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The happy crowd at Dan's Chelsea Tavern after the Spring TSD Rally.

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From the Front Seat

By RSR President John Thomson



At the end of our TSD rally last weekend, I was talking with a couple of our newest members, Josh and Jordan Stollfuss. Diane and I already know Josh and Jordan (and Fiona) from autocross, but this was their first event with PCA. As we were talking about the route, Jordan mentioned that we had used a lot of roads from

"the Car & Driver route" which we definitely had. What struck me about this was that Jordan, who is only 19, had even heard of "Car & Driver" — always nice to recognize that there are some of the younger generation who realize that car magazines are a thing!

I'm sure I have a biased point of view, but I feel like I was lucky to grow up in and be exposed to a golden age of automotive journalism. There was always a wide collection of car publications around, especially at my dad's. Long before the internet, and when a lot of even the big races were on tape delay, I used to follow along with all the action in Speed Sport News— it amazes me to think now of all the local, regional, and national race action that they covered there. I've never been to a World of Outlaws race, and couldn't pick Sammy Kinser out of a lineup, but for years I'd read about the action (particularly once my dad got an RV—great way to kill time during a long tow!).

We had AutoWeek to keep up with industry news, and Car & Driver, Road & Track, and (later) Automobile for reviews and feature-length articles about cars and the people around them. We were lucky in Ann Arbor to be the "hub" of a lot of the journalistic action, and quite a few of my favorite columnists and authors are still around the area today.

And then of course we had the club publications—SCCA had theirs, and we got the 356 Registry newsletter, PCA Panorama, and Southeast Michigan's P4. We never subscribed to the marque-specific stuff, but I'll admit to picking up more than a few copies of Muscle Mustangs and Fast Fords and similar stuff—not quite the journalistic level of the flagships, but pretty cool information and build info nonetheless.

While a significant amount of print journalism has been decimated by the availability of free web content and short-form videos, I do think we're lucky that automotive publications have been spared a lot of the damage. Yeah, we've lost a lot of those big publications and some of the remaining ones are an awful lot skinnier, but we've had some more

targeted ones step up in their place. Hagerty Drivers Club is really good—even if you don't insure with Hagerty, joining their Driver's Club might be worth it for the magazine alone (plus you don't have to pay the \$2 fee on Motorsportreg!).

I really like Grassroots Motorsports—it's pretty focused on (you guessed it) amateur motor sports, but the enthusiasm almost leaps off the page and can be really useful for autocrossing, track days, or wheel-to-wheel racing.

Specific to our Porsche community, Excellence has lots of great information and some good features on unique builds. 000 is stunning—it's in a whole other league both in ambition and pricing relative to these others, but if you get a chance to pick up a copy I highly recommend it. Christophorus is shameless promotional material from Porsche, but the artwork is incredible, and who among us doesn't love some shameless promotion once in a while!

And I'm extremely proud and appreciative of our club's content. Panorama has really stepped up the artistic and journalistic content— it's still a club publication and not every page is a professional masterpiece, but the feature content and overall design is really great. And I think we should all be really proud of our regional publications. Of course I think Bahn Stormer is the best, but if you get bored sometime, check out some of the other regions content—they're all available on line. Just looking at our closest neighbors, the aforementioned P4 from SEM is really good, and Maumee Valley's der Ruckspiegel is also great.

Anyway, so much for my walk down magazine memory lane! If you've got any favorites that I missed, let me know. Summer's off to a great start with lots of club activities already completed and many more coming up— hope to see everyone at board meeting, track, or social events this summer!



Wednesday RSR Brunches Launching 2nd & 4th Wednesday Every Month

This event is for anyone who has the second and fourth Wednesday of every month to fill with car talk. Politics and religion are strictly forbidden due to the divisive and polarizing nature of both topics. This meeting is not meant to solve world issues.

