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SUNCOAST PCA MEETS EVERY THIRD TUESDAY NIGHT OF EVERY MONTH OF EVERY YEAR. ATTEND. ATTEND.

March 17th meeting will be again at the WTOG-TV studios. This is to be found by turning in front of RJ's Steak House, the road next to the motor cycle place...and keep going until you feel the urge to turn left into the parking lot of the WTOG location. Movies, trip to Sebring planned, etc., etc., so plan to come.

April 21st meeting will be again at WTOG-TV unless something is brought up at the meeting in March to change this. Anyone for a restaurant again?

The February meeting of Suncoast PCA was fairly well attended, as far as I could tell, having not been there. The list of paid members is slim...only 11? Aw come on guys. We must have more than 11, Paul Job isn't on this list.

The USF rally school of the 23rd was entered by some twenty cars...five being PCAers. Paul Job, Curtis Palmore, Roger Hunt, Norman Miville, Bill Both and Larry Eskridge and wife Sharon. That's seven, right? Alright, who isn't a member? Anyway, Larry and Sharon, pros that they are, took first place. Larry says Norman was fifth. Good show group.

After the February meeting a fun rally "PCA Rally to a cold beer" was held. This took all of 30 minutes to run...Bill Both probably winning. Nine cars participated. Larry and Sharon set that one up. Another similar event is to be held after this month's meeting. Curtis is setting the March event up. Should be fun after the meeting.

Understand a few new people were at the February meeting. Sorry I wasn't there to get your names...had to "make money" at the radio station and record some commercials. Your editor will attend this month, so bring a friend, and new member.

PAID YOUR 1970 DUES YET? PLEASE FORWARD THAT HARD EARNED MONEY TO PCA AND COME TO MEETINGS

Letter from Herb Williamson of Porsche/Audi...(by the way, see the ad for Audi in this week's TIME mag?)...regarding racing posters. He says: Sending clubs a selection of the recent racing posters for club use as door prizes, etc. If the factory continues to send these posters in quantity in the future, we'll continue to receive them from the distrib. They've divided them among the regions, and are out right now. We should get our stock of goodies shortly, I guess.

FACTORY NEWS: The Porsche factory is apparently very interested in improving their position in the Cam-Am series next year as indicated by various power experiments going on in their secret laboratory deep in the black forest. They've been playing with a 4.9-liter version of the present 12-cylinder engine and have tacked a turbo-charger on the side of it. They've been looking for 700 screaming horsepower. Not satisfied with these labors, another group of engineers is working on a transplant...can a 6.9-liter Mercedes V-8 engine work in the body of a 917PA? It sounds a bit scary. Other stories are leaking out, such as the union of two flat-8s with a 16-cylinder, 600-700hp result and some Porsche engineers have even considered bringing the old 21-cylinder, 10.3-liter Auto-Union engine out of retirement. By serious tweaking, the laboratory engineers claim that they can get 1475hp out of the thing before it begins to melt. Said one: "Vait til dat Bruce fellow gets a load of dis!" Verrrrry interestingggg. (but reprinted from the Peachstate PORSCHE PRESSE)

Speaking of another region...I have received a few different mags from other areas. And I mean real mags, too. The kind that cost money to have printed...from larger regions, obviously. I'll have them at the March meeting for members and guests to check out. Peachstate, Orange Coast (calif.), Oregon, and like that.

Item from last month, got left out...sad to say Dr. Hal Williamson, an original member of Suncoast PCA, and organizer as I understand it, has requested membership change to the Gold Coast Region, Miami. Quite a race driver, must be Gold Coast has a more active schedule than Suncoast.

COUNCIL OF TAMPA BAY AUTOSPORT CLUBS MEETS EVERY FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT GRANT FORD

Interested in getting in on the happenings? Why not attend these council meetings with PCA President Richard Bishop. At the past council meeting it was voted to require each member club to hold at least one (1) council event per year to remain in good standing. This would mean a TSD Rally or an Autocross.

Council will (hopefully) reproduce 1966 council rally rules (updated slightly) for club distribution. Should promote rallying in the Bay area if they do.

REMEMBER, SUNCOAST PCA MEETS EVERY THIRD TUESDAY NIGHT OF EACH MONTH...MARCH 17th, 7:30!!

