



The Monthly Newsletter of the PCA Palmetto Region

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February Wrap

By Jackie Dasen

February was a relatively quiet month for the club other than the two 911 Launches held on Saturday, February 3rd. Baker Motor Company held the launch in the morning, offering omelets, fruits and other breakfast items to those attending. One lucky lady left with a weekend trip to the Porsche Driving School in Alabama. Each guest was offered a 991 poster and Porsche lanyard.

Hilton Head Porsche held their launch that same day later in the afternoon, offering Sushi and other appetizer style foods for those in attendance. HH Porsche also had on hand one of each of the past six generations of 911's. They even gave each family a 991 paperweight which was really cool.

Because of the different times with the two unveilings Ken and I were able to enjoy both unveilings. We made the early morning trek from Walterboro to Charleston then back to Walterboro for a quick lunch before heading south to Hilton Head. We meet up with Joe and Jennifer Mills, Katherine and Victor Lazarovici and the Knobe clan at Point South.

Of course no Porsche trip is ever without it's uniqueness and a story. As many of you know I've left my parade registration numbers on the front windshield of my 944. Don't know why, I just did.



And of course I have the Porsche window banner across the front of the windshield. Long behold we pull into the gas station to meet up with our fellow



PCA'ers and don't I hear a man say, "Yeah, look. There's another one. That one's a Porsche 377." Needless to say I had a really good laugh at that and discovered I have a one and only Porsche in the world. A 377!

In summary of the day's unveilings what can I say but wow! What a fun day, though somewhat tiring and a lot of driving. But it was well worth it. There probably aren't enough words to describe what the new 911 inspires. I will say if I had the money in hand I would've been taking one home. I can't wait to see one out on the road. The new 991 is one bad a** looking car.

We also had a club drive and dine to The Eatery at the Depot in Branchville for a wonderful dinner located in one of the South Carolina's only remaining original train stations. And yes, trains do still use the tracks running alongside the restaurant. Despite the wind and cold it was a wonderfully pleasant evening with great cars and even greater friends. The people are truly what makes the Porsche club what it is. I hope to see more new faces at our upcoming events.

The two big B events! **Brumos Private Tour and Braille Rally**

BRUMOS PRIVATE TOUR is a not to be missed event. We've been given the opportunity to have a private viewing of the Brumos Museum, which is NOT OPEN to the public. The tour will be on Saturday, April 7, 2012.

For those wanting to depart on Saturday and wish to caravan down with other Porsche's you must arrive at the Citadel Mall by 6:30am for a prompt 7am departure, with an 11:30am arrival at Brumos. You will have about 30 minutes to visit their boutique before heading across the street to the Museum for a box lunch followed by the tour. ***Make sure you have a full tank of gas before arriving at the Citadel there may not be time to stop on the way.***

For those wishing to travel down on Friday Ken and I will be leaving in the late afternoon. We will try to coordinate to stay at the same hotel for those staying over on Saturday night and arrange to go somewhere for a group dinner.

Our other big B event in April is the Braille Rally on Saturday, April 21st. This rally will provide an opportunity for a sight impaired individual to experience the thrill of riding in a Porsche while navigating a rally route with instructions provided in Braille.

Our rally drivers will meet at Brittlebank Park NO LATER than 2:30pm for a quick drivers meeting before traveling as a group to Joe Stadium where we will meet and greet our navigators and get the rally instructions. These instructions will be in Braille, which will make this rally a bit more challenging. I do advise that you have a cell phone (which most everyone does) in case you should get lost. You are not allowed additional passengers.

The rally start and end point will be at Brittlebank Park. The first car out will be at 3pm. This is a time, speed, distance rally. Your navigator will be returned to the Stadium once you've completed the route. Trophies will be given out to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams.

If you wish to stay for the baseball game that evening you must indicate that when you register and how many will be attending. This will enable us to try and all sit together.

