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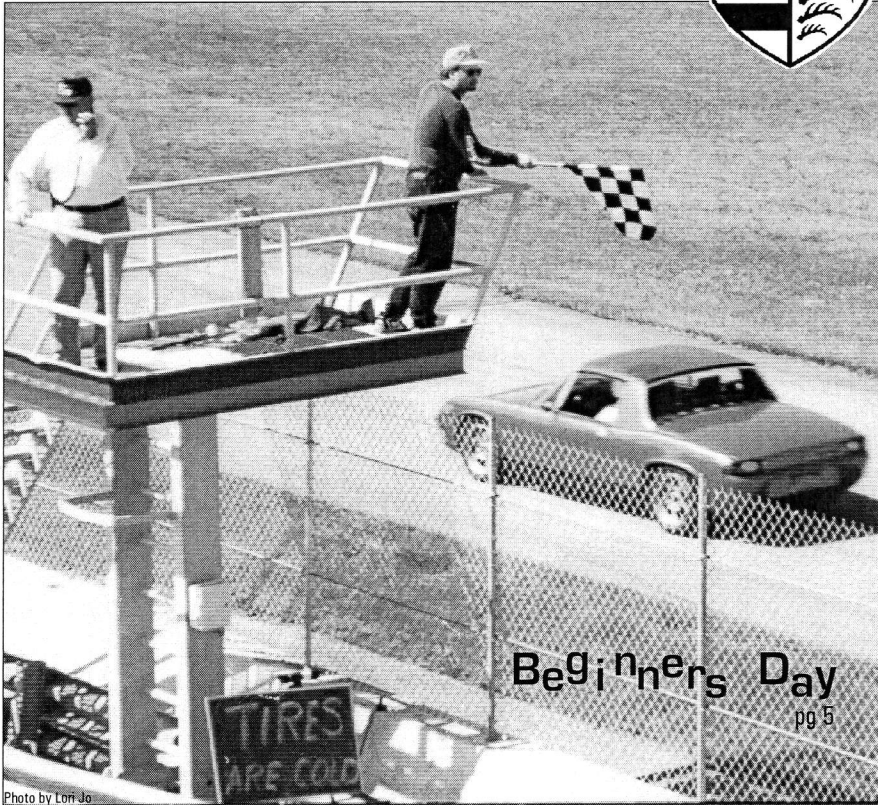


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CLUB EVENTS**1998 TRACK DATES**

Here they are - the 1998 track dates

Tuesday, May 5

Beginners Day

Waterford

Thursday, June 18

Drivers Education

Waterford

Thursday, July 16

Drivers Education

Waterford

Thursday, August 20

Drivers Education

Waterford

Thursday, September 17

Drivers Education

Waterford

What: Drivers Education

Where: Waterford Raceway

6 Miles North of Pontiac on Waterford Road

When: arrive 7:45-8:15 grid inspection

mandatory drivers meeting 9:00 am

Contact: Bob Sandau

29900 Greenland Livonia, MI 48154

(734) 525-0464

Cost: \$95., RSR members \$85., prior to 14 days
of event thereafter \$115.

No refunds 7 days prior to event

Requirements:

♦ Pre-Registration is mandatory

♦ Helmet - Snell SA-90 rated or newer

♦ Minimum 3 point seat belts/passenger & driver must be
equivalent.

♦ Valid Driver's License and @ least 18 years old

♦ Long Sleeve cotton shirt, long cotton pants, leather/canvas
shoes

Notes:

♦ Lunch is provided

♦ No gas will be sold at the track

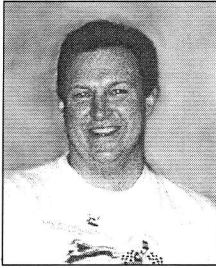
♦ Pre-tech prior to track arrival w/ completed tech form, or
\$50. fee for Tech at the Track

☞ Please see insert for registration form.

Club events continued on page 8

FROM THE GRILL

By Bob Sandau
Club President



Judging from the number of Porsche's on the road this weekend, I would have to say that summer is just around the corner. Lucky for us, this beautiful weather that we've been having made our Beginner's Day event extra special. In years past, we've been stuck with the worst that spring has to offer, but not this year. Lots of sunshine and a warm temperature made it a picture perfect day for our first driver's education event of 1998.

We had close to sixty students and instructors this year. More than 20 of our students were making their first visit to the track. The addition of a braking exercise for beginners and classroom sessions for advanced students made for a very busy day indeed. Thanks to Tom Green for his informative classroom instruction, and to Wally Haley for suggesting the braking exercise. I always welcome any recommendations for improving the quality of our drivers ed events. Don't ever hesitate to contact me if you have an idea you would like to toss around.

