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About

Letter From the President

Kerry Koon

Hi Everyone,

Many of you already know, I'm sure, but some may not know that our President has undergone some heart surgery and has been recovering for the past few weeks or so. He is doing well I am told, and expects to be at the meeting this month. He says it was a "valve job" (I think he was talking about his heart - not his car) and everything is fine.

Kerry, we all wish you a speedy and full recovery.



Hurry

Back

Upcoming Events

DRIVERS EDUCATION

AT

ROAD ATLANTA

May 23-24

Contact: Nelson Montalvo
Braselton, GA
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(770)663-7268

SCCA AUTOCROSS

(Columbia Area)

May 16 1998

at

Irmo High School

Corner of Harbison Blvd.
and Saint Andrews Rd.

*Register @ 9:00 AM
1st Car Out 11:00 AM*

AUTOCROSS



Call me if you have questions.

Don't Forget —

THE PALMETTO REGION (that's us) MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday 23 Apr 98
7:00 PM

AT BAKER MOTORS
(Chas. Porsche Dealer)
1511 Savannah Highway, Charleston

This is a chance to look over the newest Porsches when no one will notice if you drool - since everyone else will be drooling as well.

NEW MEMBERS!

Joel Grainger
P. O. Box 7542
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WELCOME

A HISTORY NOTE FOR PORSCHE FANS



FERRY PORSCHE, DESIGNER OF THE FIRST PORSCHE SPORTS CAR TAKES THE FINAL CHECKERED FLAG -

--- This note from a WWW source ---

March 27, 1998 11:58 AM EST

"Ferry" Porsche, the German automotive engineer who designed the first Porsche sports car along with his father Ferdinand, has died at age 88, the Stuttgart-based company reported Friday.

Ferdinand Anton Ernst Porsche, known as Ferry, was born near the Austrian capital of Vienna on Sept. 19, 1909. He was the son of engineer Ferdinand Porsche, who designed the Beetle car for the Nazis in the 1930's, and his wife Aloisia

In 1950 he (Ferry) started producing his first sportscar, the Porsche 356 model, which was the first to carry the Porsche brandname. The 356 was succeeded by the Porsche 911 in 1963, and Porsche racing cars have gone on to be among the most successful on the world's racing circuits.

Ferry retained the post of honorary board chairman until his death although the company has been led since 1992 by Wendelin Wiedeking.

Thanks, Dr. Porsche, for all the joy and excitement your creations have brought to our lives. Rest in peace.



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Editor's Note **Terry Ryan**

Hi Porsche Folks,

I'm still workin' on "stuff" to put in the PIPES. If you have something please send it to me. It doesn't have to be a big major event. Just something you thought was neat or interesting. Pictures of your car, a paragraph on events you attended, etc. are welcome. We all like to know what people are doing and "what's happen'in".

Send your "stuff" to me - Terry Ryan
8 Captiva Row
Charleston, SC 29407

Please Note:

**DEADLINE FOR INCLUSION IN THE MAY NEWSLETTER IS
19 MAY 98**

If you miss the deadline there is always next month!

Note the SCCA autocross coming up May 16th: This is a very casual autocross. No special requirements and good people. I run just my street tires and completely stock. All you need is a car and a few \$\$ (it was \$15 last year, \$20 for non-SCCA members I think) A helmet is provided if you don't have one. If we get several people/cars together it may be entertaining to "caravan" to the site. Call me if you are interested.

In the meantime - it sure would be nice to have PCA autocrosses closer to Charleston. Keep thinking about this as you drive around on your various missions and keep an eye open for a possible site. If you find a "possible" let me or any other officer know and we can get it checked out.

Monthly Meetings: I don't want to be a nag about the meetings, but I will anyway. Please try to make it. If we can get more participation we can have better meetings, which leads to a better organization, which leads to more and better activities, which leads to more fun for members, which leads to a happier more fulfilling life, which leads to a more successful career,

which leads to more opportunity to make lots of money, which leads to being able to afford more of the latest toys for your Porsche. Well . . . I don't know . . . makes sense to me . . . !!

Advertisements and Classified Ads : We are working on getting the ads together and organized and plead for patience from those who are wanting to get their message out in the PIPES. This goes for the classifieds as well. With people having heart operations (imagine putting that ahead the PCA club . . .!), other officers traveling all over the place in their jobs and a neophyte editor . . . well, we'll get better as time goes on. I do have a new printer, so the photos/graphics may be a little better. We appreciate your patience.

That's All Folks,
Terry



1955 PORSCHE 550 SPYDER

550S

1498 cc

110 bhp @ 6200 rpm

1440 lb

from PORSCHE, by Nicky Wright, Longmeadow Press, Stamford, CT.