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President's Column

Ralph Light, KCRPCA President

I am reading a book and relaxing on Father's Day. Six months ago I looked at my ever-increasing piles of books and decided to purchase a Kindle. It feels good to have a real book in my hands again instead of just one more electronic device.

The book is "Go Like Hell" and was loaned to me by David Lessmann. It is the story of the efforts of Henry Ford II to modernize the Ford Motor Company from the company of "you can have any color you want, as long as it is black" to a new era business titan. Part of this philosophy was to become a world power, with racing being a central part of the advertising and sales appeal. This all leads up to the confrontation with Ferrari at Le Mans in the 60's. Also, a friend of mine from high school became the CEO of Ford a few years ago and is trying to make Ford a world automotive leader. Good book and interesting stuff about Ferrari, also.

Anyway, this leads me to some thoughts about my father on this day. He was a real car guy and passed the gene along to me. Usually when boys are teens, it is difficult for fathers to remain cool in the eyes of their sons and daughters. According to the KC Star, the word doofus comes to mind.

When I turned 16, my dad decided it was time to get me a car. I had been driving the family 3rd car, a wreck of a '49 Mercury. Now this was one of the great cars to customize-chop, channel, etc. Not ours, think bathtub on wheels. My expectations were not high. They got even worse when he reminded me I would still share the car with Mom. Then I found out I didn't get to go with him to pick the car, my older brother would do that. I could only imagine what cruel trick my brother had in mind to get even for all my past transgressions.

Well, to my astonishment, they showed up a few hours later with my "new car", a red '57 Chevy convertible with continental kit, lowering blocks all around, twin antennae and small block V8 with 4-barrel carb. Now if you know what all that means, for the time period, you are a car guy or really old.

Sooooo, my Dad didn't let me down. Come to think of it, he never let me down.

*Reminder: Elections for the club are coming up later this summer. Check Der Sportwagen for details. Also, I need to appoint a new chair for social activities. Unfortunately, the person has to agree to be appointed. Anyone interested? If so, please contact me.

- Ralph

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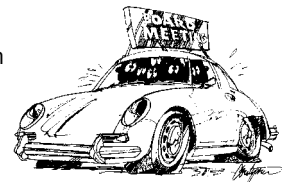
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KCRPCA Board Meetings are typically held on the first Tuesday of each month beginning at 7:00 PM at the home of Ralph Light, 9985 Hemlock Dr, Overland Park, KS. Any KCRPCA member is welcome to attend.



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Calendar of Events

See www.kcrpca.org for updated information about upcoming events.

See pages 22 - 23 for the PCA Zone 10 Calendar

Jul	21	Bennett BBQ, Lee's Summit, MO
Aug	18	KCRPCA Annual Meeting, Waid's Restaurant, Kansas City, MO
	19	"Just for Fun" Time, Speed, and Distance Rally, Kansas City, MO
Sep	15	Shrimp Boil at the Hess Residence, Leawood, KS
Oct	7	Autocross, Ameristar Casino, Kansas City, MO
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From the Editor

David Lessmann, Editor Der Sportwagen

To steal a phrase from the Army, "There is strong, and then there is KCRPCA strong". Why do I say this? Well just look at our club and the answer becomes apparent. The KCRPCA covers a wide gamut of interests for Porsche lovers, including rallies, social events, fun runs, autocrosses, driver education events, and a Club Race for the hardcore racers. As you know this happens because of the hard work and dedication of a core group of members. The Club Race, a well-run affair, wouldn't happen without the leadership of Chris McIntyre and Al Hess. Our social events require a lot of planning behind the scenes to organize them. This year and last, they were in the very capable hands of Judy Bennett, with a strong assist from her husband Richard. The board consisting of our leadership at the top; President Ralph Light, Executive VP Robert Wayman, and Secretary Jack Bishop, have provided outstanding governance over the years to put our club on solid ground.

There's just one problem, all of the people I just mentioned have put in their years of service and are ready to turn the leadership role over to someone else. In other words, 2013 will be a transition year for KCRPCA and while the club is strong now there is no guarantee it will remain strong without new volunteers to take over for the experienced pros.

My wife, Hiromi, and I joined the KCRPCA in 2008. We have been moderately active in participating in the wide variety of events the club hosts. I am told that KCRPCA has over 700 members when you take into account all of the primary, associate, and family members. Unfortunately, in my 4 years of participation in this club I would be hard-pressed to name more than 100 members. That may be because the same familiar faces are the ones who typically attend a KCRPCA event.

If you are reading this and find yourself in the "missing 600", I strongly encourage you to consider volunteering to help the club in some aspect in 2013. You can start by discussing with our President Ralph Light, or the nominating committee, (Doug Pierce, Fred Quintana, and Murray Steeble), before the KCRPCA Annual Meeting on August 18, 2012. Several board and chair positions are open. That doesn't mean you need to volunteer for one of those spots, but if you have the qualifications by all means do. On the other hand, you may have an interest or skill in some area where the club could use a hand. If you enjoy this club and want to see it continue to thrive, please consider volunteering to assist KCRPCA. Speaking from experience, you won't be sorry.

- David

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986 Boxster/996 Carrera Climate Control Panel Failure

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I'll admit I'm behind once again. I don't even dispute it. I never use to be behind, as I am typically a very prompt person. There I was, minding my own business trying to jam through some cars at the shop when a courier shows up with a certified letter. I sign my away my first-born child and give him 20 bucks [Why did I have to do that?] for the envelope and open it up. If I recall correctly, it read something like this:

Good Doctor,

I have not yet received your technical article for the upcoming Der Sportwagen issue. I advise you seriously consider sending me the required paperwork so we can move forward with publishing our award-winning newsletter. Failure to do so with result in severe ridicule of you at the PCA breakfast on Saturday [that's at Waid's on State Line and 103rd street, every Saturday at 7:30 AM...], and forfeiture of your paycheck this month.

Your friend & mine, Herr Lessmann

I don't remember exactly if that is how it was written, but I think that is pretty close. Frightened and lost, I set about finding a topic for this month. I feel like I do a lot of Boxster and 996 issues, but I assure you, they are good cars! One problem that is popping up in the 996/986 cars is the display unit on the climate controls going bad. If I've already written about this, stop me now. No? Okay. Sometimes parts of the digital numbers do not illuminate or burn out, or you get a half moon or "bleeding" of the LCD screen. Remember when you were a kid and had one of those digital calculators...and you pushed on the screen, the numbers would all run together until you removed the pressure.....bleeding, only in this case, it never goes away. For those of who had an abacus as a kid, then this might confuse you. Porsche's previous solution was to replace the control unit,

which runs about \$350 (or more), plus install. There is now a cheaper solution of just replacing the LCD screen with a virtually identical screen

This Boxster had an issue with part of the numbers (temperature) not lighting up anymore. Parts and install on the replacement LCD screen run about \$150, so that is a nice savings. If you do it yourself, the kit will run about 75 bucks.

First, remove the climate control unit from the car. A few screws here and there.



