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President's Column

As we get older, they say the days go slower and the years go by faster. Not sure about the days, but this year flew by in record time. Hard to believe we still squeezed in over 50 events this year getting back to our pre-Covid rhythm. We started it off with Racing events in Daytona and Sebring, had a great Porsche and Polo event at the Windsor, had our region really step up to run Zonefest, had some great new member events throughout the year, added some new events like the Dezerland museum tour, premier movie night, and the Police museum/rooftop restaurant event and we finished up with some of our regular events such as Porsches and Planes, our Holiday party and our Christmas gift drive. And all year our autocross and kaffees' ran as smooth as silk! Thanks to all our great volunteers who run these events, and our sponsors who contribute so much as well; Porsche Melbourne, American Muscle Car Museum and all of our advertisers and contributors. If it wasn't for them, our member experiences would not be as great.

I am pleased that the region is in such a strong position, both financially and in sound leadership, as I hand the reigns of the club back over to my wife Robin. She never got to really open the club up, so to speak, due to the Covid restrictions during her two years as President. And it drove her crazy that I did not always do things like she would have, so she was chomping at the bit, to get in at least one more year at the helm. And we are really looking forward to working with our new VP, Steve Tarr, as he has infused some great ideas, that translated to great events this year. I expect the two of them to continue to come up with creative new events for all of us to enjoy. I expect next year to be even better as things continue to free up and more fabulous events like the Sunrise to Sunset rally get back on the schedule.

Happy holidays to all of you and your families! Stay safe and we will see you at the next event. Now while the rest of the country has parked their cars for the winter, be thankful for where we live, and get out drive those cars!

Steve Hoffman

President Space Coast PCA

On the Cover: Bobby Tampa's 1988 944 Turbo S Silver Rose Edition. Photo by Ray Baldino.

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From the Editor

Well, another great year over for our Club, over but not forgotten. Thanks to many of our members it was a success! Lots of activities and events to attend. I am so thankful for the members who stepped up to help plan the many events and took the time to write about them. Really, thank you! We're a lucky club too that gets so much support from our Sponsors, Porsche Melbourne, and advertisers. Welcome to the new Officers and Officials to the Club too.

2023 looks like it's going to be a promising year for all kinds of things. This year promises to have Sunrise to Sunset again, a can't miss event. New Porsche models making their debut for racing, and great racing at our local tracks, Daytona International Speedway and Sebring Raceway. I'm a little biased about racing and DE's, something I really enjoy personally.

Our AX Team is excited to plan so many events this year for you all to try out Auto Crossing. If you haven't tried it, you don't know what you're missing. We have helmets that can be borrowed for the events if you don't have one of your own or just want to see what it's like to see how well you and your Porsche perform on an obstacle course. I guarantee it will be fun and learning will take place! It's not just for men either, lots of women participate too.

It was great to get out this year and meet so many new members and catch up with current members. We are growing! Lots of new ideas for social activities I can hardly wait for are in the planning stages. So, keep tabs on our website www.spacecoastpca.org and of course with **EV**, and the many e-blasts that will be announcing the events.

For me, I have to thank Robin Hoffman, for her tireless efforts to help me with **EV**, not to mention all the pictures she takes, and events she



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attends and David Kelly for his documentation with beautiful photos at so many great Club events. So lucky to have them and so many special people in our club.

Hope to see you out there driving your beautiful Porsches at our Space Coast events.

Sue Kee

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Membership Corner

by Vicki Hempel

Welcome all new members and transfers!! We have 1042 primary members and 479 affiliate members for a total membership of 1,521.

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. Jason's

Corner, [135 Canal Street, New Smyrna Beach, FL](#). 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 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/calender> and Facebook events [Space Coast PCA](#). We hope to see you at one of the events!!

Welcome to our New Members!

September 2022

Gerald Lee - 2021 Taycan
Jose Candelario & Arleene Sepulveda - 2014 Boxster
Lance Richardson - 2022 Panamera GTS Sport Turismo
Andrew Hall - 2020 Panamera 4 E-Hybrid
Sean Phillips - 2022 Macan
Stacey Tate - 2022 Taycan GTS Sport Turismo
Mary Stallard - 2022 718 Boxster
Shannon O'Leary - 2021 Taycan 4S
Trina Moccia - 2022 Cayenne GTS
Mary Lewisy - 2021 911 Carrera
Michael Kenemuth - 2015 911 Carrera S Cabriolet
William Herman - 2022 718 Boxster
Grant Gillenwater - 2020 911 Carrera
Flory Ellis - 2022 Macan

Sara Dugan - 2022 Taycan GTS Sport Turismo
Michael Dierking - 2021 718 Cayman GTS 4.0
Fonda Cote - 2022 Cayenne
Jennie Braselton - 2022 Macan
Matthew Walker - 2016 Boxster S

Transfers In:

Joseph & Sharon Costa - 2020 911 Carrera, transferred from Gold Coast
Steve Theis - 1991 911 Carrera 2, transferred from Schattenbaum

October 2022

Daniel & Kristin Mulkey - 2021 Macan Turbo
David Donoghue - 1985 911 Carrera
David & Lisa Donals - 2001 Boxster S
Bill Fulkrod - 2012 Boxster
John & Maria Kraft - 2014 Cayman

Gavin Millband - 2008 911 Turbo Cabriolet
Bruno & Christianne Ferraro - 2020 911 Carrera Cabriolet
Frank Mueller - 1959 356 Cabriolet
Mark White & Mary Wood - 2008 Cayman
Rosy Collins - 2022 Cayenne
Randall Stern - 2022 Macan
Kathleen Miller - 2021 718 Spyder
Michie Cohen - 2001 911 Turbo

Transfers In:

Ray & Joann Sevonty - 2008 Boxster S, transferred from Longhorn
Larry Baker - 2010 911 Carrera S, transferred from Grand Prix
John Buckley & Jack Denker - 2000 Boxster, transferred From Northeast

November 2022

Wadson Fleurigene - 2022 911 Carrera S
Andrew Westlake - 2020 718 Boxster
Jennifer Kingsbury & Nathan Higgins - 2023 Macan S
Peter Maise - 2000 Boxster
Hunter Grossmann - 2019 718 Cayman S
Benjamin Hedrick - 2006 Cayman S
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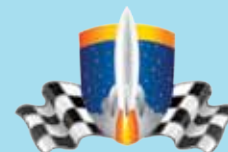
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Details – Details – Details

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

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

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

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 – Melbourne KK at Panera Wickham Road, Melbourne, 9 am

Second Sunday of the month – Vero KK at Panera, 9 am

Third Sunday of the month – Daytona KK at Jason's Corner in New Smyrna, 9 am

Space Coast Events 2023 Autocross Dates

January 14 – AX at the AMCM, 7 am

February 25 – AX at the AMCM, 7 am

April 1 – AX at the AMCM, 7 am

April 29 – AX at the AMCM, 7 am

May 13 – AX at the AMCM, 7 am

September 16 – AX at the AMCM, 7 am

October 28 – AX at the AMCM, 7 am

December 2 – AX at the AMCM, 7 am

**All Autocross Events are at the AMCM
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PCA Juniors

It's not just the cars... and now it's not just the grown-ups!

