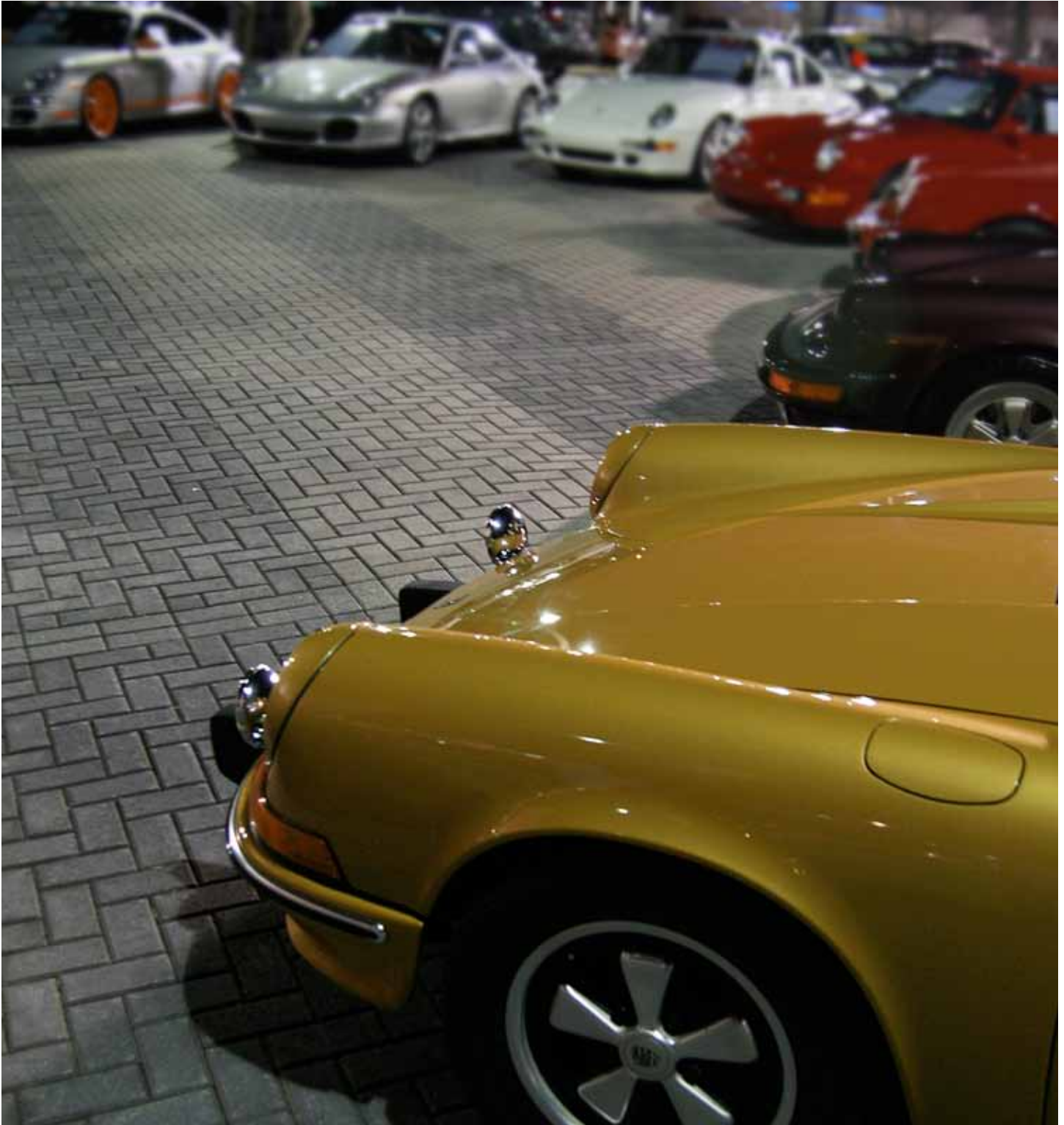


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Mar. 17	(Sat.) The 60th Anniversary 12 Hours of Sebring
Mar. 31	(Sat) Drive to "Hungry Mother Park and Beyond" hosted by the Triad Area (details in this issue)
Apr. 14	(Sat.) Pine Island Concours 150 Pine Island Rd, Columbia, SC (details in this issue)
Apr. 15	(Sun.) Carolinan Region Autocross Series, Event #1 – Greensboro Coliseum
Apr. 22	(Sun.) Spring Food Lion AutoFair, Charlotte Motor Speedway, Concord, NC (details in this issue)
Apr. 28-29	(Sat. - Sun.) Driver's Ed @ Carolina Motorsports Park , Kershaw SC
May 19	(Sat.) Porsche Corral – American Children's Home Charity Event hosted by the Triad Area (details to come)
May 26-28	(Sat. - Mon.) Sommerfest , hosted by the SunFun Area to be held in Columbia, SC (details to come)
May 27	(Sun.) Carolinan Region Autocross Series, Event #2 – A part of Sommerfest – Columbia, SC (date to be confirmed)
June 9	(Sat) Triad Area Tech Session sponsored by RennGruppe Motorsports at their facility located Lexington, NC. (details to come)
June 15-17	(Fri. - Sun.) Dinner Train Charity Drive hosted by the Triad Area (details to come)
June 24	(Sun.) Carolinan Region Autocross Series, Event #3 – Greensboro Coliseum
July 8-14	(Sun. - Sat.) Porsche Parade 2012 Salt Lake City, UT. See http://parade2012.pca.org
July 14 - 15	(Sat. - Sun.) Driver's Ed @ Atlanta Motorsports Park , Dawsonville, GA www.atlantamotorsportspark.net
July 28	(Sat.) Porsches and Pontoons hosted by the Triad Area (details to come)
Aug. TBD	Triad Area Annual Swap Meet - hosted by RennGruppe in Lexington, NC (details to come)
Aug. 10-12	(Fri. - Sun.) In Den Bergen at The Waynesville Inn, Golf Resort and Spa, Waynesville, NC (details to come)
Sept. 8-9	(Sat. - Sun.) Driver's Ed @ Carolina Motorsports Park , Kershaw SC
Sept. 16	(Sun.) Carolinan Region Autocross Series, Event #4 – Charlotte Knights Stadium
Sept. 23	(Sun.) Fall Food Lion Autofair, Charlotte Motor Speedway, Concord, NC (details to come)
Oct. TBD	Triad Area Oktoberfest, hosted by Porsche of Greensboro (details to come)
Oct. TBD	Carolinan Region Autocross Series, Event #5 – A part of Triad's Oktoberfest (location TBD)
Nov. 4	(Sun.) Carolinan Region Autocross Series, Event #6 – Charlotte Knights Stadium
Nov. 16-18	(Fri. - Sun.) Driver's Ed @ VIR , Alton, VA
Dec. 4	(Tue.) Triad Area Christmas Party (details to come)

Recurring events:

Cars & Coffee Asheville - 3rd Saturday of each month, 9AM - Noon, Starbucks, 1378 Hendersonville Road, Asheville, NC

Cars & Coffee Charlotte - 1st Saturday of each month, 8AM - Noon, Panera Bread located at Northlake Mall, Charlotte, NC

Cars & Coffee of the Upstate - 4th Saturday of each month, 8AM - 11AM, North Hills Shopping Center, East North Street, Greenville, SC

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On the cover: Various vintage 911s on display at Hendrick. Photo - Tom Morgan



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From the Driver's Seat

Harvey Yancey, President



Make 2012 The Year You Get Involved

The Porsche Club of America is a completely volunteer organization at the Regional level. Think about that for a minute.

Every Meeting, every Driver's Ed, every Drive & Dine, every Tour, every event is planned, organized and executed by volunteer members seeking nothing other than the Club and Region's success and to bring their fellow PCA members quality events to attend. For me part of the draw has been the satisfaction of seeing an event come to fruition and the attendees having a great time. Another part of the draw has been the stories I have acquired. Oh, the stories.

For example, during the first day of Porsche Parade 2008 in Charlotte I got a call from the city saying that attendees were parking their trailers in an unauthorized area. I was completely caught off guard as we had spent months negotiating the location (about 4 blocks away from the Westin) and getting all of the paperwork squared away. Who had dropped the ball?