Additionally, I would like to thank all of the volunteers who made the day possible: Thwen C. for handling the

grid inspection, Dave Bates for coordinating flagging assignments, Gary Starin for corner work, and Roger Garrell for flawlessly operating the Tower. A Special thanks also to our instructors. We could not do this without you. I apologize if I have left anyone out. There are always so many of you who help out in different and very important ways.

Don't forget that our mystery trip is coming up in June. This is going to be a great event and a great way to meet some new Porsche friends. Contact Gary Stellmach for more info. Just a reminder that Meadowbrook is inching closer as well. Be sure to sign up for corral parking. This very special weekend offers a vast array of events and there is bound to be something for every Porsche fan out there.

The Club Race at Mid-Ohio (May 16-17) will have a very strong RSR presence this year. Along with myself, there are a number of new licensees who will be a part of the action. Thwen Chaloemtiarana, Mike Evans, Cal Sharp and Dudley Wass, all RSR members, have decided to take the plunge and see what Porsche Club Racing is all about. It will be a lot of fun, and I'm sure that with any luck, you just might see an article or two in a future issue of the Bahn Stormer.

Until Next Month,
Bob

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome new
members to the
Rally Sport Region
The Fast, Fun,
Friendly Region

Dennis and Kimberly Ringer
1968 912

Robert Matthew
1960 356

Jim and Loretta Dunham
transfer for SMR
1972 Blue 914

Lee and Anne Lightwine
transfer from Oregon
1989 944 T

Kirk Seaman and Susan Cybulski
1987 944 T

*Membership count up to 157

** Rally Sport Region leads the way in this years Membership Contest. This contest is determined by a formula for a factored growth index that balances the chances of large and small regions and emphasizes retention as well as new members. In addition to receiving a trophy awarded at the Parade, PCNA will present a \$100. certificate to each member in good standing of the winning region as of the end of the contest (May 31), good towards Porsche parts and boutique items at local Porsche dealerships. So... lets get those new members signed up and win this thing already!!!*

FLAGGING

What's up with this!?!

By Lori Jo Sahinbas, Editor

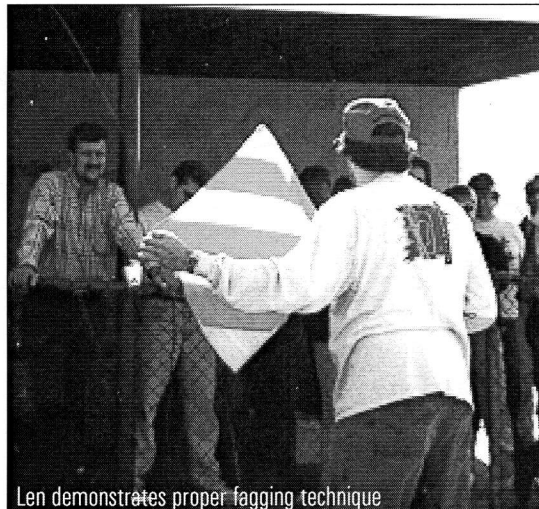
What's this about you ask? We all sign up for the driver's education events for one reason or another, but it all boils down to learning the fastest, smoothest, safest way around the track. Sounds like *education* to me. We can all learn something, I'm sure that Jacques Villeneuve is still in the learning process (I'd like to have one one hundredths of his knowledge). So let's take a different look at how all this goes together. I'm talking about "a day at a driver's education event"; flagging, staging and track time. For the sake of this article all track talk is relative to Waterford Hills Raceway.

*Why I like to flag is simple,
it benefits me!*

There is always a difference of opinion as to how we approach the flagging portion of the day. However, let's step back for a moment. When you're scheduled to staging, most are on the grid engines purring and heart beat racing, five minuets early. And track time, few unless there is a mechanical problem don't not show up. Then there is flagging, *what's up with this?* People are late to their stations or just don't show at all. I don't get it I love to flag. Now I do know that at times there are situations that may cause a delay or what not, however. I think we need to approach this differently, change your mind set a little. Why I like to flag at a station is simple it benefits me! That's right, say I'm having difficulty executing Skeethouse turn, (just don't make me repeat myself), I'm going to sign up to flag at Hilltop. How does this benefit you may ask? Simple, while at Hilltop not only is it my responsibility to observe the conditions of the track and the happenings at that moment but I'm also observing these same elements for my own personal knowledge. I watch for any underlying problem areas in the track, geese droppings, excess water, loose dirt and what not. I watch cars that are similar to mine and observe how they may execute that portion of the track. Plus I get to meet more members, exchange information regarding car and track stuff. Never of course forgetting why I'm there, and that would be? For my fellow members and their, and my own, safety. Just think about that, as a driver you want me there to warn you if there is a cautionary situation on the

track or throw the passing flag to the car in front. So if you like me there it could be assumed that I would like you to do the same when I'm on the track. Remember what our mom's taught us, "what's good for the goose is good for the gander", or "do on to others (or in this case for others) as you would have them do on to (for) you". Ok enough of the lecture you get the point. I did like the relationship to the goose though. Ok I'll explain, we always have geese flying about at Waterford and geese droppings can be a track hazard, - hey I thought it was a funny.

