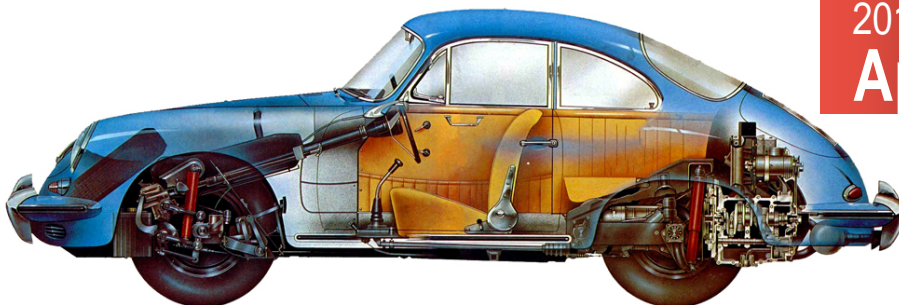


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Evoking Memories

By: Jackie Dasen

February 26th should've been like any other Saturday, but it wasn't. Though the day was bright and sunny I felt otherwise. The prior evening Ken and I had our oldest dachshund, Bandit, almost 16, put down due to hind-end paralysis. In addition, Ken was scheduled to leave Sunday afternoon for Jacksonville and the Mayo Clinic, where his mom was to receive treatment for her cancer before coming to stay with us.

That Saturday was the PCA Presidents meeting in Atlanta, GA. Initially Ken and I were both going to it. Yes, initially I was going too. As many of you know we inherited a 7-week old dachshund on January 5th. As the Atlanta trip drew closer it was discussed that I might be staying home because of our new family edition. A few weeks prior to the trip I received a Facebook invitation to attend a local benefit car show for a lady in town that was fighting cancer. Without thought to what the date was I accepted the invitation. It was when I told Ken that we were going to do this car show that he reminded me it was the same Saturday as Atlanta. Well, that was when the decision was made. I was staying home. This worked out good for little Sir Stuttgart, Stuie for short.

Although Ken wanted me to go to Atlanta with him, and I wanted to go as well, I wanted to do this car show more. I wanted to be able to help someone locally with their fight with cancer. Taking my 944 to this show was the one way I could do that. My mind would not be swayed.

As the date approached neither Ken nor myself had any idea just how much would change and happen the weeks prior. It started with the weekend before. I traveled to Florida with my brother-in-law, two sister-in-laws and nephew to see Mom Dasen. Ken had been down in Melbourne the week prior. Though the weekend was long and tiring I'm glad we all got to spend that time with Mom. It would be the last time I saw her.

Tuesday evening I had the dogs outside (all four of them) and noticed that Bandit wasn't walking well. Unfortunately he got progressively worse with us having to pick his hind-end up in order for him to stand. It was on Thursday that we made the decision.

Fighting tears and despair, and well after dark that Friday evening Ken and I finally had the 944 washed, detailed and polished up. Early Saturday morning Ken departed for Atlanta, meeting up with Josh in Hilton Head. Shortly after 9:30 am I drove my Guards Red 1986 Porsche 944 the two miles to the strip mall parking lot for the Kathy Roger's Benefit Car Show.

After getting the car registered a set up camp behind her. Another PCA club car was parked to my right, a gorgeous bright orange 914. A fully restored older model Datsun was to my left. Having been with Brian at several different car shows I was pretty certain the Datsun would be the Foreign Class. It usually does. Roger and Beth Knobe brought along their 928 and 944 and for a while there the PCA held the title of most club cars in attendance. We eventually lost that title to the local car club, the Walterboro Cruisers. It was a doubled-edged sword in a way because both Knobe's and my car are also members of that club.

Shortly before lunch I received a text from Ken telling me he would probably be leaving early, that Mom was not doing well. That it didn't appear that she was going to be able to make her appointment to the Mayo Clinic. Not sure if Ken and Josh would be leaving Atlanta early or if it was an earlier Sunday morning departure, the Knobe's and a friend of ours with our local car club began making figuring out a strategy in case we needed to leave the show early and get the Murano down to Hilton Head and swapped out for the 928. It ended up that we were able to stay at the show.

