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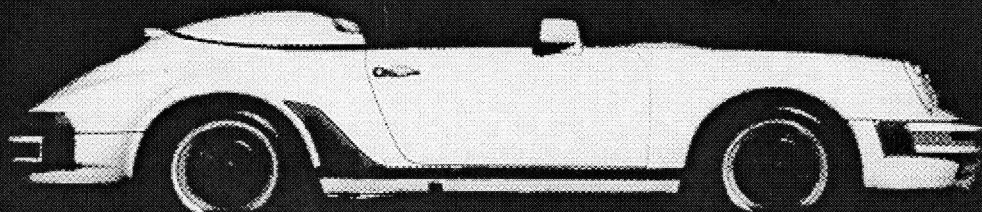
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FROM THE GRILL

*By Bob Sandau
Club President*

November is here, which means that it is RSR election time. By now you have received your ballot through the mail. Please take the time to read the biographies of those people running for Board positions this year and cast your vote. Your completed ballot should be mailed to MaryAnn Kantrow or you may deliver it in person at the Annual General Membership Meeting on Sunday, November 15.

This year's AGM will take place at the home of Lori and Memo Sahinbas. Lunch will be served (Hamburgers Hot Dogs, etc...), and the meeting itself should be very brief. All RSR members and their families are welcome. The Annual General Membership Meeting provides a great opportunity to meet your Rally Sport Board Members. The format is very open, as this is really just a recap of the past year and a planning session for the upcoming one. Your input is encouraged!!!!

The weather for our Fall Color Tour was absolutely perfect. Roger Garrell and Katie Sharp did a wonderful job organizing this year's event. There was a cider stop, a fun quiz to fill out along the way, and a very filling and delicious dinner at Country Epicure. Congrats to all of the quiz winners, who got to take home Rally Sport mugs filled with lots of goodies. Any chance Roger and Katie might be willing to plan this event again next year?? I sure hope so. Great job!!

The 1998 Holiday season is just around the corner, and RSR merchandise make great gifts. Contact Goodie Store Chairman, David Bates for assorted stocking stuffers and apparel items that are sure to please any Porsche fan. And while you're at it, don't forget to sign up for the Holiday Party, which takes place on January 9th. It appears that we have outgrown Ernesto's (Bummer!!!), as their largest banquet room is just not big enough for our group anymore. So it looks like we are moving on to the Fox Hills Country Club instead (another GREAT place). This is a party not to be missed. We have a great time and there are LOTS of door prizes. See this issue of the Bahn Stormer for more details.

Hope to see you all very soon,

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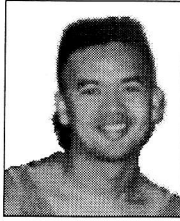


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FROM THE LEFT LANE

By Emmanuel V. Garcia
(RSR German Correspondent)

Ships That Pass In The Night



I was really hoping to be writing on another topic this month. I wanted to write about how wonderful my 944 feels back in its homeland, how the autobahn miles just melt away when I'm behind the 944's wheel again. It was shipped from the States last month, but unfortunately, it's not here yet! I haven't quite gotten the concept of patience down, so frankly I'm very annoyed. There are only two areas where I've learned something that resembles patience. The first is when I'm working on my car, trying to screw that bolt in with my fingers where the space is too small for tools so you can only turn it 1/2 degree at a time. The second is with women <oww!>. But I'm not going to discuss those topics today either. I am, however, finishing my treatise on "The Comparative Differences between Cars and Women." It will be published right after my tome, "Men: The Clueless Gender."

Adventures in City Settings

As I write this, I'm preparing for a weekend trip to Paris. Just like the thousands who come to visit this city, I'm being drawn to it by the certain charm, that peculiar ambience, that *je ne sais quoi* of the Paris auto show, the Mondial de l'Automobile. I'm really looking forward to long walks along the carpeted aisles of the exposition halls, smelling the fragrance that can only come from a new car, and touching the sensuous surface of leather in the cars. Who wouldn't come to Paris for all this?