We need a minimum of 20 drivers so PLEASE sign up and provide an experience to someone that will never have the opportunity to own one of these fantastic cars. It's only \$20 per driver. Your entrance fee will go directly to the SC Association for the Blind. All drivers and navigators will receive a t-shirt. You will need to pre-pay the entrance fee so that we can hand a check to the association on the day of the rally.

This will be a RAIN or SHINE rally! And you MUST drive a Porsche!

The Chronicles of Sir Stuttgart

By: Stuie Dasen

Hi again Porsche people! Mom say's I get to try this again. Since I can't drive these wonderfully, German engineered cars that originate in my country of origin I have to resort to other forms of entertainment. So I do things like chase lizards and squirrels, yank on my brother's ears, destroy dog beds, pool noodles. Oh, and I've discovered dad's closet that I can steal things out of, it's great!

My favorite past time, other than dreaming of the day I will actually get to ride in one of mom or dad's Porsche's is chasing lizards. I am the Lizard King! So I'm going to take a moment and tell you about one of my adventures. Well, actually it hasn't happened yet but I know one day it will because it's the greatest lizard adventure of all.

My best friend, Charlie and I, he lives in New York, and I catch some lizards. We detoxify them. I learned that was a necessary thing to do as they make me very sick if I eat them. Then we freeze the lizards. After they are thoroughly frozen we heat a turkey fryer with oil. We then take the frozen lizards and drop them into the turkey fryer. The lizard is projected out of the fryer and Charlie and I chase it down till we can no longer do so. Wouldn't that just be the ultimate lizard adventure? Better than driving a Porsche on the Tail of the Dragon!

Anyway that's my story for this edition. I'll share another adventure with you next week. I'm always finding new and inventive things to do and trouble to cause.

Oh, and Todd, where are my sand crabs?



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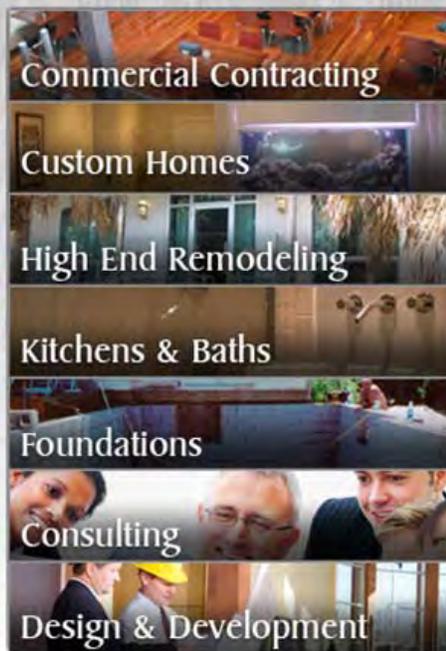
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Porsche - Corvette Challenge
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PORSCHE'S! PORSCHE'S and more PORSCHE'S PORSCHE/CORVETTE CHALLENGE

By Jackie Dasen

Saturday, March 10th - Sunflower Cafe

This Saturday we'll be joining forces with the Corvette Club at breakfast to officially kick off the Porsche/Corvette Challenge for the Veterans Victory House Car Show.

Many of you may remember last year's breakfast where we literally took over The Sunflower Café that morning, so plan for another big showing of Corvette's. So get those Porsche's out there.

But more importantly get your Porsche to the Car Show on **Saturday, May 12th**. That's when it truly counts. Last year we won the first annual challenge with almost 20 Porsche's in attendance. A few members even took trophies home. But remember it's not whether you win a trophy or not it's to support our Veterans and of course to whip the Corvette's again. Pre-registration forms are available on-line at the Walterboro Cruisers website or from Ken or me (Jackie). **Pre-registration is \$15 (by May 1st), day of show \$20.**

Our hospitality tent will be available again this year for the comfort of our members. Please, please bring out your Porsche's! *Let's keep that trophy with our club again this year!*

FEATURED CLUB MEMBER

Ben Miehe

A little bit of Ben's Porsche past.....