Hum now I got your attention, I can see the wheels turning. You're thinking how you can make this work for you. Make it fun, part of the day, remember it's a drivers *education* event. Get the most out of it heck you paid for it you might as well. So next drivers education event everyone is going to enthusiastically report to their flagging station with water bottle, sunscreen and mental note pad in hand, right?! I mean if Len is going to go through the theatrical approach to entertain and educate you on the use's and how to of flagging we can at least show as much enthusiasm at the flagging station. Take the Fast, Fun and Friendly approach, it's our motto.



Len demonstrates proper fagging technique

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Street: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

County: _____

*Family Member: _____

Relationship: _____

*Affiliate Member: _____

*Note: Members may name either Family or Affiliate, NOT both. Family or Affiliate member must be 18 years or older.

REGIONAL ACTIVITY INFORMATION

Occupation: _____ Telephone No. (H): _____

Spouse's Name: _____ (W): _____

if applicable

My Interest Are: _____

☐ Technical☐ Social☐ Concours☐ Autocross☐ Rallying☐ Drivers Education

PORSCHE INFORMATION

Model: _____

Vehicle Number: _____

Local Region: Rally Sport Region (RSP)

I own (co-own) a Porsche, am 18 years or, older, and having read the Objectives of PCA herewith apply for Active Membership in the Porsche Club of America.

Visa/MC: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

ENDORSEMENT BY REGIONAL OFFICIAL

This application MUST be processed through a local PCA Region and must be endorsed by a Regional Officer.

Signed: _____ Title: _____

Region: Rally Sport Region (RSR)

Member Dues: US \$36. per year. Dues include \$12. for Porsche Panorama magazine; A portion of the annual dues is returned to the local region. Please enclose payment with the application. Make check payable to Porsche Club of America, Inc. or send credit card number and expiration date (above).

Send Check and Application to:

Glenn Trapp
1834 Wood Creek
Brighton, MI 48114-8242
e-mail: trapper@tir.com_

Beginners Day

Waterford Hills Raceway, May 5. What a spectacular day it was, the weather was fabulous. Glenn Trapp must have gotten that non-rain weather dance down, he's not only the membership chairperson but the weather chairperson and on a day like we had he's our hero. The beginners day is just that, the beginning of a new year not just for the new members but for us old timers as well. It's a day to make sure all those changes you did, well that they work. Brush up on our track skills, re-familiarize ourselves to the feel of our car and of the track. It's what we've spent all winter waiting for. And it went quite well, if I say so myself. I'm not going to babble any more, I'm going to let the pictures tell the story, I've already written an article and then some, I don't want to drain all my creative juices at once you know.

Enjoy.

Hope to see you on June 18th, our next track date.

Lori Jo

The Day Starts with a drivers meeting, Here Len demonstrates Flagging



Then it's on to the track Barb (a veteran) is showing Steve how to get a round, or some thing like that, Hey I'm creating a story here.

And sometimes you have to do a little maintenance like Scott Wehner



And if you've driven safely you get to put yourself in this picture at the end of the day!



Then we have to pack-up and head for home. Some drive away, others have trailers, and then there is Thwen's way. I tell ya you can see just about anything!



Club Outings

The Wall

By Lori Jo Sabinbas

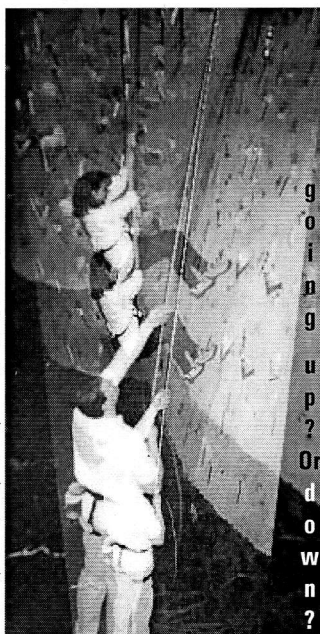
And where not talking Pink Floyd either. The Porsche club ventured once again to Planet Rock, located in Pontiac Michigan. We had thirteen club members and seven guests participate this year. At the onset I heard sever people say "not me I'm just here to observe and help belay (attend the rope)". Well it didn't take long before we saw those same people up the wall.

What laid a head, or above, for those that participated? Challenge, fun, and the company of your fellow club members. The challenge's that were provided; a 55 foot high wall, lead routs up to 70 feet, a motorized climbing wall (which few challenged themselves on), and a bouldering cave. In all, 13,500 square feet of climbing wall. We began by suiting up into (provided) climbing shoes and harness's and then onto instruction on how to use all this equipment and safely climb and belay. This lasted for about an hour then we where tested on our skills before we where set out to test ourselves against the wall.