As we hung around the cars one of our local newspaper reports asked me if he could take a picture of a lady with my car. Of course I was more than happy to oblige. Isn't this why I have this car? Then I was asked if she could sit in it. I was more than happy to accommodate the wishes. Little did I know at that time that it was Kathy Roger's. Why have the car out there if people couldn't enjoy it.

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As the day progressed and it came time for the trophies I knew my little 944 wouldn't take any trophies home. Brian's Datsun did take the honor of Best in Class for Foreign. More and more trophies were awarded and eventually people started heading off to their cars, packing up and heading off to home. It was at this point I was standing behind my car when people started yelling to me that they were calling my name. Turning I saw Billy Roger's standing by the microphone with a trophy. Why was he calling me? Best in Foreign and Best in Show had already been given out. She's gotten some Best in Classes and a People's Choice at the Veterans (with the help from dad and Ken). So I was completely perplexed as to why I was being called up there.

Approaching Billy he handed me a pretty good sized trophy and said my 944 was Kathy's Choice. My eyes instantly filled with tears. Thanking him I carried the trophy back to the car and the small group of friends that were gathered around. I was so stunned, yet so honored. Placing the trophy inside the car I excused myself and went back over to the trophy table. I asked Billy if Kathy was here. I had no idea that it was her that had their picture taken in my car. Meeting her I told her how much the trophy meant to me and explained about Ken's mom and her fight with terminal lung cancer and the loss of our dog. She gave me a big hug and said "I Love You." We then talked about the car for a little bit. She secretly confessed to me that she picked it when I first drove in. She owned a 944 in the past and the moment she saw the car it *Evoked Memories* of those days.

Before heading back to the car I told her to have Billy get a hold of me if she ever wanted to go for a ride. Shortly afterward I headed back over to Kathy sat said lets go for that ride now, and we did. We talked about the car and what it was capable of doing. She smiled from ear to ear the entire ride. I smiled too because I made someone very happy that day simply by bringing out my little 944.

That weekend had brought much sadness to our family, yet in return it brought much happiness to someone else. Kathy and I have since become friends. She Facebook messaged me that following Tuesday, telling me to go buy the paper. My car was in it. I did get a paper and there it was, the picture of Kathy sitting in MY 1986 Porsche 944 with a big bold headline stating, "Kathy likes the Porsche".

Many memories were made that weekend. Good and sad. The following Saturday, March 5th my mother-in-law, Patricia Gale Dasen, lost her fight to cancer, leaving Ken and I with just *memories*. Kathy continues her fight with cancer.

Many Porsche owners aren't into car shows but I for one love getting my car out there and letting people see it. And if you take it to just one show and it brings back *memories* to someone like Kathy it's worth every minute.



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Something German *Marlene Dietrich*

Marlene Dietrich was born Maria Magdalene Dietrich on December 27, 1901 in Schöneberg, a district of Berlin, Germany. Marlene was the younger of two daughters of Louis Erich Otto Dietrich and Wilhelmina Elisabeth Josephine Felsing. They married in December 1898. Wilhelmina came from a well-to-do Berlin family, who owned a clock making firm. Louis was a police Lieutenant. He died in 1911. Louis's best friend, an aristocrat first lieutenant in the Grenadiers, Eduard von Losch, courted and then eventually married Wilhelmina in 1916, but died soon afterward as a result of injuries sustained during World War I. Marlene and Elizabeth were never officially adopted by Eduard, hence never assuming the surname von Losch, that is sometimes claimed. "Lena" and "Lene" were two nicknames Marlene was given by the family. At the age of 11, she contracted her two first names to form the then-novel name of "Marlene".

From 1907-1917 she attended the Auguste-Viktoria girls school, graduating from Viktoria-Suisen-Schule the following year. As a teenager she studied the violin and became interested in theatre and poetry. A wrist injury cut short her dream of becoming a concert violinist. In 1922 she gained employment as a violinist in a pit band accompanying silent films at a cinema in Berlin. It was her first job which unfortunately ended in her being fired after only four short weeks.

Marlene's earliest professional stage appearance was as a chorus girl on tour with Guido Thielscher's Girl-Kabarett, vaudeville-style entertainment, and in Rudolf Nelson revues in Berlin. Though unsuccessful in her audition in 1922 with theatrical director and impresario Max Reinhardt's drama academy she soon found herself working in his theatres as a chorus girl and playing small roles in dramas. Her first film debut, playing a bit part, was in the 1922 film, *So sind die Manner*.

