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President's Column

Celebrations continue in our Porsche community! 2023 marks the 75th Year of Porsche and Wolfgang Porsche's 80th Birthday. Closer to home, Space Coast Region took home the coveted Sunchaser Trophy during the 11th Sunrise to Sunset Rally. Plus, we enjoyed hosting some sold out events in the last few months, Dinner Under the Space Shuttle Atlantis and touring the Brumos Collection in Jacksonville were both spectacular events. We had great success with our Grand Prix Autocross in April and held an Autocross Training School to introduce autocross to new members and sharpen the skills of some of our experienced autocrossers. I expect this was great preparation before our Porsche vs. Corvette Autocross Challenge in October. Transformers introduced their newest Autobot, Mirage, who transformed into a beautiful 911 – Porsche Melbourne rolled out the red carpet to celebrate the new addition with a reception and private theater for our club members. It gave me tingles when the whole theater cheered when the 911 made its first appearance on the screen.

While writing this, my husband Steve and I are driving to Palm Springs, CA for our annual pilgrimage to the Porsche Parade where we enjoy catching up with PCA friends from across the US and Canada. We'll be returning to California in our new Macan T in September for Rennsport Reunion. Porsches are meant to be driven – right? Hope to see some Space Coast friends on our travels.

I'm excited to hear the stories from our members going on our region sponsored trip to Germany in July. Nice to get out of Florida for a few weeks in the heat of summer. We have a few fun events planned for the next few months including a Drive and Dine to RiverGrille on the Tomoka, a Boxster Registry Event and our Hawaiian themed Summer Banquet.

I hope you will come out to an event or two and join in the fun. Better yet, volunteer and really get involved! Take a look at the Upcoming Events listed at the back of **EV** or online, on the calendar on our spacecoastpca.org website or our Space Coast PCA facebook. Thanks to our awesome members and great sponsors Porsche Melbourne and the American Muscle Car Museum we continue to have a wonderful 2023. I hope you get out there and drive those cars!

Robin Hoffman

President Space Coast PCA

On the Cover: Jay McGrath's Grand Prix white 1996 Carrera 4S. Photo by Ray Baldino.

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From the Editor

Well, Spring is over, and here comes Summer! Where does the time go? We had so many wonderful celebrations in the last few months, with even more to come. Thank you Robin Hoffman and Steve Tarr for planning the many fun things we got to experience!

More to come for sure, check out the latest Coming Attractions for a full list so far and the new Post Card. Remember things can get added or changed, so pay attention to Robin's e-Blasts. How do you all like the new Post Card? Feel free to comment on that if you like. We haven't had one in a few years and this one is pretty cool. I'd love to hear from you.

Thank you to our Northern Coordinator, Milt Weisman, for finding a new spot for the North Kaffeeklatsches at The Little Griddle in New Smyrna Beach. The owner was so happy to accommodate us, he's made an inside room available for our KK. They served delicious food, and they were showing Porsche performances on YouTube on the TV in the private room for us all to enjoy. It was nice to have AC too so we could get out of the elements. Lots of room to park as well.

I'm happy to be able to say thanks because it takes a lot of people working diligently to keep our Club fun and on track. For **Escape Velocity**, I'm always looking for anyone who wants to share Porsche experiences or write about a Club event for all of us to enjoy. Tom Kirk and David Kelly have really stepped up to help report on events this issue, big thank you to Tom and David.

We are so lucky to have Shay Rowe and Staff at Porsche Melbourne take so much interest in our Space Coast Club. The Tech Session was enlightening and very educational. So many things about tires we maybe didn't know. How can we ever forget the 75th Porsche Anniversary celebration and the Movie Premier? They were just spectacular events all provided by Porsche Melbourne for our enjoyment. Thank you so much for being such an important supporter of our Club. It's greatly appreciated by all.

Hope to see you all at some of the Super Events that have been planned for this summer. Be sure to exercise your beautiful Porsches and come out to see old friends and meet some new friends and have some fun. I'd love to have any contributions for **EV** that you'd like to write and share.

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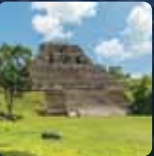
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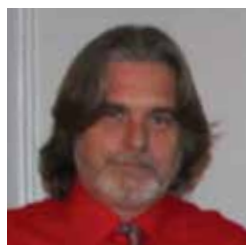
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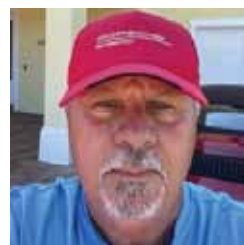
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Membership Corner

by Vicki Hempel

Welcome all new members and transfers!! We have 1106 primary members, 510 affiliate members and 1 honorary/lifetime member for a total membership of 1,617.

A fun way to meet members is to attend one of the kaffeeklatsches (Cars & Coffee) at 3 locations monthly. **Central Area** – First Saturday of the month from 9 am to 11 am. Panera Bread, [4100 N Wickham Road, Melbourne, FL](#). **South Area** – Second Sunday of the month from 9 am to 11 am. Panera Bread, [2001 Indian River Blvd, Vero Beach, FL](#). **North Area** – Third Sunday of the month from 9 am to 11 am. Little

Griddle, [412 Canal Street, New Smyrna Beach, FL](#). NEW location with private parking area and room for us! No need to RSVP – just come on out and bring your Porsche! We spend most of our time in the parking lot visiting where there is lots of room to social distance and a Panera or Little Griddle if you want to have some breakfast or coffee.

For more information regarding the kaffeeklatsches and a complete list of events go to our website calendar <https://spacecoastpca.org/calendar> and Facebook events [Space Coast PCA](#). We hope to see you at one of the events!!

Welcome to our New Members!

March 2023

Sameh Youssef - 2020 911 Carrera
Daniel McLaughlin - 2023 Macan
Robert Costello - 2022 Panamera
James Buckley - 2017 911 Carrera
Douglas Wright - 2022 911 Carrera GTS
Kenneth Boyce - 2023 Cayenne E-Hybrid
Robert Tampa - 2021 Macan
Joseph Fields - 2021 Macan
Leslie Ray - 2023 Macan
Thomas Williams - 2012 911 Carrera
Jeffrey Gomez - 2023 Macan GTS
Lisa Davidson-Duran - 2014 Boxster
Jermone and Josephine Duque -
2002 Boxster
Walt and Eileen Heinig - 2018 718 Cayman
Gary Hood - 2020 911 Carrera
Alan Sowell - 2013 Boxster S
Dean Jenderko - 2007 911 Turbo
Jody Seigle - 2022 911 Turbo
Robert and Cheryl Rembisz -
2023 911 Targa 4S

Transfers In:

Juan and Karina Nunez - 2011 911 Carrera S,
transferred from Gulfstream

April 2023

William and Heather Denike -
2005 911 Carrera
Mourad Amirkhanov - 2016 911 Carrera
Peter Tubbs - 1999 Boxster
David Merrill - 1967 912
Robert Garbarino - 2019 911 Turbo S
Cameron Ghahreman - 2023 Macan
Luz Colina - 2023 Macan
Alton Derrick Dykes - 2023 Cayenne
Dedra Kay Kaylor -
2021 Cayenne E-Hybrid Coupe
Guirguiss Tadros - 2023 Cayenne
Jorge Guerron - 2023 Macan
Stacy Torres - 2023 Cayenne Coupe
Denise Cope - 2023 Cayenne
Thomas James Hubeny - 2023 Cayenne
Rex Hill - 2023 Macan

Jennifer Metallo - 2023 Macan
Mahmoud Okasha - 2019 Cayenne
Suzanne Broyles - 2021 Macan GTS
Jordan Sorchevich - 2020 911 Carrera
George McFarland - 2023 Cayenne
Alexi Sferra - 2023 Macan
Glenn Latta - 2023 911 Carrera
Elliott Kellman - 2021 Macan
Paul Browning - 2018 Macan
Darrick Sapp - 2020 911 Carrera
Walter Fotterall - 2023 Cayenne
Hildi Maclean - 2023 718 Boxster S
Everett Cook - 2023 Cayenne
Jeffrey Collier - 2017 718 Cayman S

