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*Dedicated to the belief that . . . getting there is half the fun.*

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Front Cover - In keeping with last month's offering, here's another vintage racing photograph! The who, where and when is your challenge. The who is pretty obvious even to the non-racing fan but can you tell me where and when???

Photo by Ron Faust, captions by Nord Stern! Email your answers and best captions!

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**Address changes****PLUS!**

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Leave your name, address  
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Your application/s will be  
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\$20 for January to December*****Check your mailing label  
for your expiration date!!!!***

*“On Winning”,  
(March 2003 Nord  
Stern) made a very  
important point: our  
Time Trials help you  
learn to drive fast. I  
wholeheartedly  
agree! . . . (I would)  
add another element  
of our driving  
events that is  
just as important—  
our ongoing emphasis  
on education.”*

It has been noted that our Driver Education registration numbers have been declining over the past 2 years. There are undoubtedly a multitude of reasons; economic, the growth in club racing programs, world-wide crisis’ practically daily, the list could go on and on. To that end, President Scott Anderst and other concerned club members are attempting to revitalize our DE program and have a number of ideas. We now have a chairperson, Pat Kelly, to get those efforts going and a series of articles that I sincerely hope you as a reader have been taking note of.

Frankly, our DE program is excellent and has so much to offer participants. The level of expertise, instruction and availability of practice time is outstanding. One only has to look at how well many Nord Stern drivers do at other region events. Even if you are not interested in eventually racing, it is great fun driving on a real racecourse! This is the last thing in the world I ever thought I would end up doing and here it has turned into a major activity in my life providing fun, camaraderie, a competitive outlet, and oodles of satisfaction with an ongoing learning of new and challenging skills. Member (and self-admitted track junkie) **Teresa Vickery** adds:

*Ron Lewis’ article, “On Winning”, (March 2003 Nord Stern) made a very important point: our Time Trials help you learn to drive fast. I wholeheartedly agree! I would, however, add another element of our driving events that is just as important—our ongoing emphasis on education. Nord Stern has a long history of encouraging drivers to continue to work with instructors long after they have “gone solo.” Other regions, in contrast, do not encourage instructors in cars after you’ve been “checked out” on the track. Working with a wide variety of instructors is one of the best ways to learn to get the most out of your car. Reinforcing this is seeing our Instructors getting instruction themselves; taking other instructors out for a “tune-up” or to work on a specific corner. It doesn’t matter how good you are, you can always learn more from an instructor.*

—Teresa Vickery

## Nord Stern Newsletter - Advertising Rates

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	x1-5	x6-11	x12
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# Willkommen

## Welcome . . . New Members

(and returning members!)  
We hope to see you  
at upcoming events!



### So, Just What Do We Do In Nord Stern??!

A *brief* synopsis of activities and events offered by your club, Nord Stern, and/or PCA or, just enough info to pique your interest??!!

#### Susan Simonton & Michael

##### Basara

Hugo, MN  
2002 911 Turbo

#### Jeffrey & BJ Peterson

##### Boehm

Rochester, MN  
Black 1974 914

#### Tim & Maureen Langguth

Duluth, MN

#### Roy & Kathy Williams

Minneapolis, MN  
1986 944 Turbo

**Autocross:** A driving event, teaching one how to maneuver one's car around a set course of pylons on a closed circuit. Instruction is available, drivers compete against the clock. No modifications to one's car are necessary. Some safety equipment needed (helmet).

**Concours:** A setting where Porsches are displayed for general viewing and/or inspection competition. Experienced judges evaluate the various models based upon cleanliness, overall condition and authenticity.

**Driver Training:** A driving course designed to teach and enhance high speed driving skill and technique on an actual racecourse. Training includes classroom sessions, on-track 'exercises' plus supervised lapping sessions.

**Driver Education:** High speed driving event on a closed-course racetrack (Brainerd, Blackhawk Farms) where drivers are grouped according to prior lap times. Instruction is available. Mounted fire extinguisher is required, performance enhancements are frequently made (but not required!).

**Time Trials:** On course timed lap with controlled starts and exiting.

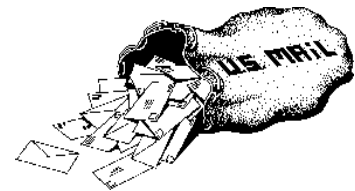
**PCA Club Racing:** Wheel-to-wheel competition between drivers who hold PCA club racing licenses. There is a race class for every model Porsche. Safety modifications to your vehicle required.

**Rally:** An event wherein a driver and co-driver complete a predetermined route along open roads following a specific set of navigational instructions. Can be a TDS (time-distance-speed) or a 'fun' rally.

**Social:** Organized gatherings of club members, affiliates and family member to meet, eat and drink beverages! See our motto on page 1!

**Tech Session:** Casual educational session that span a wide range of topics, from general maintenance, through Concours prep, performance enhancements and general car/mechanical knowledge!

## Letters to the Editor . . .



First off; I would like to thank **Ed Hazelwood**, our Tech Session Grand Poo-Bah and **Mark Bouljon** from Carousel Automobiles for putting on such a well organized and well attended swap meet today (Saturday, March 29th).

Second; I would like to thank **Carousel Automobiles**, **Roy Henneberger**, **Ed Hazelwood**, **Keith Jones**, **Dick Beers**, **Ann Onymous**, **Mike Jekot**, **Ed Vazquez**, and

**Richard Meintsma** for the Courage Center table donations. (If I missed any donors, please let me know).

Third; I would like to thank the always generous members of Nord Stern whose purchases raised over FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS today for Courage Center. Remarkably, the highest priced item sold was \$50, most sales were \$20 and below!

—Keith Jones

*“ . . . I asked him (#1 son) the other day what he wants to do when he grows up and he told me that he wants to be the host of Fear Factor. Even at this young age he has figured out that the host of the show probably makes more than the contestants and he doesn't have to perform any of the stunts or eat anything discussing. . . .”*

Here it is April 14<sup>th</sup> and I'm writing my monthly letter for the May *Nord Stern*. Talk about being a day late and a dollar short. Our highly efficient editor is ready to put a hit out on me if I continue to write these articles after the cut off of the 10<sup>th</sup>. For the record however, I'm not late on all Nord Stern functions. I was actually five minutes early to the wine tasting party held at Lindey's Steak house in Medicine Lake, and I made it on time to the new member social and Cayenne preview. The difficult part about spring is everybody gets so busy. Our street Porsche still sits in storage and the race car has not seen the track. Our more efficient or less distracted members have already run a Club Race or taken the summer toy out for a cruise.

Some of the spring projects that keep us so busy are putting away the snowmobiles, getting the street car and track car out of storage, the yard cleanup, and our son's never ending hobbies or sports. I have an eight year old who wants to try everything. Monday is swimming, Tuesday is guitar lessons and baseball practice, Thursday is gymnastics and Friday he normally tears up our nice yard with his motorcycle. I asked him the other day what he wants to do when he grows up and he told me that he wants to be the host of Fear Factor. Even at this young age he has figured out that the host of the show probably makes more than the contestants and he doesn't have to perform any of the stunts or eat anything discussing.

By the time you read this our First Fling at Brainerd will have come and gone. Due to a church commitment, Margo and I will only make it up for a few runs around the track. I sure am grateful Auto Edge bought that semi. I am beginning to see why so many of our members have their cars hauled. It sure makes it easy not having to load and unload or dragging the trailer down the road with the truck. Now we can just show up and drive.

With the summer activities in full swing and the busy schedule our Nord Stern chairs have created for us, I would ask that any member who hasn't volunteered to help out with an activity to do so now. Rallys and Club Race require many volunteers. Please call the appropriate chair and sign up now!



# Discount Plan for members of PCA and Nord Stern Region!

Carousel Porsche and Maplewood Imports are pleased to announce an im-proved discount plan for members of PCA and Nord Stern Region. The new plan, which supercedes all previous plans, will be effective immediately and is available to all club members and associate/family members.

Members will be eligible for a 5% discount on annual purchases up to \$300, a 10% discount for purchases from \$301 to \$700, and 15% thereafter. In order to receive discounts, members will be required to present the new *Discount Card*, available at the dealership retail parts counter. Members must present a current PCA member card when requesting the *Discount Card*. There is no charge for the card.

*Discount Cards* will be punched by dealer parts staff in \$50 purchase increments at time of purchase. A card will be considered FULL when purchases total \$1000 in a calendar year. These FULL cards may be redeemed for a \$50 purchase credit and the completed FULL card will be entered in a year-end drawing for a significant prize to be determined by each dealer in consultation with Nord Stern representatives.

Discounts as noted above will apply to all items with factory part numbers. Items sourced outside factory channels (e.g., tires, other accessories ) may earn discounts at other rates, but purchase totals will still be punched on the *Discount Card* as above. Sublet items (e.g., paint, upholstery ) may not be included in this program.

Eligible purchases may be made at the retail counter, in the shop while repairs and maintenance are being done, or by phone. Punches on the card will only be made at the retail parts counter, so keeping receipts will be important to assure eventual full credit. Contact your Porsche Parts consultant in either dealership for full details and a new card.

