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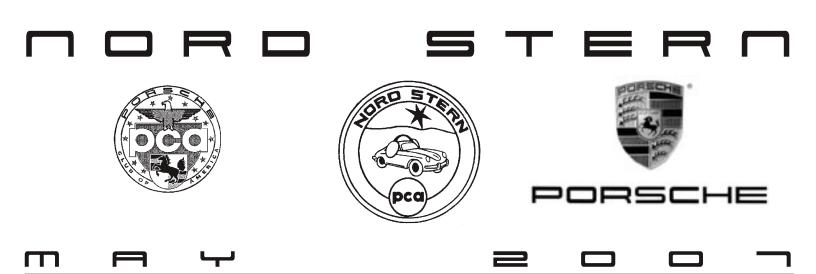
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From the Editor. . .

Biz Talk!

compiled by Ed Vazquez

by Christie Boeder

T his month's issue is jam packed with all sorts of goodies - information on a number of upcoming events to name just some of the highlights. Be sure to take a look at the calendar in the middle of the publication as well as the various event promotions. Hopefully any questions you may have will be addressed and answered!

And in this issue are three releases from our very own Carmichael-Lynch Advertising Agency - the very same agency which handles the Porsche account. This year once again they are ever so graciously lending their time and talents to our annual upcoming Club Race and Driver Education event in early August at Brainerd International Raceway. Without fail their creativity and (downright wacky) sense of humor is astouding. This year is no exception - take your time as you browse through this month's edition and see if you 'get' all three ads! Enjoy . . .

While Spring has been slow to arrive, I know I have seen more 'P' cars out and about and as the driving season draws ever near, that will be even more so. First Fling is this coming weekend and looking at the registrants online it's going to be a big success with what must be about a record turnout. And even if Mother Nature does not totally cooperate I am sure it will be a ton of fun - especially as the Boeders will be driving the race car which has been evolving over the last couple of years. And it'll have a new paint job so I am looking forward to hearing what others have to say. My concern will be knowing it's freshly painted!

Finally, this month we have not one, but two submissions from our resident artist Mike Jekot. Mike agreed again to create a 'poster' for the annual Concours in late June - it features Walt Duffy's 356 and is a lovely piece (check it out online to get the full effect). And better yet, he has created another fine piece of work to be raffled off at the club race in a benefit for Courage Center. As I am sure everyone will agree, this is one of the best covers I think we have ever had. I love it! Til next month . . . The best way to introduce this month's column is to say a lot of words from our sponsors and some powerful words of endorsement from one of our members. First, a big welcome to Paul Beyl with Trackside Tires. A lot of members already know Paul and a lot of new members will notice him at our BIR events with his trackside tire service. Paul offers tire pre-order service and some limited tire availability at all our track events. It's great having his truck right at the track! The beauty of having Paul on our Biz Board is that it should solve the perpetual Clubtalk question.- "How do I get a hold of Paul with Trackside Tires?" Paul's card is now on Biz Board!

ent Kraft will be hosting a Open House on May 5th. Time to be announced. Word of Mouth is supposed to be the best advertising. With that in mind, Dave Roberts has given Dent Kraft a glowing endorsement (see next month's 'Letters to the Editor.') For those of you who find a new dent after parking your car (in what you thought was a safe place) or want to protect the nose of your Porsche from road rash, I invite you to call Don. Lastly, I heard a glowing report from one of our members on the service they got when their battery did not cooperate after it's winter hibernation. Sheila Andrews at Maplewood gave them great service at a fair and reasonable price. Speaking of Sheila, she has been nominated to be on the board of advisors for some Porsche dealers. Here are some words from Sheila with her Cayenne report: "Just got back from Mexico a week ago, and I am really excited about the 2008 Cayenne, (especially with PDCC) We had a launch in Los Cabos. The 2008 Cayenne has been improved a lot. The facelift everyone has talked about is definitely part of it, it has a wider look and more aggressive in front and rear. The engine itself has been changed to Direct Fuel injection for better fuel economy, among other things. The springs in the suspension are Progressive Springs (Soft on top, hard on bottom) for a more comfortable ride, but still has the firmness of the 2006. We took them out in

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

Autocross: A low-speed 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 race course. Training includes classroom sessions, on-track 'exercises' plus supervised lapping sessions. *A Pre-Requisite for Driver Ed participation and NOT to be confused with Driver Education events.*

Driver Education: High speed driving event on a closed-course racetrack (Brainerd, Blackhawk Farms, Road America) where drivers are grouped according to prior lap times. Prior Driver Training participation 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 pg. 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!

ClubTalk/TechTalk: E-mail listservs for member subscribers focusing on car issues and discussions as well as a place to ask questions, get recommendations and comments. Get last minute

breaking news on upcoming events and activities. See Nord Stern's website for directions on how to subscribe.

The Prez Sez . . .

by Cal Townsend

S pring is here. By now you have taken the cover off of your car and readying your vehicle for the first time this year. Some have even taken it for a brief tour around the Twin Cities. I can remember while living in Illinois the first time I would take my car out of storage I would head for the freeway. I would take it up to speed, maybe a little high just to hear the sweet sound that comes from the engine. No, I have not got my car out of storage yet, but I am working on it.

April 10th was our last business meeting until this fall. Our next business meeting will be in October. I want to personally thank the club members who took time out of their busy schedules to attend some of our business meetings. I also want to extend a thank you to all of the committee chairs. They have done an extraordinary job to provide you with events that should encompass our entire Nord Stern family.

We have some events in the upcoming months that I think you should make a commitment to attend and be a participant. In May the Autocross at Dakota County, **May 20th**. In June the annual Concours at Central Park in Roseville, **June 24th**. In August, the Nord Stern Club Race and DE event, **August 3-5**. Please check the Nord Stern events calendar for other events throughout the year that you may want to attend that I did not reference. You can see the schedule of events in the monthly Newsletter or check out the new Nord Stern web site. Thanks to Bret Bailey for the new look . . . an outstanding layout.

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Re: ClubTalk: DeLorenzo on Porsche and OK, another perspective on this topic . . . the Cayenne

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That said, I really don't think they have been doing everything they can to make the 911 and Cayman all they could be. The conscious holding back on the Cayman has been pointed out, but why are they just now rolling out features like direct fuel injection and a true, DSG-type gearbox in their flagship product?

VW, Audi, and even GM have used gasoline direct injection for 3+ years in their bread-and-butter models . . . why has Porsche taken so long to implement this excellent technology in their flagship? And don't even get me started on the direct-shift gearbox...BMW's had SMG for years, and you can even get the excellent VW/Audi DSG in a GTI. I mean, come on Porsche!

The 997s are great cars, no doubt, and I'd love to have one, but isn't also a bit strange that they share so many of the materials and interior styling with the Boxster and Cayman? I know they are a bit nicer, but it seems like they should be A LOT nicer for the price difference. Maybe they should even be differentiated a bit...it makes sense to me.

I sometimes wonder what Porsche is doing with all the money they are making, but it is clear they have some plans in mind. Last year they bought up a ton of VW stock, and I think they are probably eventually planning to own all of VW. It makes sense... they want to keep their main supplier and partner fully German. -Luke Ibis

On the Cayenne, even if I had money to burn (and for those who do, do you really burn it? me thinks not, or you wouldn't have gotten it in the first place) - why would I go for the Cayenne when the Touareg will do virtually the same thing cheaper? The issue has been beaten to death, but I humbly point you to this (just for fun): http://www.autoblog.com/2006/11/22/touareg-v10-tditows-a-747/

-Mark Kedrowski Respectfully Mark, Following your logic, why would anyone buy a Porsche sports car when you can get a VW GTI? Then why a GTI when you can get an FZ6 Yamaha for \$6K etc. etc.

Here's my 2 cents. Until Make Bouljon put me behind the wheel of a Cayenne for Parade Laps up at BIR a few years ago, I was against the Cayenne and everything it stood for. My Cayenne S is a lot of fun. It's a family and "stuff" hauler, which my 911 isn't. I'm happy its sales help to keep my favorite marquee in the black.

Ever since I was a preteen I've dreamed of a Porsche. In my warped mind there really is no substitute!