Transfers In:

Kenneth and Trent Ksionek - 2018 Cayenne S,
transferred from Florida Citrus
Antonio Alicea - 2011 911 Targa 4,
transferred from Hurricane
Andrew Gaworowski - 1988 944S,
transferred from Carolinas
Howard and Melissa Sacks - 2001 911 Turbo,
transferred from Riesentoter

May 2023

Charles and Annie Weary - 1965 356
Luis and Irma Muniz - 2014 Boxster
Deandre Thompson - 2018 911 Carrera 4S
Qi Guo Zhand - 2023 Macan
Brian and Susan Hodgers - 2023 Taycan

Transfers In:

Grant and Karen Farrell -
2008 911 Carrera Cabriolet, transferred
from Suncoast
Brendan Brownyard - 2014 911 Carrera 4S,
transferred from Metropolitan New York
Charles and Joanne Resta - 1989 928 S4,
transferred from Gold Coast

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A Snapshot of What's Happening in the Space Coast Region PCA

Our North End Coordinator, Milt Weisman found a new location for our KK's in our Northern Area to try. It's a great little establishment called "Little Griddle" on 412 Canal Street in New Smyrna Beach. (Down the street from Jason's Corner). They graciously provided an entirely private room for our group and our own large parking area directly behind the restaurant for our KK.

We had a great attendance of 30 to 40 people with about 20 + cars and we were treated to free coffee and muffins for Father's Day. It was so nice to gather inside to chat with each other.

A cool surprise for us from the management was a YouTube video showing Porsches on the TV for us. Everyone who attended said it was great!

Little Griddle is designed like an old-time soda fountain and is open for breakfast and lunch daily and has delicious food complete with an Ice Cream Bar and part of the restaurant is an Art Studio! Come and check it out next KK.



Milt Weisman's Targa

KaffeeKlatch (Cars and Coffee)

We continue to have 3 informal get-togethers each month 9 am to 11 am to enjoy breakfast, coffee and our biggest passion – Porsches! Please join us at any or all the KaffeeKlatches.



One in Daytona, Melbourne and Vero Beach
Come out to one or all – it's always a good time!
No pre-registration needed, just show up.

First Saturday of the month – Mid-Region KK at Panera, 4100 N. Wickham Road, Melbourne, 9 am

Second Sunday of the month – South KK at Panera, 2001 Indian River Blvd, Vero Beach, 9 am

Third Sunday of the month – North KK at Little Griddle, 412 Canal St, New Smyrna Beach, 9 am **New location!!!**

Details – Details – Details

Complete information about each event can be found on our Space Coast PCA Website and Space Coast Facebook.

<https://spacecoastpca.org/calendar> – click on the event for more information.

Please refer to the most up to date calendar on our Space Coast Website <https://spacecoastpca.org>.

Space Coast Autocross Dates

at the American Muscle Car Museum 7 am

3500 Sarno Road, Melbourne

We'll see you in September

September 16

October 28 – Porsche vs Corvette Challenge

December 2

Thanks to AX sponsor Porsche Melbourne



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Join here at <https://www.pca.org/pca-juniors>.

Be Sure To Save These Special Dates

July 15 – Drive & Dine to RiverGrille on the Tomoka

July 22 – Boxster Brunch

August 12 – Summer Banquet at The Tides, Patrick AFB

August 26 – Porsches & Paws at the Park



2023 Sunrise to Sunset Gimmick Rally

Article by Tom Kirk
Photos by Robin Hoffman

In the Jeopardy category “Tons of Fun” for \$200, the answer is: Over one hundred Porsche enthusiasts, representing eight different PCA Regions, competing for individual and regional glory, over three days in March. The correct question is: What was the 2023 Sunrise to Sunset Gimmick Rally?



Artwork by
Shelby Goode

After its prolonged absence, the Sunrise to Sunset Gimmick Rally was again held March 24-26. The rally began Friday night with the Blue Skies and Green Lights reception and dinner hosted by and held at Porsche Melbourne, and officially ended with the awards dinner at the Pier 22 restaurant in Bradenton on Saturday night. For those who did not get enough driving in the almost 400-mile round trip, there was even a bonus Suncoast Region autocross in St. Petersburg on Sunday morning!



Blue Skies and Green Lights
reception and dinner at
Porsche Melbourne kicked
off the weekend festivities

Saturday morning began with a scrumptious breakfast (again provided by Porsche Melbourne) as we watched the sun rise from the oceanfront deck of the Crown Plaza hotel in Melbourne. Here the Rally Master (Brian Reinert) and his Evil Apprentices (David O'Neal and Mary Kirby) explained the rules and format of the drive. A new twist this year was the Jeopardy format. As we drove across the State, we were to determine the proper questions for the answers we were

given, which consisted of landmarks, street signs, etc. that we would pass along our way. This was not a race, but there was a maximum time allowed of six hours. There were four driving classes: novice, rally and expert would compete for top honors in their respective class, and touring would enjoy a non-competitive drive from coast to coast, all using the same turn-by-turn directions.



Evil Rally Master
and Apprentices

Cyndie and I were placed in the expert class since we finished third in the novice class in 2019, when this event was last held. We felt that we were out of our league considering the complexities that were added to the expert class, and that we don't turn around. The clues are in sequential order. If you find that you have skipped one, that means you missed it. Serious competitors will turn around when this happens to find what they missed. Not us. This policy helps maintain in-car harmony. At 9:00 am we began our journey in Cyndie's lava orange 2021 Cayenne GTS coupe.

Expert tip: read the entire list of clues before you start. We were a couple of hours down the road before we noticed that there were Double Jeopardy answers at the end of the list pertaining to things we had already passed! AUGH! Novice mistake. We knew about this trick from our previous experience but forgot. Oh well, too late now. Lunch was on your own. We stopped at Lightsey's in Okeechobee where we met my brother and sister-in-law, Greg and Ann Kirk, who were experiencing their first rally in their 2007 Cayman S. Fortunately, they arrived ahead of us, secured our table, and ordered our food. Cyndie and I were in and out in about thirty minutes. Thank goodness for the quick lunch stop. We made it to the Peace River Park, a little east of Bradenton, to drop off our questions with only five minutes left to spare!

A host hotel in Bradenton for everyone to stay in was impossible to secure in the peak of the tourist season. Cyndie found an Airbnb home for us for Saturday night that was only about fifteen minutes away from the Pier 22 restaurant. We relaxed there until dinner with a cold beverage, and I took a nap. I was exhausted. Following the turn-by-turn directions while trying to find the next question for nearly 200 miles wore me out!

When we all met at the restaurant on Saturday night the room was buzzing. Everyone was discussing what they thought were the proper questions to the fifty answers that were provided. Ann Kirk said she felt like when, after a test in college, she would compare her answers to those of her classmates and then become worried that she failed the test.

Finally, the Rally Masters revealed all the proper questions. There was some heated debate about some of the questions. But one of the rules of the event is, "the Rally Master is always right." When all the arguing was over, the Space Coast Region rocked! In the novice class, Joe and Karen Pace finished 1st and Bob and Pat Greenwood finished 3rd. In the rally class, Scott and Becke Hansen finished 1st. In the expert class Cyndie and I finished 1st and Steve and Robin Hoffman finished 3rd.



The much coveted Sunchaser Trophy

The Sunchaser trophy is awarded to the Region that delivers the best overall performance and has been held by the Space Coast Region since last winning it back in 2019. The podium finishes of the Space Coast teams above contributed to our retention of the Sunchaser trophy with a total score of \$112,600 Rally Dollars compared to the second-place region (Suncoast) of \$52,600.

Cyndie and I were thrilled and amazed to win first place in the expert class and were proud to be part of the Space Coast Region's dominating rally team. Thank you to Shay Rowe and Porsche Melbourne for their deep support of our Club and of this event. Thank you to all those who contributed their time and talent into making the 2023 Sunrise to Sunset Gimmick Rally so much fun!



