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Feature Member

By Jackie Dasen

I will be contacting folks via email (which will include the questions to be answered) for our future Featured Member sections. Until I get some submissions back I will run previously done Featured Members from the past. I list of the questions is this newsletter. You can also contact me at pors928v@yahoo.com to obtain on if you did not receive an email from me. Thanks

This month I'd like to present: Steve Kemp, a long time active member.

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 to 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 BO-CAR (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 he's backing up.



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Bruce Robinson 1970 911T
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A warm Low country welcome to you !!! We look forward to see-



Myrtle Beach Area Murder Mystery Dinner

On Saturday, Feb. 21th, we will travel up to the House of Blues for their fun filled Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre! During the course of the meal, someone will be “murdered” and it is up to us to figure out who committed the crime.

The restaurant is “family style” seating and the only way that we can ensure that we can be seated together is to arrive together. We will meet at our usual spot, the parking lot of Ollie’s Bargain Outlet in Carolina Forest (2100 Oakheart Rd, Myrtle Beach) at 5:15. We will depart for the House of Blues at 5:45.

It is possible that the show will sell out, so be sure to purchase your tickets ahead of time. You can buy them online or by calling the box office at [\(843\) 272-3000](tel:843-272-3000).

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Drive and Dine to Carmine’s in Walterboro

Haven’t been to Italy and have always wanted to go so you could sample the food? Well now is your chance and you don’t even have to fly. All you have to do is attend our February 28th Drive and Dine to Carmine’s Trattoria Ristorante in Downtown Walterboro. It’s the best Italian food you’ll find in South Carolina. All dishes are made to order by Chef Pepe, a native of Naples, Italy.



You MUST RSVP with your menu selections online no later than Sunday, February 23, 2015!

Please include any appetizers and dessert selections along with your meal selection. Thank you!

Please watch the website for the details on the departure location and time from Charleston.

Look forward to seeing everyone for some awesome Italian food.

<http://www.pcapalmetto.org/news/305-feb-28-dine-and-drive-to-carmines-in-walterboro>



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Want a chance to buy the 2015 Porsche GTS Club Coupe? Go on-line at pca.org and register! It's free, and you can 'opt-out' if your name is drawn with no penalty.

Club Coupe #1 is making the rounds in the US. The car, designed by Porsche and PCA, in its ultra special Club Blau paint scheme, will be at Amelia Island, Pebble Beach, Rennsport Reunion V, and Parade. All...I repeat all...PCA members will have their names in the hat for the raffle of this beautiful car...and you don't have to buy a raffle ticket!!!

A lucky Carolinas Region member won the final raffle of 2014, and took delivery of his GTS at a special ceremony hosted by PCA's past president, Manny Alban, on February 01, at the Ingram Collection in North Carolina.

Winterfest is the weekend after Valentines Day, in Chattanooga...at the VW plant there. Check with the Regions website for additional information <http://tn-pca.org/winterfest-15.html>

Heart O Dixie is still working on acquiring a date or two at the Talladega Grand Prix Track. The track is going through an ownership change, making date selection tough. Stay tuned.

Carolinas Region has a Club Race on the calendar for October. More information soon on their website.

Josh Stolarz and I are working to reintroduce the Zone 3 website (www.zone3.pca.org). Josh has hooked the site into Google Calendar, and you can add your Regions' events to it, or see what might be coming up in other Regions. We hope to add more to the site. Thanks Josh!!!

The Porsche Parade in French Lick, IN is coming up in June! Registration for the event opens 03.17.15 at noon.

News from the Carolinas Region DE Program

As a friend or past participant at a Carolinas Region PCA DE I wanted to provide you the dates we have finalized for our 2015 DE program and hope you will make plans to attend.

March 7-8 at Carolina Motorsports Park, Kershaw, SC

Sept 5-6 at Carolina Motorsports Park, Kershaw, SC. This is the weekend of the NASCAR race at Darlington. Camden hotels are at "premium pricing" levels and availability may be an issue if you wait until the last minute. If you're planning to attend you may want to make reservations early. Hotels in Columbia and Lancaster appear to be outside of the "premium" rate zone.

