



The Monthly Newsletter of the PCA Palmetto Region

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Oktoberfest Rally Weekend October 18th

Please join us for our annual Myrtle Beach Oktoberfest Rally Weekend on October 18th and 19th! Our headquarters for this event will once again be the beautiful oceanfront Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort.

Weekend Overview:

The main daytime event on Saturday is the Gimmick Rally. For those of you not familiar with that term, a Gimmick Rally is intended to be a low key, fun event suitable for anyone regardless of previous rally experience. The event is not timed and does not involve the use of stop watches. A trophy will be awarded to our rally winners during dinner that evening. After the rally we'll have a social hour in our hospitality suite including appetizers, beer and wine.

In keeping with the time of the year and our shared love of German cars, on Saturday night we will all be bused from the hotel to a local German restaurant called Horst Gasthaus for an Oktoberfest Dinner. The Horst is a great spot with authentic German food, a casual atmosphere and live German music. The restaurant owner is setting up a separate area for our group and is even providing us with our own huge keg of special Oktoberfest beer that will be served at no additional charge to you.

After "sleeping in" a bit on Sunday, we will have breakfast together at the Hilton (included in your registration) before heading home.

We have reserved a block of oceanfront rooms at a special rate of \$79 at the Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort located in the Kingston Plantation area of Myrtle Beach. To reserve your room call 1-800-876-0010 and mention you are with the Porsche Group.

Registration is online now, so please get your registration in soon.

<http://www.pcapalmetto.org/news/292-palmetto-region-oktoberfest-october-18th>



45th Anniversary Party

By: Jennifer Mills

Wow! In case you missed it, we had 115 in attendance for the Celebration of Past Presidents for the Palmetto Region's 45th Anniversary Party. Special thanks to all that were involved in putting the event together and contributed to its success. Long time key Palmetto Region Member, Al Trego, organized a Celebration of Past Presidents. The Kiawah Island's Sandcastle Community Center location provided a wonderful beach front view for the socializing and entertainment of the members and past presidents in attendance. We had plenty of door prizes provided by our sponsors and other local merchants, as well as a photo and memorabilia display with items from the Region's early days. We were pleased to have nine past-presidents in attendance representing over 17 years of the Palmetto Region's history, with the farthest distance traveled being that by Geoff Parker who now resides in Jacksonville, FL. The Gimmick Rally was developed by Webmaster, Josh Stolarz, taking participants on a winding route around Johns Island. The prizes were finds Josh brought back from his recent Le Mans/Stuttgart trip. Gimmick rally winners included first place to Todd and Jill Marshall, tied for second were Greg and Frankie Kirk and Joe and Nancy Carastro, with the Knobe Family coming in third. The program included current President Jennifer Mills detailing the formation of the Palmetto Region, comments by Zone Rep Jim Cambron, memories from the Past Presidents facilitated by Al Trego, a presentation of photos from the RUF trip by Josh Stolarz and Dr. Bob Stonerock, and presentation of door prizes by Roseann Boxx. And maybe you were lucky enough to take home one of the custom vases done by Nicole Lefebvre. It's time to go driving again!



Members Corner

Total members: 224

New members:

Dennis Coyle	2014 Boxster
David Wertan	1984 944 Track
Brooks Davis	2006 911
Josh Willet	1976 911
Jools Bourne	2006 Cayman

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We look forward to seeing you at our next outing.



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Fall Trips

By: Jennifer Mills

Are you ready to take that Porsche on a fun driving trip with your PCA friends?

In September, the first of your options are 2 Driver's Education Events at Roebing Road Raceway (outside of Savannah, 2 hours from West Ashley). The Florida Crown Region PCA will be hosting **September 6-7** or Coastal Empire Region PCA will offer discounted pricing to Palmetto Region members for their event on **September 20-21**. If the track is not your thing, maybe you should consider driving the Tail of the Dragon. Jackie Dasen is coordinating this year's trip **September 12-14** for a long weekend based out of Fontana Village, North Carolina. The Tail is a legendary road with MANY corners and this trip never fails to thrill those that go. Registration is online and still open for the Tail of the Dragon trip.

In October, our Myrtle Beach Area will be hosting Oktoberfest the weekend of **October 18th**. We will be returning to the beachfront Hilton with a gimmick rally and dinner on Saturday and brunch on Sunday. For a day trip, consider going to watch the historic races at the Savannah Speed Classic. There are qualifying and races Friday, **October 24 through Sunday, October 26**. Like last year, I would expect a few to make the trip down on Saturday, **October 25** for the day. For this and the Hilton Head Concours (**November 1-2**), be sure to take your Porsche key (even if you drive your non-P car) to gain access to the Porsche hospitality tent. Tickets for both the Savannah Speed Classic and the Hilton Head Concours and Car Club Jamboree can be purchased online in advance or at the door. We have been invited by the Coastal Empire Region PCA to their dinner on Saturday, November 1 at Hudson's Seafood – please RSVP to Ned Kight if you plan to attend. Lastly, we'll take a big trip for some of us to the Mount Pleasant Cars & Coffee at some point in the Fall. We are working with a new vendor that would like us to visit them to coordinate a Saturday that makes sense. Watch the website for details.