Karl Wilen



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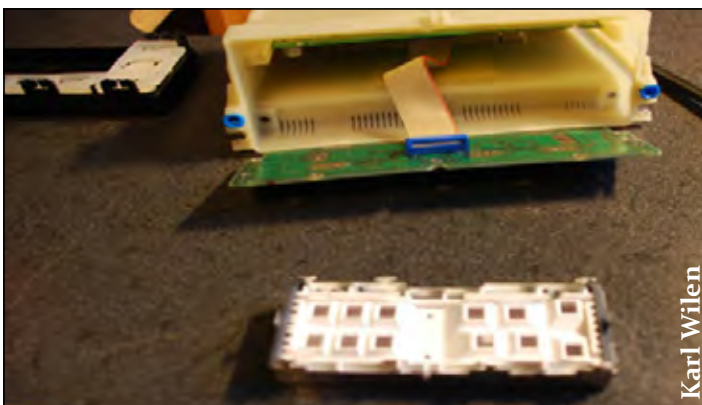
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Start disassembly. A few more screws here and there, pretty self-explanatory. This is also a good time to clean those buttons that you spilled orange juice on that now stick when you

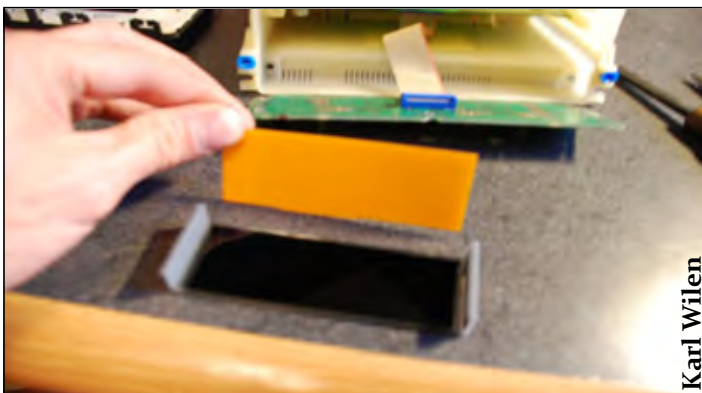
try to push them. The buttons are all shaped so you really can't put them in the incorrect hole, so pop them out and give them a cleaning. Then get the main guts of the unit out of the housing.



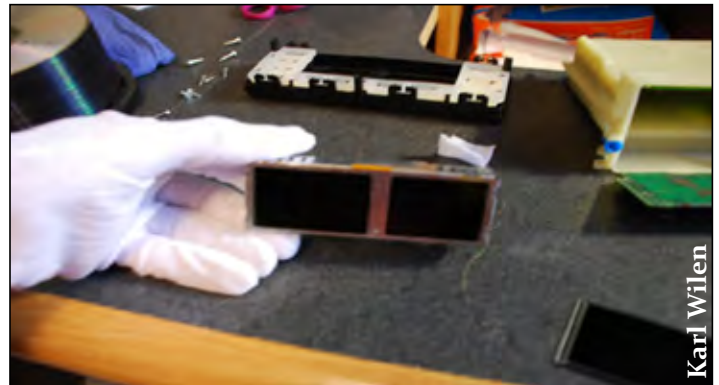
Next you disconnect the display unit by untwisting the metal tabs. Be careful, you do reuse the metal frame.



Taking that apart you will find the amber filter screen and LCD screen.



Install the new LCD panel in the metal housing, and start reinstall. Notice at this point that the job is so easy a butler could do it. Be sure to use anti-static gloves when handling the new screen.



On the backside, there are a couple of rubber conductors to place on the sides.



Plug it in to make sure everything works. Note, the display is very slightly different from the stock unit in terms of icons and font, but functions exactly the same.



And back together.



The bad LCD screen.



And there you have it! A working climate control unit again. ☺ Until the next issue; same Bat-time, same Bat-page [the page number might be different; I keep getting shoved to the back of the newsletter near the Membership page].

Right now, all the other editors are going "wait a second, we are supposed to be getting a bimonthly paycheck?"

Can't see the pictures well enough? Check them out in color at www.kcrpca.org and download the electronic copy!

- Karl

Karl, Karl, Karl,... The things I do for you. As if your secret stipend, paid in Greek Drachmas, wasn't enough, I moved your entire article to the front of the newsletter. Herr Lessmann ☺

KCRPCA Annual Meeting Notice



The KCRPCA Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, August 18, 2012 at Waid's Restaurant at 1130 W 103 St, Kansas City, MO just north of the I-435 interchange at State Line Rd. The meeting will begin promptly at 9:00 AM.

Agenda items include submitting candidate names to fill several open board positions for next year. Elected offices for President, Vice President, and Secretary, are available. We also need a Social Activities chair and Historian, these are appointed. Interested parties should contact the KCRPCA nominating committee, [Doug Pierce, Fred Quintana, and Murray Steeble], for details on the nominating process.

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Getting to Know David Stadtmueller

David Stadtmueller, KCRPCA Treasurer

DS: What Porsche do you currently drive?

David: I have a black 2005 997 S.

DS: Of the Porsches you've owned, which one is your favorite and why?

David: I love the one I have, but lust for a GT3RS 4.0.

DS: If you had all the money in the world, THE car in your garage would be . . .

David: Without question or hesitation a Porsche Carrera GT followed closely by a Ferrari F40.

DS: What is your favorite vacation destination?

David: Europe – Belgium, France, Germany, or Portugal.

DS: Name the place you want to go, but haven't been.

David: Hawaii.

DS: What book(s) are you reading currently?

David: "Blueprint to a Billion" by David Thomson.

DS: What is your favorite movie of all time?

David: "Wallstreet" Directed by Oliver Stone.

DS: What is your favorite KCRPCA event and why?

David: I enjoy them all because of the people, but the driving events, especially the track events are at the top of my list.

DS: Have you ever attended a Porsche Parade?

David: No, the time and distance commitment prevent it, but on a smaller scale the PCA Palooza in Eureka Springs, AR was a blast.

DS: Why do you participate in the KCRPCA?

David: Camaraderie with friends who share a common interest in Porsches.

DS: Tell us about the most memorable Porsche experience you've had.

David: I could tell you, but then JT would not be happy, nor the highway patrol for that matter.

DS: What is your favorite local restaurant?

David: It is hard to beat Capital Grill on the Plaza.

DS: For my last meal on earth, I'd request...

David: Hard to beat a bone-in Kobe beef rib eye steak, with roasted red potatoes, steamed asparagus, and a bottle of 2005 Caymus Special Select.

DS: What is your favorite sports team/sporting event?

David: Being a former college player, I like Sporting KC.

DS: Favorite slogan or saying?

David: "Our cars are meant to be driven, not polished." and "I wanted to build cars that were not something to everyone but meant everything to some." - both by Ferry Porsche.

DS: If you won the lottery, what's the first thing you'd buy?

David: A Ferrari F458 for my wife.

DS: What's your dream job?

David: CFO of a middle market privately held company.

DS: If you knew no fear, what would you do?

David: Flying man wing suit.

DS: Your first ride in a Porsche was . . .