MOVIES FOR MARCH: "The American Challenge"--Daytona & Sebring action...possibly more local flicks from our membership will be shown.
 MOVIES FOR APRIL: "World's Toughest Auto Race"--1966 LeMans, France, and "Turn Left To Win" the Firestone version of 1969 Indy race.
 MOVIES FOR MAY: "Mountain Legend"--1965 Targa Florio, plus some "home flicks" from Sebring I would suspect. So, keep tuned.

NEWS, NEWS, NEWS: ANYONE GOING TO DENVER IN APRIL? If so, get with Richard Bishop and be willing to represent our region at the PCA Board of Directors meeting, April 4th, in Denver.

Questions to be voted on are: By Laws Revision, submit to membership: yes___ no___.

Zone Boundries, we wish to remain in our present zone or be included in zone no.____.

Porsche/Audi, we approve___, Disapprove___ of direct financial support from P/A to regions.____

If nobody attends, we will give proxy instructions to our zone coordinator.

Paul Job has ordered two copies of the parade competition rules which will be available at the March meeting for those interested in going to the parade in Boston the last week of June. Would be a great vacation up that way. Check the Panorama for details. Boston? Thought it was Vermont? Up that way somewhere, anyway.

CHECK THIS FOR A MEETING PLACE, FOLK: The Pizza Inn, 4140 Henderson Blvd., Tampa, wrote a note to clubs inviting them to use their parking lot as a start/stop place for rallies. Also they have available at no cost a private banquet room for club meetings. And they serve pizza, beer, wine, good salad (I've eaten there), soft drinks...and 'da soonas' they'lla havea th' spaghetties! They offer a \$1.00 off (discount merchandising, yet) on large pizzas...plus free pizza to the 4th place winners in all rallies held there.

Sounds like a good idea. No? Think it over, and bring it up at the meeting, why not. By the way, Central Florida Region is having a March meeting at Hornes Restaurant and Motel...cocktails at 6:30...dinner at 7:30...buffet style dinner costing \$4.95. People, that's more than we ever paid even at Seven Steers, where we got good food. And their club has a lot of college students, too. Whatever happened to our PCA meetings with a nice restaurant, etc. Wouldn't you want at least a couple a year? Remember, most places have that guarantee of at least 30 people to eat.

Ah sooo...Central Fla. Region also has invited Mr. Reginald Smith, VP of ARCF, Inc. (Sebring) to speak at their May meeting...he accepted and will bring the 1970 Sebring films. This would even be good to attend from this far down...if one or two of you want to think of driving to Gainesville in May.

So many good articles have been written about Daytona...that I just can't bring myself to write anything of my own. I would rather write firsthand, but since I didn't make it, well. Between the papers, Panorama, trade mags, sports info sheets, etc...well, grab one or two, read them...and be proud Porsche makes your auto, even if you don't get up to 120 mph on Howard Franklin more than once or twice a year, late at night...when no cops are around.

PORSCHE/AUDI teams will race in SCCA Nationals. Porsche's newest sports car, the 914 mid-engine roadster, will carry the Porsche/Audi banner in SCCA races this year with six cars raced by three teams. With stiff racing in C-Production, 914s will be racing in three geographical divisions to try to win the class championship next fall.

Arrangements have been made for three two-car teams. Joseph Hoppen, Porsche/Audi competition Manager said: "We have been in touch with individuals who have had long experience with Porsche racing and who we know will do their best to win for us." Heading the west coast team is Richie Ginther, a former grand prix driver who managed Porsche/Audi Can-Am 917 last year. Art Bunker, who has ten years of international Porsche racing behind him and who is currently a Porsche/Audi dealer in Overland Park, Kansas, will manage in the Midwest. In the east...Porsche/Audi dealer from Jacksonville, Peter Gregg has been invited to manage a team. Peter is the national B-sedan winner and under 2-liter Trans-Am winner with Porsche last year.

The three teams are expected to get into action in April, meanwhile testing has been underway with a sole 914 on the west coast. In its first race, it finished second behind a Porsche 911 and set the fastest qualifying time in its second outing. Needless to say, the 125hp six-cylinder 914 is the version they are racing. An 85hp four is offered and races in E-Production Class.

SEBRING 1970---Two of the most powerful and fastest Porsches ever built will carry the blue and white Porsche/Audi colors in the 20th annual Sebring 12-hour, March 21.

