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From the President



Last month's Showoff was a huge success. Despite the wet weather earlier that morning, there were 56 Porsches in attendance including a couple of new 991's. Special thanks to Pinnacle at Turkey Creek for the lot and promotion of the event, and Cliff Killion for organizing the event.

This month's schedule includes a social event, a tech session at Harper's, and an open autocross at Splash Country. The tech session will be similar to last year's event: You can work on your own car. The open autocross at Splash Country will not be limited to Porsches for this event and we are expecting a big turnout.

Spring Thing planning is well under way although it is not too late to volunteer if you choose. I hope you will make plans to join us this year. We always have a fantastic time!

See you at an event sometime soon!

Janis
President



HEARD 'ROUND the REGION

- Many time Spring Thing participant, carrying the number 00 always, Mikee Braunstein recently suffered a stroke. Clyde Peery and I visited Mike at his hospital room, to find him in great spirits, and good features. He's hoping to make it to Spring Thing. We might have to help him get there...if there are any volunteers for that effort.

- Hansjoerg Goeritz and Gisela, report that son Cornelius has just accepted a position with Canepa

Motorsports in Santa Cruz, CA. We wish Cornelius the best of luck in this new adventure!

- With Spring Thing just around the corner, don't forget about our scheduled drive-out in May, to Marion, VA, to run the Back of the Dragon.

- We heard recently of the passing of a fine Porsche person ... Bruce Anderson. Bruce was a contributor, not only to Pano for many years, but was the 'go to' guy for many of us just starting to play with Porsches, especially the 911. His knowledge of the marque was phenomenal, and with that knowledge he gained a worldwide following. His time included a stint at Garretson

Ent. In California, and was the featured speaker at many, many PCA tech sessions, such as the re-known War Bonnett. He will be missed ... a lot!

- Hey...our members are updating their rides! Bob Hutchins now owns a Porsche truck ... a Cayenne S. Sue Groves moved on from her Boxster to a Carrera S. Way to go guys... (ed. note - and Vic has added a late '85 944 to his Porsche stable.)

Vic Rola
Vice President

GREAT PORSCHE SHOW OFF

The owners of 56 Porsches old and new braved the cold, damp weather on February 23 to gather in the parking area of Pinnacle at Turkey Creek. Ranging from a handful of 356 models to a couple 991s and a brand new Boxster, both aircooled and watercooled varieties were well represented.

The sun tried to break through the clouds and temperatures rose enough to be jacket comfortable.



Clockwise from above: Janet Lanz shows off her brand new 2013 Boxster; Smoky Mtn Region President Janis Berry and her Cayenne; Rick Berry looks over a drivetrain from a 914; two PCA members checking out the powerplant of a gorgeous early 911.

Photos submitted by Tommy Wilson





Above: Nice example of a late 356 Convertible.

Right: Steven Schleif and his 914 project - a '74 Limited Edition "Creamsicle"

The Great



PORSCHE

Showoff



PORSCHE PROFILE: Vic Rola

The Porsche Mind-Set

It all started in mid-1973 when my first wife and I moved into a complex of town-homes in Virginia Beach, VA. We had already autocrossed a Barracuda, and then an Opel, and finally a hot rod Toyota Celica. One of our neighbors, Don Snyder, turned wrenches at the local Porsche dealership, and he and another guy, Andy Chisholm, would go to a PCA event and just rave as to how great it was and that I should get a Porsche and join in the fun!

On the way home one evening, passing a Volvo dealership, a silver 914 was being pulled out onto the front sales row. U-Turn!!! I left my company car as a 'deposit', and took the 914 home, for Don to examine it (an-early PPI you can say). Once it was pronounced sound, the deal was made. I thought I was the cats' meow! Andy Chisholm, turns out,

autocrossed a '69 912, and every once in a while, this guy from the Wilderness Trail Region (Jim Thompson...more on him later...)

No, it doesn't have AC, a working radio, or heated seats. But it does have character, it has sounds (more than one), and it makes you feel one with the machine.