-Keith Jones

courtesy ClubTalk

Keith - good points, and absolutely correct. I guess I just see less differences between the Cayenne and Touareg. But, I've never driven a Cayenne - I was basing that opinion on the numbers. The two vehicles share a lot of attributes.

For example - there is a huge difference between my Subaru STi vs. a Cayman. And, they share nothing - obviously. Performance is similar, but I'm pretty sure the Subaru would equal the Cayman at the track. Even so, I (and most anyone on this list) would likely take the Cayman over the STi at the higher price tag every day of the week and twice on Sunday. There is a perceptible difference in built quality, style, etc. with the Cayman over the STi. I don't think the same can be said about the Touareg and Cayenne.

I've driven a Touareg. Perhaps you'll let me drive your Cayenne to help sway my opinion? (smile!)

For the record - the Cayman was not out when I got my STi (and I used the "it's a family vehicle. See - four doors?!" argument with my wife for purchasing . . . Perhaps a 4-door Porsche is in my future.)

-Mark Kedrowski

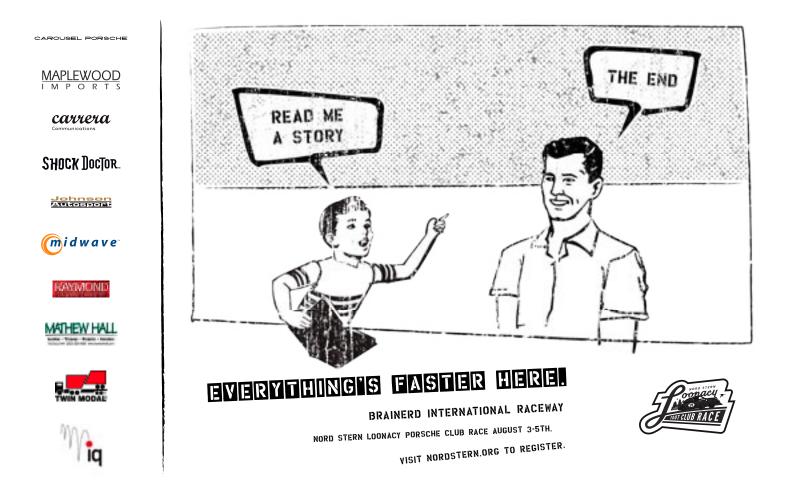
We're also later in the game, so the nostalgia of Porsches' past - and the love affair many people have with the 911 does not weigh as heavily on my mind.

Tax law has made the Cayenne an easy purchase for selfemployed people and business owners. And I see many a housewife in our neck of the woods tooling around in them. Niche SUV yes, but Porsche found some good target markets for the car.

For us, the Cayenne was a good start into the world of Porsche. It came to the track with us in 2004 and intimidated a few cars at Drivers Training that year. We like cars, so it immediately lead us to what we heard was one of Porsche's best engineered 911s - the 993. Wonderful car to drive - and represents a what was one of the best ever 911s of yester-year.

Enter the Cayman. The car is precise in its handling and the neutral mid-engine feel is stable and comfortable. Very settled and so easy and fun to drive on the track. Not quirky and relatively powerful. A great "out of the box" DE car and everyday driver (please Kim let me drive it - I'll be good!). Our car does have PASM which adds to the cars quickness, stability and reduction of body roll.

Why Porsche has chosen to position the Cayman S where it has, I don't know. I don't think it would steal all of the 911s thunder. It is strictly a two seater and not your father's car - obviously not as spacious as the current 911s. The motor constantly lets you know that it is there and that you almost sitting on it (it does have a distinctive exhaust note, too). When you get in the car, you are



on the ground floor. On the track, one can tell that they left some goodies out though - like extra HP and limited slip. And it has a tall second gear.

I agree with Jim Breakey on the positioning of the 911 as a great GT car. But Porsche has other plans there too with the Panorama.

The Cayman S is my DE car of choice over the 993. And it just seem like it would lend itself to being a great race car platform - if Porsche would only take it there.

Although the Cayman S is my car of choice, I have been informed by my other half that the 993 is not for sale at this time. But now that we have become car people, The Cayenne may see some other pastures in the future. Keith Fritze

-Keith Fritze

Like Keith, I have one each of the P cars that he has plus a 944 and have owned many different models since 1988. Who cares if a truck is built by a sports car company? They are all cool cars. As the Eagles said in one of their many hit songs, GET OVER IT!

-Dave Roberts

Two thoughts: #1. I realize that regardless of which current model Porsche we are talking about, it will out perform

99.9% of the other cars on the road, and 95% of all previously made Porsches. It's fun to have these kinds of discussions, and I'm right there with anyone who likes to talk the fine points of cars in general. Fortunately for us, with Porsche we're splitting hairs on the pinnacle. Porsche owners are all lucky people. (smile!)

#2. If the Cayman S had a back seat, I'd be buying one instead of another 911. But with a 6-year old son and wife who both like to accompany me, the back seat in the 911 is the decision maker for me this year.

Cheers from Stuttgart, where the northwest is Porsche territory, the southwest is Mercedes territory and the east is all vineyards, -Chris Johnson

by Michael Jekot

FIRST IN A SERIES . . .

In Minnesota there are more than 50 clubs whose member's sole purpose is to share enthusiasm for the car of their choice with like-minded friends. Automobile enthusiasts abound here and they all share one common ideology, they love their cars. To them a car is not just a vehicle or a unit or even transportation it is a lifestyle. From club racers at Brainerd to sons and fathers wrenching together on a Bug Eye Sprite in the back of the garage they embrace the idea that they could not live their lives without their cars. Simply put, it's a passion.

Karl Benz in 1886 gets the nod for building the first practical road going automobile. It didn't take long before someone figured out that there was sport in pitting one car against another in competition. Crowds flocked to city streets as they were turned into racetracks with little concern for safety of the crowds or even the drivers of the day. What was important was the spectacle. Newspapers and magazines of the day covered these events as enthusiasts the world over wanted to read and see what happened at some of the most exotic tracks in the world. Reporters were dispatched to try to capture the speed and excitement of these races.

They were helped with the first practical camera invented by George Eastman in 1888. But, as hard as the early photojournalists tried, they couldn't capture the true essence of the competition with a camera. Instead, artists and illustrators were called on to visually "catch" the action of a wheel flying off at a crucial moment or the second place car zipping past the leader in a flurry of dust and smoke and oil spray. The camera just couldn't do it. A new genre of art was born, the automotive artist. These early pioneers of creativity brought the world of motor sport to the front page of newspapers all over the world. Readers were treated to strong emotional views of the thrills and dangers of racing. Although technology and modern photography can portray the drama and excitement of racing, there are still men and women whose passion for the automobile extends to paint on canvas and molten bronze into art castings. There are even very creative photographers who have raised that technology to beyond the science of light and silvered paper. All of these dedicated artists have one thing in common, passion for the automobile.

You can see this passion on display in an exhibit titled, *VELOCITY: The Art of Motion.* It will be the largest free to the public, stand-alone automotive fine art exhibition in the United States and the first time such an event has occurred in the Upper Midwest. Guest curator, Michael Jekot has invited an international roster of artists to exhibit and will include original paintings, sculpture, photography and digital media. The exhibition will be enhanced by supporting events including an automotive book and literature fair, a public musical celebration entitled "Cars and Guitars," automotive club nights and receptions. In all, it is estimated that over 7,000 people will see this exhibition which will run from June 28 through August 3, 2008 at the Hopkins Center for the Arts, 15 minutes from downtown Minneapolis, MN.

If there is any interest in sponsoring an event coinciding with the *VELOCITY: The Art of Motion* exhibit there are opportunities. Contact Michael Jekot, 612-940-3534 or email at jekot@bitstream.net_early on as dates and special events during this exhibit are booking fast.

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New Nord Stern Online . . . Check out the 'New Look!'

by Bret Bailey, Webmaster

The Nord Stern website www.nordstern.org has a new look! The previous version had been in place for more than 10 years. The objectives of the site are to communicate current and relevant information to the Nord Stern community and to increase awareness of the clubs value to potential new members. The address of the site did not change, so you will not need to update your bookmark to the home page.

