

# Palmetto Pipes



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## 2009 OKTOBERFEST

This year's Oktoberfest was held in conjunction with our members and friends up in Myrtle Beach. For those unable to attend, the event was a ton of fun. We started the event with a rally Saturday afternoon after everyone was checked into the hotel. Hotel accommodations were wonderful as we enjoyed beachfront rooms at the Myrtle Beach Hilton.

Our rally took us through the back roads of Horry County before returning to the hotel for a social hour

prior to our departure to a German Restaurant for dinner. Although I do believe one of our attendees made a point of discovering one of the other counties during the rally. All in all we had a great time and everyone returned safely and of course with stories to tell.



Dinner was great with a full menu of authentic German food to choose from. I understand our group nearly finished off the entire keg of German beer that was provided. With complimentary transportation from and back to the hotel we were free to drink our fill of Germany's best.

Sunday morning after check out we traveled as a group, the best you can do with keeping high-powered Porsche's from hitting the gas once it sees open highway, to our brunch location. As with dinner and our social hour, brunch was just as enjoyable and saw all participating drivers leaving with a door prize, courtesy of Porsche of Fayetteville.



Many thanks to all in Myrtle Beach that organized and put together this event. Special thanks to Eugene Silvestri for getting us great hotel accommodations, to Jill and Todd for arranging the running of our Rally. Great job you two. Special thanks also go out to Randy Othman, Rocky Holliday and Chuck Ottwell. Look forward to attending next year.



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## The Prez's Message,

It's already November, the month of Thanks and Elections. November came fast just like our favorite little cars.

October flew by with a great monthly meeting at QAR. It was well attended. We filled the private dining room to almost overflow capacity. They had to bring in a couple of extra tables to accommodate our crew. It was a nice setting for our social event, with great people food and a pirate art/memorabilia. Maybe we should do a "Porsches and Pirates" event some time, ARRR, ARRR. It could be fun, just an idea...

Regarding our club elections, our By-Laws remind us we must make our nominations by October 15<sup>th</sup>, and we just made the deadline. At our last board meeting we accepted the nomination of Scott Hornsby for the next President and decided to keep rest of our current board thru next year. The By-Laws do not address term limits, but personally I favor them. Our club has some really positive momentum and I wouldn't want to become a Lame Duck president.

Please show Scott our support and give him your vote. I fully endorse him and am especially grateful to him for all he's done for the club in the past year.

Truth is, serving as president of our club has been a very rewarding and positive experience. I'd recommend it to anyone/everyone and encourage everybody to consider participating as an officer. Our club is growing and the opportunities for doing great things, is very real.

This month we're doing the "Porsches and Puppies" gig to raise some funds and interest for some of our other loves, our four legged friends, at the SPCA. Please consider participating, it's really a good cause. Hope to see you there.

Thanks again to all of our Porsche people, especially our hard working board, and our general membership. You make this club.

Ben

"it's not just the cars, it's the



## SOMETHING GERMAN

### WILD CANINES IN GERMANY

#### FOX STEALS SHOES IN GERMANY

BERLIN (Reuters) – A fox has been unmasked as the mystery thief of more than 100 shoes in the small western German town of Foehren, authorities said Friday. A forest worker stumbled upon shoes strewn near the fox's den and found a trove of footwear down the hole that had recently been stolen overnight from outside locals' front doors.

"There was everything from ladies' shoes to trainers," said a local police spokesman. "We've found between 110 and 120 so far. It seems a vixen stole them for her cubs to play with." Although many were missing laces, the shoes were in good condition and their owners were delighted to reclaim them, he said, adding that no reprisals were planned against the culprit.

Article courtesy of Erica Fielder Studio, art, word and wild website.  
Notice how different this fox looks compared to our gray fox.



#### 4 DAY OUTING TO THE MOUNTAINS

It has been brought to my attention that there might be interest within our club to have a long weekend outing into the Mountains of Georgia and North Carolina. This trip is not a driving trip such as the Tail of the Dragon. It would be a shopping, relaxation, dining and leisurely driving tour between the towns of Helen, GA and Highlands, NC.

If you are interested in such an outing please let me know and we'll do what we can to get something arranged for the coming spring. My email is [pors928v8@yahoo.com](mailto:pors928v8@yahoo.com) or call me at (843) 200-5125.

Thanks you , Jackie Dasen



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## 914 Wheel Types Lawrence Bonkoski

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Here are the steps I used to paint the Mahle wheels on my Limited Edition 914. Read all the instructions through before starting. There is a materials list at the end.

Step 1. Wash the wheels and wipe them down with a good wax and grease remover.

Step 2. Media-blast the wheels. Don't use sand or a harsh abrasive. Use plastic or walnut chips, they're less hard on the metal. Remove any old paint or dirt that you couldn't get off with washing.

Step 3. Wipe down with wax and grease remover again, then mask off the wheel. Go to your local auto body supply shop and ask for a good automotive quality masking tape that contains plastic. Spend an extra 2 or 3 dollars and get the good stuff, you'll be happier in the next few steps. Be sure to mask the back side of the wheel. Cover ALL the holes.