With our new PCA Juniors program, PCA is about the kids too! The PCA Juniors program has been created so kids can enjoy PCA events, learn about Porsches and build the enthusiasm that runs through all of the Porsche Club of America.

PCA Juniors is a program for Porsche enthusiasts under age 18. Participants must be registered by an active PCA member. If you have grandchildren or nieces or nephews you can sign them up at no cost. They will receive a PCA Juniors ID Badge.

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

Be Sure To Save These Dates

Jan 21 – Group drive to the Roar Before the Rolex 24

Jan 28 – Group drive to the Rolex 24

Feb 2 – All Members Meeting at Porsche Melbourne

Feb 5 – Rolling Art Car Collection Tour (VB Museum of Art)

Feb 14 – Valentine's Day Party at The Tides, Patrick AFB

Mar 24-25 – Sunrise to Sunset Gimmick Rally

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New Member Social to Captain Hiram's

Article by Sue Kee

Photos by Robin Hoffman

Special Events Chair Steve Tarr planned another successful New Member Meeting event on September 24th and we celebrated this plan by enjoying a delicious breakfast provided to us all by Porsche Melbourne in their showroom. There were lots of beautiful Porsches on display to check out too.

We not only got to enjoy good food but had a chance to meet quite a few new members and catch up with old and current members. It's so nice to have the opportunity to get together and we owe Shay Rowe and Porsche Melbourne a big thank you for hosting this fun event.



Heading out from Porsche Melbourne

Robin Hoffman had a nice selection of door prizes to give away as well as telling us all about plans for some upcoming Club events, just around the corner. When we finished our breakfast, we were given a map and those who wanted to continue the fun, headed out together for a guided drive to Sebastian for lunch. The weather was beautiful, maybe a little windy, but plenty of sunshine for those who had convertibles.



Cruising south on US1

After exercising our Porsches through some windy roads, we headed to Sebastian and arrived at Captain Hiram's right at lunch time, where a private parking area was reserved for us as well as a scenic section of the outdoor dining room overlooking the Intracoastal. The food, the view and the company were exceptional. If you haven't attended one of our New Member socials, make sure you come to the next one. You don't have to be new to come out and enjoy the event. It's a great chance to welcome new members and see some old friends. You won't be disappointed.



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2022 Petit Le Mans

The End (and Beginning) of an Era

Article and photos by Tom Kirk

The 25th running of the Petit Le Mans was held at Michelin Raceway Road Atlanta in Braselton, Georgia on October 1, 2022, under beautiful blue skies with 70-degree weather. Just days before the event, hurricane Ian was forecasted to deliver its fury there. But it veered east to the delight of the thousands of spectators in attendance.

This Petit not only marked the end of the 2022 IMSA WeatherTech Sportscar Championship, but also the final race for cars in the top performing prototype category called Daytona Prototype International (DPi). Competing since 2017, these cars and their drivers have provided very exciting racing that has often been decided in this last race of the season, as was the case again this year.



Porsche Platz and Corral

Porsche has never had DPi prototype car. The last Porsche prototype was the phenomenally successful 919 Hybrid, LMP1 car. With it, Porsche won the 2015, 2016 and 2017 Constructors' and Drivers' World Endurance Championships (WEC) including the 24 Hours of Le Mans in each of those years!!! But all this Porsche success was demonstrated mostly outside the US with an occasional event being held at Sebring and / or the Circuit of the Americas in Austin.

That all changes next year. A Porsche prototype to compete in the top class is coming to American (and European) sportscar racing in 2023! The outgoing DPi class is being replaced by the Le Mans Daytona (LMDh) class and will compete alongside Le Mans Hypercar (LMH) entries in the Grand Touring Prototype (GTP) class of the IMSA Sportscar Championship for 2023. I know that is a lot of alphabet soup, but here is what it means to Porsche fans.



Tom gets a thumbs up from Pipo Derani

Porsche has designed and will be racing a new prototype race car dubbed the 963. The 963 name draws inspiration from the Porsche 956 and Porsche 962 that raced in the 1980's, which also competed in American and European racing series. I was able to stand next to this new race car during the fan walk on pit lane before the start of the Petit and it looked AMAZING. Power comes from a 4.6-liter, twin turbo V8, internal combustion engine (derived from the engine found in the 918 Spyder), that combined with a Bosch motor-generator unit, delivers 670 horsepower in a car that weighs just over 2,200 pounds. This car promises to be a rocket ship. Porsche is said to be "aiming" for a dress rehearsal of their new car at the 8 Hours of Bahrain in November 2022.

Porsche will be joined in LMDh prototype class by Acura, BMW, and Cadillac in 2023, and Alpine and Lamborghini in 2024. Toyota, Peugeot, and Scuderia Ferrari are confirmed manufacturers for the LMH prototype class, with others in the wings. It has been fun to see and root for Porsche in the GTD classes of IMSA with their 911 GT3.R. But it will be fantastic to watch Porsche again compete against such a broad range of other manufacturers in the top prototype class both in America and overseas.



IMSA WeatherTech GTD Pro class racing action

Speaking of the GTD Pro class ... Porsche won! The Pfaff Motorsports Porsche 911 GR3.R had such a commanding point lead coming into the Petit, all they needed to do was start the race and they would win the championship. They not only did that but finished on the podium third place in class. This was the second year in a row a Pfaff Motorsports Porsche won the IMSA WeatherTech Sportscar Championship GTD Pro class. Congratulations to the team, drivers, and Porsche for such a dominating performance!

The 2022 racing season may have ended, but the excitement returns quickly with the 2023 Rolex 24 at Daytona on January 26-29, preceded by the Roar before the 24 on January 20-22. Come see all the new cars for 2023. Hope to see you there!



Pfaff Motorsports championship winning 911 GT3.R

Tour of the American Police Hall of Fame

Article by Jay McGrath

Photos by Robin Hoffman

On October 8, 2022 we visited the American Police Hall of Fame (APHF) and subsequently had lunch at the Courtyard at Marriott Titusville – Kennedy Space Center.

The beautiful day was absolutely perfect for a nice drive and tour along the way. When the approximate 40 Porsches arrived at the APHF, the arrival brings you to a circular driveway and parking areas. What we did not know at the time, the area we drove up to is going to become an eternal light display which was to have its groundbreaking on the 16th of October. Well, I am sure when that is done it will be another excuse to visit this fine museum.