This new plan offers members an improved incentive to purchase Genuine Porsche Parts and Accessories for their Porsches as well as an additional reason to maintain PCA membership.

For additional information:  
Mark Bouljon at 763-744-9170

**Right: Fred Schwab, recently retired president of PCNA, gives the green flag down at the 12 Hours of Sebring this past March. The fellow standing below is Nord Stern member, Bob Kosky. Photo courtesy Bob Kosky.**

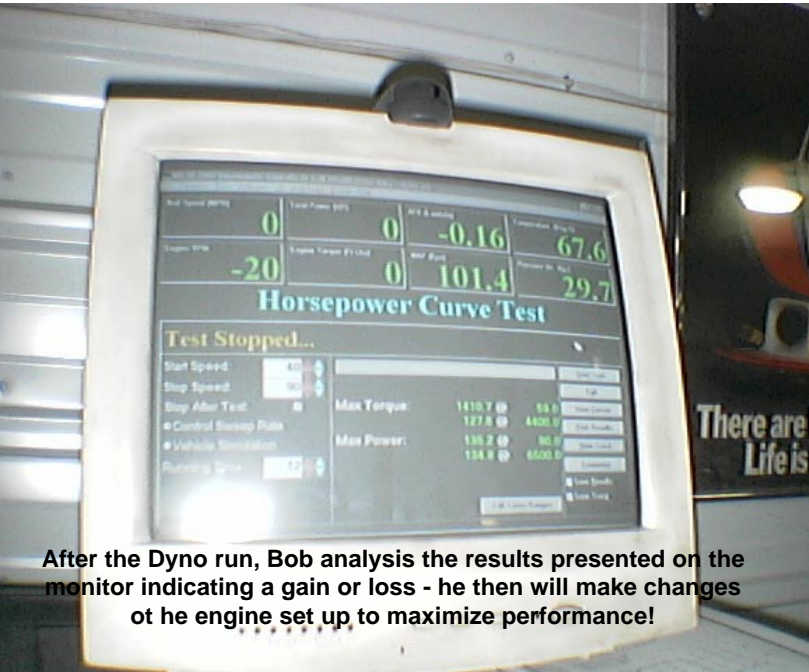




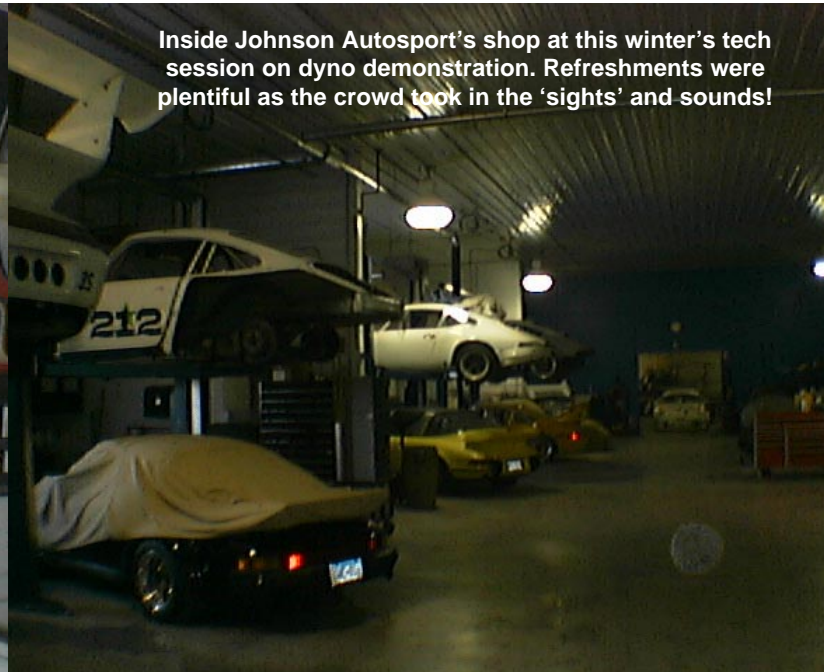


# *On View at Johnson Autosport Tech Session*

*photos by Ed Hazelwood*



After the Dyno run, Bob analysis the results presented on the monitor indicating a gain or loss - he then will make changes ot he engine set up to maximize performance!



Inside Johnson Autosport's shop at this winter's tech session on dyno demonstration. Refreshments were plentiful as the crowd took in the 'sights' and sounds!

# *Nord Stern Business Meeting Minutes*

## *March 4, 2003*

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The meeting was brought to order by President Scott Anderst. Updates from the PCA National Meeting were attached to the agenda.

**Membership:** About 182 members have not paid dues for this year. The analysis comparing PCA lists to Nord Stern records is nearly complete. Attempts will be made to combine both into a comprehensive master list. Mailing to new members to advise of social on 3/29.

**Ambassador to New Members:** There are some complications with the wine tasting party scheduled on April 11<sup>th</sup>. It may be moved to a new restaurant, The Edina Grill. Its owner has provided the venue successfully for other groups and it will include food.

**Newsletter:** no report

**Advertising:** no report

**Social:** just a reminder to change the 3/14 Friday night social to Black Forest Inn; notice appears in the upcoming newsletter.

**Shop Relations:** there have been two very successful tech sessions at Bob Johnson's and Auto Edge. The Swap Meet will be March 15<sup>th</sup>; more participants are needed. Ed will post in club talk/tech talk. Lots of shoppers are welcome. Also, an event has been confirmed with Peter Kitchak on Jun. 28<sup>th</sup>. More details will follow.

**Met Council:** No report

**Drivers Ed:** The North Ambulance contract has arrived. The president will re-veto determine who will sign it. Deposits have been sent in for St. Cloud dates. Event masters were announced for DE. For BIR in April: Cal Townsend/Larry Yost; BIR in June: Steve Garske/Phil White; BIR in Aug: Don Miller/Scott Kuhne; Road America in July: Dave Anderson + one more needed; Blackhawk in August: Ron Lewis.

**Safety:** Red Light contract has been negotiated. Would like to have a means of registration for instructor participants at DE who are not driving their own vehicle. This is in

addition to signing the track waiver. Will work with registrar on it.

**Driver Training:** no update

**Timing/Scoring:** 6 timed events for '03; discussion about attendance at last Sunday sessions of DE weekend with or without timed runs; does not entice participants to stay longer if additional afternoon run groups are scheduled. The computer will suffice for another year. Look at replacing it next season.

**BIR Relations and Club Race:** Carousel has invited us to have meetings there. The contract with BIR has been signed for '03-working with the track office in Brainerd makes the process much easier. Club Race: Moving pre-grid in '02 was a good thing and well received. Spec Racers were a good thing last year and will be included in 2003. Goals for this year: 1) make it a great region event. 2) make it a great national event and be able to attract out of region participants. 3) charity portion continue successfully. Much interest at PCA to attend BIR. '03 budget completed. Need 60 DE and 45 racers for best revenue; major costs are track, insurance, corner workers, and safety. Major sponsors will be Carousel Automobiles, Maplewood Imports, Bill Berard/Mortgage Marketing, and Auto Edge. Same basic schedule works out well for racers.

Logo created for club race by Carmichael Lynch. They are very excited about opportunities with club to help promote PCNA. They have prepared an ad insert for Nord Stern, club racing news, selected dealers etc. which can also be used for spectacular publicity and merchandising possibilities.

Is a hotel shortage detrimental to club race attendance? Publicise camping facilities. This is the month to nail everything down. Scott Kuhne will be co-chair for the race.

**Rules:** reminder that there is no hard copy of rules published-obtain from website.

**Rally:** This is in the organization process, to take place in the SW metro area and ending at the Fraguada home. Entry fees to be determined. Will move to July since there

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# *Announcing Nord Stern's 2003 Time Trial & Autocross Championship Series*

*by Pat Kelly*

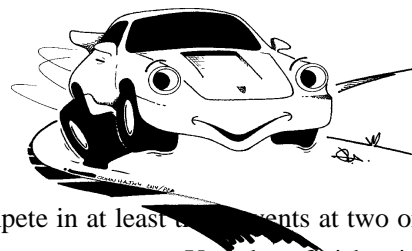
*“To join the series, all you have to do is compete in at least three events at two or more tracks. But you’ll want to do as many events as you can. Your best finishes in four of the six events will count toward the year end championship awards.”*

New and exciting things are happening on the time trial and autocross front for 2003. For starters, Nord Stern has added a new position—Time Trial and Autocross Chair—and I’m it! Not only is the purpose of this new position to encourage safe and enjoyable participation in time trial and autocross activities, it’s also to inject some additional fun and excitement. I’m now scheming to do just that!

If you are unfamiliar with time trialing and autocrossing, be sure to read the two articles I conned Ron Lewis into writing. “On Winning” is in the March issue of *Nord Stern* and “On the Merits of Time Trialing” is in the April issue. If you’ve done a time trial or autocross in the past, but not for a while, those articles will refresh you on all the reasons to participate again.

