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On the cover



The members attending the Spring Tech Session at the Auto Clinic enjoyed a light hearted moment as Andrew quite cheerfully offers to demonstrate the use of a pneumatic impact wrench.

From the President



Life is full of memorable firsts. First steps, first day of school, first kiss, etc. The thrill of the activity is typically at maximum capacity the first time you participate in it. I have been reflecting on the topic of firsts for a couple reasons. One first that we all can probably remember well is the first day with our Porsche(s). I remember picking up my 911 after dreaming of it for so many years and the adrenaline was pumping so much that the tips of my fingers and toes were tingling. Being in control (or at the mercy of) so much raw power was an exhilaration that I look forward to experiencing every spring. The anticipation of recreating that first day with my Porsche is something I look forward to just as much as warm weather and green grass. Happy first day of the season with your Porsche everyone!

If you have a story to share of your first Porsche moment we would be happy to hear your first impression, or experience. Send us an email and we will be sure to publish.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

Andrew Opicka
President, Fox Valley Region
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FVR Calendar of Events

April	Saturday, April 9, 2011 Introduction to the Porsche Tractor at Johnathan's Italian Bistro, hosted By: Robert Geiser and Andrew Opicka. Andrew@opicka.com
	Saturday, April 16, 2011 Porsche Tractor and Antique Tractor Field Day event in Sussex WI, hosted by By: Robert Geiser. rgeiser@milwpc.com
May	Tuesday, May 3, 2011 Season opener at Jim & Linda's. Dinner at Pipe, WI, hosted by Tim & Judy St. Aubin tstaubin@sbcglobal.net
	Saturday, May 14, 2011 Bergstrom Coffee and Donuts, hosted by Nick Proctor
	Sunday, May 15, 2011 Fox Valley Road & Track Classic - Roy Fine (British Car Club)
June	Saturday, June 4 - Sunday, June 5, 2011 Waterfalls Tour to UP. Waterfalls tour to Michigan's UP, Al Curran tourmeister. arcllc@gmail.com
	Tuesday, June 7, 2011 June dinner/social at Kodiak Jack's in Oshkosh hosted by John and Jeanne Strubic. jjstrubic@centurytel.net
	Saturday, June 11, 2011 Bergstrom Coffee and Donuts, hosted by Nick Proctor
	Sunday, June 12, 2011 24 Heures du Mans 2011 at Circuit de la Sarthe, Le Mans, France The 24 Hours of Le Mans Party Hosted by Andrew Opicka andrew@opicka.com
	Saturday, June 18, 2011 Flag Day Parade FVR presence, co-hosted by Fritz Wotruba fwotruba@new.rr.com and Andrew Opicka Andrew@Opicka.com
	June 25, 2011 The 2011 Ladies Only tour Waupaca and Wautoma areas, hosted by Jeanne Strubic jjstrubic@centurytel.net and Laura Prellwitz lprellwitz@att.net
July	Saturday, July 2, 2010 Bergstrom Coffee and Donuts, hosted by Nick Proctor
	Monday, July 4, 2010 Cars 2 Movie Family Fun Movie Date. Hosted by Andrew Opicka Andrew@opicka.com
	Saturday, July 9, 2010 Iola Old Car Show Cookout. Hosted by Mark and Barb Wilkinson wlknsnm@wolfnet.net
	Saturday, July 23, 2011 Social at Trout Springs Winery. Hosted by Steve & Andrea DeBaker brchrivr@centurytel.net
August	Tuesday, August 02, 2011 August dinner/social in Shawano area. Hosted by Al & Pam Kuck akuck@crinet.com
	Saturday, August 6, 2011 Bergstrom Coffee and Donuts, hosted by Nick Proctor
	Saturday, August 13, 2011 Chilton Steam Show and Fox Valley Region Porsche Display. Host Robert Geiser. rgeiser@milwpc.com
	Sunday, August 14, 2011 "Arctic Circle" Lap around Lake Winnebago w/ice cream stops! Tour hosted by the Prellwitz's lprellwitz@att.net
	Saturday, August ??, 2011 Dinner/social on a Saturday in Door County. Hosted by Bob Hawley robert.hawley@yahoo.com (tentative)
September	Monday, September 5, 2011 Labor Day picnic Hosted By George Payne. 82targa@att.net
	Friday, September 23 - Sunday, September 25, 2011 Fox Valley Region Fall Tour hosted by James and Cindy Janes. jim@omscom.com
October	Sunday, October 2, 2011 2011 Garage Mahal Tour (Garages needed to tour) please email andrew@opicka.com (tentative)
	Tuesday, October 4, 2011 Tech session at Auto Clinic, hosted by Gordon Skog

FVR Calendar of Events

November	Tuesday, November 8, 2011 November dinner/social, hosted by Barb and Charlie Wise
December	Saturday, December 17, 2011 Fox Valley Region Holiday Party Holiday Inn Neenah Riverwalk, hosted by Jamie and Laura Prellwitz lprellwitz@att.net

Bits and Pieces

Gehört auf der Straße (Heard on the Road)

Bring your 1991 and older Porsche to New Glarus, WI for a gathering/show of these stylish alpine sports cars on May 14th, 2011. The main street will be blocked off for the 10:00am to 4:00pm show, with arrivals beginning at 9:00am and continuing to 11:00am. Participants are encouraged to stay in the show until at least 2:00pm.