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When you enter the museum, you travel in a circular pattern to visit all the exhibits. It's a modern museum with many interesting displays surrounding the very moving memorial to the over 11,000 officers since 1960 that have lost their lives in service. The very friendly and professional staff are very helpful, including offering to take pictures of visitors interacting with various displays (e.g. prison cell, electric chair, police boat). The array of police patches is fascinating. The tribute to fallen law officers is incredibly moving and beautifully done. This is such a neat little museum that I totally enjoyed. I loved the police cars and bikes. They have a nice variety of policing memorabilia from all over the country. I loved the police pinball machine as well. As I wandered through the museum there were plenty of volunteer docents to answer questions and educate us. I had many questions, and they were answered in very thorough and succinct manner. The museum also houses a chapel and a world class shooting range, something else to keep in mind.



After the museum we all gathered in our cars and headed over to the Courtyard at Marriott-Titusville for lunch. It is practically a stone's throw away from the APHF and located on a picture-perfect spot to watch rocket launches from the Kennedy Space Center. It's a beautiful hotel with a wonderful view of the Indian River and Kennedy Space Center. Best part for me was The Space Bar – a rooftop bar that looks toward the Space Center and must be amazing for rocket launches. The food is casual and they have signature cocktails and of course you guessed it, named after rockets and space, not to mention the various bowls and sandwiches which were delicious and very creative.



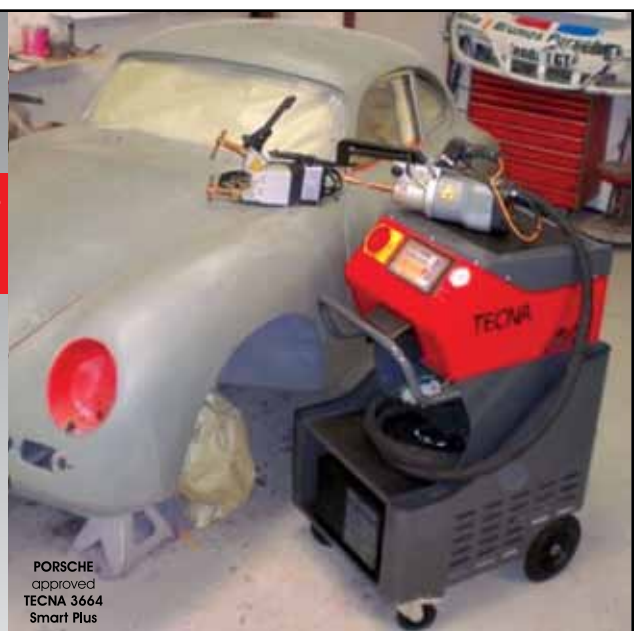
All and all everyone loved this place and I for one will visit for one of the upcoming night launches at Kennedy Space Center. It was a great Club event.

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October AX

Article by Carmen DeVito

Space Coast Region Autocross Series Event #3 was held at the American Muscle Car Museum on October 29. We had 28 members bring their Porsches out to drive a long course, averaging 60+ seconds. The weather was perfect for cool drivers and fast runs. Each driver got a parade lap to see the course at low speed and 5 chances to create a best time. Cars run one at a time against the clock.

Ladies class saw a close race between Alexis Colgan and Julie Wilson as they traded places through their runs to see Alexis take first. S05 class saw Mike McClain win and Jay Hall closing in but running out of runs as they both improved with each try around the course. Demis Russu took an early lead in S06 and kept it throughout, improving to drop below 60 seconds on his last run. Rick Rousseau and the beautiful 25th Anniversary Boxster took a decisive win over first time autocrosser, Chris DeVito in S07 and posted a 7th fastest overall time. Very quick Rick! George Krivo brought the new GT3 out and ran uncontested in S09 and posted a very fast 4th overall time. Tom Prusaski ran very consistent times to bring home P03 and to finish Top10. Nice running Tom! Tim Marshall dominated class P04 with his very well driven Cayman S and also took second overall! Congrats Tim! Bob Layman brought out his new Cayman GTS and beat a very competitive field in P05. Bob finish 8th overall while Andy Colgan was close behind, 2nd in class and 9th overall. Great driving guys. Steve Brandon took top honors in P06 and 5th overall! Excellent driving Steve! Rick Baz has the 996 Turbo back and it is fast. He ran uncontested in class but posted a 6th fastest time overall.

The FUN non-class duo of Ken Marshall in his new 992 GTS and Carmen DeVito in the 718 Spyder ran the course and posted close times. When the dust settled Carmen had FTOD and Ken placed 3rd

overall and only 9/100ths of a second behind brother Tim! That is close running. Congrats to the winners in each class!

For those of you thinking about trying Autocross, it is a safe, low speed event that will increase your driving skill and confidence and won't hurt your car. Come and check out as a spectator and decide to try it. We have instructors and loaner helmets for new drivers. We hope all the participants had a great time and we hope to see you next year. Thanks to our sponsors Porsche of Melbourne and American Muscle Car Museum.

Space Coast PCA - #3 - October 2022 - Sat 10-29-2022				
Final Results				
LADIES				
Total Entries: 4			Car Color	Fastest Time
1	115	Alexis Colgan	718 GT4	Silver 60.949
1	95	Julie Wilson	2022 992 Carrera S	Guards Red 62.187
3	435	Pamela Corrie	2011 Cayman S	Silver 69.052
4	45	Ingrid Fong	2015 Boxster GTS	White 70.17
S04			Car Color	
1	106	Doug Droppo	2004 911 Cab	White 65.97
S05			Car Color	
Total Entries: 2				
1	79	Mike McClain	2015 991 C2	Silver 60.349
2	88	Jay Hall	2017 Cayman	Graphite Blue 63.671
S06			Car Color	
1	120	Demis Russu	2022 992 C2S	Blue 59.898
2	133	Jonathan Krauser	2018 991 C2	White 62.749
3	122	Greg Clark	2021 992 S Cab	Grey 62.839
4	926	Mitch Greenberg	2021 718 Boxster GTS	Guards Red 62.871
S07			Car Color	
1	21	Richard Rousseau	2022 Boxster 25th Anniversary	White 56.451
2	189	Chris DeVito	2022 Spyder	Gentian Blue 68.674
S09			Car Color	
1	127	George Krivo	2022 GT3	Blue 55.573
P02			Car Color	
1	771	Greg Clifford	1977 911s	Silver 62.049
P03			Car Color	
1	5	Tom Prusaski	2006 Cayman S	Guards Red 58.516
2	136	Alex Flores	2006 Boxster	Grey 59.332
P04			Car Color	
1	22	Tim Marshall	2009 Cayman S	Silver 55.211
2	959	Greg Lukens	2007 911S	White 64.08
P05			Car Color	
1	47	Robert Layman	2022 Cayman GTS	Chalk 57.217
2	113	Andy Colgan	2019 991.2 GTS	White 57.966
3	75	Stephen Wojcicki	2014 Cayman S	Cognac Metallic 59.289
4	6	Glenn Matchett	2012 991 Carrera S	White 63.662
P06			Car Color	
1	809	Steve Brandon	2015 GT3	Sapphire Blue 56.037
2	9	Juan Fong	2021 GT4	White 59.622
M04			Car Color	
1	61	Rick Baz	996 Turbo	Basalt Black 56.194
FUN			Car Color	
Total Entries: 2				
1	89	Carmen DeVito	2022 Spyder	Gentian Blue 54.943
2	55	Ken Marshall	2022 992 GTS	Silver 55.306

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Member Spotlight

Bobby Tampa

Interview and photos by Ray Baldino

Ray: Today I had a very awesome opportunity to meet Bobby Tampa. I've searched him down because he's the only one I know in this area that has a 944 Turbo S and it is gorgeous. So, Bobby tell me a little bit about the car.

