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On the cover

Gordon Skog leads the fellow travelers to Mirabell's German restaruarnt in Chicago after departing from the Chicago Auto Show. As the sign to the left of the side door states: "Eat, drink and be German".

From the President

Well another month has passed, getting us that much closer to spring. It helps having the club events during these bleak months to remind us of the fun we will be having this coming summer.

February started off with a dinner night out at Plum Hill Cafe. I was able to visit with some our club members and sit back and have a relaxing evening. Great people, great service and some of the best food I've had in a long time, what more could one ask for. Thanks Jim and Lisa Stephenson for hosting this event. Also in February we had our bus trip to the Chicago Auto Show, hosted by John Beck. Thanks John for taking on one of the more difficult events to host. If anyone plans on attending the Chicago Auto Show in the future, this bus trip is the way to do it. No traffic or parking hassles. Being able to rest on the bus trip there and back, saving all your energy for the show really helps to take it all in.

On the return bus trip home, I thought and reminisced of all the great and beautiful cars that I had just witnessed at the show, looking at as many of them that time would allow and how their beauty was displayed, how they were marketed and yes how they were priced! Got me thinking, how I might be able to own some of these fine cars. I gotta tell you; these cars were made for me. I could envision myself behind the wheel of some of these beauties, cruising on down the highway, hair blowing in the wind, not a care in the world and all eyes upon me. I could see all of these cars lined up neatly in my garage and driveway at dusk on a hot summer's night, with the lights of the garage reflecting off the cars just so, that it looks like a work of art out of a magazine. A certain feeling of peacefulness takes over me as I relax with these thoughts.

Just as I was getting deeper into this relaxed feeling of serenity, my cell phone rings, as I answer my phone I'm thinking, who could be calling me now; it was a friend on the bus just wondering what I was doing. Well I tell you, reality set in. And that reality is, as much as I like and admire these new cars, they cannot replace or diminish my feelings I have for my current old cars. All the time I have spent rebuilding and repairing and changing things on them to make them the way I like. All the time I have spent driving them, entering car shows, and taking them on trips to visit friends and family. How my cars got me involved in the Porsche Club. All the friends and experiences I've had thru the years with my cars cannot be replaced with a new car. No, my reality is, I will keep my old cars, I will keep my memories, I will keep my friends, because that is what makes me happy and content. With all that said I get up from my seat and walk to the back of the bus to spend some memorable times with some good friends in the Porsche Club.

The coming months have some great events also, starting off with March 6th, Auto Clinic will be hosting the spring tech session, a fun, low key and learning event. No RSVP needed, just show up for a relaxed evening. April 3rd, a dinner social at Lorelei Inn in Green Bay, an all-new event hosted by Laura Prellwitz, so get your RSVP to Laura. May 1st, the spring opener at Jim & Linda's in Pipe, always a big event and usually the first event we get to bring our Porsche's out. RSVP to Pat and Al Utecht.