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First Inaugural Grand Prix Autocross

Article by Carmen DeVito

Photos by Robin Hoffman

The first of April was a no fooling Grand Prix Autocross event for Space Coasters. The idea of a once-a-year Grand Prix event that included an expanded course is something Ken Marshall and Ed Dedick from The American Muscle Car Museum (AMCM) discussed for the past few years. We were able to make it a reality with a safe course that used all the roads around the entire site. Not an easy thing to design a fast, fun, and safe course with buildings, ponds, fences, and solar panels surrounding most of the course. That said a course design was approved and 37 drivers got the unique opportunity to drive around the entire American Muscle Car Museum site.

For the first time the course started at the front of the AMCM parking lot, went counterclockwise around the main building to join with our normal course around the maintenance shop to the 1/8th mile and skid pad. The long course resulted in times ranging from 72 to over 100 seconds! Reflecting the once-a-year occasion for the Grand Prix, we provided breakfast and free lunch for all members in attendance. We also moved the scheduled KK to AMCM so lots of spectators came out to cheer their favorite driver, enjoy the competition and the food. Breakfast was our standard Panera fair while lunch was one of the best BBQ trucks around.

The Ladies class saw 6 competitors looking for top honors. Alexis Colgan brought home a decisive win in her GT4 with a 81.846 while Julie Wilson took second, driving her 992 Carrera S. Roger Duff took first in S02 classic 993/Boxster class. David Sierra took first over Chris

DeVito in the S06 late model 718 Cayman GTS/S class. Rick Rousseau continues to dominate the S07 class in the beautiful 25th Anniversary Boxster with a top 10 time of 77.251. George Krivo brought out the new 992 GT3 and nailed down first place in the late model GT class third overall fastest time. Tim Marshall took first place in Production 04 class for Cayman and Boxster S with a 74.223, also good for top 5 ranking. Trent Ksionek took both the fastest time of day and first in late model production class P05. Ken Marshall placed top of the fun class and fourth fastest overall. Congratulations to all the class winners and although we are taking off for the summer we will return in September for our next event.



Space Coast PCA - #1 - 2023 - Sat 04-01-2023										
Final Results										
Total Registered: 38, with Times: 37										
FUN - FUN Total Entries: 4				Car Color	Run 1.	Run 2.	Run 3.	Run 4.	Total	
1	FUN	55	Ken Marshall	2022 992 GTS	Silver	73.791+1	73.242	72.085+1	73.163+1	73.242
									[3.393]	
2	FUN	109	Brian Kraemer	2022 Corvette C8	Red	76.635	75.222+1	76.432+1	75.986+1	76.635
									3.393	
3	FUN	89	Carmen DeVito	2017 Cayman S	GT Silver	80.572+1	79.665	77.791	76.805+1	77.791
									1.156	
4	FUN	14	Bruce Kraemer	2022 Corvette C8	Red	84.348+1	81.917	80.613	79.041+DNF	80.613
									2.822	
5	FUN	154	Clara Padden	Audi A3	White	110.496	99.802	97.878+1	95.147	95.147
									14.534	
LADIES - LADIES Total Entries: 6				Car Color	Run 1.	Run 2.	Run 3.	Run 4.	Total	
1	LADIES	115	Aless Colgan	718 GT4	Silver	82.304+1	79.846+1	80.258+1	80.149+1	81.846
									[17.662]	
2	LADIES	95	Julie Wilson	2022 992 Carrera S	Guards Red	96.661+DNF	87.406+2	86.378+3	85.508+2	89.508
									7.662	
3	LADIES	1115	Tyler Colgan	2021 GT4	silver	104.003	96.349+1	89.064+1	88.140+2	91.054
									1.546	
4	LADIES	435	Pamela Corrie	2011 Cayman S	Silver	95.039	92.963	98.636	92.425	92.425
									1.371	
5	LADIES	128	Lynn Kilem	Panamera	Red	109.158	99.506+1	99.776+1	97.974+1	99.974
									7.549	
S02 - S02 Total Entries: 2				Car Color	Run 1.	Run 2.	Run 3.	Run 4.	Total	
1	S02	104	Roger Duff	2002 Boxster S	Silver	95.453+1	88.450+DNF	95.583	94.267	94.267
									[3.517]	
2	S02	8	Jacob Martin	993	SILVER	107.697	104.733	101.784	102.374	101.784
									7.517	
S03 - S03 Total Entries: 1				Car Color	Run 1.	Run 2.	Run 3.	Run 4.	Total	
1	S03	158	Stewart Amels	2004 996	Silver	88.561	84.977+1	85.084+2	85.013+DNF	86.977
									-	
S04 - S04 Total Entries: 1				Car Color	Run 1.	Run 2.	Run 3.	Run 4.	Total	
1	S04	138	Kirk Johnson	2009 997 C4S Cab	White	84.789	83.258	82.312+2	81.73	81.73
S05 - S05 Total Entries: 1				Car Color	Run 1.	Run 2.	Run 3.	Run 4.	Total	
1	S05	79	Mike McClain	2015 991 C2	Silver	83.845+1	90.188+DNF	82.334+1	81.073+1	83.073
									-	
S06 - S06 Total Entries: 2				Car Color	Run 1.	Run 2.	Run 3.	Run 4.	Total	
1	S06	107	David Sierra	2018 Cayman GTS	Miami Blue	82.321+1	79.501+1	78.48	77.015	77.015
									[13.872]	
2	S06	189	Chris DeVito	2017 Cayman S	GT Silver	101.785	88.887+1	88.974+1	89.602+1	90.887
									13.872	
S07 - S07 Total Entries: 3				Car Color	Run 1.	Run 2.	Run 3.	Run 4.	Total	
1	S07	21	Richard Rousseau	2 Boxster 25th Anniver	White	77.105+DNF	74.906+2	75.261+1	75.203+2	77.251
									[3.111]	
2	S07	114	Richard O Halloran	2015 991 Turbo S	Agate Grey	83.017	80.7	80.362	79.010+1	80.362
									3.111	
3	S07	11	Mary DeBeque	2004 GT3	Red	90.748	84.996+1	234.003+DNF		86.996
									6.634	
S08 - S08 Total Entries: 3				Car Color	Run 1.	Run 2.	Run 3.	Run 4.	Total	
1	S08	127	George Krivo	2022 GT3	Blue	74.735	73.189	72.561+1	73.06	73.06
									[3.182]	
2	S08	25	Tom Kirk	2023 GT4 RS	Grey	81.814+1	77.457+1	77.851	77.078+1	77.851
S09 - S09 Total Entries: 1				Car Color	Run 1.	Run 2.	Run 3.	Run 4.	Total	
1	S09	143	Rhett Wilson	2021 Macan	Grey Met	103.314+1	93.149+1	92.97	91.676	91.676
P02 - P02 Total Entries: 1				Car Color	Run 1.	Run 2.	Run 3.	Run 4.	Total	
1	P02	771	Greg Clifford	1977 911s	Silver	91.015	86.326	84.796	85.108+1	84.796
P03 - P03 Total Entries: 1				Car Color	Run 1.	Run 2.	Run 3.	Run 4.	Total	
1	P03	135	Robert Padden	2007 Cayman	Grey	90.887	87.305	85.655	85.537	85.537
P04 - P04 Total Entries: 5				Car Color	Run 1.	Run 2.	Run 3.	Run 4.	Total	
1	P04	22	Tim Marshall	2009 Cayman S	Silver	76.223+1	75.589	74.657+1	74.223	74.223
									[3.545]	



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Diary of a Porsche Princess

Article and photos by Valarie Milazzo

My Ladies,

When your consort sets off to conquer a new track, are you content to stay home and tend the castle, or are you tempted to join him on his quest? On a whim, I decided to accompany my Prince Charming on his recent voyage to Sebring. The journey itself was pleasant, with expansive orange groves, cattle farms and pristine lakes providing bucolic scenery.