Bobby: I own a 1988 944 Turbo S, Silver Rose Edition.



Ray: Tell me your story.

Bobby: I was working at a car dealership and the dealership's PDR guy bought it at an auction and I was drooling over the car from the day it pulled up. He had it for about six months, and after I pressured him enough, I ended up buying the car from him. I bought the car from him on my 22nd birthday. I've owned it for twenty-three and a half years. This car has been through two dogs, five girlfriends and five houses.

Ray: What drew you to that particular model?

Bobby: I've always been a Porsche fanatic and I remember reading about it in one of the many Porsche books I used to get for Christmas as a kid. I just read about it and just kept the car in the back of my mind for my entire life. Then that car pulled up, I saw it for the first time, I just stopped what I was doing, walked over to the owner and asked is that is a true Silver Rose Edition. He replied "sure is" and I knew I had to have it!

Ray: What's the so special about the Silver Rose Edition?

Bobby: The color, the interior, on top of that, it was the Porsches first introduction of the Turbo S. When they introduced the S, it got the 928 brakes, it got adjustable suspension all the way around, it got bigger rear tires, and those wheels are the only wheels that came on that car. They look similar to the S wheels, but if you look at them side by side, you'll see that they're different. Instead of standard 217 horsepower, the Silver Rose Edition came with 247 horsepower. They put the bigger turbo in versus the regular 944 Turbo. I've always loved limited edition stuff.

Ray: It almost sounds like you've been hunting for that car.

Bobby: Maybe, but I didn't think I'd ever be able to afford one. Then when it landed at the at the dealership, I was able to purchase it at an unbelievable price.

Ray: I've noticed the interior is a plaid cloth style interior.

Bobby: Yeah, it's a throwback, to the earlier 70s, 80s cars.



Ray: I was surprised that it wasn't a leather interior.

Bobby: So was I, and when I first bought the car, you know, at 22 years old, I thought it was an obvious thing, but that's just one of the things that made the car special. Now that I'm in my forties, I look at the plaid and I love it, it's so different looking.

Ray: So, you have a business here in Cape Canaveral. Tell us a little bit about that.

Bobby: We do powder coating and mil spec painting. My dad and his partner started it 30 plus years ago, it's called Excel Coatings Inc. in Port Canaveral.

Ray: My favorite part of this car is that front end. How does it drive and handle?

Bobby: Awesome. It's phenomenal. And it's got that rawness when that turbo kicks in. It's just such a blast to drive.

Ray: You have a couple other Porsches, correct?

Bobby: 996 Carrera, and my latest purchase is a 718 spider. I got back in May, so that's brand-new.

Ray: Do you have any other Porsches on your hit list for the near future?

Bobby: I want to build an air-cooled car. My wife's partial to the 914, I'd like an older 911 but the next Porsche will definitely be a project car, just because I have the facility and the ability to do it.

Ray: Well, thank you so much for everything today. Appreciate your car, it's absolutely stunning and I loved photographing it.



Kaffeeklatsch Report

Photos by David Kelly and Robin Hoffman

We've had a lot of members show up at all of our Kaffeeklatsches the past few months. So happy to meet and greet everyone! It was a great day at the Kaffeeklatsches to catch up with old friends, meet new ones, and celebrate at all things "Porsche."

There's always a great mix of cars, beautifully appointed 356's. All model 911's, Boxsters, and even a GT3RS. We also had quite a contingent of family pets come along for the ride, who also enjoyed their mingle. Several members were attending for the first time at all three Kaffeeklatsches. So glad to see you all!



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Confessions of a Porsche Wife: A New Perspective

Article and photos by Trina Gorsuch

What a year it has been. So many fun PCA events and so much to be grateful for. I would say the Gorsuch Family generally appreciates the “need for speed” but when it comes to making memories and family time, I really wish it would all just slow down. One amazing thing about parenting is that I get to experience life as a child all over again through their eyes. It often brings back almost-forgotten memories from when I was kid, and the world was my playground. Adulthood can be hard and sometimes I want to run around and be silly without a care in the world too! I’ve heard it said that seeing the world through the eyes of a child is the purest joy that anyone can experience. Parenting little allows me to momentarily experience that bliss. I’m sure my husband feels it every time he jumps in his Porsche for a drive. That is before the holiday traffic changes his mood. But enough bah humbug; let’s take a closer look at the perspective of kids vs. adults.



A few months back, we went to an autocross event. I must admit I had a lot on my to-do list for the day and only agreed to stop by as if checking off a weekend errand. My adult mind was thinking “let’s quickly grab some pictures for club social media accounts, say hello to few friends and go.” Robin Hoffman had made these cute PCA toddler sized shirts for my kiddos, so I also wanted to get a picture of them wearing it. Kids mindset was very different. Upon arrival, they immediately started hopping and skipping around like they ate nothing but sugar for breakfast. Wish I had that kind of energy. Summer found joy in naming the colors of each car that lined up to do their lap around the track, and Cody waved flags imagining he was starting the race himself. I tried to snap a picture of the two of them together but getting them to cooperate was not happening. Queue the adulthood frustration. When it got a little loud from the roars of the engines, Summer and Cody both dramatically covered their ears and said, “too loud!” Guess the noise is something they will have to grow into loving like their Daddy does. As we headed out, they appeared a little confused looking frantically around for something. I asked what they were looking for and they said, “where’s the ice cream!?” Since we have been to a few ice cream socials I can now thank the club that they now expect ice cream every time we stop by the American Muscle Car Museum. As they looked at us with those little disappointed faces, we of course added a pit stop at McDonalds. Win-win for all.

Next stop was taking our Cayenne for a quick service. We had decided to stop by Porsche Melbourne as a family of four and didn’t think anything of it – just another weekend errand. The kids on the other hand had a blast sitting in the waiting room as if we were at an amusement park or the zoo! Kids eyes first saw lots of snacks and candy - that’s a hit with any kid. With imagination running wild they took turns playing restaurant being the server and the guest. When our car came into the garage, they watched with amazement through the huge glass window while it was loaded and lifted. As the mechanic stood completely under the car the kids giggled and squealed with excitement pointing and shouting “look Daddy!” They could not believe their little eyes. The other Porsche owner waiting quietly reading a newspaper couldn’t help but smile at their reaction to it all. Summer and Cody decided to look around and loved taking turns sitting in the driver seat of new cars on display. They would pretend to honk and drive wildly fast making racing sounds with their mouth. “This is how Daddy drives”, they said. I can’t argue with them there. Needless to say, they talked about the visit for days following. So, whether you’re out doing mundane errands or hanging out at the next exciting Club event, consider the perspective of your childhood self. How would you see the world around you then? You may just have more fun!



