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Kansas City Region PCA
Board Meetings are held
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pm. Any KCRPCA member
is welcome to attend. Meetings are held at the home



of Greg Wright, 4709 NE Shady Lane, Kansas City, MO.

Next month's meeting is on May 6.



Wayman Open House

By Chris McIntyre, KCRPCA Member and Former President

For fans of Porsches and KU basketball, Sunday, March 16th, was great day for an open house (actually okay for MU fans as well as no players were arrested during that three-hour period). As a bonus to the abundance of food, drink, cars and, of course, Porsche people, we had the end of the 12 hours of Sebring with the Penske Porsches dominat-



ing and the KU win over Texas for the Big 12 Championship. Great planning!

About 30 of us assembled at Robert and Suzanne Wayman's spacious Lenexa home that day for what promised to be a great afternoon of PCA camaraderie. The slot car track was hot and with Bob's expansive array of 1/32nd race cars (ALMS Spyder,

935, F-1 cars, among others) mixed in with Steve Kramer's Mini, my F-1 Ferrari and German Touring Car Benz the race was on. Took us a while to figure out the home field advantage and to position spotters in the right place, but once we

did? Well, let's just say it's a good thing we weren't at Heartland Park as lots of time was spent off track and upside down. I think the Kaspar kids ended up with the best lap times. We'll all hone our skills for next year's "part deux."

Other than that, we toured Bob's new lightweight pumpkin orange 930 track car; saw photos and heard car stories from our host's recent trip to Amsterdam (and yes, JUST car stories—Bob told us: "What happens in Amsterdam . . . etc"); caught up with old friends as to what the winter excitement(?) had been; and enjoyed some adult beverages and great snacks. And then the food . . . ah, yes. To say you've had lasagna by comparison to Suzanne's is like comparing white grape juice with Dom Perignon. Combined with a great salad and some great crunchy bread, it was great stuff and small wonder Bob grew out of those 34 slims he wore when they met. Anyway, it was a great way to kick off Spring and spend an afternoon with Porsche people! Many thanks to Bob and Suzanne.

-Chris

Membership

By Doug Pierce, KCRPCA Membership Chair & Zone 10 Rep

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Spring at Last

What an interminable three months we have had. With snow every 4 to 5 days, temperatures in the single digits and a white film

Die Anmerkung von Greg

of salt on the roads for most of the winter, most of us have not subjected our Porsches to such harsh conditions. The parking lot at breakfast at LePeep's on Saturdays looks like a used car lot with all kinds of vehicles: trucks, minivans and a Miata. Once or twice we had decent enough weather to get a good showing of Porsches, but it was so cold, not much tire kickin' went on.

I went out in the garage at one point in January with the intent of driving the 911 only to find that it barely turned over. While it did start, the trip odometer was reset due to a week battery and made me question whether it would turn over a second time and strand me someplace if I stalled at a stoplight. I shut it off and hooked up a battery charger instead of gambling. I simply wasn't interested in trying to flag down a jump at 10 degrees, not to mention that I don't carry jumper cables in the Porsche.

I have since had the car out a number of times, ignoring the fact that the Z-rated tires are re-

ally for summer driving. I had to drive the car to keep the battery charged, right? Besides, it is way too fun to drive to leave it in the garage covered up for the winter. That is not why I bought the car.

My first 911 (an '86 930) was a "garage queen" for its first several months under my tutelage. I never took it out when rain was possible, covered it every night, on and on, exhausting work. I don't think the car had **ever** been rained on until one day we got caught out and about in a rain storm. That somehow changed everything; it became a car after that. Soon, it was seen on the track and at autocross events in addition to concours events.

Thankfully, all the inclement weather is about to dissipate as we ease into Spring. With the season comes a plethora of activities for every persuasion of Porsche Club members. Aristocrat Motors hosted a new model introduction of the Cayenne GTS and RS60 Spyder. The folks at ImagineAuto are continuing a tradition with their Third Annual "Spring Car Thing" on April 5th. And the Kansas City Region is hosting a Club Race and DE on April 18-20th. Something for everyone.

Get your motor running, there are way too many opportunities to have fun with your Porsche.

-Greq







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Ozark Weekend at Tan-Tar-A

By Steve Kramer, KCRPCA VP-Social Activities



The Kansas City Region PCA is excited to announce the opening of registration for Ozark Weekend May 9-11 at Tan-Tar-A, Osage Beach, MO. This year, we have made some significant changes that will make the weekend more fun and exciting. The activities include a drive-and-shine car show, driving event, tech quiz and there will be a steak cookout at the pool followed by Casino Night.

Arrive Friday and enjoy numerous activities available at the resort such as 18 holes of golf (full-sized and miniature), tennis, swimming, and ski and boat rental. To ensure happiness to all members of the family, there is also the Windjammer Spa. Great shopping is available close to the resort. Friday evening, we will have a weekend-opening cocktail party (cash bar) with hors d'oeuvres. Saturday, prepare your car for the drive-and-shine show and concours. There will be awards for both serious and "loose" categories. We are planning to have a short driving event which we hope will cover 50-75 miles. After the cars are put to bed Saturday evening, join the entire group for a steak dinner on the deck of the pool. Relax in

the casual environment and prepare for the finale, Casino Night. Professional dealers will man the tables for Blackjack, Craps and Roulette. Wager with play money, but do not throw it all away. The winner of the night's event will be the member collecting the most "Marks" and receive a grand prize. There will be a cash bar set up for those whose luck is best served on the rocks. Sunday, no formal events are planned, though a good breakfast and shopping, followed by a spirited ride home can be expected.