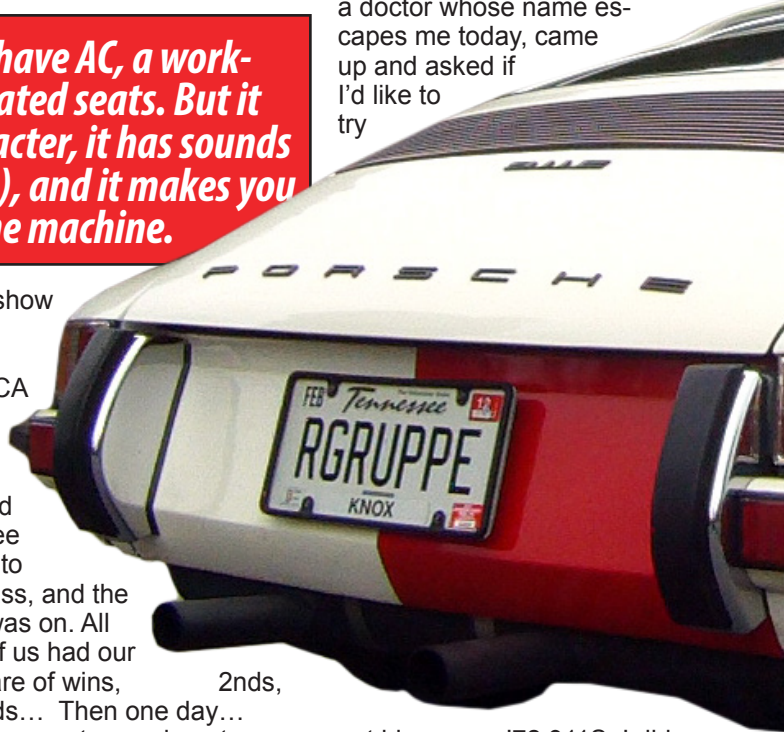
would show up with his '68 912. PCA

grouped the three of us into one class, and the show was on. All three of us had our fair share of wins, 2nds, and 3rds... Then one day...

We were autocrossing at Pungo, VA. There, the Navy had built a series of runways, used during WW II to train Navy pilots. In the 70s (and maybe even today) the desolate site was used for 'touch-and-go's, for the navy pilots, training then in Phantom F-4s. On weekends, it was the biggest autocross site

known to man!

Well, there I was...Mr. Cat's Meow...autocrossing my 914 1.7, and livin' the life! A PCA member, a doctor whose name escapes me today, came up and asked if I'd like to try



out his '72 911S. I did, and remember the experience to this day! The engine sound... the power...the cams coming on at about 4,000RPM...Holy crap! My mind was set ... somewhere, somehow, a 911 key would be in my pocket!

A couple of 911's keys passed through my pockets ... a Bahia Red '72 911T and a silver blue metallic '73 911T. Between those, and after those ... multiple 914s ... and a black 944. Then came today's car.



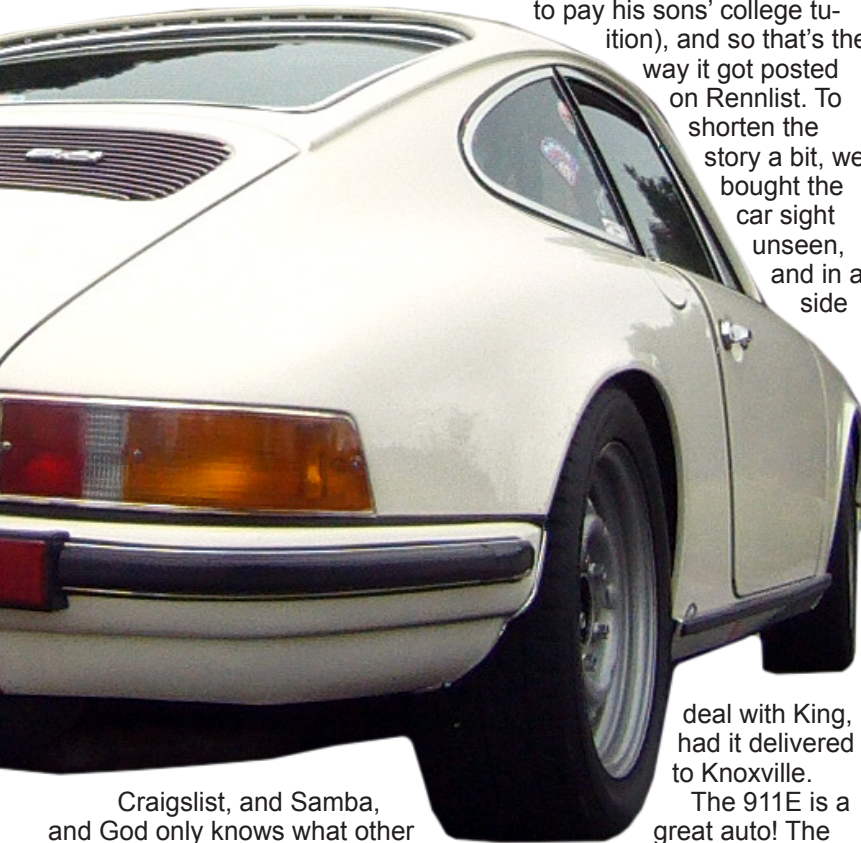
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Garage buddies... who wouldn't want this pair of Porsches in their garage?