On the set of another film, *Tragödie der Liebe*, in 1922 she met her future husband, Rudolf Sieber. They married in a civil ceremony in Berlin on May 17, 1924. Marlene bore one child, a daughter named Maria Elisabeth Sieber, on December 13, 1924.

It was in musicals and revues, such as *Broadway*, *Es Liegt in der Luft* and *Zwei Krawatten*, that she attracted the most attention. By the late 1920's she was playing sizable parts on screen, including *Café Elektric* (1927), *Ich Kusse Ihre Hand*, *Madame* (1928) and *Das Schiff der verlorenen Menschen* (1929). In 1929 she landed the breakthrough role of Lola-Lola, a cabaret singer who causes the downfall of a hitherto respected schoolmaster, in UFA's production, *The Blue Angel*. The director of this film, Josef von Sternberg, took credit for "discovering" Dietrich. The song also introduced her signature song "Falling in Love Again."

After *The Blue Angels* international success and with the encouragement of von Sternberg Dietrich moved to the US, contracting with Paramount Pictures. She was marketed as a German answer to MGM's Swedish sensation, Greta Garbo. Her first American film, *Morocco*, was directed by von Sternberg and earned Dietrich her only Oscar nomination.

Knowing little English at the time she spoke her lines phonetically.

During World War II Dietrich was known to have strong political convictions and was of mind to speak them. During interviews she stated that she had been approached by representatives of the Nazi party, to return to Germany, but she had turned them down. When the US entered the war in December 1941, Dietrich became one of the first celebrities to raise war bonds. Touring the US from January 1942 to September 1943 she appeared before 250,000 troops on the Pacific Coast. It was said that she sold more war bonds than any other star. In 1947 Dietrich was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by the US.

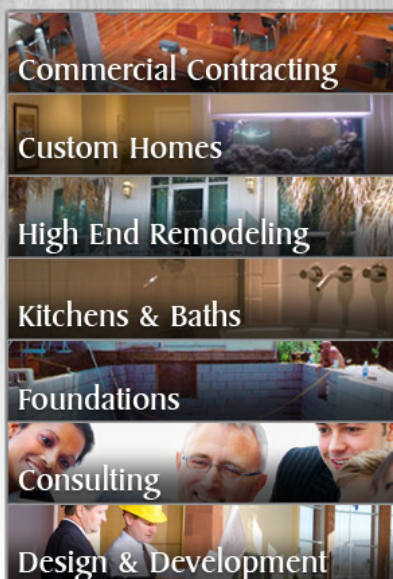
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Victor Lazarovico will be next month's feature member of the month. Do you have information about Victor that we might be able to use for his bio?

Please email Jackie at

pors928v8@yahoo.com to get it included. We already know that Victor and Katherine have a 2000 911 C4 (996)

and have come down to the Palmetto Region from New York. They have also been to Italy and have made Mount Pleasant and the Palmetto Region their home.



Members Corner

New Members:

Steven Bryant	2009 Carrera S
Matthew Kepner	1992 Carrera 2
Michael Turner	1998 911

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Something German Continued.....Dietrich said this was her proudest accomplishment. The French government awarded her the Legion d'honneur award in recognition for her wartime work.

Dietrich's final on-camera film appearance was a cameo role in *Just a Gigolo* (1979) starring David Bowie and directed by David Hemmings. She also performed the title track in the film and recorded the song for the soundtrack LP. Her show business career pretty much ended on September 29, 1975 after sustaining a broken leg during a stage performance in Sydney, Australia.

The final 11-years of her life, spent mostly bedridden, Dietrich withdrew to her apartment on 12 avenue Montaigne in Paris, as an alcoholic and painkillers dependent. Only a select few were allowed to visit during this time. She did become a prolific letter-writer and phone-caller. Her autobiography, *Nehmt nur mein Leben*, was published in 1979.

On May 6, 1992 in Paris, France, at the age of 90, Dietrich died of renal failure. Before 350,000 mourners and a crowd of well-wishers her service was conducted at Paris' la Madeleine. Her body, covered in an American flag was returned to Berlin where she was interred at the Stadischer Friedhof III, Berlin-Schoneberg, Stubernrauchstrabe 43-45, in Friedneau Cemetery, near her mother's grave and not far from the house where she was born.