While my Prince often stays at the Residence Inn when visiting Sebring, our modest but comfortable lodgings for this longer stay were at Sebring Country Club Villas. Our quiet and well-provisioned two-bedroom duplex location was ideal – only 15 minutes East of the Raceway with minimal traffic.

On our first day, as my Prince pursued his need for Speed, I indulged my need for Spa. I received the Royal treatment at “Hammock Falls Spa”, where I took delight in the services and ambiance. This cozy parlor of pampering just West of Sebring is a true gem! To begin, my technician expertly applied a Sea Salt Scrub followed by a warm Vichy Shower rinse. Next, I was soothed with a therapeutic massage before proceeding to a deluxe pedicure. I chose a teal polish that I felt would truly shine in my glass slippers.

That evening we reveled at a large and high-energy dining establishment quaintly called “The Watering Hole”. We began with an appetizer order of homemade potato chips. This was followed by additional orders of the addictive chips, while we awaited our entrees. Finally, a tender and flavorful New York strip steak arrived, accompanied by unlimited salad and our selection of sides.

The next day, we ventured to the town of Lake Placid, just 20 minutes from our lodging. Lake Placid boasts not one, but two laudable distinctions: “The Caladium Capital of the World” and “The Town of Murals”. Seeking to learn more, our first stop was the “Welcome Center” in the historic downtown area. Your Royal Highnesses were greeted graciously and offered a wide range of brochures describing regional tourist activities. We were disappointed to learn that the caladiums were sold out this year as Hurricane Ian had forced a shortage of the bulbs that grow colorful heart-shaped leaves. However, we caught the end of a film celebrating the city’s murals and immediately set off on our trek to discover these municipal works of art.



We happened upon “The Blueberry Patch”, a gift shop with its attached cafe “Morty & Edna’s Craft Kitchen”. This clever collocation allows Ladies to linger over the upscale merchandise while the gentlemen patiently tarry over a cup of coffee.

At midday we followed enticing aromas and found a restaurant in a small shopping strip. The creatively casual menu at “Glenda Jean’s Country Kitchen” transcends the normal sandwich shop. I couldn’t resist the “Southern Belle Burger” topped with pimento cheese and fried green tomatoes. Charming wrestled with the half-pound “Trailer Park Burger” smothered with chili, cheese, and fried onions. Drinks were served in huge goblets, and our attentive waitress even offered to provide a refill in a to-go cup.

The following day, we went on a pilgrimage an hour North to Lake Wales, rumored to be the historic center of the state’s citrus industry. We stopped at “Florida’s Natural Grove House Visitor’s Center”, located across the road from a monumental citrus cooperative juice manufacturing plant. At the Visitor’s Center we enjoyed samples of citrus juices and educational exhibits about the development of orange farms and processing factories. Perusing their shop, we selected artisanal orange marmalade, orange-glazed popcorn, and an orange blossom scented soy candle for future hostess gifts.

In the heart of Lake Wales, we enjoyed lunch at “The Ranch Taproom and Coffeehouse”. Stepping into the establishment, I admired the plush green upholstered booths and a beautiful mural promoting the grandeur of the area’s cattle and citrus industries. Meanwhile, Prince Charming’s attention was instantly captured by an enlarged TV image



of ESPN's Stephen A. Smith on the opposite wall. A most delightful young waitress persuaded us to replace the chicken on the Southwest Salad with pulled pork – an inspired concept. Noticing homemade pastries temptingly displayed on a counter, we decided to share a delicious Oatmeal Cream Pie, which was served with a hot mug of coffee approaching a quart in size.

A gentle stroll was in order following such a fine repast. Up the street, window displays enticed us to enter "G's Vintage Market". For a full hour we plundered this antique shop, which was rich in treasures including items we recognized from our distant childhoods, and mysterious finds which required explanation by the helpful proprietor.

Our final evening, we dined at "Chicane's Restaurant and Bar", located in the "Inn on the Lakes" in Sebring. This beautifully decorated dining room serenely overlooks the water. After a charming young waiter explained the evening's specials, we each chose a pasta dish – mine with chicken artichoke piccata sauce and his with shrimp scampi. The most extravagant portion of the meal was the dessert! In the "Chocolate Pile-Up", a chocolate brownie was enrobed with vanilla ice cream, mounds of whipped cream, swirls of syrup and toasted nuts. Overall, it was a most enjoyable dinner – we gave Chicane's our royal seal of approval.

Did I mention that I drove our traveling carriage on Sebring International Raceway during the "Parade Lap"? It is an experience I highly recommend. I gained a glimmer of understanding of what entices my Prince Charming to seek out Driver's Education events throughout the Kingdom.

Next time, I may bring my sportier coach, you know the one my Fairy Godmother made for me out of a pumpkin? See you there, my Ladies!



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Highlighting our Kaffeeklatsch in Vero Beach

Photos by David Kelly

Kaffeeklatsches' in our Vero Beach area are always well attended, and most of the time at least 25 to 30 Space Coast Porsche Members attend and drive their beautiful Porsches to meet and greet each other. On June 11, 2023, it was a special treat to have the SPC Region Auto Cross Team caravan down from Melbourne and roll in with their GT3RS's, 911 Turbo S, and Cayman GT4! It was a great sight to see all that Porsche performance technology in one place! The Auto Cross Team encouraged the members to consider entering their cars in the scheduled AX's in the Fall.

There was no shortage of other great Porsche cars on display, including a pristine green 356 Coupe, a beautiful green late model Boxster, a well maintained white 993 C4S, a black 1985 Euro 930 Turbo, a classic 911 SC and several newer 911's, along with a red 944 Cabriolet, a black 968 Coupe, an India Red 928 S4, and a Carmine Red Macan S. In addition, on this day, a member brought along his new "Rapid Blue" mid-engine Corvette for the members to check out.

Steve Tarr, Sean Salthouse, and Jay McGrath are usually on hand to update the members on the upcoming events throughout the rest of the year. Steve Tarr was able to negotiate free coffee for our Kaffeeklatsch attendees' courtesy of the "Latin Melting Pot" restaurant across the parking lot, who kindly allow us to park in front of their establishment on our Kaffeeklatsch Sunday's. A big thank you to Santiago and the team at the Latin Melting Pot! It's always another great Sunday Kaffeeklatsch.

Please enjoy the photos and plan on making the trip on the Second Sunday of every Month to join in the fun, maybe share a cup of coffee, and hob nob with the Southern Space Coast Members. You'll meet some really great people and see some equally great Porsches.



"Under the Oaks" Antique Car Show

Article and photos by David Kelly

The Antique Automobile Club of America held its 44th Annual Car Show at Riverside Park in Vero Beach on Saturday, March 18, 2023. Six Space Coast Region members displayed their Porsches among other classic German, Italian, and British sports imports in Class 11, where the Red 1960 356 Roadster owned by Forbes Anderson took the "First-in-Class" Award for best car.



Forbes Anderson's class-winning 1960 356 Roadster

The sports import cars were reasonably represented within a field largely made up of American muscle cars, hot rods, modified trucks, and a good number of antique cars. To say there was something for everyone would be an understatement given the large number of cars at the event, which was also marked by large crowds of spectators, food trucks, and other vendors. Beautiful weather, with plenty of

shade and space under the oaks, made it a perfect day for car lovers to browse through the restored and modified cars of their youth or scout for dreams of future acquisitions.

You can see photos of the event here: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/QnXEiFMG8eQaacGw6>



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Wheels & Keels at the Moorings

Article and photos by David Kelly

The 12th Annual “Wheels & Keels” Foundation Charity Car & Boat Show was held on Saturday, April 15, 2023 at the Moorings Yacht & Country Club in Vero Beach, FL. Ten Space Coast members and Porsche owners put their Porsches on display in the judged event which was marked by strong competition throughout the sports car classes. A sign at the entrance welcomed the Space Coast Region’s participation in the event.