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RSR Calendar of Events

- June 4 (Wed.) 7:00 PM: RSR Board Meeting -- Sidetrack Bar and Grill in Ypsilanti
- June 6-8 (Fri.-Sun.) Grattan Raceway HPDE
- June 11 (Wednesday): RSR Wednesday Brunch 9:00 AM (ad on facing page, check email for future locations)
- June 25 (Wednesday): RSR Wednesday Brunch 9:00 AM (ad on facing page, check email for future locations)
- July 9 (Wed.) 7:00 PM: RSR Board Meeting -- Sidetrack Bar and Grill in Ypsilanti
- July 19-20 (Sat.-Sun.): Hankard Road Clean-up (1/2 day event with date depending on weather)
- July 26 (Sat.): Summer Dinner Cruise (detials to follow)
- August 6 (Wed.) 7:00 PM: RSR Board Meeting --Sidetrack Bar and Grill in Ypsilanti
- August 8-10 (Fri.-Sun.) Grattan Raceway HPDE

- August 23 (Sat.) 9:00 AM: Cars & coffee with RM Motorsports (29165 Wall Street, Wixom, MI 48393)
 -- Host J2 Protective Films (see ad on facing page)
- September 10 (Wed.) 7:00 PM: RSR Board Meeting
 -- Sidetrack Bar and Grill in Ypsilanti
- September 20 (Sat.): Fourth Annual Porsches In The Park -- Event Chair Jon Heidorn (see page 20)
- September 27-28 (Sat.-Sun.): Hankard Road Cleanup (1/2 day event with date depending on weather)
- October 1 (Wed.) 7:00 PM: RSR Board Meeting --Sidetrack Bar and Grill in Ypsilanti
- November 2 (Sun.): Polar Bear Run (details to follow)
- November 5 (Wed.) 7:00 PM: RSR Board Meeting
 -- Sidetrack Bar and Grill in Ypsilanti
- December TBD: Holiday Party & Annual Meeting

Other Events of Interest

- Editor's Note: This list is taken from a comprehensive compilation of car/motor related area events by member Steve Gross. You can contact Steve for the complete Excel/pdf file.
- Second Saturday of every month (April-October) 9:00 AM: ECC Cars & Coffee -- 15702 Technology Dr., Northville
- Third Saturday of every month, 9:00 AM: The Gathering At Rennstatt (669 State Circle, Ann Arbor).
- Third Saturday of every month, (April-October) 7:30 AM: Ann Arbor Cars & Coffee -- Zingerman's Roadhouse, Ann Arbor (see page 20)

- Fourth Wednesday of every month (May-September) 6:30 -- 8:00 PM: Lake Street Cruise-In -- Downtown South Lyon
- June 13-15 (Fri.-Sun.): Eyes on Design Car Show --Ford House (1100 Lakeshore Dr, Grosse Pointe Shores)
- July 11 (Fri.) 2:00 10:00: Rolling Sculpture Car Show, Downtown Ann Arbor
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RSR's 2025 New Member Party

By club Vice-President Sebastian Gaeta with photos by Burhard Linn and Glenn Trapp

On Saturday May 17th Rennstatt hosted Rally Sport Region PCA's Annual Member Party. There was a lot going on that day; both the Rennstatt shop and our parking lot were filled with our favorite cars, Doug Cunningham from Total Detail was demonstrating his skills under the lights in his detail shop, there was a track simulator thanks to one of our Porsche specialists Ethan Hartmeyer, Gary Hibler had a great swap table with lots of memorabilia and the sit down catered lunch was delicious.

More than 50 members enjoyed the festivities including several new members. It was great to meet all of them and have them come and see what a great group this is.

The track simulator was set to the Spa Circuit and the winners of the Hot Laps contest were Austin Crampo in 1st



Rennstatt Racing's Owner and RSR Vice-President Sebastian Gaeta welcomes members, new and old to a real party.



<--- (Left to Right)
Manuel Tenorio-Rios
and Glenn Trapp admire
Gary Hibler's collection of
Porsche memorabilia.

place with a time 2:27.178, Anthony Magagnoli in 2nd with a time of 2:32.415 and new member Matt Teel with a time of 2:38.676. They won Rennstatt Gift Certificates of \$100, \$75 and \$50 respectively.

The sit down lunch was catered by The Chicken Shack on Ellsworth Rd in Ypsilanti and the consensus was that the BBQ ribs and the broasted chicken were a big hit. Next year we will have a line going on both sides of the buffet table so everyone can make it through the line quicker, I promise!

If you were not able to make it this year please mark it on your calendar for next year and look for even more activities we have planned for 2026!



