

# Palmetto Pipes



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## OKTOBERFEST

The celebrating of an Oktoberfest comes from Germany. Imagine that. Isn't that the home of our beloved Porsches? Anyway, in Germany it is a sixteen-day festival held each year in Munich, Bavaria, Germany. The festival actually begins in September and runs to early October.

Being the world's largest fair it attracts some six million people every year. The festival is a very important part of Bavarian culture. Munich's most famous event is the model for many world wide Oktoberfests.

Does any one know what Oktoberfestbiers are? Yes? No? For those that don't they are the beers that have been served at the Munich event since 1818. They are produced by the 6 breweries known as the Big Six; Spaten, Lowenbrau, Augustiner, Hofbrau, Paulaner and Hacker-Pschorr.

Visitors to a Munich Oktoberfest can expect to eat large amounts of food as well as indulging in the various Oktoberfestbiers. Some of the hearty traditional fare consists of, sausage, hendl (chicken), kasespatzle (cheese noodles) and sauerkraut. Bavarian delicacies like roast ox tails and Apfelfannenkuchen (apple pancakes) are also available.

Outside of Germany the worlds largest Oktoberfest is the Kitchner-Waterloo Oktoberfest in Ontario, Canada with 700,000+ visitors? Laying claim to third largest is Cincinnati, Ohio drawing 500,000+ visitors. Personally, I think I'd rather attend the one in Germany.



With summer gone and fall now here we get to experience the wonderfully pleasant warm days, without the humidity, and cool, comfortable evenings. With fall comes October and the prelude to the winter holidays. As the weeks go by bringing Christmas closer and closer, our hectic summer schedules now become hectic with holiday preparations. But among all those preparations be sure to make time to enjoy your beloved Porsche. For those of us without AC this time of year is wonderful.

This October will be an eventful one for our region. Our annual Oktoberfest will be Friday, October 17 at Shadowmoss Plantation in West Ashley at 7pm. Being a catered event you need to RSVP if you plan to attend. The meal, of course, will comprise of German foods. It is a BYOB and wine event. The full menu and directions are available on the website. This years PCA National Board Meeting is October 24-26 in Charleston, SC. Let's make their time here a delightful one. Charleston has much to offer as does our region.

October also hosts the haunting holiday of Halloween. For members with youngsters that will be enjoying dressing up for some trick or treating make sure they stay safe while they have fun. Happy hauntings future Porsche owners.

*Read on for some Oktoberfest history*



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## From the Prez

It's fall in the Lowcountry. All of you college football fans are scratching your heads and wondering if you will have to wait until next year yet again. Meanwhile, PCA Palmetto in the fall is a win-win situation. We have a calendar full of events that are sure to meet with everyone's expectations.

Last month's meeting was held at Baker Motors and featured Brian Smith of Carolina Motorsports Park. Brian gave a presentation detailing the many improvements and additions that have taken place at CMP. Those that attended know that we are trying to acquire a DE date in the early part of next year. This will be a huge undertaking for Palmetto, but I believe it will be very rewarding. I am actually scheduled to participate in a DE on October 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> and hope to return with more info concerning our possibilities. If you have an interest in participating in the DE or volunteering for one of the many tasks, please let one of the officers know.

PCA Palmetto will be holding its annual Oktoberfest on Friday, October 17. Make sure to mark this down and plan to attend. PCA Palmetto at its best, eating, laughing and visiting with friends.

The PCA National Executive Board meeting is slated for Charleston in October. We look forward to welcoming the board and showing them around our wonderful Lowcountry. Look for details on the website.

The gang that went to Tail of the Dragon returned with stories of fun and fascination with the natural beauty. We are talking about the beauty of the mountains, streams, and beautiful roads not the three, yes three GT-3s that were part of the group. You can only stand back and look in awe each time one of these beautiful Porsche's pulls up. Of course Mr. Kemp let them keep up with him on the twisties... The no substitute we hear about may just be skill and experience in this case.

Again, it's fall in the Lowcountry. My favorite time of the year for finding a quiet country road. Looking in the rearview to see the leaves rustle behind you. The sounds are all created by you with a little help from one Mr. Porsche...

## Kevin

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## Porsche Dragon Slayers Part II

Hi everyone we made it, sans power steering hose. I knew I would I just wanted to give my owners something to talk about on this trip. Got to, it wouldn't be a good trip without a story. Looks like we got a lot of new rookie wheels this year. Guess us veterans will have to show these new bee's how to run the Dragon. Boy, I can't wait. Tomorrow can't come quick enough. Can we go tonight?

