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SUNCOAST P.C.A. MEETS THIRD TUESDAY NIGHT OF EVERY MONTH, ATTEND AND BRING A NEW MEMBER!!

February 17th, Tuesday night at 7:30, we will again meet at the main clubhouse at Carlton Arms Apartments, just off Himes Ave., just off Sligh Ave., which can be found from either Dale Mabry or from I-75. (check map on last page, again) As far as known at press time, there will be no goodies to snack on, but please come anyway as there will be home movies from Daytona shown as well as the regular film scheduled. Larry and VP-Richard took movies of the 917's at Daytona, and hope to have them ready for viewing this meeting. That's not all, so do plan to attend and enjoy the company.

March 17th, Tuesday night at 7:30, we will again meet at the WTOG-TV studios. For those of us who didn't do so well on the rally last month...the road is Oak Street, which is right across the highway (Gandy) from RJ's Steak House, next to the dog track. You will NOT see any tower from the road, unless I string some old Christmas lights myself...and the road will not gobble you up as you pass the ice rink and seemingly head for the boonies. WTOG is there, folk. Food again? Not sure at this time.

April 21st, Tuesday night at 7:30, will again be at WTOG-TV if Larry doesn't mind...and unless the club decides to seek another meeting site.

Remember...wear those sweaters or a light jacket...TV studios are chilly year'round, right?

The January meeting of the Suncoast Region as well attended. Membership of 16 with 3 guests brought the total to 19 people to view one of the best films the club has seen in a long time. ONCE UPON A FRIDAY was the 1969 Indy race..a flick about cars and two people who drive. Photography was super great, sound great, and the whole idea of the movie was done so very well. If you missed it, maybe we can schedule it again...or request the 1970 Indy reel from Goodyear. Report from Paul sets amount in Region "Kitty" at \$88..but this month already PCA has sent another \$84.60 from dues, so Suncoast is getting along well.

And a large thank you to Larry, and WTOG, for providing eats and coffee.

MOVIES...WE HAVE MOVIES. WE HAVE LOTS AND LOTS OF MOVIES. STEP RIGHT UP FOLKS, SEE THE MOVIES

February flicks..."Test Drive for Safety"-safety techniques used by test drivers.
 "Sebring 1969"-WTOG footage, plus some autocross shots from first of Jan?
 plus the Daytona material if it all gets back in time.

March movies....."The American Challenge"-Daytona & Sebring action racing.
 possibly more local color from events around the bay.

April doesn't have anything that rhymes and means movies..."World's Toughest Auto Race"-this is the 1966 LeMans, France.
 "Turn Left To Win"-the Firestone version of 1969 Indy.

May Marvel....."Mountain Legend"-1965 Targa Florio.

Requests were made to the head movie man, Norman Miville, to request from Porsche Car SE, or rather VWSE, Porsche Div., the old "Hand Made" movie showing the 356 series autos being really hand made. Many of the new Porsche owners have never seen this film.

INTERESTED? COUNCIL OF TAMPA BAY AUTOSPORTS CLUBS MEETS FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH 8 PM

Meeting was held at Bill Grant Ford, St. Pete, per usual, February 5th at 8 PM, PCA President was there to report the following: At the PCA meeting this month there will be enough copies of the CTBAC Autocross Code for most members interested. This is a 10 page jobie that explains in detail a lot more than I published last month. Events were mentioned, which will be passed on later in this issue. Treasurer's report showed \$133.25 for CTBAC.

LETTER FROM H.J. BERGER, PCA Publications, Publicity & Public Relations Committee Chairman, dated January 21, 1970.

"Back in November, Charles Kuell and myself met with the management of the Porsche/Audi Division. Among the many topics covered was the desire for that management to contribute in both word and deed to the Porsche Club of America while the Club still retained its autonomy. The suggestion put forth by Mr. Herbert Williamson and agreed to by our President was one of soliciting from each of the 70 plus Regions of PCA as complete a calendar as possible for the events of the coming year, 1970. Mr. Williamson is preparing a budget at PAD to set aside funds for PCA Regions for such activities as socials, Christmas parties, tours, special banquets and the like. The funds Mr. Williamson hopes to have set aside will only be distributed on a request basis. As you can see, this is just another way a region can do a little bit more for its members. These funds could come back to the region in the form of a door prize, but there are many possibilities. So PLEASE firm up your calendar for the coming year and mail it to me. Let's set an action date of February 15 for all the calendars to be in. Remember, send your Regional Calendar to Joe Berger at #1 Crest Park Court, Silver Springs, Maryland 20903."

By the way, we entered the PCA National newsletter contest, for Sept. and Oct. issues. Those particular issues could easily lose. But take heart, I think they have a "fish" class. That's for those newsletter only good for wrapping you know what.

1969 SCCA Class "C" Production champion was Milt Minter, Porsche 911, Orange Coast Region.

REMEMBER, SUNCOAST REGION-PCA MEETS FEBRUARY 17th AT 7:30 PM AT CARLTON ARMS APARTMENTS!!

REPRINT FROM Maverick Region-PCA, Texas "SLIPSTREAM":

Anyone for a cross country rallye from the Golden Gate Bridge to the Statue of Liberty? You can do it without even leaving your home: by Rand McNally Road Atlas in the 1970 "St. Valentine's Day Massacre". There will be trophies for the top ten percent of the teams entered. The rallye begins February 14 and lasts until March 14. There's no time to waste. For information, contact Concours Plaines Rallye Team, PO Box 88, Brookfield, Ill. zip 60513.