David: Mind opening.

DS: At least one thing you want to do before you die.

David: Drive a Porsche GT3 Cup car.

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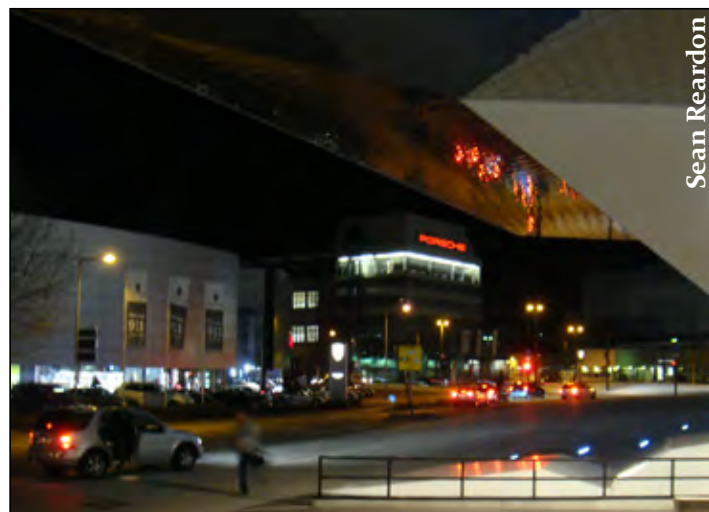
New 981 Boxsters. Check. A really small wooden 550. Check. Some random leather bound book in Ferdinand Porsche's penmanship listing Porsche's beginnings by design number. Check. Hans Metzger having coffee. Yep. Lunch with the Porsche factory workers. Of course. Standing amongst an Abarth Carrera, 911 Speedster Studie, 911 Convertible Studie, 914-8, 911 SC RS, Indy Porsche, Telefunken 550 Spyder No. 003, 911 SC RS Rothman's Rally car, and Julio Iglesias' 993 cab all in one small room. Check. McDonalds connected to the Stuttgart hotel. Disturbing yet somewhat comforting. Ferdinand "Butzi" Porsche getting kicked out of University. Believe it.

This all happened in one small building in one all too brief moment of time. Well, all but the part about enjoying lunch with hundreds of Porsche workers and engineers in their private cafeteria 15 feet above the birthplace of everyone's 911. Anyway, this all started the day before, as the beginning of the most over stimulating 32 ½ hours a PCA member could experience. What follows is a day in the Porsche life of two PCA members, me and KC Region member Jason Abbott.

Tuesday, 5:25 PM, Paris Gare L'est: Posting [validating] my train ticket to Stuttgart? Why? And why won't the machine work? Must be a French thing.

9:05 PM, Stuttgart: TGV trains are the way to go; scenery is like watching Tour de France television coverage without the bikes.

9:15 PM, Stuttgart HBF station: After walking aimlessly for 30 minutes we slowly realize the Stuttgart commuter train station is nothing like the Paris Metro. Burger King for dinner.



9:45 PM, Stop Neuwirtshaus (Porscheplatz): Mr. Pierce was correct; S-Bahn Line 6 indeed drops you 20 meters from the Porsche Museum and factory. You'd have to be blind to miss this station.

10:15 PM, Hotel Achat: A nice ¼-mile stroll takes you past the Museum, Porsche Center, under the body factory bridge, and past the main assembly plant.

11:15 PM, Hotel Achat, barely: Having beer with other Germans and hotel desk attendant/bartender. Feels cool to be having beer with Germans until we learn the bartender was from California. Oh well at least we learned how to properly pour a beer from one of the random Germans.

Wednesday, 8:30 AM, McDonalds: It was connected to our hotel and easy. We'll eat something "German" later.

9:00 AM, Porsche Museum lobby: Correspondence from Porsche about our tour reservation makes a big deal of not being late. At that point we're told we really didn't need to be here until 10:00 AM. Time to wander the Porsche Center lot and look at all the new 981 Boxsters!

10:00 AM, Porsche Museum lobby: Factory tour starts after introductions from our Porsche tour guide and his silent though somewhat stalking partner. Our group has about ten people including Jason and I, a fella from Florida and a couple from England.

10:00 AM – 11:45 AM: Inside the factory "gates". Make all the parallels you want to Charlie and the Chocolate Factory because it's true. What we saw would take another three articles so I'll be brief: First was a logistics building with all the cool little driverless carts that move silently over the floor. Next, the engine plant where they build the flat sixes and V8's. Each engine is no longer assembled by one person but rather by a team of about six people. The upholstery building followed where people still use sewing machines and thread, lots of leather and artisanship. A quick stroll by all those historic wooden buildings you see in the books and magazines took us into the main assembly building. This multi-story building is actually fairly small in footprint so all operations are precisely arranged and choreographed. We started at station 1 where the freshly painted bodies arrive from across the street. Embellishment happens quickly as after just a few stations the car, either a Boxster or 911 variant in this plant, begins to take shape. A couple things that caught our attention: near silence. Other than one exception, no air tools are used so we felt like whispering the whole time was appropriate. Second was the refreshing lack of OSHA

presence. If you wanted to have your eye poked out and trip over a box of parts without reading 20 warning labels while you're falling it was easily possible. Just took some common sense to prevent that. Must be a German thing.

11:45 AM, Porsche assembly building: Nearing the end of the tour, we get to stand and watch the nearly completed cars move inches over our heads. One variant with lime green calipers caught our eye. We learned that was a special 918 edition Turbo S cabriolet. Only those who order a 918 are allowed to order the matching 911 Turbo. Nice. Overall, we witnessed a very impressive display of technology and real people building cars.

12:00 Noon, Porsche Museum lobby: Meet up with Paul Gregor, Porsche AG club coordinator for the PCA. He apologizes that we cannot have lunch in the "casino", or fancy lunchroom for management and special guests. We'll have to eat in the cafeteria. Dang.

12:05 PM, Porsche cafeteria: Wow, this isn't what I was expecting. Screw the casino; how cool is it to be eating lunch with hundreds of workers, engineers, marketing people, and management folks that design and build the cars we love? The food was fantastic as well.

12:30 PM: Paul shows us out on private balcony off the cafeteria to point out future factory plans and land purchases for accommodating all the new models to be designed and built including the 918 and Macan.

12:35 PM: Locked out on private balcony.

12:45 PM: Coffee in the Porsche Museum with Paul waiting to meet with Dieter Landenberger, Manager of the Historical Archives.

1:00 PM: Introductions to Dieter and beginning of private tour of back rooms of Museum. We start in the workshop that services Museum cars and other special cases. See list above for cars in that one single room, plus a few more. We technically haven't even entered the Museum proper yet.

1:00 PM - 2:30 PM: Tour of numerous rooms housing storage cabinets, flat files, pile of boxes, Kardex cards, film canisters, photographic negatives, wooden 550 scale model, one-off carbon fiber CGT intake, illegal Porsche logo merchandise, notes for 917 longtail testing, owner's manuals, service manuals, posters, pink piggy bank, Hans Metzger having coffee, 956 wind tunnel model, press releases, copies of every Porsche magazine, Hans Metzger's private design notebooks, racing car technical/owner's manuals, and stories about Butzi Porsche.

