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Autocross – GT3RS-Venice



Amelia Island 2025



DYPN Pee Pa's Brewery



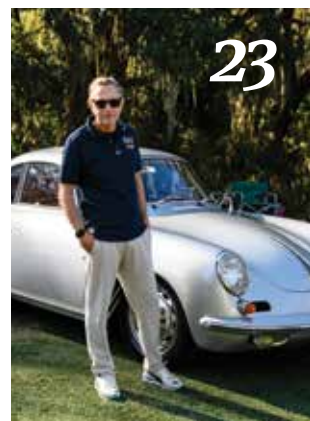
Northern Suncoast PCA Rally



Munyan Painting



Bill Peterson and his brushes



Joe Owen's 1963 Carrera 20000 GS



The Hanger Restaurant DYPB



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Fellow Porsche Enthusiasts,

As we shift into full gear this spring, I'm excited to share some important updates and upcoming events for our club. There's a lot to look forward to in the coming months, and I hope you'll be a

part of it.

Mark Your Calendars: On September 13, 2025, PCA celebrates its 70th anniversary—and we're hosting a milestone event at Sebring International Raceway in Florida to honor it in true Porsche fashion. This weekend celebration will feature something for everyone: Driver Education sessions, Road Rallies, Scenic Driving Tours, Autocross, and more. Whether you're a seasoned track enthusiast or someone who prefers the charm of a backroad drive, you'll find your place here. It promises to be a high-energy, high-fun weekend surrounded by passionate people and amazing cars.

To help us make this a truly memorable experience, we'll be sending out a survey to all members to gauge attendance and interest in specific activities. If you've never attended a Suncoast Region event before, this is the perfect time to jump in. It's a great way to meet new people, experience the camaraderie of the club, and enjoy the relaxed and welcoming vibe that makes our region so special.

If you're already thinking, "Yeah, I'd like to go," I'd love to hear from you directly—just shoot me a quick email at president@suncoastpca.org to let us know you're interested.

Thinking About Getting More Involved?

Now's your chance. Nominations are officially open for our 2026 Board of Directors, and this year we're electing an all-new Executive Council: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. If you've ever considered giving back to the club or know someone who would make a strong leader, we'd love to hear from you. Serving on the board is a great way to help shape the future of the Suncoast Region and work alongside fellow members who share your enthusiasm.

Nominations will remain open through July 1st, and elections will follow later in the year. Please email any nominations to president@suncoastpca.org.

Thank you for being an important part of what makes this community thrive. I look forward to seeing many of you—whether at Sebring, a board meeting, or out on the open road. ■

Sincerely,
Joe Shukys – President
Suncoast Region of PCA



Marc Grimes and Sam Shukys at 12 Hours



Sam, Max and Joe



Suncoast Board Meeting Fun!



Brad and Amy at 12 Hours.



Joe and Leslie at 12 Hours

Autocross 2025 Season

by Jerry & Kirsten Eggert

Hello, Suncoast Region PCA members and fellow autocrossers. Since our last edition, we held our first event at a new venue - Lead Foot City in Brooksville. LFC has been around for many years, offering car shows, swap meets, and drifting exhibitions, but at the end of 2024, they opened the highly anticipated 1/8th mile drag strip and a 5-acre "dynamics pad"! They have many family-friendly events and an on-site grill, food trucks, and banquet facilities. We are hoping to host a combined PCA Social and autocross there in the future. You can check out their website and calendar events at www.leadfootcity.com. They just require a one-time free Tourist Membership to sign their liability waiver. Or, they have paid memberships if you plan to attend multiple events throughout the year.

Our first event at Lead Foot City was held on February 23rd. Since this was a brand new site for us, several of our "autocross crew" headed to the venue Saturday morning to



inspect the layout and pre-set the course for the event on Sunday. We decided on a simple course layout to get a feel for the property and conditions of the pavement. Although the run times were quick (22-29

seconds), everyone enjoyed the new venue. We had 47 drivers! The course favored those cars and drivers that could maintain good speed through the sweeping turns. The Fastest Time of Day (FTD) was by Ken

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Larger Garage or Fewer Porsches? Easy Choice.

A photograph of a well-lit garage with a checkered floor. Two Porsche cars are parked side-by-side: a red one on the left and a silver one on the right. The silver car is a Porsche Carrera GT. On the wall behind the cars is a red Porsche flag. The garage has a high ceiling and a large open bay door on the left.


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BREAKFAST WITH PORSCHEs

Venice – 3rd Saturday of each month at Skillet's in Village Shoppes Jacaranda &

US 41 - 4115 South Tamiami Trail South, Venice. We meet at 8:30am. Host, Norm Sippel,

nsippel@mindspring.com

Bradenton – 1st Saturday of each month at, Skillet's on Rt. 64 east of I-75, 9722 FL 64. We meet at

8:30am. Host, Renae Fjugstad,

renae.fjugstad@gmail.com

Palm Harbor—Meets on the third Saturday at ClearSky Club Haus, 36355 East Lake Road, north end of Ridgeoor Shopping Center. We meet at 9 AM.

Do you have a friend with a Porsche who is not a PCA member? Bring them along. Host, Bill Schultz

bschultz@reiengineers.com

St. Petersburg - 4th Saturday of the Month (NEW VENUE) at The Hanger Restaurant & Flight Lounge.

8:00AM Fellowship, 8:30AM Breakfast. Registration at www.clubregistration.net

Winter Haven - 3rd Saturday of the Month Flight Line Café - Winter Haven 2073 US 92 West, Winter Haven – 8:30AM Breakfast www.clubregistration.net

LUNCH WITH PORSCHEs

3rd Wednesday of the month at Quaker Steak & Lube, 10400 49th St. N, Clearwater, FL 33762. We meet at noon on Wednesday (pre-registration is not required.)

4th Wednesday of the month (NEW VENUE) at Ford's Garage 295 North Cattlemens Road, Unit 1, Sarasota.

