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NEW YEAR - NEW THINGS COMING

BY JACKIE DASEN

Another year has come and gone. For many it was uneventful, for others it was filled with events, good and bad. But one thing is certain about the coming year, YOU are a part of an amazing organization. YOU are a member of the Porsche Club of America. Not only do you have the honor and glory of owning and driving one of the world's most premier automobiles but you belong to a region of the PCA that is one of the best. As the famous saying goes, "It's not just the cars, it's the people".

The PCA is definitely that. Our region, the Palmetto region is filled with wonderful people. People of all walks of life and economic status'. That is what makes YOUR region awesome. All these people, mechanics, lawyers, doctors, law enforcement officers, engineers, teachers, investors, realtors, and more are the basis of this region. Together we've created a region that is envied by others.

As any organization with lots of members there are ups and downs. Yet, we, the Palmetto Region always pull together for each other. Why, because we all share one thing, the important thing. We all love our Porsches.

Many of you know that I handled the newsletter for several years, having taken it over not too long after Ken and I joined the PCA in 2006, after we bought our first (well not actually the first – that's another story for later) Porsche, a 1982 Guards Red 928. Last year I took a break from it. Not that I didn't enjoy producing the newsletter but because of a lot of personal stuff going on. Yet as I've stated above this group of people are awe-

some. You allowed me the time I needed to refocus, to regroup so that I could once again bring to you a newsletter that I feel honors these wonderful cars, but more so the wonderful people.

I'd like to thank Beth and Roger Knobe for carrying the burden of putting together the Palmetto Pipes for 2016. As they found out it's not an easy endeavor. Please when you see either of them take a moment and thank them for taking on this important job of keeping you informed.

As for 2017, here is what you can look forward to. I am going to try to do some periodic FEATURE MEMBER's articles. These always seemed to go over well, though sometimes I had to grovel and beg for the stories, just kidding. SOMETHING GERMAN will return. These articles can range from German people, products and/or areas of Germany. Pretty much anything regarding Germany can fall into this area. For those that love food and drink look for the GERMAN FOOD/RECIPE section. It is being renamed BAILLEY's BISTRO BITES and my celebrity dachshunds (yup we have German dogs along with our German cars and yet my heritage is Italian), Bailey the Kid Robeling and Sir Stuttgart "Stuie" will be handling this area. I am sure

you'll love their humor along with the foods and drink products of Germany that they bring you. By the way they have a friend in Germany that is going to be helping him with this. FEATURE PHOTO's will be in every addition and I ask if you have a Porsche related photo please submit it to me for publication. These can be Porsche people, cars, pictures of interest Porsche items. Basically anything Porsche related that has been photographed.

You can also look forward to excerpts of Porsche news, directly from Porsche. We'll continue with our TURN 9 articles by Jennifer and Joe Mills. Our track enthusiasts will find tons of information and recaps of our local DE's. We do encourage each member to do at least one track event, whether it be a DE or an auto-cross. Our event calendar will also continue.

I am looking to add a monthly trivia section, mostly relating to Porsche stuff but may include German stuff as well. We will continue with upcoming event articles as well as recapping events our club has participated in. Any stories members want to share are always welcome.



2016 Events Recap



2016 Rolex Crew

PALMETTO PIPES

Wow, where did the year go? As in the past our region was pretty active and that will continue into this new year. As usual January was kicked off with the annual migration to Daytona for the 24 Hours of Rolex. Attending this event is one of the best ways to start off the Porsche racing season. It's just a wonderful experience and event to attend. As in the past several members will be making the migratory route to this year's race.

Our two main car show events of last year were the Trident Tech Car Show, held the last weekend of each April at Trident Tech. Our very own club member, Cliff Hudson devotes a ton of time and energy to making this event the premier event it has become. Make sure to mark your calendar for this year's event. Get that Porsche out there and spend a day with

your P-car family. Do watch closely for information on this year's event, as its hit a milestone marker and will be run a little differently. Our second big car show event is the annual Porsche Corvette Challenge at the Veterans Victory House Nursing home in Walterboro on the second Saturday of May. For those not familiar with this event, the challenge is between the CCCC and the PCA to see which club can bring the most CLUB cars to the event. The winner walks away with the Challenge Trophy. The trophy sports the Porsche and Corvette hood emblems on it. **WE NEED THIS TROPHY BACK TO PCA THIS YEAR!!!!!!!** Ken and I need your help this year. We'll be in Italy on the day of the show. Making us down by 4 P-cars to start with.