But first I have to make it to the show. You see, travelling is always an adventure for me, but not in the sense most people would think of. I'm terrible when it comes to travelling. I often get lost (whether I'm driving or not), and I'm usually too stubborn to ask for directions. Couple this with the fact that I can't speak French, and I'll be lucky to find this place. I'll be travelling overnight by train to get there, and I have this fear of not getting off at the correct stop. If I give you a report of the Lisbon Auto Show from Portugal, you may know why. But if that happens, well, that's one

more country where someone can spread American warmth and friendliness abroad.

Seasons In The Sun

By the time you read this, the RSR driving season will already be over. I was fortunate enough to get one day at the track back in August. It was nice to see friends again, even if only for a short period. I have a quote somewhere that says, "Friends are like money, they're easier made than kept" (I can certainly attest to the "money" part). I have to say that's one of the things I've missed most by being in Germany — friends. Almost as much as I've missed my car and American junk food, that is. So I want to thank Bob Sandau (as usual) and David Bates for putting the roll bar in my car before it got shipped here. There are no guarantees in life, but if my car doesn't survive Nürburgring or the autobahn, I'm hoping I will. There are still many places I want to visit by car in North America.

And finally, did anyone notice our safety chairman's (John Melvin) name in the September 28, 1998 issue of AutoWeek? He has a quote about some of the work he does in motorsports.

I hope everyone had fun at the charity autocross and color tour. I wish I could have been there! Come visit E Man's World on the Web at <http://www.emansworld.com>, where you can read this article and other stuff.

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For more about this story and lots of great photos check out our web site at www.pca.org/rsp/.

The following is an account of our weekend at Laguna Seca Raceway covering the FIA-GT race and the WSC race. I had trouble deciding how to write this article. I took into account that most of you have been on a track, that you are a club member, and more than likely you've been to a racing event or two. It was Saturday afternoon when

it hit me. Memo and I (photographer) had been out in the morning getting familiar with the track, and we had several excellent photo positions already picked out. However, the weather was not cooperating and it began raining. Not until they shut the track down during qualifying due to mud over the track did we find our way to the tower. As I was sitting there, drenched, observing the next hour or so from inside did it really sink in. I was missing the real stuff. Yea like the other journalists can get the information from the wire and take notes as it is being commented but that's not the same. I came here to enjoy the atmosphere of racing, and to tell you the truth it just doesn't happen up in the tower. So I began making notes of what I saw and felt going on around me, things you're not going to pick up watching the broadcast.

Saturday October 24th

- Weather stops the morning qualifying session for FIA-GT after 18 minutes. Just as the GT 2 cars were allowed on the track, with only having seen the GT1 cars of Persson, Zakspeed and Porsche AG. The track was red flagged due to two mudslides across the track, one of which crossing the more notorious Corkscrew. Track was reopened to start the WSC and GT race at 12:30.

WSC and GT Race

- Race starts as scheduled as the mud has been cleared and marshals give the ok. However, due to heavy fog in the Corkscrew (less than 50ft) the race starts under yellow. Timing of the race starts at lap # 3.
- Race Results: Porsche having two top ten finishes with Larry Schumacher finishing the season in a Porsche 911 turbo as the GT2 champion Butch Leitzinger clinches the overall WSC titles by finishing 4th overall today.
- I wish I was able to follow this race more closely, however I had my hands full just keeping up with the FIA-GT events.

FIA-GT Afternoon Qualifying Session

- Porsche AG third and fifth for the pole, Zakspeed Porsche qualifies eight.
- Qualifying Results: pole position belongs to the Mercedes of Ludwig/Zonta #2 with a qualifying time of 1:16:154, sharing the front role with the Mercedes #1 of Schneider/Webber. Row 2; Porsche AG of Dalmas/McNish #7 and the DAMS Panoz of Bernard/Brabham #3, The Porsche AG of Alzen/Mueller #8 to start in row 3 and row 4 finds the Zakspeed Porsche of Bartels/Angelelli
- Driver Quotes: Dalmas "We had a good run in qualifying and I'm happy". "We will try to win the race if possible...if they (Mercedes leave a space I'll take it)" "We have a good chance for a podium tomorrow", said Uwe Alzen of the # 8 Porsche qualifying 5th.
- Porsche wins pole for GT2. The Roock #56 of Ortelli and Huertgen (the only female driver) claim their second pole of the season.
- The difference between the FIA GT and WSC series you ask? Well they lap almost 2 seconds faster then there American counter parts. It is an awesome site.
- Special note: As I watch these guys smoke em (locking the tires) as they enter the Corkscrew I ask myself is this a mistake or is it a technique. As it happens time and time again I begin to think it's more a set of circumstances. (more on this in the web site article a great photo too)

