

# Palmetto Pipes



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As you all know the annual Porsche Parade was held not too far from home this year in Charlotte, NC. Many of our Palmetto Region members made the short journey to our sister state. The tree lined streets of downtown Charlotte added an extra touch of elegance and appeal to the Concours cars displayed along the six-block stretch. Surrounding the blocks of Concours cars were the Paddock cars, parked by groups according to models. To quote the Saturday night 11 o'clock newswoman, "There were some very high priced rides lining the streets of downtown Charlotte" and I'd have to add it was a sight to be seen.

So here are some Parade notes. Our very own Kevin Zemnickas captured 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in the 968 Preparation Touring Class in the Concours, great placement for a first timer among all those cars. Member Gordon King was also in the Concours competition with his 911 Turbo. Member Mike Duck's '65 911 was chosen for the Heritage & Historical display. Competing in his Boxster, Mike took home 6<sup>th</sup> place in the Auto Cross in his class. Our region can also proudly claim 1<sup>st</sup> place for the Class II (100-199 members) Website, thanks to our dedicated webmaster Josh. Driver Kevin Small and navigator Josh Stolarz captured a 13<sup>th</sup> place finish out of 60 cars in the Unequipped Class TSD.

An abundance of canine companions also attended Parade along with their owners. One dedicated owner drove their Porsche and their son drove the family van in order to bring dogs, two Dachshunds. Being partial to that particular breed I was thrilled to see numerous doxies in attendance. With so many German cars in abundance why not German dogs too?

Since we haven't had many club activities during the months of June and July, I hope you won't find it too disappointing that this issue has a few more pictures than usual. I thought it might be nice for those that didn't get to experience Parade. And please, if you have an interesting Porsche story/experience, please contact me, I'd love to hear about it.

In the coming issues I hope to bring some new changes. Look forward to seeing monthly Porsche racing excerpts, new vehicle release information, technical tips (will need the mechanical gurus help on this one) and Porsche books of interest. Please feel free to let me know if you'd like to see any one particular area of interest enhanced or added.



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## From the Prez

Porsche Parade...

I can honestly say I now know the true meaning of PCA and its slogan, "it's not just the cars, it's the people..."

Concours, Welcome Party, Rallies, Ice Cream Social, Tech Quiz, Presidents Reception, Autocross, Margarita & Nacho Party, Tours, Victory Celebration... What a wonderful group of people. As we wandered from event to event or just meandered about town, there were always smiling faces. The events were interspersed with socials. We are a social group bound by our love for the badge, the marquee, and the wonderful cars.

We met people from regions throughout the country. Ideas were shared. Contacts were made. The entire event was well planned, well executed, and a model of success for all of PCA. Future events are on the horizon.

Next year's Parade is in Colorado. A quick calculation with today's gas prices and you begin to brainstorm for alternative plans. Anyone have an auto transporter lying around at the end of June '09? Let's see 8 MPG X \$4.00 /8 cars X ...

I do hope everyone is enjoying their summer. With the events calendar full, both PCA and personal, it was decided to not have normal monthly meetings for June and July. Please provide thoughts and feelings on this.

We will resume monthly meetings at Smokey Bones in North Charleston on August 12th.

The fall Tail of the Dragon trip is right around the corner. The special room rate is only available to those who make reservations by July 31.

We do have a drive with our Myrtle Beach friends planned for July 20<sup>th</sup>. This drive will end up a little closer to home with lunch planned in McClellanville to end the drive. Check [www.pcpalmetto.org](http://www.pcpalmetto.org) for details.

Dr. Bob continues to host breakfast every Saturday at 8:00, Sunflower Café on Highway 61. Come join us as we address everything from tire pressures to lawn maintenance tips...

Kevin

"it's not just the cars, it's the people..."



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**Excerpts from Porsche News Releases**

**NEW GENERATION PORSCHE 911 INITIATIVE CONTINUES WITH CARRERA 4/4S COUPE AND CABRIOLET – New Engines, Double-Clutch Transmission and Electronically Controlled All-Wheel Drive**

Atlanta June 25, 2008 – New engines, all-wheel-drive systems, transmissions, interior features and exterior cues will mark the evolutionary advances of the new 2009 Porsche 911 Carrera 4 and Carrera 4S models upon their introduction this fall when they join the already announced two-wheel drive 2009 Porsche 911 Carrera and Carrera S.

**SOLID EFFORTS NET TOP 10s FOR PORSCHE TEAMS – Barbosa-France Fourth in DP; Werner-Miller Score Runner-up in GT**

Daytona Beach, Fla.-July 4 – Overall, Porsche's performance customer teams turned in solid efforts with three top-10 finishes in DP Class and a podium for second place in GT in Thursday nights Brumos Porsche 250 at Daytona International Speedway, the eight race in the 14-race 2008 Rolex Sports Car Series Presented by Crown Royal Cask No. 16.



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## UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

With Parade now past we can now set our sights on our upcoming Tail of the Dragon trip. If you want to go on this exciting and thrilling trip make sure you get your reservations at Fontana Village made before July 31<sup>st</sup>. The discounted room rate of \$85 is only good till then. We'll have an informal Welcome Social (bring your own beverages) Friday evening outside by the pool. Saturday we'll drive the Dragon and other roads before returning to the hotel to be followed by a group buffet style dinner. The weekend of September 12 –14<sup>th</sup> might seem far away but its really no. So, don't miss out book your room now.