Step 4. Put on some latex gloves (surgical type) and wipe the wheels down again with wax and grease remover. Then, rinse the floor down gently with water. It will help keep the dust down when you paint.



Step 5. (You still have gloves on, right?) Paint the wheel with Wurth silver wheel paint. For you concourse weenies, this is stuff the factory used. I got my Wurth from Pelican Parts. I used 4 thin coats of paint, and waited 20 minutes between each coat. Don't hurry, don't spray it heavy - it'll run.

Step 6. Wait until the paint is COMPLETELY dry for the next step. I waited overnight. (If you're just going to paint your wheels silver, then stop here, and use Wurth clear to clear coat the wheels.) Cover the wheels to prevent dust from gathering.

Step 7. Put on a new pair of latex gloves. At this point you're ready to mask the wheel again. Remember buying that good tape in step 3? Now you'll be happy you did. Mask the wheel again along the inside edge. The tape will stretch a bit, so be sure you're matching the inside curve of the wheel. Place the tape down and smooth it gently but firmly. Don't press hard, or when you remove it, you'll pull up some of the silver. After masking the edge, then mask over the rest of the area.

Step 8. Then, rinse the floor down gently with water. It will help keep the dust down when you paint. Spray your color coat according to manufacturer's instructions. I used a custom mix PPG color to match my side stripes and rocker panels. It took 5 coats of Summer Yellow to completely cover the silver. While you're spraying color, you may want to rotate the wheel a bit to get the inside lips of the holes. (When you buy your color, you may need to purchase reducer or other chemicals. Ask your auto body supply store for advice. Whatever brand of color you use, make sure you get your clear coat in the same brand. Don't mix brands - their products are often not compatible, and will create a huge mess.)

Step 9: Wait until the paint is completely dry according to manufacturers directions.

Step 10: Slowly and gently unmask the wheels. When you pull off the masking tape, pull it back in the opposite direction. Do not pull it straight up and off. This will help prevent the silver paint beneath from lifting.

Step 11: Check the rest of your masking tape and paper. Make sure it's all in place.

Step 12: Then, rinse the floor down gently with water. It will help keep the dust down when you paint. Mix and spray your clear coat according to manufacturer's instructions. To save money, I used the leftover PPG clear coat from when I painted my car. If you get a run in your clear, **don't panic.** Keep spraying as normal, and you can fix it later.

(NOTE: Regardless of what brand of clear you use, test it by spraying some over the Wurth silver on a test card. If the clear bubbles up or the Wurth streaks, the clear may not be compatible. Better to find out before you spray your wheels.)

Step 13: Wait for the wheels to dry according to the manufacturer's directions (probably about 8 hours or so). If got a run in the clear, now is the time to fix it. Take a new razor blade (not a utility knife blade) and shave the run down. Sand gently with 800 grit sandpaper. Then, spray 1-2 medium coats of clear. Continued next page.....



Step 14: Unmask your wheels gently. I gave the wheels an additional 3-4 days of dry time before having them balanced and mounted on the car. Probably not necessary, but I was playing it safe. Insist your tire shop put the wheel weights on the INSIDE of the wheel.

**Materials list:**

- media blast facility (own or pay services)
- automotive wax and grease remover
- 1 box of latex (surgical) gloves
- 1 pint color (plus reducers, etc)
- 1 pint clear (plus reducers, hardners, etc)
- 1 can Wurth silver
- 2 rolls of 3M masking tape
- a "half load" of masking paper (1 roll)
- 1 hose
- 1 new razor blade

sandpaper, 800 and 1000 grit

If you have questions, feel free to drop me an email. :)

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**October Question:**  
What region of Germany does the Riesling Grape come from?

**October Trivia Answer:**  
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## MONTHLY GERMAN RECIPE

Looking for something a little different to add to that "traditional" Thanksgiving dinner. Try some Kuerbissuppe (German Squash Soup). This soup combines winter squash with parsnips. Wonderful spices and a spoonful of crème fraiche or "Schman" round off the bowl.

Prep Time: 10 minutes      Cook Time: 30 minutes      Serves: 6

### INGREDIENTS:

2 lb of squash or 2 packages frozen (10 oz) squash  
1 apple (such as Boskop)  
1 T. butter  
1 quart vegetable broth  
½ tsp ground allspice  
¼ tsp ground black pepper  
4 T. crème fraiche or sour cream

½ lb parsnips  
1 medium Onion  
salt to taste  
½ tsp curry powder  
½ tsp ground ginger  
1 tsp balsamic vinegar  
2 T. sliced almonds, browned

### PREPARATION:

Peel squash, cut in half and remove seeds. Cut squash into 1-inch pieces. If you have frozen squash, you only need thaw it. Peel and chop parsnips and apple. Peel and finely chop onion. Melt butter in a 3-quart pan and brown the onion in it about 3 minutes. Add the parsnips and apple and cook for 3 more minutes. Add the squash and the broth, bring to a boil and let simmer until squash is soft, about 15 minutes.



Puree the soup in a blender or with a hand mixer. Return to pan. Add the spices and the salt and pepper and heat for 2 minutes. Add the vinegar and finish seasoning to taste.