After putting the black 944 on the market, Carol and I began looking for an early 911 in earnest. That was ten years ago ... before the internet struck ... before Peli-

can, and

ing the car under both PCA and SCCA banners. It was time to move on, so Jim sold the car to his brother 'King', who just continued winning with the car. It was King's time to move on (actually to pay his sons' college tuition), and so that's the way it got posted on Rennlist. To shorten the story a bit, we bought the car sight unseen, and in a side



Craigslist, and Samba, and God only knows what other channels. I spotted the white car on one of the few sites operating then...Rennlist. There sat this white '72 911E. I immediately recognized one specific point, as the owner did the same to all of his Porsches ... mudflaps behind the rear wheels. Jim Thompsons' car! Remember Jim? Well, he sold his SWB '68 912, and bought the white E to replace it, from Ralph Holterhoff. In the ensuing years, Jim took the car to numerous national honors, autocross-

tweaked by its previous owners, with externally adjustable Konis, lowered ride height, etc. With many, many miles on the chassis, you might expect the engine to have been rebuilt – twice, as was the transaxle – twice. When delivered, the car had 80% original paint and the completely original interior. Carol and I put in fresh carpeting ourselves, and Kennedy's in Lenoir City re-covered the original-to-the-car Recaros, with

perforated leather. After being asked to show the car as an example of a 1972 911 at Rennfest Reunion II, we took a second in class at the Florida Parade, and then took it to the Hershey Parade where we finished eighth out of seven cars...in the Preservation Class! That's when we decided on a re-paint.

The car was done, and is currently in, a livery that we thought might be reminiscent of a privateer tarmac only rallye car of the early '70s. Bradford Restoration did the paint, and will be soon doing some touch-ups (it's been almost seven years!). We use the car a lot! Being active members of not only our Region, but also the Early 911S Registry, and the RGruppe, we go to a lot of events with the car. Sometimes driving... sometimes towing.

Seems we're always up-dating the car...roll bar...rallye watch... early rear bumpers...freshened MFI system...restored engine fan...cleaned up air intake box... and the list goes on and on. The early cars hold a special place in both my heart, and Carol's. Seems as though the car talks to you when you drive it. You experience everything the car does. No, it doesn't have AC, a working radio, or heated seats. But it does have character, it has sounds (more than one), and it makes you feel one with the machine.

My mind set back in my 'yute' has finally made it into my garage. If you're not sure what I mean, ask me for the car's keys the next time you see me!

Vic Rola



photos by Steven Schleif

Vic's 911E not only shows in Concours (above), but is driven like a Porsche was made to be driven. Photo below shows Vic's Porsche at an overlook in the Smokies during a PCA day drive.





photos by Steven Schleif

Both Carol and Vic enjoy autocrossing the 911E. Above: Carol tests her skills during a PCA-sponsored autocross at Splash Country. Below: Vic dodges a sea of cones at one of many autocrosses held at Splash Country in Pigeon Forge, TN.



TENNESSEE REGION'S WINTERFEST

The Tennessee Region's Winterfest has traditionally been the first multi-event Weekend in the Zone; often used to shake out the cobwebs from the holidays and get the Concours Porsches a first look in the four month preparation for the coming Porsche Parade.

I believe they had thirty-seven entries this year for Winterfest. Eight of those were from the Smoky Mountain Region. They included Bob + Jyme Heiman; Rich Neubauer and his bro-in-law Larry; Rick + Janis Berry; Clyde Peery; Bob Southerland; Rich, Wendy + Travis McGowan; Tommy Wilson; and Carol and Vic Rola.

The event was centered around the new VW plant in northeast Chattanooga and the Porsche dealership, close by. Lucky early arrivals Friday got to tour the plant and came away with nothing but "oooh's and ahhh's". The plant is spectacular and very Germanic in nature and design. Everything is recycled

- from rain water, to weld drippings. Amazing! The plant was very generous to the organizers, opening up their visitors center for an inside concours d'elegance.