When I was in college I decided I wanted a Porsche. My dream was materialized about four years after graduation, when I found a used 1967 912. I think I bought it for 3,500. I found it on the tip from the owner of our neighborhood Sinclair station and repair shop, Harry Muelich, who had a 62 356B cabriolet, blue with a red interior. Of course back then and in the snowy Iowa winters, my Central Iowa Region PCA friends and I all had spare cars as well as spare tires, so we could park our Porsches for the winter and keep it off the salty roads around the hills and bluffs along the upper Mississippi. We had some great rally routes thru the tri-state area of Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin. She was forest green with steel wheels and baby moons. I sent her off to camp one winter after a great Halloween costume party, when on my way to a post party, after the Redstone closed and I was enjoying my drive a little too much and still dressed as Dracula, complete with a black cape, pure white face, blood dripping from my fangs, I lost it. I was passing a car on a curve, went wide into the ditch on the left outside corner, about a half mile from the farmhouse where the post party was well underway. Fortunately, I walked back to the car from the farmhouse with a few friends to pull it out of the ditch and was greeted by a friendly peace officer. He ticketed me for failure to have control on a curve. When I went to court, the judge threw out the ticket because it indicated a 77 Porsche, not a 67, 10 years younger than it actually was. A benefit Ferry Porsche probably never envisioned. Another reason I've really appreciated them keeping that classic body the same for all those years. About that time I was working for myself, single and living well. I found a buy on a used yellow 73 914. It looked pretty cool in my garage next to my black 912 (that's the color she came back from winter camp) with Fuchs alloys and Pirelli tires that I picked up from another PCA friend for \$550.00, total for all four. As economic

cycles go, after those joyous years, the Carter years took its toll on us and turned us around in the wrong direction. I won't bother you with those details but for about 20 years I didn't have a Porsche. Then thanks to my (our) friend, Mike Duck, I reentered the PCA family in 2000 with the 85 Cabriolet that I drive today. After getting out of a long summer and winter camp, I was driving a classic 911 again. A couple of years after getting my Carrera, I was thumbing thru some Porsche books at a local book store and what jumped out at me, a full page picture of Harry Muelich, he was on his knees polishing his baby 356 in prep for a Concours at a Chicago Region PCA event sometime in the early 1970s. I had to say a thank you to Harry once again after all these years and took the book home. I'm sure he's watching over us somewhere, probably on another plane somewhere working as a real dedicated Christophorus. A few years later still another Porscheophile from my past crossed my path. I saw Chuck Grantham's race car at Autometrics during one of our monthly meetings. Chuck was, unknown to me, a close friend with Gordon, and one of his racing customers/addicts. Chuck was a friend of mine back in Dubuque at the Redstone, where I started the seeds (actually sips) of my first Porsche total rehab project. He was driving a silver 911S in the late 1970's and early 80's. We threw back a few and hiked the bluffs designing a house on the outcropping limestone bluffs in southwest Wisconsin looking down river. He joined us for our 40th Anniversary party on the Yorktown. Small world isn't it. To tell about the great Porsche friends over this last decade would take another chapter, so that'll have to wait. And as we often say, it's more than the cars, it's the people, who make this club.

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Thanks, Ben





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GERMAN RECIPE "APPLE BUTTER"

(source: About.com German Food, Jennifer McGavin)



Apple butter is a really good thing to make in the fall, when the apples are overly abundant. It stores in a smaller space, doesn't go bad and tastes great in numerous applications. If you made applesauce and canned it instead, never fear. You can start directly with the sauce and cook it down, too. This makes an easy, winter project which makes the house smell wonderful.

Apple butter is very common in North America; they make it in the south, the north and everywhere in-between. The Pennsylvania Dutch (notice the ties in to German food) make it and have several recipe variations, usually with cinnamon and cloves and sometimes with a bit of cider vinegar,

for a sweet-sour tone. This apple butter recipe is very simple and uses very little added sugar, mainly relying on the fructose in the apples and extra apple juice.

