

Smoke Signals

Smoky Mountain Region Porsche Club of America

August 2009

Board/Membership Meeting: July 13

The quarterly executive council/membership meeting was held at Mancino's Restaurant on July 13. Only 4 board members were present. We had several members in attendance. One of the major topics discussed was the subject of next year's officers. Vic Rola and Bob Hutchins agrees to serve on the search committee and I am pleased to report that as of now, the only position not filled is President. Previously Tim Carpenter had agreed to assist with this task, but was unable to attend, some lame excuse about a new grandson. Just kidding Tim. Congratulations Tim.

You know if a President has a full staff and all the appointed posts filled, the job is not difficult and does not require much time. This year we have been able to establish some new and popular events which can carry over to next year. Please consider volunteering for a position. Remember, IT IS YOUR CLUB. If you would like to serve in an elected position, please contact Bob Hutchins, Tim Carpenter, Vic Rola, or myself. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.



Two Fine Porsche Automobiles at the Sonic. See, if you are editor, you can get your car in the newsletter.

Drive Out to The Sonic: July 16

We had another fun time at the Sonic on Kingston Pike on July 16, with 19 member cars in attendance. The weather was very cooperative but my car was a little cranky, not wanting to start. The opinion of the experts in attendance is that the problem lies in the hot start valve.

Join us at the Sonic at 8475 Kingston Pike at 6:30 August 20.

PCA/European Auto Garage Autocross: July 19

We had another successful autocross at Pellissippi State on July 19 with 32 drivers participating. We had a few minor glitches with the timing system but otherwise, the afternoon went well. My only disappointment was that we only had 3 PCA drivers. Once again, this is your club and you need to support it to make it successful.

Rick Brooksbank was fastest among the PCA Drivers. The next autocross is scheduled for October 4 at Pellissippi State.



Drivers Staging for the Autocross



Members enjoying the social at the Sonic.

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Upcoming Events

8/8/09: PCA/European Auto
Garage Autocross. Pellis-
sippi State. Preregister with
Jonathan Foulds at jonathan-foulds@yahoo.com.

Thursday Night At the Sonic:
August 20, 6:30 PM. Join us
for some fun and food. Pray
for good weather.

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From The President

Well;

July has come and gone. I hear
Parade was very good, more
about that later. We are enter-
ing the second half of 2009 and



We must begin planning for next year. A very valid point was
made to me recently by Tim Carpenter. He said, and I agree,
that the region needs to design and implement a succession plan
of officers. We must plan for the future region of region and
stop going through this end of the year panic for officers and
appointed positions. We need a Plan.

Is there anyone out there willing to maybe head up a committee
to take on this task ?

We had several very good events this last month and I hope you
enjoyed attending them. We have more planned for August.

Anyone interested in planning a Progressive dinner? How
about another Sunday Brunch? Vic Rola has sent me a contact
at the Ruby Tuesday on Northshore. Let me know if something
like this would interest you for August or September.

On a personal note; I am sorry this newsletter is a bit latter than
usual. Vickie and I have been in Oklahoma making arrange-
ments to place both of her parents in nursing homes. Age
catches us all and her father got unexpectedly ill on us while we
were there, delaying our return to Knoxville.

I hope to be able to announce final plans for 2010 Spring Thing
next week.

Let me know if you have nay questions.

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sary.
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Your Pres and Rick Berry working the Timing

Officers Needed for 2010

Bob Hutchins and Vic Rola are working diligently on securing a slate of officers for 2010. I am very pleased to report all elected positions have candidates except President. Please step forward and help. We also need appointment positions for members and a chairman for the autocross committee, we need 2-3 people for a social committee, we need a goodie store operator, we need a Safety/technical person, and we need a newsletter and a Panorama correspondent. The newsletter is already set up. The only thing the editor has to do is put it together. If the club decides to do any mail out newsletters, Vickie and I will do that if someone else puts it together. Due to the health problems we are facing with her parents, I will not be able to make the time commitment I can now. Please step up and volunteer. If all of these positions are filled, it reduces the work load on all.

Remember, should you choose to become President, there will be plenty of support coming from other officers and past presidents.

It's time to stand and be counted.