We had two separate Scavenger Hunts, one was in February and the other was in November. Mike and Karen Milbrandt hosted two Wine & Cheese tasting events at their home. In March, several club members returned to Charleston Rush to drive go-carts and play laser tag. April saw our club participate for the first time in the Kiawah Island Motoring Retreat. In September, the club hosted our New Member and End of the Summer Gathering at Stone Ferry. Our annual Holiday party was again graciously hosted at Ravenwood Plantation by Joe Boykin and Lisa Minshew in December.

We had several dine and drives this year as in the past and we'll continue to have them this year. Last year our club made pilgrimages to Carmine's Italian Trattoria (this is a limited seating restaurant and fills up fast) this was in conjunction with Coastal Empire region. We had 32 different Porsches with 55 members in attendance! This year's jaunt to Harold's Country Club (always

an interesting one for those that have never been – it's not what you expect), was also in conjunction with Coastal Empire and honored one of our most esteemed members, Tuggy Mathisen. For those that didn't know Tuggy he was a true gem among Porsche people. His loss to cancer was a loss to us all.

For the second year, hoping this will become an annual event, Dave Derercola organized The Low Country Tour in June. Members were treated to a nice drive through Sullivan's Island and Isle of Palms. During our stop at the fort on Sullivan's Island members were treated to a reload and firing of muskets used in the American Civil War before enjoying a fantastic lunch on the Isle of Palms.

The Myrtle Beach group continued to hold there once a month Sunday Drive-and-Dine's as well as the year beach BBQ at Huntington State Park. Todd Marshall's ribs are to die for.

Our annual Oktoberfest, which was returning to our favorite place, in Myrtle Beach had a run in with a gentleman named Matthew this year. Unfortunately, Matthew won that encounter.

If I left out any events I do apologize. As in the past we will continue to strive to bring events that interest all our members. Remember you don't have to attend everything but of course we love to see old faces and new faces at our events. We drive cars that stand the test of time and so as their owners so do we. Just remember time is the one thing you never get back, so make the most of it. Cherish it. Take some time for yourselves, for your family. Time is yours to manage and we at Palmetto Region Porsche Club hope that we get to part of yours.




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President's thoughts



I would like to take the opportunity to introduce myself in this month's PIPES to those of you I have not had the pleasure of meeting. My wife, Nancy, and I moved to Johns Island from Santa Barbara, CA in May of 2014 after I had sold my dental practice. Some of the "more seasoned" members may remember that I was Palmetto Region's President in 1996 after retiring from the US Army and just before my venture to the West Coast.

I have been a PCA member since 1978, primarily due to the influence of Bob Stonerock, who put me onto a pristine 1971 911 T

Targa that I purchased while Bob and I were stationed in Germany. Over the years I have been a member of eight different PCA Regions (some twice) and have held various region offices. I have learned that the "value and equity" of a PCA Region is entirely its membership and consider Palmetto Region very rich by that measure.

I am very excited by our prospects for 2017 and see my role as president as being the primary catalyst in helping members of the region have their best interactions with our wonderful cars, the Porsche brand and each other. In this regard, the newly elected Palmetto Board will be having our 2017 planning meeting at the Crab Shack (1901 Ashley River Road) at 11 AM on the 7th of Jan.. All interested members are welcome to attend.

Due to the diligence and hard work of prior officers and members, Palmetto Region enters 2017 in great shape organizationally and financially. Our mission going forward is to build on our strong foundation to expand on the range of opportunities for our members to enjoy the "Palmetto experience".

Hope to see you at an event soon!

Joe

"Its not just the cars, It's the people !"

Enjoy all yours newsletters online
 @ www.pcapalmetto.org



THANK YOU !!

A special thank you to Mike Milbrandt for taking on the unrelenting task of finding restaurants to accommodate our hoard of Porsche enthusiasts each month for our monthly social. We hope that he'll continue in this pursuit of finding delectable eateries.

To all our 2016 Officers, thank you for your unselfish time and devotion to our club. Without you we are just names and numbers on

paper.

To all our new and incoming 2017 Officers, we'll thank you in advance.

To all our membership, we thank you the most. Without you there is no Palmetto Region Porsche Club. You are the foundation of our club. Let's make our region even better in 2017. Happy motoring everyone.



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HEARD 'ROUND THE ZONE

First of all ... Happy New Year! I hope that the year 2017 brings each of you much happiness, and the best of everything! And...thank you for your confidence in me as Zone Rep! PCA has asked that I continue into the second two year term. I accepted the challenge, and look forward to meeting as many of you as I can, during scheduled visits to your Region. Thought I'd give you a snapshot of several motorsport activities that you might want to get involved in, in the New Year. This by no means covers all events! Your Region has events scheduled, and they can be found on your Regions' calendar. Some may also be found on the Zone website ... www.zone3.pca.org.