The **home page** has several features for members to quickly find out what is new and hot. A small picture of the Nord Stern newsletter is on the home page. It will link you to the current newsletter. Below that are announcements – hot news flashes that can be easily updated to keep you current on club happenings. A 60 day calendar of events is at the bottom of the page. You can click on any of the events to get more information about them.

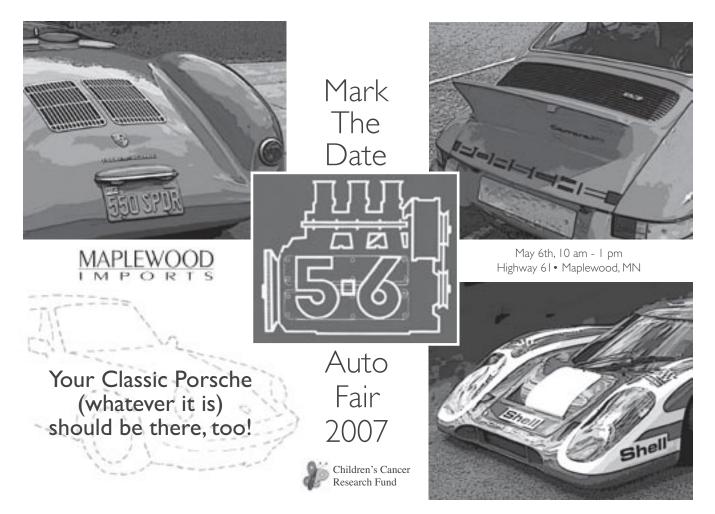
Navigation is user friendly with the help of a drop down navigation bar. There is also a **Search** page under the Nord Stern Online menu that has "Quick Links" to help you quickly find the pages used most often. The Search page will let you perform a key word search on much of the site including archived newsletters going back to July 2000. The **Club Info** menu has pages that list the committee chairs and contact info for the members. You will need to add yourself to the contact list with the information you want shown by clicking the "Add Me" button on the **Contacts** page. There are also pages to join Nord Stern and manage your **Clubtalk/Techtalk** choices.

An **Events** menu has pages that describe the many types of events we host through Nord Stern. Many of these pages also have a calendar of those events as well. Clicking on an event will show you all the details.

The **News and Dates** section is the place to go for finding out all the news announcements, calendar of events, and newsletter archives. These sections show both upcoming and past articles and events. The **Calendar** page also has a button to click if you are an Eventmaster who wants to add an event to the calendar.

The final section is the **Virtual Swap Meet**. You will be able to list the cars and parts that you are trying to sell, as well as items wanted . There is no cost to place your ad. They will stay posted for 60 days but you can renew them at anytime.

If you are a member who would like to contribute to the site with photos, a news flash, or other information please contact Bret Bailey at webmaster@nordstern.org.



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Out and About with Nord Stern . . . Yes, It's Truly A Global Market!

photos and comments by John McCarthy

While picture quality is not great, these images were taken with a phone camera, they were taken during a recent February trip to Shanghai. The dealership there is right in the middle of the shopping district. I have been traveling to Shanghai quite frequently for the past several years. And in the past two years, I have noticed a material increase in the number of enthusiast cars. Lots of BMW 6-series, Mercedes sedans, Audi cars. I'll wager Chairman Mao is turning over in his grave!!!



2007 Club Race Artwork Raffle

This year Nord Stern Club Member Michael Jekot, has created an original pieces of artwork celebrating Nord Stern Porsche Club Racing at BIR.

Through the generosity of one of our Club Race sponsors, this original, one-of-a-kind acrylic painting signed by the artist will be raffled off with all proceeds going to Courage Center.

Mathew Hall Lumber is giving every club member a chance to be part of our track's history!

100% of all proceeds benefit Courage Center.

Tickets are \$10 each or buy 3 get 3 free!

Send checks to:

Keith Jones Nord Stern Charity Coordinator 6265 Ridge Rd Chanhassen, MN 55317

We can also take PayPal, contact Keith Jones at kj996@hotmail.com for details

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Artist: Michael Jekot GMA Title: Racing For Courage 2007 Details: Acrylic on stretched canvas, unframed Size: 18" x 24" Completed April 2007

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Contact: kj996@hotmail.com for further details.

Special thanks to Loran and Bonnie Hall for sponsoring this artwork, and Mike Jekot for his talent and cash donation

Nord Stern Annual Concours D'Elegance and Car Show Porsche Club of America		
Date: Sunday, June 24, 2007 Place: Central Park West, 2555 Dale St. N., Roseville		
Registration Form (Please PRINT all information)		
Name:		
Address:		
City: State: Zip:		
Phone #: Email: Car Model: Year: Color:		
Car Model: Year: Color:		
Group (Check One): FullStreetRaceShow (Donation encouraged) Class (Check One): A- All 356's; B- Air Cooled: all 911's (Up to 1998); all 912's; C- Water Cooled: all 911's (1999 to 2007); D- Front engine: all 924's; all 928's; all 944's; all 968's; E- Enclosed mid-engine: all 914's; all Boxsters; all Caymans;		
F- SUV Class: all Cayennes; G- Super Car: Carrera GT's; R- Race Class: all Race Cars.		
Concours Cost: \$20 per car, payable to: Courage Center Send to: Dale Trippler Payment: 1201 Junction Ave. Cash_ Check_ Maplewood, MN 55109-3433		
RELEASE: The undersigned, on behalf of himself and all those participants and guests, does hereby release The Nord Stern, Porsche Club of America, Nord Stern Concours d'Elegance committee, staff & sponsors, The City of Roseville, and any and all facilities used by this events, their owners, employees and representatives from any and all liability arising from		

the entire event, and does warrant that everyone will abide by the rules and regulations governing the entire event.

Name Printed: _____

Signed: _____

2007 Concours d'Elegance and Car Show

The Concours d'Elegance and Car Show will be held on Sunday, June 24, 2007, at Central Park West, 2555 Dale Street North, Roseville. We are strongly encouraging everyone to Pre-Register using the Registration Form in the newsletter OR going online to the Nord Stern web site and downloading the Registration form found there. Upon arrival, check in at the registration table.

If you haven't pre-registered, you must register for the Concours/Car Show event upon arrival. Check-in and Registration will be from 9:00 to 10:15 AM at the Concours/Car Show Registration table in the sheltered area. Check-in and Registration must be completed by 10:15 a.m. in order to qualify for judging that will begin promptly at 10:30 a.m.

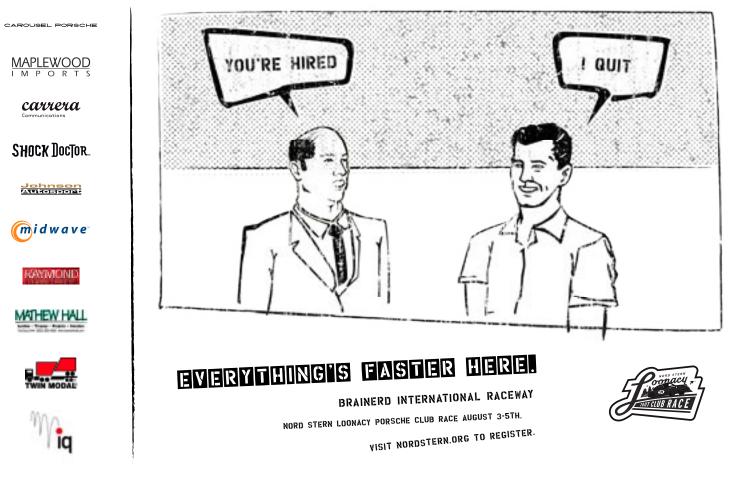
- **Concours Registration:** \$20.00 (Make checks payable to: Courage Center)
- Car Show Registration: Courage Center donation encouraged!
- Car setting-final touches: 9:00 to 10:30 a.m.

In the event of rainy weather or soft ground, cars will be positioned on the asphalt parking lot and grouped by classes. Judging will begin promptly at 10:30 a.m. At that time, you will not be allowed to prepare your car, which includes "light dusting." We STRONGLY encourage owners to stay at the event until the winners are announced at 1 PM. This will give everyone at the event ample time to view your car after it has been judged.