Smoky Mountain Goodie Store Returns

Tim Carpenter is making final plans to reopen the goodie store for the region. It will be an online goodie store with the club having a small investment in inventory for local sale. The group we will be associating with runs goodie stores for many PCA regions. They carry a good variety of quality items including Cutter & Bock shirts and other items. We will have the ability to place our club logo on these items. The club members will order the items online and the club will receive a 20 % profit for the items. The price will not be marked up an additional 20 % to cover this. This is how the PCA goodie stores work. If you see a label, for example, that costs you \$ 3 from PCA, the region can buy it for say \$ 2.80. This allows the region to cover its costs and make a small profit. The goodie store will not be a large profit center for the region, but it will not be a loss. We will keep a small inventory on hand to show and sell, but most orders will be handled on line. We have a small quantity of the PCA mechanics gloves in stock. See the pictures below. You can call me to order or I will have them at the upcoming July 13 . Price is \$ 15 plus shipping. We have 3 XL and 1 L of PCA gloves and 2 pair of the PCA Racing.



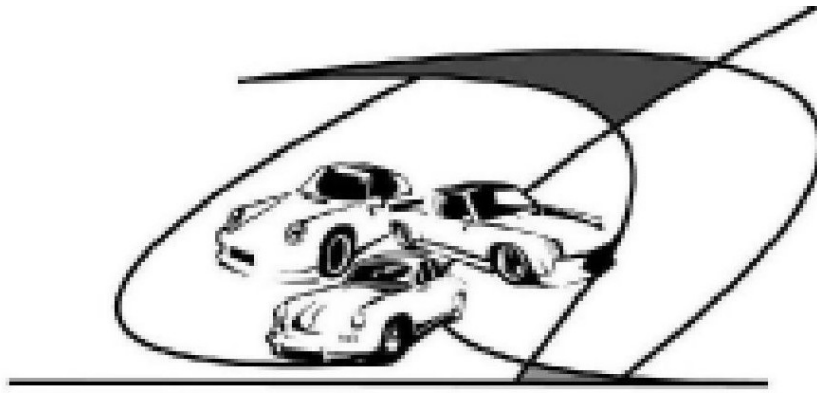
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SMOKY MOUNTAIN REGION CALENDAR 2009

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	COMMENTS
8/2/2009	SCCA Autocross	To Be Announced	Check www.etrscga.org for details
8/8/2009	PCA Autocross	PSTCC	Registration 8 AM-10AM, First Car Off at 11AM. Pre register with Jonathan Foulds at jonathanfoulds@yahoo.com
8/16/2009	TN Region Autocross	Athens High School	Go to TN Region for more information
8/20/2009	Thursday Night at Sonic	Sonic Drive In; 8475 Kingston Pike	Informal Get Together; meet at 6:30 PM and socialize
8/23/2009	SCCA Autocross	Walters State CC	Check www.etrscga.org for details
9/4,5,6 2009	Rennfest	Atlanta, GA	Peachstate Region Event
9/13/2009	TN Region Autocross	Athens High School	Go to TN Region for more information
9/20/2009	SCCA Autocross	To Be Announced	Check www.etrscga.org for details
10/4/2009	PCA Autocross	Pellissippi State	Registration 8 AM-10AM, First Car Off at 11AM. Pre register with Jonathan Foulds at jonathanfoulds@yahoo.com
10/11/2009	SCCA Autocross	Walters State CC	Check www.etrscga.org for details
10/12/2009	Membership/Executive Council Meeting	Mancino's Restaurant 9209 Middlebrook Pike Knoxville TN	Meeting Starts at 6:30 PM, Arrive early to eat; All Members Welcome
10/18/2009	TN Region Autocross	Athens High School	Go to TN Region for more information
10/24/2009	2010 Planning Meeting	Mancino's Restaurant 9209 Middlebrook Pike Knoxville TN	Bring your ideas. All members attend, let's plan next year. 11 AM to 2 PM- Have Lunch
10/17,18 2009	Talladega DE	Talladega, AL	Jonathan Foulds
11/1/2009	SCCA Autocross	Pellissippi State	Check www.etrscga.org for details
11/14/2009	PCA Autocross	Pellissippi State	Fall Fest Autocross followed by Dinner, Site TBA
1/10/2010	End of Year Banquet	Site TBA	Chair TBA



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Blue Ridge Overnight Tour – Sat. Sept 26 & Sun. Sept. 27, 2009

We will be returning to one of our favorite destination on the Blue Ridge Parkway, The Big Lynn Lodge. We will gather Saturday morning in the parking lot of Puleo's Grille at Strawberry Plains exit off I-40. Our trip will take us to the Blue Ridge with a picnic along the way. We will arrive at The Big Lynn Lodge near Little Switzerland that afternoon. Dinner and breakfast the next morning are included in the price of your stay. Please go to The Big Lynn Lodge web site:

www.biglynnlodge.com to get the necessary reservation information. Call their toll free # 1(800) 654-5232 and make your reservations (Sept. 26) using your credit card which will be charged at that time. Let them know that you are with the Smokey Mountain Porsche Club. I encourage you to call right away so that you may get your choice of room. After you have made you reservations, please e-mail me so that I can give you detailed information about the drive.

cpeery@mac.com / cell # (865) 719-6124 Let me know if you have questions.

