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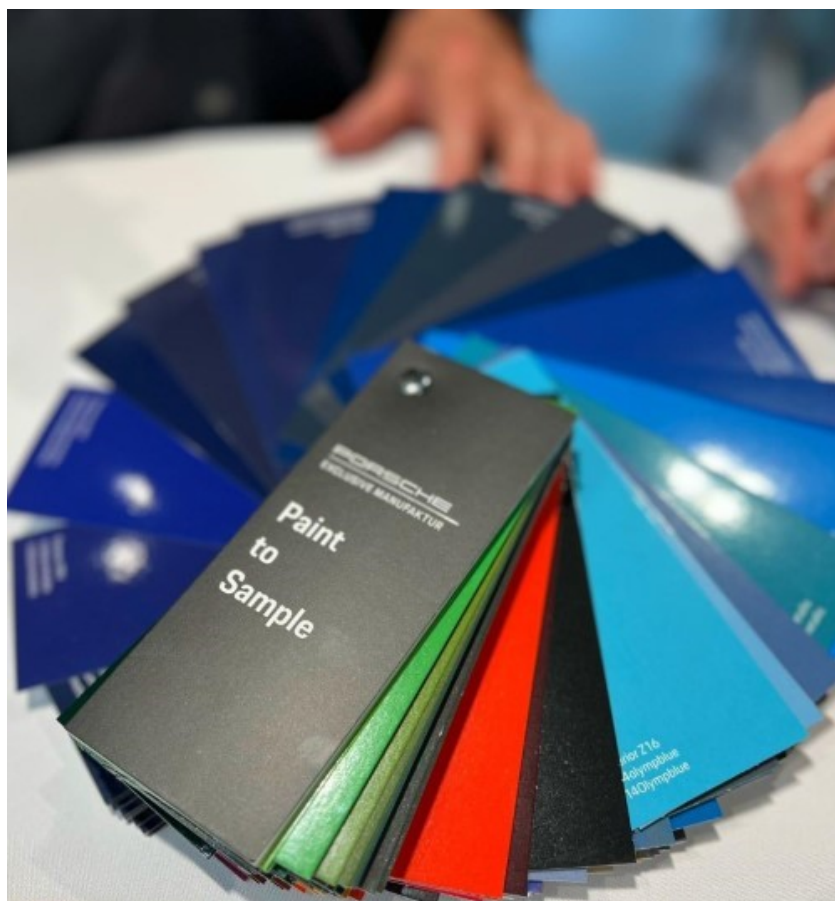
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About the cover: Todd Marohl's 2020 911 C4S parked at Porsche Park, Road America. Photo credit: Todd Marohl

President's message: More fun to come



Hurray it's May! Let the driving season begin!

Hopefully your babies are out of their long winter slumber and ready for the road. I have a few things to do with the Boxster but when the weather finally warms up, it will hit the road.

We just had our new member event at the Graystone Ale House

and all who attended had a good time. Bob and Cindy Ross and Mark and Theresa Johnson attended along with several of our existing members. Dee reported that we have gotten 29 new members since the last new member event in February of 2022 so the club is definitely growing.

As I'm writing this Treffen - Georgia Mountains is wrapping up. I'm looking forward to hearing from those who were able to make it, what it was like.

Looking forward for the club, we have the annual Spring Opener coming up on May 11. This is on a Thursday this year due to some scheduling conflicts. Drinks and Social

time begin at 5 p.m. followed by dinner off the menu at 6 p.m. RSVPs are due by May 8 so you still have time if you have not yet sent your RSVP to Dee. (dstamnes@netnet.net)

The rest of the month is currently open, but we have been considering starting roving Cars and Coffee events each month. The concept is that we will pick a place and town and then get the word out to everyone. We would pick a town and location and this way it is hoped that everyone will get a bit of a drive and hopefully we will have more members meeting since we will be in various areas, hopefully one near you. Keep an eye on your email and the website as we hope to be able to kick these off this month yet. Due to some flux in my work life, planning events is currently a bit tricky but when that is resolved, (hopefully before the end of the month), we should be able to plan and hold events with more regularity.

That's about all for now but there is more fun to come!

—Shaun
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May 11 Spring Opener

Join us for good food and conversation at Jim and Linda's Supper Club, W3496 County Rd. W, Malone Wis.