2:30 PM: Finally get to start tour of Museum proper. And with a discount off our ticket price to boot. Lots of Porsches in an environment perfectly suited for these pieces of art. We've all seen photos; it's better in person.

4:30 PM: Mental capacity is nearing limit, at this point I'm starting to plan next trip to Germany.



The last issue of Der Sportwagen contained a picture of the 917LH. Here is it's American cousin, the all conquering 917/30.



A 911 Martini Racing Porsche shares space with a Porsche 907 body shell at the Porsche Museum.

5:00 PM, Porsche Museum gift shop: If I find a scale model similar to something I own I'll consider it. One green 3.2 Carrera 1:18 scale model and 200€ of Porsche swag later I'm thinking this store was pretty cool.

7:00 PM: Dinner at some restaurant with view of the Museum, Porsche Center, and factory. While reading menus we both realize how little (read: none) German we understand. Excellent German food and beer allow us to reflect over the "are you kidding me" feel of our day.

Thursday, 5:45 AM: Walk back to Neuwirtshaus Station.

6:30 AM, S-Bahn to Stuttgart HBG Station: A bit more wondering aimlessly allows me to see part of the station in daylight and its very Fascist architecture.

6:54 AM: Boarding TGV to Paris. Train ride to Angers allows me time to mentally plan next trip, as a single visit truly will not work.

- Sean



Getting to Know Jerry Clark

Jerry Clark, KCRPCA Board of Directors

DS: What Porsche do you currently drive?

Jerry: A Guards Red 2002 Boxster.

DS: Of the Porsches you've owned, which one is your favorite and why?

Jerry: This is my first Porsche, which I bought new in 2002.

DS: What book(s) are you reading currently?

Jerry: Dave Pelz's Short Game Bible.

DS: What is your favorite movie of all time?

Jerry: Animal House. The "Delt's remind me of my old fraternity, the "Chi's." My endearing animal nickname was "the Rodent."

DS: What is your favorite vacation destination?

Jerry: Kauai, Hawaii.

DS: What is your favorite KCRPCA event and why?

Jerry: The Saturday morning breakfasts. Great people, great conversations and great cars.

DS: Why do you participate in the KCRPCA?

Jerry: Initially, I wanted to learn more about Porsches and get involved in the track events. This quickly evolved to Mary Lynn and I really enjoying being with the other members of the club, and the varied club activities.

DS: Have you ever attended a Porsche Parade?

Jerry: I have never been able to attend a Porsche Parade, but may be able to be in Salt Lake City. I traveled to SLC on business for many years and discovered the Little America, one of the host hotels for the Porsche Parade. (They had a King suite, which I favored, and the initial rate was \$29 per night!)

DS: Tell us about the most memorable Porsche experience you've had.

Jerry: That would be participating in a DE at Road America. What a thrill!

DS: If you had all the money in the world, THE car in your garage would be . . .

Jerry: It would be a Bentley Continental GT convertible.

DS: Name the place you want to go, but haven't been.

Jerry: Hawaii.

DS: For my last meal on earth, I'd request...

Jerry: Ribs from Arthur Bryant's.

DS: What is your favorite local restaurant?

Jerry: Café Europa (Is that a contradiction?)

DS: What is your favorite sports team/sporting event?

Jerry: Cornhusker football at Memorial Stadium. I attended my first game there in 1945. (The score was the Minnesota Golden Gophers 61, Nebraska 7)

DS: Favorite slogan or saying?

Jerry: "The problem with Socialism is that you eventually run out of other people's money."

DS: If you won the lottery, what's the first thing you'd buy?

Jerry: A Florida vacation home on Marco Island.

DS: Turn-ons

Jerry: A well done street rod and a former Pan American stewardess.

DS: If you knew no fear, what would you do?

Jerry: I would be a Porsche Club "racer".

DS: Your first ride in a Porsche was . . .

Jerry: In the early 1970's, a college friend was a dentist in Golden, CO. He had a CB equipped 911 Targa. On a trip from Denver to Nebraska for Christmas, he cut 1/3 off the usual driving time. His handle as I recall was "the Witch Doctor."

DS: At least one thing you want to do before you die.

Jerry: Play golf in all 50 states, (I have 22 states to go.)

DS: What question did I forget to ask?

Jerry: How is Vickie Vail, the past Der Sportwagen cover girl, doing? Vickie and her bull calf, Hart, were the Gelbvieh breed cow/calf champions at the 2010 American Royal Livestock Show.

Membership

By Doug Pierce, KCRPCA Membership Chairman, and PCA Escape Coordinator

NEW MEMBERS — MAY 2012

Russell & Nichole Buckwalter
Junction City, KS 66441
Silver 1988 944 Turbo S

Douglas DePew
Overland Park, KS 66207
Black 1986 930

Lee Derrough
Kansas City, MO 64112
Black 1997 993 Cabriolet

Jeremy Houck
Topeka, KS 66610
Gray 2003 911

Brad Ivy & Brie DiTirro
Kansas City, MO 64112
White 2007 Cayman

Mike & Jeni Pierce
Olathe, KS 66062
Black 2006 Cayenne

Hugh Robinson
Lee's Summit, MO 64081
Black 1999 911

Christopher Fourie
Blue Springs, MO 64015
Gray 2011 GT3 RS
Transfer from Pacific NW Region

NEW MEMBERS — JUN 2012

Dan & Shannon Barks
Overland Park, KS 66213
Gray 2001 Boxster

James Ellis
Overland Park, KS 66223
Black 2011 997

David & Kimberly Frances
Parkville, MO 64152
Black 2012 Boxster S

Richard Johnson
Leawood, KS 66205
Red 2002 Boxster

George Kolas
Kansas City, MO 64145
1995 911

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Stephen & Joan Craig	42
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Robert & Gayla Friedman	25
Fred Northcraft	24
Michael & Beverly Hynes	13
Kathy Wright	12
Jim Nance	12
Doug & Kim Funnell	10
Jerry & Mary Lynn Clark	9
Mike and Sherri Morgan	9
Tyler Thomas	8
Jerrett & Jennifer Rule	8
Gary & Judy Nagel	7
Lawrence Twork	7
Garry Gribble	7
John & Lea Barker	7
Robert Brennan	6
Paul Bloemer	6
Richard & Kerry Hubbard	5
Bruce Barrow	4
James & Maja Cummings	4
Victoria Smith	3
Marilee McGinness	3
Curtis & Christy Catenhauser	2
Aaron & Tonya Anton	2
Karl & Christy Nowotny	1
Stephen & Jane Lambert	1
Nathan Hof	1
Thomas & April Yurko	1

NEW MEMBERS — JUN 2012 (Continued)