We meet at 11:30AM. Registration at

www.clubregistration.net

4th Wednesday of the Month (NEW VENUE) – Grecko's Grill & Pub – 351 North Cattlemens Road, Sarasota – 11:30AM www.clubregistration.net

DINNER WITH PORSCHEs

4th Wednesday of the Month (NEW VENUE) at Pee-Pa's Garage 6PM – 6340 49th Street North, Pinellas Park, FL. Registration at www.clubregistration.net

FUTURE EVENTS

Registration at: www.ClubRegistration.net

May 13 DYPN – Sharky's on the Pier - 1600 Harbor Drive South, Venice – 6PM

May 18 - 24 Springime in the Smokies Tour

May 31 Grillsmith Carrollwood – 14303 North Dale Mabry Highway, Carrollwood

N.B.: Check our website [Suncoast PCA.org](http://SuncoastPCA.org) for the most up-to-date schedule of events and sign-up information for all events. All of the Suncoast PCA events above require that you register at: www.clubregistration.net unless otherwise noted.

Suncoast 2024 AutoX Events

Watch www.clubregistration.net for more 2025 dates

- June 1 – Allstate St. Pete College

Suncoast 2024 DE Events

All at Sebring International Raceway

- May 10 & 11
- June 21, 22
- July 19, 20
- September 13, 14
- October 17, 18, 19
- November 21, 22, 23 (Instructor Driver Weekend)

Questions? Contact Debbie Spee at DERegistrar@SuncoastPCA.org

2024 Board Meeting Schedule

Members are welcome to attend. If you would like to be part of a Zoom call, please contact one of the officers for instructions. Second Tuesday of each month, except January and July. All will be via Zoom until further notice.

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SEPTEMBER 2024 Welcome our newest members:

Arnaldo	Abreu	Tampa	2022	718 Cayman
Josh	Beachy	Sarasota	1987	911 Carrera Cab
Wade & Melissa	Black	Tampa	1980	911 SC Targa
Larry	Brezenoff	Belleair Bluffs	2024	911 Targa 4 GTS
Mary Carroll & Robert	Wilson	Dunedin	2025	Macan S
Ralph	Cawker	Bradenton	2021	911 Carrera Cab
Nicholas Chase & Macie	Jones	Tampa	2001	911 Carrera 4 Cab
Thomas	Cocozza	Spring Hill	2013	911 Carrera
Sam	Dearborn	St. Petersburg	2024	Panamera GTS
Maria & Sydney	Deary	Babson Park	2019	Cayenne Coupe
Michael Dorsey & Florida	Sbisa	Brandon	2013	911 Carrera S Cab
David	Dresdner	Saint Petersburg	2012	Panamera S
Tony	Escapa	Lakeland	2009	911 Carrera Cab
Steven	Fournier	Lakewood Ranch	1995	911 Carrera Cab
James	Gallagher	Sarasota	2020	911 Carrera 4S
Daniel	Clauser	Sarasota	2025	911 GT3 RS
Jonathan	Henley	New Port Richey	2021	718 Cayman
John	Herbst	Tampa	2006	Boxster S
Michael & Donna	Ho	Bradenton	2008	911 Turbo Cab
Aaron & Augustus	Hoff	Wesley Chapel	2006	911 Carrera
Tarek	Jaffal	Valrico	2021	Cayenne Turbo
Vincent	Kovarik Jr	Pinellas Park	1974	911S Targa
Keith & Christie	Kuhlmann	Lakewood Ranch	1999	911 Carrera 4 Cab
Daniel & Cindy	Madigan	Bradenton	2018	Macan S
Al	Maiorano	Safety Harbor	2024	911 GT3 T
Laurence	Mascera	Sarasota	2008	911 Carrera 4S
Gregory	Mccane	Brooksville	2022	911 Carrera 4 GTS
Tom	Mccarthy	Wesley Chapel	2025	911 Carrera
David Mcconaghy & Jessica	Fowler	Sarasota	1984	911 Turbo
David	Mechanik	Tampa	2018	718 Cayman S
Douglas	Miller	Palm Harbor	2019	911 Carrera 4S
Angela & Kenneth	O'Rorke	Saint Petersburg	2023	718 Cayman 4.0
David & Cheryl	Oswald	Palmetto	2024	Cayenne
Michael & Michael	Palmeri	Sarasota	1990	911 Carrera 2
David Panczykowski & Natasha	Parekh	Tampa	2019	911 Turbo S Cab
Diego	Pasotti	Wesley Chapel	2015	Panamera 4S
Donald	Perkins Jr.	Dunedin	2006	Cayman S
Aleksander	Pomeroy	Sarasota	2016	911 Carrera
Dan	Rayman	Lakewood Ranch	2021	911 Turbo S Cab
James	Rickard	Spring Hill	2009	911 Carrera S Cab
Jennie	Rios	Fort Lauderdale	2018	718 Cayman
Blake & Tricia	Rutledge	Lithia	2023	718 Cayman GT4
Gil	Salu	Bradenton	2024	718 Boxster 4.0
Michael	Schilde	Tampa	2006	Cayman S
Richard	Spivey	Oldsmar	2005	911 Carrera
Jamie	Stone	Seminole	2023	911 Targa 4 GTS
Mark Strickler &	Michelle Wiltout	Davenport	2021	Macan
Marco & Stephanie	Suarez	Tampa	2020	911 Carrera S
Bruce	Turner	Palmetto	2009	Boxster S
Michael	Urell	Davenport	2024	Taycan GTS
Scott	Waterworth	Trinity	2019	Panamera
Catherine	Wendell	St. Petersburg	2018	Macan GTS

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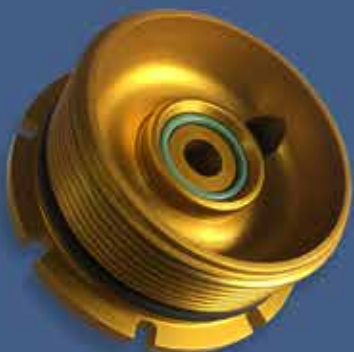


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From the Editor's Desk

Where do I begin with Spring in Florida means warm mornings, late sunsets, and plenty of excuses to take the Porsche out for a drive. And that's exactly what our Suncoast PCA members are doing—soaking it in, top down or windows down, just enjoying the road.

