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Suncoast Porsche Club of America meets third Tuesday every month, check here for where!!!

# May 19 meeting 7:30 PM at TERRACE PORSCHE/AUDI, 6305 E. Hillsborough, Tampa.

Once again Mr. Dayan has opened his doors for our meeting. To date most of the parts are in, cars are to arrive this week or first of next. in time for the meeting. Movies will be shown, see below for details. Just in case you haven't found Terrace yet, it's over the hill from Kane Furniture store, between 50th Street and I-4/301 interchange, just across from Canady VW, on Hillsborough. See you at 7:30 this Tuesday.

Last month's meeting as pretty fair. Turnout was nice, we had 20 Porsches in the lot, 17 members at last count and 13 guests which did not total the 44 people in attendance. Actually I didn't count wives as members again, probably, but there were 44 at the meeting. Mr. Dayan exchanged welcomes with club members. We got to meet and talk with the parts manager, Gil Stubbs. The pastry from Maas was fantastic. Thank you, whoever at Terrace thought of getting the goodies.

Since that meeting we have had 5 or 6 new members. As meetings, events and interest picks up so will new memberships.

George Harvey has been talking with Bill Walsh at Terrace about a new 911T/Targa, silver beauty, soon to arrive. Harv, it seems, got cought between two bad drivers and his Porsche became an Italian accordion. Totaled. Thanks to good Porsche Body work and a safety belt being worn, George only bumped his head and scratched his hand. Driver's seat is broken from the impact but little inside the car is hurt. He says his PCA badge was not even bent. Anyone want a brand new car cover? He'll sell for \$25. It's only been used a few times...it's the super one with soft lining that sells for \$35.

There must be something about a limited number of Porsches at Carlton Arms Apartments. Soon as Frohlich moves in Harvey wrecks his. We'll get Dick's address and phone number for the next newletter.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT ON SUNCOAST EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING:

Everyone invited came, except your editor. The following schedule of events and dates was drawn up for approval. Council events must be submitted to council for date approval. No events for June incase anyone plans to attend PCA Parade.

JULY 25th, Saturday, a beach party possibly at Gulf Lanes. A cook-out planned.

There is a charge of \$2.00 per person for use of the beach and facilities.

AUGUST 22nd, party at Carlton Arms mit Dick Frohlich.

SEPTEMBER 25-27, Suncoast PCA All-Florida Oktoberfest (in September?).

NOVEMBER 1, PCA Council autocross. no site yet.

DECEMBER 6th, TSD council rally to be planned by our super rallymaster Larry Eskridge.

Boats, Racers and Volkswagens...so read the newspaper article in last Sunday's St.Pete Times. Mr. Theodore Meuche purchased Emory VW, has changed the name to Tyrone VW, and plans to market Porsche/Audi. Sale was for \$800,000. The owners stepsons are professional race drivers. One is George "Skip" Walther of formula-F ford fame at Daytona. Another is David "Salt" Walther who won the Orange Bowl Regatta at Miami last December driving the 7-liter hydroplane "Country Boy". David was just picked to pilot "Miss U.S." a record holder hydroplane, his head mechanic is the third member of the Mueche family, Jeffrey. Theodore Meuche and a "silent pardner" (Peter Revson) are entering an 800 hp Ford in the Indy 500... "Ford or not" Meuche says, "we're considering naming it the Tyrone VW Special for the Indy race." For a former insurance man the new owner of Tyrone VW sounds like a real winner. We'll be looking forward to Porsches on his lot real soon... and a couple of meetings at the dealership, too.

MORE ODD BITS OF GOSSIP CAUGHT IN PASSING: Understand Roger Hunt went to a rally not too long ago. I said he WENT to a rally...someone said he didn't finish. And Roger went to an autocross, too. He let his son drive. After the autocross Curtis Palmore had to buy a new briefcase another competitor lost his air intake measuring instrument. Roger, you really ought to check the steering on your Porsche.

Larry Eskridge has been put in charge of TSD rallys for our club. He's taken many prizes at other rallys so this was the only way we could make sure our club members could have a chance on our own rallys. Actually, Larry will need help from members when we schedule our all-Florida event soon, so please be ready to lend a hand.

I finally (after being grilled at the last meeting) mailed Panorama two pages of materials for printing.

Oh yes, Curtis Palmore won some more trophies at a McDill SCC event. They didn't mention his name in their Prototype mag, nor car make...but it was mentioned that a PCAer took a prize.

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All members may not take in all events all the time...but as long as everyone does what he can, and enjoys it, that's what counts. Please, any time you attend an event LET YOUR EDITOR KNOW WHAT HAPPENED, WHEN, WHERE, WINNERS, PCAer ATTENDING, ETC. I can' be everywhere...especially with USAR meetings on Sundays. Thank you.

## MOVIE FILMS ON SCHEDULE FOR PCA:

This month's film is MOUNTAIN LEGEND and SEBRING '65, May 19th at Terrace Por/Audi.

June 16th movie should be THE RACER'S EDGE-STP racing film.
July 21st flick will be the vintage Porsche film "HANDMADE" on 356 series. Great!
August 18th will be 42 PORSCHE STRASSE on the 900 series cars being made.
Norman Miville is in charge of films. If you have any home movies of races, autocrosses or any local event you'd like to let the club enjoy...please let him know.