James McCoy & Nancy Jerenberg
Stilwell, KS 66085
Silver 1988 951

Robert Reid
Overland Park, KS 66221
Black 2002 Boxster S

Jeff & Vita-Maria Schonbrun
Overland Park, KS 66210
Blue 2000 Boxster

ANNIVERSARIES — AUG 2012

Murray & Patricia Steeble	21
Bob Maxwell	17
Doug Girod	17
Brian St. Denis	15
Nathan Haas	15
Evan & Jessica Kenney	15
Ed Simmermon	13
David Sudduth	13
Scott & Sharonne Cozad	13
Edmond & Helen Scherer	13
Michael Armentrout	8
Brad Yost	8
Reeser James	7
James Reeser	7
Sean & Paula Brennan	6
David & Dana Kriet	5
Eric & Lindsay Martin	5
Gary & Arlene Krings	5
Tim Abraham	4
Jeffrey Gilmore	4
Bill Duckworth	3
Kathy Dancer	3
John Gillmore	3
John Thurn	2
Maurine Gaynor	2
James Baldwin	2
Jason & Tiffany Whitney	2
Brian Britton	1
Michael Shepard	1
Shannon Casey	1
Stephen Bye	1
Frank Bartkowski	1
Roger & Jackie Frear	1

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May was a Rainout, but June Autocross is a Huge Success!

Rudy Rodriguez, Der Sportwagen Autocross Editor, and KCRPCA Autocross Chairman

By the time you read this, summer will be in full force and this means it's time for the Porsche Club's third autocross of the season. Our first (ladies only) autocross of the year was an incredible success but second one was rained out. For autocross number three, the weather was excellent with a temperature about 85 degrees and no chance of rain. Once again, we had an excellent turnout. There were several 911s, Boxsters, and Caymans.

About thirteen participants navigated the course at full blast. The track was very challenging to everyone including several new event members. Not to worry, two club instructors, Richard Bennett and Gerald Potter, helped the newbies obtain respectable times. Participants circled the track twice before their time was recorded. The drivers were allowed to record five times, that's ten laps!

The times started out at around two minutes and fifty seconds. As the day progressed, the times dropped to the best time of the day, Jason Whitney at 1:16.7. WOW! Congrats to Jason. That said the other autocross participants were all turning competitive times by the end of the day. But you know the rules...only one can win. So here is a list of the top four times: Jason Whitney-1:16.7 (2001 911T), Scott Jenkins-1:17.8 (2010 911), Jeff Rodges-1:20.3 (1985 911) and lastly, Max Rogers 1:24.1 (1985 911). Great job guys.

I would like to challenge all club members to participate in just ONE autocross this year and I guarantee that if you did, you would not regret it. It would be the most fun you have had in a long time.

Lastly, I would like to thank the following people for their support in helping me organize the autocrosses: Richard Bennett, Jack Bishop, Jason Whitney (our photographer), and any others that I may have forgotten. Those of you who participated, Thank You!

Please mark your calendars for our next autocross on October 7, 2012!

- Rudy



AUTOCROSS TALKING POINTS

1. What is an autocross? An autocross is a skill driving event in which one car at a time negotiates a prescribed course, using traffic cones to define a variety of turns. The sites are usually laid out on huge, open parking lots, or on sections of airport runways. The course is set up so that you are operating in lower gears, with a top speed of no more than 45 mph or so, depending on the car. The average time of a run on the course is approximately one minute, plus a penalty of two seconds for each rubber cone (pylon) hit
2. Is this a beginner's event? YES!! Absolutely Yes!!! This school will be for members who have NEVER been to or driven in an autocross. Novice drivers are welcome too.
3. What will I learn? You will develop a sense of timing, judgment, and ability to interpret your vehicle's handling characteristics - at safe speeds and in a safe place. Your experiences at an autocross will enhance your driving ability on the street.
4. Will I have a teacher? Yes. Each student will be assigned a teacher to help train you throughout the course.
5. Will I hurt my Porsche? No. Porsche automobiles are some of the worlds best autocrossing cars. Every model of Porsche ever built has been raced sometime on the world's finest tracks. Autocrossing is a low speed event.
6. Will I need any special equipment on my car? No. Just bring your Porsche. You do not need special tires, racing seat belts, racing gloves or special shoes. If you have a helmet please bring it. If you do not own a helmet, the club has a limited supply. Otherwise, just bring yourself and your car.
7. Is autocrossing safe? Yes. Autocrosses are a low speed style of racing. You do not race other cars. You simply race against a timer.
8. How old do I have to be? You or your family member must be over 16 and have a valid driver's license. Members under 18 must have a Parental Consent Form signed by BOTH parents. Women are encouraged to participate.
9. Will I have fun? You betcha. You will have the most fun of any racing event, because you are the driver!

Further info: Contact Rudy Rodriguez 913-788-0007 or e-mail rudys968and944S@aol.com.



Judy Bennett



Jason Whitney



Judy Bennett



Jason Whitney

Autocross Times for KCRPCA June Autocross

1. Jason Whitney	1:16.7
2. Scott Jenkins	1:17.8
3. Jeff Rodges	1:20.3
4. Max Rodges	1:24.1
5. Matt Crosby	1:24.6
6. Ed Wiegele	1:30.5
7. Scott Stewart	1:32.4
8. Garrett Wiegele	1:33.8
9. Brad Ivy	1:35.6
10. Tim Carlin	1:45.6
11. Curtis Nave	2:29.1
12. Jerry Koehler	DNF
13. Gerald Potter	DNF
14. Mike Upchurch	DNF

DNF= times were recorded but times were disqualified due to not completing the course as directed.



Jack Bishop



Jack Bishop



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Jason Whitney



Jason Whitney



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Kansas City Region Porsche Club of America

2012 AUTOCROSS #4

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PCA Club Race Chronicles - Heartland Park Topeka

Brian St. Denis, KCRPCA Member & Club Racer

Editor's Note: This article is a continuation of Brian's exploits at the KCRPCA Club Race at HPT. If you refer back to the May/June issue of *Der Sportwagen*, you'll remember Brian fought through a series of mechanical issues, but missed 2 of the 4 races. At this point even the weather turned against him with tornados in the forecast. Brian decides to call it quits. He drops his car off the jack stands and drives it with loose axles into the trailer. Will he give up and go home in defeat? Read on for the answer.

So my buddy Bill [who I raced with in Atlanta] was talking bourbon the other night. I brought Knob Creek, my current favorite to share. At least we can have a drink before I head home. I get over to the racers who are having cigars, drinking expensive beers and shooting the breeze [aka bench racing] and they ask what the problem is. I say, well, this lead to that and now it's raining and I'm tired and it's going to storm and I'm done. Then, Jim and Bill primarily, say no you aren't. Take your car to the tech shed [inside] and we'll do the axle swap for you. I'm like really? If you help, then I'll do it. They said yep, we'll bring the tools, just take the car over.

And, that is what we did. I started taking the bolts off. The stuck ones were able to be loosened because Bill's allen head tools were newer and harder and didn't twist as much. Mine are Kobalt, which I like generally, but his are Husky and they seemed stronger. Worked fine. So, now I'm on a concrete floor, in a building, working on my car again. After a while, Jim is like, how are we doing? I said, loosening still. He said, let me get under there. So, now Jim Buckley, who owns his own race shop and who wins our class almost every time, is doing the job. He gets an electric tool to spin them out and a digital torque wrench to get the bolts on just right, when installing the other side's axle. I then take it for a spin in the parking lot to test - seems fine. Poof. Done. 7:00 PM Saturday night. I'm beat.

