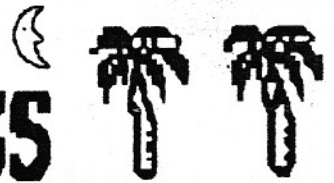


the Palmetto Pipes



Palmetto Region

Porsche Club of America

April 1991

PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA PLANS NATIONAL BOARD MEETING IN CHARLESTON

Al Trego, Activities Chairman of Palmetto Region, reported to the board that he has been in touch with the national office and plans are being made to hold a PCA national board meeting in Charleston. The national BOD meeting is scheduled for February 1992. Al Trego reported that he will need help to assist national in preparation for the meeting at the local level. Al needs assistance from local members because the meeting will likely result in 150 to 200 board members, attendees, and their families and friends coming from out of town for the three day affair. Palmetto Region has discussed hosting a national event for some time, and now the opportunity presents itself to us. Now is the time to become involved and help Al put Palmetto Region's best foot forward. Call Al today!

PALMETTO REGION HISTORY

Tug Matheson has volunteered to compile a scrapbook of Palmetto Region history. This region is now 21 years old. Anyone having an interest in region history, old publications, or just fond memories should contact Tuggy.

REGION RAMBLINGS

BOARD AND MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Palmetto Region plans to hold board and membership meetings at Autometrics on Belgrade Ave. at 7:00 the second Tuesday of each month. All members are encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served, door prizes will be awarded, and a good time will be had by all.

PALMETTO/PORSCHE TEE SHIRTS

Palmetto region is having Palmetto/Porsche tee shirts made up. These tee shirts will be available at the April board meeting.

TUNE-UP CLINIC

Palmetto Region will host a tune-up clinic on Saturday, April 13 at Autometrics. Gordon plans to demonstrate tuning a 944 and will also show a video tape on tuning up a 911. If you plan to attend you must call Gordon in advance because a maximum of 10 people can be accommodated.

SPRING THING

Smokey Mountain Region PCA will host their annual SPRING THING April 12, 13, 14. A caravan from Palmetto Region would be a nice drive to near Ashville, NC. Please see the flier in this issue, and call Gordon Friedman to Caravan.

RALLY AND PICNIC PLANNED FOR MAY FIFTH

A Palmetto Region rally and picnic is being planned for May 5th. This will be an opportunity for all members to meet other members and their families, spend time with your family and friends, tour the beautiful countryside, see other porsches, talk shop, and have more fun. A flyer announcing details will be mailed to all members.

KALENDAR OF EVENTS

- APRIL 9 PALMETTO REGION MEMBERSHIP MEETING
AUTOMETRICS BELGRADE AVE CHARLESTON
- APRIL 13 TUNE UP CLINIC AT AUTOMETRICS
- APRIL 12-14 SPRING TRING SMOKEY MTN REGION
- MAY 5 RALLY AND PICNIC-FLYER TO FOLLOW
- MAY 14 PALMETTO REGION MEMBERSHIP MEETING
AUTOMETRICS BELGRADE AVE CHARLESTON
- JUNE 11 PALMETTO REGION MEMBERSHIP MEETING
AUTOMETRICS BELGRADE AVE CHARLESTON

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SPRING THING 91 THE SMOKY MOUNTAIN TRADITION CONTINUES

Smoky Mountain Region PCA and Maggie Valley Chamber of Commerce invite you to Spring Thing 91, April 12, 13, and 14th in Maggie Valley, North Carolina. The weekend features a Concours, Rally, and Autocross.

We will return to the Comfort Inn in Maggie Valley for the event headquarters. Registration for the weekend is \$75.00 per car(double) and \$50.00 per car(single). A late fee of \$10.00 will be charged for registration received after April 4th. The fee includes the Friday night Brattwurst & Beer Welcoming Party, Saturday night Dinner, and Sunday morning Breakfast.

The Concours will be Saturday morning on the City Hall front lawn. This is a good opportunity to clean the winter dust off and put on spring shine. The Rally will follow with a relaxing drive in the beautiful countryside of the Smoky Mountains. (We are slowing the rally down to a normal-relaxing-drive). **The Autocross is the first of the Zone 3 Autocross Series for 1991.** It will be held in the large Ghost Town Parking lot. The event mood is casual, **NO TIES ALLOWED**, just plan on a relaxing, enjoyable weekend.

For information and registration contact Kathy Buchanan Parker, our Registrar, 600 Noelton Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee. Phone: 615-637-5001. We hope to see all of last years attendees back and lot's of new folks as well. See You There.

Allen Cox
Event Chairperson

PRESIDENTS CORNER

Hello, and welcome to the first newsletter of 1991! This is my first opportunity to THANK YOU for your support in electing me the new Palmetto Region President. I would also like to thank Tom Dougherty and Tuggy Mathisen for their help with the transition into my new position. I'm looking forward to serving the club this year. I will do all I can to bring our local Porsche enthusiasts together for some fun, high quality social, technical, driving and family events. If you have any suggestions for any Porsche related events, please give me a call.

We have had three Porsche Club meetings this year and have several activities in the works. The next event will be a Tune Up Clinic at Autometrics. We will explain the how's and why's of Tuning Up your Porsche. We will also have a car here for some hands on experience. Anybody interested in this Clinic, please call me at 763-6740. Other events can be found on the calendar in this newsletter.

Some information too current to have made the calendar is : A driving school at Charlotte Motor Speedway sponsored by Blue Ridge Region and the 1990 Monterey Porsche Parade will appear in a TV documentary on the Nashville Network (TNN) two or three times on Sunday, May 5, 1991. Times are to be announced.

Our local club has been approached by members of the National Porsche Club Board of Directors about the possibility of Palmetto Region hosting the February 1992 winter board meeting in the Charleston area. All local members would be invited to the social events and some business meetings. I feel this would be a good move for the local club on a national level. Al Trego has agreed to spearhead this project. Anybody interested in contributing to this effort is encouraged to contact Al.

Now about my favorite subjects, PORSCHEs and RACING ! I'm sure we are all pleased to see Porsche win the Daytona 24 race, we won't talk about Palm Beach, and they had a very respectable finish at Sebring. Additionally, the 944s are doing very well in the Firehawk series. I feel this will be a good racing year for Porsche. To be tuned in on the latest Porsche race information from IMSA, Formula 1 and Group C call the Porsche Motorsport Hotline at (702) 348-3962. That's all for now, hope to see you at the next meeting!

Gordon Friedman