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RUBY THE LIFE OF A SPORTS CAR

Continuted
By Beth Knobe

Now that I was home I found out that I was my owners second Porsche. I had a brother they called Casper. He sat in the garage most of the time. They only took him out when there was no threat of rain, he was there show car. Casper would tell me that our owners really loved us and how I would be taken care of. When I was coming home to my new house I heard my owner say she was going to take me to the Auto Spa, well that day finally came. My owners took me to Mike Kotos the owner of the Auto Spa. Casper my brother told me not to be scared because he went to see Mike, and Mike took real



good care of him. So I wasn't scared. When I got to the Auto Spa mike looked me over from bumper to bumper and top to bottom. He told my owners not to worry that my color will pop. First thing mike did to me was give me a bath, boy did that feel good. Then he brought me into the shop where he vacuumed out my interior and my vents. That tickled. After I was washed mike took a spray bottle and some clay thingy and rub me all over. Boy did that feel incredible. It was like I had shed years of dirt and pain. Mike then proceeded to do his magic to me. When I was done mike called my owners and said I was ready for pick up. I wasn't scared while Mike worked on me but now I got nervous that my owners wouldn't like what mike did to me. They came to pick me up and my owners were amazed at what

mike had done. I was all polished and looking pretty. My owners were very happy. So was I. My owner would drive me to the Porsche events and I would feel the wind under my hood...It felt so good to be driven now. But I started not feeling well; I kept getting a high fever. My owners were not sure what was wrong. I was kept under my cover for a little while. Then one day my owner's husband after doing re-search on my tempature problem he and another friend went to change my radiator and they found out that it was more than just the radiator. They noticed the radiator was dry so they checked my oil and to everyone's surprise my oil looked like a milkshake. That is not good. So they called good ole AAA to get me towed to a place that can take care of me. I was taken to Autometrics where they would look me over and find out I had a blown head gasket and my whole coolant system was messed up. I stayed there for a few days. The people at the shop would not let me go home

until my fever was gone and not coming back. I was so happy when the day came for me to come home.

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German Recipe

Frankfurt's Famous Green Sauce "Gruene Sosse"

(By: Jennifer McGavin, About.Com-German Food)

In Frankfurt dialect, this is called "Grie Sob". You can find the herbs to this sauce packaged together and kitchen ready in the Frankfurter region in Germany. No one else sells them like this, so you have to put together your own mixture if you do not live in the Frankfurt area. Some of these herbs are difficult to find outside of Germany, I couldn't even find them in Northern Germany. You may become adept at gathering the herbs wild, or there are several seed companies that sell the stranger seeds, like borage and pimpinell (salad burnet).

Prep Time: 20 minutes Total Time: 20 minutes Serves: 4

Ingredients:

2 hardboiled egg yolks
1 T. walnut oil (or other neutral oil)
2/3 c. quark
2/3 c. full cream Greek yogurt
2/3 c. sour cream or crème fraîche
freshly ground pepper
Salt
boiled potatoes
Lemon juice to taste
8 hard-boiled eggs

10-12 oz. fresh herbs roughly equal amounts of parsley, cress, chives, borage, salad burnett, sorrel and chervil (these herbs in German are: Borretsch, Kerbel, Kresse, Petersillie, Pimpinelle, Sauerampfer und Schnittlauch")



Preparation:

Mash the egg yolks with the oil and mix to form a smooth paste. Add a teaspoon or two of lemon juice. Mix this with the cream, yogurt and quark, add the herbs and then season to taste with salt, lemon juice and pepper.

Process in a blender until herbs are reduced to very small pieces and cream is bright green. You may choose to sieve the mixture into a bowl to remove large pieces of herb or egg yolk.

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Porsche Corvette Test Drive

By Jackie Dasen

Despite the thunderstorms that rolled through the low country Saturday evening of the 26th and threatened to hang around on Sunday it wasn't enough to deter a determined group of 7 Porsche's (Steve and Mary Ann in the Caddy) from heading down to Hilton Head Porsche for a test drive event. Only one of the seven scheduled Corvettes joined in, the weather washing out the rest. I guess "real" sports cars owner aren't afraid of a little wet weather.