No? Just because I decided I didn't want power steering for the trip? Oh, come on, please. I can't wait till tomorrow. Those turns we took coming up here got all my fluids pumping. I want to go. I want to go now. Please, please? I got your food here in one piece. Even managed to get that Dragon cookie here with out tossing it too much. So what do you say, can we go? No? Oh, all right. Guess I'll just have to wait till tomorrow. Wish I had fingers I could move the clocks ahead, but I don't so we're going to have to just sit out here and wait, and wait, and wait. Don't these people know this waiting is killing us Porsche's out here.

Listen to them talking, laughing, and eating and having a grand old time by the pool. And we're sitting out here just itching to go. This is what we're made for. They just don't know. Maybe we can sneak out once they all go to bed. I'll ask this Carrera next to me, he's one of my buddies from the Palmetto Region. I know my 944 Turbo friend from Ohio will go. Well, okay Carrera we'll wait till morning but they better not pitter-patter around because I'm ready to go.

Morning, hot digity dog lets go. A driver's meeting? You mean we got to wait even longer. Oh, come on, you people are killing me. I want to roll. I can hear those turns screaming for us to come get them. And they think we'll be scared. Ha! I did this last year and it was a piece of cake. This year I got me some new parts. New front Koni shocks, ball joints, tires, a dual cooling fan and a brand new power steering rack. Although I won't be using it since I thought it would be neat to spray power steering fluid all over my nice clean engine compartment on the way up here. I didn't like those original power steering hoses anyway. At least now I'll get some more new parts. You just got to know how to play the game. And I'm getting really good at it. Oh well my owner can handle it. He's tough. Just like me. I might be 25 plus years old but I'll keep up with all you newer kids. Just you wait and see.

Oh, good here they come. Come on. Come on. No, don't stand there and talk. Get in. Lets go. Oh, man pictures now? Can't we get this show on the road? Please, please? All right! Finally, we are ready to go. Got a lot of Cab's this year. Boy we'll be a sight coming down the road. All these Porsche's are going to make some heads turn.

Warning to all you slow pokes out there don't get in our way because here we come. Oh, man we're behind a bunch of motorcycles. Maybe they'll turn off at that gas station just before the Tail starts. Pretty scenery here with the river next to us. But you know what? I don't care about scenery. My owners might. I just want to get to the turns.

Hey Turbo, remember those stupid signs that recommend you take a turn at 15 mph? They must not know what us Porsche's can do. That's like a slap in the face for us. We're meant for this stuff. Yeah, we're fast and can blow away pretty much anything out there today but turns are what we want, lets watch a Nissan, Toyota or a Ford try to take these babies. No contest. They just don't have what we have.

Oh, good the motorcycles turned off. Okay everyone here we go. Oh, this is fun. Tight, tight turn. Really tight turn. That was fun. That was no problem. Lets get some more like that. Hey get your hand in

the window, no grabbing the bushes as we go by. Take pictures. Ooh, ooh, here comes one of those 15 mph recommendations. Lets see, 40 should be safe enough. He did it. You hear that? That's right no tires squealing on these cars. Ooh, ooh rev me up we got to look good, photographer ahead. ...CONTINUED NEXT PAGE.....



Hey what's this? What's this Cougar doing? She's slowing us down. Can't she go a little faster? Maybe she'll pull over and let us go by. Come on. Come on move over poky butt. This is getting ridiculous. Hey lady can't you read my tag? It says MOVE OVER! Don't you see me and my buddies back here? We want to go. Come on your Cougar can take these turns a little faster than that. Please, move your Cougar over.

Oh, you got to be kidding. Can we get out and push her? I need a push bar. Maybe I can get my owner to get me one from one of his department's cruisers. I sure could use it right now. Just a little tap in that Cougars butt and she might get the hint. Hey lady you think I put this front tag on just for fun. Read it, MOVE OVER!

Doesn't she know what's behind her? I've a big V8 and I'm roaring to go. So are those 914's behind me. I know this is just killing them. Heck, I don't even have power steering and I was hitting these turns with no problem. Please lady, just MOVE OVER!

Guess we just got to follow her. Oh well, there's the rest of your group anyway. Darn it's over already? If my 968 buddy takes us the way we went last year there is still a lot of fun left. I just hope he won't go down that road to Deliverance again.

All right we're all back together again and man we are having fun. Look at this long straight away coming up. Look at that gas price, \$4.89, what are they smoking? At least they have gas in Tennessee so we can enjoy the rest of this wonderful day. Just listen to those Porsches opening up. It's music to your ears.

