

# PALMETTO PIPES

PALMETTO REGION

PCA

NOVEMBER 1991

## AN AUTOCROSS??

GREAT NEWS we may have an autocross location!!

It is tentatively set for Charleston AFB  
Sunday November 17, at 12:00 noon.

Come to the meeting November 12 for details.



## HOW TO RALLY

Rallying is truly a skill that can be mastered!  
Why would you need a stop watch? What does  
CAST or CM mean? What does SYMBOLS mean?  
What is legal and what is not legal?  
Rally Masters normally use specific guidelines  
when setting up a course. Tuggy Mathison  
will be explaining basics about Rallying  
at our November 12, meeting at 7:00pm.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER 12 - 7:00pm

Porsche meeting at  
Autometrics  
HOW TO RALLYE

NOVEMBER 17 - 12:00pm

TENTATIVE!!  
Autocross at Charleston AFB  
We will have conformation and  
details on this event by the  
Nov. 12 meeting.

DECEMBER 7 -

Christmas Party at Josie Joe's

FEBRUARY 1 and 2

24 HOURS AT DAYTONA

FEBRUARY 14, 15 & 16

National PCA Board Meeting

## PALMETTO REGION OFFICERS

### PRESIDENT:

Gordon Friedman - 552-5338

### VICE PRESIDENT:

Sam Kelly - 572-9682

### SECRETARY/TREASURER

Tug Mathisen - 556-1627

### ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN

Al Trego - 571-5674

### MEMBERSHIP

Tom Dougherty - 886-5627

### NEWSLETTER

Jean Trail - 767-2801





## 24 HOURS AT DAYTONA

Okay Racing Fans this starts off the 1992 season. Plan for your trip to Daytona now it's only 6 hours away.

## TRAFFIC RADAR

There are many ways of tracking speeds, including pacing, stopwatch, VASCAR (a visual system much like a stopwatch), laser, stationary, moving, Instant on and photo radar. The ease of operation and economy of a radar system virtually guarantees that radar will continue to be the most used method of measuring speed far into the future.

Traffic radar uses a constant beam with only a single digital readout. It uses a constant beam which is much like a search light, it shines down the road, either down the road, either forward or backward, but not both ways at once. This means the area under the surveillance is limited and if there are multiple moving objects within range, traffic radar is unable to distinguish between them. Traffic radar calculates speed from the reflections it receives. It uses a phenomenon of physics known as the Doppler principle. Traffic radar applies this Doppler principle to microwaves. It compares the shifted frequency of the reflection to the original frequency of the beam it sent out, and from the difference it calculates speed, which it then displays on it's digital readout.

That is basically all there is to traffic radar. In the December issue of the Palmetto Pipes I will explain further on how the different types of radar devices work.

Information for this article was gathered from Cincinnati Microwave.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

Okay here's the scoop, our Christmas Party is all set and all we need is your reservation. The place is Josie Joe's in Mr. Pleasant and the date is December the 7th. All you need to bring is a gift for the exchange. The bar will be open from 5-6:00pm and dinner will begin at 6:00. Followed by the gift exchange and dancing. Please call Tuggy Mathison to attend. The cost is \$15.00 per person. Also, please bring a gift for the exchange. The gift should be PORSCHE related and under \$10.00, we anticipate alot of fun so come on out. Please contact Tuggy by November 15th!!



Congratulations Rally Winners!!

1st place: Dale Conrad, Al Trego and Rhett Mathison

2nd place: Cathy and Skeeter Risher

3rd place: Earl and Jean Trail

## OCTOBER MEETING

### ZAPPED!!

The October meeting was not what we expected. The club had arranged for a representative from the Mt. Pleasant Police Dept. to be there to discuss Radar equipment and give a demonstration. Much to our disappointment, the police never arrived. However, all is not lost, we conducted our own discussion on radar and Porsche, more details will follow. We are still pursuing one of the departments to meet with us and we will let everyone know more details as we do.



## CHRISTMAS SALE

Just reduced for the HOLIDAYS.

Porsche T-Shirts all sizes available.

Short Sleeve - \$16.00  
Long Sleeve - \$18.00  
Long Sleeve - \$20.00 (XL)

Call Gordon for information  
763-6740

## PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA APPROVES CLUB RACING

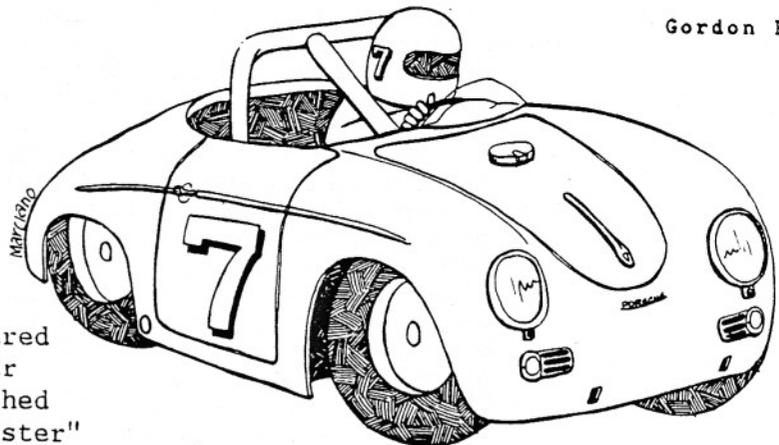
At the PCA Board of Directors meeting July 31, 1991 the board approved a PCA Club Race Program. There has been a PCA Club Race Committee formed. Alan Friedman, past PCA national Safety Committee has been appointed Chairman of the Club Race Committee.