Upon an onsite inspection and discussion with the police we discovered the problem. The lot that we had thought we were securing was actually not owned by the city, so the city had thought we had the address wrong and had authorized the area directly across the street that they did own. At the end of the day it was a minor inconvenience for a handful of people that had already parked (no one



My 1973 911T Coupe circa 1997 - Photo Courtesy Harvey Yancey

was towed as the city gave us a grace period to get everything moved). I think our Parking Chair, Chuck Twilley, aged about 5 year on that one though as did I. But other than the people that had to move no other attendees were even aware.

But I digress.

I personally started out as just a regular member with beat up '73 911T Coupe, with no experience with the Club but simply wanted to help. My only previous experience with PCA had been attending Spring Thing in 1988 with Steve Santee in his 1983 928S as a guest. I was impressed with the event and the people. I could not wait to buy my own Porsche and start participating. Fast forward to 1995.

The Metrolina Area was pretty much dormant when I joined PCA in 1995. There were no events. No local meetings. Nada. Blaine

DeLancey, another local member at the time, started organizing meetings and became the Area Director and we built from there. Need seen. Need met.

My point is that there are always needs in a volunteer organization. Some seen and some unseen. Most of the events that we now hold every year started as an idea brought to reality by individual members. In order for this Region to continue to function at the high level that it does now, we continually need members with diverse talents to step up into volunteer roles and hopefully, over time, leadership positions.

So if you have ever thought about getting involved with your Club, make 2012 that year.

The New 911 (aka 991)

As I alluded to last month, I did have the opportunity to drive a 991 before the official launch (thanks to Hendrick Porsche GM, David Foster for making that happen). Later in this issue of Tobacco Roads are my first impressions of the 991.

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.

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Greenville, SC
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Allen Taylor
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Sanford, NC

Julie Funderburk
Charlotte, NC

David Funderburk
Lancaster, SC

Nicole Haydon
Shelby, NC

David Huntley
Chesterfield, SC

Duckman & Lori Kloth
Waxhaw, NC

John & Pal Moore
Cheraw, SC

Anne-Berit Nordling
Raleigh, NC

Jason O'Dell
Florence, SC

Daniel Oberer
Charlotte, NC

William Scarbrough
Leesville, SC

Donna Sullivan
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Nancy Vinson
Decatur, AL

Kenneth & Pamela Wandrey
Southern Pines, NC

15 Year Anniversaries:

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Concord, NC

Kevin Keating
Greensboro, NC

Erik Schneider
Huntersville, NC

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Fleetwood, NC

John Yelincic
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20 Year Anniversaries:

Celeste Cole
Swannanoa, NC

Robert Flowers
Georgetown, SC

James Roe
Greer, SC

David Stori
Clyde, NC

Mary Stori
Brodhead, WI

35 Year Anniversaries:

Michael Killian
Cornelius, NC

40 Year Anniversaries:

Barbara Phillips
Greenville, SC

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Welcoming The 991!

Written and edited by John Budinich

The Carolinas Region Meets the New 911

On February 4th and 9th, PCA members were treated to the unveiling of the 7th generation 911 (991) across the Carolinas Region. Each of the dealerships hosted a special event revealing the 991 with extensive involvement from local PCA members. As a lead up to the unveiling, the dealerships had one or two new 911s under a mysterious black cover on the dealership floor for a week or more before the big event. The silhouette of the 991 lurking beneath the cover was a tease of things to come.

Each dealership invited customers and members of PCA to a lavish and fun party, consisting of great food, refreshments of all kinds and the opportunity to socialize. A few of the dealerships, working closely with Carolinas Region members, staged a "History of the 911" display to put the new 991 into perspective. These displays consisted of PCA member's vehicles placed in the showrooms, representing the different generations of the 911. These legacy displays drew rave reviews from the attendees and great appreciation for the member's efforts in presenting their vehicles.

The high points of each event were when the dealership representative presented a brief history of the 911, some referring to the member's cars on display as examples, drawings for door prizes, leading up to a champagne toast as the 991s were revealed. After the applause and cheers died down it was time for the attendees to get "up close and personal" with the new 911.

The following are specific activities that took place at the individual dealerships.

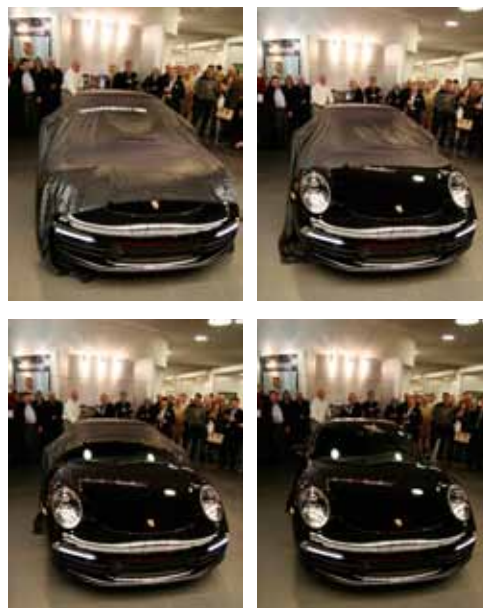
Upstate Area – Porsche of Greenville

Despite the early morning rain, 13 Upstate Area members brought their cars to participate in the "History of the 911" showroom display. Once all the vehicles were placed inside the complex and wiped down, they provides a comprehensive perspective of the 911, covering every model grouping of 911 and also a couple of 356s to show the family heritage. There was also a PCA member Show & Shine gathering in front of the dealership prior to the event kick-off. In all, there were over 220 guests in attendance.

The main event began with our special guest, Erika Powell, the current Miss South Carolina USA, singing a couple of songs. Erika was also available all evening for photo opportunities with guests and the New 911 or their own vehicles. We then presented an award to Mike Burgess, General Manager of Porsche of Greenville, recognizing the strides they have made in forming a close relationship with the Carolina's Region over the past year. Mike announced that effective February 1st; anyone purchasing a new or used Porsche will receive a one-year membership to PCA courtesy of the dealership. After the speeches, everyone raised a champagne glass, as the Carrera White 991 was uncovered for all to see.

Thanks to Mike and the staff at Porsche of Greenville for putting on a great event, to Lloyd and Karla Kuhn for arranging for Erika Powell to be part of the event and a special thanks to Erika for giving of her time and talent entertaining the crowd and posing for hundreds of pictures.

Mountain Area – Harmony Motors
An enthusiastic crowd exceeding 200 enjoyed great food, drink and music while watching video of the new 911. One showroom featured the 911 Legacy Display of past models provided by Mountain Area members.



Top: The Queen, Erika Powell - Miss South Carolina USA, presents the King - the New 991.

Above: The cover comes off a black 991 at Hendrick Porsche.

The New 911 Is Here



After everyone had an opportunity to share in the food, drink and ambiance, Scott Wilkerson, Owner/Principle of Harmony Motors welcomed the crowd and spoke briefly about his recent acquisition of the Porsche, Audi, VW dealership and plans for the future. Scott introduced Charlie Schieren, General Sales Manager to unveil the next 911.

After introducing the Harmony staff, Charlie spoke of Porsche's history using the cars from the 911 Legacy Display to highlight the progression of engineering achievements on each model leading up to the new 991. He discussed the design of the 991, the performance Porsche was able to achieve and his experience driving it. Then the cover was removed to reveal a sparkling Black on Black Carrera S Coupe. After reviewing some of the new features, Charlie invited everyone to sit behind the wheel and take a closer look at the new 911.

Mountain Area members enjoyed the event and were pleased to actively participate by providing the 911 Legacy Display. Introduction of a new Porsche 911 is significant, and to share it with fellow enthusiasts and PCA members in such a setting as provided by Harmony Motors was very special.

Hickory Area – Porsche of Hickory

There were approximately 40 in attendance with almost half of the guests from PCA. Benny Yount of Porsche of Hickory and Porsche associates were there to show off the new cars and give technical details of the latest technology. They had two of the new 911s available for us to see. Unfortunately, due to the rain, test drives were not available.

As an added bonus, Doug House, who is a former 944 Racer and current Field Technical Manager for Porsche Cars North America, was on hand to talk to the members, answer questions and give advice applicable to our own cars as well as the newest technologies. This was a great way to top off the event.