Don't forget your monthly drive with our upstate members from Myrtle Beach. This month will be a Georgetown drive on Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup>, please check the website for more details.

The Peachtree State Region in Georgia is inviting all "Porschephiles" to join in the celebration of their 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Rennfest. This year's event will be held in Georgia's Blue Ridge Mountains during Labor Day weekend, August 29 – September 1, at the Brasstown Valley Resort in Young Harris, Georgia. Featured events are a Concours D'Elegance, a rally, an autocross, a Welcome Social, a Saturday BBQ and an Awards Banquet on Monday.

With fall not too much further away lets not forget that the National Executive Board is coming to our area for their October meeting. Now is the time to start our planning and offering assistance to those that will be visiting our region. Let's make it a trip so memorable they'll have to come back.

I'd also like to invite all our members to let us know kinds of events you'd like to see our club organize. Do you like driving rallies where you search for answers to questions? ? Do you prefer a drive and dine rally, where we take a leisurely drive through the country roads ending at a restaurant for lunch or dinner? Maybe you'd like to visit some of our areas historical sites as a group? Or maybe you're interested in us having some outdoor cookouts? For those more adventurous maybe a group get together for a haunting experience of doing a downtown Charleston Ghost Walk?

Please let us, your club officers, know what your interests are, it is the only way we can make our club better and get even more enjoyment out of our prized Porsches.

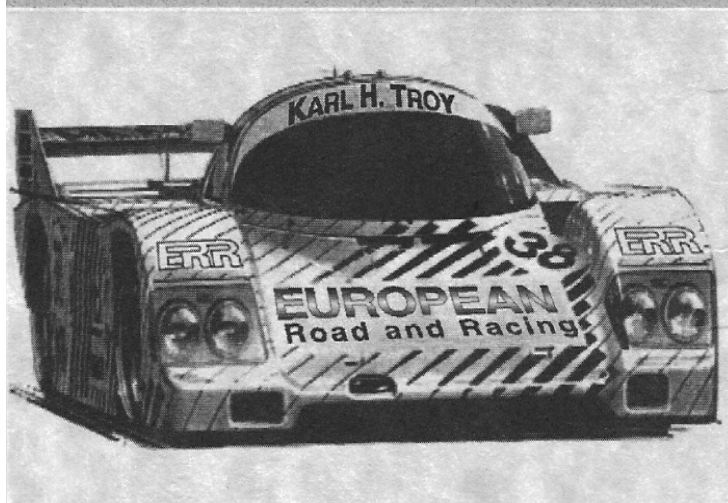
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### Porsche Trivia Fun

What is the definition of Porsche? (Hint it's on a T-shirt that was available at Rennsports III Reunion)

### June's Trivia Answer

64 Charter Members, 12 Attended 1st Meeting



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Your site for current events and  
photos...

## More Porsche Parade 2008

A Concours D'Elegance inspection is an event to watch if you've never seen one. Five judges are times as they inspect, look over and even search out dirt on your automobile. For first time participant Kevin Zemnickas this was an interesting experience, as well as for those in attendance for moral support.

They started off with an introduction of all the judges followed by a general inspection consisting of a walk around the car. The owner is then asked to open all compartments of the car including the hood, doors and trunk, remove his spare tire and tool kit. After laying these items out for inspection, the judges begin their time and thoroughly inspected his/her section of the car.

The entire interior was looked over including under the carpet. The trunk thoroughly inspected as well as engine compartment. The axles beneath the car are also inspected with a judge actually getting underneath the car for a look.

On the rear engine cars the judges would even use a flashlight to look into the engine compartment. This was truly an interesting experience to watch. Much to our surprise points are even awarded for how far the participant drove to the Porsche Parade.

Many are scared off by the seriousness, competitiveness and near possessiveness with showing a car that has to be even more spotless then the day it left the factory floor in Germany. But myself, I'd like to do it just for the experience. In my opinion, it's not really how or what someone else thinks of your car but the pride you have in it. Why else would non-owners be instantly envious upon hearing you own one?



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## FOR BOOK LOVERS

For all you reader's out there a book you might find interesting is the Porsche High Performance Driving Handbook. I've yet to sit down and really look it over but thumbing through it looks quite interesting and educational. You can purchase it online from [www.motorbooks.com](http://www.motorbooks.com) or at your local Barnes and Noble or Books-A-Million. A book of interest for you Autocrossers is: Autocross Performance Handbook. This is also available through the same locations. Relax a little with a good book that concerns one of your greatest passions, owning a Porsche.

### Members Corner

#### New Members.....

Clarence W Legerton.....2005 Boxster  
Leonard C. Ripley.....1999 Boxster

A warm Low country welcome to everyone. Look forward to seeing you at our next outing.

#### A quick reminder for those who forgot to renew.....

John Befumo, Richard Gress, Ben Miller, and Kelly Trusheim  
..... please renew, we miss you already.



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Here are some random photos from Porsche Parade 2008.  
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## Upcoming Events

### July

20th Myrtle Beach Drive & Dine

### August

12th Monthly Meeting at Smokey Bones

29th PorschePhiles - Brasstown Valley Resort,  
in Young Harris, GA

### September

12-14th Tail of the Dragon trip

### Saturday Breakfast

Join the gang for Saturday breakfast -held at the  
Sunflower Café on Hwy. 61 @ 8:00 (every Satur-  
day). Come and Join us.....



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*Monthly Meeting*

**August 12th  
Smokey Bones in  
N. Charleston**