A vendor will be at this year's event. They will have beverages, water and a limited selection of food for sale. There are picnic facilities at the park for those of you who would like to BBQ a picnic lunch. We have the park from 9 AM until 2 PM, so you will have plenty of time to see all the cars and enjoy visiting with friends and acquaintances.

Your help is needed to make this year's Concours bigger and better than last year. If you know of someone who has a Porsche, but may not be a club member, visit with them or call them and tell them about the Concours and encourage them to enter their car. Last year we had 62 cars registered. With your help, let's try to make it over 100. The more cars we have entered, the more fun it will be for everyone.

Last year over 60 Porsches registered and almost 40 more showed up. We hope to have at least 100 beautiful, elegant, clean, and powerful Porsches on display again this year. Bring your family and invite your friends to join in the fun. And while you are there, make a donation to a worthy cause, the Courage Center.





Biz Talk . . .

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the desert and went up and down on all kinds of different terrain with no problems. On the straight away and the slalom course, it beat it's competition (Q7, Range Rover, X5, and ML); it was faster with no body roll when turning. In another part of the launch we put the vehicles side by side and compared designs, I was really surprised at the X5, Have you ever looked at the rear hatch? It doesn't look like they finished it! The new Cayenne interior (a chestnut and black design) is really something.

All in all Ed, I think this is a vehicle people are really going to enjoy. (I know we did!!) Come in and test drive one. You won't

regret it."

And Doug Arndt, of The Complete Garage wants to let Nord Stern and it's members know their upcoming Grand Opening of the new Complete Garage on Hwy 7 and Hopkins Crossroads in the Country Village Shopping Center will include a Griot's Car Care Tech Session on:

> Griot's Car Care Tech Session The Complete Garage Hwy 7 and Hopkins Crossroads Saturday, May 19, 2007 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

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2007 Kalender . . . Check Here for New and Added Events * *!

May	20	007 July	2007
6	Annual Maplewood AutoFair Details: See page 24 Maplewood Imports (see inside back cover)	16-17	Road America Driver Ed** Note Date Change! Monday and Tuesday Elkhart Lake, WI - Eventmaster: Dave Anderson
12	Spring Drive and Lunch Tour Location: TBA Eventmasters: Mike Lancial, thelancials@msn.com ar Sarah DeLong, sdelong@ald-mpls.com	19 nd	Contact Dave Anderson;; dave@anderson.com Third Thursday Social at Clubhouse Jager 10th Ave N. and Washington/Minneapolis Meet After Work
17	Third Thursday Social at Clubhouse Jager 10th Ave N. and Washington/Minneapolis	Augu	??: Eric Erickson at eric.erickson@theoxfordpcg.com
	Meet After Work ??: Eric Erickson at eric.erickson@theoxfordpcg.com	3-5	Nord Stern Club Race and DE Fling Brainerd International Raceway
20	Nord Stern Autocross Dakota County Met Council event - Eventmaster: Harvey Robideau Registration opens 30 days prior to event on		Club Race Eventmaster: Roger Johnson http://www.clubregistration.net to register DE Eventmaster: Andy Busche 612 824-3547 or e-mail andrew.busche@watsonwyatt.com
20	www.myautoevents.com Inter-Marque Spring Kick-Off: Car Show & Banq Hosted by Inter-Marque Council & several foreign car clubs		Third Thursday Social at Clubhouse Jager 10th Ave N. and Washington/Minneapolis Meet After Work ??: Eric Erickson at eric.erickson@theoxfordpcg.com
	Radisson Plymouth (Hwy 494 and Hwy 55) Car Show: 10 to Noon; Brunch/Awards Noon to 2 pm	Septe	ember 2007
Inno	Cost: \$15.75 for Brunch, car show free ??: Andy Lindbergh at: andylindberg@earthlink.net	3	Annual Rochester Labor Day BBQ & Picnic Location: TBA Eventmaster: Jeff Boehm and BJ Peterson
June 8	Fast Fling Track Day - Format TBA	07	jbandbj@chartermi.net or 507-261-9407
0	Brainerd International Raceway http://www.clubregistration.net to register	9	Nord Stern Autocross Dakota County - Met Council event
9-10	Fast Fling Driver Education Brainerd International Raceway		Eventmaster: Dick Beers at rwbeers@qwest.net or 612-827-7556 Registration opens 30 days prior to event on
	Eventmaster: TBA		www.myautoevents.com
	http://www.clubregistration.net to register Questions? - Driver Ed Chair: Andy Busche 612 824-3547 or: andrew.busche@watsonwyatt.com	15	Fall Drive and Lunch with Shell Brewery Tour Start Location: TBA Eventmasters: Mike Lancial, thelancials@msn.com and
8-10	13th Annual German CarFest		Sarah DeLong, sdelong@ald-mpls.com
	Rice Park/Landmark Center, Downtown St. Paul A week of various events including a dinner cruise, show, dinner dance, concours Contact: Paul Bergquist 952 937-1822 More Details TE		Third Thursday Social at Clubhouse Jager 10th Ave N. and Washington/Minneapolis Meet After Work ??: Eric Erickson at eric.erickson@theoxfordpcg.com
21	Third Thursday Social at Clubhouse Jager 10th Ave N. and Washington/Minneapolis Meet After Work	21-23	
24**	 ??: Eric Erickson at eric.erickson@theoxfordpcg.com Annual Nord Stern Concours Central Park - Roseville, MN Eventmasters: Dale Trippler & Phil Saari Details TBA 	28	Last Fling Driver Training Brainerd International Raceway Eventmaster: Jon Beatty 952 449-0187 or jon@minnetonkasoftware.com http://www.clubregistration.net to register

29-30 Last Fling Driver Education

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October

2007

9 Nord Stern Business Meeting 2nd Tuesday of the month Social: 6:30 pm; Meeting 7-9 pm Location: TBA Eventmaster: Cal Townsend 952 431-4442 twn820@aol.com

Third Thursday Social at Clubhouse Jager
 10th Ave N. and Washington/Minneapolis
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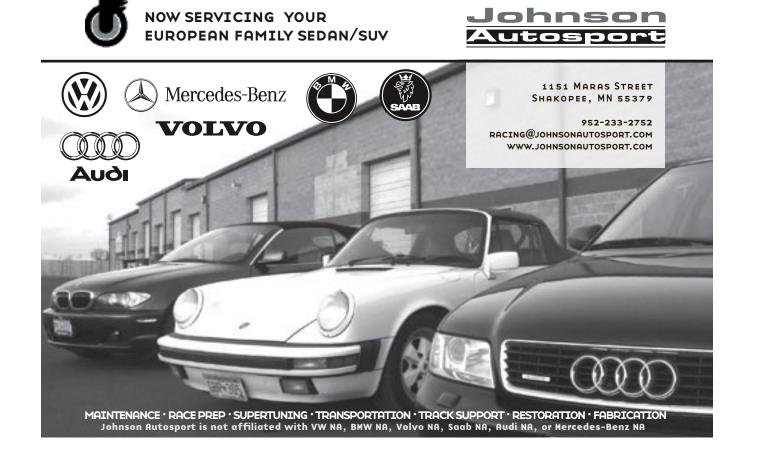
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18 Old Log Show - Sponsored by Mercedes-Benz Club Contact: Paul Bergquist 952 937-1822 Dinner and Play, Cost approximately \$48 @ Featuring a Neil Simon Comedy Details: TBA

December

2007

20 Third Thursday Social at Clubhouse Jager 10th Ave N. and Washington/Minneapolis Meet After Work... ??: Eric Erickson at eric.erickson@theoxfordpcg.com



Stuck in Traffic . . . Or, What Happens When You Think Too Much?

by Rick Tanler

S o, I was stuck in traffic recently and began clicking through the data on my Tahoe's computer. I am certain I have adult ADD. My car is two years old this month. I have 38,107 miles on the odometer; 1,244 engine hours have been logged since purchase and I have consumed a total of 2,650 gallons of gas over the two years. That's \$3,246 per year at the current cost of a gallon of gas, but who's counting.

My long-term average miles per gallon average is 14.4, that's over the entire two years, ugh. My average speed was 30.6 miles per hour. I had no idea I was that slow. I wonder how much slower my 24-month lap time would be if I lived on the East or West Coast? No doubt less than 30 miles per hour.