The time trial and autocross schedule for 2003 includes the following six events. Be sure to note them on your calendar.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
April 27	Brainerd
May 1	St. Cloud
June 15	Brainerd
August 23	St. Cloud
August 29	Blackhawk
September 21	Brainerd

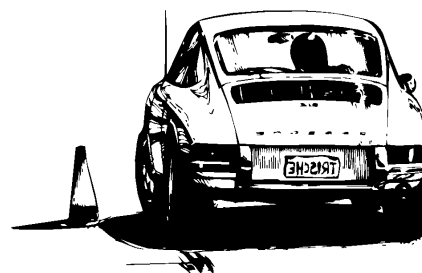


To join the series, all you have to do is compete in at least three events at two or more tracks. But you’ll want to do as many events as you can. Your best finishes in four of the six events will count toward the year end championship awards. Details are in the 2003 Rules, which you can find on our web site at [www.nordstern.org](http://www.nordstern.org). Click on “technical information.”

I’m busy co-opting the chairs of driver ed, rules, social, timing and scoring, and trophies to make this season the most exciting ever! Don’t miss out! Learn more! Be better! Have more fun! Participate! Stay tuned!

## **Join in at the Upcoming Spring Autocross! Sunday, May 11, 2003**

- **Eventmaster:** TBA
- **Cost:** \$35
- **Requirements:** Snell 95 or newer helmet,
- **Registration:** 9:00 a.m. at the event
- **Directions:** West on I-94 to St. Cloud, facility is on the north side of the highway just opposite the St. Cloud Prison.



# *Nord Stern Business Meeting Minutes*

## *April 1, 2003*

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The meeting was brought to order by President Scott Anderst. Last meeting until they resume in the fall.

**Membership:** membership numbers remain stable; there are still more than 150 who have not paid dues for 2003. The webmaster is preparing a database for the website. The new member social was very successful; combining it with another function made use of long-term members to answer questions. It is possible to renew membership at first fling registration. However, sending out dues reminders in the future via email will take the burden off registrars.

**Newsletter:** the next issue went to the printer last week.

**Advertising:** added one new advertiser this month.

**Social:** need budgeting limits for first fling. Will order through proper channels.

**Shop Relations:** there have been very good events. The Swap Meet was successful. Folks came from outside the metro area, and from other states; one table raised \$500. for the Courage Center from donations placed there. Combining the new member event with a tech session was a successful combination. On June 28<sup>th</sup>, there will be a picnic sponsored by Toad Hall Racing and The Complete Garage. Details will be published.

**Met Council:** the first event is Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, sponsored by MAC. There is nothing scheduled at the Dakota County facility this year.

**Driver Education:** the contract is signed with North Memorial. Payment was sent in to confirm the St. Cloud events. Cal Townsend and Larry Yost are co-event masters at First Fling.

**Safety:** Red Light negotiations continue; they will be at First Fling. Red Light must communicate with race control to reposition around the track. Club racing requires fire/rescue services, other events are part of the package.

Corner workers, race control, and pit out are confirmed for the season.

To comply with PCA rules, non-driving participants invited by members to ride with instructors need to register and pay a legitimate fee, the amount to be determined by the board. Details for monitoring this will be forthcoming; club members are expected to treat

everyone equally. Guidelines will be clearly communicated at drivers meetings. .

Parade laps will be up to the event master(s) to organize and will be required to follow strict rules as outlined by safety. Primary guidelines include use of a lead car and end car-with no stragglers let out once laps have begun. There should be no cars on the track during that period unless under the above conditions.

National guidelines for equivalent safety strongly recommend equal passenger/driver restraints. This will be optional this year, with compliance to follow next year. This will be posted as a rule change.

Safety has determined to keep the window rule the same as last year.

Instructors not registered for DE must register separately. Lee will update the current instructor list.

**Driver Training:** about 20 people are registered for the first event to date. Lee will communicate with instructors, needs lecturers.

**BIR Relations & Club Race:** spec racers confirmed for club race weekend.

**Rules:** schedule published in May for rules comments and procedures for change.

**Autocross and Time Trials:** new chair position.

**Registrar:** have some registered for the first events; information regarding number changes is posted in Nord Stern; guidelines will be refined and posted frequently as they take effect.

**Concour:** This year is confirmed for Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, with the City of Afton Park. Only approved funds will cover any expenditures.

**Rally:** scheduled on July 27; event master requests help in different areas-has a list of folks to contact; the venue is in place for SW metro area. An organization meeting is planned on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Ambassador to New Members:** in conversations with members, most contacts ask about renewing membership; it is not clear that dues should be paid in January of each year; many expect an invoice. Could make up a membership package outlining all of the club activities to hand out to new members.

The Wine Tasting event is back to Lindey's on April 11th. Response is good.

**Merchandise:** no report

**Timing/Scoring:** DE and timed events are under club insurance rules as one event. However, once DE ends and timing starts, the event cannot go back to DE.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Eleanor Renwick

## March Business Minutes

*... continued from page 10*

is little activity in that month and try to attract more social oriented or cabriolet owner/participants, and open to other clubs. Scott asked for budget information, Chris volunteered her husband to help. Call Jim 6 weeks prior to the event for insurance coverage. Looking for a sponsor.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, April 1, at 7:00 p.m. at Lindey's in Medicine Lake. No meeting in May.

Respectfully submitted, Eleanor Renwick, Secretary

# Maplewood Imports Auto Fair Sunday, May 18, 2003 10:00 am to 2:00 pm



Dust off your favorite car and celebrate the start of the summer driving season. On Sunday, May 18th, Maplewood Imports is hosting their Third Annual Auto Fair! From 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, the entire lot will be cleared to make room for your beautiful Audi, Porsche or Mercedes Benz.

All years and models are welcome!

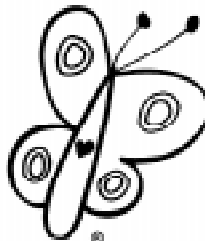
Awards to “People’s Choice” for Audi, Porsche and Mercedes Benz

Hot dogs and soft drinks will be provided and showrooms will be open to peruse the latest offerings from Germany’s finest automakers.

If you would like to show your car and enjoy a great day with other aficionados, please contact the event chairman, George Andeweg at 651 483-2681, or by email at: [gandeweg@hotmail.com](mailto:gandeweg@hotmail.com).

Then get ready to “Buff Your Stuff” and show it at the Maplewood Imports Auto Fair.

All proceeds to benefit  
CCRF!



Children's Cancer Research Fund

# On view at Carousel Auto/Swap Meet

photos by Ed Hazelwood and Roger Johnson



A session discussion ensues as a group debates the purchase of "Social" Ed's (editor's note: not to be confused with "Tech" Ed!) wheels for sale.



Carousel Automobiles provided an excellent space for the swap meet and buyers arrived very early looking for the bargains.



A large turnout of both sellers and buyers, with every imaginable Porsche model and type represented.



By mid-morning the entire place was full. Harvey Robideau (left) contemplates a purchase for his fast 911!



The search for those treasures goes on!



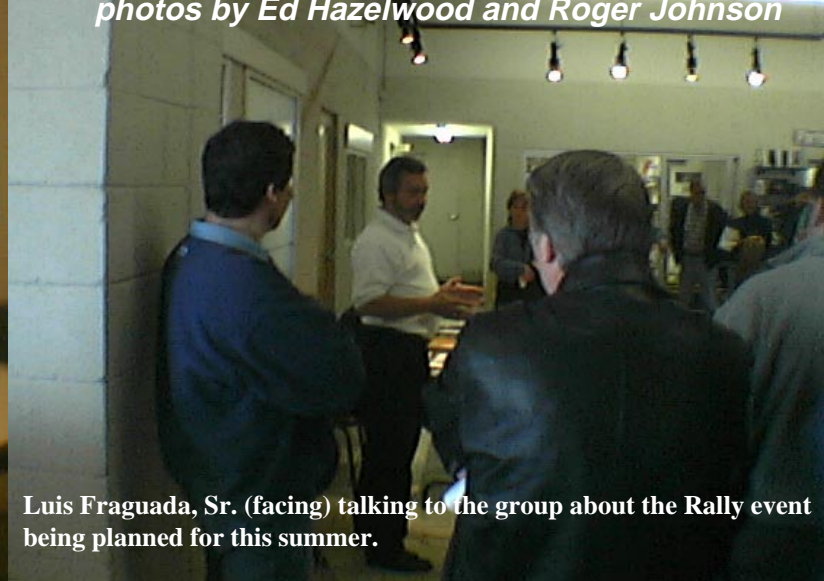
Mark Bouljon (2nd from right) of Carousel receiving an award from Keith Jones (2nd from left) for hosting the event and for the contributions to the Courage Center. Also, pictured are Scott Anderst, right, Nord Stern President and Ed Hazelwood, left (eventmaster).