Oct 31-Nov.1 Limited DE in conjunction with Club Race. Full details on this event will be available soon.

Nov.13-15, at VIRginia International Raceway. Our season finale sponsored once again this year by Porsche of Greensboro and Porsche of Hickory. This event always attracts a large crowd. Friday is a solo only day. We'll be running the full course all 3 days.

Registration for our March event is currently open using www.clubregistration.net. Registration for all other events open 2 months in advance of the actual event date. See you on the track.

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Turn 9

By: Joe Mills

The Coastal Empire Region PCA hosted the last DE of 2014 at Roebing Road Raceway on December 6th and 7th. The Palmetto Region was well represented with several members participating. Kevin Zemnicks and Palmetto sponsor, Todd Confarotta, were driving on track for the first time. Our Miata was back in action after a couple of recent mechanical issues and tracking down those “faster” P-cars. I am happy to report that the car has its groove back and we had all the track time we could stand.

In the week leading up to a DE, the instructor/students pairings are typically posted online. As an instructor, there is always anticipation waiting to find out what cool (or not) car you are going to get to ride in for the weekend. My original Boxster student cancelled, so coming into the weekend, I had no idea what car I would be instructing in. The pairings were announced at the end of the driver’s meeting and I met my student for the first time. After some brief introductions, I asked what car he was driving. He pointed over to the silver Lotus Elise parked nearby. Sweet!!! The weekend was already looking great!

I have never ridden in a Lotus and was very curious as to how it would handle compared to the Miata. As you might expect, it feels just like a slightly oversized go cart. This was only my student’s second time on track, but I had to quickly recalibrate my senses to a much lighter car. The braking and cornering abilities of the completely stock car were amazing. Tossable is really the best word to describe the Lotus.

We were giving many passing signals on Saturday, but by Sunday, my student’s abilities and confidence were steadily rising. As the weekend drew to a close, I can safely say that many fellow drivers saw this Lotus appear in their rear view mirror. My student also learned a valuable lesson on the last lap of the last session...confidence can get you in trouble. We carried a little more speed through turn 4 and he ran out of talent on corner exit. At least he didn’t leave the pavement when he spun and there was no traffic close by.

For those of you not familiar with Roebing, turn 4 is a tight right hander that follows a hard braking zone. It is not uncommon for drivers to not slow the car enough and go off track on the outside. When this happens, you usually spend the next month getting sand out of the car. Imagine sitting in a dust storm with the windows rolled down and you get the picture!

To wrap up the December weekend, several Palmetto members were promoted up to the next level of run group. From an instructor’s point of view, it’s always fun to see the excitement and nervousness of a deserving student climbing the driving ladder.

The Florida Crown Region PCA kicked off the 2015 DE season at Roebing Road Raceway on January 17th and 18th. The Palmetto Region was once again well represented, but unfortunately, Jennifer and I were not among the attendees. The car is running well, but too many activities around the holidays left us longing for a weekend with nothing to do. While a weekend at the track is great entertainment, it is by no means relaxing or restful. We instead took the time to relax at home and prepare for the upcoming spring events. Miata preventative maintenance items are well underway so we will be back soon enough.



From all reports, all the Palmetto Region members had a great weekend. Thom Penny continued driving solo in the Blue group and Todd Confarotta joined Thom’s group with his first promotion from Green to Blue. Congrats Todd! JB and Nicole Lefebvre and Michelle Porter drove their first full weekend in the White (intermediate solo) group after their promotion at the December event. The White group is now full of Palmetto members as Ken Dasen, Bob Neuman, JB, Nicole and Michelle were all out this particular weekend vying for bragging rights. There are several other Palmetto members that have made it to this level, but were not at this event. From experience, it is a lot of fun to be on track with good friends.

