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By JILL PERRY
2014 Suncoast PCA President

Have we been having some great events or what? Your board of directors and dealerships are consistently delivering high quality events and we are responding with our participation and attendance at record levels. What a team we have!

Charlie is back! Our long-time treasurer, Charlie Neilson, had an accident on an ATV in Costa Rica in November 2013 and experienced a long road to recovery. True to his nature, he accelerated his healing at what I consider record speed. He surprised us with his attendance at February's board meeting and social. He could not have accomplished the healing at the rate in which he progressed without the ever-present loving care of his wife, Laurie, all the while dealing with her own injuries. A huge thank you to Page and Lee Obenshain for so meticulously overseeing our finances during Charlie's recovery!

You may have read one of the articles about my experiences participating in

The President's Message



Continuing with great club news

Driver's Education and how much fun it was to participate in the weekends in 2013. We have many high-quality instructors who dedicate their talents to DE wannabes like me and each bring their years of experience and personality to the navigator's seat.

Each of my instructors in 2013 shared their gifts in different ways; Jeff with his witty camaraderie Donald Duck style, his encouragement and bold statements that made me believe I was capable of doing more; Rich, who gave me the tools to become 'unlost' in Bishop's Bend, and surprised and delighted me with his quiet patience (yes, you read that right!); and Dave, the "woman whisperer," who I was fortunate enough to have started and finished my year of learning and exhilarating fun with him. It was a rewarding moment when Dave told me that I drove faster and better in my touring lap in November than I did the entire time during my first DE in February.

When I started 2014, I noticed that my line was a combination of each of these instructors as I 'heard' each of them guide me with their words of wisdom.

February DE started off with Jim, who was patient beyond belief as I negotiated the track in fog and rain and he believed in my promotion to blue. The next day I had Bill, who brought his decades of experience and shared those

years with insistent feedback wrapped in kindness and the obvious love of driving.

The event ran smoothly under Grant Painter and his team and there was an overall sense of fun and excitement. Grant has done a tremendous job as Chief Track Instructor as he has tried new things and shown exceptional leadership skills as he has listened to feedback and made modifications based on feedback and on-track results. The DE program is seeing tremendous growth in numbers and quality as a result of Grant and his team with the February event having a record number of students.

We have the best DE program in PCA as it has been taken to an all-new level. If you're on the fence about getting out on the track, take a ride down one weekend and check it out. People are friendly and there's a lot of fun and action. Who knows – you may become addicted, too.

Jump on clubregistration.net now to register for Sunrise to Sunset Rally 8 being held April 25-26 (see page 11 for details). This first-class event is a multi-region event co-chaired by and with a committee from the Space Coast, Suncoast and Citrus PCA regions. For more information contact me at steelmag@gmail.com.

– CORRECTION –

In the Autocross article on page 13 in the March issue of Porsche Profile, the race photos were incorrectly credited. They were taken by Mike Kvasin.

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IN THE CORNERS

By MISSY TEASLEY

St. Patrick's Day came and went. Leprechauns appeared all around us and the color green was everywhere. What fun – parades, parties and lots of celebrations. Most of us did partake of the traditional Irish food and drink - some maybe a bit too much. However, St. Patrick's Day could not pass without the Guinness flowing.

Did you notice also that spring has sprung? Sure enough, our calendar ended winter, no matter what the ground hog said, and spring started March 20. April is going to be a very busy month.

The month starts off with **Porsches on Parade** on the 6th of April. The **DE weekend** at Sebring April 12 – April 13. If you have not given this a try, bring your Porsche down and have a look at what is going on at the Sebring track.

For sure, your Porsche will encourage you to join in this fun activity. One look and your Porsche will feel left out if not involved. Or so I am told! How we justify things to ourselves and others is always very interesting. Whatever works!

On April 16, the **Reeves dealership in Tampa is hosting another great Social** for our club members. We are fortunate to have such great friends at Reeves and thank them very much for the time, effort and expense put forth to entertain our club members. Space is limited. To attend this

fun event, contact me at missyteasley@aol.com

April 25 brings us to a very much anticipated weekend – **the 8th annual Sunrise to Sunset Rally**. This is not to be missed. Picture this in your mind. Wake to enjoy the sun rising over the water. Have a delicious breakfast on the beach while continuing to enjoy the scenery and watch the day come alive just for you. Get into your newly cleaned Porsche, and for this event one must have their Porsche in the best of condition.

With instructions in hand, off you go for a day of rally fun. Well, sometimes the fun gets overtaken with things said, like, “slow down, I cannot read the words.” “You are going too fast.” “No, I did not get that clue. I told you you were driving too fast.” All to be laughed about later.

Eventually, everyone finishes the rally. Happy hour starts with talk of the day's adventure.

When we think we have had it all, we realize that sunset is about to occur. We look out at the breathtaking view and marvel that we are so lucky to have experienced such a great day. Thus, sunrise to sunset. Who could ask for anything more?

Good luck and have a great time. To sign up, go to clubregistration.net.