We climbed horizontally, vertically, and any which way we could. And that was only part of the fun. For what goes up must come down. How do you get down? Slow, fast, or however the person belaying your rope decides to let you down, well in my case that's how it went. I believe the climber is to make that decision, however I was at the mercy of whatever Memo decided.

In our usual Porsche enthusiast fashion we came, we conquered, and we had fun doing so.

I would like to thank Nick Cocciolone and his wife Beth, at Planet Rock, for all of their time and instruction. If you would like more information of this activity call Planet Rock. It's a great way to get, and stay in shape and have a heck of a lot of fun doing so. It's also a great activity for those of us that are adrenaline junkies and just want a little more.



Bob Sandau belaying for Mary Link, a quest

Hey, see you all at the next activity. Don't be shy come on and join us, it's a fantastic way to meet people with common interest. And there is always plenty of entertainment.

News From Porsche NA

Toastmaster Inc. introduced the F.A. Porsche at the Gourmet Products Show in April. It's a sleek, streamlined and precision – engineered *toaster*. So let's see, you can drive your Porsche home from work, then take an invigorating ride on your mountain bike, snap a photo of a cute chip monk, check the time, and return home to have a toasted blt, all using Porsche products! Wow, Who would have thought! These products are all part of a sister company to the auto maker, Porsche Design. The Porsche Design collection includes a pots and pans set for \$1,050., a high-tech electric kettle for \$120., and a coffee maker for \$200 (I wonder if it brews faster?).

You can find these products in select Porsche Design boutiques in July. But you have to wait until 1999 for the Porsche vacuum cleaner. I'm excited, I wonder what kind of horsepower it will have, Hum.

If you have that need, the need for a Porsche you can contact Porsche Design through a toll free number (800)521-5152

Information provided by PCA editors news service and the Pacesetter-Kentucky Region.

Get Technical

Brakes at Blackhawk

by Dan Gallagher, Chicago Region
(from CHICAGO SCENE)

In the twenty-five plus years I have been the event chairman of Blackhawk, I have learned a few things. I admit I am very stubborn and I never made Phi Beta Kappa, but I have learned the most important thing you can have at Blackhawk is brakes, brakes and more brakes.

Blackhawk is a short track (1.8 miles) and your brakes do not have the chance to cool down as much as they would at tracks such as Road America. The fastest Porsche out there accelerates from zero to sixty in about five seconds where the slowest one can decelerate from sixty to zero in around three seconds. What does this tell you? The brake pedal is much more important than the loud pedal. As I don't want to pull your car from the weeds at Corner One because your brakes went away as your pads wore out or you boiled your brake fluid, please pay attention to the following recommendations.

Brakes stop a car by slowing its forward motion by friction of the brake pads against the rotor. This produces heat. The faster the stop, the greater the heat. This heat must go somewhere. It goes in the air, the rotor, the pads and the brake fluid.

I am not an engineer, but I have been informed that brakes work best at a temperature of around 900 degrees. This heat wears down pads at a fast rate. It is for this reason that semi-metallic (race pads) and the new carbon fiber pads were developed. These pads are terrific for the track, but not very good for the street as they really don't like to work until they reach 500 degrees. Therefore, my first recommendation is for a new set of factory pads. Not only are they better for the street but they also do not wear out your rotors as fast. Please be aware that it takes some time to "bed" in your new pads on your old rotors or for that matter on new rotors. Pads and rotors must get use to each other. I recommend several hundred street miles or at least five moderate laps around the track before any hot laps. The average driver at Blackhawk puts close to 120 miles on the track. This is equivalent to 70% of the life of a set of

street pads. See why I recommend that you have a good set of pads before you show up?

Next, and maybe even more important, is your brake fluid. The function of brake fluid is to cause the pads to squeeze the rotor, slowing the car. As I mentioned earlier, this causes heat, a great deal of which is transferred to the brake fluid. The important thing to know about brake fluid is that it boils, and when that happens you don't stop. Most brake fluid boils at about 400 degrees. Fortunately the fluid in your Porsche is better than that.

Brake fluid gets old, dirty and absorbs water, however. We all know at what temperature water boils. I recommend you change your fluid and put in a high performance glycol-fluid (not silicone) that will meet or exceed DOT 5 standards. This will increase the boiling point to 500 degrees or better. I do not recommend silicone brake fluid. I know it has a very high boiling point (700 degrees) and does not absorb water, but I don't like it because it eats up rubber seals and may give a spongy feel to the brake pedal. Unless you want to change all your seals and go serious racing, don't use it. Besides it is harder than hell to bleed.

Please follow these few inexpensive brake recommendations and change your oil prior to coming out. I recommend 20W50 or a straight weight 40 quality motor oil.