\$8 registration fee (one or more cars) to cover trophies/awards, including a people's choice; remaining proceeds to Special Olympics. For those interested in competing for an award please inquire, via contact info. below, as to breakdown of classes.

In addition to a scenic setting for this gathering/show, New Glarus offers excellent food and overnight accommodations. If you plan to bring a car to the show, or for more information, contact Brian at 608-764-8580.

Facts and Figures regarding the American Le Mans Series

The American Le Mans Series (ALMS) was created in 1999 for sports prototypes and GT vehicles. The regulations correspond to those of the Le Mans 24 hour race. At the season-opener in Sebring, the field is divided into six classes that start together but are classified separately:

1. GT class: This most popular class amongst car manufacturers is traditionally very well supported: Slightly modified standard sports cars with 440 to 460 hp and a minimum weight of 1,125 - 1,325 kilograms (e.g. Porsche 911 GT3 RSR).
2. GTE-AM class: Like the GT class, but the regulations require that each vehicle must have one professional driver at the most.
3. GTC class: This class is reserved for vehicles from one-make race series (e.g. Porsche 911 GT3 Cup).
4. LMP1 class: Sports prototypes with up to 750 hp and a minimum weight of 900 kilograms (petrol engines) or 930 kilograms (diesel engines).
5. LMP2 class: Sports prototypes with ca. 440 hp and an 825 kg minimum weight.
6. LMPC class: Prototype brand trophy series for the ORECA FLM 09.

All race cars start together but are classified separately. This ensures racing that is exciting and constantly changing with many overtaking manoeuvres. Points are awarded only for placings in each class.

Upcoming Events

What: Porsche Tractor Presentation

When: Saturday, April 9, 2011
Presentation by Robert Geiser 11:00am - 12:00pm, lunch and social to follow

Where: Johnathans Italian Bistro
1910 North Casaloma Drive, Appleton, WI

Details: Robert Geiser will present and discuss Porsche in Agriculture. The "lecture" is divided into 3 parts: What is a tractor and why have one, Porsche in Agriculture and the basic model layout, and experiences with my tractor, good and bad. There will also be some parts and some of Roberts personal reference material, and collection. We guarantee you learn something new about Porsche and that it'll be quite a trip!

Contact: RSVP to Andrew@opicka.com

April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3	4	5	6	7	8	9



What: Antique Field Day event

When: Saturday, April 16, 2011, starting at 11:00am

Where: Wilhelm Weber farm
N1020 Highway O, Rubicon, WI 54304

Hosted By: Robert Geiser

Details: Saturday, April 16, 2011 - The Sussex Antique Power Association (SAPA) of Sussex, WI, will be presenting the Antique Field Day Event at the Wilhelm Weber farm, N1020 Highway O, Rubicon, WI, weather permitting. Since 1988, we've only had to postpone the event because of weather or wet conditions only 2 or 3 times. A 2 acre field will be worked with various tractors, including Robert's award winning Porsche, which he will show anyone from the FVR how to operate (talk about a real field experience!). Participants are asked to bring a dish to pass for lunch. Should rain/wetness become a problem, an alternatives will be offered as soon as practical. Suggested route is to take CTH P southward from Theresa to Washington Road. If you miss that road, continue southward to where O and P intersect. Go east thru Alderly, pass a golf course, drive past St Olaf's church, and you're right there. The farm is located on the east side of the road and has a fairly long driveway. The field itself is located alongside the road.

Contact: Robert Geiser rgeiser@milwpc.com

April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
10	11	12	13	14	15	16



Upcoming Events

What: "Season Opener" Dinner/Social Meeting

When: Tuesday, May 3, 2011
5:30pm Greetings & Cocktails, 7:00pm Dinner

May 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Where: Jim and Linda's Supper Club
W3496 County Road W, Pipe, WI
When you arrive a Pipe and see County Trunk "W" please turn west and travel towards Lake Winnebago. Note: If you do not stop at the end of the road you will be in the lake!