Sunday October 25, Race Day for FIA-GT

Warm-up

- I am on pit row at 9:15 and I am amazed as to how quite it is, virtually little movement, the warm-up is scheduled to start at 9:30. As I watch the teams start rolling out the equipment and getting into place I sit in awe. These guys get the entire team and all of its equipment,

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car and crew in place in about 15 minutes how do they do that?

- And why does the pit crew of Porsche AG were due rags with skulls? Is it for the competition or maybe a personal physique thing?
- Business never stops. As the driver change takes place between McNish and Dalmás no sooner is McNish out of the car, has helped Dalmás get into place the car speeds away helmet is off, does he have posters put in front of him to sign. Then he rejoins the crew to refocus on the real business of the day, well obviously that depends on who you're talking to.
- Once the grid clears and the morning warm up has completed all is quite with the exception of a lone group standing in a circle. This group consists of non other than Porsche project manager Norbert Singer driver Angelelli of Zakspeed racing being flanked by Michelin technician Gilles Thomas and other blue jacketed Michelin men.

11:05 Post race Press Conference

- The Drivers are being corralled into their proper assigned seats. This is a well-orchestrated event as is everything about racing. The drivers are all in place with the exception of several of the Mercedes drivers. Klaus Ludwig joins the group late only to receive jeers from his fellow drivers and fittingly conducts a simultaneous jeer.
- Klaus Ludwig is given a piece of the Laguna Seca track with a plaque commemorating his career. This will be Klaus Ludwig's final race as he has announced his retirement.
- I am now in the Mercedes pits just observing as Memo is taking photos of the action. I had not noticed the tribute that Mercedes had given Ludwig until I had seen Memo's pictures, it turns out they had his photo on the roof along with a long list of his accomplishments.

Start of the FIA - GT Race.



- As the 3-minute horn sounds even I get butterflies anticipating the start of the race. It's like I'm at Waterford lining up for grid position. As the drivers get the 1-minute horn the engines are revved, I'm in turn 4 with earplugs and can hear them from here.

- Lap 1- The #80 Mustang had gone off track along with the Viper of #53 in turn 4.

- Lap 7 – the Porsche of McNish has over taken the #1 Mercedes.

- Lap 22 – finds the Porsche GT2 #62 locking up and missing the Corkscrew only to hit the tire wall just where Memo is standing. The car retires due to a punctured oil cooler.

- Lap #39 - #12 Mercedes of Gounon over takes the # 11 Mercedes of Maylander. This was the best battle of the day, Gounon was putting it all on the line, or as I saw off the line.

- Lap – 44 Porsche #7 McNish retires in turn 7, I later heard this was due to clutch problems.

• Note: At this point in the race I'm observing the cars on the track as they pass though the corkscrew seeing if I can pick up any pointers. Bad idea! The only pointers I see are those that I've been told are bad. I'm talking about the little things like locking up the tires. And what about this, obvious acceleration but what's that I see brake lights? Would this mean left foot breaking? Hum!

- Lap 127 – Fastest lap is set by Zonta #2 Mercedes at 1:19:094

- Lap – 139 Final Lap

Race Results

(1) Ludwig/Zonta in the Mercedes # 2 this also clinched the Drivers Championship. (2) Schneider/Webber, # 1 Mercedes (3) Alzen/Mueller, #8 Porsche, the # 6 Porsche, Bartels/Angelelli of Zakspeed Racing finishes 5th.