Cost for the weekend has been reduced from last year. Registration fees are \$60 per person which includes the Friday hors d'œuvres, cookout Saturday, Casino night and the PCA activities. Rooms at Tan-Tar-A have been reserved, and the per-night cost is \$70, the same as last year.

Please contact Jim Phillips or Steve Kramer with your RSVP. You will need to contact Tan-Tar-A separately for your room reservations (800-826-8272) listed under KCRPCA.

-Steve



Cindy Thomas, Editor

From the Editor

I'd like to welcome two new advertisers to our newsletter this month: Epoxy Floor Pro (see page 9) and Second Look (see page 4). Thank you for supporting the Kansas City Region's

newsletter!

Well, our newsletter (and editor) have moved into new digs. Very cool. Porsche does play a part of the decor. Attached garage for the Benz, but contemplating a return to P-car status. Anyone interested in taking over a C300 lease? [I'll keep you posted.]

Attended the KC Auto Show. Kind of a disappointment as the GTS Cayenne wasn't there. The new One Series BMW was, however. Upon discussions with Sean Reardon, it looks a bit chopped off in the back and, I hate to say it, . . . cute. BUT we'll still test drive it!

Rob Waldrop crossed over to the dark side. Yes, he's now a card-carrying Ferrari owner. Stunning car

(see page 5). I'll bet his neighbors love him when he tests their decibel tolerance.

Former Prez Chris McIntyre has a P-car as his daily driver again. Picked up an '03 Boxster S in Lee's Summit. silver with blue top. Very nice, Chris!

Ned Luce and I are looking forward to the Club Race weekend and hope it rains a lot. Pace car driving at Heartland Park is much more interesting when we actually get to do something. The cool thing is, no one hits a wall when they go off track in the rain, they just get mired in mud. The pace car gets to do its job. Good times . . . We're hoping the pace car that Aristocrat loans us is the GT2 that was in the showroom. (Hint!)

Finally, Aristocrat Motors, in addition to the Cayenne GTS and RS 60 Spyder launch, hosted a launch of the new Jaguar XF which looks, I hate to say, like a Lexus. At least it doesn't look like a Ford Taurus. Thankfully, Ford's moved on and India's TaTa Motors has purchased Jag (and Land Rover).

On that note, TaTa For Now!

—Cindy

2008 Club Race Weekend

By Sean Reardon, KCRPCA Executive Vice President and Club Race Chairman



The Kansas City Region PCA celebrates its 5th year of Club Racing at the renowned Heartland Park Topeka, April 18, 19 and 20. As seen on SPEED during this year's SCCA Runoffs, Heartland Park Topeka has once again worked some magic on the track by adding more speed at turns 1 and 8.

Experience the hospitality and camaraderie our region has become famous for. A DE on Friday will allow plenty of track time for Club Racing participants, experienced drivers and instructors, to learn

the "new" track. Racing activities swing into top gear with a new format this year with three sprint races, one of which will be a forty minute race. DE drivers can test their skills Friday, Saturday and Sunday during racing sessions.

For more information and forms, visit www. kcrpca.org or www.clubregistration.net. See you at the races!

-Sean

Club Race Volunteers Needed

By Sean Reardon, KCRPCA Executive Vice President and Club Race Chairman

The Kansas City Region will be hosting its 5th PCA Club Race and DE with **Porsches in the Heartland 2008** on April 18, 19 & 20. Once again, volunteers will be needed to make the weekend a success. Please don't feel like you have to be a track junkie to apply; we'll need people with and without technical or mechanical ability, people to help meet and greet, people to help our friends from National in various capacities, and people to simply come out and give support to all of our racers. See the list of positions needed below and check our website at www.kcrpca.org periodically for updates.

A great thing about this event is no one person will have to devote their life to it; just a few hours' time from lots of people will make this event a success! If you're interested, please send an email with your name, phone number, day(s) available to work and position interest to Sean Reardon, sean@reardonunlimited.com. All volunteers will receive the latest edition of the popular RACE STAFF (long-sleeved) tee shirt and great camaraderie.

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You will work with a trained SCCA grid coordinator to grid the cars prior to each practice or race session.

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You will work with the National and Local PCA Scoring Coordinators to post and distribute lap information to each entrant. Plan to wear your best running shoes.

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Pierce Open House

By Doug Pierce, KCRPCA Membership Chair & Zone 10 Rep

Last month's Kansas City Region Open House at Robert and Suzanne Wayman's was a blast, featuring Suzanne's world-famous lasagna. The next stop on the open house tour is at the Doug and Jan Pierce residence for dessert. A chocolate extravaganza is planned for Sunday, May 18, 2:00-4:00 pm. A variety of chocolate temptations will be provided as well as soft drinks, coffee and low-calorie bottled water. No need to bring anything. We'll have plenty to light up anyone's chocolate addiction (Greg Wright) and/or sweet tooth. Hopefully, the weather will be nice.