Sunday is a quick and short day. Warm up at 8:45, race at 9:45, and race at 1 PM. The races are extended from 25 minutes to 45 minutes because we combined groups. Cool.

I head down to grid for warm up and head out on the track. The axle seems fine. Handling much better. The gimpy axle was causing oversteer, not now. But, it doesn't want to go into 2nd. Not like a bad synchro, but like the shift linkage is not right. Remember, there is only an hour between the START of practice and the START of the first race. So I quickly run to ask Jim, which is the first place to look. He says shifter, 6 allen head bolts. Check for too much play. So I take off my shifter for the first time, and how do I know if this is too much play? So I run it to Jim and he says its fine. Now, check beneath a cover plate for a 4mm allen that may be loose. The plate is held on by 4 screws, and then I see the allen. And, it is loose! Totally loose. Less than finger tight and about to fall out loose. A quick tightening of that and I can button it all back up. Whew. I run to tell Jim that was it and to thank him, again. Now, back in the car for the race.

Since I had NO times for Saturday, I'm not even on the grid sheet. David Lessmann [working grid again this year, thanks David!] is like; you aren't even on our sheet. I said, yeah, I haven't run all weekend. He says, well, there are only 40 on the sheet, so you can have #41. Great. Staring 41st. Yeah.

Actually, two other GT cars came late so they started 42nd and 43rd. I was not last!



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This race was one of "not really racing my class". The axles worked, the shifting was better than ever in this car [that bolt must have been loose since I got the car] and the engine didn't give signs to me that it was going to blow up. No missing, no weak spots and no smoke [smoke was LAST year]. I passed a bunch of cars and several did not finish. I believe I finished 19th and 5th in class. Whatever. At least I was on the track.

My brother Steve and his family were coming out to watch the second race. At least I was going to make that, right? Also, I had my new tires ready to go. Brand new race tires. This should give me an advantage as most racers put them on for the first race and I'm putting them on for the second. Race tire are best the first time they are used [called the first heat cycle].

My best time in race 1 was a 1:54 while most of the other cars in my class ran a 1:52. New tires should help. If I can pass a couple of cars, I could be in line for a podium. They give out stickers [for your car] starting this race to signify those who obtain podium finishes. That would be nice.



Brian poses with his nephew Connor and brother Steve next to Brian's '81 Euro Spec SC. Niece Ashley is in the driver's seat.

My brother, Steve, and his wife Laura arrive, and kids Connor and Ashley got to sit in the racecar. Connor liked the driver's seat. We took pictures. I think they enjoyed the few minutes over lunch seeing the racecar at a track instead of in a dark garage with boxes and bicycles all around it. Probably felt more real with the sound of race engines in the paddock. We started it just for a second. The look of excitement and horror on their faces at the same time was just what was expected.

So, the race. I usually don't do that great at HPT. And, I'm exhausted. I'm not even excited to race - you know that adrenalin you get on the grid and at the start - that keeps your heart pumping hard and your focus intense? Yeah, not so much. Calm. Relaxed. Comfortable not to be under the car. Not confident, just relieved not to be wrenching. And, no matter what, since this is the last race, I'M DONE WRENCHING FOR

THE WEEKEND NO MATTER WHAT! NO MATTER WHAT! I will spend 0.0% more time on this thing. I have more than a month before my next race and can just forget about this... I don't even know when my next race is! Whew.

Okay, the start. Fortunately, I can see some cars in my class ahead of me, which is a first for this weekend. Kyl in #944 [a 944 turbo believe it or not], Brian Forsythe in #2 944 turbo and Bill in #76 a black with white bumpers 911 are just ahead. Maybe others. Richard Bennett is a little farther up and Jim farther ahead than that.

At the start, I don't really remember what happened exactly, must have been insignificant. Felt good dicing with the other cars at speed. Takes more race craft and speed to get by cars with the same power as you. Fortunately, some of the cars were dicing with each other. One time, I got past Bill I think, because he got stuck wide dicing with another car, and I followed the other car past. That is one. A couple more to go for 3rd, I think. The #944 car I had not raced with before. I was able to get him somehow. Don't remember how. Then it was me versus B Forsythe. He is normally a front-runner, but his 3rd gear isn't working. Strange, as we drag down the straights, I don't gain on him when I'm in 3rd. His turbo motor must do fine in 4th. Eventually, I get a run on him and get around, but then into turn 3 [the Carousel] I must have left a little room as he got his nose next to my rear wheel. Fortunately, that wasn't enough and I get him in turn 4 and then pull away.

If my calculations are correct, I'm in 3rd, pretty early in the race. After passing a car or two that isn't in my class, I see Richard Bennett ahead. I may be catching him slowly. I say slowly because I don't really expect to catch him and I'm keeping a little bit of an eye on the cars behind me. Plus, when you make a mistake here and there, you don't think you'll be catching a guy you know to be as fast or faster than you. On the other hand, I am driving well and I do have a LSD I didn't have before, plus my engine is fixed [isn't it?], and I have brand new tires, etc.

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Jim Rand



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Theoretically, I should be much faster than last year. So, with that going through my mind, I notice that heading into the next to last turn, I'm a little closer to Richard than I was before. Next lap, a little closer. Now I can see him most of the lap in front. Can I really get up to dice for 2nd at HPT? I never do well here.

After a few more laps, I get close to Richard, maybe a car length or two. I think he went wide the turn before which cost him bad. And, I get a run... but then I notice that he isn't in it 100%. Something went wrong I assume, as I drive on by. That's too bad. A dice with Richard would have been fun - since we are teammates in ChumpCar, and we pretty much do the same races with each other throughout the season.

Now, not only am I in 2nd, but the guys going for 3rd (Brian and Kyl) are way back. Like a whole front straight back. I can't even see Jim ahead in first. He was way faster than me and there is no chance, short of him breaking, for me to improve. So, how hard do I press and how many more laps are there? Oh well, let's try to enjoy and not make a mistake.

Of course, nothing is the same lap after lap, because the track gains and loses rubber. And, there are lapped cars to deal with. And, I'm getting lapped by GT cars going way faster than me. Plus, my tires are getting hot, which changes the over/understeer feel and it doesn't apply equally per turn, but some here, more there, etc. So, you have to concentrate even when you don't really need to give a 100% effort.

And, that is when things can go wrong - my mind drifts to Victoria and to if Steve, Laura, Connor, and Ashley have a good view. Are they in one spot, or are they walking around to watch from other places? Should I try to spot them? I have been here so many times I can usually spot spectators in the turn 4/5 area, in 8/9 (in those stands or against the fence) and on the grassy knoll (what we call it) in the esses in the back of the track. But, I can't risk my good position to see if I can spot spectators. I have to concentrate. How embarrassing to blow a 2nd place finish in front of your only fans that you'll have all year?