Larry helped WTOG put a little more rubber on the parking lot this past Sunday. He and Richard, Dick, Paul and a few others practiced...getting ready for gathering trophies at the next autocross. Went well. Paul Job finally beat the TR was it? By two seconds? Sounds like Paul's boy could have brought his Saab and done the job right. Right?

Since no dealer nearby has the 914/4, here is another reprint from the Maverick Region. Written by Roger Chaney of that Region. "There are a few 914's now available throughout the country and driver/performance/impression reports are starting to hit the presses.

"A few local PCAers have recently seen the two 914/4's which are in residence at Economy Cars of Dallas. Some of us were a little disappointed to see one of the cars out in the Economy parking lot instead of on the showroom floor, but we did a fair amount looking with flashlights..and later more looking at the other car on display at North Park Shopping Center. Impressions of the car were as follows:

"The 914 is a much better looking car than its photos indicate. The removable top is lighter, stronger and fits better than Targa tops. Driver has more foot-room than in a 911 or 912. Four cylinder, 1700cc, fuel injected VW engine much more accessible for maintenance than expected. Just about as much luggage space as in 911, if you don't remove top. (here he means with just two people in car I'm sure) Engine access door is about twice as large as it appears in photos. Big bumper inserts look very functional. Price is a grabber. (Those are the plus features)

"Headlights appear to have been designed by a committee of engineers from Disney studios and the descendants of Rube Goldberg. Several places show consturction was done by Karman and not Porsche Bodyworks. Top all but eliminates rear compartment storage. Anyone over 5'10" should order the car with an extended steering column to get clearance. Trim kit, vinyl roll bar cover, chrome bumpers, doesn't do much for the car, especially for \$250 extra. Current base price probably won't last long. (Those are the minus features)

OK, other regions are doing it, and we've sort of done this by way of mouth at the meetings, but now we'll try it in the mag: We would like the members to participate in a section of the newsletter by advising the editor of the type service (good or bad) you are receiving on your Porsche. This should include the following information...Dealer or Repair shop, Type of Car, Type of service, your own rating for the quality of service performed. This is not meant to stimulate business or detract from a shop's service...this should only serve members hunting a particular type job to be done, or for some Porsche owners who aren't aware of the qualifications of the shops in the area, according to our members. (if I don't hear from Contemporary Cars in Orlando pertaining to my tach pretty soon, I may have something to print from the editor's desk!)

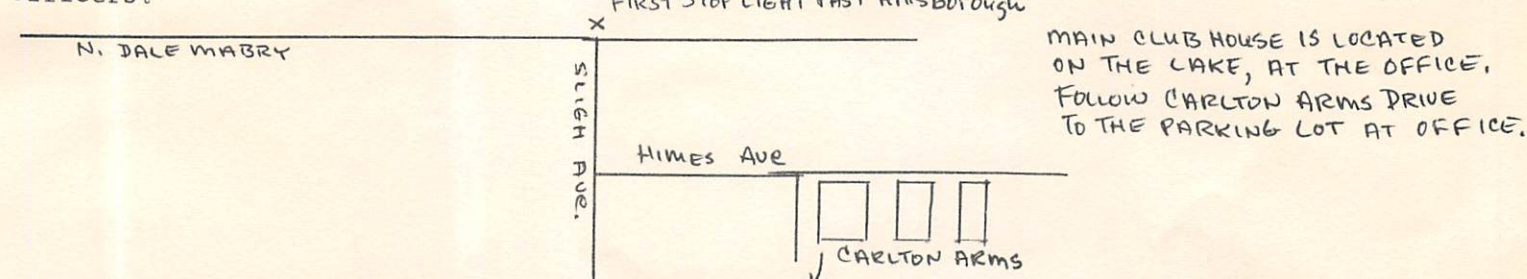
Should have good stories to hear from Daytona at our meeting Tuesday night. Five Porsches left from Westshore Plaza at 6 am, Jan 31, to drive to Daytona for the races. I hear tell the 917's did their stuff. A bunch of our members worked the pits, a whole bunch more were there "playing press" to watch the race. Come early to the meeting and get your ears bent a little.

Frank Stead has some things for sale: Chrome Wheels 4½" (four), Semperit tires (four), Complete 4-speed gears, standard ratio for 911, Ring-gear carrier (five gear) for 911. Frank Stead, 403 Druid Hills Road, Tampa 33617

EVENTS AROUND THE TAMPA BAY AREA. EVENTS AROUND THE TAMPA BAY AREA. EVENTS TO ATTEND, YES.

- February 15th, BAE(British Auto Enthusiasts), Autocross at Central Plaza Shopping Center, St.Petersburg. Reg-10-11:30 AM, no later. Four timed runs. \$3.00
THAT'S THIS SUNDAY, BY THE WAY!
- February 22nd, USFSCC & GTAC TSD RALLY SCHOOL-Registration 11:30-12:45, \$1.50 to members of USF club and Tampa Autosports Club, \$2.00 other club members. Fine Arts Humanities parking lots, Tampa Campus USF. There is to be a seminar on elementary TSD technique and short TSD rally under 3 hours, under 100 miles. Dashplaques to be awarded driver and navigator of all finishing cars. Bring a good watch, pencil and paper!
- March 8th.....USF autocross, Fine Arts Humanities parking lot, USF campus, Tampa.
- March 15th.....Tri-City Corvette Club, autocross at Sun n Fun Jaycee lot in Clearwater., will get more information on this one
- March 28th.....BAE council rally.
- March 29th.....MacDill autocross.

Check December issue for complete map...if you can't follow this one, or call one of the officers.



For the members of the Suncoast Region-PCA, the Porsche Profile extends condolences to Curtis Palmore whose father passed away just recently.

Your editor,

Beecher

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