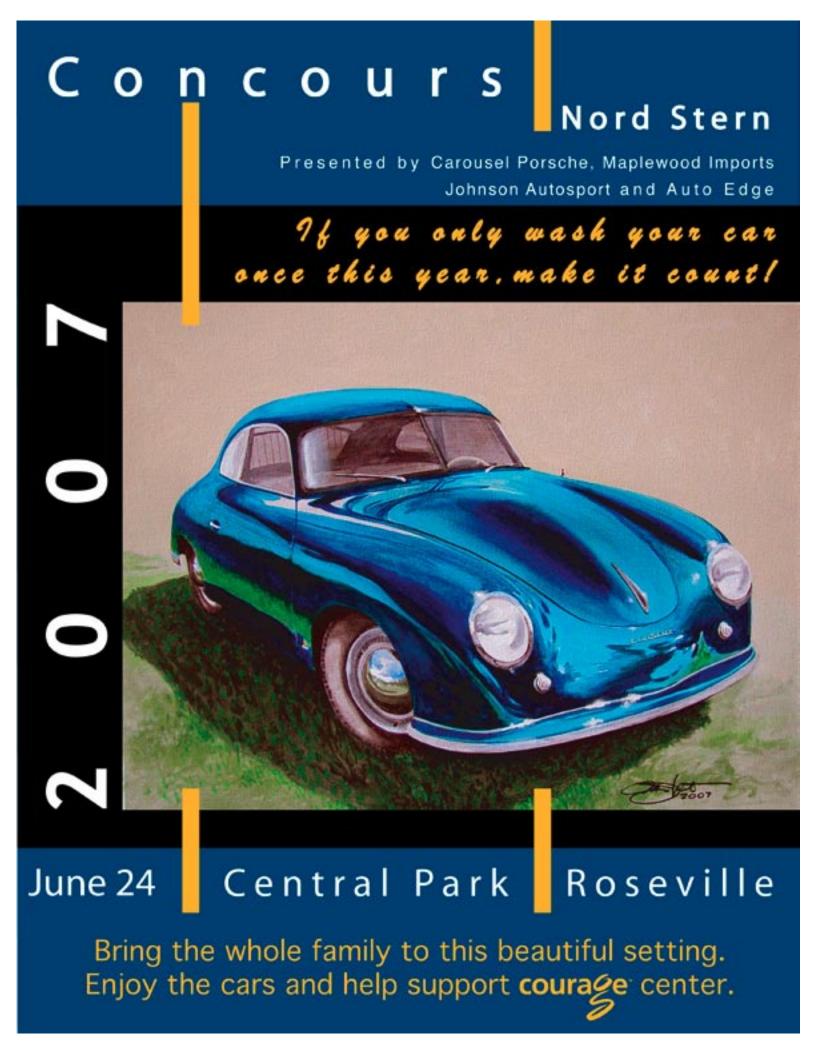
Continuing, I calculated that every one cent increase in the price of a gallon of gasoline costs me \$13.25 per year. The

difference in my annual fuel bill at \$2.25 per gallon and \$2.45 per gallon is an increase of \$265 per year. Yeh, I use the cheap stuff in my Chevrolet. A one mile per gallon increase in fuel mileage would save me \$215 per year. But, a one mile per hour increase in average speed would give me 19 more hours of time.

I couldn't stop myself, if I drive faster and increase my average speed by one mile per hour, but in so doing decrease my fuel mileage by one mile per gallon, then it will cost me \$11.50 for each hour I reduce my drive time.

What does all of this lead me to conclude? Clearly, I wish I did not need the Tahoe for towing my toys. No that's not right, I love the toys. So, what I concluded is that we are fortunate to have so many that volunteer their time, so we can occasionally drive as fast as we want/can, and thus overcome the curse of everyday driving.







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PCA Winter Meetings In Charlotte, NC

Text and photo by Doug Pierce, Zone 10 Rep

This year's winter PCA Executive Council and Board Meetings were held in Charlotte, North Carolina, the site of the 2008 Porsche Parade. This would be my first official face-to-face function with the Club's national staff after being appointed PCA Zone 10 Representative in January. I really had little idea of what to expect.

The flight was uneventful as well was a taxi ride to the downtown meeting hotel. I had traveled in my Porsche logo jacket so as to be conspicuous to any other meeting attendee converging on Charlotte, but had met no one. The first person in line checking in at the hotel was PCA President Prescott Kelly. Timing appeared to be right as within 5 minutes I had run into several of the Club

executives and other staff members.

Early to bed as the following morning was the start of "Zone Rep Academy". Friday was a day where I sat on my butt longer in one stretch than I had in years, but enjoyed fully the presentations and discussions of all things PCA and the Zone Representative's place in it. All this with the reward at day's end in the back of everyone's mind - a guided tour of the Penske Racing facility outside of



Charlotte and an inside look at the Porsche RS Spyder program. Penske was selected by Porsche to be the exclusive race team during the RS Spyder's first year campaign in the LMP2 prototype class of the American Le Mans Series.

The Penske facility is located in a near park like setting, all 425,000 square feet of it (excluding the engine shop which is across town). Most areas of the building were clean enough to eat off of the expansive tile floors. The RS Spyder program occupies possibly 20 percent of this area with the vast majority supporting the Penske NASCAR efforts. The Porsche shop, as well as all of the others, was incredibly clean and organized to the extreme. Unfortunately cameras were not allowed in the shop areas so there are no pictures save for the "public" areas. 2 RS Spyders were in various stages of assembly and disassembly. With the bodies removed they look more like spacecraft than cars. Everything that can be carbon fiber IS carbon fiber. Components are machined to tolerances of a fine watch. It truly is an amazing site to see. The transport vehicles supporting the program are equally impressive.

Over the road semi rigs that could win any concours they entered – not a speck of dirt – anywhere.

The NASCAR side was equally as impressive, but in a much different way. Where the IRL and Porsche programs specialized in precision, NASCAR is brute force. I can now see why a NASCAR can flip a dozen times before sliding across the finish line on it's top, on fire, and the driver can climb out basically unhurt These cars are stout. Stock they are not. I asked if in fact there was anything on the car that WAS stock. After a slight pause, our guide indicated that they buy stock heads and blocks – but they don't leave them alone.

Saturday was filled with Zone Rep meetings and presentations

by many of the standing PCA Committee Chairs. A veritable barrage of information. Afternoon was devoted to the Board of Directors meeting, the main item of business the suspension of 4 members involved in the wreaked Porsche 908 incident (refer to the President's column in the August 2006 Panorama). All 4 were suspended by overwhelming majorities.

Sunday morning was an Executive

Committee meeting while a 2008 Parade meeting progressed a floor below.

All in all, it was genuinely informative and well worth the efforts of all involved, but close to information overload. I can now put a face to many of the people I had met only on the telephone. We had many conversations where Porsches were only on the periphery, hopefully built some friendships, and forged some good working relationships.

I look forward to attending more National meetings and getting out into Zone 10 to meet the membership that really makes all of this work.

Editor's note: perhaps a lot of our readers will recognize one of the fellows in the background - white long sleeve-shirt to the right - as the recently appointed Club Race Chair and Mr. Editor, Bruce Boeder. Also, Roger Johnson was in attendance in his role of National Website Chair.