- Overall Porsche took 5 of the top 10 finishing positions

Quotes

• Form Porsche driver Jorg Mueller, "car was fantastic at times during the race and just pushed as hard as I could". Uwe Alzen (Porsche) on how he liked the course "liked it so much a fantastic course". "Liked the country and treatment for me it seem like a holiday when I get to drive in America but 1st, and I'm so happy for Klaus Ludwig it's so fantastic." (Alzen and Ludwig were teammates in 96.)

• And FIA GT Champion Klaus Ludwig on what's ahead "I think I'll stay in racing and I hope I stay with Mercedes". Teammate Zonta "the day was fantastic day for me also for my teammate he made a very good fantastic job today. I am pleased the team worked very hard all sea-

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News from Porsche NA

1999 American Le Mans Series Schedule (PCA Editors News Service)

LAS VEGAS, NV, November 5 -- Don Panoz, owner of motorsports' newest series, the American Le Mans Series, announced today an eight-race schedule for 1999 including a seven-race live programming package with the NBC networks utilizing state of the art equipment and the highest quality production practices, including multiple in-car cameras.

"I am very excited and pleased to be able to release the TV package and proposed schedule so early," said Don Panoz, founder of the American Le Mans Series. The American Le Mans Series (ALMS) features prototype sports cars, GT-1, GT-2 and GT-3 class cars with teams such as Panoz, Porsche, Ferrari, BMW, Dodge and Chevrolet. The races will be of varying lengths including the Petit Le Mans, a 1,000 mile endurance event to be held October 16 at Road Atlanta. All races will be sanctioned by Professional Sports Car Racing ("SPORTS CAR").

Dave Maraj, owner of Champion Porsche said, "Champion Racing will support the series 100 percent. The television package and race schedule will give sports car racing in America the kind of exposure it

needs and deserves.

Bill Donaldson, executive director of the series said, "We're building on the successful model of the Petit Le Mans last month. The television package will be the strongest TV undertaking in the history of sports car racing in North America. With the SuperStars of Auto Racing Series also being announced today to join the Women's Global GT Series, we feel the diversification of the show will be an attractive package to the fans," he added.

Visit www.petitlemans.com for additional information on the American Le Mans Series.

AMERICAN LE MANS SERIES

1999 Schedule/Television Coverage

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June 27 -- Mosport Park, CAN -- CNBC (live)

July 25 -- TBA -- NBC (live)

August 1 -- Portland, OR -- NBC (live)

September 11 or 19 -- TBA -- NBC (live)

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son and now we are the champion, this has been a good car everybody works very hard."

• Quotes from the Press Conference from *World Champion Klaus Ludwig*. "Probably one of my best drives since Silverstone in 1978." "Today I was so happy because the car was fine and Bridgestone supplied us again with the best black gold in the world". On his retirement, "These are very quick and demanding cars for an old man and you are old when you are 49 compared to these young kids, there comes a point."

GT2 (1) Beretta/Lamy in the Viper #51 also taking the GT2 Championship title (2) Eichmann/Hezemans #57 Porsche of Roock Racing.

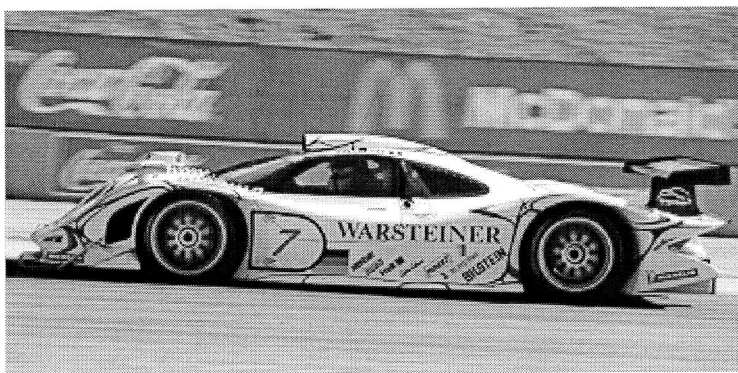
(3) Trunk/Mueller # 63 Porsche Krauss Race Sports.