It is interesting to note that while apple butter isn't exactly a household item in Europe, "Apfelkraut," "Appelstroop" or "Apfelsirup," is. All three words mean a very thick, apple syrup made from crooked, pressed apple juice. Before white sugar, this was a common sweetener and used in sweeten recipes such as Sauerbraten or was poured over Reibekuchen. It also makes a great bread spread. Try King Arthur Flour's version, boiled apple cider, which is a lovely substitute for maple syrup over waffles.

Prep Time: 15 minutes **Cook Time:** 3 hours

Total Time: 3 hrs, 15 min

Yield: 1 ½ cups

INGREDIENTS:

6 apples, peeled and quartered (about 3 lbs)
¾ cups unsweetened apple cider or juice
2 -4 T. sweetener (agave syrup, honey, sugar)

1 tsp. ground cinnamon
¼ tsp. ground cloves

PREPARATION:

Chop the apples into small chunks and place in a saucepan. Add the apple cider or juice (can be reconstituted from frozen), the sweetener, ground cinnamon and ground cloves.

Bring to a boil then reduce heat, cover and simmer, stirring often, for one hour. The apples should be very mushy.

Remove cover and simmer for another one to two hours. The mixture will get thick and turn dark brown, from the caramelized sugar.

When you stop cooking is up to personal preference. You can always use apple butter as a sweetener in other recipes, in place of half the fat in quick breads or as an accompaniment to pork. Use it instead of maple syrup on pancakes, with your morning oatmeal and over cottage cheese. And of course, spread it on your daily bread. It is lower in calories than dairy butter and has no fat. Try apple butter on Roesti, potato pancakes or pork chops, too.



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“Mad” King Ludwig II and Schloss Neuschwanstein



King Ludwig II was Bavaria's most famous monarch. He was born Ludwig Otto Friedrich Wilhelm on August 25, 1845. He came to the throne as a youth on the eve of Bavaria's defeat and incorporation into the Prussian led German Empire. He was denied real power and therefore lived out his absolutist fantasies in extravagant building projects. During his reign he was sometimes referred to as the Swan King or Fairy tale King but better known as “Mad King Ludwig”. The accuracy of that label has been disputed. Ludwig was known as an eccentric and his legacy is intertwined with the history of art and architecture. He commissioned the construction of several extravagant fantasy castles and palaces. Because his legacy of grandiose castles lives on in the form of massive tourist revenue, he is generally well liked and even revered by many in Bavaria, even today. One of his better known castles is Neuschwanstein.

His extravagant building projects threatened to bankrupt the public purse and as a result he was forced to step down shortly before his untimely death by drowning a few weeks prior to his 41st birthday in 1886. Ludwig was disposed on grounds of mental illness without any medical examination and died a day later under mysterious circumstances. Questions about the medical “diagnosis” remain

controversial. One of his most quoted sayings was, “I wish to remain an eternal enigma to myself and to others.”

Schloss Neuschwanstein was built by Ludwig between 1869 and 1884. It is Germany's most famous castle and sits in dreamy splendor on a forested crag above Hohenschwangau near Fussen in southwest Bavaria. It is a 19th-century Romanesque Revival palace commissioned by King Ludwig II as a retreat and as homage to Richard Wagner. It was undoubtedly inspired by Wartburg Castle in Thuringia after Ludwig's visit in 1867. The castle is made of pale grey limestone and draws on a variety of historical styles. Being an archetypal fairy-tale castle it has provided the inspiration for countless toy models, book illustrations and film sets. It was the inspiration for Disneyland's Sleeping Beauty Castle.

Contrary to common belief, Ludwig paid for the palace out of his personal fortune and extensive borrowing, not with Bavarian public funds. The palace was intended as a personal refuge for the reclusive king. It was opened to the paying public after Ludwig's death and since then over 60 million people have visited Neuschwanstein. More than 1.3 million make their way there annually with as many as 6,000 per day in the summer months. It is open daily for visitors and Schlosskonzerte, or classical music concerts are held there every September. It is a steep 30-minute walk from the nearby village of Hohenschwangau. The walk up to the castle offers spectacular views of the surrounding scenery.