	MAY	
5	Driving Tour for the Ladies	St. Louis
5	Tech Session, various technical aspect	cts,
	Cedar Rapids	Central Iowa
5-6	Driver Ed	
	@ Motorsports Park Hastings (MPH)	Great Plains
6	Annual Auto Fair, Maplewood Imports	Nord Stern
12	Nord Stern Spring Drive and Lunch	Nord Stern
12	Dawn Patrol meeting at	
	Vern Eide Motorcars	Dakotas
11-13	Annual Ozark Weekend at Tan-Tar-A	Resort
	Multi Region Event, Lake of the Ozark	κs,
	Kansas City, MO	
18-20	RVBOWWOW trip to	
	Minnasota/Wisconsin	Dakotas
19	Porsche Car Fest Multi Region Event,	
		as & Red River
19	Spring Tour	Schönesland
20	Autocross	
	@ Dakota County Tech College	Nord Stern
20	3rd Annual Poker Run Tour	St. Louis
20	Spring Drive, details TBA	Central Iowa
	JUNE	
1-3	PCA Club Race & DE @ MPH	Great Plains
1-3	Multi-Region, multi event weekend	Red River
2	Beaverdale European Carr Show	Schönesland
3	European Car Show	St. Louis
8-10	Fast Fling Driver Training @ Brainerd	Nord Stern
8-10	13th Annual German CarFest	Nord Stern
9	Vision Industrical Golf	
	"Driving Event"	Central Iowa
16	Dawn Patrol meeting	
	at Vern Eide Motorcars	Dakotas
20	Automania Car Show	
	& Dinner @ Bracco	Dakotas
22-24	DE @ Heartland Park Topeka	Kansas City
23	Autocross @ Marshalltown, IA	Central Iowa
24	Annual Concours & Car Show	Nord Stern
24	Cruisin' for MS (Multiple Sclerosis)	
	charity event	Red River
	JULY	
1-5	52nd Porsche Parade	San Diego, CA
13-15	Grand-Am Rolex Series Race	
	@ lowa Speedway, Newton	Schönesland
14	Social and trip down the River	Dakotas
	DE @ Road America	Nord Stern
21	Dawn Patrol meeting	
	at Vern Eide Motorcars	Dakotas
	AUGUST	

11 Dawn Patrol meeting at Vern Eide Motorcars Dakotas 23-26 Run for the Hills Multi Region Event, Rapid City, SD Dakotas 25-26 DE @ Mid America Motorplex (MAM) **Great Plains**

submitted by Doug Pierce

SEPTEMBER

9	Autocross	
	@ Dakota County Tech College	Nord Stern
15	Fall Drive & Lunch	
	w/ Shell Brewery Tour	Nord Stern
21-23	Annual North Shore Fall Color Tour	Nord Stern
23	Autocross @ Marshalltown, IA	Central Iowa
28-30	Last Fling Driver Training @ Brainerd	Nord Stern
28-30	Carrera Classic DE	
	@ Gateway International Raceway	St. Louis

OCTOBER

6	Tech Session	St. Louis
13	Fall Color Tour	St. Louis
13-14	4 Okoboji trip	Dakotas
14	Fall Leaf Tour	Central Iowa
19-21	I DE @ Heartland Park Topeka	Kansas City
20	PCA Fall Hayride	St. Louis
20	Dawn Patrol meeting	
	at Vern Eide Motorcars	Dakotas

NOVEMBER

3	Dawn Patrol meeting	
	at Vern Eide Motorcars	Dakotas
3-4	Iowa Wine Tour	Central Iowa
15	Social & Dinner @ Spezia, Sioux Falls	Dakotas

DECEMBER

13	Social & Dinner location TBA	Dakotas
19	Changing of the Guard meeting	St. Louis

For detailed information about listed events, see the respective Region's website or the PCA National website at www.pca.org.

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AUGUST

3-5	PCA Club Race and DE @ Brainerd	Nord Stern
5	Autocross @ Marshalltown, IA	Central Iowa
11	Summer Tour	Schönesland

MCAS Calendar of Events 2007

DATE	EVENT	SPONSOR	LOCATION
April 21	DRIVER'S SCHOOL CLASSROOM	MAC	DUNWOODY INSTITUTE
April 22	NOVICE DRIVER'S SCHOOL	MAC	MIDWAY STADIUM
May 5 (Sat)	AUTOCROSS	[MOWOG I] [MCAS]	MAC VALLEYFAIR
May 6	AUTOCROSS	[MOWOGII] MAC	VALLEYFAIR
May 20	AUTOCROSS	[MCAS] PCA & COM	DCTC
June 1-2-3	CORVETTES & FRIENDS DO BIR	SCCM	BIR
June 3	AUTOCROSS	[MOWOGIII] MAC	DCTC
June 10	AUTOCROSS	[MCAS] CVSCC	CVTC
June 16	DRIVER'S SCHOOL CLASSROOM	MAC	DUNWOODY INSTITUTE
June 17	NOVICE DRIVER'S SCHOOL	MAC	MIDWAY STADIUM
July 1	AUTOCROSS	[MOWOG IV] MAC	MIDWAY STADIUM
July 8	TEST & TUNE SESSION	MAC	DCTC
July 14-15	EVOLUTION AUTOX SCHOOL	MAC	MIDWAY STADIUM
August 5	AUTOCROSS	[MOWOG V] MAC	MIDWAY
August 11	CARS UNDER STARS(CAR SHOW)	SCCM	GROSSMAN CHEVROLET
August 19	TEST & TUNE SESSION	MAC	DCTC
August 26	AUTOCROSS	[MCAS] COM {NCCC}	DCTC
September 9	AUTOCROSS	[MCAS] PCA & COM	DCTC
September 16	AUTOCROSS	[MOWOG VI] MAC	DCTC
September 30	AUTOCROSS	[MCAS] CVSCC Mason Shoe	Chippewa Falls, WI
October 6 (Sat) AUTOCROSS	[MOWOG VII] MAC	DCTC
October 7	AUTOCROSS	[MOWOG VIII] [MCAS] MAC	DCTC
October 14	AUTOCROSS	[MOWOG IX] MAC	MIDWAY STADIUM
PCA DRIVER	TRAINING @ BIR: APR 27 & SEP 28		
SCCM PRACT	FICE DAYS @ BIR: MAY 23, AUG 23, S	SEPT 13	
MET COUNC	IL AUTOX SERIES (MCAS) EVENTS: 1	MAY 5, MAY 20, JUN 10, AUG 20	6, SEP 9, SEP 30, OCT 7
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The Porsche Club of America is honored to again be assisting the Porsche Rennsport Reunion III with several activities:

- 1. Porsche model-specific parking corrals
- 2. "History of Porsche Display" of all production models
- 3. Supervised track touring
- 4. PCA Hospitality building with membership area
- 5. Scrutineering of all the race cars, PCA club racers and vintage historic
- 6. PCA Dinner Evening of Saturday, November 3, 2007
- 7. Volunteer workers to assist with our involvement

Sponsored by Porsche Cars North America and organized by Brian Redman's Intercontinental Events, Inc., Porsche Rennsport Reunion III is open to the public and brings together an unprecedented gathering of significant Porsche vintage and current racecars and those drivers who have taken them to victory in the world's most famous sports car races. It features a three-day program of on-track competition plus a concours d'elegance, which is open to the event's participants by invitation.

In addition, special activities are planned to honor the series of awesome Porsche 917 racecars and commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the racing debut of the all-conquering Porsche 956/962 racecars. There will also be a model Porsche display, a literature, toy and memorabilia swap meet, and slot car racing.

We will be looking for exceptional examples of Porsche production models for display at the Speedway during the event. Stay tuned for more information regarding the details of this historic display.

There will be a special PCA dinner on Saturday evening, November 3rd at the Speedway with factory speakers arranged by Porsche Cars North America. More details regarding dinner registration will be forthcoming. Be sure to register as soon as the information is announced as there will be limited seating and reservations will be on a first come, first served basis.

PCA members will be invited to use a terrific hospitality building all days of the event, November 2-4, to park safely in one of the Porsche model-specific corrals, and to enjoy supervised track touring with their Porsches on Friday, November 2nd.

We will need PCA volunteer workers to assist with our activities at Rennsport. If you are interested in supporting this memorable event, please contact Jennifer Barrows (<u>jmbarrows@cfl.rr.com</u> or 407-522-0002) or Danny Shields (<u>FastDan5@aol.com</u>).

Additional details of the Porsche Rennsport Reunion will be published on Porsche's motorsport web site (<u>www.porschemotorsport.com</u>), Brian Redman's Intercontinental Events web site (<u>www.gorace.com</u>), the official Rennsport III website (<u>www.rennsport2007.com</u>), and Daytona International Speedway's web site (<u>www.daytonainternationalspeedway.com</u>), as they become available. Ticket information is available by contacting Daytona International Speedway at 1-800-PITSHOP.