FVR Calendar of Events

March	Tuesday, March 6, 2012 Spring Tech Session at the Auto Clinic, hosted by Gordon Skog. gord240z@live.com		
April	Tuesday, April 3, 2012 Dinner/social at the Lorelei Inn in Green Bay, hosted by Jamie and Laura Prellwitz. lprellwitz@att.net		
May	Tuesday, May 1, 2012 "Spring Opener" dinner/social/car show at Jim & Linda's in Pipe, WI, hosted by Allan and Pat Utecht. allanu@walsdorfroofing.com		
	Sunday, May 20, 2012 Fox Valley Road & Track Classic - XII, sponsered by Roy Fine		
June	Saturday, June 2, 2012 Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstrom Porsche, hosted by Nick Proctor		
	Sunday, June 3, 2012 Picnic at High Cliff State Park, hosted by Jamie and Laura Prellwitz. lprellwitz@att.net		
	Tuesday, June 5, 2012 Dinner/social at Kodiak Jack's in Oshkosh, hosted by John & Jeanne Strublic. jjstrublic@centurytel.net		
	Saturday, June 16 - Sunday, June 17, 2012 UP Tour - Marquette area and waterfalls, hosted by Al Curran arclic@gmail.com		
	Saturday, June 23, 2012 Ladies' Only tour - Tour to the "Taste of New Glarus" festival, hosted by Laura Prellwitz. lprellwitz@att.net		
July	Saturday, July 7, 2012 Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstrom Porsche, hosted by Nick Proctor		
	Sunday, July 8 - Friday, July 13, 2012 PCA Parade Salt Lake City, Utah		
	Saturday, July 14, 2012 lola Old Car Show, tubing, and potluck, hosted by Barb & Mark Wilkinson. mark.wilkinson@charter.net		
	Saturday, July 21, 2012 Social at Trout Springs Winery, hosted by Steve & Andrea DeBaker brchrivr@centurytel.net		
August	Saturday, August 4, 2012 Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstrom Porsche, hosted by Nick Proctor		
J	Tuesday, August 7, 2012 Dinner/social at Bavarian Inn, hosted by Larry & Pat Rogers		
September Saturday, September 1, 2012 Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstrom Porsche, host Proctor			
	Monday, September 3 - Labor Day Picnic, hosted by George Payne		
	Friday, September 14 - Sunday, September 16, 2012 Fox Valley Region 2012 Fall Tour to Paradise, Mlichigan, hosted by Jamie and Laura Prellwitz lprellwitz@att.net		
October	Tuesday, October 2, 2012 Fall tech session at Auto Clinic, hosted by Gordon Skog		
November	Tuesday, November 6, 2012 Dinner social at Mackinaw's (tentative location) Host: TBD		
December	Saturday, December 15, 2012 Holiday Party at Holiday Inn Neenah Riverwalk. Host: TBD		

March 6: Spring Tech Session

Spring Tech Session at the Auto Clinic





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When: Tuesday, March 6, 2012

Auto Clinic of Neenah Where:

1495 County Road II Neenah, WI 54956

Hosted By: Gordon Skog

Details: For this year's Spring Tech Session we will continue to keep it light and simple,

Gordon Skog, owner of Auto Clinic will discuss what to do in getting your

Porsche's out for the first run in the Spring and demonstrate the steps of an engine

removal for a Porsche 911.

Of course, the floor will be open for discussion, with questions on on any topic

welcome.

All members and friends welcome, No RSVP needed, just show up when you can!

Join for free pizza and drinks and a relaxing event. Great Door Prizes!!!!

Contact: Gordon Skog gord240z@live.com

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April 3: Dinner at the Lorelei Inn

April 2012

What: April Social and Dinner Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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When: Tuesday, April 3, 2012

Where: Lorelei Inn

1412 South Webster Avenue, Green Bay

(located between St. Vincent's Hospital and Heritage Hill) 44.4930, -88.0165

Details: Attitude Adjustment 5:30 - 6:30 PM

Dinner from the menu at 6:30

The Lorelei features authentic German and American cuisine, along with a large variety of beers from around the world. You may check out their menu and prices in advance at

www.lorelei-inn.com

Our club has not previously had a dinner/social at the Lorelei, so please join us for this new

dining experience in this historical building, featuring its own documented ghost!

Contact: RSVP's are due by Sunday, April 1 to lprellwitz@att.net



May 1: Spring Opener

May 2012

What: "Spring Opener" Dinner/Social Meeting

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat 29 30 1 2 3 4 5

When: Tuesday, May 1, 2012

Where: Jim and Linda's Supper Club

W3496 County Road W, Pipe, WI

(on east shore of Lake Winnebago) 43.9143,-88.3325

Details: Coming soon is the annual Fox Valley Region event that gives us an opportunity to truly

break free from the depths of winter, and get our favorite Porsche out from under the

covers and on the road!

The annual "Spring Opener" at Jim and Linda's in Pipe is a great venue for an early season road trip, one that has had a great turnout over the past years. All you will need to take part in this great evening of dinner, conversation, and friendship with fellow members is to make

your RSVP to attend with this year's hosts, Allan and Pat Utecht.