I hope Easter brings health and happiness to you and yours. Celebrate the seasons.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

2014

April 6: Porsches on Parade, St. Petersburg

April 12-13: Driver's Education, Sebring

April 16: Dealer Social at Reeves Porsche, Tampa

April 25-27: 8th Annual Sunrise to Sunset Rally

MAY IS ROOKIE MONTH!

May 4: Autocross, St. Petersburg College

May 10: Driver's Education

May 17: Poker Run, Bert Smith Porsche

May 21: Date Your Porsche Night, Tarpon Pointe Grille & Tiki Bar, Bradenton

May 23-26: Zonefest FLC 40th Anniversary

May 25: Autocross, Mt. Dora/Tavares (with Zonefest run by FLC region)

June 7: Crystal River Porsche Invasion

June 12: Porsches and Pancakes, The Hangar, Downtown St. Petersburg

June 14-21: 59th Porsche Parade

June 18: Date Your Porsche Night

July 12: Porsche & Pancakes, The Hangar, Downtown St. Petersburg

July 16: Dealer Social, Suncoast Motorsports, Sarasota

Aug. 16: Mid-Summer BBQ

Aug. 24: Autocross, Tampa Bay Downs

Sept. 17: Date Your Porsche Night

Sept. 27-28: Driver's Education

Sept. 28: Autocross, Sebring, in conjunction with DE

Oct. 12: Autocross, Bradenton Motor/ Full Throttle Speedway

Oct. 15: Dealer Social, Bert Smith

Nov. 6-9: PCA Escape to Orlando

Nov. 8-9: Driver's Education/ Instructor's Dinner

Nov. 9: Autocross, Brooksville Tampa Bay Regional Airport (Guests of FSC BMW CCA) – Challenge #1

Nov. 15: Charity Event (DATE CHANGE)

Dec. 7: Autocross Brooksville Tampa Bay Regional Airport – Porsche/ BMW Challenge #2

Stay tuned! The Suncoast Region calendar is updated monthly with new events and changes as they occur. For more info, contact:

Autocross: Brian West

Drivers Ed: Grant Painter

*The 59th annual
**Porsches on
Parade** rides
through town April 6*



The Membership Starting Line

By LARRY MENDEZ
Membership Chair

2014 is off to a great start: Porsche Corral at the 24 Hours of Daytona, 48 Hours of Sebring, Autocross, Date your Porsche night at Ricky 'P's with 71 members in attendance, Sebring DE, the Polo Matches ... wow!

In the month of March, we had an Autocross in Bradenton, the Porsche Corral at the 12 of Sebring, and our annual Patrick Long ProAM Karting race and fundraiser for All Children's Hospital, and later in the



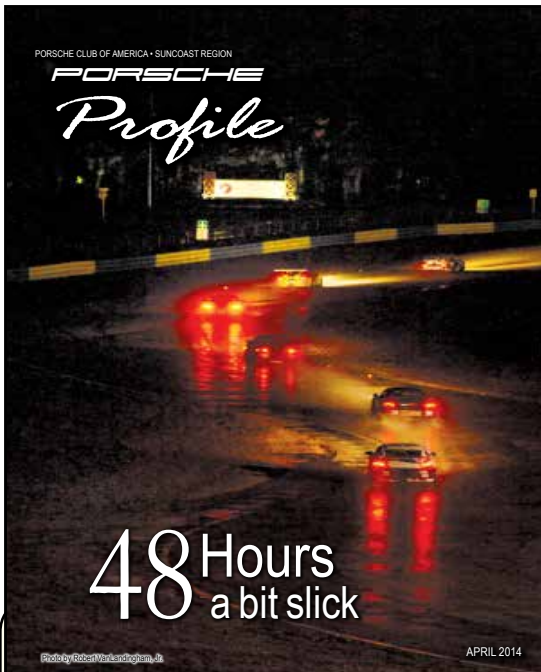
month, the Collier Museum tour and, finally, the St Pete Grand Prix.

As I wrote my membership renewal check, it brought back some very special memories. I originally joined PCA in 1974 after purchasing my first Porsche. After a few years,

I let my membership expire. It wasn't until I had thoughts of selling my car that I rejoined but only so I could advertise the car for free. The first Profile arrived and on the cover was a photo of Art and

Bruce Stemler. My wife went to school with Bruce and her parents were friends with Art and Shirley, so Janet immediately turned to the Drivers Ed article in which they were featured. Her interest was piqued, she wanted to do a Drivers Ed and she wanted Bruce as her instructor. Needless to say, I never sold my car and have spent the past 20 years thoroughly enjoying it with my immediate family and now my Porsche family.

We have an active and fun PCA group, so when your notice arrives in the mail, please renew and enjoy all that our chapter has to offer!