[Google map](#)

Social at 5 p.m. and dinner beginning at 6 p.m. RSVP by May 8 to Dee Stamnes: dstamnes@netnet.net

[Menu](#)





The editor's desk

As I write this, I still see snow outside here in northern Wisconsin. But we remain hopeful that spring will show up. With that in mind, the region calendar is starting to show some of our favorite events.

Be sure to mark your calendar for July 30 when we will gather at Trout Springs winery for the annual potluck. Region members Steve and Andrea DeBaker will be our hosts.

Plans are coming together for an event at the Kohler Art Center including a tour and lunch on Aug. 19. The event is being planned by the Milwaukee region; Fox Valley region members are invited to join in. More details to come. If someone wants to organize a follow-the-leader drive from the Fox Valley to Kohler, please raise your hand.

In this issue we feature an article from a Riesentöter region member who writes a monthly column about the market for Porsche sales. Hope you enjoy it. By the way, Riesentöter translates to "giant killer," I am told. There must be a story there for that region's name. Their newsletter is named Der Gasser. Strong German roots for sure.

We also feature 30-year members Todd and Melanie Marohl who are observing a milestone anniversary with PCA. The story about their passion for the Porsche brand is on page 8.

— Bev

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FALL TREFFEN 2023 - TREFFEN GATEWAY TO THE WEST

Treffen Gateway to the West - Touring the Mississippi River Valley

On behalf of the members of the St Louis Region and the Treffen North America staff, we invite you to join us for Treffen Gateway to the West - Touring the Mississippi River Valley. Experience four days of touring, fine dining, and exploring as we return to the Midwest on Sept. 20 - 24, 2023. You may know it as the home of the Gateway Arch, but St Louis is also a city rich in history where Lewis and Clark launched their expedition and is unique in its jazz music and French creole influence than its New Orleans cousin. We will be touring the surrounding Missouri wine region and Mississippi River Valley.

Our host hotel is the luxurious, AAA 4-Diamond rated Ritz-Carlton in the trendy suburb of Clayton; we were able to negotiate a lodging rate of \$235, which will likely be the last low rate we see for Treffen going forward. Casa Don Alfonso, the main on-site restaurant, was featured as 2021 Forbes' best new Italian restaurant in America. There are 50+ restaurants within walking distance of the Ritz. The city and surrounding region have a strong German influence when immigrants moved into the area in the 1800s. With Oktoberfest opening that same week, it will be our theme in conjunction with our year-long celebration of 75 years of Porsche, so bring and wear your lederhosen and dirndls for this event. If you are heading to Rennsport Reunion from the east coast, make Treffen Gateway your intermediate stop as you head to California.

We will update the rest of the Treffen website with Treffen Gateway information soon after we complete Treffen Georgia Mountains. So, plan to "Meet me in St Louis" for some great drives and fun this fall and enjoy local favorites such as toasted raviolis and gooey butter cake. **Registration opens on Wednesday, June 28, at 2 PM CT.**

Note: Treffens fill up fast, often in 10 minutes or less. If you want to participate, be sure to have your credit card and PCA membership number ready by 2 p.m. central time on June 28. [Treffen website](#).

MAY

11 – Spring Opener at Jim and Linda's Supper Club, W3496 County Rd. W, Malone Wis. Social at 5 p.m. and dinner beginning at 6 p.m. RSVP by May 8 to Dee Stamnes: dstamnes@netnet.net

19-21 – SVRA Vintage Weekend at Road America*

NEW! 28 – 2nd annual Wine Run to benefit Ribbon of Hope at Trout Springs. Region members Kathy and Sergio Heredia are members of Ribbon of Hope, an organization that helps cancer survivors. [More details.](#)*

JUNE

9 – Driver education at Road America. Hosted by Milwaukee region. All Fox Valley region members are invited.

17 – Cars & Guitars at the Automobile Gallery, Green Bay*

18-24 – PCA Parade, Palm Springs, Calif.

15-18 – NTT INDYCAR at Road America*

JULY

13-16 – WeatherTech International Challenge with Brian Redman at Road America*

27-29 – NASCAR XFINITY Series at Road America*

30 – Potluck at Trout Springs Winery. More details to be announced

AUGUST

3-6 – IMSA SportsCar Weekend, Road America*

18-20 – Fanatec GT World Challenge, Road America*

18 – Werks Reunion, Monterey

19 – Drive to Kohler Art Center w/lunch

SEPTEMBER

15-17 – Ariens Art on Wheels Vintage Weekend featuring VSCDA at Road America*

17 – Autocross at Road America. Hosted by Milwaukee region. FV members invited.