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The 944 Chronicles

By member Skip Kuhn (see other articles by Skip at http://exclusive.multibriefs.com/author/skip-kuhn)

Last month I wrote about ÜnStock and the trend to personalize our Porsches to suit our own esthetics and taste. But what about performance modifications for your 944? Internal modifications that may not be seen by the casual observer. Something beyond wheels, body mods, and interior bits. I'm talking about "Big Brake" kits, engine chips, suspension mods and such.

Of course, the most effective all around "performance" modification you can make to your early 944 is to make it lighter. Less mass means better braking, better acceleration, and better handling. I managed to take another 100 pounds out of my racing 944 over the winter and it is now down to a svelte 2375 pounds with a full cage and a half tank of fuel. But it's a race car now, with no interior trim, window glass, or heater and its sporting European composite bumpers. Your daily 944 isn't going to get there and if it did it would no longer be a daily driver.

Tom, my supervisor in the engine development group at Ford always emphasized that if we wanted to make design changes to our engine to improve "performance" it would only be worth the time, effort, and cost if the customer could feel the improvement through their butt dynamometer or measure it in with their pocketbook. Does the car accelerate harder and/or achieve demonstrably better fuel economy? For example, while the customer won't notice three additional horsepower on the top end, if you add enough additional torque to the low end to make the customer brag to his friends about how "hard" his car accelerates it may be worth the effort.

My supervisor was also interested in any features or changes we could make that improved reliability of the engine. Minimizing dealer service trips was always a priority that every customer appreciated.

To that end there are two things you can do for your 944 that will certainly make it more reliable but also provide you with the opportunity to add more performance focused modifications down the road should. Both of these come from Focus 9 Technology. (Disclaimer I bought this stuff with my own money more than once, so no they are not sponsoring me. Geesh, I wish...)

The first purchase should be a solid state DME relay with built in diagnostic lights. If you own a 944 then you probably know about the 3-legged jumper wire you will need to start your car when the DME relay goes bad. That is... not if it goes bad, but when it goes bad! No more carrying a spare relay around in the glovebox just in case. Old

Mopars had the same issue with ignition ballast resistors. The upgraded version of the solid-state relay also has a pump prime feature, so you have fuel pressure in the rail at key on before the engine starts.

The second performance/reliability modification you should invest in is a modern freshly engineered Focus 9 Sport DME. It's expensive at over \$500 but the likelihood of the electronics your 30+ year old Bosch DME failing increases as the unit ages and buying a used one from eBay may only be delaying the next failure. If you have an early 944 (pre-1985.8) you will also need to install a late 944 Air Flow Meter (AFM) and fuel injectors. Have the fuel injectors rebuilt before you install them and if it's in the budget buy a refreshed late AFM from 944Online. A new modern DME is not only more reliable, but it also allows you to use an aftermarket chip and Mass Air Flow meter if you are looking for some added engine performance. I have these units installed in both of my cars and they truly are plug and play no hassle upgrades to your 944. A more reliable 944 is one that gets driven and enjoyed more often and driving is what Porsches are about.



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Season Opener and Beginner's Day at Waterford Hills

By Editor Mike O'Rear with photos by Treasurer Burghard Linn, Cranky Webmeister EMan Garcia and Membership & Historian Glenn Trapp

Rally Sport Region's season opener at Waterford was held on Tuesday, May 13th. While the day opened with a damp track by the time driving started it had mostly dried out and allowed for a day of great driving for 24 instructors and 52 students. Thanks to all the volunteers and generous sponsors who make our top-flight HPDEs possible.



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Around The Zone

By Dave Stetson Zone 4 Representative

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and forever more: volunteerism. Porsche Club of America and its regions are tax-exempt organizations, most of which are categorized as 501c7 organizations (Social Clubs). Quoting from the IRS' definition of a 501c7 social club, "The organization's net earnings may not inure to the benefit of any person having a personal and private interest in its activities." Some regions are 501c4 organizations, Social Welfare organizations, that also may not apply income to the benefit of members.

That is, all members contributing to the activities of the club must be volunteers. All members of regional and national boards are volunteers, all regional and national committee chairs, newsletter editors, webmasters, etc. are volunteers, and all zone representatives are volunteers. These folks may receive reimbursements for expenses, but let me assure you, from personal experience, those reimbursements do not compensate for the entire costs of supporting PCA.