The advertisement features a silver sports car, likely a Porsche Carrera GT, parked in a lot. The car is covered with numerous trophies and awards. In the background, other cars and a fence are visible. The text is overlaid on the image.

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Pre-registration \$15 per car (by April 20th), Day of Show \$20

Club member Cliff Hudson has been working endlessly on promoting this show that helps the automotive students at Trident Technical College in Charleston. I know a lot of members aren't into car shows. But these shows are not your Concours d'elegance types. It's a fun time and an opportunity to show off your "baby". You'd be surprised how many people enjoy seeing this famous marquee.

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Fri, Mar 09 Sat, Mar 10

Amelia Island Concours D 'Elegance

To be held at the Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island, Florida. Anyone can submit a vehicle for consideration, but entrance is by invitation only. Tickets are \$50. Info here: <http://www.ameliaconcours.org/>



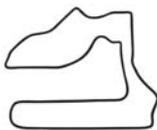
Sat, Mar 10 8:00 AM Porsche vs. Corvette Challenge Kick off Breakfast at Sunflower Café

This is the kick off to the Veterans' Victory House Car Show: Porsche vs. Corvette Challenge. The Car Show will be held May 12, but let's start by out-numbering them at breakfast!!



Tue, Mar 13 7:00 PM Monthly Social Gennaro's, North Charleston

Join us at Gennaro's Italian Ristorante at 8500 Dorchester Road (I-26 to Ashley Phosphate, right onto Dorchester Rd) for updates from the officers, to talk about upcoming events, and to socialize with your fellow Porschephiles.



Wed, Mar 14 Sat, Mar 17 12 Hours of Sebring

The 60th Annual Twelve Hours of Sebring will have a Porsche Corral. Advance ticket prices end January 31st. http://sebringraceway.com/hosp_corrals.lasso



Sat, Mar 17 8 am - 10 am Cars & Coffee Atlanta Bread Company, Towne Center

While this gathering occurs every Saturday, let's attend as a club and see how many Porsches we can have show up.

Sun, Mar 18 Noon Drive & Dine Pat and Mike's Irish Pub (Little River)

Join the Myrtle Beach Area for their St. Patty's Day Drive & Dine. Gather at the old Carolina Forest Piggly Wiggly (2100 Oakheart Rd, Myrtle Beach), departing at noon, take a nice back road drive to Pat and Mike's in North Myrtle Beach. This is by far the best place to act a little Irish and celebrate St. Patrick's day. They usually have a special on corned beef and green beer. We will be extending the invite to the local Ferrari Group for this drive. Hopefully there will be some different cars to join us.



Fri, Mar 23 Sun, Mar 25 PCA Club Race and Sole DE Road Atlanta

2012 Peachstate Club Race is a 3-day event featuring both sprint races and 90-minute enduro races. Simultaneously, offer a 3-day, advanced solo-only DE run group. <http://www.peachstatepca.org>

Sat, Mar 31 Sun, Apr 01 Buccaneer Region SCCA AutoX Hutchinson Island

Autocross is the sport of navigating your car through a defined course of cones in a large parking lot, allowing you to find the limits of your car. Info here: <http://buccaneerregion.org/soloevents.html>. The Group is considering having a local "Solo School" on the Saturday (March 31st) before our April 1st event. It would be the same cost as a regular event and would be staffed with our local/regional hotshots. We'd be aiming this at new(ish) members that would like some instruction to go faster! Members would pay \$30/day or \$50/both days if pre-registered. Weekend members would pay \$40/Day or \$60 for both days if pre-registered. If you would attend a school please email me; savannahsolochair@buccaneerregion.org.



Sat, Apr 07 6:30 AM Brumos Museum Private Tour Jacksonville, FL

Meet at Citadel Mall (Sears parking lot) at 6:30 am to depart no later than 7 am to arrive at Brumos at 11:30 am. We'll have approx 30 minutes to shop the Brumos Retail Shop, then will have box lunch at 12:15 pm followed by the tour of the Brumos collection. Some may stay in Jacksonville overnight. If you go down on Friday, you MUST be at Brumos at 11:30 am on Saturday. Watch the website for more info or talk with Al Trego.