20-24 – Fall Treffen in St. Louis*

28-Oct. 1 – Rennsport Reunion, Laguna Seca

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May 28—Wine run for charity

2nd annual Wine Run to benefit Ribbon of Hope at Trout Springs. Region members Kathy and Sergio Heredia are members of Ribbon of Hope, an organization that helps cancer survivors.

This event is not sponsored by PCA or the Fox Valley region.

May 11 Spring Opener at Jim & Linda's Lakeview Supper Club

Join region members for an evening of good food and

Porsche talk at Jim & Linda's Lakeview Supper Club on the eastern shore of Lake Winnebago.

W3496 County Rd. W, Malone Wis. [Google map](#)

Social at 5 p.m. and dinner beginning at 6 p.m. RSVP by May 8 to Dee Stamnes: dstamnes@netnet.net



Enjoy the sunset while dining at Jim & Linda's Lakeview Supper club.

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The Milwaukee region is hosting this tour and Fox Valley region members are invited to participate. More details to come



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Members and their Porsches

Todd and Melanie Marohl are celebrating 30 years in PCA. Whaletales asked them to tell us about their history of Porsche ownership.

Todd's first Porsche was a 1983 911 SC. "This car was my introduction to meeting our good friend David Treichel. He transformed this car into the beautiful Turbo look.

"Our next Porsche was a 2007 911 GT3.

"Currently the 2017 Macan and 2020 911 are our daily drivers.

Melanie drives the 2017 Macan GTS. It is Carmine Red exterior with black leather and Carmine red stitching. "The car has the PDK transmission and was our first experience with a PDK transmission. We very much enjoy the handling and performance of the Macan as well as its flexibility."

The 2020 911 C4S is Miami blue with black leather interior and PDK transmission. This car is Todd's daily driver. "It replaced the 2007 GT3 because I wanted to be able to enjoy the vehicle year round and have the luxury of a shorter commute to work, thereby making the use of the car year round feasible. When snow is too deep, we have the Macan to fall back on.

"I have been obsessed with Porsche - specifically 911s since I was a young person. It was my goal to own a 911 and have been fortunate enough to accomplish this. As an engineer by trade, I have always appreciated Porsche's approach to how they engineer and test their vehicles. Their cars have been extremely reliable and dependable and we enjoy how the looks of the vehicles don't stray from their initial origins.

"We have not attended many PCA events mainly because of personal time constraints and family obligations. We do enjoy utilizing the Porsche Park at Road America and attend races there. As our family obligations decrease over the next few years, we hope to participate in some of the club drives you have throughout the summer/fall," Todd concluded.



1983 911SC



2007 911 GT3



2017 Macan GTS



2020 911 C4S

Editor's note:

You don't have to be observing a PCA membership anniversary to have your Porsche story featured in Whaletales. Just send an email to the editor with these details: year and model, color, transmission type, how long have you owned it, what is it about the brand that appeals to you. Also include what events you have enjoyed as a PCA member.
Beverly.jurkowski@gmail.com

Porsche market recap for March

Whaletales is introducing a new column written by David Whitlock, a PCA member in the Riesentoter region. When space allows we will publish his monthly recap of sales of Porsches. Let me know if you enjoy this column.

— Bev Jurkowski, Steinlifters editor

The March Porsche market came in like a lion with four auction houses competing for top honors during the 2023 Amelia Island Car Week selling a total of 49 cars for a dollar volume of \$14,594,160 (excluding fees) at a strong 83% sell-through rate. Newcomer, Broad Arrow Auctions, locked out the podium producing all three of the top sales over the long weekend (also the top three for the month) with a 1987 959 Komfort standing on the top step at a sales price of \$1,550,000 followed by a 2005 Carrera GT at \$1,375,000 and a 1994 911 Turbo S Slant Nose X85 at \$1,100,000.

Slant-nose models

While February was the month of the 964 Turbo, March was back to the '80s with an influx of 3.3-liter Turbos. Of the 13 cars on offer, 10 found new homes with an average sales price of \$185,853. Factory M505 Slant Nose examples brought strong dollar figures with a 1988 Coupe selling for \$260,000.

993 Turbos looked strong as well with all cars selling above \$200,000 and a 71% sell-through rate. If it didn't cross \$200k, it didn't sell. Of note was a rare 1996 993 Turbo X50 car which sold for \$238,000. A pair of 993 Turbo S' on the other hand went 0 for 2 with both '97 examples failing to sell at \$652,993 and \$559,000, both well above the moving average and in line with recent prices.