# *On View at Maplewood Imports March 29<sup>th</sup>*

*photos by Ed Hazelwood and Roger Johnson*



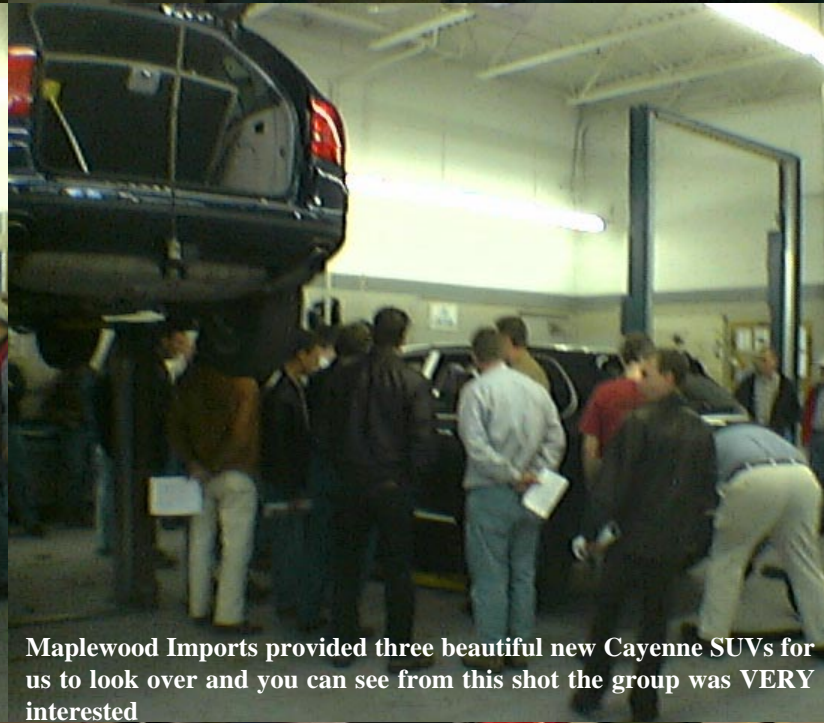
George Andeweg our host from Maplewood Imports addressing Nord Stern members and providing an excellent detailed talk on the developed of the new Porsche-the Cayenne. Maplewood hosted this tech session to introduce the new Cayenne.



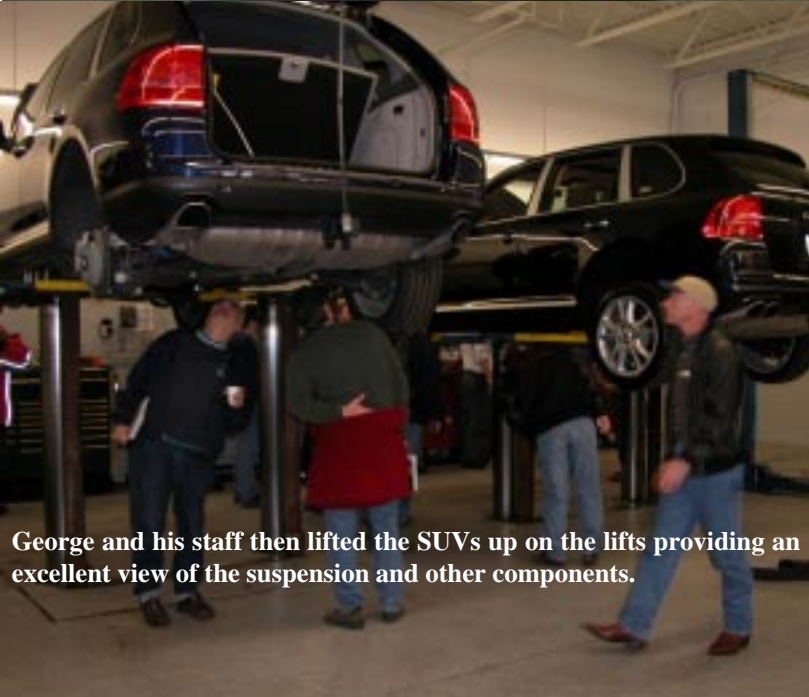
Luis Fraguada, Sr. (facing) talking to the group about the Rally event being planned for this summer.



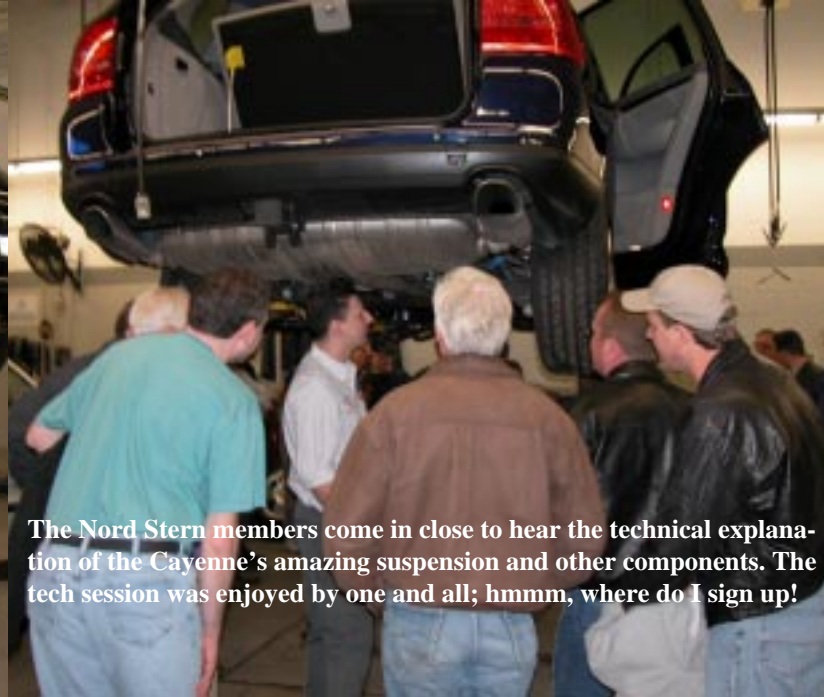
The first Cayenne was a beautiful black Turbo!



Maplewood Imports provided three beautiful new Cayenne SUVs for us to look over and you can see from this shot the group was VERY interested



George and his staff then lifted the SUVs up on the lifts providing an excellent view of the suspension and other components.



The Nord Stern members come in close to hear the technical explanation of the Cayenne's amazing suspension and other components. The tech session was enjoyed by one and all; hmmm, where do I sign up!



The Ultimate Combination  
Mercedes-Benz ● Porsche ● Audi ● BMW ● VW

## German Carfest 2003 Saturday, June 7th

**M**ark your calendars now for the 9th Annual German CarFest, picnic and car show. Members from the Audi Quattro, BMW, Mercedes-Benz, Fahr North Porsche 356, Nord Stern PCA and the VW Clubs will all gather, just like last year, at Schaar's Bluff Picnic Area in Spring Lake Park Reserve overlooking the Mississippi, just northwest of Hastings, off County Rd. 42.

Spring Lake Park is one of the rest stops along the Great River Road. It is a study in contrasts with Oak woods and open fields on the high rocky bluff tops which rise more than 100 feet above the Mississippi. Schaar's Bluff is a perfect setting for the German CarFest. There are blacktop roads with parking available in both sunny and shaded areas.

We plan on a full day of fun for those attending. Food will be served between 11:00 am and 1:00 pm at a nominal cost: pop and brats with all the trimmings. There will be a car show, tech events, a lot of socializing and a great time for all. We kindly ask you for a small contribution of \$5 per person to help us defray the cost of organizing the event, such as renting the park, cost of trophies, etc.

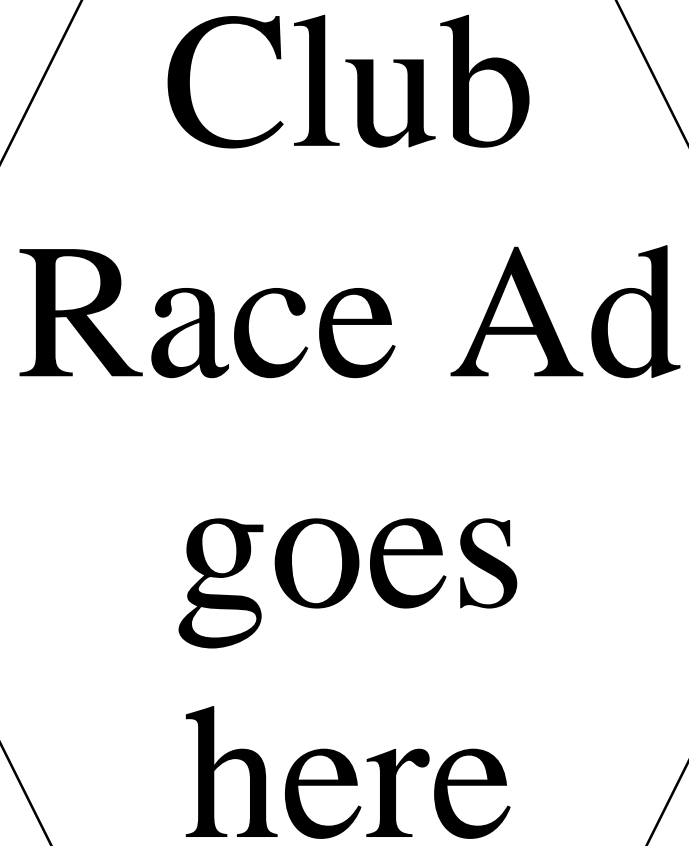
### 2003 Schedule

9:00 AM	<b> Gates open:</b> Registration for Car Show, Ding & Dent Removal
10:00 AM-Noon	<b> Ding &amp; Dent Removal Tech Session</b> by Jurgen Holzer/50% off
10:00 AM-Noon	<b> People's Choice Car Show:</b> bring your car to show, trophy awards will be given at 1:00 pm, based on people's choice
10:30 AM-3 PM	<b> Collision Center, Inc.:</b> Technicians will be on hand to advise you on any body work/repairs you might need
10:00 AM-3 PM	<b> Twin City Tire &amp; Auto Service:</b> Owner Jim Miller will educate you on the newest developments in tire technology and answer any questions you may have.
10:00 AM-3 PM	<b> Artist Michael Jekot:</b> His automotive fine art will be displayed
3:00 PM	<b> German CarFest ends:</b> See you next year!