We are looking forward to having a great time with you !
Clyde & Kathryn Peery

Ed. Note:

This is a great tour to a very beautiful area. If you have not been on this trip, please consider participating. The lodge consists of really neat cabins and the food is very good. We hope to see you there. Act now for those rooms.

Fuel for older cars

There has been a lot of discussions lately about the use of gasoline containing alcohol or methanol. The more technically savvy people I talk to, the more I am convinced that I need to stop using so called gasohol. I am going to use only pure gasoline in my 911 Turbo and in my 1996 Audi A 6. So, we are going to start something. So far this week I have 2 stations close to me that sells pure gasoline. One is the Conoco on Kingston Pike next to Auto Zone. Here is another little tip. Get yourself a Conoco Phillips Platinum Master Card and get a 4 % rebate. Make sure to pay the balance at the end of the month and you can save on gas. At \$2.39 per gallon, that amounts to a savings of \$.09 per gallon. I also found that the Kroger on Northshore Dr now is selling pure gas. Now, consider this, if you have a Kroger card, you save \$.03 per gallon. If you pay with a cash back credit card, you can increase that savings.

For example, yesterday the price at Kroger was \$2.38.9 or \$ 2.35.9 with your Kroger card. If I pay with my 2 % cash back Discover I get an extra 2 %. This means I can buy gas at Kroger today for \$ 2.31 per gallon Another thing about Kroger; if you have a Kroger value card and buy \$ 100 worth of groceries you will get a \$ 10 per gallon on a fill up. I think it is limited but one time last year I filled up a motor home with 60 gallons and got the discount.

Here is what I want to do. I am going to start a page on the SMT website listing pure gas stations. When you find one, let me or Greg DeBord know and we can post it on the site.

One final note; the Aztex on Kingston Pike also sells pure gas but remember Aztex is owned by the Venezuelan government and Hugo Chavez. My opinion; I won't buy there.

Update Your Records

Have you changed phone numbers, moved, or have any changes in your information?

Log into www.pca.org, log in and update your membership information.

This will insure we have your correct information on file. It's simple and just takes a minute or two.

Thanks for your attention to this matter. If you have any problems, give me a call. JM

Tech Corner

Ring & Pinion

Question: I'm looking to purchase a high mileage 2001 turbo with 112,000. The owner told me one of the items that require future service is the ring and pinion. He states its currently whinning a little. His mechanic told him that its does not need a ring and pinion right away but in another 30k or when the whinning gets louder. I called around town to see what it will take to fix this issue. One shop told me R&R of transmission then he would need to send out to have it rebuilt. Another states the ring & pinion can be replaced on this car without R&R of transmission. What's the right answer? How much will this cost? What could be uncover if I get a PPI?

Let me know when they replace the ring & pinion with the transmission still in the car. I will drive to Chicago in my Boxster (about a 620 mile drive), so I can watch and learn. Seriously, run away from there as fast as you can. Half of the transmission is built on the pinion shaft. And the pinion shaft occupies space in all three housings. It is not going to happen. You must not only removing the transmission, but rebuild it completely. Part of that process includes taking some very precise measurements to correctly shim the new ring & pinion. Otherwise you will be right back again with the same problem only much faster the second time.

Answer: Do not drive the car until this gets worse. If any pieces of metal start to come off, they will destroy the transmission gears, bearings, and oil pump. A replacement trans for this car was listed by a national dismantler last week for around \$7500, not rebuilt, just used and as-is. A new one is maybe twice that, while a rebuild might be half that, but only if done before big damage occurs.