Sellers of 1-2-year-old cars appear to have adjusted their expectations (and reserves) as we saw a sell-through rate of 79% compared to last month's sell-through rate of 54%. Average GT3 pricing was at \$260,000 but was propped up by a PTS (Paint To Sample) GT3 Touring 6-Speed which sold for \$340,000. Take that outlier out of the picture and GT3 bids averaged \$240k, which is a bit down from the previous month. The highlight of the category for me was a 2022 718 Spyder 000 Package car which sold for \$181,000. As the 718 phases out I expect these to remain strong, if not gain over the next five years.

'60s 911s

The '60s 911s had a tough time selling this month with a sell-through rate of 55%. Leading the sales was a stunning

1969 911 T/R that sold at Gooding & Co. for \$420,000. One of three cars built for that year, this example had period Sebring and Daytona history and will be an instant invite to Rennsport Reunion 7 in September. Two notable no sales were an original 1968 911 'Sports Purpose' bid to \$320,000 and a 1967 911S Soft-Window Targa bid to \$373,000. 912s remained strong with an average price of \$52,000 and a top sale of \$71,000.

996 pricing impressive

On the water-cooled front, 996 pricing continues to be impressive as they come into their own and buyers begin to look past the "runny-egg" headlights. Leading the charge was a 2004 996 GT3 RS that sold for a record \$330,000 (excluding fees). Not originally sold in the US, a handful of GT3 RS' have found their way to our shores via Show and Display laws with this example fully upgraded to drive legally on our soil. 996 Turbos also remain strong with two ultra-low mileage cars selling for \$131,000 and \$155,000.

Other notable Porsches offered this month were a 1987 Kremer-Porsche 962 C which was an absolute steal at \$820,000 and a 1968 907 K that continued the trend of classic Porsche race cars failing to sell this year with a high bid of \$4,000,000. We also saw new five-year auction records for a 914-6 at \$148,400, a 981 Boxster Spyder at \$120,000, a 911SC at \$105,000, and a Cayenne Transsyberia at \$70,500.

Prediction: April will keep going up

There were no signs of lambs as March remained lion-like throughout the month with a 76% sell-through rate and total sales of \$43,102,480. Up from 73% and \$33,527,283 the previous month, Amelia Island definitely helped the cause. We'll see if April brings showers to the market next month but if I had to guess, spring will keep on going up and up.

David K. Whitlock, a member of the Riesentoter region, is a writer for The Stuttgart Market Letter, a daily market update for Porscheophiles delivered free to your inbox. To sign up, go to: www.stuttgartmarketletter.com

May membership anniversaries

MILESTONES

30 years (1993)

Todd and Melanie Marohl
2017 Macan GTS
2020 911 Carrera 4S

Member/co-member

Douglas Neuser

James and Grant Stephenson

Phillip and Julie Petit

Randy Sahs and Renae Dubey

Year joined

1987

1990

1995

1996

2002

2002

2004

2009

2011

2012

2014

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2016

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2021

2022

Porsches

2002 911 Carrera

1957 356

2006 911 Carrera S Cabriolet

1980 911 SC

1996 911 Turbo

1975 914 1.8

1988 911 Carrera

1988 911 Carrera

2009 Cayman

2011 911 Carrera

2004 Boxster S

1972 914

2014 Cayman S

2004 Boxster

2017 Macan S

2007 Cayman

2006 911 Carrera S

2003 Boxster S

20 years (2003)

David and Susan Clark
2005 911 Carrera

Douglas Richter

John and Sherry Lazar

Timothy and Barbara Kuhn

10 years (2013)