I was feeling good about my speed if I really need it, I could speed up. But, traffic was definitely becoming a factor. Cars did not want to be lapped or I'd catch them at a bad time for me. Or, was I being too patient? It seemed the two cars behind were catching me. Not risky catching but closing distance. I kept an eye on the starter - when will the checker come? Last time at Road Atlanta, a tire went flat about this time.

Then, a lapped car really really blocks me. Like, not blocks as much as I caught him at the WORST possible time, which in this case, was in turn 12 or whatever, the carousel, then under the bridge, then to the front straight. He was going so slow, but had enough power and took a line that made it too risky to try to pass before the start/finish. That let the cars behind right up on my bumper. So, now I had to really go. I got a decent run to the front straight and as I pulled left to go around the slower car, I saw the checker. All I had to do was one more shift and...



Whew. I held on for 2nd. My first 2nd in PCA Club Racing. Of course, both Richard and Brian had problems, which helped me out, but it's still a strong finish for me. The lap times show I had the fastest lap in class, other than Jim, which helps to validate the finish.

Exhale. Close eyes. As my daughter Tori would say "Ah dunn." Yes, the engine still isn't just right. Yes, I have an old take-off axle on one side and probably need to check those out more fully. Yes, there is plenty more to do on my racecar. But, for now, I need to think about something else.

At the awards ceremony, Jim got his wins, Richard got at least one win as well. I got the 2nd. I'm sure Brian F and maybe Bill Miller got some stickers. Sorry I can't recall anything else as I didn't have time to look at race results for any of the races and I was a little late to the awards ceremony.

The PCA also gives out an award called "Worker's Choice". It goes to a car/driver that the corner workers liked and appreciated for one reason or the other. I'm not sure how they knew I was even here this weekend as I only did two full sessions, but they chose me for one of the awards. It's a really nice plaque - pretty much the nicest PCA award. It's one I don't think you can "try" to win, you just get it, or you don't. Thanks workers! I hope you had a good weekend too.

- Brian

PCA ZONE 10 CALENDAR

Updated 04/28/2012

JULY

8-14	Porsche Parade, Salt Lake City, UT	PCA
9-10	Driver Education, Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI	Nord Stern
21	Bennett BBQ, Lee's Summit, MO	Kansas City
28	Driving lunch to 'The Cave Restaurant'	Ozark Lakes
27-29	PCA Club Race & DE, Brainerd International Raceway	Nord Stern

AUGUST

8	Dinner Meeting - French Mediterranean Café, Nixa, MO	Ozark Lakes
11	Vino in the Valley Drive	Nord Stern
12	Botham Winery Vintage Celebration, Barneveld, WI	Central Iowa
19	"Just for Fun" Time, Speed, and Distance Rally, KC, MO	Kansas City
25	One Armed Bandit Dinner Run	Ozark Lakes
25	Porsche Night at GCS Stadium	St. Louis
26-29	Run for the Hills 10, Black Hills, SD	Dakota

SEPTEMBER

8	Arkansas Run	Ozark Lakes
8	Fall Tech Session and Drive	Central Iowa
9	Drive to Planes, Trains and Automobiles, Geneseo, IL	Central Iowa
12	Dinner meeting - Recap of 2012 Parade, Porsche of Springfield, Springfield, MO	Ozark Lakes
15	Ste. Genevieve Winery Tour	St. Louis
21	Last Fling Driver Training, Brainerd International Raceway	Nord Stern
22-23	Last Fling Driver Education, Brainerd International Raceway	Nord Stern
27-30	RVBOWWOW tour, Lake City, MN	Dakota
28-30	20th Annual North Shore Fall Color Tour, Blue Fin Bay Resort, Tofte, MN	Nord Stern
30	Autos on Vallhalla	St. Louis

OCTOBER

5-7	Parktown Carrera Classic, Gateway Motorsports Park	St. Louis
7	Fall Leaf Drive	Central Iowa
7	Autocross, Ameristar Casino, Kansas City, MO	Kansas City
12-14	Drivers Education, Heartland Park, Topeka, KS	Kansas City
20	Pythian Castle, Dine like Kings and Queens	Ozark Lakes
21	Porsche Car Show	St. Louis
27	Fall Color Tour	St. Louis

PCA ZONE 10 CALENDAR (Continued)

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NOVEMBER

13	Metro East Winery Tour	St. Louis
14	Dinner meeting – Gilardi's Restaurant, Springfield, MO	Ozark Lakes
8-11	PCA ESCAPE, Eureka Springs, AR	

DECEMBER

1	Holiday Party	Central Iowa
1	Holiday Party at Brios	Kansas City
1	Holiday Party	St. Louis
7	Holiday Party at Metro Grill	Ozark Lakes
8	Holiday Party	Dakotas

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Wheels to Weston

Jan Pierce, Der Sportwagen Social Editor

On Saturday, May 5, 2012, the Kansas City Region Porsche Club of America got together for our second annual "Wheels to Weston" event. Wheels to Weston was introduced in 2011 as an alternative to the longstanding Ozark Weekend. The new event has proven to be very popular with our members, this year bringing in 46 cars for the event

Members met at the Independence Event Center at 9:30 AM to receive driving instructions for the Fun Drive/Cruise to Watkins Mill State Park in Kearney, Missouri. The course was conceived by our event planners, Richard and Judy Bennett, and took us through almost 50 miles of "scenic" roads, as in hilly and curvy. It was a beautiful route, although I would almost swear we reversed ourselves a couple times along the way. I say, "almost swear" because most of the time I wasn't sure exactly where I was. Unfortunately, our fearless leader, Richard Bennett, had a hose break on his 911 Turbo along the route and he had to wave everyone by from the side of the road before calling AAA for a tow.

Everyone except Richard made it to Watkins Mill State Park for a picnic. When we all arrived, Judy had the fire started and Tim Bubniak manned the grill. Members all brought a dish to share. The picnic served as a great break before beginning the second phase of the afternoon, a gimmick rally to Weston, Missouri. Because Richard was still with the tow truck driver, Doug and I stepped in to give each rally team instructions and a set of questions to begin the 50-mile gimmick rally.

Over the next two hours, members followed a set of written directions and answered 63 questions along the route. What was truly amazing is that everyone found their way through the route considering page 3 of the instructions was missing from the package. In spite of that, everyone made their way to the Weston City Hall where they found Richard Bennett back from his home now driving his son's car, our old 2001 Honda Civic with over 250,000 miles [what a car]!

While the results were being tabulated, members shopped on Main Street and visited with friends. We then proceeded to Pirtle Winery for the announcement of the rally results. The much coveted first place award went to Kyle and Jamie Charlesworth, second place to Steve and Brenda Wilson [repeat winners from last year] and third place went to Allen and Patty Klassen. This year we had a tie for "Most Opportunity to Improve" between Sean Reardon, and Scott and Kathy Stewart. Richard made an executive decision to handicap Sean Reardon because he was running the route solo and trying to

drive, navigate and answer questions, so the recipient of the much coveted custom made trophy went to the Stewarts who I'm sure will display it proudly!