(Editor's Note: Although written around demands of the Blackhawk track, Dan Gallagher's advice is nonetheless good for any track use of your Porsche. As Dan says, "DOT 5" does not necessarily mean "silicone." Conventional glycol-based fluids that meet DOT 5 standards include Porsche Factory Brake Fluid, 000.043.202.04, and Valvoline SynPower High Performance Synthetic Brake Fluid, both with a dry-boiling point above 500 degrees F. Because of consumer association of DOT 5 and silicone, however, neither of these products use a "DOT 5" designation on the container.)

FUN RUN

What: Frankenmuth Fun Run
Where: Frankenmuth Michigan
When: June 7th, first car out at noon,
dinner at 3:00 p.m./RSVP
Contact: Gary Stellmarch, (248)356-8987

Note: The Fun Run starts at the Brighton Mall parking lot. Here maps and instructions will be handed out. The Fun Run will end at Zehnders parking lot in Frankenmuth Michigan, there we will proceed to a marvelous chicken dinner – or whatever you choose.



From point A to point B is the fun part, well part of the fun anyway. In one hour and thirty five minutes, give or take five minutes, you will have a drive you will long remember. All back roads, hills, bumps and the like, plus 15 mile an hour turns (well). What does this cost? Your gas, dinner and your time, the fun is free of charge.

If you plan on attending you must RSVP by May 25th so we can make reservations for seating at Zehnders. Call Gary Stellmarch at (248) 256-8987 any time up to 10:00pm. Or e-mail Gary at; por914@flash.net. I love all these e-mail addresses of the Porsche members, hum an idea for an article.



There will be events for the Concours cars on Friday and Saturday, and a dinner **hosted by Rally Sport Region**, MSR, SMR, and Porsche NA for PCA members. There will also be available for our club members a corral, this space will be used to park/show off our cars. Sue Sarin will be the event representative for the Rally Sport Region along with Tom Bliznik. Any one wishing to have further information please contact Sue @ (248)855-2682.

Schedule to include the following

Friday : Cruise Night – The Cruise will begin at 5 pm. Staging will begin at 4:30 pm, at Canterbury Village (S) parking lot on Joslyn Rd. 3 miles N of I-75. We will cruise to the Concours in the Park at Clarkston's Depot Park. (NC)

Concours in the Park – Depot Park Clarkston. The concours will be held from 6 – 9 pm. Spectators are admitted free of charge., The event includes an

MEADOW BROOK 1998

TOUR d'ELEGANCE

ice cream social, a silent auction of motor sports memorabilia and a juried art show. To enter your car in this event contact: Mike Brady @ (248) 358-7126 or Mike Nowicki @ (810) 791-3036. Proceeds go to SCAMP.

Saturday: Meadow Brook Historic Races - Waterford Hills Raceway. The action begins at 10 am and lasts until 6 pm. Practice runs begin at 11 am, qualifying runs between 1 –3 pm, racing will be from 3:30 – 6 pm. Contact Waterford Hills @ (248) 623-0070

Classic Car Show: Waterford Hills Raceway. Registration from 8:30 – 10:30 am. This event is held in conjunction with the Meadow Brook Historic Races. This is a judged event with trophies awarded. For class and structure information contact Paul Jenkins @ (723) 266-4289.

Sunday: Oakland University's Meadow Brook Hall.Concours d'Elegance – Clubs Members must arrive between 7 and 8:15 am. No admittance to the Car Club Preferred Parking will be allowed after 8:15 am.

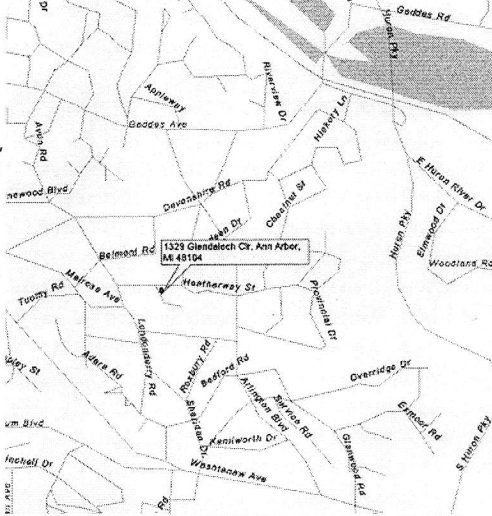
CLUB EVENTS

JUNE CLUB MEETING

What: Monthly Club Meeting
Where: Vigen Darian's House
 1329 Glendaloch Circle
 Ann Arbor, MI
When: June 5th @ 7:30pm
Contact: Vigen @ (734) 747-9333

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 (Ann Arbor)
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 Arlington Blvd,
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Note; this is just a
 suggestion.