Ann Schmidt and
Andrew Chisel
2002 911 Carrera 4S

Brian Kearns and Mary Becker

James and Tonna Appelgren

Jim and JoAnne Gustafson

Scott and Barbara Barr

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Co-Members:
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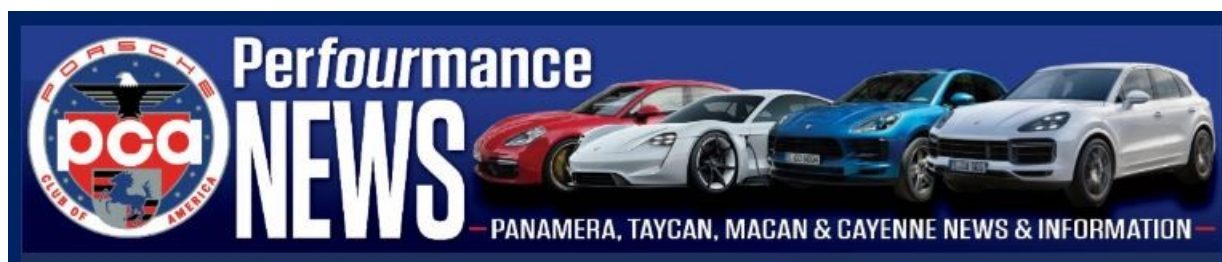
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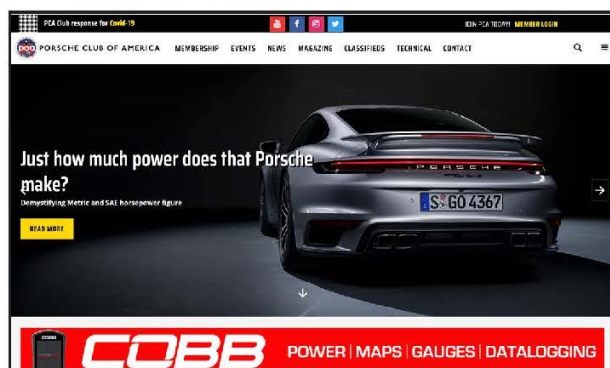
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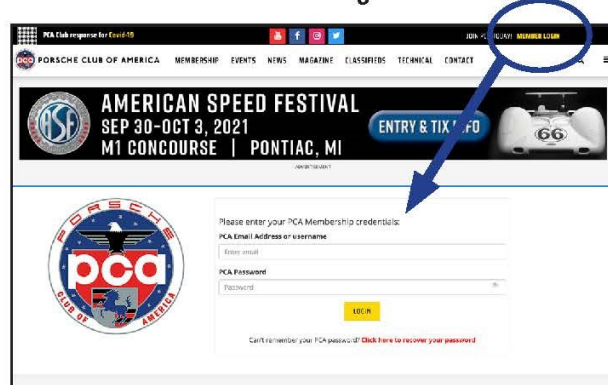
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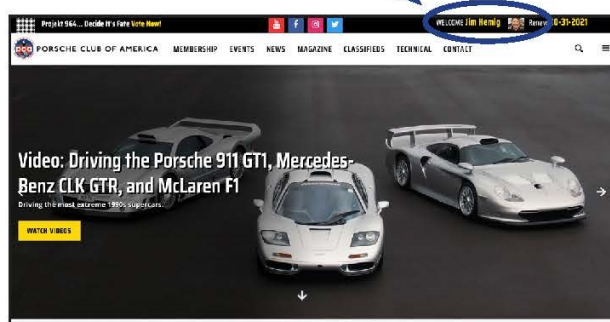
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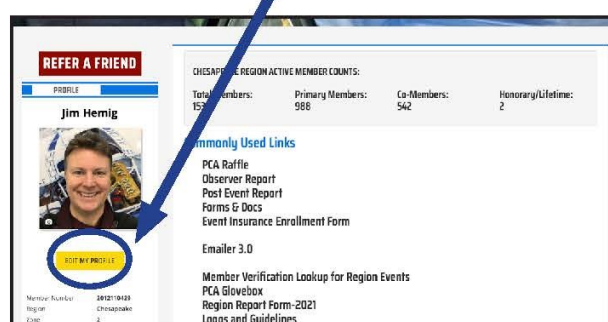
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Battery basics

Whaletales is introducing a series of technical articles written by Pedros Garage. Pedro Bonilla is a PCA member of the Suncoast region. The first installment is all about batteries.

Our car's batteries use technology invented in 1860 by Gaston Planté and they are of the 12-volt, lead-acid, starting type.