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Calendar: Upcoming Events in our Region and Beyond

For more information and event listings go to: <http://www.pcapalmetto.org/index.php>

	Sat, Sep 06	Sun, Sep 07	Florida Crown Region PCA DE	Roebing Road Raceway
	The PCA Driver's Education program provides a safe, structured, and controlled learning environment with your high performance auto. Track near Savannah, GA. Register at www.clubregistration.net .			
	Tue, Sep 09	7:00 PM	Monthly Social	Restaurant at Southern Season, Mt. P
	Join us at The Restaurant at Southern Season (730 Coleman Blvd, Mt Pleasant) for updates from the officers, to talk about upcoming events, and to socialize with your fellow Porscheophiles.			
	Fri, Sep 12	Sun, Sep 14	Tail of the Dragon Trip	Fontana Village, NC
	The Palmetto Region will return to the Tail (318 turns in 11 miles) for some fun. Accomodations will be at Fontana Village. The first nights cost is required as a deposit when you make your reservation. Be sure to tell them you are with Palmetto Region PCA 2014. This year's event registration is: \$30 per person (includes Saturday evening dinner at the lodge). We will have an usual social Friday evening (6pm) at the lodge. As in the past everyone will be asked to bring a little something. This is a bring your own drink and drinkwear. Please RSVP to Jackie if you plan to attend.			
	Fri, Sep 19		Drive Your Porsche Day	Worldwide
	A celebration of Ferry Porsche's birthday, get that car out and enjoy it!			
	Sat, Sep 20	Sun, Sep 21	Coastal Empire Region PCA DE	Roebing Road Raceway
	The PCA Driver's Education program provides a safe, structured, and controlled learning environment with your high performance auto. Track near Savannah, GA. Register at www.clubregistration.net . Coastal Empire is offering discounted registration fees to Palmetto Region members for this event. Sign up if you've ever considered going to a Driver's Education event!			
	Sun, Sep 21	11:30 AM	Drive & Dine	MB Area
	Monthly Drive & Dine from the Myrtle Beach Area. We will gather at Ollie Bargain Outlet, Carolina Forest (2100 Oakheart Rd, Myrtle Beach) at 11:30, drive starts at noon.			
	Tue, Oct 14	7:00 PM	Monthly Social	Gennaro's Italian, Dorchester Road
	Join us at Gennaro's Italian Ristorante (8500 Dorchester Road, Charleston, SC 29420) for updates from the officers, to talk about upcoming events, and to socialize with your fellow Porscheophiles.			
	Sat, Oct 18	Sun, Oct 19	Oktoberfest	Myrtle Beach, SC
	Save the date! Details to come, but looks like we'll be doing another event like a few years back - gimmick rally, German dinner, etc. We'll update the website/calendar with info once firmed up.			
	Fri, Oct 24	Sun, Oct 26	Savannah Speed Classic	Hutchinson Island, near Savannah, GA
	Save the date! Info here: http://www.hhiconcours.com/events/speed-classic.html . Day trip details to come.			
	Sat, Nov 01	Sun, Nov 02	Hilton Head Island Motoring Festival	Hilton Head Island, SC
	Info here: http://www.hhiconcours.com/events/concours-delegance.html . If you wish to stay in Hilton Head over the weekend, a group rate under Porsche is available at the Hilton Garden Inn (1575 Fording Island Road, Hilton Head Island 843-837-8111, code Porsche Club). We have been invited by the Coastal Empire Region PCA to their Hilton Head Concours Dinner to be held at Hudson's Seafood House. Cocktails at 6 pm, dinner at 7 pm. For Saturday dinner, RSVP to Ned Kight at nedkight@aol.com .			
	Wed, Nov 05	Sun, Nov 09	PCA Escape 2014 to Magical Orlando	Orlando, FL
	Info here: http://escape2014.pca.org/ We have negotiated fantastic room prices (\$139) with Walt Disney World's Coronado Springs 5 Star Resort. The room package includes discounted tickets to Walt Disney World attractions and free transportation to all the Walt Disney World Parks, in addition to typical Escape activities - drives, dines, & cars.			

Breakfast with Dr. Bob, Sunflower Café, West Ashley, 8 am.

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.