Tech Spotlight

Oil and Filter Change Using an Evacuator

Article and photos by Rob Van Name

This article discusses performing an oil and filter change on a Cayenne Diesel using an oil evacuator.

The evacuator is a vacuum pump with a selection of tubing that allow the oil in the crankcase to be sucked out of the crankcase via the dipstick tube. For the diesel you need an evacuator with 9 liter capacity. The advantage of this approach is the oil and filter change can be done within the engine compartment, no under car work required since the diesel oil filter is on top of the engine. The newer water cooled Porsche vehicles don't have a dipstick but this ought to work on those with a dipstick and wet sump crankcase.

The evacuator I use came from eBay and is shown here.



The oil change roughly follows these steps. Feel free to improvise.

Gather 8 quarts of your fresh Porsche C30 spec oil (I use Castrol VW507 spec 5W30) and an oil filter.

Warm up the car for good oil flow into the evacuator.

Open the hood and remove the engine cover taking care to not drop one of the four rubber cover mounts.

Remove the oil filler cap, loosen the oil filter housing with 32 mm socket.



Assemble the oil evacuator tubing and insert the smallest tube into the dipstick tube.

Pump the handle of the evacuator to create vacuum and draw out ~8 quarts of old oil from the engine.

Remove the oil filter cap and old oil filter.

Discard the old oil filter and oil filter cap O-ring.

Install the new oil filter cap O-ring and the new filter into the cap.

Lubricate the new O-ring with engine oil or some silicon grease. Notice the locating pin on the oil filter.

The oil filter cap and new filter can now be re-installed on the engine. The oil filter locating pin fits into a hole in the engine oil filter housing shown below. The locating hole in the engine oil filter housing is at about the 2 o'clock position. Insert the new oil filter and cap with the locating pin at about 12 o'clock. The locating pin will mystically turn into the locating hole as you tighten the oil filter cap.



Tighten the oil filler housing using the 32 mm socket to about 23 ft/lbs.

Add 7 quarts of engine oil and then install the oil filler cap.

Remove the evacuator and tubing. Dispose of the old oil properly. You can carry the evacuator to the place that accepts your waste oil.

Start the car and check for leaks.

Let it run to warm up the engine to check the oil electronically or use the dipstick I installed with no waiting. Make sure the car is level. The dip stick is VW P/N 059115611AM from Idparts.com or a VW dealer. The diesel is the only engine you can do this with regrettably on modern Porsches. If you don't have the dip stick re-install the dipstick tube plug.

I added another quart of oil to bring the oil level to half way. Tighten the oil filler cap.

Re-install the engine cover.

Using a Durametric or other tool reset the oil change maintenance interval. With the Durametric you select Instrument cluster and then select Commands and the three maintenance intervals will be displayed. Again you want to reset the oil change interval.

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Porsches and Planes

Article by David Kelly
Photos by David Kelly and Robin Hoffman

Porsches, planes, and great people! What a combination it made for the Space Coast Region event at the Valiant Air Command Museum on Saturday, October 22, 2022. It was a perfect day with abundant sunshine and a large contingent of Porsche models on display parked among an array of WWII, Korean War, Vietnam War era aircraft, and an F-14 Tomcat and other planes also on display at the Museum. This event was for the benefit of the museum. Thanks to all who attended. A big Thank You to the Valiant Air Command Museum for hosting the event, and a special thanks to Tom Etter for arranging everything. Tom has decided to retire, but I'm sure we'll still see him around the museum working on planes and helping out or at some Porsche function.

Over 100 people joined in the fun to learn about the planes on display as well as get your picture taken with your Porsche thanks to Robin Hoffman. We all had fun getting together and enjoyed sharing a pizza lunch in the hangar.





So many beautiful and historic planes on display. The museum also provided some guides to answer questions and give us details for the planes on display.



If you want to have the picture of you and your plane, check out the Space Coast FaceBook Page and the Space Coast website spc.pca.org and <https://photos.app.goo.gl/opdejRa57QzrojC66>.



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Rennsport Dragon Rally

Article and photos by Rick Rousseau

Back in November of 2021, our friend and fellow Space Coast PCA member Julie Wilson asked if we'd like to join her and her husband Randy in October 2022 at the Rennsport Dragon Rally. She described it as a weekend of Porsches driving some of the best driver focused roads in the United States to include the famous Tail of the Dragon. It sounded like a blast so I quickly booked a spot in the event.

A quick look at the website for the event showed that the mission of the Rennsport Dragon Rally is to bring you on a driving adventure like no other around the country. They host at least two events per year, one in early June and another in late October. They limit the event to 200 cars max due to space considerations. We were looking forward to the October event and getting to see the beautiful change of color in the leaves.



Randy and Julie Wilson preparing to ride the Dragon



Kasey and Rick Rousseau enjoying the view

If you've never been to the Dragon, it is quite the piece of pavement. The 11-mile stretch of the Dragon in Tennessee is said to have 318 curves, many with names like Copperhead Corner, Hog Pen Bend, Sunset Corner, Gravity Cavity, and Beginner's End. The Dragon was a blast and since we did it early on Friday morning, it wasn't crowded. But the Dragon was just the appetizer for a weekend of fabulous roads.

Next, we went to the Foothills Parkway, another beautiful and challenging road, and had lunch in Maryville, TN. Then, back out at 2:00 for some more great roads that included the Cherohala Skyway and ended at the resort.

Saturday, we were asked to be the sweeper for our group. The sweepers' job is to communicate via the radio with the group leader to ensure the cars stay together and let them know if everyone has made it through various stop signs and traffic lights along the route. Kasey did a phenomenal job, as she was in charge of the radio. The first stop on Saturday morning was for group photos at the Fontana Dam. Then we headed out for 250 miles of fantastic roads.

The roads on Saturday took us on many beautiful back roads that I'd never have known about on my own. The organizers of the event are all locals who have been driving these roads all their life and it shows. They know all the great roads that are off the beaten path. We ended up in the cute little town of Bryson City for lunch. The organizers had arranged for a police escort to help get all the cars out of town in a somewhat organized fashion.

Sunday was scheduled for another 250-mile drive. We had packed up the car and drove only the first part of the drive, and what a drive it was! We took a route that put us on a road the locals call "Voldemort" because they don't speak of it. Lets just say the Dragon isn't the only super-challenging road in the area.

We split from the group at the lunch stop in Hiawassee, Georgia and started on our way back to Florida. It had been a great weekend and the new Boxster was fantastic. That was 2500 miles well worth it.

If you'd like more information on the 2023 events, the web site is www.rennsportdragonrally.com and you'll find all the information you need for a great Porsche weekend.