Details: Here is the 15th of March and the weather has begun to warm up like the flip of a celestial switch. The time has come once again to call our fellow appreciates of the most notable of German automobiles to come together in common interest. The Sand Hill Cranes are arriving with an approaching vanguard of Robins and Redwing Blackbirds. These feathered friends of flight know that it is time to move forward for the approaching season. Along with this approaching seasonal change we Porsche wheel hands become stirred with the urge to pull off the covers, let out the over inflation air in our tires, check engine fluids, and give it a good washing and waxing. The culmination of this spurt of energy is to get together and share this enthusiasm with each other, possibly meet new friends, and enjoy fine dining and spirits. A special request this year is to invite the dues payers that we never get to know, please join us for this Season's Opener. We are sure you will have a most enjoyable evening.

Contact: Please RSVP by 4/26, call Tim & Judy St. Aubin @ 920-687-0515. Should we not be there please leave a message on the answering machine, or you can e-mail us at tstaubin@sbcglobal.net Those wanting to contribute door prizes for our charity drawing would be appreciated.

What: Kodiak Jack's Dinner/Social Meeting

When: Tuesday, June 7, 2011
5:00pm social in the bar, dinner at 6:30pm

June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5	6	7	8	9	10	11

Where: Kodiak Jack's Steak and Seafood Restaurant
2059 Witzel Avenue, Oshkosh, WI 54904

Hosted By: John and Jeanne Strublic

Details: Please join us at Kodiak Jack's in Oshkosh for the June 7th dinner/social meeting. We had a wonderful turnout last year with many favorable comments on the restaurant. We will meet for cocktails at 5:00pm in the bar with dinner following at approximately 6:30pm. Kodiak Jack's has a wide variety of menu items of all prices. They have a wonderful table of snacks in the bar area until 6pm. Our meeting will be in a separate area with our own bar and salad bar so if you come in the main doors turn right to enter the bar and go all the way to the back and you will see the separate area that we will be in. We will be parking in the parking lot at the north end of the building and there also is a door there that will take you close to our meeting area. Kodiak Jack's is just off of Highway 41 next to the Wal-Mart Super Center. The easiest way to get there is to take the Highway 21 ramp, and go west to the stoplight by the Shell Station. Turn left, go past Lowe's and Fleet Farm. You will come to a roundabout. Take the first right and you will see Kodiak Jack's just ahead on the left.

Contact: Please email us at jjstrublic@centurytel.net to let us know if you will be attending. We will need to have all responses by Friday, June 3rd. Hope to see you there!!

Upcoming Events

June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	30	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11

2011 Waterfalls Tour

June 3 -5



Upper Michigan resident and FVR member, Al Curran, will once again host a waterfalls tour to some of the U.P.'s most beautiful waterfalls. Last year's trip was spectacular and Al will lead us on a different route this year, so we can enjoy even more of nature's beauty. The Days Inn in Eagle River, WI, will be our home base for the weekend, located at 844 Railroad Street, Hwy 17 & 45 North, Eagle River, 54521. We will meet Friday evening, June 3, at your leisure at the hotel. Last year, several folks arrived later afternoon and went to dinner together. We can try to coordinate that again this year. Saturday will be an all-day tour. Sunday you may return home at your leisure.

A block of 12 rooms has been reserved at the Days Inn. Please call the hotel directly at 715-479-5151 to make your reservation under the name of "Prellwitz". Have your credit card handy! There are four (4) king rooms for \$71.10 per night plus tax, and eight (8) deluxe rooms with two queen beds, microwave and refrigerators for \$75.60 per night plus tax. The hotel is giving us a 10% discount because of this block, and because we are returning patrons. **The cut-off for reservations is May 3, 2011.** There may be rooms available after that date, but the rate will likely increase. As long as there are rooms available, we can add lodging, but availability is first come, first served. The hotel has a 24 hour pool and deluxe breakfast included. www.eagleriverdaysinn.com

Al Curran will be publishing more details in the future about the actual tour route, scenic stops, restaurants, etc., but you may begin making your hotel reservations now. If you have further questions, please e-mail Al at arcllc@gmail.com or Laura Prellwitz at lprellwitz@att.net Once you've made your hotel reservation, please let Laura know so she can add/delete rooms with the hotel as needed. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
19	20	21	22	23	24	25

Third Annual Ladies' Only Tour

Ladies, be sure to join us this year for a day of driving, shopping, eating, and laughter, Saturday, June 25, in the Wautoma and Waupaca areas, led by Jeanne Strublic. If you've ever felt intimidated driving with "the boys" or Mr. Wonderful always hogs the steering wheel, here's your opportunity to get out and drive your P-car with the girls only. Not a driver? Let Jeanne or Laura Prellwitz know and we'll help find someone with an empty passenger seat.