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| James Burns | Zephyrhills | 2001 Boxster Black |
| Christian N. Champion | St Petersburg | 1986 944 White |
| Karl Damhave | Nokomis | 2001 911 Carrera Silver |
| Thomas & Aaron Fitzgerald | Geneva, NY | 2004 911 Carrera Black |
| Bryan & Kerry James | Lithia | 2002 Carrera Black |
| Kevin & Ieda Karol | St Petersburg | 2003 011 Carrera Blue |
| John N Korba | New Port Richey | 2001 911 Carrera |
| Julien L McCall Jr | Lake Wales | 1983 911 Burgundy |
| David Murchison | Tampa | 1997 Carrera 2S Blue |
| & Michelle Liendo | | |
| Anthony J Palukaitis | Lutz | 2014 Cayman Blue |
| Chris & Raquel Pavik | Tampa | 2003 911 White |
| Riley D & Sonny Pelfrey | Safety Harbor | 2010 911 White |
| Keith D & Patricia Stansell | Lakewood Ranch | 2014 911 Turbo White |
| Ross F & Donna Sutton | Placida | 1999 Porsche Silver |

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| George & Michelle Bolton <i>(From Florida Citrus)</i> | Tampa | 2007 911 Carrera Blue |
| John W & Susan Browne <i>(From Potomac)</i> | Nokomis | 2008 911 |
| Richard E Bucklew <i>(From Northeast)</i> | Johnston, RI | 2012 Cayman S Black |
| James A Burns <i>(From Florida Citrus)</i> | Zephyrhills | 2001 Boxster Black |
| Paul & Aymii Couzelis <i>(From Connecticut Valley)</i> | Sarasota | 2003 Boxster S Gray, 2004 911 GT3 White |
| Anthony LoBalbo & Teresa Chibert <i>(From Hudson Valley)</i> | Beverly Hills | 1999 911 Carrera |
| Julian L McCall Jr. <i>(From Florida Citrus)</i> | Lake Wales | 1983 911 Burgundy |
| Anthony J Palukaitis <i>(From Gold Coast)</i> | Lutz | 2014 Cayman Blue |

On the cover...

This was the scene at the safety pin during the rainy Thursday night at the 48 Hours event at Sebring this past February. Robert VanLandingham, Jr. had no trouble catching the drama of the night-driving moment during the often foggy, wet weekend. See page 15.

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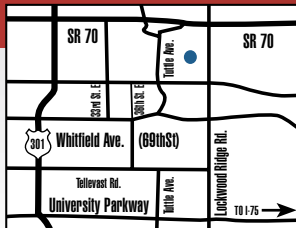
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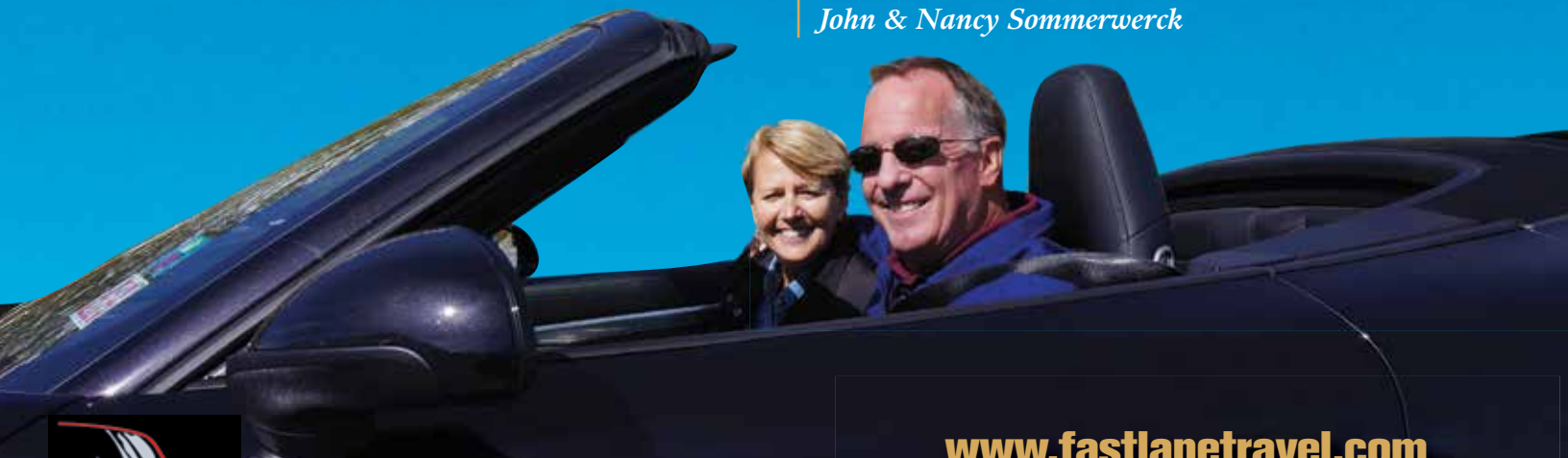


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Members, Rookies: Plan Now for Rookie Weekend

By SHARRON SHIELDS

Rookie Weekend is coming May 3 and 4, so mark your calendars, because you don't want to miss it.

The weekend starts off with a fun rally. We'll drive through some of the best roads the area has to offer. It will be an easy rally, so no stress. At the rally's end, we'll display our cars for a show. Food and beverages will be served and there will be awards and prizes.

On Sunday, there will be an autocross at the St. Petersburg College Allstate Center, 3200 34th St., St. Petersburg. Here you can further test your driving skills. There will be plenty of instructors available to help you navigate through the course. Lunch and drinks will be provided.