WHAT IS A RALLY? A rally is a trip over the meadow and through the woods to grandmother's house, when you don't know where she lives or how to get there, but you must arrive on time. (thank you Key Crawler via Pit Patter)

By the way...whoever is editor of MacDill Prototype...this May issue is good. Well written and many good points made and strongly so. Good issue. But why don't you list your officers and editor somewhere in the darn thing. A blind PO Box publishes your mag? Actually there was not a lot of events listing or funny sayings...but it was fun reading.

#### SERVICE/PARTS RATING SECTION:

Editor received a rather lengthy letter from Herb Thomas, Miami, regarding Frank Smith's rating of their Porsche/Audi dealership in that area. The essence of the letter was that Herb has been happy with his service from the dealership, and thought little of Frank for knocking the service on his car from that dealership, as well as even less of your editor for printing "such criticism of Porsche dealers." Well, I hardly write off the top of my head, usually something happens to cause my fingers to type what they do. and in Mr. Smith's case I had reason to believe him. Our position on service reports, as with other PCA region papers, is to report good and bad reports from members for the information of new Porsche owners or dissatisfied owners looking for good shops. I don't ever want to be in a position to defend a dealer. A dealer can hire or fire any mechanic and change his reputation. That we can't control, nor would we want to as a club. But, This newsletter will continue to publish good or bad reports on any shop doing any type of Porsche work. If you, Herb, found service good for you...fine. Mr. Smith did not. And being out-of-town it would seem a dealership should hold the same fine standard for work. Maybe a different mechanic worked on Smith's auto? In any event, Suncoast Region has in no way tried to offend that dealership...we only reported an honest opinion of work done by that dealership, on one car. If we get bad reports from our dealers here in Tampa, we'll print them. Every Porsche owner should be happy with his service as that's part of the pride of owning one of these cars. Our service reports will continue as an information section of this newsletter with any Porsche owner invited to participate.

Word from Dr. LaRosa on his 911 service (1966). Takes car to Wayne Purdy European Motors, Clearwater. All service after warranty was excellent. 100%. List prices on parts. "Prior service under warranty was lousey. Many defects during 1st year dealer did not know how to correct!" He's happy with Purdy's work.

Jerry Garcia on his 911T (1969). Took it to Contemporary Cars, Inc., Orlando for 6,000 mile service in March. Hans Hoeth, head mechanic, sharp, knows his specs. Neat, Thorough, test drove car when finished..and has run well since. Installed radio and antenna..clean job. Very expensive service "compared to other 6,000 mile service on 911Ts I've heard about"...Jerry's cost was \$110.00 not including the radio!!

Promised in this issue, a word from Mr. Dayan on service from Terrace...maybe next time. Also a price list on labor and times, etc. I should hope we all know what is headed our way to help pay for the new building out there on Hillsborough.

#### EVENTS:

- May 17th, Sunday, GULF COAST CORVETTE CLUB Speed-Kanha on 3/4 mile course at the Bradenton-Sarasota Speedway. Three timed runs. \$4.00 registration at 10 AM, first timed run at noon. 61 trophies. location in N. on U.S. 41 to 57th Ave.W. in Bradenton (driving South from Tampa area.)

  May 17th, Sunday, MARTIN SCC Action Autocross, at Martin Marietta's building 10 lot, offi I-4 at Defense Plant sign. Registration at 10 AM, Practice runs til noon. Timed runs at noon. \$4.00, ladies \$2.00

  May 19th, Tuesday, autocross meeting at Don Knights house in Clearwater...evenf?

  May 24th, Sunday, MacDILL SCC AUTOCROSS at Schlitz Brewery, 10-11:45 registration; and threat timedurunsould ress.

  May 30th, Saturday, Sir John Falstaff, USF night event. (Gawd, my details are just not here this month....)

  May 30-31, Saturday-Sunday TWO MILES OF SEBRING, at the Sebring Airport, speedkahana. Registration and tech inspection, UNLIMITED PRACTICE from 8AM-6 PM. 30th. 31st tech inspection 7-10, driver's meeting at 8 AM. Trophies and dash plaques. Total entry fee \$9.50, sunday only \$7.50. Event Hq is Holiday Inn in Lake Placid. Tri-City Corvette Club, Inc., PO Box 11629, St.Pete 33733 REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MAY 24th!.

  June 6th, Saturday, Clearwater SCC, fun rally, Clearwater Datsun, US 19 6:30 PM. June 7th, Sunday, BAE autocross (doubtfull)

  June 13th, Saturday, GTAC rally from Pizza Hut. 6:30 PM, Tampa.

  June 20th, Saturday, Suncoast Mustang Club, Crossroads event. two runs daytime & two runs nighttime. non-council, 10 AM registration at Crossroads Center.

  June 21st, Sunday, BAE rally.

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  June 28th, Sunday, MaCDILL SCC autocross, Schlitz lot again. registration 10-11:45. three times around.

and remember the Friday night fun rallys at Bill Currie Ford, Tampa and Grand Ford in St. Pete. 7:30 PM.

Keep your Porsche well tuned...it reduces air pollution! April issue of Product Engineering, page 20, said that Univ. of Michigan students engineering department conducted tests on the much talked about dirty internal combustion engine and found that by correct engine tuning they reduced CO emissions from as high as 10% to as low as 0.5%...maybe poor mechanics or defective owners are the cause of pollution from auto engines instead of the engine itself.

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