning. Two days to bend the main hoop and the two forward legs and two more days to cut, grind and weld them in place. During the roll cage installation I'll never forget when Bob said "Oops!" The hole saw in his hand had pierced the floor pan. That was good. But then it had wrapped two fuel lines and a brake line around the bit. That was bad. The fuel lines had a warning printed on the outside "Fuel Line Do Not Repair". Hmmm, I'm sure the warning was meant for other less mechanically sophisticated types, so a little patching and we were back in business.

I worried a lot those last few weekends. I know it does not sound like much; fabricate and weld in a cage, mount a race seat and harness, kill switch, window net, reposition radiator, remove catalytic converter, increase camber and reset toe, install fire extinguisher, flush radiator, decorate car.... We managed it and the results looked great! The car was an oil burning heap of crap, but it had the appropriate safety equipment and it looked like a race car! Woo whooo!

The car was driven to Carolina Motorsports Park for a day of pre-race shakedown. I got some looks from the other teams. I don't know of any other teams that drove their race car to the track. 8AM driver's meeting. At the driver's meeting I'm used to hearing instructions about passing zones, required signals and other rules. Because two other groups were using the track that day I heard those rules repeated that morning. However when they started talking to the Lemons drivers the chief instructor said things like, "and you Lemons guys do whatever you do." I didn't know what that meant, but it really foretold what was to follow for the weekend. Rules were few and often ignored.

Each driver on our team got a 20 minute practice session. It was my first time on the track without an instructor. I used the Saturn like my 944; try to drive the "line" and let the engine run as fast as it will go. I spent the whole time in 2nd and 3rd gear. Ken took the car out next and came back saying that he had used 3rd and 4th gear. He never ran the engine over 4500 RPM (5500 red line). The difference was that I was doing everything I could to go fast, but Ken knew instinctively where the best line was on the track. He knew how to carry the most

speed through the corner. He also planned on finishing the race. First lesson learned; be smooth, take care of the car and remember this is an endurance race.

Friday afternoon we passed the technical inspection without trouble. At Lemons races there is an additional BS inspection. This second inspection penalizes teams that spend more than \$500 on their cars. The two judges are dressed in black robes and white powdered wigs. They each carry a gavel and their decisions may be questioned, but are always final. Frontier justice is the rule, and the judges are the law. We were deemed to have an appropriately cheap car, but the judges were feeling bored and they decided to give us 2 penalty laps (don't know why). Then they impounded our car for not having enough "theme". We were ordered to cut the rear trunk decklid and make a spoiler from a flap of metal. We got a drill and borrowed a sawzall. A little bit of cutting and some bent metal and we had a spoiler. Off we went back to the paddock to get ready for the next day. We bolted on new tires, changed the brake pads, checked oil, coolant, brake fluid and went out to dinner.

Saturday morning, a last minute drive revealed that the brakes were spongy. Ken wanted to adjust the rear shoes and accidentally locked a drum in place. It was a little frantic as we worked to get the repairs completed before the start of the race. A last minute brake bleed got us on the track for the start of the race.

Race time! It was an incredible experience to drive on a track with other cars, jockey for position, go through turns side by side, stab the brakes and have the cabin fill with smoke. Emotions on the track go from terror in the face of an impending crash to elation when passing a similarly fast (or in our case slow) car. I know it is not a unique experience. Lots of people have raced cars, karts and motorcycles. Still, it was a joy to experience. I felt safe inside my cocoon of steel, padding and nomex. I'll never forget being sandwiched in the middle of over six cars going through turns in a poorly choreographed dance of crap can machines.

I learned another lesson on race day; don't get penalties. We ended up coming in for penalties 3 times on Saturday and once again on Sunday. No amount of expert driving

can make up for 60 minutes off track. The penalties are handed out by the same judges we encountered at the BS inspection. Having to sit out and not be on the track might seem like penalty enough. Nope! The Judges make the penalties more interesting. Things like duct taping two drivers together and sending them off on a three legged race to the snack bar to bring back lunch and drinks for the staff. Having a team write 100 times, "Cars are meant to be driven safely" on the hood, roof and fenders of their car. When a large group of cars came into the penalty area the judges improvised and led the group on a little parade around the paddock. A judge led the parade as he rode along on the open rear gate of a station wagon. The drivers paraded along behind. Every time the judge lifted his gavel the drivers would shout "We're bad drivers!" Some cars had steel cutouts of barnyard animals welded to the roof of their car after an offense. Penalties cost you time, but at least they had fun with it.

The net result was the car finished without mechanical troubles. Our final place was 26th. We had 4 stops for penalties and unintended off track excursions. We covered over 500 miles. Burned over 30 gallons of fuel. Chewed up a set tires. Casualties were two holes in the right rear door, the driver's side rear view mirror and a wrinkling of the left front fender.