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(Good to see new member Roger and his family at breakfast this past week)

## AUSTIN'S DETAILING TIP

Finished with the tire cleaning and washing of the car? Don't go straight for the wax! The most important step, often overlooked even by "professional detailers", is the clay stage. It is extremely important to perform the clay stage. Your clear coat is porous like skin and therefore gets particles stuck in its pores. Washing alone *cannot* remove the bonded contaminants like exhaust soot, industrial fallout, tree sap, tar and general bonded on dirt and grime. You must use a clay bar to remove the contaminants from the paint before polishing or waxing to get a perfectly clean surface to work on. **BE CAREFUL THOUGH!** Clay can cause major damage if misused. The most important thing to do is keep each panel you are claying saturated with clay lube. First, spray down the panel with clay lube (Detail spray works great for this) and also spray down the clay bar to get it nice and wet. Knead the clay bar flat and gently run the clay over the paint, but only on the areas that are saturated with clay lube. You must keep the panel lubricated as you are running the clay over it, so clay with one hand and spritz clay lube in front of the clay bar's path with your other hand to ensure there is no drag on the paint. The lubrication is the key to using the clay safely and correctly. As you slide the clay over the panel you will feel the clay bar picking up the contaminants and leaving behind a smooth surface. Finally, spritz the panel again with detail spray and wipe down to dry off the clay lube. After each panel, knead the clay bar until the dirt from the previous panel is inside the bar and you have exposed a clean surface of clay ready to use on the next panel. After you have clayed the entire vehicle from top to bottom, then you are ready to polish and wax.



If claying your car seems too much for you to take on yourself give Austin a call. He's available for all your detailing needs. He can be reached via email at: [ampbmw@gmail.com](mailto:ampbmw@gmail.com).



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## Porsche's and Puppies

The Palmetto region will be holding a benefit event for the SPCA on Saturday November 7th. This event will include your dogs, so bring them along. We will gather at the Petco on HWY 17 in West Ashley at 11am (it's located behind the Coburg Cow), after we have all gathered we will continue on to Charleston County Park on James Island, where our dogs can play.

The cost for admission to the park is \$1, any donations to the SPCA are voluntary and appreciated. And dogs are not required if you just want to come out play with everyone else's dogs.



# PORSCHE

# Germany No Longer Keeping the Wolf from the Door



Article from DW-World.DE deutsche welle website

[Großansicht des Bildes mit der Bildunterschrift: Coming soon to a forest near you](#)

**The mournful howling of wolves is echoing these days through the forested woodlands of eastern Germany for the first time in centuries.**

According to experts, one reason for the return of the cunning canine is that all its natural enemies have disappeared.

Earlier this year, reports said that red foxes are also on the increase. Ironically, the increase in foxes has also benefited hungry wolves, which feed on foxes and their pups. The disappearance of lynxes and brown bears in the 20<sup>th</sup> century has helped to reverse the fall in the fox population. Without those natural enemies, foxes have been able to establish themselves as the dominant carnivore in many areas of Central Europe.

And with the foxes on the march across Western Europe, wolves are following literally in their footprints. In addition, the widespread eradication of rabies has also been a boon to wild canine families, since rabies has always been the primary biological enemy of these creatures.

Wolves have been sighted in recent weeks in a forest near the town of Ludwigslust, located midway between Berlin and Hamburg, Germany's two largest cities. Wolves are already fairly frequently spotted east of Berlin and in Poland. But Hamburg, a seaport on the North Sea at the base of the Danish peninsula, has not seen any wolves for centuries.

"It is only a matter of time before wolves spread all across northern Germany in their move ever-westward," said Josef Reichholf, a biology professor at the University of Munich.

"Northern Germany is the perfect habitat for the wolf," Reichholf said. "Aside from two large cities, Berlin and Hamburg, the region is sparsely settled. There are vast areas of woodlands, lakes and dark forests." "Northern Germany will be a turning point for the wolf population," he said. "This is the region where we shall see whether the wolf spreads further westward and, if so, in what numbers," he added.

Along with the return of the wolf to Germany the German Sea Eagle is also once again being spotted over the coastal forests of Northern Germany. Forests where if you listen carefully on a dark night, you might just hear the distant howl of wolves.

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### November

- 7<sup>th</sup> Porsches and Puppies, details TBA
- 10<sup>th</sup> Monthly Meeting-Triangle Char & Bar
- 14<sup>th</sup> SCCA Autocross, Orangeburg, SC
- 15<sup>th</sup> Myrtle Beach Drive to Tavern In The Forest
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Autometrics Dyno Day

### December

- 8<sup>th</sup> Coastal Empire Holiday party
- 11<sup>th</sup> PALMETTO REGION Holiday party
- 13<sup>h</sup> Dinner and Christmas Lights—James Island



## Palmetto Pipes

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Officer Elections are in December: The below listed folks have been nominated:

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It is not too late! If you would like to run for office, please contact one of our current officers.

### *Monthly Meeting*

Dec 10th, 7pm @ Triangle  
Char & Bar in West Ashley