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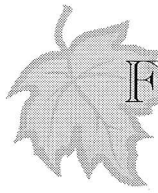
• Porsche is snooty. I spent two days observing the teams and it's quite clear they don't want anyone to know what they are doing therefore they come off rather arrogant and yep snooty. This even carries on to how they set the equipment up on pit row. Do they have something to hide? I would peek in on Mercedes myself.

• I know this is the final event of the season but were where the other factor sponsored teams? Absent where the McLaren teams, Lamborghini and Bitter. I think the FIA needs to set up some insurance that these teams will show after all it is Max Mosley who complains about viewership in the US being so low.

For more complete information and lots of great photos check out our web sit



McNish in the Porsche #7 before retirement, Photo by Memo Sahinbas



FALL COLOUR TOUR



*By Katie Sharp &
Roger Garrell*

Weather Chairperson Glenn Trapp outdid himself by providing a wonderfully crisp, sunny day for the club's 3rd annual color tour on October 10th. The 16 participating vehicles included an unusually large proportion of Targa and Cabriolet drivers who were thrilled to go topless one last time in 1998. Two non-Porsches (a Mazda 626 and a Datsun 240Z – license plate ZZZOOM) performed admirably in keeping pace with the briskly moving group of 911s, 928s, and a lone 944 Turbo.

Mother Nature brewed up a vivid spectrum of fall colors for visual entertainment. To help keep everyone alert, the tour organizers challenged the participants with a list of bizarre and unusual items to locate along the route. Items to be spotted included the Contaminated House, the Tin Man, and the Big Bell (Taco Bell stores DO NOT count!).

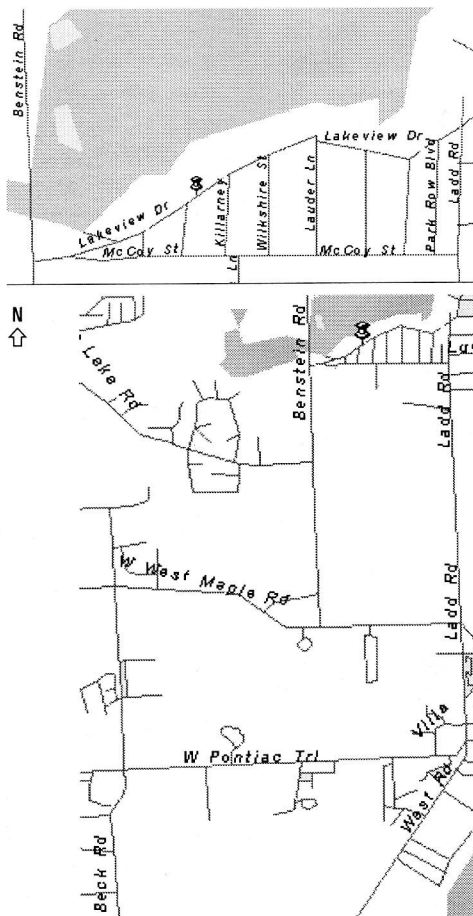
The route covered a variety of picturesque and highly entertaining roads, separated by a cider and donut break at a park in Clinton, MI. Although a few incorrect turns were observed, no cars became irrecoverably lost along the way.

After 120 miles of fast, fun, friendly Rally Sport Region touring, the 34 participants were ready to recharge their batteries with a fine dining experience at Country Epicure in Novi. Prizes were awarded for the vehicles most successful in completing the bizarre & unusual items list – led by the lone perfect score of Jim & Loretta Dunham.

With full tummies and empty gas tanks, the group departed for home. All participants vowed not to miss the 4th annual tour in 1999. Organizers Katie & Roger are already investigating challenging new roads to explore – See you there....