For additional information and events outside of the Palmetto Region go to: <http://www.pcapalmetto.org/calendar/>

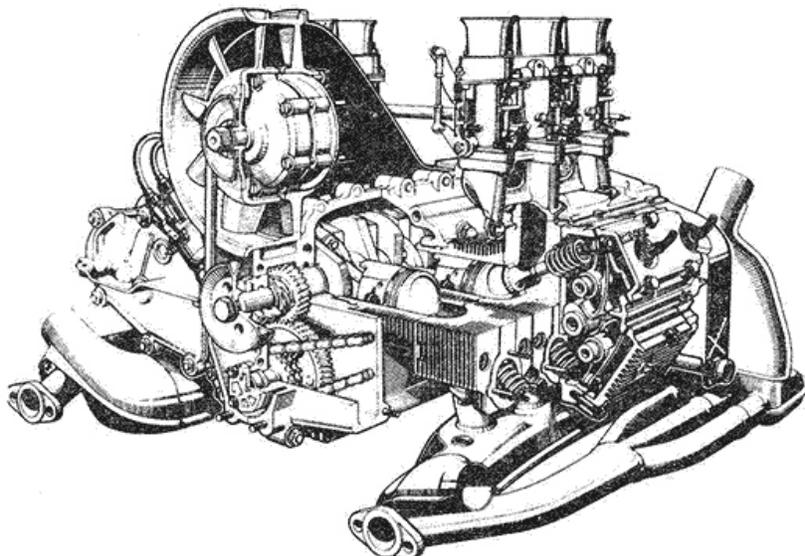
Porsche Experience Center Atlanta

For those that are not aware Porsche is in the process of building a Porsche Experience Center in Atlanta. If you have never heard of the Porsche Experience Center, it is a place where you can go check out different models, see the different colors and options, and experience the cars on a test track and even have some lunch. They currently have centers open in LePzang, Silverstone, Shanghai, and coming soon to Los Angeles, Atlanta and Le Mans. The Atlanta center is being built on the site of the former Ford plant that opened in 1947 and closed in 2006. The new building will also be the new home of the Porsche Cars North America when the building is finished. It is expected to be open by late spring or early summer of 2015.



For more info or the latest news on it, check out the following links:

- <http://www.porsche.com/atlanta/center/>
- <http://www.bizjournals.com/atlanta/news/2014/04/14/porsche-tops-out-new-american-hq-in-atlanta.html>



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Have you considered a Driver's Education Event?

From the PCA.org website: The mission and purpose of the Porsche Club of America's Driver's Education Program is to provide a safe, structured and controlled teaching and learning environment. The PCA DE Program is designed so that participants can improve their driving abilities and acquire a better understanding of vehicle dynamics and driving safety. Participants will experience first-hand the capabilities of high performance automobiles in a controlled, closed-course environment and acquire skills that will enhance safer vehicle operation in all driving situations.

So what are you to do to improve your driving abilities and enjoy that Porsche the way the engineers intended it to be used? Sign up for the upcoming Driver's Education Event to be held at Roebing Road Raceway (outside of Savannah) on September 20th and 21st! Coastal Empire Region PCA is the host/organizer and they are offering special pricing to Palmetto Region members for this event only – a typical DE weekend at Roebing will cost you \$225-250, the special price for this event is \$175. This price includes pizza dinner on Friday night, classroom session on Saturday & Sunday for beginner and intermediate students, four 20 minute driving sessions each day, BBQ dinner on Saturday night, and a Porsche themed item (usually a t-shirt). Remember to bring your sunglasses, sunscreen, water/Gatorade, and camping chair. Hope to see you at the track! Jennifer

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

**Monthly Member Meeting is @
Southerly Restaurant
730 Coleman Blvd. Mt. Pleasant
Sept. 9th @ 7 pm**



Final Thoughts from the Prez...

I hope everyone has had a wonderful Summer 2014 and enjoyed their Labor Day weekend. We've been having good crowds at the Saturday morning breakfast – check out the recent photo thanks to Don Lockhart on the Palmetto Region Facebook page. After the large Anniversary gathering, it's time to do some driving events. There are plenty of options coming up. Personally, we'll be at Coastal Empire DE to take advantage of their special pricing for Palmetto members while it lasts. If you are curious about a DE, feel free to come down and hang out for a day. There is always a social crowd enjoying the sights, sounds, and car show. I hear there are a dozen or more cars signed up for the Tail trip and I've already had folks asking me about the Hilton Head Concours. Thankfully, the Myrtle Beach crowd is planning the Oktoberfest gathering this year and that will be a nice weekend trip as well. Joe and I are very blessed and as a result, we have options in the garage. I think one of the funny things about our garage is how each car has certain things it is good for. For example, our beach chairs will only fit in either the Targa or the SUV. I love driving the Targa to the beach – the simplicity of the machine with the wind in my hair and then the soul soothing wave roar once I'm there. I am thinking I need another day or few of that feeling to wrap up this Summer. After driving three of our options in one day, you appreciate the differences of each one. Get out and enjoy your P-car in whatever way it gives you joy. Keep the wheels turning.

Jennifer