Herman Porter dusted off the 914 to get his go cart fix and mixed it up with other instructors. From all reports, the 914 ran flawlessly and didn’t leak a drop of oil. Yes, it is possible! We look forward to seeing our regulars and hopefully some newbie’s at the upcoming 2015 events. Give it a try...you won’t be disappointed. From the first timers in 2014, I hear Kevin and Cliff may have a 968 convention later in the year....



Calendar: Upcoming Events in our Region and Beyond

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

	Sat, Feb 07	Sun, Feb 08	GA Region SCCA AutoX & Novice School	Hutchinson Island, GA
	The Buchaneer Region SCCA is hosting the Evolution Performance Driving School at Hutchinson Island (Savannah). The "EvoSchool" has a long history of training champions in the SCCA Solo Program. The fee for each school is \$240 and represents a solid value for drivers that want to go faster and be more competitive. We'd like to help our local drivers break into the "Big Time" in our Region, in the Southeast Division and at National events! Registration and other info can be found here:			
	Sat, Feb 07	Sun, Feb 08	SC Region SCCA AutoX & Novice School	Darlington, SC
	Not as close to Charleston as usual - 2-day event weekend in which Saturday is a Solo Novice School and Sunday is a non-points Solo event. Info here: http://www.scsportscar.com/solo/			
	Tue, Feb 10	7:00 PM	Monthly Social	Southerly, Mt Pleasant
	Join us at Southerly Restaurant and Patio (730 Coleman Blvd, Mt Pleasant) for updates from the officers, to talk about upcoming events, and to socialize with your fellow Porschephiles.			
	Sat, Feb 14	Sun, Feb 15	Driver's Education at Roebing Road	Florida Citrus Region PCA
	The Driver's Education program provides a safe, structured, and controlled learning environment for your high performance auto. Track near Savannah, GA. Register at www.clubregistration.net .			
	Thu, Feb 19	7:00 PM	Wine Tasting and Social	Accent Wine, Summerville
	Join us at Accent Wine in Summerville at 7 pm for a social with wine, craft beers, cheeses and charcuterie. Sounds like a great way to warm up on a cold winter's night in Charleston. Please RSVP on the website so we can give the owners an idea of how many to expect. Thanks!			
	Fri, Feb 20	Sat, Feb 21	TN Region Winterfest	Chattanooga, TN
	We hope you will join us for another fun, winter weekend here in Chattanooga! Wow... it's the 10th annual Winterfest!! Socializing, Concours, Drive, Tech Quiz and Banquet. Host hotel is the Embassy Suites Hamilton Place - 423-602-5100. Rate of \$109 per night when mention "PCA" or "Porsche". We will have a private shuttle to and from the VW plant on Friday evening and Saturday morning. Register on Motorsportsreg.com .			
	Sat, Feb 21	5:15 PM	Murder Myster Dinner Theater	House of Blues, Myrtle Beach
	We will travel to the House of Blues for their fun filled Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre! To be seated together, must arrive together. We will meet at our usual spot, the parking lot of Ollie's Bargain Outlet in Carolina Forest (2100 Oakheart Rd, Myrtle Beach) at 5:15 pm. We will depart for the House of Blues at 5:45. It is possible that the show will sell out, so be sure to purchase your tickets ahead of time. You can buy them online or by calling the box office at (843) 272-3000. http://www.houseofblues.com/myrtlebeach/murdermysterydinner			
	Sat, Feb 28	5:00 PM	Drive & Dine	Walterboro, SC
	Drive and Dine to Carmine's in Walterboro. Details and RSVP info to come. Watch website for more info.			
	Tue, Mar 10	7:00 PM	Monthly Social	TBD
	Join us at TBD for updates from the officers, to talk about upcoming events, and to socialize with your fellow Porschephiles.			
	Sun, Mar 15	11:30 AM	Drive & Dine	Myrtle Beach 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.			
	Sat, Mar 28	10:00 AM	Scavenger Hunt	Charleston Area
	Save the date, details to come.			
	Sat, Apr 18	10 AM - 4 PM	Walterboro Wings-n-Wheels	Lowcountry Regional Airport
	Save the date for the annual Walterboro Wings-n-Wheels event.			
	Sat, Apr 25		Trident Tech Car Show	North Charleston, SC
	Save the date for the Trident Technical College Annual Spring Spin-Off Car Show to benefit Auto Program Scholarship Fund.			
	Sat, May 09	10:00 AM	Veterans Victory House Car Show	Walterboro, SC
	Save the date for the Annual Veterans' Victory House Charity Car Show sponsored by the Walterboro Cruisers.			