Sun Fun Area – McDaniels Porsche

Guests were welcomed to the event at McDaniels Porsche with the tunes of the Sunrise Ensemble Jazz Band. The 70 guests enjoyed the delicious selection of seafood & tenderloin provided by Blue Marlin Restaurant & Chef Ryan Dukes. The program began with introductions of special guests: Bart Brodzik, PCNA Area South District Manager, Sandy Shirley, Area Director for PCA, and Mr. Bill McDaniels, Dealer Principal. Later that evening ABC Columbia News Anchor, Alicia Barnes, and Columbia City Mayor, Steve Benjamin, joined the festivities.

When the 991 was shown, with introduction led by McDaniels Porsche Sales Manager, Celeste Chandler, aided by Service Advisor, Drew Wix, & PCA's own Sandy Shirley, phones came out, cameras started clicking away, clapping, smiling... a true cacophony of motion occurred. To wind up the ceremony, General Manager, Tracey McDaniels announced the opportunity to win one of the 14 coveted VIP 991 Test Drive spots via raffle tickets provided to all attendees. There was an overwhelming response and those winners were awarded their Porsche lanyards identifying them as the winners. Over the following two days, all of the VIP 991 Test Drive winners went on an extended test drive around Columbia.

Metrolina Area – Hendrick Porsche

A crowd of approximately 250 gathered at Hendrick Porsche of Charlotte for the reveal on Thursday, February 9th. The group was a mix of PCA members and special Hendrick customers and they were treated to catering by Sullivan's Steakhouse and a wide selection of wine and other refreshments.

Our thanks to David Foster, Hendrick Porsche General Manager, who did a great job working the crowd into a heightened state of anticipation before the big reveal.

History of the 911 – PCA Members Provide Perspective

We would like to say thank you again to the Carolinas Region members who took the time to prepare their vehicles and place them in the various dealerships as part of the "History of the 911" and "Legacy of the 911" displays. These displays were greatly appreciated by all who attended the events. We heard from a number of dealership's staff members that the cars were fantastic and their customers enjoyed them as much as the New 911. Well done and many thanks to all of you.



Porsches of all vintages were shown at 991 introductions. Left to right: Harmony Motors, Porsche of Greenville and Hendrick Porsche



Top row, left to right:
Harmony Motors,
Porsche of Greenville,
Porsche of Hickory,
McDaniels Porsche
and Hendrick Porsche



Triad Area – Porsche of Greensboro

Over 300 people were in attendance at Porsche of Greensboro for this momentous occasion. The dealership set up a huge enclosed tent where all the activities took place. Tables were set up inside the tent, a huge screen located in the middle of the tent where videos were shown constantly featuring the new 991. Along the back wall of the tent were staged early examples of the 911 that were provided by PCA members and Porsche of Greensboro's customers.

After the unveiling, four lucky attendees whose tickets were drawn as door prizes took the new 911 S out for a test drive. What a great way to cap off a great event.

Triangle Area – Leith Porsche

The reveal, hosted by Leith Porsche of Cary, NC, was held at the Contemporary Art Museum in Raleigh with 260 people in attendance.

Sandhills Area – Porsche of Fayetteville

The reveal was hosted at Porsche of Fayetteville.

First Impressions: The New Porsche 911 (aka 991)

by Harvey Yancey, President

Unless you are now in your late 60's or early 70's your first experience with a truly new 911 was in 1998 when Porsche launched the 996. Yes, you can argue that the 964 was 90%+ new and the 993, well, it looked new and there was a new rear suspension. But in reality the core of those cars was the same as it was in 1964, which is not a bad thing. What other platform lasted 34 years? The VW Beetle definitely, but not many others.

Porsche takes a platform and refines to the point that it cannot refine it any further or is forced into making a change. The original 911 platform reached its' pinnacle with the 993. If you have ever watched the movie 'Blade Runner' think of Roy Batty as the 993 and Dr. Tyrell as a Porsche Engineer explaining the facts of life: 'You were made as well as we could make you.'

Enter the 996.

I think of myself as a bit of an anachronism when it comes to Porsche. I am a traditionalist in that I truly love the air cooled cars, especially the 356. All of my other track buddies, you know who you are (Bob, Rob, Bill, Jeff & James) don't get it. They think of the 356 as an oddity. Sort of an experiment Porsche did with VW parts that was a stepping stone to the 911. But if you have ever driven or owned a 356, you get it. There is a purity and solidity that is impossible to find with other cars.

On the other hand I am a non-traditionalist, in that I have never had an issue with water cooled cars. I actually fell in love with the 928 after an encounter with a new one on the streets of Daytona Beach in 1978 during the Daytona 500 weekend. I also had an encounter

with Linda Vaughn (aka Miss Hurst) the same weekend. Ok ... I was 16 and I did meet Miss Vaughn.

I have owned two Boxsters, a 928 S4 and currently a Cayenne S. I would argue that all are true Porsches. Different approaches and different missions to be sure, but Porsches nonetheless.

So when the 996 hit our shores, I thought it was a great car. Yes, it was a bit slab sided but so was the original 911. I saw this as a clean sheet starting point as well as an homage to the 901. The flares and other refinements would come later... as they did. They always do with Porsche.

My personal car at the time of the 996 Launch was a 1983 911SC Coupe. It is one of probably three cars that I wish I had kept. Black on black with no wing. Torsion bar suspension and non-power steering goodness. So it should come as no surprise that when I first drove a 996, I think it was Rick Leander's Guards Red 996 Cabriolet, it was a bit of a revelation. The engine so powerful and suspension so competent it made my SC seem like a throwback to the Stone Ages.

Since then I have driven several flavors of the 996 including the Turbo as well as the GT3 variants. All well engineered and all very fun to drive. The subsequent 997 took most all of the criticisms of the 996 and corrected most if not all. Many would say they let Tony Hatter, designer of the 993, loose on the 996 (actually it was Pinky Lai). We did get the hips back as well as the signature round headlamps. Sort of 996 + 993 = 997 I guess.

But in reality the 997 was an evolution of the 996. An evolution, but a very good evolution sprouting, I think at final count, 14 variants including the Speedster and the GT3 RS 4.0 as a final send off to the model.

991: Evolution or Something Else?

I, like most of you reading this, keep up with happenings in the automotive world. I generally think of Porsche enthusiasts as gear-



Photos Courtesy of Harvey Yancey

Above: Harvey's 1983 911SC at PorscheFest '98 – Left: Harvey's next Porsche?

heads with a love of all things mechanical that have experience with many marques, but settled on Porsche for one of several reasons. For me, it is the purity of the engineering. Everything that is there has a purpose. You may not know what that purpose is, but a German engineer probably did a thesis on it.

We have known that the new 911 had been coming for quite a while. We have seen it in the spy photos, we have seen it in videos from the Nurburgring. Now it is here in the flesh.

David Foster, GM at Hendrick Porsche, had told me a few months ago that he wanted my impressions of the 991 when they got one in. On January 26th I received an email from David asking if I had time to swing by the dealership.

About an hour later I was standing in front of a 2012 911 Carrera S with a PDK. First impressions ... lower ... longer ... bigger. Not 'holy cow' bigger, but more like 'I see where the extra 4 inches in the wheelbase went' bigger. BTW – Most of that increase went between the rear of the doors and the rear wheel well. All the details were there. Tight gaps, impressive finish, well thought out.

Walking around the back of the car I had to confront one of the most controversial elements of the 991, the styling of the rear. This is the most obvious break with tradition on the entire car. For some reason, this part of the car does not photograph well but in person it works. But you will have to be the judge of that for yourself.

Upon entering the interior the first thing you notice is the rising console. Originating in the Carrera GT, this has become a design signature for Porsche that has been incorporated into the Panamera, followed by the second gen Cayenne and now the 911. We should see the same treatment in the recently announced next gen Boxster and then the next gen Cayman.

Overall the interior is familiar, but new at the same time. 5 dials, center tach, ignition on the left, etc. Immediately comfortable.

David drove the car initially as we headed down Margaret Wallace Rd. We soon pulled off and swapped seats. Taking time to adjust the seats, the steering wheel and then the mirrors. While adjusting the side mirrors however, I noticed one of the hidden elements of the car: hips. This car has hips more pronounced than the 993, but you don't really notice it outside the car.

Interesting.

Before we pulled off to swap seats, my initial impressions with David driving were good power but kind of sedate. But before pulling out again David made it a point to set the car to Sport Plus and opened up the optional sport exhaust.