I know this is coming to an end but man I wish we could do this everyday. This is what I was built for. This is what a Porsche is made for. These turns, oh how I just fall in love with them. Not much of these guys in the South Carolina Lowcountry. The Wal-Mart turn just doesn't cut it. These are real. Let's go again, please? Pretty, pretty please? I'll behave I promise. No, oh, man why not? We can go get our \$20 dollars a day gas at the Village station and head back to Telico Falls. They had plenty there. Please, please. I want to go again. I know those GT3's do. They told me so. So did the Cab's and the 914's. So what do you say? Can we?

Guess not guys, we'll just have to sit out here, again. You know how people are. They got to go socialize and eat, again. Guess we'll have to wait till next year. We could all sneak off in the middle of the night. But that might not be such a good idea. We might get in a lot of trouble. Okay I guess it's over. Guess I'll just rest, and have nightmares about that darn Cougar.



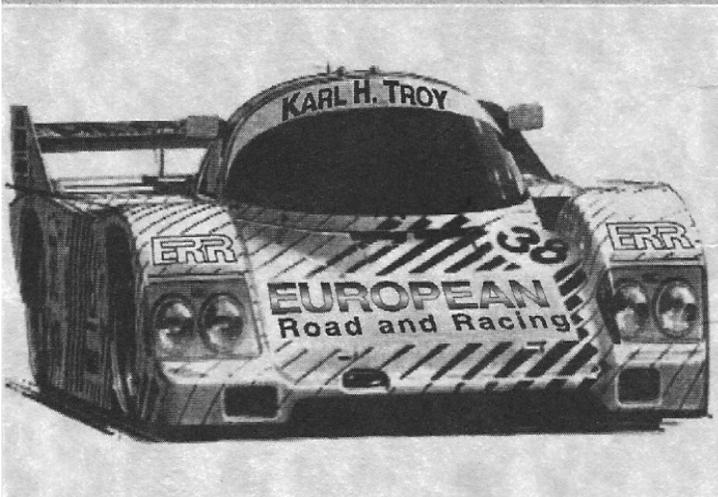
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**Porsche Trivia Fun**

How many turns and miles make up the Tail of the Dragon?

Answer to September trivia: 1950 Carrera Panamericana



**Members Corner**

**New Members:**

<b>Curt Grob/Isa Kowalewski</b>	_____	<b>2002 Boxster</b>
<b>Gregory James/Kathleen McElhannon</b>	_____	<b>1983 911 SC</b>
<b>Carl Kennedy</b>	_____	<b>1984 911</b>
<b>Doug &amp; Carol Tidwell</b>	_____	<b>1979 911 SC</b>

**Transfer Member: R .O & Dawn Caullwine** \_\_\_\_\_ **1983 944**

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

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**Upcoming Events**

Looking for a nice day trip you might want to wander down to the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Hilton Head Concours d'Elegance & Motoring Festival from Thursday, October 30 – Sunday, November 2, 2008 at the Coastal Discovery Museum at Honey Horn on Hilton Head Island. This event has fast become one of the elite among Concours events in the nation. Positioning itself with the likes of Pebble Beach, Meadow Brook and Amelia Island in only a few short years.

If your looking for a nice, close to home weekend get-away before the holidays you might want to join in on the **Myrtle Beach weekend rally** being held November 8 and 9<sup>th</sup>. See the website for further details.



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Serves: 8-12

Prep Time: 30 minutes

1 lb bacon – fried, crumbled, grease reserved  
1 large onion – sliced thin  
2 ¼ cup water  
½ cup granulated sugar

9 medium potatoes – peeled, sliced, boiled until tender  
½ cup all-purpose flour  
1 ¼ cup distilled white vinegar

Toss together crumbled bacon, potatoes, and onion in a bowl; set aside.

Melt bacon grease in saucepan over medium-high heat; stir in flour; stir in sugar; continue cooking, stirring constantly, until thickened.

Pour hot mixture over potatoes in the bowl.

Serve hot.

Enjoy this hearty German food with some Weiner Schnitzel or Bratwurst with sauerkraut and potatoes after lavishing some attention on your Porsche. Maybe even pick up a nice German Riesling Wine to complement the meal.



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# Tech TIPS

## 911 Starter Installation

During a recent hot-weather trip in my 911SC, the starter refused to crank the engine after I stopped for fuel. I was able to push-start the engine easily, and when the ambient temperature dropped a bit, I had no further starting problems.

After returning home, I thoroughly checked the entire starting circuit, and found no detectable fault. Discussions with other knowledgeable owners made me suspect that the starter itself was the culprit. Starters often show indications of impending failure during high temperature operation, when electrical resistance is higher. I decided to replace the starter with a Hi Torque unit.