We're not in a rush. Some of us are catching up over coffee and eggs at our early morning breakfasts, while others are rolling into laid-back dinners where the only thing better than the food is the lineup in the parking lot. "Dating Your Porsche" might not be an official lifestyle, but it sure feels like one.

Of course, for those who want a little more edge to their weekend, the DE events are still a favorite. There's nothing like putting your car through its paces in a safe, controlled space—learning a little more each time you get behind the wheel. Same goes for the new Auto Cross at Lead Foot Racing in Brooksville. It's quick, tight, and a lot of fun without taking up your whole day.

We've also got some beautiful shots this issue from David Witty. David doesn't just shoot cars—he catches the vibe. Whether it's a line of 911s under soft morning light or that one moment on track when everything lines up just right, his photos say a lot without trying too hard.

And then there's Ralph Munyan, the painter with a soft spot for Porsches. We had a relaxed chat with him about how the brand influences his work—not in a loud, flashy way, but in the details, the balance, the feeling of movement even when the car is parked. His work has a rhythm that Porsche owners will recognize.

Meanwhile, Porsche itself isn't exactly chilling—they've racked up a three-peat in endurance racing, with Le Mans right around the corner. We'll be watching, probably with something cold in hand, cheering them on from our patios and garages.

One thing to remember: we're a big club, spread out across a wide area, but it's easy to find something going on nearby. Check

our calendar or hop onto clubregistration.net and see what's coming up. Whether you're looking to get on track, take a scenic drive, or just hang out with folks who get it, you'll find your spot.

And hey—if you've got a story to share, a favorite photo from a recent drive, or even a quick moment that made you smile, send it over. We love hearing from members. Just email us at profile@suncoastpca.org.

Whatever Porsche means to you—performance, design, or just peace and quiet with the road ahead—we're glad you're part of this ride.

One more thing before you head out on your next drive—there's a new spot just

south of the Skyway in Palmetto that's made things a little easier for us Porsche folks. Skyway Motorspace is now offering secure storage for your car and outstanding detailing services, all in one place.

It's peace of mind for your Porsche, whether you're tucking it away for a bit or giving it the full spa treatment before the next event. We're glad to have them on board as a new advertiser and supporter of the Suncoast PCA community.

Carry on, and enjoy the breeze. ■

George



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Doug Watson was cruising through Arizona in his 2011 Boxster Spyder when something made him pull over. Built right into the red rocks of Sedona was a chapel—simple, striking, and totally unexpected. He grabbed his iPhone 15 and snapped a photo.

It was one of those unplanned moments that just comes together. The sleek lines of the Spyder, the bold architecture of the chapel, and the rugged desert backdrop—all in one frame. Two feats of design, one automotive, one architectural, captured in a single shot.

For Doug, it was more than a cool photo. It was the kind of moment that makes a road trip unforgettable. ■



Doug Watson, Boxster Spyder

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Melbourne Gathering of the Faithful

by David Witty



FOG Members at Cape Canaveral Lighthouse

The Florida Owners Group hosted the 18th Annual “Gathering of the Faithful” for 356 Owners in Melbourne March 20-23. 110 FOG members from around the country brought around 60 beautiful vintage automobiles to the Melbourne Hilton.

Members who arrived on Thursday had the opportunity to tour Space Force’s facilities and museum at Cape Canaveral. The group also toured the Cape Canaveral Lighthouse. It was a treat for the owners to

drive these 60+ plus year old machines on these historic grounds.

Friday’s activities included the choice of two different drives. The first covered Mel Fishers and the McClarty Treasure museums, which was appropriate since the entire event had a “Treasure Hunt” theme. The second was a scenic drive west of Melbourne, with a stop at Fort Christmas and then lunch at famous Dixie Crossroads.

Saturday the group drove over to the

American Muscle Car Museum for the People’s Choice Concours, in conjunction with the American Association of Classic Automobiles Celebration of Cars Show. The American Muscle Car Museum has over 450 cars displayed (all drivable), and the car show outside had over 500 cars displayed. Curt Dansby won the overall People Choice Award for the GOF 356’s with his 1955 Graphite Metallic Continental Coupe. ■



Bill & Debbie Cooper’s 1960 Roadster



Chris Sloan’s Pre-A- Continental

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Ross Silverbach 1955 Speedster



Steve & Robin Hoffman's 1958 Speedster leading a group to local Treasure Museums



Terry & Deb Cohen's 1956 Speedster leading the group



Karen Walker's 1955 Pre-A Continental



356's lined up for Concours



356's Lined up in the early morning sun

A new Porsche forum for the Suncoast Region!

Hello Suncoast Porsche fans! Many of you have seen our ads in Panorama Magazine, but I wanted to reach out directly to this region and extend a personal invitation to join Carpokes! We offer a Porsche discussion forum that is very different from the typical online experience. It's a throw-back to the days when Porsche forums existed solely for the joy these cars bring, the camaraderie that surrounds them, and the helpful information that fellow enthusiasts can offer. Carpokes is a positive, family friendly place to discuss Porsches in a club-like environment. We don't have trolls, bullies, data mining, off-color back rooms, or other 'big media' dross -- just welcoming and knowledgeable Porsche enthusiasts! Our hope is to make Carpokes a go-to resource for the Suncoast Region. We have a number of region-specific sub-forums already and are thrilled to add the Suncoast region to our growing family. In this way, Carpokes can be an extension of your local club experience, while also providing connections and resources from all over the world. Please take a minute to join today. It's fast, free, and easy!