JULY CLUB MEETING

What: Monthly Club Meeting
Where: Auto Nation USA, Canton
 39600 Ford Rd
 Canton, MI (313) 844-6200
 (just East off of I-275, .05 miles or so)
When: July 9th @ 7:30pm
Contact: Gary Starin @ (248) 887-2524

AUGUST CLUB MEETING

What: Monthly Club Meeting
Where: Auto Nation USA, Canton
 39600 Ford Rd
 Canton, MI (313) 844-6200
 (just East off of I-275, .05 miles or so)
When: August 6th @ 7:30pm
Contact: Gary Starin @ (248) 887-2524

Dates From Around The Region +

**Due to the increasing amount of request to place information regarding other events we may only have space to list them once. So if there is something your interested in keep your back issues. Sorry for any inconvenience.*

Sponsor: Ohio Valley Region – The Wheel Source
What: A Rumble in the Park – PPRC Club Race
Where: Putnam Park Road Course, IN.
When: Drivers Ed. May 29. Race May 30-31
Contact: Paul Jones (513)777-2353 or
 e-mail @ jeffbcs@aol.com

Sponsor: Chicago Region
What: A Golden Concours
Where: Lincoln Park Zoo – Chicago Ill.
When: June 20th
Contact: Tray Anderson @ (630) 325-1327
Note: another Porsche 50th celebration

Sponsor: Northern Ohio Region
What: Drivers Education/Barbeque
Where: Nelsons Ledge Road Course
When: June 13-14
Contact: Cindy Wing @ (216) 224-1890
Cost: \$135.
Note: Information provide by NOR

Sponsor: PCNA
What: 1998 Parade/Club Race (location TBA)
Where: Steamboat Springs, Colorado
When: July 19 – 25 / Race July 17 – 18
Cost: \$125.
Information: <http://www.pca.org/parade/> or
 check out your Panorama

Sponsor: Maumee Valley Region
What: Mid-Ohio driver's education event
Where: Mid – Ohio Sports Car Course
 Headquarters for the event; Fairfield Inn
 1065 Lexington Springmill Rd, Mansfield
When: August 29 – 30th
Contact: Bill Bauman, @ (419) 475-1336
 2333 Eastbrook Dr, Toledo, Ohio 43613

THE LEFT LANE

By *Emmanuel V. Garcia*
(RSR German Correspondent)



"Esperanto 6000 GT"

I'm not an anthropologist or psychologist, but I play one in a newsletter. So I'm obviously qualified to make the following hypothesis: the culture, mores, behavior of a society are directly reflected by how and what the people drive. Of course, to discuss this in more detail would require an in-depth knowledge of different societies (especially to avoid stereotyping) and an understanding of the psychological mechanics on how they manifest their attributes to automobiles. Since I lack these necessary requirements, I'm just going to make it up as I go along.

Avoiding the United States for the moment, let's take a look at Germany and its cars. Now, some may say that Porsche's styling is exciting, sporty, or even exotic. However, when you compare it to other sports cars' styling out there, I think it falls a little short of such portrayals. In general, I would call some Porsche models' styling as "cute," in a way only a mother would describe a child with a great personality, or someone who paid a lot of money for their car. (Of course, some models like the 550 Spyder has more "mothers" than other models.) This applies even to my favorite models.

Maybe you can say German cars have "character," like the BMW Z3 or the new VW Beetle. In any case, I will make the generalization that German cars are "pragmatically" styled by practical Prussians (no, I don't know if Prussians, or all Germans, are always practical. I just like alliteration. Remember—I'm generating my own facts.) Just take a look at the VW Golf, Opel Vectra, most Mercedes sedans, and so on.

In Italy, I would have to say styling (good or bad) comes first. Korean cars look like they've been produced in a country that's been making cars for the rest of the world for only about a decade or two. I haven't quite figured out why island countries such as Great Britain, Japan and Australia insist on making cars with steering wheels on the wrong side of the car. You have to wonder if they unroll their toilet paper from the top or the bottom.

What about the United States? In a country with an expansionist "manifest destiny," what would one expect except BIG? You can bet that the Ford Ka was not in-

vented in the U.S. Typical examples started with the Fifties' fleet of finned Detroit land ships. Today, we have SUVs and pick-up trucks. In America, bigger still equates to better.

As for driving, I'm going to give the nod to the culturally evolved (in driving) Germans, with their unlimited autobahns, passing only on the left, and generally predictable driving behavior in a highly structured, exacting society. What about the United States with individuality above all else and protected privacy? It means "I can drive in the left lane as slow as I want" and "the government shouldn't tell me to wear my seat belt or not." In the Philippines, where people get by in life anyway they can, drive anyway they can. Italians, with their animated language, really enjoy expressing themselves as they drive. I've gotten a lot of their gestures (and horns) while driving there. I think it's their way of welcoming foreigners to their city. Italians must be friendly that way.