Contact: Allan and Pat Utecht. <u>allanu@walsdorfroofing.com</u>







June 3: Picnic at High Cliff

FVR Picnic at High Cliff State Park



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When: Sunday, June 3, 2012

Where: High Cliff State Park

N7630 State Park Road, Sherwood, WI 54169

Hosted By: Jamie and Laura Prellwitz

Details: FREE State Park Admission and FVR Picnic at High Cliff!

Sunday, June 3, will be a great day to go for a Sunday drive! Members are encouraged to take a leisurely and scenic drive of their own choosing to High Cliff State Park, Wisconsin's only state park located on Lake Winnebago. Additionally, June 3, is FREE ADMISSION day to all state parks, so an entry sticker or fee is NOT required.

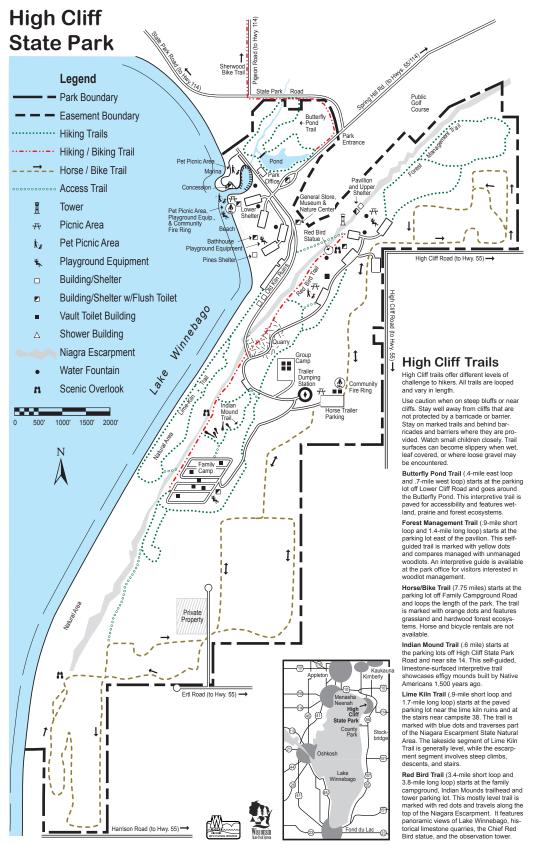
Jamie and Laura Prellwitz will have grills going from 11:00 - 1:00 PM. Hot dogs and brats, buns, condiments, table ware, etc. will be provided. Please bring your own beverages and a dish to pass (appetizer, salad, or dessert). You are welcome to arrive early and stay late to enjoy the many features of the park.

Unfortunately, picnic sites cannot be reserved. Therefore, we cannot guarantee where we will be in the park. However, we hope to set up at the picnic and lower shelter areas near the marina. See the map on the next page. If we are not there, please check the map for the other picnic sites.

For more information on the park go to http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/parks/specific/highcliff

Contact: RSVP's due to Friday, June 1 to lprellwitz@att.net

High Cliff Map



June 23: Ladies Only Tour

Fourth Annual Ladies' Only Tour



June 2012 Tue Wed Thu

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When: Saturday, June 23, 2012

Where: Taste of New Glarus Festival

New Glarus, WI

Hosted By: Laura Prellwitz

Details: Ladies of the FVR-PCA, mark Saturday, June 23, as YOUR day to drive the Porsche! Please

join us for our annual ladies' only tour. This year's trek will take us 28 miles south of Madison to New Glarus, "Little Switzerland", WI, for their annual "Taste of New Glarus" festival.

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Meet at Gordon Skog's Auto Clinic at 1495 Winchester Road, Neenah, 7:30 - 8:00 AM. We will depart promptly at 8:00! It will be a scenic and casual drive to New Glarus, and we will avoid the Madison/metro area. It is approximately 150 miles, or a three hour tour (a three hour tour.....but at least we're on land and not in a boat!)