The general itinerary is:

- 8:15AM - If you're interested, Laura will lead a car caravan from Gordon Skog's Auto Clinic in Neenah, to Jeanne Strublic's residence near Wautoma. Otherwise, just meet at Jeanne's as listed next.....
- 9:30 - Meet at Jeanne Strublic's home. Jeanne will have light refreshments and snacks. Jeanne's address is N3060 21st Lane, Wautoma. Directions: From Hwy. 21 between Red Granite and Wautoma, turn north onto 22nd Avenue (look for the Waushara Community Church on the corner or the signs to Lake Alpine County Park). Follow 22nd Avenue north for approximately 3 miles (it will turn into 21st Lane). The Hideaway Bar is on the left directly across the road from the Strublic's home.
- 10:00 - Tour departs to Wautoma. Shopping time in Wautoma.
- 11:00 - Depart Wautoma, and drive to Saxeville with a 15 minute stop at a covered bridge.
- 11:45 - Leave and drive to Red Mill, where there is another covered bridge, gift shops, and scenic park with walking paths.
- 12:45 - Depart Red Mill and drive to Clearwater Harbor in King.
- 1:00 - Lunch on the waterfront deck (weather permitting), shopping, and stern-wheel paddle boat trip on the Chain of Lakes (\$10.50 per person)
- 4:00 - Re-group in parking lot. Optional stop at nearby park, or depart for home.

RSVP's are needed by Friday, June 17 to jjstrublic@centurytel.net or lprellwitz@att.net



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2010 Ladies Tour



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- No pets/animals allowed

Fiesta New Mexico

Roadrunner Region PCA Fiesta New Mexico 2011 Return to Santa Fe Memorial Day Weekend 2011

May 26 - 29, 2011



Porsche lovers everywhere can't wait to drive their amazing cars, especially on new and twisting roads. Fiesta New Mexico has just what those enthusiasts are looking for and more. Our State's marketing group describes our state this way: "New Mexico welcomes you with color and art, music and dance, breathtaking landscapes, and a heritage of Indian, Anglo, and Hispanic cultures that cannot be found in any other state in the union."

Over Memorial Day Weekend you will have a chance to see for yourself how true this statement really is. The Roadrunner Region of the PCA is once again hosting Fiesta New Mexico (formerly Fiesta del Porsche). This year we are returning to our State capital with our theme "Return to Santa Fe." In addition to drive outs through some of our breathtaking landscape our event will also include a Show & Shine concourse, autocross and a gimmick rally with a twist.

The Schedule of events includes a welcome party at 6:00 PM Thursday, May 26th at our host hotel, the Hilton on the Plaza. Friday will feature a Show & Shine concourse at Museum Hill (www.museumhill.org) featuring the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture, the Museum of International Folk Art, the Museum of Spanish Colonial Art and the Wheelright Museum of the American Indian and followed by a splendid buffet at the Museum Hill Cafe. Saturday will feature an autocross at a special location.

Because we will be in Santa Fe and within walking distance to the famous Santa Fe plaza, Fiesta organizers are turning attendees loose on Saturday evening to seek out and enjoy one of the many fine restaurants that surround the Plaza. The Gimmick Rally will be ongoing throughout the weekend and conclude on Sunday. If you are not into competition each day will also include a choice of two tours. As always our farewell awards banquet will be held Sunday evening at our host hotel. Check our new website www.fiestanewmexico.com for registration and other information. Registration is open and our events are filling fast so don't delay, log on to our website today.

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Spring Tech Session

Notes from the Spring Tech Session and March FVR Board Meeting at The Auto Clinic

Spring tech session 3/1/2011 - *provided by Mary Haen, FVR Secretary*

Ace mechanic Gordon Skog went out on a limb to change a tire in front of all of us. He changed the tire on a 1990 911 without ever having done so or reviewing ahead of time! His main point, "read the manual, it's all there"...if you have one in your car. Just a few observations for those of you not present:

- Put the car in gear and / or block the tires so it doesn't roll away.
- Make sure the jack is secured in the provided attachment point on the body.
- Ensure your car has a tool kit with lug wrench.
- Ensure you have a working inflator if you have a collapsible spare tire.
- Stand on the lug wrench if you need more torque to break the lug loose.
- Wayne added a few tidbits, like keep a small piece of wood to put under the jack.
- For newer cars, ensure you have the threaded tow hook in case you need a tow.

Other topics Gordon included were things he inspects on a Spring service visit whether on your daily driver or on your treasured P-Car.



Andrew Opicka provides the official meeting opening

Spring Tech Session

Then, President Andrew reviewed upcoming events including Appleton Pinewood Derby event. It is sponsored by Fritz Wotruba, please contact him if you can help out the kids. Our next dinner night will be Sat April 9 at Jonathon's Bistro (note the date change!). Porsche tractors and their history will be our topic of the evening discussion led by new member and tractor restorer Robert Geiser. Then, at our Sussex event you can see, and maybe even drive his authentic vintage Porsche tractor!