The event, hosted out of the Fontana Village Resort, breaks up the cars into three categories and multiple driver groups of about 20 cars. The categories are Spirited, Touring, and Cruising. The Spirited category is for the very experienced who have driven these roads before and keeps a "spirited" pace. The Touring category, the one the Wilsons and we drove, is carrying a pretty good pace. The Cruising category is more leisurely. You're asked to bring FRS radios to communicate with the group leader and other cars in your group.

We met up in our driving groups and by 9:30 we were on our way to a 210-mile adventure that started with the Tail of the Dragon, also known as US-129.



Wonderful roads, colorful leaves

Great Times at Little Switzerland

Article and photos by Tom Kirk

What a difference a year makes. Last October Cyndie and I spent three days in the fog and rain hiking and driving around the Pisgah Inn along the Blue Ridge Parkway. This October we were treated to four days of crystal blue skies, 45 to 65-degree weather, beautiful leaves, uncrowded roads, and fabulous vistas during our stay at the Switzerland Inn, located about 50 miles NE of Asheville, right on the BRP.

Little Switzerland, NC was so named in the early 1900s because its sweeping panoramas of deep valleys and distant mountain ranges resemble those of the foothills of the Swiss Alps. The Switzerland Inn, originally opening in 1911, was demolished in 1961 and replaced with today's current resort that includes lodging, dining, shopping, and recreational facilities all in the alpine theme of its namesake.



Moonrise over the Switzerland Inn

I think the engineers who designed the mountain roads around Little Switzerland had an alpine road theme in mind. The BRP is a fabulous road with its sweeping curves and beautiful vistas. But the surrounding smaller roads are some of the most challenging and fun roads I have ever driven. NC 80, 221, 226, and 226A are loaded with switchbacks and sharp turns as they snake through the forest. There is a route called the Diamondback, comprised of two-lanes of smooth, well-marked pavement flanked by rocky outcroppings, shear drop-offs and tight hairpin curves. Our 2021 Porsche Spyder was in its element and a blast to drive there. The best part about these roads is that we would go 20 + miles without seeing another vehicle and could drive as fast as we dared. This is not always the case on such terrific mountain roads.

Our first journey into the surrounding mountains was to Mount Mitchell, the highest peak east of the Mississippi at 6,684 feet above sea level. A short walk from the parking lot at the summit took us up to an observation deck that provided a stunning 360-degree view of the surrounding mountains. We took the longer way down through a balsam forest. The aromatic pine smell along this trail was like Christmas in October.

After a great dinner and good night's sleep we headed out early the next morning to Linville Falls. Well-marked hiking trails took us to three different overlooks of this majestic waterfall, surrounded by the beautiful colors of fall.

Following two days of hiking, the next day we drove a 200-mile drive northern loop that included a stop at the original Mast General Store



Cyndie and Tom Kirk at Linville Falls

in Valle Crucis, NC. Now with additional locations, this original Mast Store, built in the late 1800's, is a unique combination of old-time hardware store, candy, and clothing shop. The soles of my hiking boots were coming off, so I looked for some replacements there. A very helpful woman named Rainey offered her help. She asked me when the last time was that I had the size of my feet measured. I said I could not remember. She not only precisely measured my feet but spent an hour with me to be sure I got the proper size and type of hiking boot best suited to my needs. The result is the most comfortable pair of hiking boots I have ever owned. Thanks Rainey!

On our trip back to our home in NC we stopped at the Pisgah Inn for a picnic lunch and enjoyed the vista that was hidden in fog when we were there last year. What a difference a year makes!



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PCA HPDE Instructor Weekend at Sebring

Article by Craig Barrie
Photos by Carmen DeVito

The weekend of November 18-19-20 was a Suncoast PCA Annual Instructor's Class Event at Sebring. Suncoast gets potential Instructor candidates together in classes all weekend and tasks the instructor candidates who desire to become PCA Instructors. Not everyone passes the difficult weekend test and becomes an instructor. The successful candidates have paid their dues over the years to learn and develop the skills involved in becoming an acceptable teacher.

Becoming a track instructor requires discipline, focus and another level of driving. Some are better instructors than drivers, some are better drivers and can't instruct but it's going back to school with books, tests, teachers, classroom all the elements to study.


It's serious as you have been selected to educate a new driver on how to not only track drive but car control at high speeds, safety for other drivers and knowledge of your surroundings. STUDY to graduate and instruct with a green student who wants to go fast. It's all fun and games until you get into the passenger seat. You tell yourself okay I'm sitting here with no brakes, no steering wheel, just a student. What does he or she know and not know? Flags, flag stations, exits, track? Did I look at the tires, brake pads, mirrors or do they know? I'd better check that's what they taught me to do to become an instructor.

Teach what I know and have learned and follow the guidelines set in the classes. We all have our own style which gives the students a wider scope of education. Who goes on from green to blue to white and so on, well that's the unknown. Guess it gets down to whether we did a

good job, were they comfortable, did they enjoy the experience and most important, are they safe?

We're very lucky to have about 10 DE Instructors in our Space Coast Club. Instructor weekend was packed with new learning instructors as well as eager students to get out on the track. My student on Sunday was Alexis Colgan in a beautiful Cayman GT4. I think it had some MODS as there was a sparkle of speed as well as this throaty undertone exhaust. Ken Marshall had his nephew, Kevin who showed up with 2 nails in his tires ending driving his car. I believe he did that on purpose so he could drive Ken's beautiful new GTS. Carmen DeVito had Andy Colgan who did well enough to graduate to the novice white solo group.

Although I have not seen statistics, Driver's Education classes may be safer than driving down I-95. Finally, we are not racers and don't want to be. We enjoy driving our cars well and having fun. To reiterate, HPDE driving events are a safe, fun way to get to understand the incredible performance dynamics of your Porsche, improve your driving skills, and meet and enjoy a great bunch of like-minded new friends!



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Historic Sportscar Racing 24 Hours of Daytona: Humbling and Very Fortunate

Article by Terry Miller
Photos by D. Paramore

In the world of historic or vintage sports car racing the HSR Classic 24 hours of Daytona on November 5th and 6th is a very popular and well attended event. In the historic racing world, it is about the cars and the fans as well as real car racing for the non-professionals.

For far too many years, I was the lone Rothmans 944 racing in several series all over the United States and it was fun, but I wanted more of the Rothmans' great factory built 944 race cars to play with. Well, after 5 years of getting word out we had 10, yes, TEN cars there and it was a blast for us the fans. All but one of the cars made it through 5 days of racing at Daytona with practice, qualifying, two enduros and two sprint races plus the 24 hours.



Leaving the garage area

While each of the 7 classes or groups of cars do run the 24 hours we are not all on the track for 24 hours. Each group or class has 4 one hour sessions every four hours so there are always cars racing on the track for 24 hours straight. My sessions were 4 and 10 pm and then 3 and 10 am. There is something very special about racing Daytona at 3 in the morning and, yes, fans are up and watching. They are a hearty group and we enjoy taking the golf cart out to meet and greet them all. (One day ask me about the "pink rabbit" when you see me.)