Finally, it was time to relax and get into some air conditioning for dinner at O'Malley's Pub. Dinner was delicious and offered both Irish and American dishes. Thankfully, dinner was not interrupted by any tornado sirens like last year. After an enjoyable dinner, we all leisurely departed for home.

I know I join all of the participants in thanking Richard and Judy Bennett for organizing such an outstanding event. Many hours and more than a few miles went into putting such an enjoyable event together. Thanks for everything you do to make our club such a success.

- Jan



Jim Rand



David Lessmann





Rand Ice Cream Social / Pop Quiz

David Lessmann, Editor Der Sportwagen

It was a typical Midwestern Sunday afternoon, sunny with temperatures in the upper 80's, making it a perfect day for a KCRPCA gathering. Jim and Nancy Rand stepped up to the plate and knocked the ball out of the park by graciously hosting the second annual Ice Cream Social / Pop Quiz event at their house in Blue Springs, Missouri. Their spacious secluded acreage featured amply shade trees, a large pond stocked with fish and lotus blossoms, and a flat grassy area perfect for staging a large number of Porsches with a white picket fence serving as a scenic backdrop.

Fortunately, a persistent but gentle breeze cooled the guests brave enough to venture out of the shade, and there were many reasons to venture out. Whether it was looking at the beautiful landscaping around the property, admiring the many Porsches on display, grabbing a fishing pole to catch a catfish, operating the controls of a radio-controlled boat, or jumping in a paddleboat to cruise around the pond there was no shortage of activities to keep the guests entertained.

For those who wanted some respite from the sun, they had to go no further than a shady backyard patio where cold drinks and a wide variety of ice cream with all the toppings were readily available. There was plenty of friendly conversation and even a TV for those interested in the outcome of the Canadian F1 race.

To compliment this idyllic Sunday afternoon, Richard Bennett produced another of his devious pop quizzes to test our member's knowledge of all things Porsche. As many of us know, Richard can be pretty tricky with his questions. Brows were furrowed and erasers readily used as everyone racked their brains for the right answers. Upon completion, Richard

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and Judy quickly scored the quizzes and an impromptu announcement was made to inform the crowd of the results.

Not surprisingly, Sean Reardon won first place, followed by David Lessmann, and Ralph Light. Sean and David received a nice set of Porsche books, so they can study up for next year's quiz, and Ralph received a nice bottle of wine. Not sure how that will help towards next year's quiz. ☺

Once again, the Ice Cream Social / Pop Quiz was the perfect way to spend a Sunday afternoon for the Kansas City region members. We all owe a thank you to Judy and Richard Bennett for organizing the event and a very special thank you to Nancy and Jim Rand for opening up their home and grounds to host the event. It is a very popular addition to our social calendar.

- David

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Exciting Events Upcoming on the KCRPCA Social Calender

Judy Bennett, KCRPCA Vice President - Social Activities

Bennett BBQ

Come join the Bennetts for our Porsche Club Open House BBQ. Saturday July 21, 2012 4 PM onwards. BBQ lit at 5 PM. Casual outdoor event. Burgers and brats provided by KCRPCA. I will also grill anything you would care to bring. We have a selection of refreshments, also provided by the Porsche Club. BYOB and something to share, see below.

- Appetizers - Last Names A thru J
- Side dishes - Last Names K thru R
- Deserts - Last Names S thru Z

Location:

304 NE Oaks Ridge Drive (North of Lakewood off 291)
Lee's Summit, MO 64064
816-682-4383 or 816-729-2898

Please RSVP to Judy at trainerjudy@sbcglobal.net.

Inaugural "Just For Fun" TSD Rally

Make plans to participate in the KCRPCA's Time, Speed, Distance (TSD) Rally scheduled for August 19, 2012. A TSD Rally is one of the most fun times you'll have in your car.

This rally is organized by Mike Wyatt, former Rally Master with the Blue Ridge Rally Group (BRRG) of the Highlands Sports Car Club in Western North Carolina. Even though Mike has mastered several rallies, this is his first for his affiliation with the KCRPCA. Mike has several variations in his rally play book ranging from night rallies to overnight rallies designed to take the group on a fun road trip. Perhaps we'll see some of these variations in future KCRPCA rallies.

What's a Time, Speed, Distance Rally anyway? A TSD Rally is not a performance event. It's an exciting competition between participating driver/navigators teams testing their teamwork and their ability to precisely follow a demanding set of course instructions with built in challenges. The goal being to complete the route within a precise time.

The TSD will be governed by General Instructions. Route Instructions will be handed to the driver and navigator. Route instructions, when followed in conjunction with the terms of the General Instructions will result in the route being completed in an "exact time" as determined by the Rally Master. Arriving too early or too late will result in penalties.

As the name implies, a perfect time requires the perfect execution of Time, Speed and Distance instructions. We will

not allow Rally Computers. In order to even the playing field so everyone has fun, the only equipment allowed for this rally is a stopwatch, phone, a calculator, and a clipboard/tablet for notes. Although GPS is most helpful in finding a route to a destination, GPS is not beneficial in our TSD rally. A minimum of a driver and navigator are required for each car; however, others are welcome to ride along.

Join us on August 19, 2012 at 10 AM at the Rear Parking Lot, Zona Rosa, (when entering from Platte Purchase Rd) for TSD Rally staging. Final location for results and awards will be Stone Canyon Pizza, also located at Zona Rosa.

There is an entry fee of \$20/car. All entries/RSVP's required by August 10, 2012 to Judy Bennett 816-682-4383 or trainerjudy@sbcglobal.net.

KCRPCA Annual Meeting

Refer to page 8 for further details.

Shrimp Boil at the Hess Residence

Al and Karen Hess are once again opening their home at 4525 Iron Horse Drive, Leawood, KS 66224 to fellow Porsche Club Members for our annual Shrimp Boil. Mark your calendars now for Saturday, September 15, 2012.

Festivities will begin at 4:30 PM with appetizers, and the shrimp will begin to boil around 5:30 PM. Guests are asked to bring a dish to share. Members with last names beginning with:

- Appetizers - Last names A thru G
- Salads and side dishes - Last names H thru O
- Deserts - Last names P thru Z

The club will provide shrimp and soft drinks. If you would like to have a cocktail, you are welcome to BYOB.

Please send your check for \$20 (per person) made out to KCRPCA in care of:

David Stadtmueller, Treasurer
6801 NW Monticello Court, Kansas City, MO 64152

All checks must be received by September 5, 2012, so there is plenty of shrimp for everyone. The Shrimp Boil is a popular, long-standing tradition with the club going back to 1980 when Jeff and Janice Straford hosted the first event. Get you reservations in EARLY. Any questions contact - Judy Bennett, at trainerjudy@sbcglobal.net, or 816-682-4383.

- Judy

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It's a great opportunity to meet other club members, look at an ever-changing collection of Porsches, and enjoy a tasty meal.

Want More?

Don't forget there's even more of the good stuff, pictures, quotes, classifieds, and up-to-date info on future events on the KCRPCA website, [www.kcrpca.org].

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