# PCA Palmetto Region www.pcapalmetto.org June/July 2007 Summer Edition

Who went for a ride this morning? Who took the car out just to let it breathe and to spend some time thinking of nothing? Or listening to the engine roar while the breeze that occurs at highway speeds blows through. Last night a ride to the beach was followed by an early morning ride down several of our tree shaded roads. This is what Porsche owners do in the summer in Charleston.

With springtime suddenly gone and the summer heat upon us, many are busy with family, vacations, work... Finding the time to spend with cars is limited. Checking the calendars of our local race courses quickly lets us know that typically this is not the season for air-cooled enthusiasts to schedule events. Maybe it's that seat-of-the-pants dyno, but most know that our cars seem to have just a bit more life in the cooler weather.

It certainly is more pleasant for the humans involved. Those of us who took part in the walking tour a few weeks ago will attest to the fact that mid-day in June may not be ideal for outdoor activities in Charleston. I will say that the two little girls selling lemonade near

the end of our tour could have charged any price and we would have gladly paid. It was a wonderful tour just the same. By the way, the rally was very competitive with the Stonerocks and Schandalls tied for first and the Barnetts finishing in second place

Enjoy your summer as we all do. Look around and you quickly realize we live where hundreds of thousands from all over the world come for vacation. Hard day at the office? Go to the beach and watch the sunset. It seems to put everything in perspective. Need to cool off? Take a weekend trip to the mountains.

But, don't let the busy summer leave you saying, "Oops, I was planning to go to the mountains in September" only to miss an event because our cars are in the shop. Do those repairs now. Have the car ready when a DE comes around in September.

Make plans to attend our meeting on July 10th. Hear about the extended plans. If you have a desire for something different, let everyone know. The fall will be upon us soon and we look forward to many more exciting events.



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# Palmetto-Pipes

#### From the Prez

Summer is here! It's already hot too soon. Our annual "Welcome Home Party" was a huge success. I'd like to thank Dr. Bob, Doug Bunch, MaryAnn and Steve Kemp and those who helped with the cleanup. Southern Occasions did a superb job on the food. As always, Tuggy supplied the door prizes (Tug Art) water colors. Thanks Tuggy. We had some 40 plus attend. If you couldn't make it, plan on attending next year.

Last weekend we had a Walking Rally downtown. It was soooo hot. Fun was had by all but will plan to do again in the fall. We finished with a wine tour and tasting at Irvine Vineyards on Wadmalaw Island. Thanks to Tuggy and Steve Kemp who setup the Rally. There were some very tricky questions, but overall we finished without any broken bones.

Since we stopped mailing the Pipes newsletter, we have saved the club a tremendous amount of cost in postage and paper. We are always looking for interesting news or articles of interest. Please forward those to Kevin Small. I am very proud of our website, thanks to Kevin and Josh who do all of the work. Thanks guys!

Our next meeting will be at Sportz Cafe on Montague Avenue in North Charleston, on July 10th at 7pm.

I hope to see you then.

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#### **Members Corner**

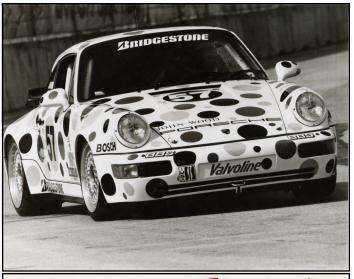
**New Members** 

Michael T Jordan......2007 997T GT Rolando & Jennifer Ramirez.....2006 911

Transfer In

Albert & Dina Bione......1996 993 Michael & Jill Thomas......1988 911

A warm Lowcountry welcome to everyone. Look forward to seeing you at our next outing.



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The yellow Carreras have taken over. Dr Bob, Rod and Steve show off their cars at the welcome home party.

#### Welcome Home Party

Our Welcome home gathering was another success. The weather was perfect, the food was delicious, and the company as usual is why we gather every chance we get.

Seems the yellow Carreras have become a majority. Only on a Porsche. Three pristine Porsches in any color is a sight to behold. To have three together in Speed Yellow has to be some sort of record.

Before we get in trouble for spending too much time on the cars, let's thank those that made this party happen and as usual a huge success. The Stonerocks, Kemps, and Bunches for hosting, Southern Occassions for the wonderful food, and Tuggy for the art work.

#### **Another Track Day**

May provided another track day at Roebling Road. Andy Stallworth, Kevin Small, and Scott Hornsby made their way down to Roebling Road for a day on the track. A bit warmer than the April event, but still another perfect day. This event preceded a NASA race event which brought in a wide variety of cars.

Once again, Andy served as Kevin's instructor and it seems they picked up where they left off. Andy also found time to run his RS America and proceeded to pass most of the cars on the track. Scott, who drives a 996, was driving his Nissan 350Z and had a great day with it.

It was interesting to watch as the various race teams began to pull in for the weekend. Some were very professional teams, while others are obviously families that have chosen racing as their hobby of passion. Again, if you have the opportunity and the desire, mark your calendar for events coming up in the fall. Finding out what your car is capable of in a controlled environment will provide enjoyment and long lasting smiles.



Andy and Kevin make their way around the track while the "Pit Crew" enjoys the sun and a cold beverage.



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## Palmetto-Pipes

PCA Palmetto Region

June/July 2007

#### <u>July</u>

1-5th 52nd Porsche Parade, San Diego
1st Carolinas Region DE, Lowes
10th Monthly meeting, Sportz Café, North Charleston, 7pm

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#### **August**

19th Peachtree State Region DE,Road Atlanta31st RennFest, thru Sept 3rd

#### Saturday Breakfast

Dr. Bob and the gang have moved. The Saturday breakfast is now held at Sunflower Café on Hwy. 61 @ 8:00 every Saturday. Join us.....

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Monthly Meeting

July 10th, 7pm Sportz Café, North Charleston