At the risk of belaboring a point, why do we all do it? "... It's the people!" I am certain that all of you have marveled at the variety, skills, and talent of the membership of PCA. There are so many people with extraordinary talent or specialized skill sets within the regions that they can be recruited (or they volunteer!) to create and support the outstanding activities of the regions and nationally. Solid friendships are built by being a member of PCA but even stronger relationships are built when we work together on a goal. This value added is close to immeasurable. We can learn new skills from our colleagues, we can ask them about issues we are having with our car(s), we can ask them financial advice, on and on and on. Personally, I have not previously in my life been in such a rich, supportive environment, not even at the university.

I encourage you to value the contributions the other members of your region and the national officers bring to your experience. Please be a bit patient with them; they are volunteers after all. I cannot encourage you strongly enough to join them in building the great experience that is PCA.



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(Waterford Hills from page 15)



David Dixon and his 2008 911 Turbo Cabriolet



As with every HPDE the day starts with a mandatory Drivers Meeting.



Tomas Fernandez and his 2009 Carrera 4S



Puneet Manchanda returns after a year missing in action with and his 2007 Cayman



Past President Peter Grant and his instructor Dave Winston in Peter's new (to him) Cayman track car.



Chief Instructor Arnie Spieker and Track Registrar Dave Walker made everything work smoothly.



Chief Instructor Arnie at the Drivers' Meeting displaying the "Hard to believe but there is a faster car behind you that you should let by" flag.



Ramblings From a Life With Cars

By Regular Contributor and SEM-PCA Member Tom Fielitz

The Best Generation

Every Porsche enthusiast has their own idea of the best generation of both racing and production cars. Maybe it is their favorite because they were there to experience it and have vivid memories. Maybe it is a favorite generation of production car because they once owned one or even still own one. Libraries of books have been written about such generations of Porsche. Movies have been produced documenting the various generations of cars. We each can tell our own stories or can show our own favorite pictures. It certainly makes for a lively discussion and debate point to defend what we believe was the pinnacle of Porsche history. Personally, I have experienced several of these epic moments and have owned several epic cars.

The best generation of Porsche racing begins for me with the early Porsche F2 and F1 cars when Porsche tried to establish their mark as a builder of serious race cars. The ultimate epic car would have been the F1 car driven by an equally legend of a driver, Dan Gurney. But that effort stalled out as Porsche stepped back into sports car racing. The ultimate sports car of that era for me was the 904. It was the last of the street capable race cars that had success in endurance racing as well. My other favorite was the 906 because I remember watching a 906 race at Waterford Hills and dominate feature races regardless of where it had qualified. Two brothers used to trailer their white 906 on an open trailer. But my local hero had to be Vic Skirmants who played giant killer with his EP class 356 beating all the large displacement pony cars and Corvettes in the feature races at Waterford.

This was the beginning of the 917 era which greatly influenced my purchase of my first Porsche, a green 914-6. That car introduced me to PCA but more importantly to driving on the Mid-West race tracks from Waterford and Grattan, to Mid-Ohio and Watkins Glen. The movie LeMans glorified the 917 but my focus was on the white 914-6 GT that could be glimpsed from time to time in the film.

The next big era was Can Am racing, which was the open rules sports racing series that pitted Bruce McLaren and his cars against Jo Siffert and his 917 PA. I saw it first hand at MIS and that screaming day glow red 917 never could quite match the pace. I followed the racing to Mosport to see the debut of the 917-10 turbo car painted Penske white finally turn the win to Porsche. Mid-Ohio was more of the same now with the 917-30 driven by Mark Donohue. By this time I had moved on in my personal car to a

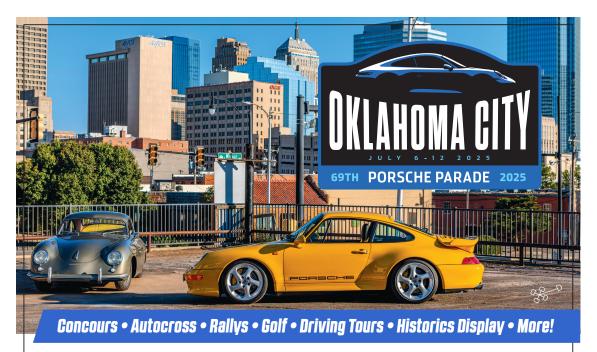
911 E which gradually morphed into my epic car, a Carrera RS which I still own. Stepping back into F1 racing, Porsche developed the TAG Porsche V8 which at the hands of Alain Prost and Ayrton Senna would dominate F1. In fact on my wall is a framed picture autographed by Alain Prost of a MP4 McLaren with TAG power.