Now this model has all-wheel-drive. So there is a second ring & pinion in the car, up front, to drive the front axles. That one could be changed without removing the transmission. It is in its own housing which can be removed and serviced by itself. What you need to do is find an experienced Porsche shop. If it is a little further, do it, it will be well worth it. Then have them go through the car. This model is not bad compared to other modern Porsche cars, but don't think you can own this car without becoming good friends with a good Porsche Tech, or becoming one yourself the hard way. Definitely get the PPI done by an experienced Porsche tech. Many things are possible. See previous Q&A for some of the many answers to this question. All that being said, at the right price I recommend this model, it is a tremendous car and a great achievement by Porsche.

Intelligent Power: Consumption Down Significantly, Performance Up Once Again

Stuttgart. Dr. Ing. h.c. F. Porsche AG, Stuttgart, is proudly presenting a new top model at the pinnacle of its broad range of production sports cars: The new Porsche 911 Turbo combines far-reaching innovations in technology with fine tuning and supreme refinement in design. All key features of this high-performance sports car have been significantly improved, the new 911 Turbo combining a substantial improvement in fuel efficiency and lower weight with more power, even higher speed, and enhanced driving dynamics.

Particularly in terms of fuel economy and dynamic performance, the new top-of-the-range 911 from Zuffenhausen now stands out even more than before from its competitors in the market. Porsche's new top model will be presented to the public for the first time at the Frankfurt Motor Show from 17 - 27 September.

The heart and highlight of the seventh generation of the Turbo is the new power unit displacing 3.8 litres and delivering maximum output of 500 bhp (368 kW). The first entirely new engine in the 35-year-history of the Turbo comes with features such as Direct Fuel Injection and Porsche's exclusive turbocharger with variable turbine geometry on a gasoline power unit. And as an option, the new six-cylinder may be combined for the first time with Porsche's seven-speed PDK Doppelkupplungsgetriebe (Double-Clutch Gearbox).

Models equipped with PDK are also available with a new, optional three-spoke steering wheel with gearshift paddles as an alternative to the standard steering wheel with its proven shift buttons. Fitted firmly on the steering wheel, the right paddle is for shifting up, the left paddle for shifting down. In conjunction with the optional Sport Chrono Package Turbo both the gearshift paddle and the PDK steering wheel with its shift buttons come with integrated displays for Launch Control and the Sport/Sport Plus mode, which are however designed differently on the two steering wheels.

The combination of PDK, Direct Fuel Injection and turbocharging ensures an unprecedented standard of efficiency, agility, responsiveness and performance, the Porsche 911 Turbo reducing CO2 emissions versus its predecessor by almost 18 per cent and therefore ranking unique in its segment also in this respect. Depending on the configuration of the car, the new top model requires just 11.4 - 11.7 ltr/100 km (equal to 24.8 - 24.1 mpg imp) under the EU5 standard. And unlike most other cars in its segment, the new Turbo remains even further below the crucial level of fuel consumption for gas guzzler tax in the USA, the special tax imposed on cars with substantial fuel consumption. All this despite acceleration to 100 km/h in 3.4 seconds. Top speed, in turn, is 312 km/h or 194 mph.

The Turbo driver of the future will also enjoy a further improvement in driving dynamics, detailed enhancement of PTM fully controlled all-wheel drive and PSM Porsche Stability Management being further supported by new PTV Porsche Torque Vectoring available as an option. This makes the car even more agile and precise in its steering for an even higher level of driving pleasure.

Sales of the new Porsche 911 Turbo in both Coupé and Cabriolet guise are starting in Germany on 21 November 2009. . Please contact the Porsche PR Manager of your country in order to receive country-specific information.



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For Sale...Stainless steel (B+B) exhaust system for '76-'89 911 turbo. No issues...replaced it with original system for concours purposes. \$1,000.00. Contact Jim Marsh @ 865.356.9107

For Sale...'S' type fiberglass bumper for '69-'73 911. Bumper only-no trim. TN orange in color. \$150.00. Contact Vic Rola @ 865.207.4303.

For Sale...1994 Porsche 968 Tiptronic Black/Gray. 106K well maintained miles. Great Driver (everything works). Could use some cosmetic TLC and have many extras for car. One set gray leather seats for 968-Excellent Condition. One set black vinyl seats for 924-Excellent condition. Various mm sway bars for 924/944. (used for autocross). Tires: Bridgestone 205/50 ZR17 (S-02) & 255 40 ZR17 off 968, 50% wear. 4-15" 5 bolt Spider Web wheels mounted with 4 Yokohama A-008R 225/50 ZR-15 tires used for autocross & Street off 924. Contact Janet Lanz-Pasha (865)986-0931



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Job Market

The Smoky Mountain Region currently has several important positions open. Short hours and top pay. Current positions available include:.