For race aficionados, this event is a terrific show at the Daytona International Speedway. There were million-dollar vintage race cars racing on the track and the garages were open for all to check out the cars along with some great drivers present who stopped by just to be reunited with their old race cars on the track.



Side by side through the Tri-oval




Did someone say Rothmans?

Hope to see you next year as it is in our own backyard, and a very special part of the history of Porsche as well as all the other manufacturers. The Rothmans Porsche 962 that won Le Mans in 1987 was at the track, a very special car to me. That car has my name on it for the future and I was fortunate to be able to spend some quality time with that car and the great folks that were racing it.



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Octoberfest Concours - BBQ - Swapmeet

Article by Steve Hoffman
Photos by David Kelly

On Saturday November 5th, the Space Coast Region of the PCA in concert with the 356 Florida Owners Group (the FOG), held its annual Oktoberfest at F. Burton Smith Park in Cocoa. A rainless day was ordered but the order was ignored, as it rained off and on all day.



Regardless of the rain, about 100 members attended and 50 cars were entered in the Concours. Most cars were cleaned and prepped well for the show. However, Paul Bennice's 2016 Boxster was immaculate! Even our toughest judge, Ralph Fritsche, wanted to give him a perfect score. Paul received the Best in Show trophy for his efforts! Joe Pelligrino had the most votes for his red 1967 912 to win the People's Choice Award. FOG attendees were competing for the coveted Kirk

Stowers Memorial Trophy for the top 356 as voted by the attendees at the event. Kirk's wife Rosemary was in attendance to present the trophy, which makes it even more special. Several members also participated in the Swap Meet which ran concurrently with the Concours.



After the concours was over a great German BBQ was served with all the fixings from Coaster's Taphouse. Dave Swartz, Space Coast member and owner of Coasters brought his Porsche and a whole crew to serve lunch – outstanding job Dave! Thank you! We even had a half keg of “What Connie is having” beer brought by Craig Stephans to honor his wife and our friend Connie who passed away earlier this year. All in all, even with a little rain, it was still a great day, a great event and it's always fun to hang out with great people. Hope to see you there next year!

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Results of Octoberfest 2022

Best in Show – Paul and Elissia Bennice, 2016 White Boxster

People's Choice – Joe Pelligrino, Red 1967 912

Kirk Stower's Memorial Trophy – Mike Owen,
Aquamarine blue metallic 1957 356A Speedster

356 People's Choice

1st Place – Mike Owen,

Aquamarine blue metallic 1957 356A Speedster

2nd Place – Karen Walker, Black 1955 Continental Coupe

3rd Place – Mike Koller, Ivory 1964 SC Coupe

911 Air Cooled

1st Place – James McGrath, White 1996 C4S

2nd Place – Gene Zorovich, 1997 993 C2S

3rd Place – Bob Greenwood, Grand Prix white/black 1983 SC Cab

911 Water Cooled

1st Place – Kai Wundke, 2020 Avertine Green 992

2nd Place – Frank Chandler, 2007 997 C4S

3rd Place – Daniel Hoops, 2022 Carmine Red C4S

Sport Class – Early

1st Place – David Kelly, India Red 928

2nd Place – Eric Szanyi, 1986 944 Turbo

3rd Place – Sean Salthouse, Black 1992 968

Sport Class – Late

1st Place – Paul and Elissia Bennice, 2016 White Boxster

2nd Place – Alan Chandler, 2006 Silver Cayman S

3rd Place – Rick Rousseau,
2022 Carrera White 25th Anniversary Boxster

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Historic Racing HSR at Sebring

Article and photos by Sue Kee and David Kelly

Historic and vintage race cars were in action December 2nd and 3rd at Sebring for the HSR "Classic 12 Hour" Tribute Race, from noon to midnight, with four separate Run Groups competing in a non-stop rotation throughout the twelve-hour span. The event also featured a "fly-in," parade, and weekend display of military and civilian aircraft from the last half century and WWII on the "false grid" adjacent to the race car grid area. Porsches, Mustangs, Corvettes, BMW's, Audi's, Chevron's, Lolas, Cobras, Ginetta's, Prototypes, and American Stock Cars all competed for honors to be awarded after a final elimination race on Sunday.

Many of the on-track competitor cars, such as the fully restored Amalfi Racing 935 Kremer Porsche, came with long histories of racing success and still actively compete in vintage race events across the country. Whatever your interest in sports car racing might be, there were plenty of cars, and sprint races and enduro races to watch. There was a large contingent of Backdraft Cobra Replica owners arriving en masse for a track-side display of their cars, many of which were powered by Roush Ford Racing motors of all sizes. It was a stunning display.

In addition to the racing, the vintage aircraft on display contained some excellent examples of WWII military planes, including the well-known AT-6 "Texan" many WWII aviators trained on, along with two well-restored Valiant Trainers. Also, gracing the concrete of the former Hendricks Army Airfield was a meticulously restored 1931 Stearman Bi-Plane, and other civilian aircraft. "Pistons & Props"

was a fitting description as race cars maneuvered past the aircraft on the way to the racing grid. It was quite the aircraft display.

At the same time, out on the track the Porsches were having their day taking it to the competition for the 12 Hour Race in Run Group D, with father and son Brent and Griffith Asplundh and our own Scott Kee along with co-driver Ron Zitza competing in the 12 Hour. You had to complete all four races in the competition to have any chance of winning in group or class. There were plenty of mechanical problems and incidents in all the races.



Second in Class
Scott Kee and Ron Zitza

To summarize, this was an exciting race over the 12 hours, with cars competing in a hard-fought race. The end results in Group D: Brent Asplundh, first place, Griffith Asplundh, second place and Scott Kee and Ron Zitza in third place overall. Scott and Ron ended up second in Class, driving Scott's 2016 Porsche GT-4 ClubSport. Trophies and Medals were handed out to the smiling winners. It was a fun event to watch and even more exciting to be one of the winners!



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"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it"
Psalms 118:24

Space Coast Holiday Party

Article by Sue Kee
Photos by Robin Hoffman

Our Holiday Party was a little early this year due to conflicts of multiple events, the biggest one being the wonderful PCA Zonifest Princess Cruise, an 8-day Carnival Cruise. That didn't stop us from having a fun evening at the Eau Gallie Yacht Club. There was great food, great friends, and a beautiful night. Besides the delicious food, Porsche Melbourne provided us with some very nice door prizes for the lucky raffle ticket holders. Thanks to the generosity of our members, we collected a pile of toys under the Christmas tree to donate to His Place Ministries in Melbourne for needy families.



Members gather around the tree...

Everyone who attended the dinner was treated to our 2023 Space Coast Charity Calendar which raised \$5000 for the Treasure Coast Girls Coalition. The Treasure Coast Girls Coalition helps young women and girls from economically disadvantaged communities who need help the most to reach their goals and fulfill their potential. Thank you to Porsche Melbourne for arranging to pay for the printing of the calendar and to Ray Baldino for his photo creativity in taking all the beautiful pictures in the calendar. Of course, thank you to all our Club Members who purchased months this year in the calendar so we could support and donate to the Treasure Coast Girls Coalition. Calendars are still available if you'd like one, contact Robin Hoffman. They're \$10 each with all proceeds going to the charity.