The Porsche contingent consisted of John Osteen’s red 1958 356 Speedster, Charles Weary’s green 1965 356 Coupe, John Osteen’s blue 356 SC Cabriolet, Julin Bruna’s black 2012 Boxster, Patrick Annunziata’s black 2015 GT3, Chip Reichhart’s multiple race winning red 1967 911S race car, John Osteen’s black 2005 Carrera GT, David Kelly’s India Red 1988 928 S4, Michael Rizzo’s white 2021 911 Turbo S, a yellow 914, and a blue Porsche GT4. John Osteen also entered his 2005 red Ford GT in the competition.

Vero Beach Autosports also had a Porsche Boxster at their marketing display near the entrance. When the judging concluded, the red Ford GT and the 928 S4 were winners in their respective classes. All the Porsches received lots of attention from the spectators and from the other entrants as well. The 356’s especially seemed to catch everyone’s eyes as they came by viewing all the cars in the sports car classes.

It was another great event with a big mix of cars from every era. If you were a car aficionado, it was a great place to be on a warm sunny day. Plus, there was lots to see in the marina too, including a couple of “go fast” boats with big motors and a classic wooden Hacker-Craft! There were three great local food trucks on hand offering a



Showfield at Wheels & Keels

variety of choices for lunch. The event is organized somewhat like you would see at Pebble Beach in that the class winning cars are lined up and driven one-by-one to the presentation area where the awards are presented by the Wheels & Keels Foundation Chairman to each award winner in front of the spectator gallery.

Over the years this event has raised significant sums for local charities, especially those focused on youth activities within the community. The scale of this year’s participation should serve to continue that tradition. It’s a not to miss event each year for sure!



David Kelly's class-winning 1988 928 S4



John Osteen's class-winning 2005 Ford GT



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Tech Session at PM - Tires

Report by Rob Van Name

On May 6 Porsche Melbourne (PM) hosted a Tech Session with tires as the topic. Andy Kinner, PM Service Manager and Matt Jerzol, PM Parts Manager gave us a technical talk on our Porsche tires.



Here is are some of the topics discussed:

- A selection of worn tires were reviewed, some down to the cord. The wear markers were shown.
- It is important to check your tire pressures monthly.
- Your car should be treated to an alignment on a regular basis to avoid excess tire wear.
- PM sells tires at competitive prices and will match Tire Rack prices
- PM no longer uses nitrogen fill for tires. It is sometimes difficult to source nitrogen.
- It was stressed to get an alignment when getting new tires.
- The Porsche tire codes were discussed. You will want to use tires with Porsche code for best results on your car. The tires have been specifically designed for your model of Porsche.
- PM has the Hunter Road Force tire balancing machine as well as Hunter alignment rack.
- Tire availability was described as having 95% of tires in stock. Those that are not in stock can be gotten typically overnight.
- Tire age was discussed. The tires PM has in stock are typically less than two years old. Porsche recommends the tires on your car not be older than 6 years.



- Joe the Porsche tech mentioned that many Porsche cars have negative camber especially on the rear tires. This accounts for some wear on inner edges.
- Andy mentioned that PM has three service advisers plus himself for your servicing needs.
- PM provides in house ceramic coating service for your wheels which makes them easier to keep clean.

Donna Edwards arranged for a nice breakfast and catered lunch. Many thanks to Porsche Melbourne for hosting the event.

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Second IMSA Podium for Filgueiras and McAleer in Detroit

Fans clamoring for an IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge standalone weekend got their wish with the Chevrolet Detroit Sports Car Classic on the streets of downtown Detroit. The last Michelin Pilot Challenge street race ran at Circuit Trois-Rivieres in 2010. The series in its former name and class iteration ran as part of the Quebec city's local grand prix weekend with a pair of split two-hour races for the Grand Sport (GS) and Street Tuner (ST) classes on a 10-turn, 1.521-mile track.

Cameron Lawrence earned the right to lead the field to green for Saturday's fourth round of the 2023 IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge season, the Chevrolet Detroit Sports Car Classic in Qualifying. Lawrence lapped the 1.645-mile, nine-turn Detroit Street Course in 1 minute, 16.236 seconds and had nearly a one-second gap to the field before CBW Racing's Eric Filgueiras uncorked a lap within 0.150 of a second. That earned Filgueiras second Qualifying position in the No. 28 RS1 Porsche 718 Cayman GT4 RS CS he shares with Stevan McAleer.

Saturday's Chevrolet Detroit Sports Car Classic was won by Canadian Daniel Morad in the shadow of his home country in the fourth round of the IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge season. Morad and Bryce Ward shared the No. 57 Winward Racing Mercedes-AMG GT GT4. Morad's relentless attack on a restart and eventual overtake secured



the victory in the Grand Sport (GS) class-only, 100-minute race. It is both drivers' first victory in Michelin Pilot Challenge competition.

The No. 28 car, started by Eric Filgueiras, went for a fuel-only stop and swapped the car to Stevan McAleer. Meanwhile, the No. 95 car, started on pole by Cameron Lawrence, matched the strategy and flipped over to Robert Megennis after leading the opening 28 laps. It was there the complexion – and visuals – of the race changed. Megennis tried to lap a slower competitor but drove into the No. 19 van der Steur Aston Martin Vantage GT4. The momentum carried his BMW up and over the Aston Martin in a spectacular incident. Megennis' car hit the top of the tire barriers before he continued onto the pit lane, while van der Steur's car was significantly impacted on the driver's side and roof of the car. Both drivers made it back to pit lane.

The resulting full-course caution shuffled the order as a handful of cars had not yet pitted and subsequently lost track position when they did stop. The race resumed with McAleer cycled to the front ahead of Marc Miller in the debuting No. 78 Thaze Competition by MC Squared Mercedes-AMG GT GT4 and Morad third in the No. 57 Winward Mercedes.

While Morad began to stretch his gap in front, McAleer put on a defensive driving clinic behind him to keep a bevy of cars in his rearview mirror. Despite multiple attempts, Miller was never able to get past McAleer. McAleer and Filgueiras finished second with Miller and Michael Di Meo completing a dream debut for Birmingham, Michigan-based Thaze Competition, finishing on the podium in both the team's and Miller's home race.

The 2nd place for the RS1 duo moves them to 2nd in the championship standings in just three races after beginning the year with a DNF during the opening round at Daytona International Speedway in January.

The Michelin Pilot Challenge resumes with both the GS and Touring Car (TCR) classes back in action at Watkins Glen International on Saturday, June 24.



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Historic Sportscar Racing at Sebring International Raceway

Article and photos by Sue Kee and IMSA

On the beautiful weekend of March 24 to 26 Sebring International Raceway hosted the HSR "Spring Fling" race event, HSR's first race of the year. It was a crowded event with lots of participants in all classes this year on the legendary 3.74-mile Sebring International Raceway circuit.



Hard charging in the Enduro

Historic Sportscar Racing, now owned by IMSA, has a Five-Years of Age Rule. A particular Make & Model must have been first built and raced at least five (5) years prior to the start of the current year to qualify for

one of the HSR classes. Once the first year of that Make & Model meets the five-year point, all identical later cars of that series are eligible. For 2023, the eligibility year is 2018. Post 2018 cars are allowed to race as Exhibition or X-class but are not eligible for annual points and awards.

Friday was qualifying runs for all the HSR Classes for drivers on a mission to get a good starting position for the races. The Historic Race has two Sprint Races as well as an Enduro Race for the weekend. The Sprint races are 8 laps long, the Enduro is a one-hour race, with a mandatory 5-minute pit stop, which allows each car the option of having a co-driver for the second half of the Enduro.

Our own Scott Kee was an avid participant and he and Eric Zita were co-drivers in the Enduro. The Kee/Zitza Team placed an acceptable 3rd in Class in the Enduro Race and Scott placed 3rd in Class in both

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It was a fun event as always, and there were a few Space Coasters on hand to congratulate Scott and Eric on their win.