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

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

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SOMETHING GERMAN DAUMEN DRUCKEN: EXPLORING THE HISTORY OF THE 928'S BIRTH

(By Pablo Deferri – *Multibriefs: Exclusive*)



NOTE: because of the length of this article, I've broken it down into 2 segments. Segment 2 will be in the March newsletter.

I thrust myself from bed in a cold sweat.

It was just before 4 am, Saturday morning no less. I was backed up against a wall in the car delivery hall of the Zuffenhausen plant with Dr. Ernst Fuhrmann jabbing a finger in my chest, while Herr Helmuth Bott and Herr Heinze Branitzki flanked him, asking me to make a decision – fast.

I would have been quick with a confident response while containing myself from laughing uncontrollably at his preposterous and completely out of character reaction, but I wasn't. Instead, a cold spike of fear thrust up my spine – I couldn't decide.

Only the truly demented and possessed would have this kind of nightmare. It's the cross one bears when all concerns revolve around Porsche history.

The problem here, though, is a peculiar one because Herr Ernst was asking me to make a decision that would have rewritten Porsche history. Only then could you possibly grasp the reason for waking in the middle of the night drenched in sweat when the most influential men at Porsche awaited my answer on whether the 928 should be a proper four-seater or remain on its initial course.

After calming the dogs and reassuring my wife that I wasn't possessed, I realized right then as I sank my head back into the pillow what a difficult and unnerving task those immersed in the birth of the 928 faced – especially Fuhrmann. To understand how the 928 came to be, a comprehension of the climate both inside and outside of Porsche is crucial.

The topic of what is arguably one of Porsche's darkest periods that happened the year before my birth is one I always love to discuss with those whose insanity parallels mine. Talk always revolves around a year when the music stopped and the scurrying for chairs began: 1971.

It wasn't enough that the Kommanditgesellschaft, or limited partnership, known as Dr. Ing. h.c. Porsche KG became public, taking on the AG suffix; nor that Ferry stepped down from active management with the younger Porsche and the Piech clan being told to look elsewhere for work. Now, a new boss walked into the wheelhouse at VW causing all sorts of problems.

Just before the birth of the 928 and 924, Porsche had what seemed like a cozy relationship with VW. Wolfsburg would enlist the wizards in Zuffenhausen with some alluring projects, which included the legendary Beetle's replacement and the 914.

Unfortunately, when Rudolf Leiding took the throne at VW, he wasn't keen on the way Wolfsburg was going about things. He found his new ship had been taking on water and the bilge pump was broken; contracting Porsche to do their design work was only exacerbating the leak. He decided to pluck Porsche from the teat and dump them in a sandbox without any toys.

Fuhrmann had walked into one hell of a mess when he took the reins at Porsche. He essentially had an idle engineering and design staff twiddling their thumbs with no work, a slim possibility of losing the contract to design the 914's successor, and a grown legislative threat hovering over the future of Porsche's moneymaker that was in its seventh year of production, the 911. But not all was doom and gloom.

The professor had no choice but to take some decisive action. First, he initiated the further development and refinement of the 911 and limited racing development to using the 911 as the foundation. This move would not only improve the 911 techno-

logically, but also enhance its image to buyers.

The second call to action was to develop a new car – this is where things got a bit dicey. You see, contrary to popular belief, the 928 wasn't the first stab at replacing the 911. All the work and development that went into Project 1966, the Beetle's successor Porsche was developing for VW, was to be the foundation they'd build upon for the 911's successor.

According to Herr Branitzki, Porsche's finance director, when Leiding pulled the plug on Project 1966, the total modern program of its development had broken down leaving Porsche with nothing – *nothing*.