Dr. Jekyll, meet Mr. Hyde.

Upon entering the road and having some space for a full throttle burst, I began to experience something that I had only previously experienced in one other street car ... a Ferrari F430. The pull and the linearity of the engine was astonishing. It felt more like a turbo but without the requisite delay and 'whoosh'. Similar to the pull of a 996 GT3 but stronger. And the sound ... oh the sound. Stunning.

Then the corners started coming. And although we had slowed due to traffic, I could tell that the chassis was planted. Oh, and the stories about the electric steering filtering out too much feedback ... non-issue. While I could tell some things were being filtered out in my opinion it was negligible. I was getting the feedback I needed and wanted.

And the PDK? While I am still a dyed-in-the-wool manual guy I really like the new PDK. It is infinitely better than the previous version in the 997 and very, very quick with that luscious blip of the throttle on the down shifts.

My only complaint? The implementation of the push/pull shifter. I would order the optional paddle shifters with the PDK. Simpler and cleaner.

We decided to drive back to the dealership on the same outbound route, so we turned around at a shopping center where a guy driving a Mercedes SL probably got whiplash trying to get a look at the car. He clearly knew what it was.

We then had an open road with a sweeping turn ... I took full advantage. In my 993, the pace at which we took that corner would have caused the rear to start coming around. In the 991, the chassis was completely unruffled and clearly wanted more however, in deference to my gracious host I decided not to push further.

The feel is more mid-engine than I had imagined but the 911 weight transfer on acceleration is still there. Similar yet different at the same time. And the brakes? One thing I always tell people about Porsches is that while they go great, they stop even better. This car is no exception. Great binders.

Upon our arrival at the dealership, it was hard not to smile. During the drive it was hard not to giggle to be honest. I told David that all he had to do with anyone sitting on the fence over buying the car is to let them take a test drive. That would seal the deal. I know of at least one member that has already taken delivery of one and know of several others that have placed orders.

My verdict? It still has all the elements of the 911 that we have all come to know and love, but it has raised its game and is now in the league of the F430 or the 458 Italia. It is like strapping on Superman's cape.

My current ask of David is a drive in a 991 Carrera with a 7-speed manual transmission. I want to be able to compare a base car with few bells and whistles to the loaded Carrera S that I drove for this article. I can't wait.



DE Report

Submitted by Brian Powell

We opened our 2012 season with the Winter DE Seminar held on Saturday, February 4th at Carolina Motorsports Park in Kershaw, SC. 23 interested drivers participated in the afternoon session. As in previous years, we walked through the overall PCA DE program and answered questions regarding our region events. Shane Tisdale, our Chief Instructor, provided insight into the types of instruction at a DE and what to expect in each run group. Lou Smith from Exclusive Motorwerks was on hand to answer any questions on vehicle preparation and tech inspection. To close out the event, we were able to tour the CMP facility and get on track for a few parade laps. Thanks to Shane, Lou, Don Morris & John Babinski for their support and thanks to CMP for opening their doors for us.

Whether you attended the seminar or not, registration for our April event at CMP is open. Carolina Motorsports Park is conveniently located just south of Kershaw SC. Event fees have increased slightly this year. PCA member rate is \$250, non-member rate is \$290. Instructors are still \$100. CMP is a great facility for beginners and experienced alike. From the Kink to the Carousel, April weather should be perfect to sample the 14 turn, 2 1/4 mile track.

Registration will be online using ClubRegistration.net. As a rule, registration for an event will open 2 months prior to the event. Be sure to visit the DE page on our region website as well. We have a lot of good information there such as our updated Drivers Ed Guide, 2012 tech form and the approved inspection sites. Our dates for this year are:

April 28/29 at CMP in Kershaw, SC
July 14/15 at AMP in Dawsonville, GA
Sept 8/9 at CMP in Kershaw, SC
Season Finale November 16-18 at
VIR in Alton, VA

For potential PCA Instructors, Shane Tisdale and Marty Barrett will be holding the PCA National Instructors Clinic on Friday preceding our event. The clinic will be a combination of classroom and on track scenarios. The clinic is free although participants must register for the Turn One track day on Friday. If you have 30 track days or more and want to pass along that experience, its a great opportunity to sit in the right hand seat and get a feel for instructing.

For younger drivers, BRAKES summer schedule at zMAX in Concord, NC is filling fast. They also have a March 17th school in Morganton, NC for Burke County residents. BRAKES is a FREE, Defensive driving program for teens and is held every month or so. More information is on their web site at www.putonthebrakes.com. If you're online, check out their instructor list. You may see some familiar faces.

For more on any of these events contact Brian Powell at driversed@carolinas-pca.com (704-260-0716).

Clockwise from top right: 962113 before restoration; Aluminum tub cockpit; Switches and gauges any air-cooled Porsche driver would recognize; The 962's flat six also looks pretty familiar, from the outside anyway.

"It's the Real Thing"

962113 – 1986 Sebring Winner

What can be said about the 956/962? Plenty, of course, and over the years much has been published about Porsche's most successful, racecar ever. With 129 overall wins in a 13 year span;- a record that is likely never to be duplicated- wins included the FIA Group C series, America's IMSA, and the Japanese Sports Car Championship Series. The first win came in 1982 in 956-002, then a new racer out of the box, with drivers Jacky Ickx, and Derek Bell in Rothmans livery. The final win in came 1994 at Le Mans in the flat bottomed Dauer 962 built to GT1 rules, with drivers Mauro Baldi, Yannick Dalmas, Hurly Haywood and car owner Jochen Dauer.

The 956 was developed to replace the tube framed 936 by Porsche's chief race engineer Norbert Singer, and was the first Porsche to utilize an aluminum monocoque chassis and ground effects undertray. What Singer discovered during wind tunnel testing was that the ground effects concept with a full width sports car didn't work the same as in an open wheeled Formula 1 car. Singer learned that unlike a Formula 1 car, which developed downforce from the nose area, closed wheel sports cars developed downforce between the front and rear tires. Thus whenever the F1 style side skirts were added during early wind tunnel testing, the ground effect would be lost.

With this discovery, the shape of the tunnels became even more important, thus leading to angling the engine up towards the rear. The final prototype that emerged was one with a monocoque construction utilizing a double wishbone type suspension in the front, and behind the cockpit bulkhead was a detachable tubular subframe which supported the engine, transmission, and rear push rod sus-

pension. This was utilized in such a fashion to increase downforce of the tunnels by placing spring/shock units above the carefully designed under trays. Water radiators, and intercoolers were behind the cockpit doors in the car's side pods, with a ramp designed to feed air to them in an efficient manner.

The engine was a 2.6 liter taken from original design for the cancelled Indy Car program, and was later used successfully on the 936. This motor used Bosch Motronic injection for the European Group C Series, which imposed a maximum fuel allocation during a race. The 956 design went on to be very successful, winning 5 consecutive World Sports Car titles from '82 to '86.

The Porsche 962 first appeared on American soil in 1984, featuring a revised 956 chassis that is 102mm longer than it's earlier sibling 956. Developed to conform to IMSA head John Bishop for safety regulations which required the driver's feet to be behind the front axle/suspension. The additional length was added between the area behind the front tire and in front of the driver's door, and is the quickest way to visually distinguish the 2 cars. Another difference required by IMSA was that 962 have an air-cooled, 2-valve engine, compared to the 956's 4-valve, "water boxer".

The first time a 962 raced in American was in 1984 at the season opening Daytona 24 Hours, driven by Mario and Michael Andretti, where it failed to finish with engine and gearbox problems. Also discovered was that 2.8 liter engine was inadequate against Group 44 Jaguars, and Chevy powered March's. (An interesting tidbit, was that the privateer Porsche teams were surprised and upset, thinking that they were to have exclusivity to the 962's being delivered and raced

in IMSA. However, it turned out that the Andretti's were the only ones to ever race a factory backed 962's in the IMSA series)

It was not until the mid-summer that Holbert Racing, with the famed Lowenbrau sponsored 962-103, would utilize a 3.2 liter, mechanically injected engine from a 935 along with the 956 "short tail" body work, that it would become a consistent winner. For the next several years in IMSA, it would be a Porsche 962 show, with 4 straight Daytona wins, 2 straight IMSA titles for Holbert Racing and 50 overall wins during it's 11 year history.