This series is exclusively for Porsches and PCA members. The format will be similar to SVRA (Vintage Car Racing), a "gentlemen's or gentlewoman's" type racing. I think this will be a very competitive series. I expect in this area there will be races at tracks like Road Atlanta, Daytona or Sebring, Charlotte and Robling Roads. This will be a good opportunity to see what you and your Porsche can really do.

I am currently preparing a 911 for this series. If you have an interest in racing in this series, let me know, I'd like to see some strong contenders from the Palmetto Region.

Here are the guidelines from National by Alan Friedman:

Gordon Friedman



## WELCOME!!!

Skeeter and Cathy Risher joins us from Florida driving an '86 Black 911



## HALLOWEEN RALLY

### GREAT JOB TUGGY !!!

The rally was a great success. It covered Charleston, Ravenel, Hollywood and other areas around the Low Country. We searched for "Old Dead Hangman's Tree", "The Rooster" and "Mama Duck with 3 ducklings in a red bird bath". Thank goodness we all arrived back to the finish line safely after dodging Trolls, Ghosts and Goblins. Don't miss the next rally, it is guaranteed to be great.

## PCA Club Racing Event Guidelines

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- Each Club Racing event will be organized by a Region or Zone
- Three National Stewards will attend each event, and serve as the top officials for that event
- The track will be staffed similarly to other racing events: SCCA or equivalent corner workers and appropriate emergency services
- One of the Stewards will be oversee car scrutineering, he will be assisted by PCA members
- One of the Stewards will be the Track Marshall; the third Steward will be the Competition Director for the event
- Rules, classes, and operating procedures will be the same for every PCA Club Race event
- Practice/qualifying/races will be by class; classes may be grouped according to entry, but will only compete in class
- Driving in all Club Race sessions will be under normal racing conditions (i.e., passing will be at the discretion of the drivers, and track conditions controlled by the corner workers) with vintage racing etiquette and rules
- All on-track performance will be carefully monitored:
  - o Spins and wheels-off incidents will be black-flagged for discussion with the Competition Director
  - o Hazardous behavior, such as passing under a yellow flag, will be reviewed by the Stewards and may result in suspension for the rest of the event
  - o All incidents involving car damage will be reviewed by a Driver's Committee consisting of the Stewards and several experienced competitors, and will be dealt with via the "13/13" rule, which provides for immediate suspension for the remainder of the weekend and a 13 month probation period for the driver (s) at fault. This applies to single as well as multiple car incidents.
- All practice/qualifying/race sessions will be of modest length (approx. 20 minutes)
- All race starts will be rolling via a pace car
- Trophies will be at the discretion of the organizing Region/Zone
- Qualifying will be either by a timed session (for best lap) or a "qualifying race" in which the best lap time will determine grid position for the feature race
- Driver's meetings will be held once per day
- All car classification problems/decisions will be at the discretion of the National Stewards
- Race results, event news, and general Club Racing information will be published regularly
- Entry fees will be set by the organizing Region/Zone, and will be in the \$150-200 range
- Events will be insured separate from the normal PCA Event Liability program; insurance will include liability and participant accident coverage (medical) (NOTE: a prospective competitor should assume that he/she has total responsibility for any damage to his/her car; this may be different than he/she assumes when driving at a PCA Driver's Ed event)
- All competitors will hold PCA Club Racing Licenses issued by the National Club Racing Committee. Licensing criteria will include either an existing competition license or successful completion of a Club Racing School (these will be held before selected Club Race events, and will require substantial prior on-track driving experience for admission). Everyone entering the PCA Club Racing Program will be deemed a rookie for 2 races.
- On-track performance of all competitors will be monitored and tracked by the Committee
- The overall philosophy at each PCA Club Racing Event will be the same: A competitive driving experience in any/all types of Porsches in a fun, safe, and friendly environment where the primary emphasis is on clean driving and machinery preservation. This philosophy will be maintained by common rules and procedures and the National Stewards at each event.

by Alan Friedman:

Palmetto Club PCA Officer Nominees

For 1992

	Member	Family Member
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**President:**

AL Trego:	_____	_____
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Write in:	_____	_____
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**V. President:**

Gordon Friedman:	_____	_____
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Dale Conrad:	_____	_____
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**SECRETARY / TREASURER:**

Tuggy Mathison:	_____	_____
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**COMMITTEES:**

**ACTIVITIES:**

Sam Kelly  
Earl Trail

**NEWSLETTER:**

Jean Trail

**MEMBERSHIP:**

Tom Dougherty

**TECHNICAL:**

Gordon Friedman

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**LEGAL ADVISOR:**

Elliot Barrow

WE NEED YOUR BALLOT RETURNED TO US NO LATTER THAN DECEMBER 1, 1991.

PLEASE FILL IN YOUR VOTES AND MAIL IT TO TUGGY MATHISON AT:

49 Eaton Rd.  
Charleston, SC 29407