They needed to not only address the rear seating problem, but also new safety and emission laws, noise problems, etc., with the new car. Now the seating issue was being studied as far back as 1951 with a design penned by Erwin Komenda – the Type 530, which was essentially a longer 356 with four seats. But Ferry wasn't feeling the look.

Then, in 1957, the Typ 743 (Technical Project 7 or T7 for short; non-running prototype called the Typ 695) was developed as a concept worthy of consideration for the 356's successor. Ferry hated that design, too.

The Project 1966 proved Porsche's avant garde thinking, this time a water-cooled engine was stuffed under the back seats giving the car two boot spaces, one in the front and one in the back. Now they were getting somewhere.

Timing was crucial. They hadn't the time for extensive market surveys; they needed to rely on intuition, foresight and their expertise in the field. Their clientele and production capacities made the decision of pegging it at or above the 911's price point – the issue now was where the engine should live.

Engine placement and design was something Herr Bott began to take seriously. The previous summer, his group began an exhaustive evaluation of engine placement and configurations based on 40 criteria, which include aerodynamics, current and foreseeable legislation, performance, comfort, driving dynamics, luggage space, heating, noise, ease of maintenance, and as a matter of course, seating.

The study led to the conclusion that whatever new Porsche would be made, the ideal situation would be for the engine to live in the front, and the gearbox or transaxle, in the rear with a rigid tube connecting both to give ideal weight distribution. They took this concept, built a wooden model of it, and presented to Fuhrmann on Oct. 21, 1971 – his birthday. The 928 was born right there.

GERMAN RECIPE

CREAMED SCHNITZEL OVER EGG NOODLES

(by Lora Willey-Lennartz – GermanFood.about.com)



Schnitzel, originally an Austrian dish (Wiener Schnitzel or Viennese style schnitzel), is traditionally a veal cutlet, coated in a mixture of bread crumbs, eggs and flour. This version of *Rahmschnitzel mit buttermudlen*, as the recipe is called in German, is naked. However, the decadence is found in the rich sour cream, white wine sauce which smothers the dish. Often *Rahmschnitzel*, or cream schnitzel in Germany had mushrooms added to the sauce. This version is a plain sour cream white wine sauce and served over buttered egg noodles.

Prep time: 10 minutes Cook Time: 40 minutes Total time: 50 minutes Servings: 4

INGREDIENTS:

1 pound (4) veal cutlets
1/8 teaspoon black pepper or freshly ground black pepper to taste
4 tablespoons unsalted butter cut into 4 pieces
2 tablespoons chopped fresh chives plus more for garnish
1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley (flat leaf variety) 1/2 cup dry white wine
1 tablespoon all-purpose flour 1/2 teaspoon salt
1 package of egg noodles 1 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons unsalted butter, divided

PREPARATION:

Sprinkle veal cutlets with salt and pepper on both sides. Let stand 10 minutes at room temperature.

Melt the unsalted butter pieces in a large sized skillet over medium heat.

Add the veal cutlets to the skillet and brown the cutlets on both sides. Sprinkle the chopped fresh chives and fresh parsley over the cutlets and pour the wine evenly over all four cutlets.

Reduce the heat to low and simmer for 20 minutes.

Fill a separate medium sized saucepan 3/4 full with water and bring to a boil over medium high heat. When water is boiling, add the teaspoon of salt to the saucepan and then add the dry egg noodles. Reduce heat to medium and cook for 8-10 minutes or according to instructions on the package.

When the egg noodles are soft, drain into a colander, transfer the noodles back to the still warm saucepan they were boiled in, toss with the two tablespoons of unsalted butter until the butter is melted and evenly coats the noodles. Cover the saucepan and set aside in a warm place.

Remove the veal cutlets from the skillet and transfer them to a warm plate. Cover the cutlets tightly with aluminum foil and set aside in a warm place.