If you need a new starter, you may wish to install a Hi Torque unit, especially if your engine is hard to start or has increased compression. This new starter also has improved electronics for more reliable performance. As you can see, the starter motor is only slightly larger than the solenoid.

Removing the starter is straightforward and simple. Begin by disconnecting the battery ground strap. Then jack up the rear of the car, and place it on jack stands. Make sure that the car is held up securely, because you will be working underneath the car.

The starter is located directly above the inboard CV joint of the right axle. It may initially look difficult to access, but it is not. Pull off the two yellow wires from the spade connectors on the starter solenoid. Remove the nut from the main terminal on the solenoid, and remove the battery (25mm black wire) and

alternator (10mm red wire) cables.

Next, the two “flanging nuts” as Porsche calls them must be removed. These are special 10mm allen-head nuts, so you will need a suitable allen socket and extension. To remove the top nut, reach over the top of the transmission. (I find this easiest when lying on my back, head toward the front of the car, and reaching over the transmission with my right arm.) Then you can take off the bottom nut, and remove the starter.

Now you are ready to install the new starter. Thoroughly clean the ring terminals on the end of the battery and alternator cables to ensure good contact.

The Hi Torque starter has only one spade terminal. Both of the yellow wires are connected to this, using an adapter. The larger (2.5mm) yellow wire carries the control signal from the ignition switch. The smaller yellow wire (.5mm, may also have a colored stripe) activates the cold-start injector when the starter is engaged.

The new starter will fit only one way, with the main terminal of the solenoid facing up. If you try to install it otherwise, the solenoid will interfere with the transmission housing-rotate the starter 180 degrees to the correct position. After it is in seated, replace the two “flanging nuts”. Reconnect the red and black cables to the solenoid main terminal, and the two yellow wires as described above.

The flange on the Hi-Torque starter is somewhat thinner than the stock starter; therefore you will need to install some washers before installing the flanging nuts, so that you don't reduce the depth of insertion of the allen wrench. I used four 10mm washers with a total thickness of 7.5mm for a correct fit. This is what the starter looks like installed.

With more than 700 ft/lbs of torque, the Hi-Torque starter really spins the engine, and makes a significant difference in startup. It is also considerably lighter than the stock starter. This is a nice upgrade that will increase the reliability of your Porsche. For step by step directions with photos go online to this website address [http://www.pelicanparts.com/techarticles/911\\_starter\\_install/911\\_starter\\_install.htm](http://www.pelicanparts.com/techarticles/911_starter_install/911_starter_install.htm)

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## GERMAN FOODS

A typical German meal consists of about six to seven courses. The main course, Hauptspeise, along with one or two either raw or cooked side dishes followed by a Vorspeise (appetizer) and a Suppe (soup). "Nachspeise" are the after-meal treats.

Through out the day the Germans love to drink drip coffee with majestic "Torte" or "Kuchen" (cake). For a true German "Hausfrau" serving coffee without cake to a welcomed guest would be considered rude.

Like most countries the different regions of Germany offer up many unique and different cuisines. Here are some of them. "Geheirote", potatoes and dumplings made of flour and served with a creamy bacon sauce comes from the Scaarland region. "Dibbelabbes" is a potato hash prepared from raw grated potatoes, bacon and leeks baked in a Dibbe.

From Saxony come delicacies like gingerbread known as Lebkuchen. The most poplar Saxony Lebkuchen is called Pulsnitz.

The Rheinland region offers cuisines like Reibekuchen, potato fritters with black bread.

The region of Hamburg offers Aalsuppe, a sweat and sour soup of meat broth, dried fruits, vegetables and herbs.

Pork is the most preferred constituent of German foods. Among poultry products chicken is the most popular. But goose, duck and turkey are also well appreciated among the Germans. Most of the meat eaten in Germany is in the form of sausages. Many German immigrants and descendants still make their own. When it comes to fish the Germans preferred those from seawater rather than fresh water.

Germans prefer their vegetables in soups or stews. They also make them into good side dishes. The most common vegetables used are cabbage, carrots, spinach, turnips, peas and beans. Fried onions are a common addition to meat dishes. Although potatoes are a major part of the German's diet they are not counted among vegetables. White asparagus, known as spargel is particularly popular among the Germans.

As far as breads the country boasts more than 6000 different types. They range from white wheat bread to grey bread and black rye bread. Bread is also a very big part of the German's diet and is usually eaten for breakfast as well as in sandwiches in the evening. Bread is served with every meal.