"Have a Coke and a Smile"

The 962 featured in this month's article is chassis #962113. Once again, Dave Brown from RennGruppe Motorsports in Lexington was gracious to invite me up to take a look at it while it is disassembled so that I could do a TR article from this unique perspective. It is being re-freshened for the Amelia Island Concourse in mid- March. This is one of the "early series" production cars, and was one of only 19 produced at the factory. It features a 5052 aluminum monocoque chassis with solid rivet construction, a steel roll cage riveted to the monocoque, and various machined steel bulkheads with suspension attach points. The car is built very much like aircraft construction of the same period, including aircraft electrical connectors and cannon plugs. Another feature is the 2 piece, ground effects undertray, consisting of a 3-foot aluminum section, and a 3-foot Kevlar section which connect in the front to the flat bottom monocoque tub. The tunnels continue under the rear suspension to the back end, creating the negative down force these cars are known for.



conventional iron rotors. This car was originally purchased in 1985 by famed racer/owner Bob Akin to replace chassis #962-002, which was heavily damaged at the Road America race during the middle of the '85 race season.

This very successful #5 car was raced from mid-1985 thru 1987 under the sponsorship of Coke-Cola and Dominos Pizza. It competed in a total of 25 races, with 16 finishes, 9 retirements and 3 podium finishes including the overall win at the 1986 Sebring 12 hour, with drivers Bob Akin, Hans Stuck and Jo Gartner. (Unfortunately Jo Gartner later lost his life at Le Mans the same year when his Kremer 962's right rear suspension broke at speed on the Mulsanne Strait)

Notable finishes in 1985 include 5th place At Sears Point, 5th place Columbus, Ohio and 6th place at the Daytona season finale. In 1986, #962-113 competed a full season, it's best finishes include: 3rd place Miami Grand Prix, 1st place Sebring, 4th at Riverside, 2nd at Charlotte, 6th at Lime Rock, 4th at Watkins Glen and 4th at the Daytona season finale.

As for 1987, Bob Akin ran a reduced schedule, but was able to get some notable results including 6th at Sebring, 6th at Dayton, Ohio,

8th at Columbus, Ohio. At the end of the year #962-113 was retired for a newer 962 series chassis.

Due to the 962's dominant racing success in IMSA's GTP class in the mid '80s, series founder John Bishop attempted several times to limit the Porsche's performance by either reducing the engine size, adding engine inlet restrictors or by adding weight. In the beginning in 1984, the maximum turbo engine size was 3.57 liters, with a minimum weight of 900kgs.

In 1985 maximum engine size was reduced to 3.5 liters. 1986 engine size was reduced to 3.2 liters and minimum weight was raised to 943kg. For 1987 the engine size was once again reduced to 3.0 liters, but the weight was also reduce to 930kg. 1988 saw the engine inlet restricted to 57mm, positioned within 50mm of the turbo charger. In mid season there was a revision for the air-cooled, single turbo cars, reducing weight to 924kg. By this time the "water boxer" 962 was also racing in the series to combat the new Nissan and Jaguar threat. These cars had a twin turbo 3.2 with 36mm restrictors.

By the late '80's many of the privateer 962 teams continued to improve, and modify, their cars to remain competitive, including revisions to aerodynamics, bodywork, and mechanical improvements. Some teams went as far to build entirely new chassis of various materials such as carbon fiber, aluminum honeycomb, and stronger machined sections to improve rigidity. Those teams include:

- Joest Racing heavily modified a pair of 962's to compete against Jaguar in IMSA, winning the 962's final sprint race victory at Road America.



(The Historian's Desk Continued)

- The Kremer team built 11 carbon fiber tub cars, the 962CK6.
- John Thompson built 8 cars for Brun Motorsports, helping the team take second in the World Sports Car Championship 1987.
- Thompson also built 2 chassis for Obermaier Racing.
- Richard Lloyd Racing's GTI engineering built 4 962 GTI's, with an aluminum honey-comb chassis.

- Former factory driver Vern Schuppan, would also build 5 chassis, known at the TS962.
- Jochen Dauer, built a 962 street legal version, that qualified in the GT1 class and went on to win the 1994 Le Mans 24 hour.

The same was happening in America:

- Holbert Racing was making modifications to their chassis, renaming them 962HR series.
- Jim Busby contracted to Jim Chapman to build a more robust 962 monocoque.
- Dyson Racing used a Richard Lloyd chassis used for their 962DR-1 car.

Today the 956 and 962 live on, receiving legend status at historic racing events though out the world, providing the fans and owners with the kind of excitement often missing from today's mundane sports car series. As time goes on that legend will only continue to grow.



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- Mike Rich & Mike Jones



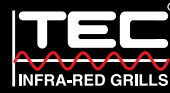
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Autocross Series: NEWS FOR THE 2012 SEASON

Hey everyone, hope you had a great Holiday season, and everyone is doing well. We have lots of information for all our drivers so let's get started.

First of all, here is the schedule for 2012 Carolinas Region Autocross Series:

- April 15th (Sunday) – Greensboro Coliseum
- May 26 or May 27th – Sommerfest (Formerly Porschefest) in Columbia, SC Location TBA
- June 24th (Sunday) – Greensboro Coliseum
- Sept 16th (Sunday) – Charlotte Knights Stadium
- Oct. 13th (Saturday) – Location TBA (Date still to be confirmed)
- Nov. 4th (Sunday) – Charlotte Knights Stadium

Next, we have finalized our 2012 new car classes, adding in the new Porsche models that have recently been released, as well as adding Showroom Stock Class for those of you who have a 100% bone stock late model Porsche with absolutely NO MODIFICATIONS. It must be same as driven out of the dealership. Meaning your tools, jack, air compressor, spare tire (if applicable), floor mats, etc. All must remain in the car. Stock wheels. OEM spec tires, etc.. This class is normally only used for Concourse events. But since we have enough cars that seem to fit, we are going to try it out this year.

You will also notice, we don't list the "Modified" Class this year. That's not to say we won't use it... if applicable.

But the new 2012 PCA National Rules allow the "Improved" Class to do just about any modification, save "removing headlights, and taillights" and weight reductions. So we will just stick with Improved this year, unless someone shows up in a full racecar, with headlights or taillights removed, and/or falls BELOW the minimum weight requirement of "Improved" Class.

Also new this year is that drivers will register in the class of their choice. This is the same way Porsche Parade does their registration. It's the driver's choice, and driver's responsibility, to read the rules, understand them and register their car accordingly.

Of course, the Autocross committee is always here to help if your not sure, or need more clarity on the rules before registering.

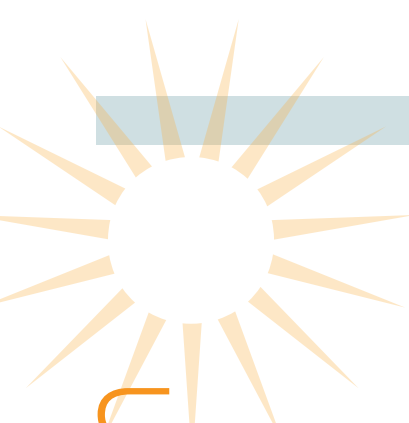
For the complete rules and car classifications, go to the Autocross page of our Carolinas Region website:

<http://cr-pca.org/Driving/AutoCross.aspx>

Posted there, you will find the 2012 Rules and Registration, Points System, Car Classes and PCA National's Car Classification Rules. We have also posted the PCA National Car Weight Restrictions and Wheel Size Reference & Restrictions.

Please be sure to read everything carefully and let us know if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you all on April 15th at the first event.

– Carolina's Autocross Committee



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Protech Chili Cook Off - 2012


The annual Protech Chili Cook Off was held on Saturday, January 28th at Protech Motorsports in Greenville. Bill and Frank Gerwig of Protech hosted the event, which is eagerly anticipated and very well attended every year. This year was no exception as over 92 people attended and it seemed like everyone had a great time. Not only did Bill and Frank make the shop available to us, they provided the soft drinks, water, utensils and paper plates. They also set up a TV so we could keep up with the 24 Hours of Daytona race while eating some great chili.

Now, let's get to the particulars. There were over 20 chili pots entered in the judging, ranging from mild to wild. In addition to the chili, a new judging category was added this year for appetizers and desserts. There were 22 appetizers and deserts for the group to share and judge. Our thanks go to all the entrants for bringing a great variety of tasty food. I can assure you no one went home hungry.