Remember, this is for all members. We want the rookies and new

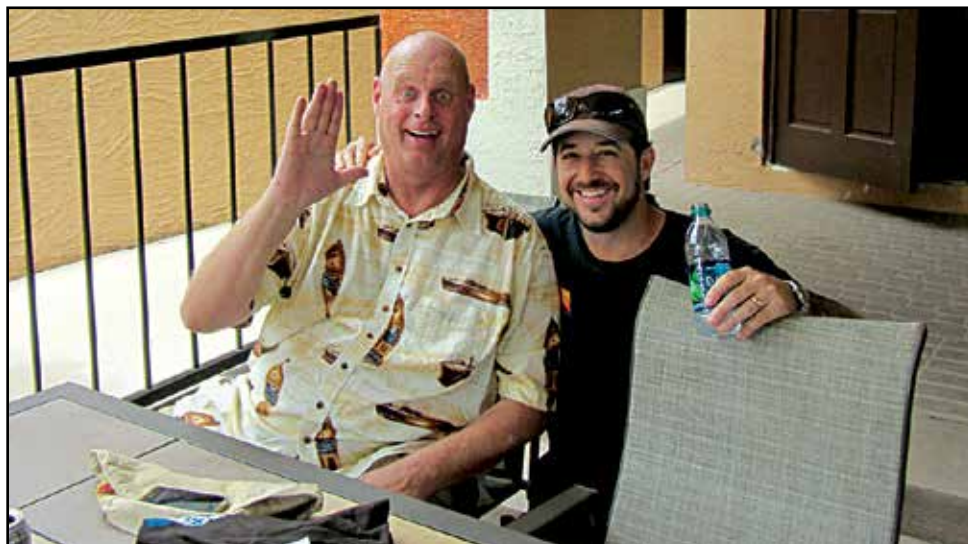


Photo by Geo Wienhold

Ray Fluitsma and Brian West enjoy time together at last year's Rookie Weekend.

members to come out and learn from us what Suncoast Region has to offer. The region has a very active calendar, offering Driver Education, social events, charity events, golf tournaments and travel. This is the place to ask your questions.

We are still working on some of the details. Registration will open April 13. Go to Clubregistration.net to register and for more information. You can also call me at 813-681-5378, or email me at GolfSharron@aol.com for more information about rally or autocross.

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Dave Bassett, far right, holds the mike from Sebring's PA system so the entire track could hear Goodie Store volunteer Cameron McKeever, second from right, and her fellow musician, far left, sing on Saturday night at 48 Hours. Dave Cook's daughter Carolyn Schrock, third from right, and Suncoast board member Tori Lewis, fourth from right, completed the quartet. Photo by Christian Rava. At right, Car #888, a 2010 GT3 Cup, driven by Marco Cirone, on the false grid on Saturday afternoon, prior to the final sprint event of the day. Photo by Patrick Wojcik.



48 Hours Wet and Wild

EDITOR'S NOTE: As you may know, organizers for the fabulous 48 Hours At Sebring event work year long to put it together, and a few of the Suncoast folks who served on the 48 Hours committee went from Sebring directly to organizing the Kart 4 Kids event, which took place in March. We hope to provide full length recaps of both events in upcoming issues of *Porsche Profile*. In the meantime, here are just a few photos to remind us of the event, which had record-breaking attendance. Visit suncoastpca.org for more photos.



Weather proved to challenge even the best of drivers as well as volunteers who worked the grid. Photo by Robert VanLandingham, Jr.



Suncoast Region member Tom Kerr being chased at the 2014 48 Hours, driving a 996 Cup. Photo by ColourTech South, official 48 Hours photographer.

Norm Wade was the grand prize winner of a cooler made out of an official NASCAR racing tire donated by Suncoast Motorsports. Pictured from left are Caleigh Wade, Norm Wade, Tyler Yates and Julia Beemer. The Autocross was held Sunday, March 2, at Full Throttle Raceway, in Bradenton.

Photo provided by Brian West



Rain Subsides for 48 Hours Autocross

By BRIAN WEST
Competition Chair

The wet weather that dampened 48 Hours of Sebring events Thursday and Friday turned to sunny skies just in time for the late morning start of the Saturday, Feb. 2, autocross at the Sebring International Raceway skidpad. Gold Coast Region event organizers Steve and Dottie Kidd hosted another great Zone event in conjunction with PCA's largest club race of the year.

The fun and challenging course gave competitors an opportunity to demonstrate their launching skills at the start and included a long, fast slalom diagonally across the course, as well as two tire squealing trips around the slick skidpad on each of their five runs.

Clubregistration.net's founder Chris Alvarado was on hand, and he generously lent his Mini Cooper S to PCA National President Manny Alban,

National Treasurer Tom Gorsuch, and 48 Hours of Sebring event co-chairmen Dave Herndon and Dan Smithyman to show off their autocross prowess. Suncoast's own past president and veteran autocrosser Dave Herndon made us all proud by posting the best time of the prestigious group, just 2 tenths of a second behind the car's owner!