As always, Auto Clinic had great door prizes, several folks including yours truly left with good stuff. The charity raffle prize Aluminum racing jack went to Warren & Joyce Beaver. The Raffle brought in \$67 for our charities.

At the board meeting that followed, we discussed the offered use of the EAA grounds as a venue for future events. Although EAA management suggested our presence during the EAA Fly In, our club decided against that time frame for a wide host of reasons. Our 2011 schedule is pretty full already, so maybe we can plan something on their grounds in the future. The possibility of an autocross there was discussed, possibly in co-ordination with Central WI Region PCA, or maybe Fox Valley Sports Car club. Andrew will survey the membership as to interest and potential participation level. Fritz has experience in this area, and could guide us if we proceed.



Gordon demonstrates use of the inflatable spare with a Porsche portable air compressor

Spring Tech Session



The audience prepares for an informative meeting under the expert hand of Gordon Skog



Al Taylor directs the drawing of names for door prizes

Porsche Motorsport News

Second place for Porsche in the new GTE-AM class

Source: Porsche AG Press Release

Sebring - March 19 - At the Sebring 12 hour race, Porsche took off into the 2011 season of the Intercontinental Le Mans Cup and the American Le Mans Series by clinching second place in the new GTE-AM class. Sharing the cockpit of the Porsche 911 GT3 RSR fielded by Proton Competition was Porsche works driver Richard Lietz (Austria) with his teammates Christian Ried (Germany) and Gianluca Roda (Italy).

"Our car ran well until we experienced some clutch problems towards the end of the race," said Richard Lietz. "The new GTE-AM class, in which only one professional driver is permitted per vehicle, is very interesting. As always, the Sebring event was huge fun. My driver colleagues drove consistent times and didn't make one error."

In the GT class of the American Le Mans Series, Porsche works drivers Joerg Bergmeister (Germany) and Patrick Long (USA) claimed sixth place. At the wheel of the Flying Lizard Motorsports 911 GT3 RSR, the title defenders found themselves a lap down early on in the race run in hot temperatures after Patrick Long received a one minute stop-and-go penalty for a collision. Later on, a hose on Joerg Bergmeister's cooling vest came loose and the leaking water caused misfiring, making an unscheduled pit stop necessary. Through this, they lost another lap to the front-runners. "The opposition is so strong this year that you simply can't make up such a shortfall. In this respect, I'm quite satisfied with sixth place," said Joerg Bergmeister. "We experienced bad luck today and I hope that we'll be able to balance things out over the course of the season."



Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, Proton Competition: Christian Ried, Gianluca Roda, Richard Lietz (Porsche AG Press Database)

Porsche Motorsport News

Despite putting in a strong drive with Team Falken's Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, Porsche factory pilot Wolf HENZLER (Germany) and his teammates Martin Ragginger (Austria) and Bryan Sellers (USA) were not rewarded with a good result. The new squad under Derrick Walker made an impressive debut in the American Le Mans Series, and worked highly professionally with excellent pit stops at their first race outing. Over long stretches, their 911 GT3 RSR was the fastest Porsche in the field, but did not reach the finish line due to gearbox problems. "Our teamwork went very well," said Wolf HENZLER. "Above all, we've made huge progress with the tyres compared to last year. We can build on this over the rest of the season."

In the second Porsche 911 GT3 RSR of Flying Lizard Motorsports, Porsche works driver Marco Holzer (Germany) and his American teammates Seth Neiman and Darren Law saw the flag in seventh place. "Obviously, we imagined our start to the season differently," said Porsche head of motorsport, Hartmut Kristen. "Still, sixth place for Flying Lizard Motorsports and the corresponding championship points are very important for a successful title defence. Sadly, the collision with a competitor, the leaking cooling vest and the resulting electrical problems prevented a better result. Congratulations to the Proton Competition squad for their second place at the premiere of the GTE-AM class. The other Porsche teams also performed excellently at this extremely competitive race."

Victory in the GTC class for one-make series vehicles went to Tim Pappas (USA), Sebastiaan Bleekemolen (NL) and Damien Faulkner (IRL) in the Porsche 911 GT3 Cup.

Round 2 of the American Le Mans Series will run on 16 April on the street circuit of Long Beach in the US State of California.



Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, Flying Lizard Motorsports: Jörg Bergmeister, Patrick Long, Marc Lieb (Porsche AG Press Database)

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Statistics: 1st race ILMC / ALMS in Sebring, FL

Result GTE-AM class

1. Krohn/Jonsson/Rugolo (USA/S/I), Ferrari F430, 301 laps
2. Lietz/Ried/Roda (A/D/I), Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, 252
3. Ehret/Lynn/Wills (D/GB/NZ), Ferrari F430, 226

Result GT

1. Priaulx/Müller/Hand (GB/D/USA), BMW M3 GT, 312 laps
2. Farfus/Auberlen/Werner (BR/USA/D), BMW M3 GT, 311
3. Beretta/Garcia/Milner (MC/E/USA), Chevrolet Corvette, 311
4. Gavin/Magnussen/Westbrook (GB/DK/GB), Chevrolet Corvette, 311
5. Fisichella/Bruni/Kaffer (I/I/D), Ferrari F458, 311
6. Bergmeister/Long/Lieb (D/USA/D), Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, 310
7. Holzer/Law/Neiman (D/USA/USA), Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, 306

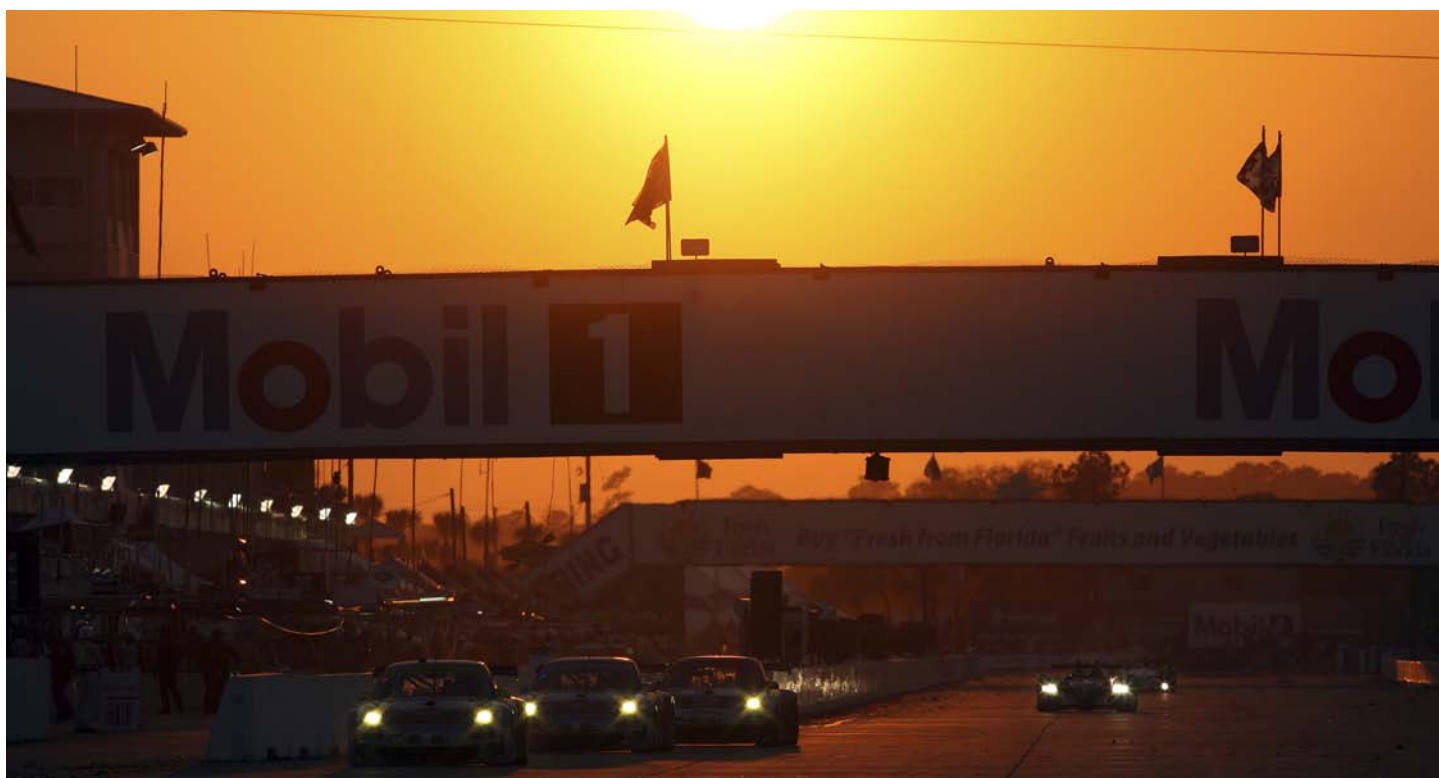
Result GTC class

1. Pappas/Bleekemolen/Faulkner (USA/NL/IRL), Porsche 911 GT3 Cup, 299 laps
2. Ende/Pumpelly/Li (USA/USA/HKG), Porsche 911 GT3 Cup, 298
3. Cisneros/Edwards/Kauffmann (USA/USA/GB), Porsche 911 GT3 Cup, 296



Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, Flying Lizard Motorsports: Seth Neiman, Darren Law, Marco Holzer (Porsche AG Press Database)

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The 59th Annual Twelve Hours of Sebring continues under a setting sun (Porsche AG Press Database)

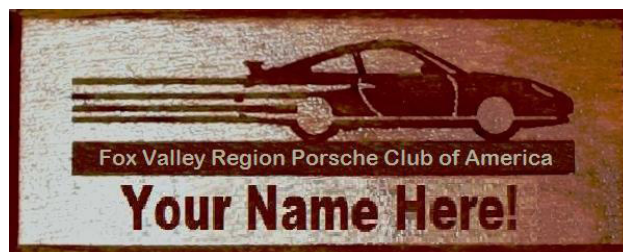
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918 Units of Exclusive Future Technology

Starting gun for sales of the Porsche 918 Spyder hybrid super sports car

Source: Porsche AG Press Release

Stuttgart - March 21 - Today is the day that Dr. Ing. h.c. F. Porsche AG, Stuttgart, puts on sale the 918 Spyder super sports car with its innovative plug-in hybrid drive. Production development is proceeding apace in the wake of the outstanding customer response to the concept car unveiled at the Geneva Motor Show 2010. Thanks to its unique hybrid technology, the 918 Spyder is estimated to consume a mere three litres of fuel per 100 kilometres (94 mpg imp.) based on the New European Driving Cycle (NEDC). Its V8 engine delivers more than 368 kW (500 hp), assisted by two electric motors with a total of at least 160 kW (218 hp). The 918 Spyder is available for immediate order priced from 645,000 Euro - subject to VAT and country-specific charges.

To ensure a 918 Spyder's exclusivity, the two-seater is limited to no more than 918 units. The earlier a customer orders his vehicle, the earlier it will be delivered, as production is initialised in the same sequence in which orders are received. Production of the 918 Spyder is scheduled to commence on 18 September 2013 - 9/18 in US date convention - in a quasi manufacturing operation at Porsche's main plant in Stuttgart-Zuffenhausen. Delivery of the initial vehicles will commence in November 2013.

The design's DNA is derived from the Carrera GT and Porsche 917 sports car as well as the RS Spyder and is very closely modelled on the 2010 concept car. Unlike the concept car, however, the production version of the two-seater, based on a carbon fibre-reinforced plastic monocoque, features a manual roof system with removable roof panels that can be stowed in the front luggage compartment.

The 918 Spyder is driven by a unique type of plug-in hybrid system. It comprises a high-revving V8 engine with a displacement exceeding four litres and output of more than 368 kW (500 hp). The mid-engine power unit is based on the racing engine of the successful Porsche RS Spyder, which provided impressive proof of its efficiency with its multiple victories in the Michelin Green X Challenge in the American Le Mans Series, the Le Mans Series and the 24 Hours of Le Mans. Power transmission to the rear wheels is by means of a compact, seven gear Porsche-Doppelkupplungsgetriebe (PDK). This is complemented by two electric motors - one each on the front and rear axle - with a joint mechanical output of at least 160 kW (218 hp). This configuration offers an innovative, variable all-wheel drive with independent control of



918 Spyder (Porsche AG Press Database)

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the propulsion force on both axles. The energy storage unit is a liquid-cooled lithium-ion battery that can be charged from a conventional domestic power socket, delivering a range in excess of 25 km (16 miles) in the NEDC on purely electric power. The charging time depends on the country-specific mains network, being approximately three hours in Germany, for example. A quick charging option is planned to reduce charging time yet further.

The 918 Spyder's combined total fuel consumption in the NEDC (ECE-R 101) is anticipated to be 3.0 l/100 km (94 mpg imp.), equating to CO₂ emissions of 70 g/km (112 g/mile). Despite that, the super sports car offers performance of the highest order. It accelerates from a standing start to 100 km/h (62 mph) in a maximum of 3.2 seconds and has a top speed of more than 320 km/h (199 mph). That means the Spyder will be able to manage a lap of the Nürburgring Nordschleife in less than seven minutes and 30 seconds - trouncing the Porsche Carrera GT, which needs seven minutes and 32 seconds. The top speed on purely electric power is 150 km/h (94 mph).