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Stars, Cars and Pinot Noirs

An Outer Space Experience

Article by Steve Tarr
Photos by Robin Hoffman

Over a year ago, we began planning a special event that had never been done before. It involved bringing 3 car clubs together for a common cause and it would be big. The Classic Car Club of America (CCCA) had a National Caravan starting in Titusville, FL and traveling across the state. Destination, Ocala and then returning a week later to Titusville after completing over 750 miles touring Florida sites. Its purpose was to raise funds for the Education Foundation of the Classic Car Club of America. The CCCA is made up of foreign and domestic motor cars built between 1915 and 1948. They include such makers as Auburn, Cadillac, Packard, and Rolls Royce to name just a few. Having the final dinner for the Caravan under the Space Shuttle Atlantis became an important part of the overall event. Phone calls were made, and contracts signed by the CCCA in 2022 to host the event on April 22, 2023!

The idea of inviting the Space Coast Porsche Club to attend, was presented to President Robin Hoffman. She responded "let's do it" and specifically liked the idea of bringing different car clubs together as a group to do an event on a large scale. Porsche Club member Joe Radosky, who was also a Ferrari Club member, suggested I contact the Ferrari Club in Orlando. Suddenly, we had 3 car clubs all promoting this exciting event. Would it work? We did not know for sure except that, whatever the results, it would be in support of the Education Foundation of the CCCA. This non-profit was created for the sole purpose of educating young people on the preservation and education of classic automobiles. Which if you think about it, Porsche and Ferrari cars of today are becoming the Classic Cars of the future.

At 6:00 pm sharp you could hear the exhaust of 4-, 6-, 8- and 12-cylinder cars, some with super chargers including some built in the 1930's & newer were parked outside the front entrance of the Kennedy Space Center (KSC). Owners enjoyed seeing the massive line-up of cars spanning over 106 years! CCCA volunteers began providing needed credentials at check-in. Many did not realize that because KSC is a working Space facility, everyone would be required to go through security and be staged as a group in the beautiful Rocket Garden just inside the KSC complex. It also became the perfect time for photographer Robin Hofmann to capture all 217 of us around the base of the Mercury-Redstone, Mercury Atlas and other historic rockets that first put Americans and satellites in space!

Then we were escorted to the Atlantis building. Approaching the building, you see the full-scale red external tank and two white solid rocket boosters reaching 184 ft into the sky. It is dramatic. Once inside, the introduction video tells a compelling story of the Shuttle Program. It focuses on its people, its successes and failures, including the key role it played in building the International Space Station as well as the launch and repair of the Hubble Space Telescope.

The video leads to a dramatic conclusion as the screen lifts and there is the Atlantis Space Shuttle directly in front of you. It makes you feel so proud to see this vehicle in person. It has completed 33 Missions and spent 307 days in space. It circulated some 4,828 orbits around the earth and total mileage for Atlantis' travels came to 125,935,769 miles.

Pinot Noir and cocktails were served along with hors d'oeuvres on the second level where guests could begin to explore over 50 interactive exhibits throughout the building.



As the shuttle floats above...

Walking down to the first floor you could see the tables below for the evening festivities. Introductions of the leaders of the three car clubs were made. Dinner was served buffet style and the food was good and plentiful. Musical entertainment was provided by Johnny Live and dancing took place. Speakers for the evening included Jim Cowan President, CCCA Education Foundation as Emcee along with President Rick Svetkoff and Vice President Tim Franta of Starfighters International. Starfighters work closely with NASA and the space program testing equipment at high altitudes. A silent auction was conducted and over \$15,000 was raised for the Education Foundation!



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Drive to the Brumos Collection

Article and photos by Tom Kirk

First a little Brumos history: Hubert Brundage established Brundage Motors in Jacksonville, Florida in 1953 and became a Volkswagen importer. Communication via Telex systems was commonly used back then, so Brundage Motors was shortened to Brumos. In 1958 they became the Porsche importer for the entire southeastern US and in 1959 they formally established their Porsche dealership. Peter Greg, an avid racer, acquired Brumos from the Brundage family in 1964 and in 1969 teamed up with then twenty-one-year-old Hurley Haywood. Hurley campaigned a Brumos Porsche in seventeen 24 Hours of Daytona races from 1971 to 2012, including a first in class finish in 1972 in a 911S and four overall first place finishes in 1972, 1973 and 1975 in a 911 Carrera RSR and in 1979 in a 935.

The Brumos Porsche dealership was sold in 2018, but you can still see some of these famous cars and more at the Brumos Collection in a beautiful facility located in Jacksonville. So, that's what eighty-six fellow Space Coasters did on Saturday, June 3rd. Thanks go to Steve Tarr for working out the logistics of how to mobilize 50+ cars, spread from Vero Beach to Daytona, to all arrive at the Brumos Collection at 1:00 with a lunch stop along the way. Well done, Steve!

Once entering the museum, we first encountered The Forerunners that contained examples of cars that set the stage for racing and automobile innovations that we know today. Creations by Peugeot, Duesenberg and Bugatti were on display together with electronic kiosks that displayed the story behind each automobile, a photo gallery, and its specifications. There were no ropes or barriers between



you and the cars. You could nerd-out at each one if you wanted to, reading every page on every kiosk, and exploring every detail of every car. So, I did.

Around the corner was the Porsche display. It was fabulous to stand right next to and admire the legendary cars raced by Hurley Haywood and others like the 1972 911S, the 1973 Carrera RSR, the 908 and 917. All these cars still run. They are currently being prepared to compete at the Rennsport Reunion to be held at Laguna Seca in Monterey, California this September. Cyndie and I will be attending this event for our first time. I can't wait to see and hear these machines at speed on that famous track.

I had heard about the Brumos Collection for years but had never seen it. I am so glad I made the trip.





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Psalm 118:24

New Porsche 917 in its Early Days

Article and photos by Ed Springer

Back in 2001 I had the privilege of working for Porsche Motorsports North America (PMNA), at the old location in Santa Ana, CA. One summer afternoon a car transporter backed into the parking lot and prepared to unload a vehicle. This was unusual because at the time we predominantly just worked on Porsche race motors that were crated and shipped to us and we rarely dealt with actual vehicles at the shop. Everyone from the shop gathered around and helped unload the vehicle with extreme carefulness. My fascination was multiplied as we rolled the vehicle out from the transporter and I saw 917/30 003 stamped on the chassis. The boss said we have a special project and our task is to completely refresh the 917 and to bring it back to the same racing condition it was in the 1970s.

We immediately embarked on the task and spent the next few weeks completely disassembling the car. We took pictures, drew diagrams and documented each step of the disassembly. Every nut, bolt, wire, panel, etc... was removed from the chassis. We finally had the chassis down to a bare bones aluminum tube space frame. All of the chassis welds were redone, all anodized members were re-anodized and every part was cleaned with extreme precision after spending a good deal of time inspecting the parts for defects. Ironically, we spent the least amount of time on the engine because the 12 cylinder twin turbo had held up remarkably well and was in very good condition. The bodywork was sent off to a professional painter to freshen up the infamous Sunoco/Penske/Donahue colors.



Disassembled 917/30 003

Fast forwarding a few weeks, we get 003 completely reassembled and we all had a memorable moment when we fired up the Beasty. The sounds of a 917, even at idle, are remarkable. Before releasing the car we had one more critical step. We had to "dial in" the car which required the car to be driven on a racetrack. We loaded 003 into an enclosed trailer early one morning and headed to Willow Springs Raceway. Upon arrival and unloading we managed to attract some onlookers, like everybody who was at the track that day. Onlookers were enamored and one guy proclaimed, "I never would have guessed a 917/30 was going to show up at Willow Springs today." After some preparations, 003 was ready for the rounds.

Professional driver Kort Wagner was asked to take on the task of driving as we dialed in the car. He started off nursing the car around the track and coming in every lap to provide feedback and



Refreshed 917/30 003
with PMNA shop staff

allowing us to make tweaks. The turbo boost setting was given a lot of attention because Alwin Springer, Director of PMNA, wanted to ensure there was boost, but not too much. After several laps the car was up to speed and we had completed our objectives. When Kort got out of the cockpit and took off his helmet he exclaimed, "Nothing gets you to the next corner faster than this car!"