Suncoast region members swept the top three fastest times of the day. Russell Swope posted the fastest 911 time of the day and third best overall in his black 996 C2 with an impressive best run of 42.538 seconds. Danny Shields was a few tenths faster in second place overall in his blue 986 Boxster S. Cory Corona posted a scorching fastest time of the day in Ralph Carr's black 986 Boxster S, at 41.794 seconds. Not far behind in fourth place, Steve Kidd did some amazing driving in his 944 S2. Fastest ladies' time of the day was captured by Suncoast Region's Sharron

Shields in her blue 986 Boxster S.

Due to the peculiarities of scheduling we will not hold an autocross event in April, but we will make up for it with two events in May. We will be at the St. Petersburg College's Allstate Center on Sunday, May 4, for our annual rookie autocross to cap off rookie weekend. All drivers are welcome at this event, but special emphasis will be put on welcoming and instructing rookies, and we will provide special prizes for the top rookies. The last autocross event before the summer break will be held on Sunday, May 25, in Tavares, in conjunction with our annual Memorial Day weekend Zonefest, hosted by Florida Citrus Region.

Visit our newly revamped web site, suncoastpca.org, for autocross event details, and please feel free to contact me at bwfst84@gmail.com with any questions. Hope to see you and your Porsche at an event soon!



Drivers lined up on a foggy Sunday morning. Most DE photos by Robert VanLandingham, Jr.



CTI Painter admires a 944 engine.



The Friday night “registration, tech, pizza, beer” line stretched from the start/finish area all the way out the main gate! Photo courtesy Grant Painter.

February DE Sets Attendance Record

April event expected to sell out

By GRANT PAINTER
Chief Track Instructor

The green flag has dropped on your 2014 Driver Education season and we’re heading into turn 2 with record numbers. On April 12 and 13, the second of five DEs held at the historic Sebring International Raceway this year is always a popular event.



Waiting for that pizza!

Registration is now open on ClubRegistration.net and filling up fast. According to Registrar Rick Meyer, the February event set a new record with nearly 220 participants. If your run group sold out before you had a chance to register in February, now is the time to try again!

Your Suncoast Region is fortunate to have a substantial number of highly qualified DE Instructors.

This has given our program the ability to expand the curriculum in ways that offer opportunities for drivers to acquire more skills and knowledge throughout the advancement process. Most notably, the progression from advanced student (Blue Run-group) to Solo (Yellow Run-group) now has a couple of extra steps to help assure the drivers’ continued safety at speed.

The April event will also include the second annual “Presidents’



Relaxing for a moment at the black flag station.

BBQ” held Saturday evening in the paddock area near the tower. Dave Bassett and John Vita cook up some great grub and fantastic fellowship. This is free to all registered participants (and guests) thanks to the Vita Vining Herman Group. Just let Rick Meyer know whether you plan to attend when registering for the DE. Nothing is more appetizing to us “track junkies” than the smell of hot tires and smoking brakes mixed with grilled meat!

See you at the track.

Bert Smith



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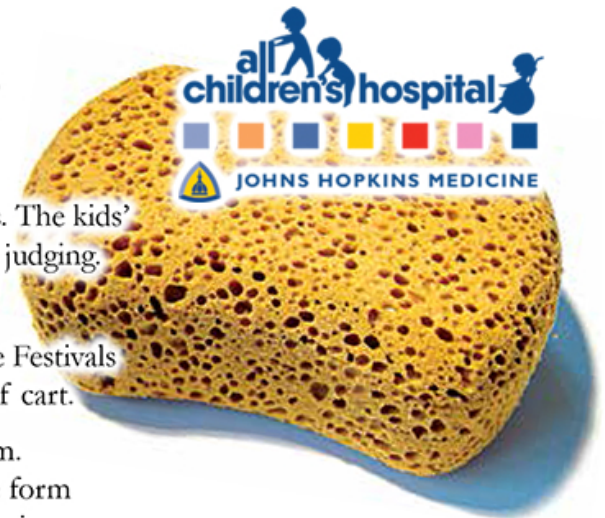
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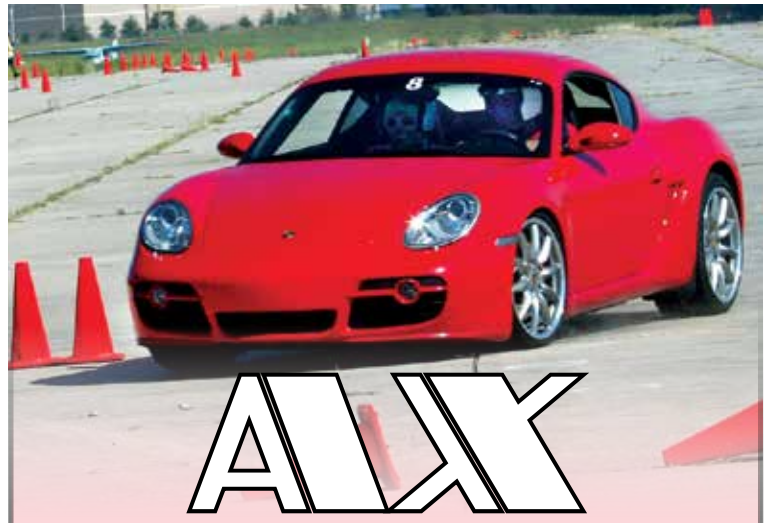
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TECH TIDBITS



The ins and outs of Porsche's brake switches

By CARLOS DeBONIS
DE Tech

Brake lights on Porsche cars and SUVs are operated by two different switch types, depending on the year and model. Most other manufacturers only use a mechanically activated switch on the brake pedal itself. The funny thing is



that Porsche has bounced back and forth with a hydraulic switch as well. Cars without power brakes could be either.