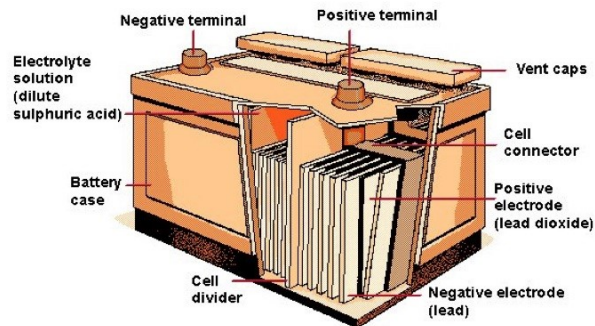
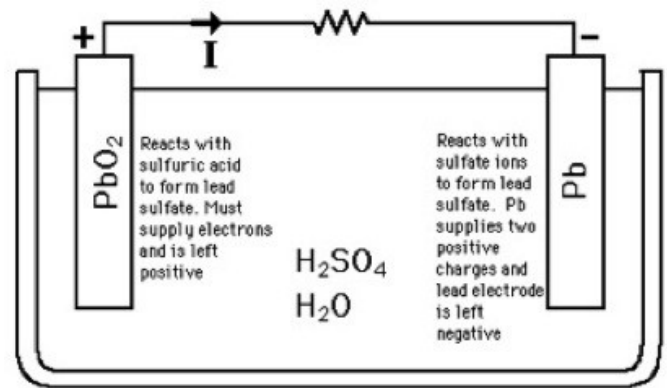
The traditional 12-volt lead acid battery is actually made up of six identical 2-volt cells. Each cell is made up of lead plates of different composition, immersed in dilute sulphuric acid. Lead dioxide (PbO_2) plates are connected to the positive terminal of the cell and react with the sulphuric acid (H_2SO_4) to form lead sulphate and give up electrons.

The negative terminal of the cell is connected to pure lead (Pb) plates which react with the sulphate ions to also form lead sulphate. The pure lead plates supply two positive charges and are left negatively charged.

The stream of electrons passing from the lead-oxide plates to the pure lead plates is the electric current generated by the cell.

When the battery is recharged, the lead sulphate in each cell is broken down resulting in lead dioxide being redeposited onto the positive electrode, and lead being deposited onto the negative electrode.

Starter batteries are made up of many thin lead plates which enable them to discharge a lot of energy very quickly which is what's required by a vehicle's starter motor which must turn over the engine to start it.



These types of batteries, like everything else, have their pros and cons.

PROs	CONS
Low Cost	Heavy and bulky
Very reliable	Charge efficiency only 70%
Tolerant to abuse	Danger of overheating during charging
Tolerant to overcharging	Not suitable for fast charging
Can deliver high current	Typical life is 300 -500 cycles
Indefinite shelf life when stored dry	Must be stored charged with electrolyte
May be on float/trickle charge for long time	Can leak corrosive acid
Many sizes and capacities available	Require ventilation
Many manufacturers worldwide	
World's most recycled product	

To prolong the battery's life you need to charge it immediately after use. They will last longer with partial discharge rather than a full discharge. The best charging method is a constant voltage followed by a float charge. Unfortunately a fast charge is not possible.

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Battery basics continued

The vehicle's alternator is actually the battery's charger. As soon as the car's engine starts, the alternator starts sending an electric current back to the battery, which keeps it fully charged and ready for the next engine start.

When charging, be it by the vehicle's alternator or by an outside charger the battery slowly loses water due to evaporation and therefore needs periodic maintenance. Regularly check the volume of electrolyte in each cell and top off as necessary with distilled water.

Porsches come from the factory with Moll batteries in place. Depending on conditions and use a battery should last between 4 and 7 years. When replacing you can replace with another OEM Moll battery, or you can opt for any of a myriad of suppliers which offer much cheaper alternatives.

Just be sure that you install the correct size, not only physically, but also electrically. Make sure that the new battery has close to the same starting capacity measured in CCA (cold cranking amps), the correct base and shell size which will allow for the secure placement as well as the correct position of the terminals so that the car's battery wires can reach them.

There's newer battery technology on the market (Absorbed Glass Matt - AGM) which requires no maintenance and has eliminated quite a few of the cons of the traditional lead-acid battery, such as: has better weight-to-power ratio, can be placed in any position, even upside down, higher tolerance to vibration and shock, will not leak or out gas, needs no vent, is completely sealed, has a lower rate of self-discharge, and lasts longer. In these AGM type batteries the lead plates and the separator are wound and tightly compressed into a cell tube so they can't move, shed, or break even in severe shock and vibration applications and the separator, which is an absorbent glass matt, holds the electrolyte like a sponge so it can't spill. Their main drawbacks are higher cost and unique shape which needs special adaptors and plates to safely mount in our vehicles.

If you are storing a battery for an extended period, it is recommended that it be stored in a cool, dry place, off the floor and connected to a smart charger such as the CTEK Multi US 3300 which will apply a constant voltage until the battery fully charges, then maintains a float or trickle charge to keep it at its peak.



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