Hope to see you there! -Tom M (PCA Member since 1996)



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Suncoast PCA DE at Sebring

by Debbie Spee

2025 Dates

- May 10 & 11
- June 21 & 22
- July 19 & 20
- Sept 13 & 14
- Oct 17, 18 & 19*
- Nov 21, 22 & 23**

* Anticipate a "Solo's Only" day on the Friday

** Annual Instructor and Driver Development Weekend



Questions? Contact Debbie at DERegistrar@SuncoastPCA.org

We look forward to seeing you at Sebring in 2025!

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Bill Schultz, Safety Director (Safety@SuncoastPCA.org)



Castroneves

The Amelia Concours de'Elegance, now its 30th year, displayed 275 historically significant cars in 35 classes. Started in 1966 by Bill Warner, a photographer and writer for Road & Track Magazine, at the urging of other northeast Florida auto enthusiasts who wanted a classic car show in Florida similar to the Pebble Beach Concours de'Elegance in California. The event grew rapidly to be one of the World's best displays of motoring excellence. Warner sold the event to Hagerty Insurance in 2021, who subsequently re-branded the event to "The Amelia."

With strict guidelines for eligibility each year, only vehicles that have been invited can be entered. Entries are rated for authenticity, function, history, style, and quality of restoration by a team of judges that includes specialists for each car type. Numerous classes are arranged based on type, marque, time-period or other relevant metric. The event attracts a wide range of the finest in motoring.

For the second time in history, the Concours had to be moved to Saturday due to impending bad weather. This impacted Saturday's customary Car and Concours show, which certainly contributed to the reduced car count.

The Porsches on display were stunning, as usual. Situated among more modern historic Porsche racing machines, were a 1956 550 RS Spyder, a 1958 550 A and a 1964 904 Carrera GTS. ■



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Porsche's in the Wild

by George Wienhold,



"Date Your Porsche Night" Carrabba's Restaurant

by Connie Rhodes, Social Director

We had a great time at the February "Date Your Porsche Night" at Carrabba's in St. Petersburg. It was a smaller, more intimate crowd, but everyone had a fabulous meal "paired" with stimulating conversation about Porsches, wine, and travel. You can't beat a four-course meal with wine pairings for \$60/ person.

The Appetizer Course was Fennel Sausage Arancini. This was risotto blended with fennel sausage, mozzarella, grated parmesan, and Romano cheese, breaded and fried. It was served with marinara dipping sauce and a Duckhorn Sauvignon Blanc. Duckhorn began producing Sauvignon Blanc in the 1980s, recognizing the grape's potential in Napa Valley. The wine's vibrant acidity and crisp citrus notes balance the risotto's richness and complement the cheese's creaminess.

The second course was Shrimp Fra Diavolo. This was linguine pasta tossed with artichokes in a spicy Calabrian chile marinara sauce, topped with gremolata, wood-grilled

shrimp, and garnished with fresh scallions. It was paired with Goldeneye Pinot Noir. This wine comes from the Goldeneye duck, a species native to Northern California, home of Duckhorn. The acidity of the wine balances the richness of the marinara sauce, while the oak enhances the smokiness of the wood-grilled shrimp.

The main course was Sirloin Spinaci Ardente. It was a 10oz sirloin, wood-grilled with Mr. C's Grill Baste, olive oil, and herbs, topped with wilted spinach, crushed tomatoes, basil, garlic, and gorgonzola cheese. It was served with garlic mashed potatoes and paired with Postmark Cabernet Sauvignon. The spirit of travel and discovery inspired this wine. Its name suggests the journey of receiving a "postmark" from some of the most celebrated wine regions. Its full-bodied nature perfectly complements the bold flavors of sirloin.

The dessert course was a chocolate panna

cotta with Berries. This silky panna cotta was made with sweetened cream and chocolate, topped with fresh strawberries and whipped cream, and garnished with a sprig of mint. It was paired with Decoy Merlot. Duckhorn Vineyards is renowned as a pioneer in Merlot production and is becoming more prominent in California. The wine's rich dark fruit flavors beautifully complement the chocolate panna cotta, enhancing the vibrant, tart notes of the strawberries and raspberries.

Carrabba's even gave out three-door prizes. One was a "Carrabba's" wood cutting board (which my husband won), the second was a bottle of Bordeaux, and the third was a gift certificate for two people to return to Carrabba's for another outstanding meal.

We are planning two more DYPNs at the St. Petersburg Carrabba's in May and September. Details will follow. We hope you can all attend. It is an excellent value for the price.

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Alfa Romeo



Bobby Rahal's 1964 904 Carrera GTS



Even REXY made an appearance



Glenn Jividen's 914-6 GT



McQuay Streamliner



Porsche

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Huge Porsche crowds attended this years Amelia



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Werks Reunion 2025

by David Witty



Rows of Porsches on the Fairway at Werks



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Werks Reunion

The Porsche Club of America hosted the 9th Annual Werks Reunion on the grounds of The Amelia River Club, in conjunction with the Amelia Island Concours de 'Elegance Weekend.

Werks Reunion was created to celebrate Porsche and the camaraderie that comes with being an enthusiast. Held annually at Monterey and Amelia, the event combines both judged and non-judged corrals. This year, the 912 and Targa were the featured models.

Werks is meant to be a casual gathering of Porsche enthusiasts focused on having fun rather than solely competition. The perfect weather led to large crowds and an impressive display of Porsches.

The judged corral had an impressive lineup of 8 curated 356's, from a 1956 Pre-A to a 1956 C. A special treat, the field also included a 1964 904 GTS Carrera, the 14th such machine built.