Recurring Events:

Breakfast with Dr. Bob, Sunflower Café, West Ashley, 8 a.m.

Monthly Social, Second Tuesday of each Month, Location TBD. Check website for details.

Note: Calendar events in bold type earn points toward the Palmetto Region Competitor of the Year Award.



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German Cars, Italian Food, Monthly Social

Tuesday, March 13th – Gennaro's Italian Restaurant, North Charleston - Gennaro's will be hosting our March monthly social at 7pm. Come, enjoy good food and even greater people, oh and you might even get lucky and see some Porsche's.

Tuesday, April 10th – The Kickin Chicken, Mt. Pleasant - The Kickin Chicken will host our April monthly social at 7pm. Come out and enjoy kicking down some chicken. Just keep the chicken feathers out of your cars.

KEEP YOUR EYES ON THE CALENDAR...VERY BUSY COUPLE OF MONTHS AHEAD.

FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES: by Secretary Rose Ann Boxx

FEBRUARY 14, 2012

February's meeting was held at Triangle Restaurant, West Ashley. 36 members attended. New member include Steve and Arnold.

Ken opened the meeting with the Porsche introductions



Jennifer covered the Calendar of events for the upcoming weeks. Please see web calendar for all the scheduled events. Some Upcoming Key events:

April 21 Blind Rally

Apr 28 Trident Tech Car Show

May 12, Veterans Victory House Car Show – Walterboro

Al Trego reported on a visit to the Brumos Car Museum in Jacksonville, date to be decided.

Bobby Baxter offered to call Gene Sapakoff with the News & Courier about more car rally information in the Sports section of the paper.

Treasury report was unavailable as the treasurer was absent. (January's balance was \$3,154.59)

Candies were distributed to all by Jennifer Hudson and President Ken presented the ladies with chocolate roses.

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Porsche - Corvette Challenge
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Final Thoughts from the Prez...

WOW....Rolex 24 hours at Daytona, Roebing Road Raceway (RRR) DE, Porsche 991 Launches, Myrtle Beach Drives, Autocrosses, Dine and Drive to the Eatery at the depot are already here and gone. Were you there?!? Plenty still to come, Porsche-Corvette Challenge breakfast, Cars and Coffee, St Patty's Day Drive, PCA Club Race, BRUMOS Museum Tour, Braille Rally and Trident Tech's Spring Spin-Off Car Show all in the next two months. It doesn't stop there, the Veterans Victory House Car Show (home of the Porsche-Corvette Challenge), more DEs, Autocrosses, Sommerfest in Columbia and let's not forget that great Myrtle Beach drives. The Myrtle Beach area has a great St Patty's drive coming up then followed by the Kenny's BBQ run and Huntington Beach State Park trip. Baker Motor Company also has finally gotten the Palmetto Region 991 launch car in, hopefully will still be there for a peak after breakfast Saturday.

As you can see we keep a busy calendar with a wide variety, come out to an event that interests you or let me know what we can try next. **TWO NOT TO MISS EVENTS—BRUMOS TOUR and the BRAILLE (BLIND) RALLY.** Register online now to reserve your spot. See you soon and Remember, Keep the wheels turning - Ken



coming soon >>>

Upcoming events

Mar 13 - Monthly Member Meeting

Mar 17 - Cars & Coffee, Mt Pleasant

Mar 18 - St Patty's Day Drive with Myrtle Beach

Mar 23-25 - PCA Club Race & DE, Peachstate

Mar 31 - Buccaneer Region Autocross

Apr 7 - BRUMOS PRIVATE MUSEUM TOUR

Apr 10 - Monthly Member Meeting

Apr 15 - Myrtle Beach drive to Kenny's BBQ

Apr 21 - Braille (Blind) Rally

Apr 28 - Spring Spin-Off Car Show

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



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Monthly Member Meeting 7pm– Mar 13
Gennaro's Ristorante
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