This is the big social event of the year for German automobile enthusiasts. We hope that you will come early and spend the day with us, enjoying the variety of activities and the fine scenery. Bring a friend and your favorite German car!

**The Bavarian Musikmeister, a great German brass band, will entertain us, courtesy of Rheinfest-on-the-Mississippi!**

**Directions:** South on Hwy 55/52, then follow Hwy 55 towards Hastings, take Co. Rd. 42 east in the Spring Lake Park Reserve, turn left into the Schaar's Bluff Picnic Area.



Club  
Race Ad  
goes  
here

# *Countdown to Club Racing . . .*

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*by Roger Johnson, Club Race Eventmaster*



Here it is – the new logo for our Club Race. It has the elements of going “up north” as well as a strong Porsche image. We also needed something that would embroider or silk screen well. But most of all, it had to be fun. Thus “Loonacy”. The goal is to make this logo recognizable on a national basis. We have many racers who travel to races all over the country and when they wear something with this logo on it we want people to immediately associate the logo with Nord Stern’s Club Race. Across the board we have increased our promotional activities to attract more racers from around the country. Thanks to Carmichael-Lynch Advertising for creating this ad campaign.

One more bit of news: Donnybrooke will again make Spec Racers available to rent. You don’t need to own a race car to race with us! Nor will you need a PCA Club Racing license. See Donnybrooke’s ads elsewhere in this issue and give them a call.

# Kalender

## May 2003

- 9 Nord Stern Friday Night Social  
*Location: The Cafe Havana (downtown Mpls)*  
*Time: 7:00 pm*  
Eventmaster: Roy Henneberger  
R.S.V.P. 952 454-7716 or henneb@charter.net
- 11 Nord Stern Autocross at St. Cloud  
See page 11  
Eventmaster: Help needed
- 18\* Third Annual Maplewood Imports Auto Fair  
*Location: Maplewood Imports*  
*Time: 10:00 AM*  
Eventmaster: George Andeweg 651 483-2681  
See pg. 14

## June 2003

- 6 Nord Stern Friday Night Social  
*Location: Maynards in Excelsior*  
*Time: 7:00 pm*  
Eventmaster: Roy Henneberger  
R.S.V.P. 952 454-7716 or henneb@charter.net
- 7\* Annual German Car Fest at Schaar's Bluff Park in Hastings - See pg. 17
- 13 Nord Stern Driver Training at BIR
- 14,15 Nord Stern Driver Education and Time Trials—Fast Fling at BIR
- 21\*\* Concours Prep Tech Session at Maplewood Imports at 10:00 AM  
Eventmasters: Mitch Berry 952 882-2959 and Jeremy Peterson 952 361-6434
- 28\*\* Tech Session Extraordinaire by the Lake—Peter Kitchak Racecar Collection  
**11:00 am to 3:00 pm**  
**Refreshments Provided/Sponsored by The Complete Garage and Toad Hall Racing!**  
Eventmaster: Ed Hazelwood 651 705-1239

## July 2003

- 11 Nord Stern Friday Night Social  
*Location: Toby's On The Lake (Oakdale on Hwy 120 at I94), Time: 7:00 pm*  
Eventmaster: Roy Henneberger  
R.S.V.P. 952 454-7716 or henneb@charter.net

- 14,15 Nord Stern Driver Education at Road America, Monday/Tuesday event
- 27\*\* "Gimmick Rally" See pg. 33  
Eventmaster: Luis Fraguada, Sr.  
Call for info/volunteer 651 733-6337 (work)  
952 496-2288 (home) Details to follow . . .

## August 2003

- 8 Nord Stern Driver Training and/or Driver Education at BIR
- 9, 10 Nord Stern Driver Education & Club Race
- 15 Nord Stern Friday Night Social  
*Location: Maynards in Excelsior*  
*Time: 7 pm*  
Eventmaster: Roy Henneberger  
R.S.V.P. 952 454-7716 or henneb@charter.net
- 17\*\* Annual Concours at Afton City Park Sponsored by Maplewood Imports and Carousel Automobiles  
Eventmasters: Mitch Berry 952 882-2959 and Jeremy Peterson 952 361-6434
- 23 Nord Stern Autocross at St. Cloud  
Eventmaster: Help needed
- 28,29 Nord Stern at Blackhawk Farms (PLEASE NOTE: DATE CHANGE)  
Eventmaster: Ron Lewis 952 932-0505

## September 2003

- 2 Nord Stern Business Meeting - 1st Tuesday  
*Location: TBA Time: 6:30 pm*  
Eventmaster: Scott Anderst 651 462-0526 or SAnderst@braille-scs.com
- 12 Nord Stern Friday Night Social  
*Location: Town Hall Brewery—Mpls. at 7 Corners, Time: 7:00 pm*  
Eventmaster: Roy Henneberger  
R.S.V.P. 952 454-7716 or henneb@charter.net
- 19 Nord Stern Driver Training at BIR
- 20,21 Nord Stern Driver Education—Last Fling BIR
- 26-28 11th Annual Nord Stern Fall Color Tour—Blue Fin Bay  
Eventmaster: John Dixon 952 939-9071 or email at: eyerack@tcq.net

\*\* Note Newer Events!

## October

2003

- 7 **Nord Stern Business Meeting** - 1st Tuesday  
*Location: TBA Time: 6:30 pm*  
Eventmaster: Scott Anderst 651 462-0526 or  
SAnderst@braille-scs.com
- 10 **Nord Stern Friday Night Social**  
*Location: The Black Forest Inn at 26th Ave.  
and Nicollet Ave. S.*  
*Time: 7:00 pm* - Octoberfest Time!  
Eventmaster: Roy Henneberger  
R.S.V.P. 952 454-7716 or henneb@charter.net
- 18 **Nord Stern Annual Dinner and Awards**  
*Location & Time: TBA*  
Mark your calendar now to join as we celebrate  
the year with a multimedia presentation!

## November

2003

- 4 **Nord Stern Business Meeting** - 1st Tuesday  
*Location: TBA Time: 6:30 pm*  
Eventmaster: Scott Anderst 651 462-0526 or  
SAnderst@braille-scs.com

- 14 **Nord Stern Friday Night Social**  
*Location: TBA - seeking suggestions!*  
*Time: 7 pm*  
Eventmaster: Roy Henneberger  
R.S.V.P. 952 454-7716 or henneb@charter.net

## December

2003

- 2 **Nord Stern Business Meeting** - 1st Tuesday  
*Location: TBA Time: 6:30 pm*  
Eventmaster: Scott Anderst 651 462-0526 or  
SAnderst@braille-scs.com
- 12 **Nord Stern Friday Night Social**  
*Location: The Dock in Stillwater*  
*Time: 7:00 pm*  
Eventmaster: Roy Henneberger  
R.S.V.P. 952 454-7716 or henneb@charter.net

# Tech Session Extraordinaire by the Lake

## Sunday, June 28, 2003



**Toad Hall Racing**

11:00 am to 3:00 pm

Sponsored by:  
Toad Hall Racing and  
The Complete Garage

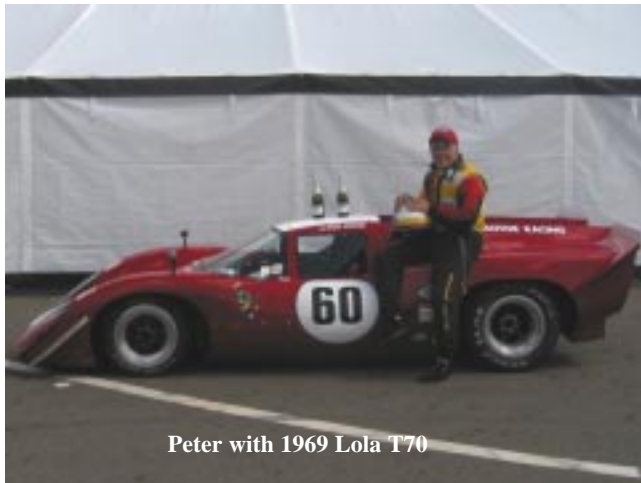
THE  
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Join us at Peter Kitchak's home on Lake Minnetonka to admire his racecars, and talk about his many race experiences. Peter and Doug Arndt have agreed to host this wonderful day of cars, socializing, beer and brats, perhaps a tour of the lake area, and a tour of Peter's garage prepared by Doug Arndt of "The Complete Garage."