The Porsche-only parking lot at the River Club was packed with row after row of Porsches of every year and type, setting the stage for the Concours itself. ■

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Joe Owen's 1963 Carrera 20000 GS



Another view of Joe Owen's 1963 Carrera 20000 GS



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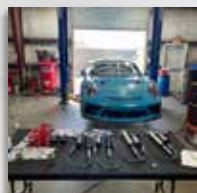
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Melbourne - Gathering of the Faithful

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M in his modified 2019 Miata with a 22.787 run! Right behind Ken was the always-fast Andrew S in his 2023 M2 with a 22.874, and Dan S made the podium for Porsche, coming in 3rd overall with a 23.010. LFC was also open to its members, and we had over 100 spectators. Since the venue has food and beverage, we ran the event in 3 run groups vs the standard 2. This time management allowed each group a 45-minute "rest session" to eat and rest and watch or explore the property.

They also live-streamed the event and posted videos on YouTube. Quickly search on YouTube for Lead Foot City; you can easily find some videos of our autocross events. Excellent aerial footage of one of Tracy S's runs in his 2011 Cayman S!

The second event at LFC was held on March 23rd with a longer course layout (designed by Andrew S – thank you!) that had two crossovers to extend the fun per run! Bill S in his 2013 Boxster S was FTD with a 35.754 sec run. In 2nd was Dan M in his C7 Grand Sport with a 35.832, and coming

in 3rd overall was Cory C in his modified 2006 Cayman S with a 35.928. We hope to be able to continue to host events at LFC, so keep an eye out for more information from our website, weekly e-news blasts, and Clubregistration.net.

With the addition of LFC, we had a very busy first half of 2025. We kept our schedule at St. Pete College Allstate Center and Venice Airport Festival Grounds and added the two events at LFC. So, we've already held six events in four months!

The other events were held on March 9th at SPC Allstate Center and April 6th in Venice, and you can see the results at <https://suncoastpca.org/autocross/2025-autocross-results/>. At the Venice event, we had a great turnout of 6 new "rookies" and 11 ladies! We want to encourage any ladies and rookies to continue to join us to experience the great handling of your Porsche in a safe and fun environment, so come out and join us in the second half of the year starting in October.

We will be confirming the dates and

venues soon for October, November, and December events, so continue to check our website for the 2025 schedule and results at <https://suncoastpca.org/autocross/>

If you have any questions, please email us at autocross@suncoastpca.org ■



Rookies-Venice

Pinellas Park Porsche Night Shines

by Ralph Porzio

It was a perfect Florida evening for the debut of “Date Your Porsche Night,” hosted by George and Marlene Wienhold at Pee-Pa’s Garage Craft Brewery in Pinellas Park on March 26. The setting—an automotive-themed brewery with serious character—proved to be the ideal backdrop for a relaxed and well-executed Porsche get-together.

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DYPN Pee Pa’s Brewery Participants



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George arranged dedicated parking for our group, giving our cars the spotlight they deserve. Inside, members enjoyed the brewery's eclectic food and drink offerings, but the real magic happened once we stepped back outside. The lot turned into an impromptu Porsche showcase, with plenty of conversation, camaraderie, and admiration for each other's rides.

The turnout exceeded expectations, and the vibe was exactly what you'd hope for: welcoming, easygoing, and filled with genuine Porsche passion. Thanks to the warm response, George and Marlene are planning to make this a regular event. Check the Suncoast PCA Calendar—it's one you won't want to miss. ■



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PCA and Sebring 2025

A Recap by George Wienhold

Sebring—the legendary racetrack in the heart of Florida—has hosted the 12 Hours of Sebring endurance race for over 70 years. While the cars are the main attraction, the event is much more than a race. It's a gathering of Porsche enthusiasts from across the country and beyond. It's a celebration of the passion that defines our Porsche community.

Over the years, the track has evolved—from hay bales marking corners to a professionally run, world-class endurance venue. These changes weren't just for the cars—they've elevated the experience for spectators too. And that's clear in the crowd that fills our Porsche Hospitality tent each year.

The PCA spirit—"It's the People, not the Cars"—was on full display. Beyond the racing and camaraderie, our commitment to giving back shone through. One standout moment: a stunning painting by Bill Peterson was auctioned off, with proceeds going to the Austin Hatcher Foundation.

The PCA Hospitality Tent served as a welcome retreat. Porsche owners relaxed, rehydrated, connected, watched the live race feed on the big screen, and admired the hundreds of Porsches lined up for this once-a-year Sebring experience.

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Bill Peterson and his brushes



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Northern Suncoast Region PCA Gimmick Rally

It was a beautiful clear cool morning and the sunlight was coming nearly horizontally through the trees when the Rally Committee assembled just after 0800 to erect signs and hang the starting line flags in anticipation of the arrival of the registered competitors. Soon the cars started showing up and lining up for the start of the Northern Suncoast Region PCA Gimmick Rally.

Close to 0845 we assembled all for the Drivers/Navigators Meeting during which we reviewed the General Regulations of PCA Rallies that were applicable to this event, the abbreviations used in the Rally Route Instructions sheet, and the fact that there would be a driver skill test as part of the checkpoint. It was thought this test could be the decider for whomever walked away for the 1st Place Trophy for this fun event. Ha!

One participant's navigator bailed out on him, so Start/Finish Marshall, Nathan "Bear" Hostetler, jumped in as Tom Chancey's nav to save the day. It was a win-win for both as Bear got to ride in a beautiful early '80s 911 Cabriolet on a beautiful day with the top down, and Tom got a nav with experience planning and competing in rallies. Nonetheless, the team finished outside the top three, so no aspersions were cast!

The route started at the Glory Days Grill off N Dale Mabry Highway in Tampa. The large parking lot behind the restaurant, empty on a Saturday morning, was the perfect starting place for teams to gather, meet, and launch. The teams were launched at intervals by the Safety/Scoring Marshalls, Janelle Corder Ray and her friend, Sky, who took on double duties after Bear jumped into Tom's nav seat. They previously made sure every occupant of a competing car had signed the standard PCA waiver.

The route wound through northern Hillsborough and southern Pasco Counties. The terminus was at the Beer Garden of the Florida Avenue Brewing Company in Wesley Chapel. Gratefully, everyone made it to the finish, though some took excursions off course in the process!