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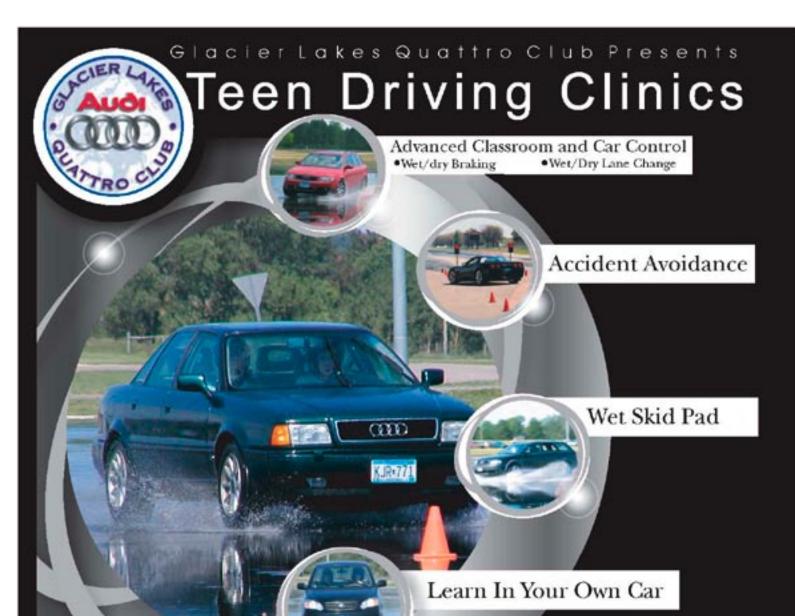
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by Bob Barker, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Vice President, Pam Viau, filling in for Cal Townsend. There was no old business. Committee reports were as follows:

Met Council: No Report

Drivers Training: 19 registered so far for First Fling (including Novice, Intermediate & Advanced Lapping). The school is expected to fill up. Three new instructors have been added. The instructor school is on-track.

Finance: No Report

Autocross: Dates are set at Dakota County. Events are cosponsored with Corvettes of MN. Need 60 participants to break even. On-line registration opens 30 days before the event.

BIR Relations: No Report

Concours: Vendors have been contacted. Waiting for people to put judging teams together. AutoEdge will be providing staff T-shirts.

Club Race: Everything is coming together

Driver Education: Registration has started. There is some confusion between DT & DE and how they're presented on the registration website. There was some discussion about car number allocation.

Insurance: All is well

Membership: We had a great new member social – 54 people attended.

Social: Nothing to report

Newsletter: Nothing to report

Rally: The event will be in the SW corner of the metro area this year

Rules: Biggest change will be to adopt PCA guidelines for passing at DE's. These include driving with windows down, using a point-by to allow 1 car to pass per point-by, passing car goes off-line, and allowing passing wherever there's space rather than designated passing zones. These changes will be submitted for board approval. In addition, it will be recommended that drivers join corner workers at corner stations as part of their DT.

Safety: Will be meeting with Joleen in 2 weeks. It has been determined that radios will be available from BIR for a flat fee, but it's not clear yet what that includes.

Taste of the Track: Pam found records showing increasing participation in ToT from it's beginning in 2003. We clarified that we expect to run ToT as one 20-minute session on Saturday before timed runs since this also allows the timing people to set up equipment. There will not be ToT at the Club Race.

Touring: 40 people signed up already for the upcoming tour. Only 30 spaces left.

Shop Relations: Nothing to report

Advertising: We're adding new sponsors and they will be featured in 1/8 page ads in the Nordstern and with a write-up in the new "Biz Talk" column.

New Business

1) There is a "drive & tour" event scheduled for Saturday 4/14 to Courage Center to help people learn more about the charity that we support

2) There was discussion about how we approve shops to be qualified to perform Tech Inspections. It seems there are several approaches used by different regions. We have documented criteria, but there can be confusion from out-of-region participants in our events. Michelle will inquire with national and report back.

3) Brett reported that the website redesign is coming along well. Hope to have something up by the end of March.

Pam adjourned the meeting at 8:00.

Respectfully submitted, Bob Barker



courtesy PCNA

Far-Reaching Measures to Improve Environmental Compatibility

ATLANTA, MARCH 6, 2007 — Stuttgart, Germany-based automobile manufacturer Dr. Ing. h.c. F. Porsche AG announced at the Geneva Auto Show that starting as early as next year all Porsche models will comply with the strict EU5 emission standards set to go into effect September 2009 and at the same time will meet the currently defined EU6 standards before their scheduled September 2014 start date.

Porsche also shared that all Porsche engines used in its current sports cars and sport-utility vehicles (SUVs) are able to run on fuel with an ethanol additive. Porsche's sports cars are designed to operate on gasoline with a 10 percent ethanol mix, while the 2008 Cayenne SUVs that now feature direct fuel injection are able to run on a fuel mixture with up to 25 percent ethanol. Porsche also is working on a Flexible Fuel Vehicle (FFV) able to run on both gasoline alone and on a mixture of up to 85 percent ethanol.

To further minimize fuel consumption and emissions, Porsche also is giving top priority to the development of a hybrid engine that the company is creating with the Volkswagen Group. This "full hybrid" combines a gasoline combustion engine with an electric motor. With this system, both power units can operate together and independently of one another, thus providing three different operating modes. The concept, which is planned for a future Cayenne SUV variant, will enter the market before the end of this decade. Porsche expects this alternative drive concept to further reduce fuel consumption by another 30 percent.

In addition to its efforts to reduce fuel consumption through the use of lightweight technology, VarioCam Plus valve management and direct fuel injection, Porsche's plans should significantly reduce CO2 emissions and nitric oxide in exhaust emissions while meeting the EU5 and EU6 standards ahead of time.

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Tech Quiz . . .

compiled by Skip Carter & Greg Philips of Grand Prix Region PCA, Long Beach , CA from Parade Tech Quizzes

- 1. The bodywork of the 550 was made of:
 - a. Galvanized steel
 - b. Aluminum
 - c. Fiberglass
 - d. Composite materials

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2. At the end of 1955, the Allies returned the original Werk I to Porsche. Coincidentally, it happened on the 25th anniversary of the Porsche firm.

True or False

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3. The Porsche Type 597 (Hunter) vehicle was envisioned for:

- a. Military and civilian use
- b. Military use only
- c. Civilian use only
- d. None of the above

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4. The Porsche 356A was not particularly improved when introduced at the Frankfurt Show in September 1955.

True or False

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5. In the late 1950's the US Marine Corps evaluated a

Porsche-powered Gyrodyne one-man helicopter.

True or False

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6. At Thun, Switzerland, the Beutler brothers produced a prototype body for a four-seater model based on the 1962 version of the 356B.

True or False

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7. In 1961 Porsche turned its disc-brake patents over to a company that was to become the supplier of brakes for the 356C. Which company was it?

- a. Girling
- b. Valeo
- c. Lucas
- d. Ate

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8. In the late fifties Porsche raced a center-seat car for the first time. What model was it?

- a. RSK Spyder
- b. 356A
- c. Speedster
- d. None of the above

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9. Porsche's first full year in Formula One racing was in 1961-1962 using what Type racecar?

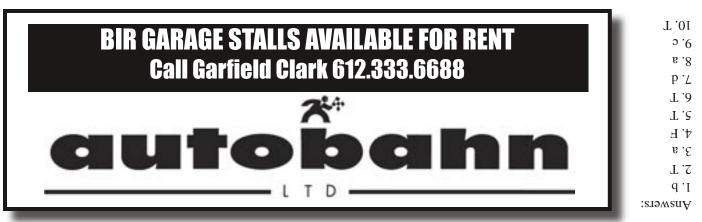
- a. 904 b. 356
- c. 804
- d. RS 60

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10. The Porsche 904 was made as low as possible to trim its frontal area to the limits that the passenger space and tire size allowed.

True or False

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New Feature: Trivia Question of the Month -Guess the family member names in the photo?

S tay tuned, answer to the Trivia Photo will be in next month's Nord Stern!

Submit your 'old' photo to the editor and see if you can stump us...digital submissions preferred but editor can scan photos, too, and we all know our 'oldies but goodies' aren't digital!