Our Holiday Party is always a great opportunity to give thanks for all the support we receive and have an election for new officers for next year. This year we are fortunate to have many people to thank for supporting our Club every year. Having Shay Rowe and Porsche Melbourne always open to host events and lend support to our activities is a generosity we are so fortunate to receive. Thank you to our Advertisers who are a huge part of making our newsletter, Escape Velocity, available to all of our members and Mark Pieloch who has been a big supporter to the Club for our Autocrosses and this year's Zone Fest. Thank you Steve Hoffman for being a great president this year and steering our successes and all the great officials who serve on our Leadership Board.

Our Elections were held and your officers for 2023 are:

- President - Robin Hoffman
- Vice President - Steve Tarr
- Secretary - Ed Springer
- Treasurer - Robert Devries
- North Coordinator - Milt Weisman
- South Coordinator - Sean Salthouse
- Past President - Steve Hoffman

Congratulations to the new 2023 Officers!



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Parade of Presents 2022

Article and photos by Robin Hoffman

Space Coast PCA joined the other regions of Zone 12 to deliver presents to those in need on Dec 3th. Porsches were out in force delivering toys all across our region during our Annual "Parade of Presents".

We gathered a huge pile of toys during our Holiday Party and Melbourne Kaffeeklatsch to deliver to His Place Ministries in Melbourne. After the Kaffeeklatsch, Porsches set out in parade-like fashion to deliver carloads of toys, gift cards and presents to the beautiful church in Melbourne. We had a lovely drive. His Place Ministries is the oldest landmark in Central Brevard and has run a Toy Drive and toy giveaway for the past 15 years. The parents come to "shop" for presents to give to their children on Christmas morning. The children receive the gifts and their parents are given the dignity to give the gifts to their own children. Win-win for everyone!



...always brings miles of smiles

Pastor Terry and his volunteers were busy decorating the church when we arrived. They are always well organized and appreciative of our gifts. Many children's Christmas mornings will be brighter because of the generosity of this club's members. Thank you!

What an awesome way to start celebrating the season!



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Trip to the Stetson Mansion

Article by Steve Tarr
Photos by Robin Hoffman

It was 3 weeks before Christmas!

A total of 44 Space Coast Porsche members met up for a drive to Deland to visit the Stetson Mansion. It was the 11th Anniversary of their Christmas Spectacular, and it was Spectacular all right! The Stetson Mansion was named the #1 Christmas display in Florida and #2 in the USA! Can you believe, it is right in our backyard.

This amazing restored historic Victorian Mansion was built in 1886 for the famous hat maker, John B Stetson. The mansion is on the Historic Register with detailed wood carvings, 16 different intricate parquet floor patterns and over 10,000 panes of antique glass. This was their “winter home” away from the cold and their significantly larger mansion in Philadelphia.

The 1st and 2nd floors allow you to learn about our modern holiday traditions and view this year’s 10 themes helping celebrate the birth of Christ and the holiday season!

Thomas Edison, who was a good friend of John Stetson and therefore the Edison Company, installed the electrical system for the mansion. This resulted in having one of the first sets of electric Christmas lights to be used on a Christmas tree in the Mansion!

The Mansion is simply stunning. I am sure you will agree the photos taken by Robin Hoffman are beautiful, imaginative, elegant, and reverent for the season.



After the private tour of the mansion, Robin Hoffman took the outside photos as well as at Cook’s Buffet Café Bakery where we went for dinner. The food was delicious, and everyone kept talking about their display of over 12 different deserts – and no, we just had one!



It was a fun way to get into the Christmas Spirit. Check with a Space Coast member you know who made the trip to learn more about the special holiday experience. If you like, let us know and we will put the Mansion on the list for Christmas 2023 as it changes every year!



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coming attractions

Jan 4-15	Mecum Auto Auction @ Kissimmee
Jan 7	Kaffeeklatsch @ Wickham Panera, 9 am
Jan 7-8	Suncoast DE @ Sebring
Jan 8	Kaffeeklatsch @ Vero Panera, 9 am
Jan 14	PM Sponsored Autocross @ American Muscle Car Museum, 7 am
Jan 15	Kaffeeklatsch @ Jason's Corner, New Smyrna Beach, 9 am
Jan 20-22	Roar Before the Rolex 24 Testing @ Daytona International Speedway
Jan 21	Drive to the Roar Before the Rolex 24 @ Sam's I95/520 Cocoa, 9 am
Jan 21	Vero Beach Tennis Women's Match and Porsche Car Show 10 am – 4 pm
Jan 26-29	Rolex 24 Hospitality Tent @ Daytona International Speedway
Jan 28	Drive to the Rolex 24 @ Sam's I95/520 Cocoa, 9 am
Feb 2	All Members Meeting at Porsche Melbourne, 7 pm
Feb 2-5	48 Hours at Sebring PCA Club Races & DE @ Sebring International Raceway
Feb 4	Kaffeeklatsch @ Wickham Panera, 9 am
Feb 5	Rolling Art Car Collection 1-4 pm Vero Beach Museum of Art
Feb 12	Kaffeeklatsch @ Vero Panera, 9 am
Feb 14	Valentine's Day Party @ The Tides, Patrick AFB, 6 pm
Feb 19	Kaffeeklatsch @ Jason's Corner, New Smyrna Beach, 9 am
Feb 25	PM Sponsored Autocross @ American Muscle Car Museum, 7 am
Mar 2-5	Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance
Mar 3	Werks Reunion 2022 @ Amelia Island
Mar 3	Suncoast Instructor and Solo only DE @ Sebring
Mar 4-5	Suncoast DE @ Sebring
Mar 4	Kaffeeklatsch @ Wickham Panera, 9 am
Mar 12	Kaffeeklatsch @ Vero Panera, 9 am
Mar 17	4th running of the WEC 1,000 Miles of Sebring
Mar 18	70th running of the 12 Hours of Sebring
Mar 19	Kaffeeklatsch @ Jason's Corner, New Smyrna Beach, 9 am
Mar 24-25	Sunrise to Sunset Gimmick Rally
Apr 1	PM Sponsored Autocross @ American Muscle Car Museum, 7 am
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Apr 9	Kaffeeklatsch @ Vero Panera, 9 am
Apr 14-15	Wheels & Keels @ Moorings Yacht Club, Vero Beach
Apr 15-16	Suncoast DE @ Sebring
Apr 16	Kaffeeklatsch @ Jason's Corner, New Smyrna Beach, 9 am
Apr 22	Dinner under Atlantis Shuttle 6:30 pm (with Classic Cars Club)
Apr 29	PM Sponsored Autocross @ American Muscle Car Museum, 7 am
Save the Date:	
June 10	Summer Banquet @ The Tides, Patrick AFB

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