911R at Laguna Seca

Peter Kitchak has raced extensively, going back to his International Ice Racing championship in 1971 racing a Porsche. He continued with vintage racing, Porsche Club Racing, and in the 90's pro racing, almost always in a Porsche.



Peter with 1969 Lola T70

Highlights of his career include winning the 1997 Minneapolis Grand Prix World Challenge race, winning the GT2 class at the Daytona 24 hours in 1998, placing second in SCCA World Challenge in 1999

(losing the championship by only one point), and this past year winning several classes in Historic Sports Car Racing.

Peter also has an extensive car collection. His primary focus is historic Porsches but he also has other historic race cars, including a 1969 Lola T70. This will be a rare opportunity to see a private collection owned by one of Nord Stern own members.

Among the cars that Peter currently owns is a 1967 911R, one of 19 special ultra lightweights, with

which the factory set five long distance speed records at Monza in 1969, a 1970 911S Monte Carlo Rallye prototype that paced second



1973 RSR at Daytona

in the Monte Carlo rallye that year and has subsequently been driven by Peter in various vintage races, including first place in the 1997 Minneapolis Grand Prix vintage race, a rare 1984 954 SCRS rallye car, several RSR's, including the 1973 RSR Super Carrera that won overall in the 1973 Targa Florio race, a 1973 Carrera RS lightweight, and various other Porsches, Lolas, etc.

The specific cars that will be present will depend upon space and time limitations, as many of the race cars are kept by Peter in Texas but he plans to have as many of the cars in his collection as possible present for this event. It should be a wonderful time. Bring your Porsche and plan to have a great time, with food, beverage, good friends and wonderful cars.



**See you there!!**



# Fast Fling Driver Training

## Friday, June 13, 2003

at Brainerd International Raceway

■ **Eventmaster:** Lee Jacobsohn 952 922-8485 and Dave Ingraham 612 799-0520

**Novice Class:** For drivers who have not attended a (or attended no more than one) Nord Stern high speed driving event at Brainerd Raceway. This class will prepare you to safely participate in Nord Stern Drivers Education events. Cost \$110 per person ( one driver per car). Limited to 20 students.

**Intermediate Class:** For drivers who have attended the Nord Stern Novice Class, or similar high speed school utilizing production based street cars, and have participated in less than six DE events in the last six years. This class builds on the topics covered in the novice class with a concentration on advanced car control techniques and cornering lines. Cost: \$110 per person (one driver per car). Limited to 20 students.

**Advanced Lapping sessions:** For drivers who have attended the Nord Stern intermediate school in the past and desire additional track time. Two lapping sessions will be provided on Friday afternoon. Instructors may be available at the drivers request. Cost \$55. Limited to 24 cars.

**Requirements:** Car must have passed a Nord Stern annual Tech inspection in 2003. Open top cars must have factory rollover protection or a roll bar that meets PCA club racing rules. Must be a valid PCA member and have a valid drivers license, must be over 18 years of age.

**REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 10TH, LATE FEE \$25**



Rush this form along with your check payable to Nord Stern to:



Lee Jacobsohn  
4849 Russell Ave. S.  
Minneapolis, MN 55410

Driver \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(Wk/Hm) \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Car \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Novice \_\_\_\_\_ Intermediate \_\_\_\_\_ Advanced laping \_\_\_\_\_

Class, if known \_\_\_\_\_ Prior high speed school? \_\_\_\_\_

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_



# Fast Fling Driver Education

## Saturday & Sunday, June 14 & 15 , 2003

*Brainerd International Raceway is a superb, three-mile road course,  
situated six miles north of Brainerd, Minnesota*

- **Eventmaster/s:** TBA for each DE Event
- **Cost:** \$120 per person; \$100 second person, same car
- **Requirements:** Snell 95 or newer helmet, A fire extinguisher (5 b-c min.) is required. It must be securely mounted using a metal bracket, roll bar (to Club Racing specifications) for cabriolets, 96 db noise limit, PCA Membership Card & valid driver's license
- **Experience:** To participate, you must have Nord Stern or other approved driver's training experience.
- **Tech Inspection:** Mail in form with registration, form available in Nord Stern or downloadable from Nord Stern website (PDF format) [www.nordstern.org](http://www.nordstern.org)
- **Refund Policy:** **Registration deadline is June 7th. Late Fee: \$40, however, FULL refund if you cancel by calling at least one day before event.**

*Rush this form along with your check payable to Nord Stern to:*

Janine/Todd Knettel  
1108 Goldenrod Lane  
Shakopee, MN 55379

Driver \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Driver \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(Wk/Hm) \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Car \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Check one: First Fling \_\_\_\_\_ June Fling \_\_\_\_\_ Club Race DE \_\_\_\_\_ Last Fling \_\_\_\_\_

Best Time BIR \_\_\_\_\_ Best time co-driver BIR \_\_\_\_\_

NS Assigned Car Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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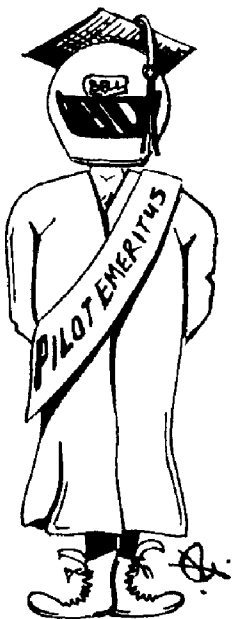
Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Co:Driver \_\_\_\_\_

# *Preparing for your first (or next) Autocross—Or: All the questions I should have asked and things I should have thought of!*

*by Bob Fleming, updated by Bruce Boeder 2003*

*“Believe me, you cannot get this much information, training, and fun anywhere else for the price. As a bonus, you will meet and become lasting friends with some of the neatest people in the world.”*



Here we are, smack into the beginning of the 2003 driving season and I thought it worth rerunning this favorite article which has been around awhile as the advice and info is still timely. Thanks to Bruce for a little updating! While this would have been more timely in the April issue, it just might help some of the newer members who are thinking about trying DE this year or already are planning on it! Never can get too much advice, in my opinion.

Scared? So was I the first time. Now I wouldn't miss it for the world. We Porsche Pilots are also concerned about each other and are willing and able to help you gain the knowledge to properly drive and care for your Porsche, be it a 1948 or a 1998 model or a 2003 GT3!

#### **Don't know about how to:**

- bleed your brakes? - we'll show you;
- change pads? - we'll show you;
- gap plugs, set proper tire pressure for track or street? - we'll show you.

Believe me, you cannot get this much information, training, and fun anywhere else for the price. As a bonus, you will meet and become lasting friends with some of the neatest people in the world.

#### **Try it, you'll like it!**

Below is a things to bring list. It is not infallible, but it will help. If you have any questions call our illustrious eventmasters.

#### **Things to Bring:**

- Drivers clothes: long sleeve cotton shirt and pants are required - no shorts while on track, closed toe shoes while driving.
- Helmet 1990 Snell rating or better.
- Fire Extinguisher installed in your car, Halon preferred, 2 1/2 pounds.
- Rain Gear (just in case mother nature doesn't cooperate).
- Sun tan lotion (just in case mother nature over-cooperates).
- Warm clothes/Cool clothes - Hey, this is Minnesota!
- Hat, sun visor, sun glasses (the sun can be awfully bright).
- Wheel lock keys - if you have such.
- Tire pressure gauge get a good one (first timers can borrow).
- Rags and paper towels - you will need them.
- Brake pads especially if those on your car are not fresh.

- ➔ Brake fluid change it this spring. Castrol LMA or synthetic Wilwood 750 are good. (Don't mix these!) Bring 1 - 2 cans.
- ➔ Bottle for capturing spent brake fluid.
- ➔ Ground cloth preferably waterproof to cover your belongings.
- ➔ Trash bags large size for storage and rain gear substitute.
- ➔ Oil - bring your type. Should have 10w-40, 15w-50 or 20w-50 in the car. You don't want to mix fluids.
- ➔ Lug wrench or preferably a torque wrench.
- ➔ Duct tape - the all-purpose tool.
- ➔ Shop manual if you have one.
- ➔ Hand cleaner.
- ➔ Sponge and Ivory liquid - fact: clean cars go faster.
- ➔ Window cleaner - fact: if you can see where you are going, you can go faster.
- ➔ Toolbox and tools open-ended metric wrenches, 3/8 metric sockets and drive, screwdrivers, pliers, fuses, and knife are basic necessities.
- ➔ Camera and film
- ➔ Numbers for your car are NOT supplied by Nord Stern —you can use white tape or vinyl numbers.

**Questions to Ask Yourself:**

- ➔ Do I have a current Nord Stern Tech Inspection form completed for my car?
- ➔ Is my Tech Inspection form on file with the registrar? See page 28 of this issue!


The only other advice I can offer is to make an effort to leave all your troubles at home, you won't need them on the track, they will still be there for you when you get back. A bonus is that you will probably be better to deal with them after you had an exhilarating day or two at BIR. Smile a lot, have a great time, and keep the shiny side up.