From 964 series cars and forward, all the cars came with the mechanical switch on the pedal cluster.

The earlier versions with power brakes were hydraulic on the master cylinder; these were equipped with two

switches, each having three connectors. With this arrangement, two connectors operated the brake lights and the third was a monitor for hydraulic pressure in the brake system. Using two identical switches was a fail-safe for the brake system electrically and hydraulically.

In real life, what happens is that the indicator lamp included in the small display on the dash (that also indicates the hand brake is engaged) has failed long before the switches do.

One switch will fail, then the other, but only one switch is needed to work the lights. When that switch fails, no more brake lights. I see this most often in the tech line at the track when, after the car has had its Pre-Tech inspection and passed, the lights stop working at tech or during the weekend.

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Porsche Unveils Fifth Model Line

LOS ANGELES - The Porsche Macan compact SUV, the fifth model line for Porsche, was unveiled to an international audience at the L.A. Convention Center. The new 911 Turbo Cabriolet, 911 Turbo S Cabriolet, the Panamera Turbo S and Panamera Turbo S Executive, and the 918 Spyder also took a bow to the many journalists either as world premieres or North American debuts.

With the Macan, Porsche has created the first sports car in the fast-growing compact SUV segment. The Macan S, powered by a 3.0-liter twin-turbo V6 engine with 340 hp, can accelerate from zero to 60 mph in 5.0 seconds. The Macan Turbo's 3.6-liter twin-turbo V6 produces 400 hp and makes the car sprint from zero to 60 mph in 4.4 seconds.

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height and the ability to traverse rough roads with ease," said Matthias Mueller, president of the Executive Board of Porsche AG. "The Macan's agility, grip and steering precision are easily the best in class – and the 400-horsepower Macan Turbo is certainly the most powerful in its segment," he added.

The 2015 Porsche Macan models arrive at U.S. dealerships next year in late spring, with pricing set at \$49,900 for the Macan S and \$72,300 for the Macan Turbo. Additional world debuts for Porsche include the twin-turbocharged 3.8-liter 911 Turbo Cabriolet and 911 Turbo S Cabriolet models, which can reach a top track speed of 195 mph and

are listed at \$160,700 and \$193,900, respectively. The cars reached dealers early this year. The top-of-the-range Porsche Panamera Turbo S and Turbo S Executive models are priced at \$180,300 and \$200,500 respectively, and also arrived early this year.

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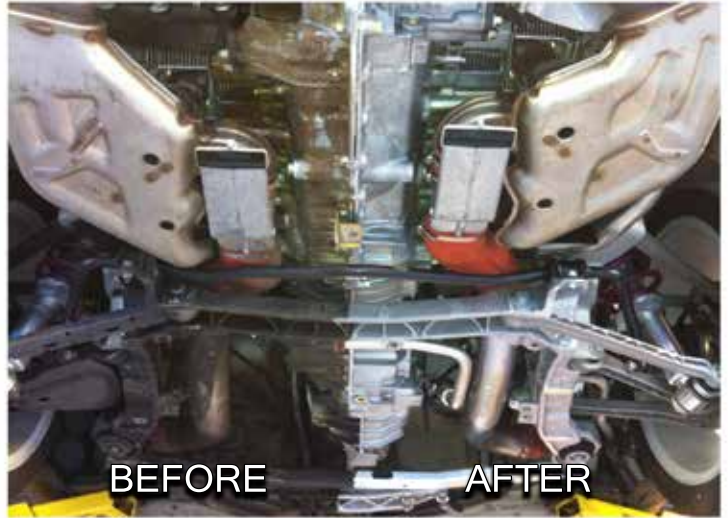
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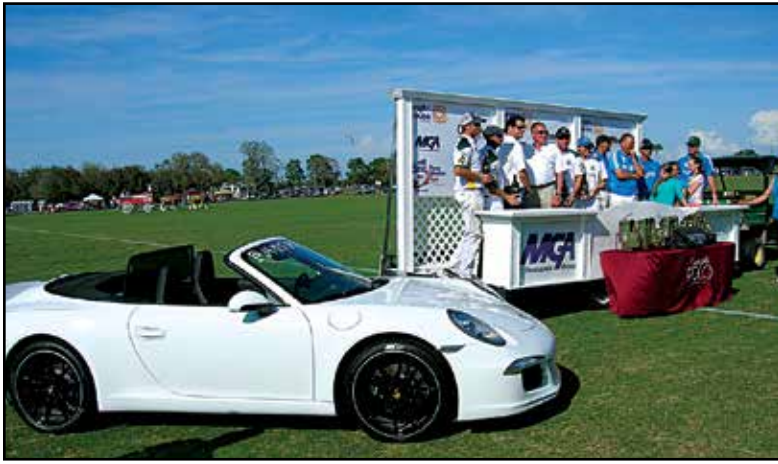
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Annual Eye Candy Treat

By DANNY SHIELDS

Beautiful late February weather greeted the attendees for Porsches & Polo 2014, hosted by Suncoast Porsche in Sarasota at the Lakewood Ranch Polo Club, February 23. Margarita Komyati and her Suncoast team arranged for great, catered food and drink, as well as a car display featuring some gorgeous new Porsches.