Awards Chairperson: The region is in need of an individual to order and secure various awards for region events. Several sources are already known, it is just a matter of a person taking responsibility for securing the awards. This person would work with sponsors on the awards to be given for various events.

Publicity Chairperson: This individual would be responsible for securing publicity for various club events, such as Spring Thing, drive outs, and other functions. Top pay for the right person.

Contact Jim Marsh For Details on these Opportunities!!!

Tech Corner

Classification: Cables and Controls

Subject: Clutch & pedal adjusting procedure

Model:

Year: 1978

Total Mileage: 59,000

Car Use: Street only

Question:

What is the correct clutch and clutch pedal adjusting procedure for a 1978 930? The clutch lever has the horseshoe spring but does not have the coil spring to the short lever arm. The clutch pedal will 'pull back' about 1" but does not spring forward from that position on it's own. Instead of 1.2 mm and 1mm adjustment gaps I use 1mm and .8mm for the set bolt on the arm. The clutch had been not releasing completely as when going into reverse. Thanks,

Answer:

The adjustment is the same as a late 915 clutch. You should have the coil spring on the short arm, or at least be sure that the short arm has been pushed forward until it stops. Then tighten the clutch pedal sheath until the long arm just starts to move off of the stop, then release until it goes back to the stop. This will raise the pedal to the top of its travel. Now screw the bolt in until it touches the short lever, and back off 1/2 to 3/4 turn. If the clutch still does not disengage, then you may have another problem, either with the clutch splines or the pressure plate.

Parade Update

All reports we hear tells us that the 2009 Porsche Parade in Keystone, CO was a success.

For much more information, go the the PCA website at www.pca.org. There are several links for pictures and information.



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Le Mans 24 Hours: Double pole for Porsche RS Spyder and 911 GT3 RSR

11 June 2009 - Stuttgart. A perfect start to the French long distance classic: At the qualifying session for the Le Mans 24 hour race, Porsche race cars claimed pole position in both the LMP2 class for sports prototypes as well as in the production-based GT2 category. Competing for Denmark's Essex racing as a regular driver, Casper Elgaard (Denmark) qualified the RS Spyder on pole in the LMP2 class in 3:37.720 minutes. The second RS Spyder, fielded by the Japanese NAVI team Goh and manned by Seiji Ara (Japan), followed in second, a mere 0.082 seconds slower than the pole-sitter. With these brilliant times, the two vehicles left the rest of the LMP2 field a good four seconds behind them on the 13.629 kilometre circuit.

At the top of the GT2 category, the situation was equally as tight. Porsche works drivers Joerg Bergmeister (Germany, Flying Lizard team) and Marc Lieb (Germany, Felbermayr-Proton) were separated by just 0.03 seconds with their two Porsche 911 GT3 RSR at the head of the field. The 77th running of the long distance classic takes off on Saturday, 13 June, at 15.00 hours. Porsche is excellently represented in the race. Aside from the two sports prototypes, which last year celebrated a double victory, international customer teams field a total of five 911.

The 2009 Essex squad, which last year came second in the LMP2 class, consists of pole-sitter Elgaard as well as his compatriot Kristian Poulsen and Porsche works driver Emmanuel Collard (France). "Although we couldn't work on the race set-up because of the rain during yesterday's free practice, the RS Spyder felt very good right from the start in the dry today. The balance was just right. We've made great improvements with the Michelin tyres compared to last year. They are perfect for the car." Essex team's RS Spyder surprised fans in Le Mans with a completely new look. The green paintwork symbolises that the car is the official "Michelin Green X Challenge" ambassador. Last year, the RS Spyder won Michelin's efficiency award at the 24 hour race and in the Le Mans Series as the vehicle with the best overall efficiency in the field, which was calculated from a combination of high average speed and low fuel consumption. The Danes received the right to compete at Le Mans through their result in the efficiency classification from last year.

Seiji Ara of Japan's NAVI Team GOH, overall winner of the Le Mans 24 Hours in 2004 with Goh, was slightly unhappy after narrowly missing out on pole position. "The front position was within reach," said Ara, who last drove in Le Mans in 2005, "but then I got caught in traffic on the fast passage. Never mind! We have an excellent car. Most of all, I'm very impressed with the braking stability of the RS Spyder. It's huge fun to brake for the narrow corners from over 300 kph." Joining forces with Ara is his 20-year-old countryman Keisuke Kunitomo, who won the famous Formula 3 street race through Macao last year, and the German Porsche factory pilot Sascha Maassen. "From the first moment on I was involved in the development of the RS Spyder," said the 39-year-old German. "For that reason my dream and my goal is to win the fastest and most fascinating long distance race in the world."