"Tell Me About Your Mother's Car"

Does any of this mean anything? Maybe—if you take some time for self reflection. I made broad statements over entire societies above (surely to the ire of half the nationalities in the world. Next month, the other half). What about individuals? What kind of car do you drive? How do you drive this car? Are both a reflection of the inner you? Did you buy your car(s) to impress others? Or maybe for a manifestation of some fantasy, such as being the next Jacques Villeneuve (that's me! but without the hair or the skills). Maybe driving is a plebeian task to you, but being practical, you buy a fast car to expedite the process. Or maybe it's Freudian, and it was a case of Porsche-envy. Maybe you don't care about your car, or you bought the car that was most affordable to you. Regardless of the reason for owning your car, it still says something about you.

What kind of driver are you? Do you mind your own business, concentrating on ways to improve your driving skills? Are you attentive to what's happening around you? Or do you use the veil of anonymity afforded by the sheet metal around you to lash out at others who (merely) annoy you. Are you a patient driver, waiting for that person to vacate the left lane? Or are you aggressive, taking matters into your own hands, with little regard for the consequences of your actions? Do you let others merge in front of you? What kind of driver/person are you? What kind do you want to be? My theory still applies: you are what and how you drive.



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Rally Sport Region
Board Meeting Minutes
4/2/98



- Meeting called to order by President at 7:45 p.m.; location: Kantrow's House, Ann Arbor.

Present

•Thwen Chaloehtiarana

•Matt Huber

•Kyle Stevens

Vigen Darian

Bob Sandau

Glenn Trapp

Tom Green

Lisa Sandau

Absent; Joe Lile

- Prior minutes: Approved.
- Treasurer's report: Approved.
- Goody Store: No report.
- IROC: No report.
- Membership: 157 primary members.
- Newsletter:

Recipients outside of region will be asked to submit
\$12 yearly to continue to receive Bahn Stormer.

- Track report:

•May 3 will be tech inspector and instructor workshop.

•Bob Sandau gave update of the President's meeting track issues.

- Web Site:

•Newsletter will be put on Web site in the next few months.

•Submission of information should be directed to Web site editor.

- Club Events:

Past

•Porsche Engineering Tour - 24 attended; good response from those attending; approved to reimburse Matt Huber for expenses.

•Henry Ford Museum - 12 attended; good response from those attending.

Future

•Meadowbrook '98 8/1/98 - will be announced soon in Panorama; plans are on course.

•Dyno Day 5/2/98 - about 8 people signed up.

•Rock Climbing - no report.

•Progressive Dinner 8/15/98 - Tom Green is still taking volunteers for dinner stops.

•Mystery Tour - Tentatively set for first weekend in June; end point will be Frankenmuth.

- Old Business:

•(refer to track report)

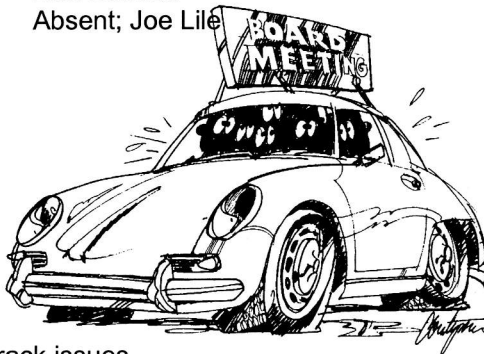
- New Business:

•RSR is eligible for membership award from PCA of \$100 gift certificate; existing members are encouraged to try to recruit new members.

•Gary Starin suggested a bowling outing.

•June meeting will be held at Vigen Darian's house.

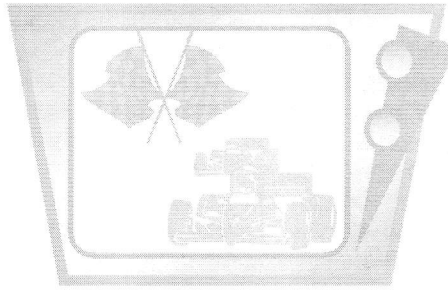
- Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.



Racing What's on and When

SPECIAL EVENTS:

May 24	Indy 500
June 6-7	24 Hours of Le Mans, France
June 13	IROC, Brooklyn, MI
July 4	Pikes Peak Hill Climb, Colo.
July 31	IROC, Indianapolis, Ind
Oct. 18	Grand Touring Champ. Homestead, Fla.
Oct. 25	Grand Touring Champ. Monterey, Calif.