**Places to Stay:**

- ➔ Super 8, Brainerd 800-800-8000
- ➔ Days Stop, Nisswa 218-963-3500
- ➔ AmericInn, Brainerd 800-634-3444
- ➔ Holiday Inn, Brainerd 218-829-1441

Editor's Note: There are many more motels (Hawthorne Suites, Country Inn & Suites, etc.) in the area, contact the Brainerd Chamber of Commerce for other options. One caution, places fill fast and it is not unheard of to book rooms for all the events knowing that there might be an occasion or two when you need to cancel a reservation. Our motto being, it's better to be safe than sorry. With that note, also, rooms sometimes are available at the last moment from other club members who often will 'advertise' availability via our handy ClubTalk/TechTalk email listserv. Contact our webmaster to join up, if you aren't already. One of the better deals in town, you won't be peppered with tons of unwanted emails as members do a nice job of using it for informative purposes and occasional varied discussions. Email Mike Selner at [webmaster@nordstern.org](mailto:webmaster@nordstern.org).

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# Nord Stern Driver Education Tech Form

Porsche Club of America, Nord Stern Region

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**PCA Member #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Drivers License #** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Required) (Required)

Car Number \_\_\_\_\_ Best Time @ CBIR \_\_\_\_\_ Nord Stern Car Class \_\_\_\_\_

Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Engine \_\_\_\_\_

List Modifications to Engine, Drive train, Suspension, Brakes and Wheels on back of this form.

## Technical Safety Inspection

To be completed by qualified shop or inspector.

Shop/Inspector Performing Tech \_\_\_\_\_ Shop Stamp: \_\_\_\_\_

Lights	Pass	Brakes/Wheels/Tires	Pass	Interior	Pass
Headlights	_____	Tires/Wear	_____	Steering/Play	_____
Front Signals	_____	Wheel Bearings	_____	Brake Pedal/Firm	_____
Rear Signals	_____	Rotors/Scored/Cracked	_____	Seat Belts/Anchors	_____
Tail Lights	_____	Brake Fluid/Full/Clean	_____	Fire Ext./Full/Mounting	_____
Brake Lights	_____	Brake Lines	_____	Helmet Snell 90/Better	_____

Suspension	Pass	Engine/Trans.	Pass	Other Misc. Items	Pass
Shocks/Leaks	_____	Fan Belts/Cracks/Tight	_____	Spare Tire/Secure	_____
Susp. Travel/Noise	_____	Fuel or Oil Leaks	_____	Battery/Secure	_____
Susp. Mounts/Rust	_____	Hoses, Wiring/Secure	_____	Windshield Wipers	_____
Tie Rods/Tight	_____	Transmission/Leaks	_____	Roll Bar 1" above occpts.	_____
Ball Joints/Tight	_____	Throttle Return	_____	head/s for Open cars	_____
Engine Mounts/Cracks	_____	CV Joints/Tight/Dry	_____	(Including Boxster)	_____

### Condition of:

Brake Pads \_\_\_\_\_ Tires/Wear \_\_\_\_\_

Is shop re-inspection required Yes No

Items to be corrected \_\_\_\_\_

(Continue on back)

The driver/owner has read and agrees to abide by the Nord Stern Driver's Education Rules. **High speed driving is an inherently dangerous activity. The passing of this technical inspection means that the automobile has met certain minimum safety standards for participation in a driver's education event. However, no technical inspection can uncover all possible defects nor predict all unforeseen circumstances. Neither Nord Stern Region of the Porsche Club of America, Inc. nor the technical inspector makes any express or implied warranty of fitness for any purpose. It is the ultimate responsibility of the automobile owner and driver to insure the safe operation of this vehicle, and to maintain the car's safe operating condition over the course of the season.** In order to participate in any Nord Stern driving event all registered drivers must present a valid PCA Membership Card and Driver's License. Nord Stern Regions reserves the right to exclude any individual.

**Driver/Owner's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

# *Need Help—Have a Question? or, who you gonna call!*



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checks out the “P” car. That look tells me she is really  
thinking, “but Dad, where are the keys?!”  
photo by Jeremy Peterson**

**Editor’s Note: Send me your favorite photo of your car!  
I can always use more pictures!**



# *Rectifying the Rectitude of a Door Window*

*by Arthur Cunningham, Milwaukee Region, Steinlifters*

*“At first snowfall last  
December, which  
signaled the last drive  
of my 911 for awhile,  
I clearly remember,  
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hear, “Rectifying  
Rectitude! I’m going  
to fix this window  
once and for all!”*

“(Our) Original German regulators cure hesitant, jamming, or non-functioning window operation. All our window regulators are the triple arm style . . . to fully restore window operation . . .” (Performance Products). For several years now, I have read this catalog advertisement giving me more than a hint that my incorrigible window was not unusual to our marque.

At first snowfall last December, which signaled the last drive of my 911 for awhile, I clearly remember, while arduously winding up that dad burned window exclaiming loud enough for the neighbors to hear, “*Rectifying Rectitude! I’m going to fix this window once and for all!*”

How many times had I taken a day to try to fix that stubborn hard cranking window? At least four times, maybe five times, I am sure. I’ve adjusted, ground off securing bolts, changed the felt twice, cut out side edges down inside the door, used gobs of *Syl Glide*, replaced the register, WD-40 and re-greased, bent the frame—not to mention the handle repairs—lost bolts and scratched the door top!

It is not much fun to undo the pockets, let them hang down, take off the arm rest, take out the radio speaker, unveil the vapor barrier plastic sheeting, take out the fastening bolts at the ends of the frame and inside the door. It is something you have to steel yourself for . . . and I had done it FOUR OR FIVE TIMES!

At times like these, which I refer to as ‘the onset of self-inflicted synapse rigor-mortis,’ I recall Lewis Carroll’s great lines in *Alice in Wonderland*:

“You are old (Arthur),” the young man said,  
and your hair has become very (thin);  
And yet you incessantly stand on your head—  
“Do you think, at your age, it is right?”  
“In my youth,” (Arthur) replied to his son,  
I feared that it might injure the brain;  
But now that I’m perfectly sure I have none,  
Why, I do it again and again.”

I was only going to stand on my head one more time for this incommodious car window, if it takes all winter . . . and a new three-arm regulator.

I logged onto **Porsche Park** and requested of “Sir Fred” Webmaster a “Wanted to Buy” classified in the *Steinlifters* for a used “driver’s side window frame for a ‘73 911” figuring that was the real problem needing rectitude. The one liner in the next issue embarrassed me profoundly for some reason. Maybe it was just seeing my name, or asking for some recondite piece among the usual surfeit of cars and wheels. But more than likely it was an ego impetus, just thinking that someone would say to him/herself, “*How the hell could that guy have ruined one of those frames—did he (or his ex-significant other?) hit it with a sledge hammer?!*” Besides, who might have a spare ‘73 window frame just lying around? Hah! I had no response from the want ad.

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## Rectifying

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Choosing a Saturday some 15 days hence for this last, last invasive procedure of dismantling the old window for repairs, I called an outfit in Chicago that would send a used frame in three days for \$75 plus shipping and handling.

It was the day before D-Day and no window frame. On the phone, the proprietor responded, after a significant shuffling of paper, *“Oh, I remember that. Err-r, it must have gotten lost somewhere here on my desk. Would you like to give me the order again?”* Gentle reader, you must know how I kindly demurred, *“No, no thank you, my dear fellow, it’s quite all right. I’ll just make do with mine.”*

On the living room floor next morn, while watching a Kansas University Jay Hawks-Arizona Wildcats basketball game on TV, I really eyeballed the frame, glass and fit, slowly and painstakingly. Hmmm. There are squashed, flat sections in the felt which pinpoint tight and binding spots. I always thought that the problem was in the lateral

two sides—outside and inside—but this indentation was caused by the end edges of the window, front and back. Bend them and get more end play?? Not possible. Anyway, the fastening bolts should do that as far as is possible outwardly in the door.

Using some old gloves to cushion the frame within the vise, I used the power grinder to create a furrow about a 1/4 inch deep in the frame behind the squashed areas. My beautiful bride of 34 years noted *“a crappy smell of burning garbanzo beans or some other unpleasantness,”* emanating from the grinding process. *“This has to be it,”* I said to myself. I put the felt back in, reassembled the frame and window in the door, slide on the crank. *“Hot spit and Holy Zuffy! I got it!”* No more Lewis Carroll and no sledge hammer.

From time to time, I go out to the garage and sit in ‘Shadow,’ cranking the window up and down in disbelief. I look forward to springtime and the open road!





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# *Tips About Concours Judging*

*by Demetrios Mirassis, Metro New York Region (from PORSCHE POST)*

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and the storage  
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for dirt and debris.”*

Editor’s Note: It’s getting to be that time of the year so in the interest of ‘tweaking’ your interest, I thought this article nicely puts together some of the dos and don’ts for concours events. Our annual concour will once again be in downtown Afton on the third Sunday in August and is sponsored by Maplewood Imports and Carousel Automobiles. Traditionally this has been a wonderful day to enjoy Afton, the cars, the park itself with its surrounding businesses (great garden shop, ice cream cones!), fellow car nuts and generally have a good time. For those of you who understand the art of concours better than I, I would welcome any submissions to further educate us neophytes!