The two Porsche works drivers Timo Bernhard (Germany) and Romain Dumas (France), lent to Audi to contest the race, take up the 24 hour event from seventh in the overall classification. They share driving duties with Audi pilot Alexandre Prémat (France) at the wheel of an R15 TDI in the most powerful class

of the LMP1 sports prototypes. "During qualifying we concentrated predominantly on the car's race set-up, and not just on turning out a quick qualifying lap," the German said. "Being new to the diesel vehicle this was very important, particularly because we didn't get a chance yesterday in the wet and there was no pre-testing here on the track in the lead up to the race. Romain and I are very happy to get the chance to drive for overall victory in an LMP1 vehicle. We have received a warm welcome from the Audi crew and feel right at home here. That's not something I simply take for granted."

For a long time it looked as if Marc Lieb, Richard Lietz (Germany) and Wolf Henzler (Germany) would bring home an unchallenged top time in the GT2 class. But in the dying minutes of the qualifying, Joerg Bergmeister snatched the pole position away. The Porsche works driver from Germany competes in the 911 GT3 RSR of the American Flying Lizard team with Seth Neiman and Darren Law (both USA). "In the first instance it was important for my two team mates to get a couple of laps in on a dry track," said Bergmeister. "During the first part of the qualifying we worked on the set-up and only put in some fast laps towards the end on a fresh set of tyres. I turned a relatively decent lap before it got dark. In the second session I continued working on the set-up."

Marc Lieb was also satisfied: "Our whole package is very good with a great team, great car and great drivers. So, we're feeling quite optimistic for the race." Taking up the race from sixth in the GT2 class is the IMSA Performance Matmut team with the two Porsche works drivers Patrick Pilet (France), Patrick Long (USA) as well as Raymond Narac (France). The second IMSA-911, with drivers Horst Felbermayr Jr., Horst Felbermayr Sr. (both Austria) and Michel Lecourt (France) head into the race from 14th, ahead of the 911 GT3 RSR of the Endurance Asia team with drivers Darryl O'Young (China), Philippe Hesnault (France) and Plamen Kralev (Bulgaria).

Qualifying result LMP2

1. Elgaard/Collard/Poulsen (DK/F/DK), Porsche RS Spyder, 3:37.720 minutes
2. Ara/Kunitomo/Maassen (J/J/D), Porsche RS Spyder, + 0.082 seconds
3. Kane/Leuenberger/Pompidou (GB/CH/F), Lola Judd, + 4.004
4. Erdos/Newton/Dyson (GB/GB/USA), Lola Mazda, + 4.232
5. Pla/Amaral/Smith (F/P/GB), Ginetta-Zytek, + 4.292
6. Biaggi/Bobbi/Piccini (I/I/I), Lola Judd, + 5.128
7. Ojjeh/Gosselin/Peter (SAU/F/A), Zytek, + 7.110
8. Lahaye/Ajlani/Moureau (F/SYR/F), Pescarolo Mazda, + 7.312
9. Barazi/Bennett/Moseley (DK/GB/GB), Zytek 07S, + 15.263
10. Noda/Pourtales/Marsh (J/F/GB), Lola Mazda, + 15.352

Qualifying result GT2

1. Neiman/Law/Bergmeister (USA/USA/D), Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, 4.03.202 minutes
2. Lietz/Lieb/Henzler (A/D/D), Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, + 0.030 seconds
3. Melo/Kaffer/Salo (BR/D/FIN), Ferrari F430 GT, + 0.854
3. Bouchut/Lebon/Rodrigues (F/F/F), Ferrari F 430 GT, + 0.882
5. Malucelli/Ruberti/Babini (I/I/I), Ferrari F 430 GT, + 1.020
6. Pilet/Narac/Long (F/F/USA), Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, + 1.446
7. Bruni/Compagnon/Russo (I/ARG/ARG), Ferrari F 430 GT, + 1.736
8. Bell/Kirkaldy/Sugden (GB/GBGB), Ferrari F430 GT, +

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Membership Report

By Vickie Marsh

It's August- hot and school is starting for some of our members children. Please use caution in school zones.