Since only 6 cars showed up for the event and there were 7 door prizes, everyone came away with something, including Jim and Jeanne Hoey, the Checkpoint Marshalls. They were awarded a door prize for their creative staffing of the checkpoint—more about that later.

One of the door prizes was a 1943 Mercury dime—a World War II relic. It was used at the checkpoint which featured a driver skill test. The test had the driver literally "stop on a dime." The dime was dropped onto the pavement 20 feet from the checkpoint stop and the driver was instructed to drive up and cover the dime with the contact patch of his or her left front tire.

Some will be familiar with this as a feature of events such as Gymkhanas. Since none of the competitors were able to cover the dime, we will give each team a chance to practice this test before launching when we use it in another rally. Hint: it ain't easy!

One more interesting thing about the dime: when magnified one can clearly see that the engraving proclaimed, "IN COD WE TRUST." That casting error was a bit fishy, so I did a quick internet check to find that, depending on the condition of the coin, it could be worth \$99! We made the dime one of the door prizes and it was selected by 1st Place Finishers, Robert and Adrianna Kaupp. Bob hasn't gotten back to me yet to tell what he and Adriana did with the dime.

The checkpoint was in the parking lot of the Land 'O Lakes Recreation Complex in Lutz. The creativity mentioned above involved the fact that, in four previous visits to the parking lot, never were there any cars in the area used for the checkpoint and driver skill test. As Rally Master, I had checked with the front desk personnel at the Rec Center to obtain permission to route our Rally through their parking lot and for participants to be able to





use the restroom facilities there if needed. However, on the day of our Rally, a sports event was being held and the parking lot was jam-packed full! Jim and Jeanne figured out a way to route Rally competitors down one aisle and up the other for the checkpoint stop and "stop on a dime" challenge.

Since the reviews regarding the trophies I made for the first rally of which I was Rally Master for our Suncoast Region PCA were generally very good, I made the trophies for this rally, too. Unfortunately, my supplier of metal plaques for the trophies did not come through in time to affix the plaques to the trophies. This allowed for the unique situation in which the winners could chose the trophy they wanted, and when the plaques came in, I would mail them to the winners to affix to their trophy. The cars used to make the trophies are all Porsche collectables.

Again, I want to give a shout out to committee member, Graham Knight, for the idea of using a die cast car on the trophies

Well, here are the winners!



In the middle are 1st Place Finishers, Bob and Adriana Kaupp. To Bob's left are 3rd Place Finishers, Melody and Keith Pringle. To Adriana's right is Tom Chancey who "won" by having Bear jump in a his navigator. And to Tom's right are Steve and Cheryl Forehand (with apologies to Cheryl for not checking the photographer's skill before thanking and dismissing him). In the background, behind yours truly, are Jim and Jeanne Hoey—indispensable committee members and friends.

Here's a better picture of Cheryl and Steve and their trophy with the plaque affixed.

At the awards ceremony everyone said they had had a great time, that the Rally was well run,

and that it was a lot of fun. Keith commented later that the course was "just challenging enough" to make for a fun morning and the "duration was just right." ■



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Suncoast PCA Hosts Cookout to Support West Sebring Volunteer Fire Department

by Brad Beckett

The Suncoast Florida Region of the Porsche Club of America recently gathered for more than just their love of cars—they came together to give back. On a warm evening at the historic Sebring Officers Club, members hosted a community cookout to benefit the West Sebring Volunteer Fire Department, raising \$2,330 in support of the department's vital work.

The West Sebring VFD serves as the official corner workers and emergency response team at Sebring International Raceway. Their presence ensures that every track event is carried out safely for drivers, crews, and fans. This cookout was the club's way of

recognizing that essential service.

Classic cookout favorites—burgers, hot dogs, and grilled chicken—were on the menu, along with beverages generously provided by local sponsors including Sugar Sand Distillery, Car Locker of St. Petersburg, and TURN 2 Brewery in Sebring. The setting added depth to the evening, as guests gathered at the last remaining World War II building at Hendricks Field, now a part of the raceway. A special highlight of the evening was a history talk by Wayne Estes, shedding light on the legacy of Hendricks Field and its deep ties to motorsport.

The funds raised were presented in a ceremonial check to Fire Chief Joe Romanik by Suncoast PCA President Joe Shukys and Chief Track Instructor Brad Beckett, reinforcing the bond between the club and the fire department.

Special recognition goes to Debbie and Rene Spee, Amy Riches (AutoQuest), Jim Farmer (Car Locker), and Matt Antos (PCA) for their behind-the-scenes efforts in organizing the event.

This gathering wasn't just a fundraiser—it was a celebration of what makes Suncoast PCA special: a shared passion for Porsche and a strong sense of community. ■



Gregg and Ana

Advertisers Spotlight – Munyan Painting, Roofing

Joe Shukys: *Can you share with our readers and members about who you are, what inspired you to start this business, and how has your vision evolved over time?*

Ralph Munyan: Absolutely. Munyan Painting, Roofing, and Restoration have been proudly serving Florida since 1951. We're a third-generation, family-owned business founded on the values of craftsmanship, integrity, and reliability. What started as a humble painting service has grown into a comprehensive building maintenance and restoration company.

The inspiration to start this business came from a passion for preserving and enhancing properties, paired with the entrepreneurial spirit of our founder, Ralph Munyan passed down over generations of traditions. Over time, our vision has evolved to include not only beautifying buildings, but also protecting them—offering roofing, waterproofing, and structural restoration services. Our commitment to excellence has never changed, but our capabilities have expanded to meet the sophisticated needs of today's clients.

Joe: *What inspired your business to connect with the Porsche community, and how does your product or service cater to Porsche enthusiasts?*

Ralph: We see a natural synergy between the Porsche community and Munyan. Both brands value precision, performance, and innovation. Just as a Porsche is built to exacting standards, our work—from detailed exterior painting to structural restoration—is held to the highest levels of quality and finish.