After the votes were tabulated, it was time to recognize the winners. First and foremost, we presented a plaque to Bill and Frank Gerwig in appreciation for their ongoing support of the Carolinas Region PCA and it's members. I think we caught them by surprise with this recognition as evidenced by the expressions on their faces.

The winner in the appetizer / dessert category was Mandy Jenkins for her fabulous hot crab dip. As for the main event, the group photo accompanying this report shows the chili winners and our hosts. They are (from l. to r.) John Corvin (2nd place), Bill Gerwig (host), Paul Leuskow (3rd place), Shelley & Terry Johnson (1st place), John Budinich (Area Director/Emcee) and Frank Gerwig (Host). Congratulations to our winners and thank you to all of those who participated by bringing chili, appetizers and deserts to be judged, or just by coming to eat, talk and have a good time.

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Top right: Chili Winners and Hosts**

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When: Saturday, March 31st, 2012
Hosted by Triad Area PCA

Where: Start from C&C Eurosports in Greensboro at 8:00AM and rendezvous at Big Shotz Tavern in Clemmons at 9:00AM.

Schedule:

- Leave at 9:15AM; caravan up to Sparta
- Brunch at "Back Wood Bean & Coffee Shop"
- Continue to Hungry Mother State Park
- Break into two groups at Hungry Mother State Park; take a drive on Rt. 16 (430 turns) or visit park
- Regroup then drive to Claypool Hill, VA.
- Dinner at Cuz's Restaurant then head back home

Registration: Registration is free; brunch is catered and is \$12 per person (prepaid); participants are responsible for dinner; mail registration and check made payable to Carolinas Region PCA to:

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LOCATION: This event will be held at 150 Pine Island Rd, in Columbia SC at beautiful Lake Murray. No pets allowed on the Island.

LUNCH: We will be serving brats and fixins. \$5 per person

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Area Updates: March 2012

Hickory Area By Vincent & Vallie Piccirelli



Meeting: Second Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm
Da Vinci's Ristorante
2968 North Center St., Hickory, NC

Contact Vincent or Vallie Piccirelli, Area Co-Directors
hickory-ad@carolinas-pca.com (828) 781-8332

Greetings to all from Hickory!

We had a great meeting with 21 in attendance; yes again!

The Holiday committee met at the home of White and Gail Iddings and we have chosen a date of December 1st, 2012 for the Regional Holiday party at the Crowne Plaza hotel in Hickory.

A Dine and Drive is scheduled for March 17th and will be led by Bryson Kiser. We plan to leave Porsche of Hickory at 10AM and return to the area around 4PM. Please RSVP me so I can get a count. I will send an email out with more details closer to the event.

Please show up at least 15 minutes early so we can have a short drivers meeting.

Speaking of Porsche of Hickory, we have learned that our former sales associate, Drew, has moved on and our new sales contact is Trevor Ingle. Trevor has informed me that they are very interested in doing a Cars and Coffee and Tech Session this year.

Vallie and I attended the Board Meeting on Feb. 11th and it went very well.

It was agreed to offer members an opportunity to opt out of receiving the printed copy of Tobacco Roads, in an effort to save money and be environmentally friendly.

Please look for this option in future TR and by email notice.

Also note worthy is that it was agreed that each area will have the usual stipend to use towards membership promotions and activities as well as the \$500 matching fund for charitable giving. I am asking for help in this area so please call or email me if you have an interest in working with a worthy local charity.

The Goodie Store will come to our March meeting so please bring your check books.

Remember our area meeting we will be back to the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Gotta Have Fun

- Vincent & Vallie Piccirelli

Metrolina Area By Don Morris



Meeting: Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm
Maggiano's at South Park Mall,
4400 Sharon Road, Charlotte, NC

Contact Don Morris, Area Director
metrolina-ad@carolinas-pca.com

Cars and Coffee was a big hit as usual this month maybe because of the nice weather.

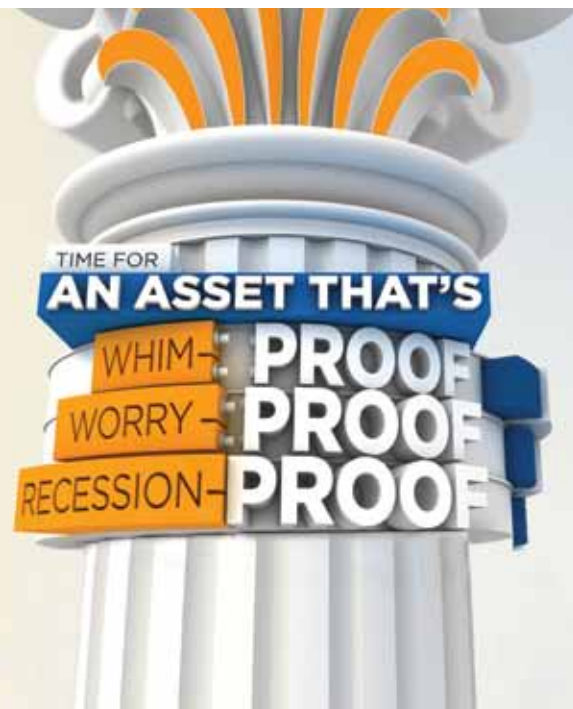
The DE Seminar at CMP was well attended and well presented. We will have some new track rats come out of this.

There is a Swap meet going on at Touring Car in Matthews that will be concluded by the time you read this. I hope to have sold a Boxster spare tire there.

Next track event for me is the March Zone 2 VIR event which is sold out. Looking forward to that.

Keep the sunny side up.

- Don Morris



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Mountain Area By David Butler



Meeting: First Saturday of the month at 10:00am
Harmony Motors, 621 Brevard Road, Asheville, NC
Check monthly area report for location changes.

Contact David Butler, Area Director
mountain-ad@carolinas-pca.com (828) 252-1752

No meeting was held on Saturday, February 4 due to Harmony Motors 991 Launch activities that same evening. Details of that event are included in the 991 Launch article in this issue of Tobacco Roads. I want to extend my personal thanks to the Mountain Area members that supported the event and especially to those that provided their Porsche's for the 911 Legacy Display. Harmony Motors has provided sponsorship and support for many events in our area and this was a perfect and fun way to support them in return.

We've had a mild winter so far this year. It gets one to thinking about a drive on the area roads to kickoff the spring and summer season. I have generally tried to schedule our technical sessions during winter months as the weather typically impacts our ability to drive the mountainous area. Our next meeting on March 3 is at TWC Motorsports, see below for details. Beginning in April, I plan to schedule some seat time. If you have a favorite drive or outside activity that you'd like to share with the group please contact me and I'll work with you to get it on the calendar.

Our next monthly meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2012, 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at TWC Motorsports, 10 Newbridge Parkway, Asheville, NC 28804. Tom Coleman will provide a tour of his shop, and Norris Wright owner of B&W Distributors will demonstrate the use of MALCO restoration products to maintain interior components. Last year at this time, Norris demonstrated MALCO cleaning and waxing products on a heavily oxidized 1972 Olds. That demonstration received rave reviews, e.g., "the most informative technical session I've ever attended". So this year Norris has agreed to return and focus on interior

components. If that isn't enough just come and see the beautiful cars and restoration projects in progress at TWC. Visit the TWC web site at www.twcmotorsport.com. There will a MALCO products give away and drawing for an item from the Goodie Store as well.

Also, the Goodie Store will be present. Sadie and Jerry are packing all the Carolinas Region and PCA products and heading to Asheville to participate in the TWC event. Come see and purchase the latest offerings.

Hope to see you at a future event.

- David

Sandhills Area By Marty Barrett



Meeting: Every odd month (Jul, Sept, Nov, etc.)
Fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm
The Italian Table, 136 Grant St., Seven Lakes, NC

Contact Marty Barrett, Area Director
sandhills-ad@carolinas-pca.com

Sandhills Area kicked off 2012 with a dinner/planning meeting on Jan 24. Twenty-five members attended, including Steve Earwood who was inducted into the NHRA Hall of Fame in December. Steve owns the drag strip in Rockingham where he has hosted us for Porsche vs Porsche drag runs and a Porschefest... STOP! Steve is a multiple Porsche owner!