The address is 19412 W. 100th Street in Lenexa. The easiest route for most will be to take K-10 heading west toward Lawrence from I-435 (just west of the I-35/I-435 interchange) in the southwest metro area.

Stay on K-10 for a bit more than 2 miles passing Renner Boulevard and Ridgeview, take the Woodland Road exit, and turn right (north) onto Woodland, just like you were going to the Wayman residence last month. Within a few hundred yards, turn right onto 101st Street just after the United Bank of Kansas building. Follow 101st Street east as it sweeps to the left, dodging the golf cart crossing island as you go. 101st turns into Falcon Valley Drive as you pass 100th Terrace. Turn left on 100th Street and we're on the right side, the second structure from the corner.

We look forward to seeing you in May. It may be appropriate to make an appointment with your dentist for early June.

-Doug

Cayenne GTS & RS 60 Spyder Launch

By Jack Bishop, KCRPCA Secretary



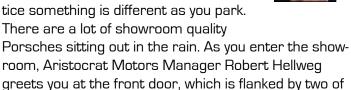
As Maxwell Smart would have asked, "Would you believe . . . ?" On March 27th, about 50 KCRPCA stalwarts braved cold, damp winds to preview yet another Cayenne and Boxster at Aristocrat Motors.

The Cavenne GTS is the sportiest SUV to wear

the Porsche crest. It's shed some weight and uses an advanced fuel injection system to improve engine response while improving mileage. Suspension tuning and seating improvements complete the basic package. An options package, including a tunable sport exhaust allows the buyer to personalize the GT theme.

The RS 60 Boxster S is a limited edition, honoring the sports racers of the late 50s and early 60s with special paint, interior finish and trim. A specially-tuned exhaust system allows the power output to break the 300hp mark. Options are sparse.

Nice cars, some food and drink, good friends, nice evening—at least that's what we thought. You no-



the Limited Edition RS 60 Boxsters. Next up as you move toward the hors d'oeurves are two new 911 Turbos; a coupe and a cabriolet. At the back of the room sit two Cayenne GTSs optioned with some contrast.

Now for the unexpected; a curious black Cayman S. Would

you believe a Porsche Design Limited Edition? As you walk toward it, you notice the 911 to your right has a very curious huge rear wing sitting low on the engine cover. Below it are the three letters—GT2. There are as many new Porsche models in the Aristocrat showroom tonight as you will find at the New York Auto Show. Not bad for a Thursday night in Kansas City.





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Ozark Weekend Golf Outing

By Doug Pierce, KCRPCA Membership Chair & Zone 10 Rep

Prior to the start of the Kansas City Region Ozark Weekend multi-region event at Tan-Tar-A this May 9-11, a few of us are planning a golf outing at either The Oaks course of Tan-Tar-A or Dogwood Hills (a little shorter, a little less challenging). Both courses are right down the road from the Tan-Tar-A Resort, in fact you pass them both on the way in. Our Region President Greg Wright, my wife Jan, and I played again last year and had a tremendous amount of fun. We would like to increase the ranks of golfers this year.

We are tentatively planning to start mid-morning Friday the 9th, 10:00am plus or minus. We can grab something for lunch at the turn and be done in plenty of time for the Ozark Weekend Welcome Reception that evening. This is not a competitive event, just a fun way to spend a day on the course. All skill levels, and genders, are welcome. Last year the course was not busy at all, so we should be able to accommodate all comers in a how-many-4-somes-show-up type of format. Even if you just wanted to play 9 holes in the afternoon, we could probably knit you into the pack on the back 9. The hotel offers the event guest room rate on Thursday night for those not wanting

to make an early drive Friday morning. Information concerning the courses, green fees, etc. can be found at:

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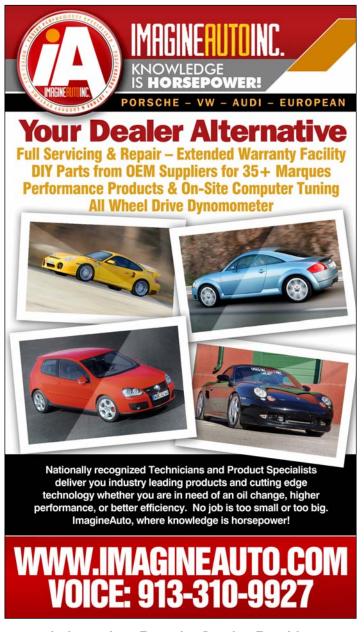
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Word of mouth about the golf outing has already generated interest. So if you are interested in hitting the links before Ozark Weekend, let me or Greg Wright know. We'll have a great time. And maybe Greg will get to play golf with more that one girl this year.

If you have a course preference, let it be known. Otherwise we'll just pick one. See you there.

-Doug



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Calendar of Events

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June

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October

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