Other than the storms that rolled back into the Low Country around 4 the day was perfect for driving some of the most fascinating sports cars in the world. Power, speed, agility, maneuverability are only a few words to explain a Porsche. The older cars might not have the off-the-line speed, extra horsepower or the fancy, luxurious interiors of the modern Porsche but they can still hold their own. The modern Porsche is a continued improvement of what was a great car from the very beginning.

Available for our driving pleasure were a 911 Carrera S, Carrera, 6-cyl Panamera, Cayman, Boxster and Cayenne. Just like the first test drive event it was a day of fun and excitement which included a free Hilton Head Porsche t-shirt and an awesome lunch catered by Jim 'n Nicks BBQ. Of course it's Hilton Head Porsche's staff that made a great event fantastic.

Though driving \$100,000 thousand Carrera should be the best thing to come out of the day, I have to say it was Connor McIntyre (our Corvette guest) step out of a Porsche and say, "this is the car. I get it. I know understand the Porsche thing. Wow!"

A spin in the manual 911 Carrera and Connor realized just what the attraction is about these cars. It's not just the speed, it's the handling. And I thought I had some big smiles on my face driving around in brand new Porsche's all day, but Connor topped it as he stood by the car that made him realize why Porsche' owners love their cars and swear by them.

Before leaving Wally did mention that he'd see about putting another event together in the summer. Hopefully the next time around the weather will be a little nicer which will allow more Corvette's to join in. I've no doubt that Connor will make sure those that cancelled out missed a great time.

To Wally and the staff at Hilton Head Porsche, THANK YOU for a great day and for being so supportive of our club.



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PORSCHE PARADE GROUP DINNER

To all members attending Parade this year in downtown Savannah, Georgia, we will be gathering for a group dinner on Monday, August 1, 2011 at 6pm at One-Eyed Lizzy's (East River St) for a group dinner. You will need to RSVP me at, pors928v8@yahoo.com NO later than July 28th. Lizzy's menu is available through their internet website. Ken and I will be at Parade the entire week and are open to having another group dinner as well if there is enough interest. While attending Parade please check out The Exchange Tavern for a bite to eat, they were kind enough to recommend Lizzy's since they didn't have enough room to accommodate groups over 20.

I hope to see a lot of familiar faces during the week. This is an event not to be missed.

Spend time with old friends and MEET NEW ONES

FEATURED CLUB MEMBER

STEVENSON E. "Trunk" KEMP (Steve)

This month's feature member has had a long history with Porsche club. Not only is he an enthusiastic member he's a great and true friend. Before getting into Steve's biography, written by him, here's a little story Mike Duck related to me regarding Steve.

"Steve had his silver 94 911 at a local car show with a for-sale sign on it with a price (can't remember it – maybe 25K. The sign included lots of information about the car along with Steve's phone number. I called that phone number and told him I had just seen the car and asked if he would take 30K (or whatever the price was plus 5K) and he said, "Are you kidding me, I'll be right there." We arrived at the car about the same time, still talking on the cell phone when he saw me. His euphoria faded and he had some choice words to describe me, but he quickly got over it being the good sport that he is."

For those of you wondering where the nickname "Trunk" came from ask any club member about our September 2010 Tail of the Dragon trip, or read the October 2010 newsletter.

The following presents a resume of my activities and involvement with sports cars. The beginning was a 1956 Jag XK140MC Coupe (my father's on loan while I was at the Citadel). My senior year (1958!!), I purchased my first car, a 1957 TR-3 (an ugly green, but beautiful to me). A classmate and I rallied all over NC and SC, including a 12-hour overnight through the NC Mountains, (average speed made it a race-fun). Imagine the Tail of the Dragon at night.



Upon graduation and a wedding, Mary Ann and I headed off to Colorado Springs, CO to work on construction of the Air Force Academy. At this point I got involved in local club events and then to SCCA and USAC event at the airport and road courses. It became quickly evident that no matter the driver, "Porsche Speedsters" would not fall prey to a TR-3. So, if you can't beat them – join them. And hence, came a 1959 1600 Super Convertible D. Racing then became more fun! I even got to run a friend's 550 RS Spyder in a short race (FANTASTIC!). The highlight of the era was driving a "special" in the Pikes Peak Hill Climb in 1961. The car was a "Watson Special", one of a kind built with a 327 cubic inch Dunston Chevy engine (380hp), weighing 1450 pounds with me on board (only 140 pounds in those days!). Our first and only race and we took 3rd in the unlimited sports car class.