Friday evening saw some serious camaraderie, which included finishing up the concours details on your own car, to eating some goodies prepared by the Tennessee Region ladies (yum-yum), to an RC autocross, to sipping on some adult beverages, and of course meeting and greeting new friends and old!

Saturday morning came in quite cold, but toasty inside the center. All the cars were staged, ranging from the 356 cabriolet of Bob Kuchenbecker to the Carrera S of our own Bob Southerland. The judging of both the French class, and the full class, started at about 0930. The host Region relied on the volunteerism of the attendees to secure several judging teams. The cars were all very close in

preparation, and the scoring showed it so. Some neat cars included the two noted above, the freshly finished restoration of his '75 Carrera by Deems Riddle, a Bumble Bee 914 (Steve ... you'd love this car!), and the turbo S of new Zone 3 Rep Jim Cambron, and countless others!

Saturday afternoon was sunny and warmer, and a two hour tour was organized, leading the interested parties around the outskirts of the city. Nice! Saturday ended up at the Porsche dealership in Chattanooga. The dealership really gets involved with the host Region, and this year opened up the dealership for the banquet. Nice digs! All participants ended up with a take home door prize, and winners in class received a glass trophy for their efforts.

Another great Winterfest. Seventh one in a row. You should plan on going to their next one... next year!

Nice panoramic view of Porsches at the VW plant in Chattanooga.







Reverse angle of the Porsches at Winterfest 2013



Reverse angle of Vic

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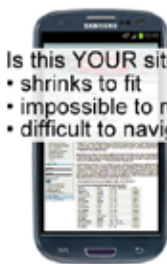
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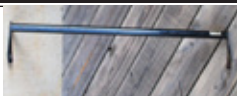
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Jan 16	Board Meeting (Members Welcome)	Eurotech Knoxville	6:30pm
Jan 19	Vic's Drive	Greeneville, TN	9:00am
Jan 24-27	Daytona / Rolex	Daytona, FL	Weekend
Feb 13	Monthly Social/Dinner	Calhoun's/Turkey Creek	7:00pm
Feb 15-17	Winterfest	Chattanooga, TN	Weekend
Feb 23	Great Porsche Show Off	Regal Cinema/Turkey Cr.	10:00am
Mar 2	<i>GPSO Snow Date</i>	Regal Cinema/Turkey Cr.	10:00am
Mar 13	St. Patrick Social/Dinner	SmokyMtnBrew/M'ville	7:00pm
Mar 24	Open Autocross	Splash Country	9:00am
Apr 3	Board Meeting (Members Welcome)	Eurotech Knoxville	6:30pm
Apr 7	Autocross School	Splash Country	10:00am
Apr 10	Monthly Social/Dinner	Bel-Air Grill/Halls	7:00pm
Apr 26-28	Spring Thing	Townsend, TN	Weekend
May 4	Autocross	TBA	10:00am
May 8	Monthly Social/Dinner	Don Pablo's/East Town	7:00pm
May 18-19	Overnight Drive / Back of the Dragon	Marion, VA	8:30am
May 25-27	Sommerfest	Carolina's Region PCA	Weekend
June 12	Monthly Social/Dinner	Aubrey's/Powell	7:00pm
June 23-29	Porsche Parade	Traverse City, MI	Week
July 10	Monthly Social/Dinner	Latitude 35/Downtown	7:00pm
July 20	Drive Out	TBA	TBA
July 24	Board Meeting (Members Welcome)	Eurotech Knoxville	9:00am
Aug 14	Monthly Social/Dinner	Grill Don Gallo/Hardin Valley	7:00pm
Aug 30-Sept 2	Rennfest	Peachstate PCA	Weekend
Sept 11	Monthly Social/Dinner	TX Roadhouse/East Town	7:00pm
Sept 28	Drive out	TBA	TBA
Oct 5	Board Meeting (Members Welcome)	Eurotech Knoxville	9:00am
Oct 5	2014 Planning Meeting	Eurotech Knoxville	10:00am
Oct 9	Monthly Social/Dinner	Wok Hay/Turkey Creek	7:00pm
Oct 19	Concours	Mike Parker's House	9:00am
Nov 13	Monthly Social/Dinner	Puleo's/North Knox	7:00pm
Nov 16-17	Fall Fest	Knoxville TN	Weekend
Dec 7	Holiday Party	TBA	TBA



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