When it comes to desserts a big variety of cakes and tarts made with fresh fruits are enjoyed. Apples, plums, strawberries and cherries are the most popular on cakes. Cheesecake, German doughnuts, Berliner or Krapfen are also very popular. "Rote Grutze" is a red fruit pudding popular in northern Germany. "Rhabarbergrutze" is a rhubarb pudding and "Grune Grutze" is a gooseberry pudding.

Some popular and familiar German foods are, German potato salad, Bratwurst, Sauerkraut, Spatzle (a egg pasta noodle or dumpling), German cabbage rolls, pretzels and Wiener Schnitzel. A famous German condiment that most of us American's love on our hamburgers and hotdogs is mustard.



## GERMAN BEVERAGES

There is much to say about German beverages. Wine production is primarily in the southwest, along the Rhine River and its tributaries. The oldest wine producing plantations go back to the Roman era. In comparison to the vineyard surfaces in Spain, France and Italy Germany's wine production acreage is only about one tenth of the other countries. With white wines accounting for nearly two-thirds of the total wine production.

Internationally Germany has a mixed reputation as a wine producing country. Some consumers consider Germany's white wines among the worlds most elegant and aromatically pure . Others see the country merely as a source of cheap, mass-market semi-sweet wines. Wine enthusiasts base Germany's wine reputation on its sweet wines and the fact its home to the Riesling grape. Among the red wines, Spatburgunder, known domestically as Pinot Noir is in the lead.

The different wine styles produced in Germany are: dry, semi-sweet and sweet white wines, rose wines, red wines and sparkling wines called Sekt. The fortified wine style is not commonly produced in the country. Germany's finest white wines are made from the Riesling.

What can we say about German beer? Well for one thing, when it comes to the per capita consumption of beer Germany is only behind the Czechs and Irish. Therefore making beer a very important part of the German culture. With about

1,300 breweries through out the country, it is second only to the United States with 1,500.

Compared to the rest of the world the German beer market is somewhat sheltered because of the Reinheitsgebot, the purity order, which dates back to

1516. It was most recently updated in the Vorlaufiges Biergesetz of 1993. In accordance with it the only allowed ingredients in the beer are water, hops and barley-malt. This law also required that all beers not using barley-malt, such as wheat and rye, not be top-fermented.

Some of Germany's top-fermenting beers are: Altbier, a dark amber, hoppy brew. Kolsch is a pale, light-bodied beer that can only be legally brewed in the Cologne region. Weizenbock is a strong, dark wheat beer. Some of Germany's bottom-fermenting beers are: Bock, an amber, heavy-bodied, bittersweet lager. Schwarzbier is a dark lager beer with a full, roasty, chocolately flavor. Of course there are numerous other German beers. These are just some examples, there are many more.

The Augustiner Brau, brewery, located in Munich was established in 1328. It produces some of Munich's most popular beers. The origins of the brewery date as far back as 1294 when an Augustian monastery was established at the Haberfeld, just outside the gates of Munich. In 1315 the monastery was incorporated within the city walls of Munich. Granted the right not only to brew but also to sell beer on their premises started the tradition of brewery-owned beer halls that still exist today.

Today the brewery is located on Landsbergerstrasse in Munich's Kellerareal (cellar) area. Many of the city's breweries have their main brew-houses in this area. During World War II the brewery suffered heavy damages.

If you're interested in obtaining an Augustiner brew you'll only find one distributor in the US. Global Village Imports, LLC is located in King Prussia, PA. Although demand is high for Augustiner brews the distribution is very limited. So maybe you might want to take a trip to Germany. But make sure you go during Oktoberfest and enjoy one of Germany's greatest festivals. And have an Oktoberfestbier for us, or two, or maybe even three.



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## *Upcoming Events*

### October

12th Myrtle Beach Sunday Drive  
17th Oktoberfest  
18th Euro Fest at BMW Plant Spartanburg  
25th Peachtree Region DE at Road Atlanta  
25th PCA National Board is in town  
30-31st Savannah Historic Races

### November

1-2nd Hilton Head Concours d'Elegance  
8-9th Myrtle Beach Rally  
21-23rd Carolinas Region DE @ VIR

### Saturday Breakfast

Join the gang for Saturday breakfast -held at the Sunflower Café on Hwy. 61 @ 8:00 (every Saturday). Come and Join us.....



## *Palmetto Pipes*

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### *Monthly Meeting*

**Oct 17th, 7pm - Oktoberfest**  
**Outdoor Pavilion, Shadowmoss Plantation**