My car days were interrupted by the Air Force for several years but I did get the pleasure of driving a BOCAR (similar to a Corvette) and a Lister Corvette at Daytona while stationed at Cape Kennedy. Driving those banking's at speed (150-160 mph) was humbling. Again the Air Force decided my fun was not part of their plans and so my first tour in Vietnam happened. After the second tour I became attached to a 1968 Z-28 Camaro, (a very special car still in our family today. Steve Jr. totally restored it and displays it only on sunny weekends). It also had a tour in Germany and really liked playing on the Autobahns.

The next era in this saga was after Air Force retirement and my return to Charleston. During this period the following autos resided in the Kemp's garage were a 1980 TR8, 1990 Mitsu VR4 twin turbo, 1995 Z28 Convertible, 1998 BMW M3 and a 1992 BMW 535is.

From there it was finally back to the Porsches. A 1974 Carrera Cabriolet bought in 2000. After that I rejoined PCA and during the regions reorganization I joined Al Trego as Vice President for several years.

In 2006 Mary Ann and I flew to Houston to pick up a like new 2002 Carrera Cabriolet which still brings a smile to my face every time I turn the key, if it's not in the trunk!!! My most recent purchase, a Cadillac CTS-V (556hp) gets my full respect at all times – even Paul Newman knew when it was time to back off a little.

A few other tidbits about Steve: he and Mary Ann attended their first Palmetto region meeting hosted at Karin's kitchen in August of 2001. Steve was one of the first club members that Ken and I met when we attended our first club Saturday morning breakfast. Steve is a regular at the breakfasts, meetings and nearly all club events. Steve is a true Porsche enthusiast; just be careful when





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date for you to remember !! The challenge of "Who will have the most "CLUB" cars at the Veterans Victory House Car Show is alive and kicking. At the recent Zone 3's President meeting it was passed on to all the clubs in our region to help. Coastal Empire Region President immediately stated they would help. Since Palmetto Region is the "HOST" PCA club, we need to have maximum participation. I will also be asking National PCA for a donation for this Charity event. I think it would be a great idea to match their donation from club funds and maybe do a voluntary collection to support our veterans.

Remember the show isn't about how many trophy's our cars might win but in supporting our Veterans. It's because of our Veteran's that we have the freedom to drive our beloved cars on our roadways. This is NOT a concours event. Rinse them off and bring those cars out.

Ken and I will be arranging for a hospitality tent (Paddock) for our club so you can hang out in the shade and with fellow club members. Please email myself or Ken if you'd like to pre-register (\$15 - \$20 day of show) or just make a donation. We'll also be presenting a trophy to the club with the most cars.



Porsche - Corvette Challenge
May 14, 2011



Final Thoughts from the Prez...

Jennifer hosted the March meeting while I was out of town and did a wonderful job. If I don't watch it, she'll be overthrowing me for president! Which I couldn't argue because she has done a outstanding job as Vice President. Our latest event was the Porsche of Hilton Head test drive which was extended to the Corvette Club. Even though we only got one corvette to make the trip because of the threat of rain, the Porsches were out. We had a great time. Jackie and I also drove the Coastal Empire Region rally route to Harold's country club that's coming up in May. Look's like it will be a lot of fun. We have a wide variety this month coming up so make your plans now. Enjoy the Cars in the Park, Tech Session, or head down for the DE at Roebling Road. Also don't forget the Myrtle Beach trip to Huntington Beach which is always fun. Ken



coming soon >>>

Upcoming events

Apr 3 - Turn One DE @ CMP
Apr 10 - Spring Auto Fair - Charlotte
Apr 12 - Member Meeting @ Queen Anne's Revenge
Apr 16 - Tech Session & BBQ @ Porsche of Hilton Head
Apr 16 - Cars in the Park, Kiawah Island
Apr 16 - DE @ Roebling
Apr 30 - MB Charity Concours

“ it's not just the cars, it's the people...”



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**Monthly Member Meeting - April 12th at 7 pm
@ Queen Anne's Revenge on Daniel Island**