We got the car back to the shop and spent the next few days on the finishing touches. This included close examination of old photographs to get graphics as close to their original placement as possible. The day came when we had finished our work and the transporter came to the shop to pick up 003. He said it had a plane to catch so it would make it over the pond in time for the 2001 Goodwood Festival of Speed, which was the impetus for the owner to have this extensive work done and it also defined our completion date. We sent it off and went back to work on some less captivating race engines. A few days later we got word 003 was still at LAX! There was some SNAFU, possibly paperwork, and the car never made it on the plane. The bad news is it missed Goodwood in 2001, but hey... when you own 003 in its glory state, there is still a silver lining.



Ed Springer at Sebring
in March 2002

Member Spotlight

Jay McGrath

Article and photo by Ray Baldino

Ray: Today's guest is Jay McGrath with his white 1996 Carrera 4S. It's our featured cover image. Tell me Jay, where did you find this beautiful car?

Jay: Well, this car was always priced out of my reach, so what I would do is I would buy an affordable Porsche, make some money on it, buy another, and sell that. I would keep on increasing my profit margin each time. Kept doing this until I saved enough money to buy this car. I searched the entire United States for this 4S. This one popped up one day in St. Petersburg, it belonged to a person who is a collector, and I made the deal and bought the car and there's some provenance with the car.

Ray: What makes this car so special? Because it certainly looks like it.

Jay: The reason why this car is special is for a couple reasons. It's the last of what they call the M491 series, which is a wide body. This is the first year in 1996, where they came out with the 4S which was the wide-body version. This car is a turbo without the turbo, so it has the turbo brakes, the turbo suspension, and the Aero kit.

Ray: I was going to ask you about the tail. I wanted to know if that was a stock item that came from the factory.

Jay: It came like that from the factory, they only made one thousand ninety-one of these C4s in the United States, and only about 10% of them that were made had the Aero kit, which was the most expensive option you could get at the time.

Ray: I mean, it's awesome! So, how often do you take this out to drive?

Jay: Only when the days are perfect and it's not raining. I hardly drive it. I've had the car for four years and put less than 1000 miles on the car each year.

Ray: So, is this a metallic white?

Jay: No, it's called Grand Prix white. It was a standard color that year. It has stock wheels, stock tires, and Turbo Wheels. Although not seen in these pictures, this car has a carbon fiber shifter and the brake handle. It also has a sound package as well. This was the first year they came out with the Carrera 4S.

Ray: How long have you been a Porsche guy?

Jay: In 1977 I bought a yellow 1971 Porsche 911s. That was my first Porsche. So I eventually ended up selling the car, because I was in the Navy, so it was difficult to keep the car because I was moving around so much. So, it wasn't



until the 1990s where I bought a 1986 Porsche again and started my Porsche life over again.

Ray: So how many Porsches do you currently own?

Jay: I have two, this one and a 2017 C4s convertible. The color is Carmine red.

Ray: So, any plans for an upgrade, any point?

Jay: No, I'm in the middle of changing homes right now, so it's kind of difficult.

Ray: Tell me about your personal life.

Jay: I spent 27 years in the Navy and nuclear power program, submarine service, and

after I retired, I went to the civilian nuclear power industry and ended up working for Westinghouse where I was the senior lead start test engineer on the first AP1000 nuclear power plant ever made in China. I spent five years in China.

Ray: Married? Kids?

Jay: It's just me. I was married once and have been divorced for 33 years.

Ray: Thank you so much for sharing your story today.

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Porsche Melbourne Celebrates 75th Anniversary of Porsche

Article by David Kelly

Photos by David Kelly and Robin Hoffman

Porsche Melbourne celebrated the 75th Anniversary of Porsche on Saturday, June 10th with a wonderful event featuring modern and historical Porsche models from several decades of Porsche's unique history.



Different eras of Porsches on display

Porsche owners and customers were treated to a show room filled with beautiful cars of many colors and equally colorful decorations to mark the theme of the occasion, "Driven by Dreams" which alludes to Ferry Porsche realizing his dream of creating a true sports car 75 years ago. In his words:

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– Ferry Porsche

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Porsche has always embodied cutting-edge design, exceptional performance, and an unwavering commitment to striving for perfection. Porsche dealers all over the country were celebrating this big 75th Anniversary event.



Happy 75th Anniversary Porsche!

This event was a great opportunity for Porsche friends and family to gather and enjoy themselves in a special environment along with the cars they love. While great food and fine refreshments were served to everyone by a dedicated staff, lively music was played throughout the event by an onsite DJ, courtesy of Porsche Melbourne.

There were raffles for prizes for the families and children who were attending, and special seating was provided for those who wished to view live coverage of the "24 Hours of Le Mans" which was running concurrently with the Porsche 75th Anniversary event.

Another "event surprise" was the unveiling of a brand new 2023 GT3RS on the showroom floor so that everyone had an opportunity to see it up close and check out all its features. Attendees also had an opportunity to star in their own personal video surrounded by Porsche's newest model cars, which was created onsite by the talented staff.



Unveiling of the new 2023 GT3RS

Inside and outside, Porsche cars of all types were on display showing the rich history and evolution of Porsche design and engineering which has made the marque so successful and special to those who are Porsche owners. The Porsche Melbourne staff did an excellent job in planning and managing the event in a way to ensure that everyone could enjoy the camaraderie with family and friends while seeing some great Porsche cars firsthand.

A big thank you to Shay Rowe and Porsche Melbourne for treating us to such a fun celebration.



A showroom full of Porsches...



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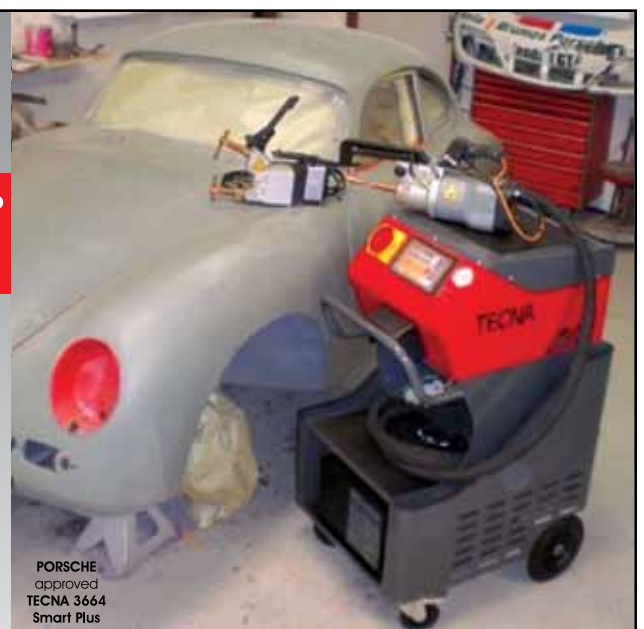
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Porsche Movie Night

Transformers: Rise of the Beasts

Article by Tom Kirk
Photos by Robin Hoffman

It was about as “Red Carpet” as you can get in Melbourne the evening of June 17th. We were treated by Shay Rowe and our fabulous local Porsche dealer, Porsche Melbourne, to a private showing of the new Transformers movie, featuring the Porsche Carrera 3.8 RS, the night before it was released to the public. Our private reception on the second floor of the Oak Theater in Melbourne included jumbo shrimp cocktail, a delicious sushi spread, charcuteries, and an open bar. We even got free popcorn for the show. It was so exciting to be there with what looked like over one hundred fellow Porsche friends. Thank you, Shay!

This was Cyndie and my first experience watching a Transformers movie, even though this was the seventh in a series of such movies dating back to 2007. I am glad we got to see it on the big screen. The movie is full of action scenes, including some cool driving by Mirage, the transforming Porsche.