This month we had no growth. We did not have any new members, no renewals, and no one transferred in from another district. We have 170 primary members and 132 affiliate members for a total of 302 club members. Constantinos Constantinou reports he has recruited a new member. Congrats! That makes him our number one recruiter!! If you are recruiting members let me know so I can let the club know the results. If you haven't joined us at the Sonic on the 3rd Thursday of the month yet, please do. We have had new faces each time and a couple of cars stop by to inquire about joining our club. I won't be there this time since I will be back out in Okla. Taking care on my Mom and Dad. Best driving to all of you and if you haven't made reservations for Clyde's drive out in Sept. please do. It's a great adventure, bring the picnic basket, camera and be ready for a great time!

If you have an idea for a drive-out, dinner, or get together. Let Jim, Mike, Suzan or me know and we will see if someone can't help you get it into action.

Anniversaries: Andrea Burke: 10 years, Karl Poeltl: 15 Years. Congratulations to you both.

Happy driving!

Vickie Marsh

Please allow Vickie and I to present to our friends our first grandchild, Maya Josephine Moulden, born July 13, 2009, 9# 9oz. Mother and Daughter are fine.





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Vic Rola

Congratulations to SMT members Mike Parker, Suzan Bowman, and Rachel Bowman for their respective great showings at the recent Porsche Parade in Colorado, in the concours, autocross, and tech quiz.

We were disappointed with the SMT showing at our 07.19.09 autocross at PSTCC. Between the time of year, and a competing PCA autocross in Athens, we only had three competing cars. Give Jim some hints as to how we might improve attendance.

Clyde Peery is in the midst of putting together one of his famous 'fall drive-outs'. Look for information soon! Historically, we've had between 15 and 20 cars going. Why not plan on joining us this year?

An 'atta-boy' award out to Jim and Vicki for organizing the Thursday evening Sonic Drive-In, drive-in. We've had a great turnout both times, with one more to go in August! Maybe if we offered free hot dogs at our autocrosses, attendance would improve there, also!!!

Tommy Wilson and I attended a sweet event in July...P2O... Standing for Porsches to Oxford, held on the downtown streets of Oxford, Ohio. 1 small Ohio town...one great event...4 rain showers...409 Porsches...plenty of old and new friends!!!

Congratulations to Miller Handly and fiancée Kelly, who got married recently. Millers' Mom is our own Jill Wilson.

FLYING LIZARD MOTORSPORTS PORSCHE 911 GT3 RSR OF BERGMEISTER/LONG SCORE FLAG-TO-FLAG WIN TO SOLIDY ALMS GT2 POINTS LEAD--

Farnbacher Loles Racing Porsche of Henzler/Lieb second after race-long battle--TOOELE, UT. – May 17 – By the time the thundering field of 23 cars completed their first lap of the 3.048 mile Miller Motorsports Park, the site of today's Utah Grand Prix, the Porsche 911 GT3 RSRs of Flying Lizard Motorsports and Farnbacher Loles Racing had established themselves 1-2 at the head of the GT2 field and would never relinquish that lead. Porsche's two top GT2 class challengers – the second place qualifying Ferrari of Melo/Kaffer and the fourth place qualifying BMW of Milner/Mueller – tangled on the front straight just yards past the green flag on the very first lap. They placed themselves at a tremendous disadvantage for class honors when came together, sending the damaged BMW to the pits for several laps for repairs and sending the Ferrari spinning wildly off in to the infield. The #45 Flying Lizard Porsche 911 GT3 RSR of Patrick Long (USA) and Joerg Bergmeister (Germany) and the #87 Farnbacher Loles Racing Porsche 911 GT3 RSR of Wolf Henzler/Marc Lieb (both Germany), ran like a freight train as they lead every lap, going flag-to-flag to claim an impressive GT2 one-two class victory. "Yes, it was 'flag-to-flag' but it was not that easy," said Bergmeister, co-leader in the GT2 points standings. "I tried to conserve the car and maintained our 10-second lead over Marc (Lieb, driver of the #87 Farnbacher Loles Porsche). Then I handed our car over to Patrick and he finished the job." The Flying Lizard Motorsports team had come to the Salt Lake City track - 4,135-foot in elevation - immediately after the Long Beach round of the ALMS season to test. Both drivers felt that it was time and money well spent. "The biggest thing in our win today, to me, was the test after Long Beach," added Bergmeister. "The car was really dialed in and the team really had everything prepared perfectly." His comments were echoed by his teammate and co-leader in the point standings, American Patrick Long. "The Flying Lizard team goes through its list and makes sure every box is checked. They do a phenomenal job." He said. "It's a testament to Porsche, our team and our sponsors that they are willing to go all these the extra yards to continue to improve." Long also had words of praise for his partner, who he said gave him a perfect car at their first pit stop. "The rest of the race was really pretty much of a chess game, keeping the lead, keeping our distance and conserving the car. And we did not have a single yellow flag period during the entire race. That meant another stop for a 'splash-and-go'. The Lizard crew made it absolutely perfect." The finishing order was reversed, however, when the results of the Michelin® Green X™ Challenge were announced with the #87 Farnbacher Loles Porsche taking the GT class honors, beating out the #45 Flying Lizard car. The rules for the Michelin Green X Challenge measure a combination of performance, efficiency, and fuel economy. The Ferrari of Melo/Kaffer recovered from its first lap spin and subsequent tire stop, to work its way all the way back up to third place. Fourth went to the Panoz of Farnbacher/James. Finishing fifth, despite a rapidly deflating puncture which sent driver Johannes Stuck (Austria) careening through a gravel trap and to within inches of the tire wall, was the T-Mobile VICI Racing Porsche co-driven by Nicky Pastorelli (Netherlands). Finishing sixth was the #44 Flying Lizard Porsche of Seth Neiman/Johannes van Overbeek (both USA). The inaugural race of the ALMS Challenge class for Porsche 911 GT3 Cup cars, was