Our connection to the Porsche community grew organically. Not only am I a Porsche owner, but many of our clients are passionate Porsche owners who appreciate the detail-oriented, high-caliber craftsmanship we bring to every project. Whether it's restoring the architectural beauty of a luxury home or maintaining the façade of a high-end commercial building, Porsche enthusiasts recognize and resonate with our pursuit of perfection.

Joe: *What are the key benefits that Porsche owners or fans can expect from your product or service?*

Ralph: Porsche owners know that performance and aesthetics are inseparable—and that same philosophy is at the heart of everything we do at Munyan. Our clients can expect an uncompromising level of detail and precision in every aspect of our work, much like the care and craftsmanship that go into every Porsche vehicle. We use only premium materials, from top-tier paints and coatings to high-performance roofing products, ensuring that every finish is not only durable but also visually stunning. Reliability is another key value—we're known for delivering projects on time and within budget, without ever sacrificing quality. And just as no two Porsches are exactly the same, we take a highly personalized approach to each project, tailoring our services to fit the specific needs, design preferences, and goals of each client.

Joe: *How does your business reflect the values and heritage of the Porsche brand in your offerings?*

Ralph: At Munyan, we deeply relate to the values that define the Porsche brand—excellence, innovation, and heritage—and those

same principles guide our work every day. For over 70 years, we've built a reputation for delivering white-glove service across Florida, with a level of craftsmanship that speaks to our unwavering standards of quality. We're always evolving, adopting the latest materials and techniques to stay ahead in an ever-changing industry, just as Porsche continuously innovates to remain at the forefront of automotive design and engineering. And like Porsche, we have a deep respect for our roots. Our legacy as a family-owned business reflects decades of trust, consistency, and dedication—values that Porsche fans understand and appreciate.

Joe: *What future trends do you see impacting your business, and how are you preparing for them?*

Ralph: The property improvement and restoration industry is undergoing exciting changes, and we're actively embracing those shifts to better serve our clients. One major trend is the move toward sustainable practices. Eco-conscious clients are increasingly seeking low-VOC paints and energy-efficient roofing options, and we're responding by expanding our range of environmentally friendly solutions.

Another significant trend is the rising demand for turnkey services. More clients are looking for a single partner who can handle



painting, roofing, restoration, and structural repairs seamlessly. We've restructured our approach to meet that demand, offering all-in-one service packages that streamline communication, reduce project timelines, and ensure consistent quality from start to finish—something that busy Porsche owners and commercial clients alike truly value.

Design is also playing a bigger role than ever before. Today's clients are prioritizing style alongside functionality, and we've responded by investing in an in-house design studio and offering expert color consultations to help bring their architectural vision to life. Whether it's a sleek modern condo or a classic estate, we help ensure the property's aesthetics match its level of protection. As these trends continue to shape our industry, our focus remains on staying innovative, forward-thinking, and committed to excellence—values that echo the Porsche brand and resonate with its community.

Joe: What are the biggest challenges you face in your industry, and how do you overcome them?

Ralph: One of the biggest challenges in our industry is balancing the rising cost of materials and labor with client expectations for value, speed, and quality. We've met this challenge head-on by building a highly skilled, long-tenured team, streamlining our operations,

and cultivating strong relationships with suppliers. That gives us a competitive edge when it comes to scheduling, budgeting, and maintaining quality under pressure.

Another challenge is navigating Florida's tough climate and building codes, especially with hurricanes and coastal wear and tear. We've addressed this by integrating engineering expertise into our projects and emphasizing long-term, preventive solutions like waterproofing, wind-resistant roofing, and durable coatings that protect properties for years to come.

Author's Note: Ralph's passion for excellence is matched by his commitment to client relationships and community engagement. He believes that like any great building—or any great brand, such as Porsche—success is built on a foundation of quality, performance, and trust. When he's not overseeing projects or consulting with clients, Ralph is often found on-site, ensuring every detail meets the Munyan standard. His hands-on approach and leadership philosophy have made him not just a business owner, but a true steward of his family's legacy. You gotta love that! ■