To shorten the time the customer has to wait for the 918 Spyder, Porsche is offering everyone placing an order the exclusive opportunity to acquire a 911 Turbo S "Edition 918 Spyder", also limited to no more than 918 units. Visually, both inside and out, the special edition is inspired by the 918 Spyder's characteristic individual features. That includes the distinctive acid green features such as the specific and part-embroidered model logos and seams, the instrument cluster needles, the specific PCM screen and illuminated door entry guards. The limited edition badge on the glove compartment lid bears the same number as the 918 Spyder the customer has ordered. The 911 Turbo S "Edition 918 Spyder" can also be ordered in the same colour.

Both the technology and basic equipment of the new 911 Turbo S "Edition 918 Spyder" are based on the 530 hp (295 kW) 911 Turbo S. In the case of the special edition, the already comprehensive standard equipment is complemented in particular by an enhanced leather interior, a special instrumentation version and additional carbon elements both inside and out.

The 911 Turbo S "Edition 918 Spyder" is being offered to coincide with the commencement of sales of the 918 Spyder with deliveries starting in June 2011. The Coupé version of the special edition costs 173,241 Euro in Germany and 184,546 Euro as a Cabriolet - including VAT and country-specific equipment items respectively.



911 Turbo S "Edition 918 Spyder" (Porsche AG Press Database)

The Most Reliable Sports Car

Porsche 911 - the most reliable sports car

Source: Porsche AG Press Release

Stuttgart. The prestigious US market research institute J.D. Power and Associates has found Dr. Ing. h.c. Porsche AG, Stuttgart's 911 model line to be the most reliable vehicle. That was the conclusion of the current VDS (Vehicle Dependability Study 2011) which analysed vehicles registered between September 2007 and February 2008. More than 43,700 American car owners were involved in the poll. They voted Porsche the best German car manufacturer.

At the same time there was high praise for production quality: In their study VDS 2011, the market researchers - referring to the long-term quality of the vehicles produced there - found the main Porsche plant in Stuttgart-Zuffenhausen to be the best car factory in the world. "These results confirm our rigorous focus on the very highest quality throughout the entire process chain. At Porsche we are never satisfied with our achievements. Traditionally we have always striven to become even better. Because we take a very sporty view of quality as well," said Dr. Stefan Knirsch, Director Corporate Quality.



911 Carrera S Coupé (Porsche AG Press Database)

Membership Milestones



Member Anniversaries

Name	Location	Vehicles(s)	Member Since
Mitchel & Barb Eastman	Green Bay, WI	2001 911	2006
Carol & Richard Helstad	Oconto Falls, WI	1991 911	1987
David & Kelly Hoem	Oshkosh, WI	1979 911SC	1990
Alfred & Pamela Kuck	Shawano, WI	2004 911 GT3	1998
Jim & Mary Niemiec	Wisconsin Rapids, WI	2001 911	2009
Dick & Kathy Randall	Menasha, WI	2005 911	2010
Gregory & Alicia Rigoni	Kingsford, MI	1988.5 944 TS	2007
Dennis Schreiner	Sobieski, WI	1981 911sc	1989
Robert Sutherland	Manitowoc, WI	2001 911	2006
Thomas & Judith Verhagen	Kaukauna, WI	2001 boxer	2003

Welcome to our NEW MEMBERS!!!!

Name	Location	Vehicles(s)
Darrell Lubenow	Pulaski, WI	2011 911

Our region's current membership is 284 total members; 156 primary members and 128 affiliate/family members. Thanks to all of you who continue to promote our club to fellow Porsche owners! Thank you also to our loyal members who continue to renew their membership with us annually. Your continued support and participation is greatly appreciated.

From the Editor

The Learning Curve

Now that the seasons have officially changed and springtime is here, we no longer need to think of the summer season as being a time so far, far away. As you have likely noticed, the upcoming events section of this issue of Whaletales has revealed the details of several new events, which are sure to be fun and interesting.

With the intensity and frequency of disheartening news lately, both on a global and regional level, perhaps attending one of these meetings could be just what we need to add a little sunshine to our lives. It can be the simplest pleasures that remind us of the joy to be found in life around us, and who wouldn't mind a bit of that? The other day when I took a morning walk with our dog, and made a subtle decision to take the camera along and captured the ice having just gone out on the Little Wolf River, followed only minutes later by the first Robin - now those are simple pleasures. Those are the kind of pleasures that wash away some of the frustration that life's little aggravations can lay on us.

Each of the events planned for this year is a result of a fellow member caring to share their passion for Porsche others. With new members becoming involved, we are also beginning to see an even greater variety of events being added to the calendar, such as Robert Gesier offering to introduce us to an interesting lineage of the Porsche family as he shares his knowledge and experience with Porsche tractors. There are a great number of other events planned for this driving season, so be sure to check your calendars and make an FVR event part of your life.

I would personally like to call for members that may be new to the Fox Valley Region or those that have not attended club events in the past, to come and enjoy the fun. Everyone can use a bit of sunshine!

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