Working quickly, whisk the tablespoons of all-purpose flour into the sauce in the pan. When the mixture thickened slightly, stir in the sour cream. Heat for another 5 minutes, stirring often until the sauce is smooth and thick.

Transfer the cooked buttered egg noodles to a serving platter. Unwrap the warm veal cutlets and place on top of the buttered egg noodles.

Spoon the sour cream sauce over the veal cutlets. Garnish with fresh chopped chives. Serve immediately.

PALMETTO PORSCHE CLUB MINUTES

January 13, 2015

Monthly meeting was held on January 13, 2015 at Logan's Restaurant, Summerville, SC. 24 members and guests were in attendance.

New officers were introduced: Pres: Ken Dasen, Vice Pres: Jennifer Mills, Secretary: Rose Ann Boxx, Treasurer: Nicole Lefebvre, Membership: Al Trego, Webmaster: Josh Stolarz, Newsletter: Jackie Dasen, & Myrtle Beach Area: Todd Marshall

Three new members: James Geiger, Michael Lamb and Steven Sonato

Nicole and Jennifer have completed the application for tax exemption. Budget was discussed for Myrtle Beach. Jackie requested information for a feature member in newsletter. She also solicited pictures. She needs all information for newsletter no later than last weekend of the month.

February plans -14th- Florida Citrus DE, 19th Wine tasting in Summerville. Feb. 28th, Drive and Dine to Carmines, Walterboro. Possible March and April events also discussed. Members reminded to check calendar on webpage for all upcoming events. Lee @ Baker Motors would like to have club members come to the dealership for a cars and coffee in the future.





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Cliff Links:

Since we've already designed "Club Coupes" for our local dealer I suppose Porsche is now copying us? Shouldn't we get some sort of royalty??

After all, they picked our color!! LOL

<https://autos.yahoo.com/news/porsche-offer-limited-run-gts-club-coupes-celebrate-192700367.html>

The unveil - but a better article

<http://www.autoblog.com/2015/01/21/porsche-911-gts-club-coupe-official/?ncid=txtlnkusaolp00000588>

Plug it in! <https://autos.yahoo.com/news/porsche-ev-rival-tesla-model-looks-unlikely-143033508.html>

Porsche engine plant:

<https://autos.yahoo.com/news/porsche-911-engine-plant-mechanical-meditation-zone-video-204549267.html>

Spy photo: <https://autos.yahoo.com/news/porsche-911-gt3-rs-leaks-way-onto-instagram-163717639.html>

Cool!! Pun intended....<https://autos.yahoo.com/news/watch-formula-racecar-tackle-snowy-nurburgring-130050519.html>

Porsche at # 7... ..and the # 1 doesn't even need gasoline !!

<http://wallstcheatsheet.com/automobiles/here-are-8-of-the-most-powerful-cars-from-the-detroit-auto-show.html/?a=viewall>

Car of the Year !! That you can't own.....

<http://www.autoblog.com/2015/01/14/porsche-918-spyder-robb-report-coty/?ncid=txtlnkusaolp00000588>

Let's get dirty !!

<http://www.autoblog.com/2015/01/14/chris-harris-wrc-ready-porsche-911-rgt-video/?ncid=txtlnkusaolp00000588>

A GT3 RS in the snow. I'm sorry, but there's just something wrong with that.....

<http://www.autoblog.com/2015/01/15/porsche-911-gt3-rs-new-engine-report/?ncid=txtlnkusaolp00000588>

2015 Auto show - some cool stuff. Porsche is the first car featured. Check out picture 29 - Lexus now has a "GT3"

<https://autos.yahoo.com/photos/all-the-best-cars-from-the-2015-detroit-auto-show-in-one-easy-gallery-slideshow/>

The oddest stuff keeps popping up.....

<https://autos.yahoo.com/news/aston-martin-db2-4-barn-unearthed-50-years-143052174.html>

I guess I waited too long to start buying.....

<https://autos.yahoo.com/news/muscle-car-values-roar-back-170300392.html>

Since removing your targa top manually is just WAY too much... Check out the power targa top !