If Neenah is not a convenient place for you to meet with us, we will be passing near these locations: Oshkosh, Waupun, Beaver Dam, Columbus, Lodi, and Prairie du Sac. Please let me know if you will join us from one of these locations instead.

The festival is in downtown New Glarus. The featured events are a craft fair from 9:00 AM-5:00 PM, "Taste of New Glarus" 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM, and wagon rides from 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM. For more details go to www.swisstown.com/tasteng.shtml

We will depart New Glarus at 4:00 PM for the return trip back to the Fox Cities.

Contact: Please RSVP to Laura Prellwitz by Thursday, June 21 to lprellwitz@att.net or call 920-242-

1644.

July 21: Dinner at Trout Springs

July 2012

What: Potluck Dinner & Bocce Ball Tournament

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat 15 16 17 18 19 20 21

When: Saturday, July 21, 2012

Where: Trout Springs Winery

8150 River Road, Greenleaf, WI www.troutspringswinery.com

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Details: Steve & Andrea Debaker, owners of Trout Springs

Winery cordially invite the club to join them at the winery on Saturday, July 21 for a potluck dinner and of course, bocce ball in the vineyard. Event to start at 2pm and Steve will be giving a tour at 3pm of the winery and hatchery for anyone interested, with wine tasting to follow afterwards. Please bring a dish to pass; burgers, condiments and dinnerware will be provided by the hosts.



A Sample of Goderstad Art

Artwork

Andrea and Steve would like to remind FVR members that the plan for having a local artist on site who could produce original artwork featuring the Porsche of a limited number of participating members is in place. The minimum start bid for an 11 by 14 is \$300 and would take about 4 hours to complete; please see the artist bio and sample of his work.

Artist bio - Paul Goderstad

Turning the scenic outcasts into beauty is the attraction that drives Paul Goderstad's artwork. Colorful and bold renditions are created from otherwise overlooked and forgotten places and subjects. Around the corner, behind the shed is where Paul finds subject matter, believing that a good design can yield pleasure for the viewer in an unexpected way.

Primarily self taught but taking workshops from artists Ken Dewaard and Bonnita Budysz have given Paul fresh insight into his bold and colorful expression.

Organizational affiliations include:

Water's Edge Artists (WEA), 2009-present

Lakeshore Natural Resource Partnership (LNRP) juried calendar inclusion 2011 and 2012.

Contact: R.S.V.P. by July 13th please to (920) 864-7761 or brchrivr@centurytel.net

September 14-16: FVR Fall Tour

What: Fall Tour to Paradise 2012, or "Choose Your Adventure"

When: Friday, September 14 to Sunday, September 16

Where: Manistique, Michigan

Hosted By: Jamie and Laura Prellwitz

Details: It's never too early to start planning ahead!

Next year's fall tour is already scripted! It just needs YOU to join us to make it fun.

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September 2012

The general tour route will be a departure Friday, September 14, at 10:30AM from the north side of Green Bay to Wallace, MI, with a stop at the DeYoung Family Zoo. From there we will travel to our final destination, Manistique, MI. Or, you may drive up on your at your leisure and we'll meet you when you arrive.

On Saturday, you will have three options of driving tours; from minimal, to moderate, to long-distance hard core (traveling to the town of Paradise and Whitefish Point, coming within 17 miles of where the Edmund Fitzgerald sank in 1975). You will have several choices on Saturday about where you want to go and what you want to see, and if you want to be on your own, or be with a larger group. Destinations offered include waterfalls (with optional boat rental), a zoo, a lighthouse(s), shipwreck museum, a microbrewery, wine tasting, shopping, a bear ranch, beaches, scenic overlook(s), a two-mile boardwalk, gambling, or spending quality time with your significant other at the motel. Of course, there will be a tailgate party Friday late afternoon, "Show and Shine" early Saturday AM, a spouse swap Saturday afternoon, and everyone is encourage to wear their FVR-PCA or Porsche logo clothing. If you'd like more details about the trip ahead of time, I can send you a script of the tour for your review.