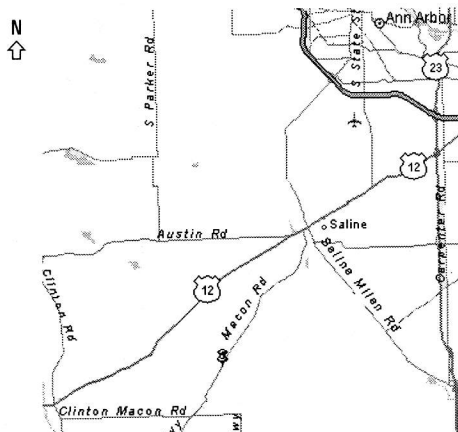
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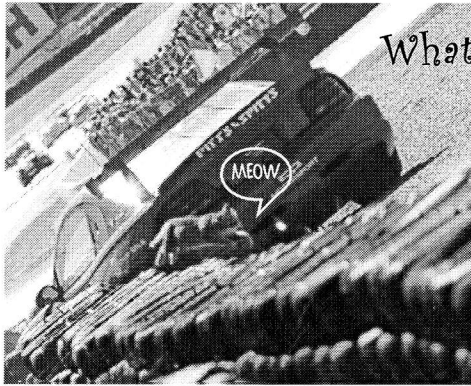
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#80 Goes off track and gets some unexpected company



My Take on Laguna Seca

Text and Photos By Memo Sahinbas

I have not touched my camera or my 400mm. lens since our Costa Rica trip four years ago. Last time I took a picture above water it was a howling monkey in the rain forest. I used to shoot F1 when they where in Detroit, no offence but I quit going to Detroit Grand Prix since FIA pulled out. Alcohol burning Indy cars are not the same. And the GT cars are worthy, and Laguna Seca is a beautiful course with a first class setup. Since we where privileged with GT passes we could go almost anywhere we wanted, (although I did manage to get kicked out of a couple places). I was excited about this, I was going to shoot something above water, no scuba gear.

The first hour we discussed which turn we should be at and how to get there and so on. By the time Lori made up our minds it was pouring down rain which made me wish I had my under water cameras. So we took refuge under the Bridgestone Bridge between turn 3 and 4. Finally the rain stopped and the sun came up. This gave us a chance to walk around and find good spots to take photos and sharpen up our quick sand walking techniques. Those gravel traps are named wrong it should be named sticky quick sand specially when it is wet. The game plan for Sunday was, be at the starting grid, run to turn 4 which I figured something could happen on the first lap and go to the Corkscrew and Rainey Curve which looks at turns 7-8-8A and 9 in English. This one I could bet something definitely was going to happen. Well I got some great shots at the starting grid. Especially when they gave Klaus Ludwig a peace of asphalt with Laguna Seca plaque on it, to honor his retirement. The man is a legend he is a 4 time 24 Hour of LeMans winner, 3 time Touring Car Champion, and has numerous wins. Oh boy! I am sure this

peace of asphalt will be the center point of his trophy room. He looked trilled when he received it, I've got proof. I was lucky enough to be able to document such an occasion with photos, although I'm sure I will remember this one. It was such a touching presentation.

Anyway after this touching presentation we ran to turn 4 while the teams were getting set. I set up my mono-pod with 400-mm. lens. Race started, turn 1-2-3 was clean now I can see the cars coming strait at me under the bridge got 3-4 shots in. Just as I started to pull the camera in from the fence opening one of the GT2 Viper GTS-R decided to share the same track with a Saleen Mustang and guess what happened right in front of me? Guess who had the camera out of the fence? As I shoved the camera back in the access whole on the fence and focused, I caught the Saleen Mustang hugging the tire wall but some thing dramatically was wrong. I thought I saw a furry thing run from behind the car. So I raised my head from the viewfinder and I was right, this terrified cat was running for his life. He must have been sleeping inside the tires; I got one shot in. I was so mad at myself for pulling in the camera before every one made it through. Well I figured I have two hours and forty minutes and 10 roles of film left