Technology and Business:

A udi officials, at a roundtable discussion at the recent North American International Auto Show, admit they're considering doing away with the stick shift for its mainstream U.S. models.

Britain in a jam:

- **33m** Number of vehicles in Britain, up by six million over the past decade
- **25%** Amount by which traffic congestion is predicted to increase by 2015
- £22bn (~\$43bn) Economic damage inflicted by congestion by 2025
- 2 miles Maximum distance of one in four car journeys Sources: Department for Transport; Eddington Transport Study
- During FEB 07 Toyota's hybrid cars (Prius and Lexus) sold 18,860 units. That was more than either Mercedes-Benz, Buick or Accura sold during the same month.
- In 2006, Honda delivered 1.51 million vehicles in the U.S., a record 346,652, or 23.0% of which were shipped in from outside North America.
- Toyota delivered 2.54 million vehicles in the U.S. last year, including a record 1.18 million imports, for a 53.6%/46.4% domestic/import mix.
- Worldwide Mini sales slipped 6.2% in 2006, to 188,000 units. The U.S. saw its sales decline by 700 units
- A new leather-tanning process has been developed for BMW's fourth-generation 3-Series convertible. It features leather interiors with Sun Reflective technology. Leather pigments are infused with a metallic component in conjunction with the tanning process. This specially treated leather reflects sunlight's infrared radiation. The result is a temperature reduction of up to 68° F on darker leather and somewhat less on lighter colors. All leather surfaces, from door panels to consoles, feature Sun Reflective.
- Toshiba Corp., the pioneer in small-form factor Hard Disk Drives for vehicles, anticipates strong automotive growth. Toshiba has shipped more than 4 million automotive-grade hard drives, primarily for aftermarket installations.

More "Big Brother" in the UK. The following are "monitoring" as noted:

Cyclops: Tested near Edinburgh and between Leeds and Bradford, these cameras are designed to catch commuters who cheat their way into car-sharing lanes by traveling with a shop dummy or blow-up doll. Such a lane is to be tried on the M1 next year.

Cyclops uses two frequencies of infrared to identify human skin by the way it reflects light

Multi-camera system: Dubbed "super-Gatso", this device can monitor four lanes of motorway and its three digital cameras can hold up to 60,000 images. Not currently installed in Britain, it can take a picture of the rear of a car, like a conventional Gatso, or the front (to identify the driver) — even at night

Road user charging beacons: Transport for London is conducting a road user charging trial in Southwark involving 500 vehicles equipped with tags that can be picked up by 21 gantries fitted with cameras and electronic beacons

Trafficmaster sensors: Infrared devices on 1,100 motorway bridges and gantries. They help drivers avoid jams

Trafficmaster cameras: Great news — these are not speed cameras. Located at 3,000 sites across Britain they measure traffic flow. Trafficmaster, a private firm, sells data on hold-ups to sat nav companies

Specs cameras: Catch drivers who think they can slow down before a camera and then speed up again. They measure average speed between two points. There are 60 Specs sites on urban 20mph zones and motorway contraflows around Britain

Gatso cameras The original, first tested in Britain in 1992. There are now thousands of these yellow boxes across the country using radar beams to measure speed, and the word Gatso has become a generic term for speed camera

Truvelo cameras These can prove who was driving the vehicle and thus prevent drivers trying to fob off their points onto somebody else. Unlike traditional Gatso cameras, the 700 Truvelos on UK roads face oncoming traffic to snap the vehicle and driver

Truvelo D-Cam: Two traps for the price of one. Now on test on the A4 in London, this is the first to act as both a traffic light camera and a speed camera. The £30,000 (~\$59k) digital system can store 100,000 images. More are expected on UK roads later this year

Parking/bus lane cameras: CCTV installed by some authorities in London and other major cities to take the place of wardens. They watch for illegally parked vehicles and car drivers who use bus lanes

BelAir200: These boxes on lampposts in the City of London are not spyware but part of a Wi-Fi zone going live in April. At least 14 urban centers, including Manchester and Birmingham, have similar systems

Traffic light cameras: These catch drivers jumping red lights by using radar or sensors in the road. An increasing number of local authorities are installing them, including ones in London, Essex, Somerset, Bristol and south Wales

Yellow box junction cameras: Currently only in London although legislation now going through parliament will allow other local



authorities to install them to catch drivers contravening yellow hatching rules at intersections.

Highways Agency cameras: The agency's 700 cameras monitor traffic flow on motorways and trunk roads. They relay images to regional control centers and the national centre in Birmingham. The information is used to warn drivers of jams and accidents

Congestion charging cameras: There are now 338 automatic numberplate recognition cameras across the London congestion zone, which stretches from Kensington and Chelsea in the west to Tower Hill in the east

The Hummer brand is arriving in the UK with the opening of the first dedicated showroom at Bauer Millett in Manchester, before the sale of a right-hand drive H3 in the summer. Several more showrooms are expected to be opened this year around Britain. The H3 has a 3.7litre engine with the choice of a manual or automatic transmission and a permanent four-wheel drive system.

Trivia:

The Trabant, the smoke-spewing communist car whose coughing two-stroke engine has been compared to a death rattle, is celebrating its 50th birthday and East Germans are preparing for a year of nostalgic road pollution. Only Berlin is not paying due tribute to the Cold War relic. It is banning Trabants -52,432 are still registered - from the centre of the capital. "We all have to make our contribution to preventing climate

catastrophe," a city spokesman said. His concern is justified. Although its spluttering engine is barely stronger than a lawnmower, it remains one of the dirtiest small cars ever devised.

The car is a freak. It started to roll off the production lines of East Germany in 1957 as the communists' answer to the Volkswagen Beetle. That was the year that the Soviet Union launched a Sputnik into space and the two were billed as the onset of a modern, scientifically advanced socialism.

The reality was that the car had primitive brakes, no fuel pump and no oil filter. Instead of a fuel gauge it had a dip-stick. Wise drivers carried not only a spare wheel but also a spare engine.

Because there was a steel shortage, it was made from compressed cotton waste held together with a phenol-based resin. An original plan to build it out of compressed cardboard foundered after the test model was left out in the rain: it was the first soggy car in history.

But despite the flaws, waiting lists for the car ran up to 14 years. As a result it held its value for decades; the trick was to stockpile spare parts.

Now, 17 years after the fall of the East German state and the end of production, there are still 82 Trabi drivers' clubs across Germany and they are being mobilized for the birthday parties.



Anniversaries:

1955, May 1 – A little more than half a century ago, at 7.22am, Stirling Moss left the start line of the Mille Miglia road race. Without the help of motorways and despite crossing a mountain range, just over 10 hours later he was back, having put nearly 1,000 miles under the wheels of his Mercedes-Benz 300 SLR.

Nobody had done it so fast and nobody did so again. Moss's win is the most famous of any by a Mercedes, and his car, still owned by the factory, is believed to be the most valuable in the world.

Crystal Ball:

- 2007 Milka Duno will be moving from the Grand-Am Rolex Sports Car Series to the Indy Racing League (IRL), starting the weekend of April 29 at Kansas Speedway, Round 4 of the 2007 season.
- **2007** It is possible that Marco Andretti could drive a Honda F-1 car during Friday's practice before the USGP.
- **2008** The new '08 Toyota Highlander Hybrid cross/utility vehicle will be able to run solely on its electric battery, but not very far. The range in EV mode depends solely on the charge in the battery. A best-case scenario would be almost five miles, at speeds of about 25 mph. The '08 Highlander will be available with the same 3.5L V-6 engine found in the

Camry and Avalon sedans but the Hybrid version will retain its 3.3L V-6 engine.

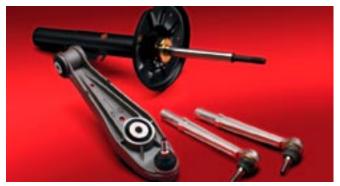
- **2008** The majority of the 30,000 Pontiac G-8's imported from Australia (nee Holden) will be V-6 models to keep pricing competitive with the Dodge Charger, which stickers between \$22,475 and \$36,595.
- **2009** Chrysler Group will build the 2009 Dodge Challenger at its plant in Brampton, ON, Canada.
- **2010** Nissan will probably be selling a diesel powered Titan pickup truck in the US.

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