Sunday's return route will generally be on your own, with several suggestions for points of interest along your return trek. Some of us may travel together to common destinations. We are staying at the Econo Lodge motel at 1101 East Lake Shore Drive (Hwy.2). Because we are returning guests (from five years ago) and the entire facility has been booked by our club, the managers have given us an outstanding discounted rate of \$65 per night for ANY room. All rooms are non-smoking. There are two handicapped accessible rooms, and two rooms that are pet friendly. The motel has free Wifi, includes a hot breakfast, has a whirlpool and fitness center, and all rooms have outside entrances. Rooms are very large and clean. Choices of rooms are: 2 queen beds, 2 double beds, 1 queen, 1 king, 1 queen whirlpool, I king, 1 king whirlpool. YOU MUST CALL THE MOTEL DIRECTLY to book a room. Tell them it's for the "Fox Valley Porsche Club". If you have any problems, ask to speak to one of the managers, Al or Pat, or let Laura Prellwitz know (so she can get on her broomstick!). The phone number is 1-906-341-6014. You may start reserving rooms now. Once you have booked a room, send an e-mail to Iprellwitz@att.net so a roster can be kept. There are 30 rooms max. August 13, 2012 is the cut-off and any unclaimed rooms will be released to the public. If you call after that day, you will pay the regular rack rate.

Travel with us to Paradise September 14 -16, 2012! Show on Google Maps

Sincerely.

Contact: Your tourmeisters, Jamie and Laura Prellwitz lprellwitz@att.net

Fall Tour Update!

September 14-16 Fall Tour Update

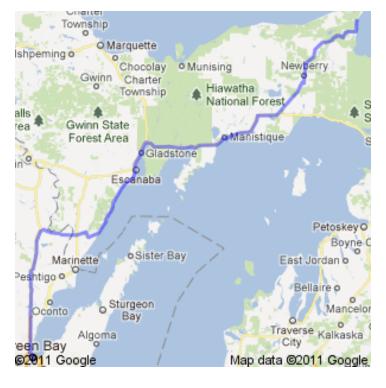
Accommodations at EconoLodge Manistique, MI, \$65 per night, any room until 8/15/12. Call the hotel directly 906-341-6014 to make your reservation ("Fox Valley Porsche Club")



Tahquamenon Falls, just one of the beautiful scenic stops we will visit on our tour to Paradise!



Yes, there really is a Paradise!



However, we can't have F_ N if we're missing U!

Please join us on our thirteenth annual fall tour.

For more specific details or to make an RSVP's by August 15, 2012 please contact Jamie or Laura Prellwitz at lprellwitz@att.net

PCA National Events



2012 Escape - Eureka Springs, Arkansas - November 8-11

Escape is one of the "big" Porsche Club events of the year. It's often the case that the Parade is on one coast or the other, and not everyone has the time or budget for a trip like that, perhaps all the way across the country. Escape provides you with another option.

Escape, like the Parade, moves around each year and is typically held on the opposite side of the country from the Parade. It is a multi-event weekend, with a national attendance list. While the Parade has a competitive focus, Escape is purely non-competitive. It is a socially oriented weekend focusing on camaraderie and friendship. It is a great opportunity to show off your car, see old friends, make new ones, and enjoy the good will and fellowship of other Porsche owners. All this without the pressure of: "Did I miss that speck of dirt?" or "Is this the fastest line through the track?" or "Was that a rally landmark?"

Typically a long weekend, such as Thursday through Sunday, Escapes usually consists of banquets, driving tours, drives to local area attractions and perhaps a "People's choice" car show. Other activities may include an "off road" event for our Cayenne enthusiasts. There may also be organized group lunches or free time (either day or evening) to allow you to explore area restaurants and culture on your own. Memorabilia of the Escape or the local region may be available for purchase at a goodie store. The primary goals are to provide a fun venue for club members to congregate and show off the highlights of a new part of the country.

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Report: FVR New Member Dinner

On Tuesday, Feburary, 7, 2012 the Fox Valley Region's New Member Dinner was held at Plum Hill in Kaukauna.