Porsches & Polo has become an

annual fixture on the club calendar, a relaxing afternoon of visiting with friends, enjoying great food, watching the "Sport of Kings," and checking out the vast array of Porsches.

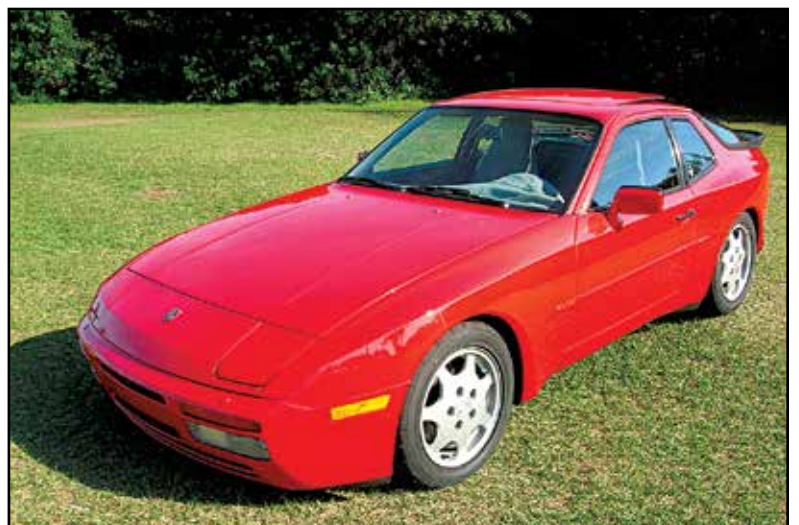
Lakewood Ranch residents and PCA members Diane and Russ Lee first got the club together to attend a polo match back in January 2006. The following year, Suncoast Porsche stepped up to host the event, booked the pavilion, and invited club members

and all Porsche owners to attend. They have hosted the event every year since then, at no charge to the invitees.

The calendar is always packed during the cool part of the year, and this year's event was held on the same day as a club driver education event at Sebring. Still, there were more Porsches than most people have ever seen in one place, covering the history of Porsche from a 356, to a 2014 50th Anniversary 911.



So if Russ Lee's Carrera had a dead battery and wouldn't start after Porsches & Polo, why is he still smiling? Master technician Ryan Uhrnec and others from Suncoast Porsche were on hand to get him back on the road soon.



A wonderful assortment of Porsches were on display, but only one 944, a 989 S2 belonging to this article's writer.



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NEW! • 2007 CAYMAN - 1 owner, Artic Silver Metallic with black interior, 5-speed, 18" Cayman S wheels, self-dimming mirrors, rain-sensing wipers. No dents or paint work, never raced, not even autocross. Extended warranty from Porsche until 10/2014 or 60k miles. Recently serviced, all records. Excellent condition with only 50,000 miles. \$29,900. David Theung, Valrico.813-685-0795. dtheung@tampabay.rr.com

NEW! • 1962 356 RACE CAR, has been since the 1980s. I've raced it the last 10 years in SCCA vintage class; it is race ready, has 3/4 race 7000rpm motor, Taylor racing transaxel, modified suspension, all necessary safety equipment. Looks nice, blast to drive. \$60,000. Contact Bob at 941-925-2537 or bjtone@hotmail.com for photos, more details.

NEW! • 2004 911 CABRIOLET - only 63,000 miles (I work out of my house), always garaged. VIN: WPOCA29914S651526. Detailed once a month, great shape, no dings/scratches. Steel gray metallic exterior, black leather seats, dash and dark gray carpet, wind screen, Bose Stereo system. Need to sell soon, only \$28,500. Call to make offer and test drive. Gary Greer 727-409-2326, or email for photos. ggreer@tampabay.rr.com.

• **2006 CAYMAN S**. One owner, only 12,000 miles, Lapis Blue Metallic/

Grey Leather seats. Purchased from and maintained by Reeves w/Preferred Package Plus. Recently serviced, always garaged, excellent condition. \$37,000. Contact: Mike, mmg_mike@hotmail.com or 813-447-9730.

• **2004 PORSCHE 911 TURBO CABRIOLET** - Vin# WPOCB299544S675163, Black / black. 21K miles. 6 speed manual. 3rd owner. Local St. Pete car with service performed by Bert Smith. New Pirelli rear tires with alignment, oil change, brake fluid flush and full inspection just completed at 20,500. Matching hard top with rolling stand and cover. Extra set of wheels (no rubber) and Porsche car cover. Nav, 6 disc CD changer and built in radar detector. Only mods are Fabspeed airbox and exhaust system. No smoking, always garaged and pampered. \$55k. Contact Brian at 571-437-0880 or bmcnic523@gmail.com.