Events to look at include:

ROLEX 24 HOUR, Daytona Beach, FL ... 01.28-29.17 ... WeatherTech Series ...

www.daytonainternationalspeedway.com

WINTERFEST, Chattanooga, TN ... 02.18-19.17 ... Tennessee Region/PCA ... Check a previously sent eblast from me on this event.

AMELIA ISLAND CONCOURS, Amelia Island, FL ... 03.09-12.17 ... (Friday at the Omni ... Porsche on the grass + PCA TechTactics) ...

www.ameliaislandconcours.org ... www.pca.org

SEBRING 12 HOUR, Sebring, FL ... 03.15-18.17 ... WeatherTech Series ...

www.sebringraceway.com

PCA CLUB RACE ... 03.31-04.02.17 ... Road Atlanta ... Peachstate Region ...

www.pca.org/club-racing

SPRING THING ... 04.28-30.17 ... Greenville, TN ... Smoky Mountain Region/PCA ...

www.smt pca.org

To complete my visits to the sixteen Regions in Zone 3, for 2016, I attended multiple holiday parties in December. A shout out to the Heart 'O Dixie Region, the Alabama Region, the Three Rivers Region, and the Ocmulgee Region for great turnouts at their respective events!

Your Regions' president will be attending a Zone 3 Presidents meeting in February. If you have any concerns either on the national, zone, or regional level, share them with your Regions president, so that he/she can share them, then.

See you at the next PCA event!

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PCA Club Racing: Vintage class introduced 25 years after first race



PCA Club Racing had its first race in 1992, spurred at the insistence of Potomac Region’s Alan Friedman, who felt PCA could expand its driving programs to satisfy members with vast track experience and ready to move up the ladder. Twenty-five years later, the racing program added a new class catering to vintage racers.

We commemorated the occasion — and PCA Club Racing’s 25th anniversary — by visiting Summit Point Motorsports Park to observe vintage air-cooled Porsches competing in the new class for the first time, and to gauge how PCA’s club racing culture has evolved over the years. In the video above, we speak with Friedman and several other drivers, some who’ve raced with PCA since the beginning and others who are new this year.

Of course, be sure to read Ted West’s “Silver Jubilation” in the December 2016 Porsche Panorama for the full, in-depth story.

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Upcoming

- January 7—Club Planning Meeting at 11am - 2pm
 The West Ashley Crab Shack, 1901 Ashley River Rd, Charleston, SC 29407
- January 10—Monthly Social at 7pm
 PF Changes in Mt Pleasant, 1885 N Hwy 17, Mt Pleasant, SC 29464
- January 14-15 – Roebing Road DE with Florida Crown PCA www.clubregistration.net
- January 21 – Tech Session at Porsche of Hilton Head, 10am- noon
 Hosted by Coastal Empire PCA
- January 28-29 – ROLEX 24 Hour Race at Daytona
www.daytonainternationalspeedway.com/Events/2017/Rolox-24-At-DAYTONA/Rolox-24-At-Daytona.aspx

Porsche Club Membership

The Palmetto Region of the Porsche Club of America has a number of great activities that

you can get involved in. Whether your tastes are social, technical, or competitive, Palmetto has something for you! You can have fun in your Porsche by participating in driver education at area tracks, autocrosses, rallies, tours, tech sessions, car shows and more. Each year Palmetto organizes a variety of opportunities to enjoy and learn about your Porsche, and your fellow enthusiasts.

history, the racing, and the people. It provides insights into the activities of all the regions and provides a calendar of events. Panorama also has great some great ads.

You need not live in our region to join us. To join the Porsche Club of America you will need to provide a Vehicle Identification Number from your Porsche and fill out the membership form on the PCA website, www.pca.org/join-porsche-club-america

All of our events are posted online on our website on the front page and in the calendar; also we have a monthly newsletter that gets emailed.

Haven't joined yet? It's easy to join the Porsche Club of America goto <https://www.pca.org/join-porsche-club-america>

Membership brings you a monthly issue of Panorama; it's perhaps the best car club magazine currently in production. Panorama includes many high quality technical articles on Porsches, articles on the

The Palmetto Region serves the coastal areas of South Carolina excluding Beaufort and Hilton Head. We currently have over 300 members in our Region. Although you may choose to affiliate with any region you choose, if you reside outside our area you should visit the PCA national web page to determine the region closest to you.

If you would like information about the Palmetto Region, or any other general information please contact our Membership Chairs, Al Trego and Charlie Barnett at membership@pcapalmetto.org

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