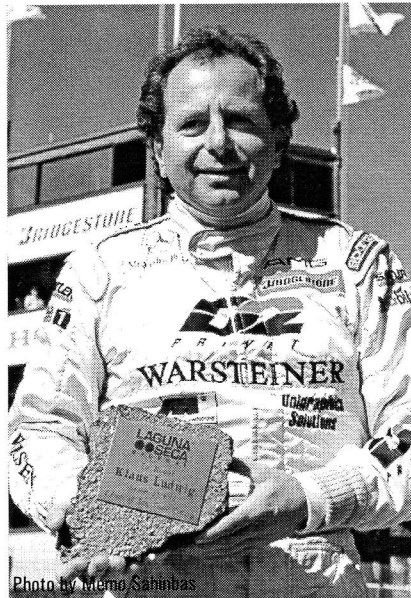
We moved to the outside of The Corkscrew (turn 8) since lighting was poor and I was no more then 6 feet from the track no fence just a gravel trap, set of tires, and concrete block. I started to use my 102mm. lens along with flash, to fill in shades, (I was trying out this new Kodak Max film - which is junk). I got 10 to 12 shots in before I must have blinded the #62 Stadler Motorsport GT2 car with my flash. As I was

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There's Proof

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looking through the viewfinder I saw him lock up and coming straight at me all I could think was "Oh S ---". As I attempted to dive out of the way to protect my precious camera equipment and myself I was glued to the ground and in this @#% gravel trap up to my ankles. The only thing I could do was duck. As I hit the ground the car hit the wall. When the dust cleared I turned to my side to see if Lori was OK. Well both the corner worker and her were laughing. The corner worker was laughing so hard he could barely wave the yellow flag. Then the driver casually put the car in reverse and drove off, I swear I saw him laughing too, he retired to the pits with an oil leak. I sure was happy to provide entertainment. Now I knew what that poor cat felt like. My day got I got some real good shots in. Black and white does not do justice and the editor won't give me more room. Go figure! So check out our web site. E-man is working on it and is nicer and willing to give me more space. Well I'm glad my wife talked me into going, it felt good to be back behind the camera and the race was great.



Klaus Ludwig receives a piece of the track as a memento for his retirement.



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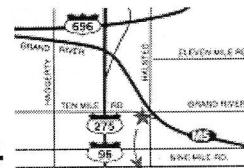
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Driving Techniques #2

By Tom Green, Vice President RSR

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The following information specifically applies to driving an automobile on a closed track. This information is commonly known to "techies", but it is essential to the understanding of car set-up. The next article will deal with overcoming a mishandling car. Understeer is a "push" or the front of the car sliding, therefore it will not turn in. Oversteer is "loose" or the rear of the car sliding, therefore pointing tooo far into the corner.

Adjustments	Decrease Understeer	Decrease Oversteer
Front tire pressuer	Lower	Higher
Rear tire pressure	Higher	Lower
Front tire section	Larger	Smaller
Rear tire section	Smaller	Larger
Front wheel chamber	More negative	More positive
Rear wheel chamber	More positive	More negative
Front wheel toe	Toward toe-out	Toward toe-in
Rear wheel toe	Toward toe-in	Toward toe-out
Front wheel caster	More positive	More negative
Front springs	Soften	Stiffen
Rear spring	Stiffen	Soften
Front anti-sway bar	Soften (thinner)	Stiffen (thicker)
Rear anti-sway bar	Stiffen (thicker)	Soften (thinner)
Weight distribution	More rearward	More forward

I hope this gives you something to think about for your next Rally Sport Driving School. Please feel free to talk with me at the track.



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Rally Sport Region Board Meeting Minutes

10-01-98

- Meeting called to order by President at 8:10 p.m.; location: The Sandau's, Livonia.

Present

- | | | | |
|--------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|
| • Tom Green | Matt Huber | Joe Lile | Brian Preblich |
| • Bob Sandau | Lisa Sandau | Kyle Stevens | Glenn Trapp |

Absent

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- Prior minutes:

- Approved.

- Treasurer's report:

- Approved; expenditures will be monitored closely.

- Goody Store:

- Order will be placed by 10/2/98

- Membership:

- 189 primary members.

- Newsletter:

- Additional advertisers have come on board.
- Format may change in future.

- Track report:

- Last event was featured on channel 7 news report.
- Out of region, tech inspections at the track and late registration fees will be reviewed.

- Web Site:

- Emmanuel and Jerry will work together on Web content.