The entry of two 917's in the event by importer of Porsche Sports cars and Audi front wheel drive sedans is an international effort involving principals from four countries. Owned by Porsche Konstruktionen, the Austrian Porsche importer, one of the 520hp cars will be driven by Vic Elford, England, and Kurt Ahrens, Germany. Hans Hermann, Germany, will be teamed with Rudi Linz, Austria, in the second car. Gerhard Strasser, Porsche Konstruktionen's competition director, will manage the cars during the race.

The Wyer-Gulf (no-nox, with the horseshoes? really?) Porsches that enjoyed at 1-2 finish at Daytona are also entered in the Sebring event...while Porsche is looking for even harder competition from that Fiat owned company car, Ferrari. Remember, Ferrari won down there last year.

Ticket info on Sebring: Auto Racing Club of Florida, Box 871, Sebring 33870.

SAVE MONEY MUCH?: suggested low cost substitute for factory \$4.90-912 paper air filter cartridges, use Lee brand filter available at local parts places at 1.48...Lee part number is AFL-101 made for '59-'62 Rambler, '61 Studebaker...looks about same as the stock Mann filter. (reprint from a reprint that may be no good by now anyway)

MARCH 17, 7:30, WTOG-TV FOR SUNCOAST PCA MARCH MEETING. EVEN IF YOU HAVEN'T PAID--COME!

National dues are made payable to SCCA, Inc. : regular membership...\$17.50
Spouse membership...\$ 5.00
Junior membership...\$10.00

Regional dues are made payable to Central Florida Region-SCCA, Inc.:
regular membership...\$10.00
spouse membership...\$ 2.00
junior membership...\$ 5.00

Although checks are made out to separate section of the organization, all applications are mailed to the Regional Executive, H.C. Zitzel, 1426 Druid Road, Maitland, Fla. 32751.

WANT TO LEARN TO DRIVE: Learn to drive where the "big wheels" run...Daytona. Attend the April 4-5 Racing School for Drivers and Course Workers conducted by the Central Florida Region SCCA. Actually this is a 3-day event since Phase I students must report on Friday for registration and class instruction.

EVENTS EVENTS EVENTS...WHO WILL ATTEND THESE EVENTS EVENTS EVENTS...MARK THE CALENDARS NOW

March 15, Sunday, FUN N'SUN FUN-KHANA, Autocross event sponsored by Tri-City Corvette Club...in cooperation with Clearwater Fun n' Sun Festival. St. Pete Jr. College, Clearwater campus. NCCC Sanction #647. Trophies awarded. Registration & Inspection at 8:00 A.M. First car out at 10:00 A.M., LeMans start, flying finish. Cost is \$3.00

March 15, Sunday, LEFT-RIGHT RALLY, CFR-SCCA, registration at Seminole Plaza, that's in Casselberry, highway 436 & 17-92, at 10:30 A.M. Entry fee \$5.00 prior to march 10th, \$6.00 after that date. Cars out at 11:30 A.M. Five hour, 120 miles event. info? call Maitland 645-2947.

March 29, Easter Sunday(?), McDill Sports Car Club, Autocross. registration at 10:00 A.M. timed runs at 12 noon. Held at Schlitz Brewery, Tampa. \$4.00 fee, \$3.50 council club member. THREE timed runs

March 21, Saturday, Suncoast Mustang Club FUNKANA, at 12 noon, Crossroads Shopping Center parking lot. non-council event. blindfolded driving with navigator, and such like that.

March 28, Saturday, British Auto Enthusiasts, Shakey's rally, start from Shakey's in St. Pete..registration at 6:30 P.M., council event.

(sorry about the messed up date arrangement...some day I must sort my materials before I begin typing this newsletter)

tear along dotted line, fill in below information if you wish, and mail it to the Editor

SERVICE/PARTS RATING FORM

MEMBER'S NAME _____ PHONE # _____

PORSCHE MODEL NUMBER _____ YEAR _____

SHOP NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

SERVICE PERFORMED _____

DATE _____ WERE YOU SATISFIED _____

WHY OR WHY NOT _____

OVERALL RATING OF JOB _____ (A-excellent 100% perfect. B-above average, service beyond minimum. C-average, acceptable as delivered. D-below average, needed correcting. F-unsatisfactory.

PARTS PURCHASED OR PRICED _____

AVAILABLE? _____ QUICKLY OBTAINABLE? _____

PRICE QUOTED OR PAID (reasonable, little high, extremely high) _____

PARTS OBTAINED IN REASONABLE TIME, IF ORDERED? _____

WERE YOU SATISFIED? _____

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS ON SERVICE OR PARTS _____

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