<https://autos.yahoo.com/news/porsche-just-gave-newest-911-big-horsepower-big-230500102.html>

Sounds good. I think I'll order one.....

<https://autos.yahoo.com/news/listen-sound-1-300-horsepower-porsche-911-130032063.html>

Honey, did you plug in the 911 ??

<https://autos.yahoo.com/news/porsche-aims-bmw-i8-upcoming-911-hybrid-183050232.html>

And for those project oriented folks....

<https://autos.yahoo.com/news/custom-1981-porsche-911-needs-love-good-home-130055797.html>

The independents win again

<https://autos.yahoo.com/news/best-places-car-repaired-110000234.html>

Enough already !!! OK, Porsche has had a GT3 for years, Lexus also has a GT3 and now we can add Lambroghini ??? Must be a good designation.....

<http://www.autoblog.com/2015/01/21/lamborghini-huracan-gt3-official-video/?ncid=txtlnkusaolp00000588>

It appears some Cayenne and Panamera S hybrids have a fuel leak recall

<http://finance.yahoo.com/news/volkswagen-audi-porsche-issue-recalls-142555336.html>

Volkswagen, Audi, Porsche issue recalls for fuel leaks

AP

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DETROIT (AP) -- Audi, Volkswagen and Porsche are recalling more than 93,500 cars and SUVs worldwide to fix fuel leak problems. The recalls cover the Audi A6 and Volkswagen Touareg hybrid from the 2012 model year, the Audi A7 from 2012 and 2013, and the Audi Q7, S4 and S5 from 2011 through 2012. All the vehicles have 3-liter V-6 engines, according to documents posted Tuesday by U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Also, the documents show a separate but similar recall from Porsche covering the Cayenne and Panamera S hybrids from 2011 to 2012. Volkswagen, which owns all three brands, says vibration during driving, and production issues can cause small leaks in rare cases. VW and Audi said they were not aware of any fires or injuries caused by the problem. An Audi spokesman in the U.S. says about 80,000 of the brand's vehicles are being recalled worldwide — about two-thirds in the U.S. and China. A VW spokesman in Germany said only a few hundred of its cars are involved because the recall only includes one VW model. An exact number was not provided. Porsche said it would recall about 13,500 cars worldwide. All have engines supplied by Volkswagen and Audi. About 27,000 VW, Audi and Porsche vehicles are being recalled in the U.S., according to the documents. The problem was discovered in March of 2013 when customers complained of fuel odor, according to the NHTSA documents. VW investigated and decided Jan. 12 to do a recall. VW will notify owners in March and dealers will replace the fuel injector rails and seals for free.



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**Monthly Member Meeting is
February 10 @ 7 pm
Southerly Restaurant
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Final Thoughts from the Prez...

The news of a PCA member only raffle for at new 60th Anniversary Edition 911 without having to buy a ticket is awesome. With that being said, the club is moving with all kinds of events for you. There are two autocross novice schools, a Driver Education track day at Roebing Road Raceway, a Wine Tasting, the Tennessee Winter fest, Myrtle Beach's first Murder Mystery Dinner Theater, and a Drive and Dine all in February. I'm sure that at least one of these events might peak your interest so get moving and have some fun with your fellow Porsche club members. For the experienced DE folks, you might want to get in touch with Don Curtis as I hear a plan for a full track day with friends (not an official PCA event). Todd has come up with a great idea in trying to involve more folks in different things with the Murder Mystery Dinner. Its looks to be a lot of fun so make sure you get with him so he knows your coming and we can all be together. Of course, let's not forget, Jackie is planning a Dine and Drive to the best Italian Food in the low country. So as if that's not enough, I know we also have another Drive and Drive planned in March along with a Scavenger Hunt. Hopefully you can see that we are working hard to bring you a wide variety of events for the club so you can enjoy yourselves. If you have an idea for something different (or same), just let one of the Palmetto Region Board member s know and we'll try to get-r-done. We are always looking for new placing to try for our monthly member meeting as well so if you have a local favorite that will hold 35 to 40 people let me know. Ken.....

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