We had a very good planning session for 2012 events. The list includes two local tech sessions, a fun rally with Triad and Triangle Areas, driving tours to Childress Winery and Boone/Linville, Rockingham drag strip event, and a drive to the ALMS race at VIR. Best of all, we had several volunteers step forward to chair the events. Once we get a schedule together the dates will go in TR. We are also looking forward to joining Triad and Triangle for a couple of events... and several of us will be at the DE's, IDB and other Carolinas region activities.

- Marty

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Sun Fun Area By Sandy Shirley



Meeting: Third Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm
Sun Fun's area meeting's rotate, see below for our next meeting location.

Contact Sandy Shirley, Area Director
sunfun-ad@carolinas-pca.com

Although winter has just found us here in South Carolina, I'm ready for spring. Why, you ask? Not much Porsche stuff to do in the cold months, but as the warm weather arrives so many events show up on the calendar. I've been working on many events for the SunFun area along with the regional event Sommerfest which will be held in May. A lot of work is involved, but the details are starting to fall into place. I'm working on getting a block of Main Street closed for the Concours which will allow you to view Porsches and the State House at the same time. Be sure and put this on your schedule and watch for the registration form next month. I'm happy to announce that McDaniels Porsche and TEC Grills will sponsor this event. As you can tell, McDaniels Porsche is really getting involved with the club this year. "The Next 911" launch was a big success. McDaniels is also hosting our March meeting; Celeste is having a monthly coffee (dates below) so stop by and say hello. It won't be long before it will be time for the Pine Island Concours. We had a great turn out last year and I hope to see an even bigger crowd this year. The registration form is in this month's issue.

- Sandy

2012 Sun Fun Calendar

March TBA Concours Judging Seminar
Held at Gary Pennington's Garage
1130 Atlas Rd, Columbia

March 20th Area meeting 6:30 (Tuesday)

McDaniels Porsche
6409 Two Notch Rd
Dinner will be provided - RSVP required

April 14th Pine Island Concours (Saturday)

150 Pine Island Rd, Columbia, SC

April 17th Area meeting 6:30 (Tuesday)

Hullers Black Forest German Restaurant
380 Columbiana Drive, Columbia

May (date TBA) 2013 Boxster Launch

McDaniels Porsche
6409 Two Notch Rd

May 26 - 28 Sommerfest -Columbia

June 19th Area meeting 6:30 (Tuesday)

Hullers Black Forest German Restaurant
380 Columbiana Drive, Columbia

October 16th Area meeting 6:30 (Tuesday)

Oktoberfest at Doc's Grrrage
359 Porsche Dr, Lexington

December 11th Area Christmas Party

(Note: this is the 2nd Tuesday of the month)
RSVP required - details to follow

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March 17th
April 21st
May 19th

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Triad Area By Jerry Kilcrease



Meeting: Third Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm
Big Shotz Tavern, 1480 River Ridge Rd, Clemmons, NC.
Directions at www.bigshotztavern.com

Contact Jerry Kilcrease, Area Director
triad-ad@carolinas-pca.com (336) 476-3120

At the February monthly meeting we had a record setting 65 members and guests attend. It was another packed house as we welcomed first time attendees **Cynthia Stokes** along with **Cindy and John Wilson** to our group. **Jane Hewitt** and **Neil Claasen** celebrated birthdays during the month of February and were treated to desserts as the group joined in and sang "Happy Birthday". Neil also had the lucky ticket and won the "50/50" split the pot prize money. Long time PCA member **B.J. Craven** brought a DVD (converted from 8mm film) of a two day PCA SunFun event held in 1985 that was shown on the overhead projector during the meeting. We were able to recognize several PCA members that were at the event, one being a young **Dave Lumpkin**. The group also recognized **Stan and Peg Simm** and **Terry and Kathy Thornett** on their 5 year anniversary as members of PCA. We want to thank **Reade Fulton** and **Hank Carpenter** of Porsche of Greensboro for bringing by a new Porsche 991 for our members to check before and after the meeting. **Sadie** set up the Goodie Store and Ron handled all the video for us and **Tanya Reed** and **Emily Branch** handled the 50/50 pot.

Thanks again to everyone that attended.

Upcoming triad area hosted events:

March 31 (Saturday) – Drive to "Hungry Mother Park and Beyond" – Charles Ruppert, Chairman – Caravan up to Hungry Mother State Park; stop for brunch; visit park or drive Rt. 16 (430 turns); dinner at Claypool Hill; then return. See registration form on page 20 for details.

May 19 (Saturday) – Porsche Corral – American Children's Home Charity Event – The Triad Area PCA is teaming with ACH for the 14th Annual Car and Truck Show at their facility located in Lexington, NC. People's Choice Porsche Corral Car Show with 3 place winners; \$20 entry fee with all proceeds going to ACH. Registration with details coming later.

June 15,16,17 (Fri –Sat-Sun)-Dinner Train Charity Drive-Robert Van Camp, Chairman- On Friday, caravan up to Homestead Resort for lunch; continue on to Elkins, WV; check in then dinner; Saturday drive to Snow Shoe for lunch and return to Elkins; then take dinner train to High Falls of Cheat; Sunday morning depart to Chateau Morrisette for brunch; then return home. Registration and details later.

September 1st (Saturday)-Annual Swap Meet, hosted by RennGruppe in Lexington, NC, Jerry Kilcrease, Chairman – hosted by Triad Area PCA with lunch and open house provided by RennGruppe at their facility at 364 Dixon Street, Lexington. Details later.

Next triad area monthly meeting:

TUESDAY, MARCH 20th, AT BIG SHOTZ TAVERN IN CLEMMONS – The meeting will start around 7PM. Triad Area member Serge Ayache will give the group a short presentation on "Cars for all ages". Sadie will be there with the Carolinas Region Goodie Store and Ron Reed will provide overheads of current PCA events. So please come join us for fun and fellowship. Contact Jerry Kilcrease at jkilcrease@triad.rr.com if you have any questions or need directions. See you there!

– Jerry

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Triad GIP (Girls In Porsche) (By Sadie Kilcrease)

Our February meeting was held at Phoenix Asian Cuisine in Greensboro. We had a great turn out and the food was wonderful—especially the fried rice. Peg Simm's pocketbook was heavier when she left than when she arrived as she won our split the pot. Our next meeting is scheduled for March 1 at the Chop House Grille located at 4001 Meeting Way in Greensboro. The building actually faces Highway 68. Please note: we are meeting at a new time 12:30. Mark your calendar and join us for Food, Fun and fellowship with the girls. Hope to see you there.

Triangle Area By Bob Kim



Meeting: 2nd Saturday of the month, 9:30 - 11:30am
Panera Bread
1065 Darrington Dr. Cary, NC
Contact Bob Kim, Area Director
triangle-ad@carolinas-pca.com

February in the Triangle Area was exciting thanks to the introduction of the new 991 and the event hosted by Leith Porsche at the Contemporary Art Museum in Raleigh. It was an elegant affair attended by many of the PCA members from the greater Raleigh area. In addition to the new 991 (2 were unveiled at the event), we also had the opportunity to enjoy a beautiful 959 and 964 from Bob Ingram's personal collection. Leith Porsche also brought a hybrid Cayenne S, and a Panamera.

Drinks and hors d'oeuvres were served throughout the evening, and despite the rain, everyone had a wonderful time and walked away with Porsche calendars and 991 t-shirts.

Monthly Meeting

Unfortunately, we were unable to meet in February due to a scheduling conflict. We will continue to meet in Cary until the start of summer, and then we'll pick another great location in the Triangle Area.

Instead, the Triangle Area was invited by the Hurricane Region to attend a last minute opportunity to attend a special showing of the new 991 at Bob Ingram's collection of unique Porsches in Durham.

As a reminder, we discussed our plans for 2012 in the Triangle Area. For those who weren't able to join us for coffee, here's a quick list of what we discussed:

- Fun Runs (Pittsboro to Carthage or Hillsborough); dates TBD

- Annual Beach Run to Beaufort – April 14-15
- 3 Detailing Sessions - washing/waxing, paintless dent removal, wheel repair, leather repair; dates TBD
- Tech Session at Leith Porsche in Cary, NC – dates TBD
- Tail of the Dragon Trip – dates TBD
- Ronald McDonald House Charity Laps – at Virginia International Raceway (Friday, March 30th)
- Petit LeMans at Road Atlanta
- American Le Mans Series at VIR – Alton, VA; September 2012
- Drivers Eds -
 - April at CMP - Carolinas Region PCA
 - May at VIR - First Settlers Region PCA
 - Nov at VIR – Carolinas Region PCA
 - September at CMP – Carolinas Region PCA
- Carolinas Region Autocross Events – Dates TBD

Communication

Please remember to visit the Triangle Area PCA Facebook page. If you have any difficulty finding it, please e-mail me at triangle-ad@carolinas-pca.com.