- Club Events:

Past

- Charity auto cross - turnout was not as high as expected; more advertising will help the event next year; raised \$900.

Future

- Fall Color Tour - motion approved to spend up to \$100.
- Holiday party - Date set for 1/9/1999; location will be Fox Hills Country Club; registration and announcement will be in October newsletter; motion passed to spend up to \$500.

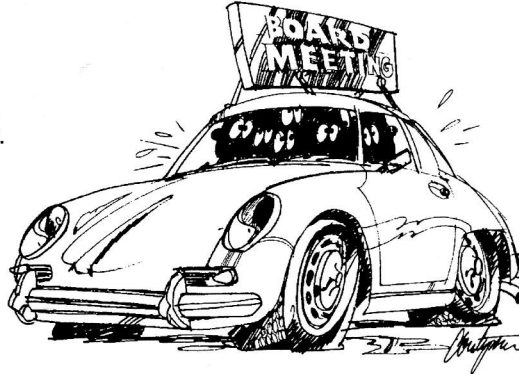
- Old Business:

- Change in vendor for goodie store discussed.
- Board elections - Mary Ann Kantrow will send out ballots to all members; any one interested in a board position must submit a biography and intent to run to Mary Ann by 10/23; ballot deadline 11/12; general election will be held at the Sahinbas' 11/15; .

- New Business:

- Discussion about published guidelines for chairing an event; Kyle Stevens will act as an event coordinator to assist event chairpersons and to maintain event calendar.

- Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.



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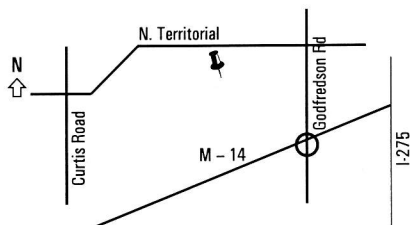
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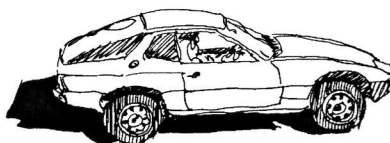
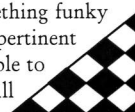
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in Germany and they lived happily
ever after.

The End

~E "Words Fail Me" Man
(I like happy endings.)Ljs: For those of you that are not up on this subject e-man, for-
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Got ta have your priorities.**Editors Corner****ERRORS, MISTAKES, AND OTHER EDITORIAL BLUNDERS :?!*&.** I categorically deny being aware of making any such mistakes.**ARTICLES:** All articles and pictures should be submitted by the 20th of the month, to the editor. Preferably, use the e-mail address (bahnstomer@aol.com) to minimize retyping, or send a diskette. The Bahn Stormer is created using a PC format. I should be able to incorporate any applicable software. However, I am a graphic illustrator and not a computer junkie so if you do something funky send along instructions. **PHOTO'S:** Should include the names of any one in the photo and if it is a car photo list any pertinent information. Photo's can only be enjoyed if we know the what and who. I have a HP ScanJet 6100C and should be able to scan in any photo color or black and white. Please send all articles and photo's labeled with your name and address. All materials will be sent back to you, in due time. Sincerely your editor, Lori Jo Sahinbas



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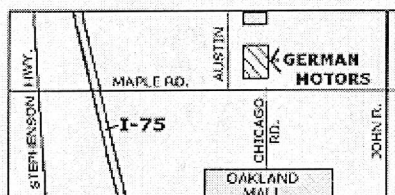


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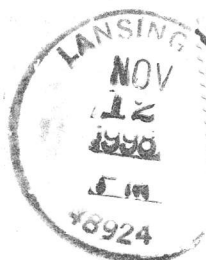
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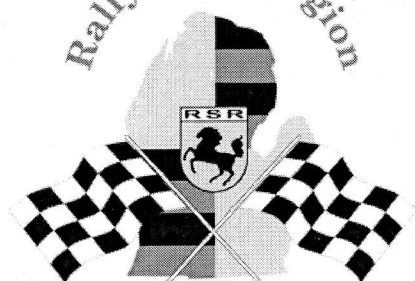


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