• **2007 BOXSTER S** - Beautiful Guards Red w/Sand Beige interior, Black top. 6-speed, 18" alloys, Bose, Sport Chrono pkg. Florida car, driven sparingly by Senior Porsche enthusiast and dealer maintained. ONLY 29K miles. \$34,995, trades considered. Call 321-506-3838 or e-mail jackeroberts@hotmail.com with questions.

• **1994 928 GTS** - Black with a sunroof and rear spoiler, new tires, 100,000 miles, automatic, always garaged, professionally maintained. \$32,000 VIN # WPOAA2926RS820070. Contact David Wallace at davidwallace.tpa@gmail.com or cell 727-403-6897.

• **2001 PORSCHE 911 CARRERA** - 73k mi, excellent ride and condition, garage kept, 2nd owner, black interior, fully loaded, Sirius radio, sunroof, silver exterior, classic look. Brand new engine installed in 2007, 23k on new engine. Leave message for Bill at 941-921-4197

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• **1987 944 TURBO** - 128K+, Cup Wheels, Michelin Pilot Sport Cup (<1K miles), M030 Sway Bars, Oak Green (early 90s 911 color), great track car bones, good street car. Needs steering pump (just went). Reducing to 1 Porsche. Palm Harbor area. \$6100. lammerscj@yahoo.com.

• **BLACK 2007 CARRERA S**, gran turismo package, 19 wheels, GT3 front and rear spoilers, chrono, navigation, dual grey and black leather heated seats, exhaust modified, too many options to list, garage kept, 30k miles, \$57,000, includes 3 years, 36,000 miles extended warranty bumper to bumper \$100 deductible. Call Jose Rosado 813-714-8189.

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• **2001 PORSCHE 911 CARRERA**, silver/black, 23,500 miles on complete engine exchange from Porsche. 72,500 miles on odometer. Very good condition. Always garaged, no rain, never tracked. \$25,000. Contact Bill Lobdell, Sarasota, 908-246-6544 or mpckecks@yahoo.com.

• **2001 BOXSTER S** in good condition, speed yellow, many upgrades, 18-inch wheels, new rubber, hardtop included, 70,000 miles, all records.

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Parts

• **944/951 TURBO S FACTORY EXHAUST SYSTEM**, complete with factory heat shield. Loved, but needs a new home. Make offer. Dave Herndon HYPERLINK "tel:727-804-1439" 727-804-1439. DavidH2310@gmail.com

• **1986 944 TURBO CUP-1 WHEELS** by Borbet; correct spacers built in. Front 17 X 7.5 ET23, Rear 17 X 9 - ET15. Overall finishes good, straight, and true. Email for pictures or further details; RBarr75066@aol.com.

• **COLGAN BRA FOR 3.2 CARRERAS & 930 TURBO**. Two Piece, Model #: BC3826BC. Purchased for '88 Cab, wife looked at it; back into Colgan carton. Make offer plus half postage. **EUROPEAN PORSCHE PARADE WATCH**. 1992 at Cortina D'Ampezza, Italy. Complete w/ matching lapel pin. Write for detailed description(s) and photos. **GRILL BADGE**. Original for European Porsche Parade at Cortina D'Ampezza. Never mounted. Write for photo & written description. \$100 postage-paid in lower 48. **A/C BLOWER SWITCH**: Complete w/ Bezel & Knob, P/N # 911.613.243.60. 911 **ILLUMINATED FOG-LIGHT SWITCH**. Complete w/ body, bezel and knob. P/N #911.613.149.00. Never used. Make offer including half postage. 239-498-6461, vincecappelletti@embarqmail.com.

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• **WHEELS & TIRES**. Wheels are Porsche Turbo design, front 8Jx18-ET52, rear 10Jx18-ET40. Tires are Michelin Pilot Sport Cup, front 225/40ZR18, rear 285/30ZR18. Wheels in new condition. Tires have 95% or more tread remaining. \$995 for everything. Tires mounted on wheels. Buyer pays packing/shipping, if required. Contact Dennis at porscheman2010@hotmail.com or 574-286-8088. In North Port.

OR C4S WIDE BODY, with low miles (under 30K). Contact David, 941-586-3475 or send info to reesinusa@verizon.

• **944 NA – LATER MODEL**, well cared for, for DE and street. Contact Bill at (727) 403-9640 or roofdoc81@verizon.net.

• **CORE TARGA TOP** or Bare Frame to fit my 1979 911 SC. One 7X15 Cookie Cutter Wheel. Cosmetics not important. Call or email Albert at 813-598-0623 or alhoot42@verizon.net.

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• **CUSTOM ALUMINUM CAR HAULER**. 2002 all aluminum car trailer, includes extra long (9 foot) ramp. Weight capacity 4,400 pounds. \$3,200. Call Mike, 305-588-3261.

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