Also, I will continue to update the Triangle Area Wordpress blog: www.trianglearea.wordpress.com

If you have any other questions about our PCA activities in the Triangle Area, please call me at 919-816-6117, or send me an e-mail.

See you soon!

– Bob

Upstate Area By John Budinich



Meeting: First Monday of the month at 6:30pm
Quaker Steak & Lube, 10 Chrome Drive
Greenville, SC
Contact John Budinich, Area Director
upstate-ad@carolinas-pca.com (864) 915-0011

Two major events took place recently, the Protech Chili Cook Off on January 28th and the New 911 Unveiling on February 4th. Look for detailed articles on both events in Tobacco Roads and on the Carolinas Region website.

We held our February meeting at Quaker Steak & Lube on Monday, February 6th and 32 people attended. Not a bad turnout considering it was only 2 days after the New 911 party. John Babinski gave an update from the DE Seminar held at CMP. He said it was very well attended with about 25 people. The weather held and they were able to get a number of parade laps in as part of the day. Karla Kuhn discussed the Block House Steeplechase that will take place on April 21st. We usually have about 30 members and guests attend this event each year as guests of Mandy and Chris Creasman. At the meeting, Karla already had 10 people sign up. If you want to add this event to your calendar, get in touch with Karla before it fills up. A fun part of the Steeple Chase experience is the event related hat contest. Upstate Area attendees have won in some category every year! Here's hoping that trend continues.

The group discussed the good time they had at the New 911 party and we had some photos from the event on the main TV screen,

John Tulebitz also provided photos from Retromobile 2002 that he attended. These were shown on the other TVs in the room and there were some very unusual vehicles contained in those photos. Thanks to John for providing those.

I especially want to thank the 13 members who took the time to prepare their cars for the "History of the 911" display at Porsche of Greenville as part of the New 911 Unveiling. Thank you for the effort and for the generous use of your vehicles. Those individuals are named in the article covering the events across the Region. Another item of note from the event is that effective February 1st; Porsche of Greenville will be providing a one-year membership to anyone purchasing a new or used Porsche. This should help to grow our membership ranks a good deal this year. Thanks to Mike Burgess, General manager, for his commitment to the Club.

Upcoming Upstate Area Meetings

- Monday, March 5 at 6:30 pm at Quaker Steak & Lube, Greenville, SC
- Monday, April 2 at 6:30 pm at Quaker Steak & Lube, Greenville, SC
- Monday, May 7 at 6:30 pm at Quaker Steak & Lube, Greenville, SC

As always, I would ask members to keep the ideas, suggestions and feedback coming to upstate-ad@Carolinas-pca.com as they can only help to improve our meetings and activities throughout the year.

- John

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Porsches

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1987 944 Turbo: White/tan. Upgrades include: Dash mounted adjustable boost, boost gauge, fuel/air meter, Weltmeister adjustable sway bars front and rear, Weltmeister 600 lb springs, hard Boge shocks, BB headers, BB exhaust, aluminum flywheel, stainless steel braided brake hoses, cross cut rotors, Autothority chips, K&N filter, Strut brace. New water pump, timing belt with rollers, new front and rear seals. Work was done by Doc's Grrrage. Included are 4 extra S2 rims and 6 Hooiser race tires for track. \$11,000. Contact Jeff Holman, Columbia, SC area at (803)622-0912 or Jholman72@yahoo.com (3/12)

1988 928S4: VIN WPOJB0929JS860469. Black over black leather. 88k very nice condition and serviced properly by Protech Motorsports. Major service done at 79k including timing belt and water pump. Dual A/C converted to R134. \$15,000. Mark Feightner, Asheville NC. feight14@charter.net or (828)651-0215. (3/12)

1990 Carrera 2: Black exterior with tan leather interior. Owned by professional and has been upgraded and maintained by only the best. All maintenance and upgrades in last 6 years performed by Dave Brown at Renn Gruppe Motorsports. Car is gorgeous, fast and sounds incredible. I have owned the car since '06, third owner. Previous owner was PCA officer and was equally obsessed with caring for the car. Never tracked. Car has 76,000 miles, engine professionally rebuilt with upgrades at 50,000 miles. Upgrades include: 17" 1990 turbo wheels, Fabspeed headers, lowered performance springs, heavy duty sport shocks, Weltmeister sway bars, custom powder coated valve covers, fan and engine shrouds, polished intake manifolds, port and polished intakes, K&N Cone air filter, distributor vent installed, new pistons and cylinders updated to eliminate the leaky o-ring factory style seal, pistons and rods balanced to zero weight difference, Web 3.6 sport cams, lightweight flywheel to replace original dual mass flywheel (reduced weight), custom performance chip (arrived at after multiple dyno sessions) new valve guides, larger throttle body, new leather on seats, new interior carpet, etc., etc. Newer Bridgestone REO-1R tires. 300 HP at crank, 250 HP at the wheel, dyno sheets are available. Car never driven in rain or snow. Never wrecked. Normally under car cover in controlled environment. Car is stunning and gets smiles and thumbs up whenever I drive it around town. \$27,500 or best offer. Restoring a '93 RS America and can't keep both! Brad Van Laningham, Asheboro, NC. Brad@BradleyLaw-GroupNC.com 336-302-5722 (3/12)

1998 Carrera S Coupe: Only 1500 produced, Sun roof, blk/blk, flawless condition, 6 Speed Manual. 18" OEM Turbo S wheels, Aero Kit, Rear Wiper, Aluminum Shifter/Brake Handle/Gauges, full leather, lowered H&R springs, Weltmeister sway bars, 31,000 miles. Car is garaged in SC, asking \$55,000. Contact Frank Juhasz, (201)714-8194, frank.juhasz@broadridge.com (3/12)

2004 996 C4S Cab: WPOCA29974S650364, Like new, Silver with Black full leather interior, 24,500 miles, sport-tuned exhaust, Porsche Crests in headrests, 6 speed manual, carbon fiber sills and shifter, factory hardtop, new Michelin tires, dealer maintained, non-smoker. Email or contact me for more information and pics. Clear title in hand. \$45,900. Mark Greene, Columbia SC, markgre@aol.com or (803)360-8563. (3/12)

2005 997 Carrera C2: WPOAA29985S715182. Seal Grey, Black Leather 46,500 miles. Very good condition. Chrono, S 19", Nav, \$42,000. Contact John Zulch. jzulch@bellsouth.net or (704)578-4481. (3/12)

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2007 Carrera 911: VIN WPOAA299X7S710357. Dark Blue/Grey leather, garaged, non-smoker, 27K Miles, very good condition, conservative driver, Gemballa rear wing, Tiptronic, Bi-Xenon lights, Sport Chrono Package, Bose Premium Sound, heated & power Seats, Aluminum Look interior, 19" Wheels, six CD changer, park assist, one owner, MSRP \$101,475. Price \$54,500. Contact Dale Danahey, Charlotte, NC, dale@championmachinery.com or (803)548-8000. (2/12)

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One 993 Technology wheel: 19"x10" 993.362.140.00 This wheel is new, never had a tire on it. I am asking what I have in it, \$800. I could not find a second one new so my wheel project went a different way. Contact Bob Schmitt, St. Augustine region, Florida, rgs454@bellsouth.net or (904)280-3192 (3/12)

997 Carrera S Wheels (2008): 19 in., with Porsche colored center crests and TPMS installed. Clean, undamaged, original OEM

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 - c. Where you and the item are located.
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Below is a sample of the format we will utilize:

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| Mar 13 | Hickory Area Meeting |
| Apr 28, 29 | DE @ CMP |
| May 26, 27 | Sommerfest |
| July 14, 15 | DE @ Atlanta Motorsports Park |
| Aug 11 | In Den Bergen |
| Sept 8, 9 | DE @ CMP |
| Oct 9 | Hickory Area Meeting |
| Nov 16-18 | DE @ VIR |

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