Monday, May 11

- 3:30pm ESPN2: Race for Heroes
- 5:00pm ESPN2: Indy 500 Daily Report
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Tuesday, May 12

- 2:00pm ESPN2: Race for Heroes
- 2:30pm ESPN2: Race for Heroes
- 5:00pm ESPN2: Indy 500 Daily Report
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Wednesday, May 13

- 5:00pm ESPN2: Indy 500 Daily Report
- 6:00pm TSN: Motoring "98
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Thursday, May 14

- 2:30pm ESPN2: Race for Heroes
- 5:00pm ESPN2: Indy 500 Daily Report
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Friday, May 15

- 5:00pm ESPN2: Indy 500 Daily Report
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)
- 8:00pm TNN: Motor Madness (L)

Saturday, May 16

- 1:00pm ABC: IRL Indianapolis 500 Time Trials, (L)
- 2:00pm ESPN: IRL Indianapolis 500 Time Trials, (L)
- 2:30pm ABC: IRL Indianapolis 500 Practice Day, (L)
- 5:00pm ESPN2: IRL Indianapolis 500 Practice Day, (L)
- 5:30pm ESPN2: IRL Indianapolis 500 Practice, (L)
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)
- 10:00pm ESPN2: ESPN2's Thunder, Indianapolis (L)

Sunday, May 17

- 10:00am ESPN2: Rev it up
- 11:00am TNN: Raceday (L)
- 11:30am ESPN2: RPM 2Day (L)
- 1:00pm TNN: SCCA NTB Trans-Am Championship, Homestead, Lfa. (L)
- 1:30pm ABC: IRL Indianapolis 500 Bubble Day, (L)
- 3:00pm ESPN2: IRL Indianapolis 500 Bubble Day, (L)

- 5:00PM ESPN: IRL Indianapolis 500 Bubble Day, (L)
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Monday, May 18

- 6:30PM ESPN2: Indy 500 Daily Report
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Tuesday, May 19

- 3:30pm ESPN2: Race for Heroes
- 4:00pm ESPN2: Race for Heroes
- 4:30pm ESPN2: Race for Heroes
- 6:30PM ESPN2: Indy 500 Daily Report
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Wednesday, May 20

- 4:30pm ESPN2: Race for Heroes
- 6:00pm TSN: Motoring "98
- 6:30pm ESPN2: Indy 500 Daily Report
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Thursday, May 21

- 3:00pm ESPN: IRL Indianapolis 500 Practice, Pit Stop Contest (L)
- 6:30PM ESPN2: Indy 500 Daily Report
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Friday, May 22

- 5:00pm ESPN2: CART FedEx Championship Series Qualifying, Madison, Ill.
- 6:30PM ESPN2: Indy 500 Daily Report
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Saturday, May 23

- 7:00am RDS;SVN: FIA Formula 1 Grand Prix Qualifying, Monte Carlo, (L)
- 12:30pm ESPN2: CART 2Day (L)
- 1:00pm ABC;RDS;TSM: CART FedEx Championship Series, Madison, Ill. (L)
- 3:30pm ESPN: IRL Indianapolis 500 Preview
- 4:30pm ESPN: Before the Green Flag Drops-IRL Indianapolis
- 7:30pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)
- 10:00pm ESPN2: ESPN2's Thunder, Indianapolis

Sunday, May 24

- 8:00am RDS;SVN;TSN: FIA Formula 1 Grand Prix, Monte Carlo, (L)
- 11:00am TNN: Raceday (L)
- 11:00am ABC: IRL Indianapolis 500 (L)

- 11:30am ESPN2: RPM 2Day (L)
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Monday, May 25

- 1:00pm TNN: SCCA NTB Trans-Am Championship, Lime Rock, Conn. (L)
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Tuesday, May 26

- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Wednesday, May 27

- 6:00pm TSN: Motoring "98
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Thursday, May 28

- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Friday, May 29

- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)
- 9:00pm SVN; SCCA Trans-Am Championship, Lime Rock, Conn.

Saturday, May 30

- 6:00pm ESPN2: CART FedEx Championship Series Qualifying, Milwaukee
- 7:00pm ESPN2: RPM 2Night (L)

Sunday, May 31

- 11:00am ESPN2: RPM 2Day (L)
- 12:30pm ESPN2: CART 2Day (L)
- 1:30pm ESPN;TSN: CART FedEx Championship Series, Milwaukee (L)
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By **Lori Jo Sahinbas**
Editor

I have no time for my time. Check out my journalistic talents or lack there of within articles I wrote through-out this newsletter. I have writers cramp of the brain, sort of like when you get brain fade on the track. Hope to see you soon.

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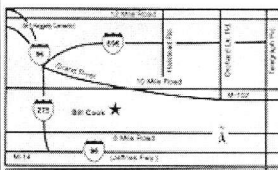
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	7	Fun Run in Frankenmouth MI
	18	🏠 Waterford - Drivers Education
	21	☀ First Day of Summer/Fathers Day
July	4	🇺🇸 Independence Day
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	16	🏠 Waterford - Drivers Education
	31	Meadow Brook Tour d' Elegance
August	1-2	Meadow Brook Tour d' Elegance
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