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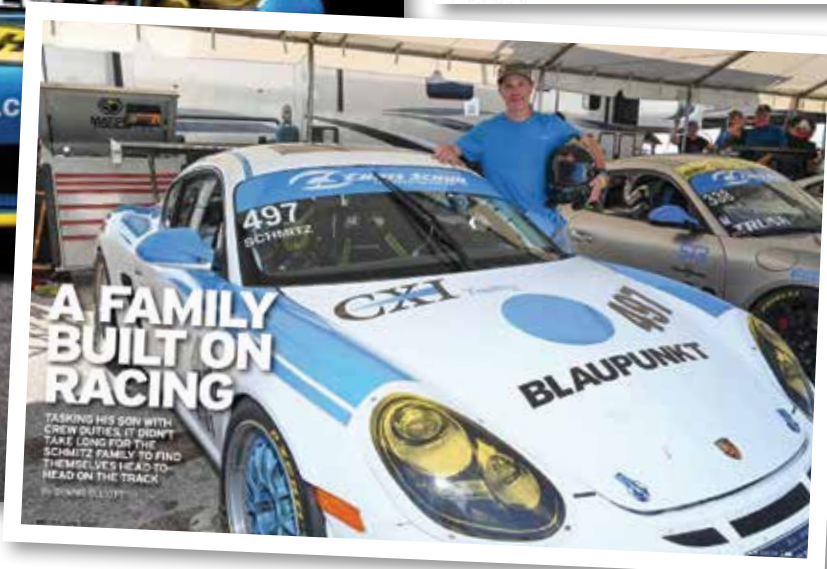
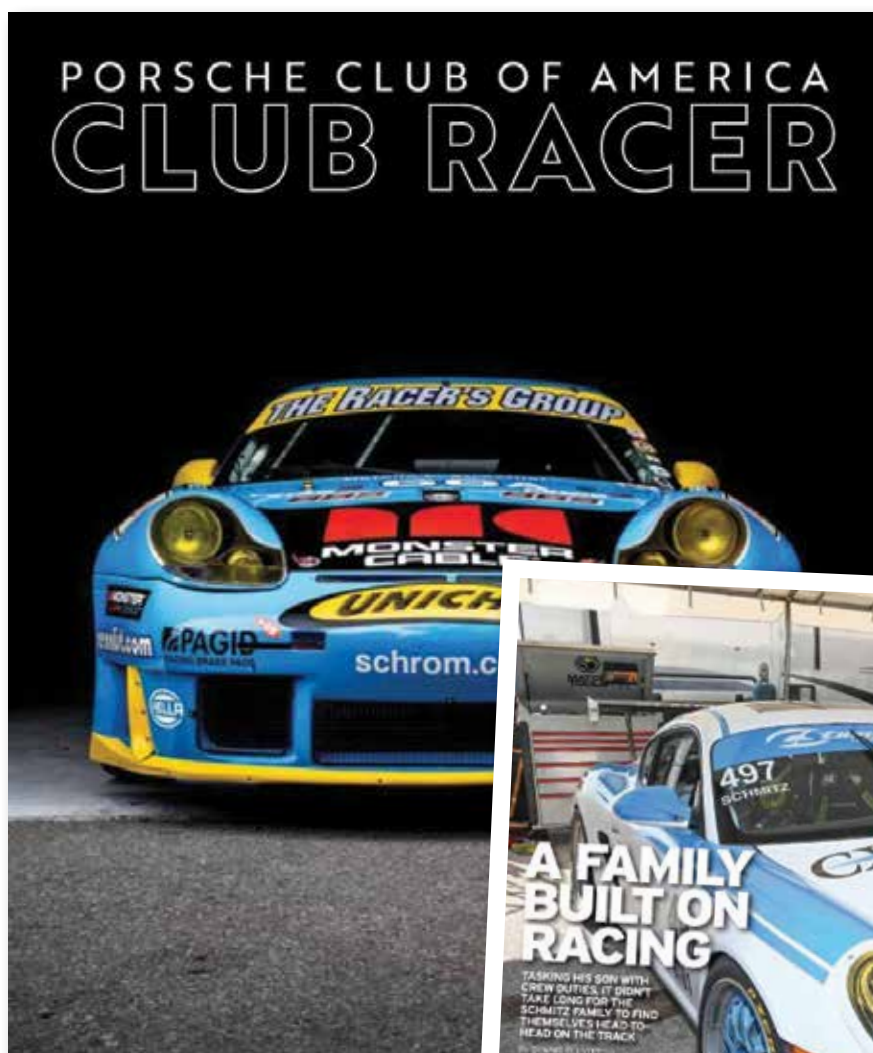


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Let's talk about the frunk.

For the uninitiated, "frunk" is Porsche-speak for "front trunk." Because when your engine is in the back like a proper German overachiever, you get a bonus storage compartment up front. It's sleek. It's practical. It's... weirdly personal.

And that's why we're asking: ****What's in your frunk?***

Now, some people keep it classy. Emergency triangle. First-aid kit. A microfiber cloth folded so perfectly it looks like it was done by a Swiss watchmaker. You open their frunk and feel underdressed.

But others—others treat the frunk like the drawer in your kitchen where rubber bands, expired coupons, and rogue soy sauce packets go to live out their days. We've seen everything from tiki torches to vintage road atlases to one guy who claimed (and this is real) that his emotional support tool roll "just likes to ride along."

Another member said he keeps a backup Porsche crest "in case the one on the hood falls off from all the admiration."

Folks, your frunk is a mirror of your soul. Or at least your glovebox overflow.

So here's what we want: open that frunk. Take a picture. Tell us what's in there and why. If it sparks joy, share it. If it sparks confusion, even better.



Michael Keyser, Autosports Marketing, Ltd.

Email us at ****profile@suncoastpca.org**** with your photos, confessions, and frunk-based philosophies. We'll publish the best, strangest, and most surprisingly sentimental in an upcoming issue.

No need to tidy up. We want it raw. We want it real. We want to know who's hiding emergency flip-flops next to a set of jumper cables.

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Submit your photos to be judged by our Photo Editor, Ralph Porzio. He'll select one to be featured in Profile each issue. The photographer must be a Suncoast PCA member. The photo must be Porsche-oriented, but can be a glamor shot, action, artistic, whatever you want. Be creative. It can be of cars, people or places.

Enter Now! The winner chosen each month will receive a Suncoast PCA Chino Cotton Cap!



Submit to Ralph at rporzio@verizon.net with "Profile Photo of the Month" as the Subject of your email. Images should be PDF or JPEG between 2 MB and 5 MB. Include your name, city, contact information and a few sentences about your photo. Photos must have been taken by the Suncoast member.

The Hanger

by Connie Rhodes, Social Chair

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We're back, can't keep the Porsches away.

After the season opening of Indy Racing delayed our gathering, we came back in force for some chit chat and some goodies at the Hanger Restaurant at the Albert Whitted Airport . Good times.



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Suncoast Florida PCA's official free classified section

AUTOMOBILES

2015 981 Cayman GTS, Carmine Red/Black w/ Alcantara, 3.4L, PDK, 20" Carrera 2 wheels, Sport Chrono, PASM, PCM, 34,109 miles. Serviced at Reeves/Morgan since 2018. Excellent condition. \$64,981. 813-240-1339 or Michael.presta@verizon.net for more info, questions, and photos. Tampa

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2024 911 GT Silver, 20/21" wheels, nicely equipped, just turned 300 miles, paper work from Porsche corporate re: 60th 911 anniversary, pristine (#1) condition! \$129,900 Oldsmar, lsmith57@tampabay.rr.com (03/24)

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