According to the press release about the movie – “Transformers: Rise of the Beasts and Mirage, the Porsche 911 Carrera RS 3.8,



will take audiences on a ‘90s globetrotting adventure with the Autobots and introduce a whole new breed of Transformer – the Maximals – to the existing battle on earth between Autobots and Decepticons. Among the film’s sprawling cast of characters, one in particular is sure to catch the eye of Porsche fans everywhere: Mirage, voiced by Pete Davidson. Mirage arrives in style, using his wit, speed, and incredible powers of illusion to steal scenes, and win hearts.”

You know how we say – “It’s not just the cars; it’s the people”? This was kind of like that. It was not just the movie; it was the people. The

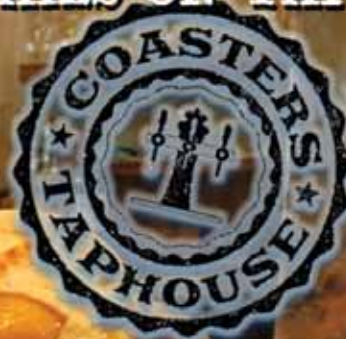
movie was just OK (IMO), but maybe that is because we are not really science fiction movie fans. After all, we missed the previous six Transformers movies. But the fun, food, and fellowship we all enjoyed together made for a fantastic evening. Thank you again to Shay Rowe and Porsche Melbourne for all they do for our Club.



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The Carons and the Bumblebee

Article by Steve Tarr
Photos by Chris Holman

I had the pleasure of sitting down over breakfast with a wonderful couple, Jerry and Betty Caron who have been members of PCA for 48 years!



Their background is very interesting. We discussed how they met, earned a living, and became fans of Porsche cars. Jerry and Betty were high school sweethearts in Sandwich, MA and got married that September after graduation. Jerry was working for his dad who was an electrical contractor. Betty was a vocalist. She grew up as a child in a musical family and would sing at community events. Betty told me, "Jerry was a shower singer." At first, I did not know what she meant until she said, "you know – likes to sing while taking a shower." We all laughed. Betty gave Jerry his first guitar as a Christmas present and he learned to play on his own. They began singing together and performed under the name "Two's Country." One day a representative from a recording studio in Nashville, Tennessee approached them and said that he had been hearing about these two musicians in Massachusetts and wanted to meet them for himself. He gave them his card and told them if they ever were interested in coming to Nashville and recording their music to look him up. Months later they made the trip and after 20 years in the country music business along with 3 CD's and 4 Top 100 Country Hits they retired. Jerry kept the electrical contracting business all the while Betty was bringing up their son and two daughters. So, they were busy people!

What about the Porsche cars, you ask? That is another great story in itself. Jerry tells me he was driving by the Mercedes/Porsche dealer on the Cape one day and sees this 1966 912 sitting on the lot. He said that when he took it for a test drive there seemed to be some issues with the motor. Jerry had owned VW's and as someone who understood mechanical issues and motors, told the dealer that he would buy the car if they would secure and pay for the parts needed. The dealer agreed and the deal was struck. Shortly after he had it running to his satisfaction the dealer offered to buy the car back for another customer, and Jerry rolled out of the showroom with a new 1969 911T!

By this time of course, he is always on the look-out for Porsches. He stopped at a filling station a couple of years later and some college kid wanted to sell his yellow 1971 914 1.7. He buys it on the spot. What a perfect surprise gift for Betty he thought – and they drove it everywhere!

The best story I think is the 1974 914 LE Bumblebee that he saw a few years earlier being delivered to the Porsche dealer that was available. It was not, however, in pristine condition. He said he paid \$2900 and knew it needed work. There was no time, however, to work on it as he had an electrical contracting business to run, country music gigs on the calendar and a family to raise.



Time passes and they moved to the Daytona Beach, FL area after Jerry retires in 2002. Over the years they had been taking part in Porsche Club activities in the New England Region and won a lot of trophies with the yellow 914.

Once in Florida they became part of the Space Coast Region. During Space Coast Region Club activities, Jerry met Chris Holman and Lou Verdiales who also enjoyed working on Porsche cars. In the fall of 2018, Jerry committed to getting the Bumblebee back

on the road after 40 years! Chris and Lou under the keen direction of Jerry all worked together to get the Bumblebee in shape. The plan was to finish the car and drive the 914 LE to Amelia Island for the Werks Reunion in 2020. It was a home run for the 914 and for Jerry and Betty! Porsche fans really enjoyed seeing this rare car at Amelia Island and Jerry indicated he enjoyed meeting those who admired the car and asked questions about it. Just for the record this Porsche enthusiast has had a good number of Porsche cars that included: 1966 912; 1999 911; 1971 914; 1974 914; 1999 986; (2) 1966 912's, and a 1976 914 that he lost when the garage flooded.



So, if you are at the Space Coast Region Northern Kaffeeklatsch on the 3rd Sunday of the month, and the sun is shining and it is a beautiful day for a drive, you just might want to take a trip to see Jerry and Betty and get a peek at a Sunflower Yellow/Black Bumblebee which is one of only two color combinations in those 914 1000 LE models for 1974. You will not find a nicer couple and we in the Space Coast Region salute them for being members of PCA for 48 years and married for 68 years! Congratulations you two!



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July 15	Drive & Dine to RiverGrille on the Tomoka, Ormond Beach, 9 am
July 16	North Kaffeeklatsch @ Little Griddle, 412 Canal St, New Smyrna Beach, 9 am
July 22	Boxster Bunch Register Gathering, 9 am
July 24-Aug 2	Porsches Driving Tour through Germany Trip
Aug 5	Mid Region Kaffeeklatsch @ Panera, 4100 N Wickham Rd, Melbourne, 9 am
Aug 5-6	Suncoast Region PCA DE @ Sebring
Aug 12	Hawaiian Summer Banquet @ Tides PAFB, 6 pm
Aug 13	South Kaffeeklatsch @ Panera, 2001 Indian River Blvd, Vero Beach, 9 am
Aug 20	North Kaffeeklatsch @ Little Griddle, 412 Canal St, New Smyrna Beach, 9 am
Aug 26	Porsches and Paws at the Park, 9 am
Aug TBD	All Members Meeting at Porsche Melbourne
Sept 2	Mid Region Kaffeeklatsch @ Panera, 4100 N Wickham Rd, Melbourne, 9 am
Sept 9	Tour to the Elliott & Navy Seal Museums
Sept 9-10	Suncoast DE @ Sebring
Sept 10	South Kaffeeklatsch @ Panera, 2001 Indian River Blvd, Vero Beach, 9 am
Sept 16	Autocross @ AMCM (Sponsored by Porsche Melbourne), 7 am
Sept 17	North Kaffeeklatsch @ Little Griddle, 412 Canal St, New Smyrna Beach, 9 am
Sept 28-30	Rennsport Reunion VII @ Laguna Seca, CA
Oct 7	Mid Region Kaffeeklatsch @ Panera, 4100 N Wickham Rd, Melbourne, 9 am
Oct 8	South Kaffeeklatsch @ Panera, 2001 Indian River Blvd, Vero Beach, 9 am
Oct 15	North Kaffeeklatsch @ Little Griddle, 412 Canal St, New Smyrna Beach, 9 am
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Oct 20-22	Suncoast HPDE @ Sebring
Oct 21	Oktoberfest Concours, BBQ & Swap Meet @ F. Burton Smith Park, 9 am
Oct 28	Porsche vs Corvette Autocross Challenge at American Muscle Car Museum
Oct 29	New Member Brunch @ Hotel Melby Rooftop Restaurant, Melbourne, 12:15 pm
Nov 3	Grandview Holiday Clydesdale Tour, Ocala
Nov 4	Mid Region Kaffeeklatsch @ Panera, 4100 N Wickham Rd, Melbourne, 9 am
Nov 12	South Kaffeeklatsch @ Panera, 2001 Indian River Blvd, Vero Beach, 9 am
Nov 18	Morse Museum Tour, Winter Park
Nov 17-19	Suncoast DE Instructor Training & HPDE @ Sebring
Nov 19	North Kaffeeklatsch @ Little Griddle, 412 Canal St, New Smyrna Beach, 9 am

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