Spring is nearly upon us. Porsches are coming out of their cocoons. Metro members are preparing them for the various events coming up: Autocross, Track, Rally and, of course, Concours. Here is where I come in. If you read on, you will come to many concours tips geared toward novice participants. But I must give credit where it is due. Metro’s Concours Guru, Charles Mekeel, and I sat down for brunch on a recent Sunday with Henry Hoeh to discuss some ideas about the sport. Thanks to you both, guys.

## **What do Judges look for?**

- Before judging begins, every car is “perfect.” Judges look for imperfections and deduct points.
- Preparation: Cleanliness, absence of scratches, dings and dents. A stone chip that was touched up will fare better than one on which no effort to repair had been extended. Stuff happens, but you can’t ignore those chips. The judges won’t overlook them.
- PCA judging is “Hands On.” Expect to have your car’s engine probed, its seat cushions parted, and the storage compartment checked for dirt and debris.

## **What should, or should not, be in the car?**

- Whatever came with the car from the factory should be in the car. This includes owner’s manual, spare tire, tool kit, jack and air compressor (if factory supplied).
- Take out anything not supplied by the factory: After-market mats, maps, tissues, loose change, radar detectors, CDs, cellular telephones, etc.

## **Most common mistakes**

- Lack of knowledge about what will be judged.
- Not emptying the glove compartment.
- Attempting to prepare and clean the car the day before an event. You are supposed to be competing in a show, not trying to sell the car to a neighbor.
- Too many novices focus 90% of their efforts on polishing and waxing, and the other 10% on whatever there's time left to work on.
- Spending too much time on the shiny areas and not enough in obscure places (e.g., pedal cluster).

- Applying too much dressing to seats and tires (a huge pet peeve of mine). If a judge runs a hand across the dashboard and it comes up greasy, oily, or messy, expect points to be deducted.

### **Human Nature and Judging**

- Properly trained judges tend to go to the same places on each car. Know your car, but more importantly, know your judges. Follow them around your car. Watch them at work. The judge will know you are focused and care about what's going on, not off looking at everyone else's car. You can learn much by watching a judge walk around your Porsche. But do not distract the judges, which might imply an attempt at deception.
- First impressions count. Make sure your car is shiny as the judges walk up to it. This is the only time the shine will have a subconscious effect since only the exterior judge will look at it carefully and even then, really will be looking past the shine into the paint itself. When the doors are opened does the interior smell like leather or will an aroma reminiscent of Kentucky Fried Chicken overwhelm the interior judge? This judge will appreciate it if you open the windows a bit to let the car air out. Judges do not like to be uncomfortable. After all, they are volunteers and not being paid to do this job.
- Judges are human. They occasionally make errors, so check your score sheets when returned.
- Be smart enough to avoid antagonizing the judges. Some of the same crew may judge at the next event you enter. Try to remember that this is a competition but still needs to remain on a friendly level. Many of the people against whom you compete are your friends.
- Finally, be patient. At the end of the day, everyone is tired, anxious to get the award ceremony over and go home. Determining the winners does take time, but do't try to hurry the scorers. (editor's note: I do believe we are very respectful of those judging at our concours and should count ourselves fortunate!) Let them work in peace. The sooner they can arrange the order of finish and give out trophies, the better. And always remember to keep the shiny side up.

# Porsche Trivia Quiz

compiled by Mary Anne Nowakowski, Chicago Scene

- 1. What was the gift presented to Ferry Porsche by his employees on his 60th birthday?**
  - A A stainless steel Swish wristwatch engraved on the back with the Porsche crest.
  - B A 914/8, with a 260-hp 8-cylinder engine from the 908.
  - C A ceramic 911 hood, initialed by each of the 1400 Porsche employees.
  - D No gift was received.
- 2. Which statement is true about the changes made in the 1959 model year Porsche 356?**
  - A The ashtray was removed from the face of the dashboard to under the center of the dash.
  - B Zenith dual-throat carburetors were added on the 1600 and 1600S engines, replacing Solexes.
  - C The Convertible D was introduced.
  - D The T-5 Technical Program was implemented.
- 3. When adjusting the headlights of a 993, what weight, if any, should be in the driver's seat?**
  - A One person or weight equal to 165 lbs.
  - B The driver's seat should be empty and moved completely forward on the seat rails.
  - C Approximately 25 lbs. should be in the driver's seat.
  - D The two front seats should have the same amount of weight to maintain lateral balance during adjustment.
- 4. Where is the engine compartment lid release handled on a 911?**
  - A In the driver's side lock post.
  - B Adjacent to the heater control lever.
  - C In the center of the dash, just below the radio.
  - D Inside the right rear wheel well.
- 5. What is the recommended maximum speed of a Boxster, when using its spare wheel and tire?**
  - A 70 m.p.h.
  - B 60 m.p.h.
  - C 55 m.p.h.
  - D 50 m.p.h.
- 6. What is the recommended pressure in the spare tire of the Boxster?**
  - A 30 psi, front or rear
  - B 45 psi, front or rear
  - C 60 psi, front or rear
  - D 70 psi, front or rear
- 7. How many Constant Velocity (CV) joints do the rear axle of a 911 have?**
  - A The 911 is not equipped with CV joints.
  - B One
  - C Two
  - D Four
- 8. What was not a distinguishing characteristic of the 924 Turbo when it was introduced?**
  - A New pistons, cylinder head and combustion chamber design.
  - B A 3-spoke leather steering wheel.
  - C A 5-speed manual transmission.
  - D Air intakes below the hood.
- 9. Which of the following items was not removed from the 911 Carrera RS for weight reduction?**
  - A Door windows
  - B Doorsill trim
  - C Glove box lid
  - D Coat hooks
- 10. What do the initials "PEP" signify regarding Porsche design efforts?**
  - A It signifies collaboration with the Pep Boys chain of car parts.
  - B It is a German acronym that stands for the Weissch manufacturing plant.
  - C Porsche Experimental Prototypes, used to test design concepts built in modular form.
  - D It as an acronym that Ferry Porsche affectionately used to describe the original Gmund, Austria plant.

4. A	7. D	10. C
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# *Boxster Bath*

*By Steve Grosekemper, Windblown Witness/San Diego Region*

*“The car would not start, the top and door locks would not operate, and the lights were flashing like a bad 70’s disco video. . . “*

When you work in an automotive repair facility and it starts raining, it’s only a matter of time before the tow trucks start rolling in. Usually the problems range from dead batteries to wet ignition system failures. One particular morning, we were graced with what could only be described as a much younger German version of Stephen King’s Christine. It was a 1997 Boxster, which had an extreme case of demonic possession.

The car would not start, the top and door locks would not operate, and the lights were flashing like a bad 70’s disco video. Being suspicious of water damage on this very wet day, we started poking around and found a non-factory installed option for this Boxster; an indoor swimming pool.

Under the driver’s seat was about two inches of standing water. Normally this would be a small task for a good wet/dry vacuum. However on this model vehicle, a very important control unit was taking a bath in the depths of this new pool.

This little black box controls everything that is even remotely related to the alarm. This includes the top, the door locks, the windows, the lights, and of course the starting of the vehicle.

After removal and disassembly of the control unit, it was apparent that this was not a single incident damage issue. The printed circuit board showed extensive water damage that had occurred over a long period of time. Each time the car was washed a small amount of water would make its way to the pool area, and take a small bite out of this control unit. When the car was left in the torrential downpour, the control unit was drowned for the last time with no recovery.

A car should be able to withstand a little rain, shouldn’t it? Yes it should, and it would if all was well. But this Boxster had one tiny little problem, a tiny plastic problem. The problem was in the water drains for the convertible top. As water runs down the back of the top fabric, it drains into the top storage area. On the bottom of this area there are two drain holes, one on each side. In each drain hole is a little plastic umbrella. (See figure #1)

This umbrella is intended to keep dirt and debris from entering the drain hole and causing a blockage. When water is present, the umbrella floats, which uncovers the drain to allow water to exit the top storage area. In this case, the stem of the umbrella became



*Fig. 1: Notice the drain cover (umbrella) just above the drain hole.*

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## Boxster Bath

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brittle from the engine heat and broke off in the drain tube. With the left drain tube blocked, the water level increased until it had no place to go but behind the seat. (See figure #2) This is why you should check the carpet behind your seat after washing your car or leaving it in the rain. If it is wet, be sure to check the drain holes and their operation.



**Figure #2: When the drain holes become clogged, the excess water will saturate this back carpet piece until a pool of water collects under the seat (and over the control unit).**

Checking the drain tubes is easy; just activate the top until the metal cover is fully open with the top in the up position. Look in the top storage area to see if both drain covers are in place. Testing the drains is as easy as pouring some water over the drain holes, it should quickly drain onto the ground in front of the rear tires. If this is not the case, remove the drain covers and blow some compressed air through the drains. Anything caught in the drain should shoot out the bottom of the car. Do not replace the drain tube covers with new pieces if they are not there. Later cars do not have these covers. I can only assume that Porsche decided the covers were more trouble than they were worth!

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