The Lemons race is the lighter side of racing where the experience is more valued than winning. Really, winning just means you drove a relatively fast piece of junk with fewer collisions than the other guy. Going with a plan to win is not necessary. The reason to go is to experience the BS inspection, crazy penalties and paddock camaraderie that are parts of the race. Friday night I watched two guys set the camber on a rusted out Pinto with a wrench and hammer. They measured their success by cocking their head to one side and saying, "That looks about right." Some students from Georgia Tech showed up with a purple Honda civic. Standing up in the back of the car was a second motor attached to a giant fan, plumbing and skirts under the car to create downforce. They were dressed in brown monk's robes and spoke pigeon Italian. There was a team of lederhosen wearing Germans who provided bratwurst and beer Sat night. What about a Mazda Miata made up like an SR71 Blackbird complete with wings and fake turbine engines! A rotted out

Alfa Romeo dressed with leopard skin bra and panties. An old Galaxy 500 convertible just barely managing to get around the track. Smaller cars buzzing along behind it, looking for way around without getting squashed. Part auto race and part Mardi Gras.

It was a great weekend. I could almost be talked into doing it again. If only I had a car with a little more power, some sticker tires and maybe we could get the weight down if we removed....



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Tips from the Werhshoppe: Boxsters

Years ago 944's were the popular street car and we learned some important lessons that we have begun to apply to the Boxsters, the "new" popular street car. When 944's were "the car", factory technicians recommended changing the timing belt when the car hit 50,000 miles. The problem with that was that many timing belts did not last that long and a broken timing belt meant that major engine repairs were required, costing 10 times the cost of replacing the timing belt before it broke. Lesson learned: replace the belt at 40,000 miles!

How do we translate this lesson to Boxsters? We have learned ways to solve problems with today's Boxsters and avoid unnecessary high-cost repairs. These solutions include preventing potential high-dollar problems, waiting until a particular problem really needs to be addressed before doing so and even repairing engines that "they say" cannot be repaired. Interested? Keep reading...

Lesson 1: Replace the oil separator canister on the back of the engine before it breaks. This is a weakness that has not been highly publicized and has caught many Boxster owners unawares and resulted in their paying a big price that could have been avoided. Here's what you need to know. When an oil separator canister wears out it sucks all the oil from the engine and dumps it into the manifold on top of the pistons, damaging the engine beyond repair. The cost to replace the engine? Approximately \$9,000 for a used engine or close to \$15,000 for a new one. The cost of replacing the oil separator canister? \$300 – 400, you do the math. Lesson learned: **We are recommending that Boxster owners replace their oil separator every 30,000 miles as a preventative measure.**

Lesson 2: Another common problem on Boxsters is oil seeping from the rear main engine seal. Here's what you need to know... there is a difference between a seeping and a leaking rear main seal. I like to compare it to the human body. Just walking around at a normal pace you don't sweat. But if you run a sprint, you will sweat (seep). This is normal and nothing to be concerned about. Your car will seep if you run it hard. A seeping main seal is not a problem until it progresses to the stage of leaking. ("Oozing and occasional

drips" versus "a continuing drip"). Lesson learned: **When it begins leaking: then it needs attention, replace the rear main seal.**

Lesson 3: Boxster engines, and 996's as well, have shown a tendency to break valve springs. (Not a good thing and unfortunately there is no cheap way to prevent this problem.) However there is a less expensive way to fix this problem that we've developed at Black Forest Racing USA (BFR) and successfully implemented. First, here's what happens when a valve spring breaks: the intake valve drops into the piston and causes major damage. When this happens dealership technicians are only authorized to replace the entire engine and cannot repair it. The cost for replacement on a 996 can be as high as \$20,000. Here's what you need to know... this usually happens on a low mileage engine that has a lot of life left in it. At BFR we have successfully repaired these engines for less

than half the replacement cost and our customers have been thrilled. Lesson learned: **Look for workable alternatives to replacement and save money.** One more comment, if your Boxster or 996 is a high mileage car that you love and the valve springs have not broken; it might be worth it to you to replace the valve springs as a way to preserve your car at a lesser price than having to replace the motor.

I hope these lessons will make a difference for you. If you have questions call John Forbes, Black Forest Racing USA at 704-351-3304 or email him at john@blackforestracing.com

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Child Seat for Boxster: Britax Prince Model # 411-13. Navy Blue with Cars and Teddy Bears, used once. \$250. Contact Russ Schwalbert, Aiken, SC, 803-649-3857 or jrschwalbert@gforcecable.com (6/09)

Boxster wheels: 4 OEM 16" Boxster wheels. Removed from car at 19k miles. Tires are mounted, but no useful life left in them. Fronts: ET50 996.362.112.00 Rears: ET40 996.362.114.00 One rear has a small scratch, otherwise the finish is excellent. I have higher resolution pictures that can be emailed. \$500/offer Ken Lebda, Cary NC, klebda@nc.rr.com, or (919)481-3602 (7/09)

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 - c. Where you and the item are located.
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