In sports car racing the development of the 935 dominated endurance and sprint races both here and in Europe. I watched several Daytona 24 hour races as a pit crew member of Jay Kjoller and his GT class 911. I shared the excitement on pit lane at the Lumberman's 500 with Jay as we were pitted right next to the John Paul 935 which caught on fire at a pit stop! The 935 evolved into the 962 and the domination was complete. The Indy Car era was intense but short with Danny Ongais in the Interscope Porsche 940 followed by Teo Fabi in the Quaker State March until Indy banned the Porsche motor.

I also spent several years on the pit crew of Heath Hurlbert and Bob Boffi racing their FV at various tracks. Ultimately Bob Boffi moved up to Super Vee professionally racing against Al Unser Jr. and Michael Andretti. That inspired me to attend the Jim Russell School at Mt. Tremblant followed by several FF school races until I got married and switched to driving instruction for over a decade with the Track Time School. When that school finally closed I switched over to instructing for our SMR and also the RSR regions,.

The racing era of Porsche evolved from support of customer Porsche Carreras to the 919 Hybrid Evo and finally to today's 963 program. It also followed into the all electric formula E class of racing.

Production supercars also spanned many eras. It could be said it began with the Abarth Carrera as a custom built car. No doubt the Porsche 959 ushered in a supercar generation with all of its innovations. Personally I favored the Carrera GT as a combination of street car and F1 motor. The 918 opened the electric car era. Trends and guesses are saying the next supercar will be all electric. Which of these racing eras was your favorite, and which classic cars hold the best memories?



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Spring TSD Rally

By Sponsorship Chair and Board Member Diane Thompson with photos by the staff at Dan's Chelsea Tavern

It is always a good day when you can have fun with your car. Twenty members did just that on May 10 as we kicked off the season for the time speed distance (TSD) rally. If you are wondering what a TSD rally is, you are provided with instructions on where to go and the average speed you need to maintain and you drive a route with checkpoints throughout. There is a perfect time to the checkpoint and for every second you are early or late, one point is added to your score. A perfect score is zero. If you ask the rallyists, you would probably also be told the directions are sometimes very clear and sometimes vague. You leave approximately two minutes apart from the car in front of you so you are mostly on your own for the drive. The rally masters set up a driving route with fun roads and good scenery while making a challenging route to encourage the fun competition.

So back to May 10...We had a beautiful day, fun roads and good competition. Eight cars with their drivers and navigators as well as the four rally masters (Diane Thomson, John Thomson, Francie Kish, and Phil Kish) met at Porsche of Ann Arbor to begin the day with pastries and coffee. There were four cars that had rallied in the past with four new cars. The drivers and navigators were made up of significant others, husbands and wives, parents and children and long time friends. Everyone was anticipating the start of the season and the fun they would have. The first car out left, and the competition began. The roads led from Ann Arbor to Unadilla ending in Chelsea. We were even able to use the freshly cleaned Hankerd Road where all the rallyists got to notice the shiny new Rally Sport Region Adopt-A-Road sign. The rally ended at Dan's Chelsea Tavern where we were greeted by the staff and provided

great service. The food was fabulous, and everyone was excited to talk about what just happened. Dan's even posted about us on their Facebook page. Monika Jelic and Tom Skelly took the win with Jim and Angie Glenn coming second and Nick and Bridget Bleau in third.

The TSD rally program holds three rallies a year; our summer TSD is on August 16 and the fall TSD is part of Porsches in the Park on September 20. There is a year-end trophy that will be awarded at the Christmas Party, based on finishing positions. You must attend at least two events to qualify for the year end trophy so there is still time to jump in. If you have any questions about the TSD rally, feel free to ask John or Diane Thomson, the TSD rally chairs. Can't wait to see everyone back on the road CASTing 42 and then 43 and then 42 again (if you know, you know)!



The "Ringleaders" who brought TSD to Rally Sport Region -- Phil & Francie Kish and Diane & John Thompson



Everyone had a good time!!

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