The 2009 Smoky Mountain European Auto Garage Autocross Challenge

Join us in 2009 for an exciting autocross challenge series. We will be crowning a Porsche champion and a European car champion. Non Porsche cars will utilize the SCCA PAX system to level the field. This will place the challenge on the driver, not just the car. Here is the schedule:

Date	Event	Location
April 4	PCA Driver School	PSCC
April 5	Open Autocross	PSCC
April 26	Spring Thing Autocross	PSCC
May 31	PCA Autocross	PSCC
July 19	PCA Autocross	PSCC
August 8	PCA Autocross	PSCC
October 4	PCA Autocross	PSCC
November 14	PCA Fall Fest Autocross	PSCC

Other dates may be added, watch your email and the web site for more information.

Cost will be \$ 25 per event, except for the Spring Thing Autocross, which is part of a multi event weekend.

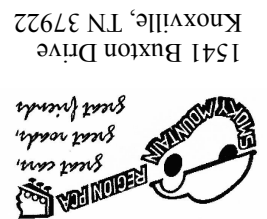
SCCA PAX timing will be used for European autos and a new handicapping system will be used for Porsche cars.

We have upgraded the timing system which will allow us to have multiple cars on the track at a time and we have added an LED display which will show times as you pass the finish line. Times: PCA Autocross registration will open at 8 AM, close at 10 AM, first car off at 11 AM. AM. Register early with Jonathan Foulds at jonathanfoulds@yahoo.com

won by the husband and wife team of Martin and Melanie Snow. The Snows are no strangers to competing amongst ALMS' best; they won the GTS class (now known as the GT1) at the very first ALMS race at the 12 hours of Sebring in 1999. The disqualification of the #08 Porsche GT3 Cup car of Brown/Sweedler and the #47 of Baker/Cosmo for ride height violations, elevated the #02 of Parker/Skerlong to second and the #36 of Faieta/Hoaglund to third. Bergmeister and Long now lead the GT2 drivers points with 80, with the Melo/Kaffer Ferrari drivers with 59 and the Farnbacher/James Panoz drivers with 52. Porsche holds that same 80-59 lead over Ferrari in the manufacturers points. The next American Le Mans Series race is the North Eastern Grand Prix at July 18 at Lime Rock Park, in Lime Rock Connecticut.

Recovering Members

As you know I am recovering from knee surgery. What you might not know is that Cos Constantinou had hip replacement last week and seems to be doing well. I saw him at Physical Therapy yesterday and he is moving very well for being 1 week post surgery. Last, but not least, Bob Hutchins crashed his bike and sustained some minor injuries. He to is recovering at home.



August Events:

Autocross: August 8 Pellissippi State

Thursday Night at Sonic: August 20

September Events:

Rennfest: Peachstate Region. Labor Day Weekend

Blue Ridge Overnight Tour; September 26, 27.