Thanks to Jim & Lisa Stephenson for once again hosting a social and dinner at the Plum Hill restaurant in Kaukauna. Approximately 20 members, including two new members, attended the affair. It was a casual evening with great conversations, while we were feted in a private dining area with a scenic view of the Fox River. The menu offered a variety of gourmet entrees, salads, and home made soups. The service. atmosphere, quality and quantity of portions was indeed excellent. President Gordon Skog made some introductions and announcements following dinner, and presented Jim & Lisa with a framed certificate of appreciation.

We have a great calendar of upcoming events, so please try to attend as many as your schedule will allow.



Thanks, Jim and Lisa, for a wonderful event and dinner! (Jamie Prellwitz photo)



New members, Pete and Joy Thielmann from Kiel, joined us for their first FVR-PCA event. Welcome!! (Jamie Prellwitz photo)

Report: Chicago Auto Show Bus Trip

Fox Valley Region member, John Beck and his wife, Elizabeth, treated the club to a wonderful all-day excursion to the Chicago Auto Show, Saturday, February 18th, 2012. Many members of the region, along with their family, friends, and co-workers, helped to fill an early morning chartered coach bus from the Appleton and Oshkosh boarding stations for the three and a half hour journey to McCormick Place. Unusually warm temperatures, clear skies, and golden sunshine certaily added to the pleasure of the day and ease of travel. We had some spectacular views of the Chicago skyline. In addition to lively conversation while traveling, the group enjoyed watching several DVD's from the BBC show, "Top Gear". A short breakfast stop was included about mid-way at a popular fast food restaurant, with arrival at the show just about noon. From there, everyone had four hours to explore the more than one million square feet of display area. Porsche was represented this year with two 911 Carrera S's, a Panamera S, a Panamera hybrid, and a Cavenne. It was certainly a popular display, drawing very large crowds. One had to be patient in order to have the opportunity to sit in and closely examine the interior of these great machines.



Carrera (Laura Prellwitz photo)



Panamera (Laura Prellwitz photo)

FVR Chicago Auto Show Bus Trip

Although restaurant and concession areas are fairly abundant at the show, everyone chose to save their appetites for our supper meal at an authentic German restuarant, Mirabell, located on Chicago's north side. Atmosphere, service, quality, and variety of foods were outstanding. No one left hungry or dissatisfied. The oxtail stew, beef rouladen, and sauerbraten were definitely popular favorites, not to mention the Schwarzwalderkirche torte for dessert. It also offered travelers a time to do some tasting with a large variety of German beers. "Gemutlichkeit" definitely was in the air!

Arrival back to the Fox Valley area was about 10:30 PM. What a great day it was to spend with Porsche club members and friends, exploring great cars, and dreaming about the spring days soon to come in Wisconsin and getting our cars back on the road again! Thanks again to John Beck for all his efforts in planning such terrific mid-winter activity for our club.



2013 911 Carrera S on display at the Chicago Auto Show (John Beck photo)

FVR Chicago Auto Show Bus Trip



Panamera S Hybrid at the Chicago Auto show (Laura Prellwitz photo)



Group photo at Mirabell (Laura Prellwitz photo)

FVR Chicago Auto Show Bus Trip



Our hosts for the day, John & Elizabeth Beck (Laura Prellwitz photo)



Gordon Skog, with a little help from Elvis, presented John Beck with a Certificate of Appreciation from the FVR-PCA, for the wonderful day he planned for us at the Chicago Auto Show on February 18th. (Laura Prellwitz photo)

The New Porsche SUV: "Macan"

Source: Porsche AG Press Release

Name for new Porsche SUV is Macan

Stuttgart. Dr. Ing. h.c. F. Porsche AG, Stuttgart's new sports car in the SUV segment has been given the name Macan. The name Macan is derived from the Indonesian word for tiger and combines suppleness, power, fascination and dynamics - core characteristics of the new off-road car.

"The Macan combines all sports car characteristics with the benefits of a SUV and is a genuine Porsche", said Bernhard Maier, Member of the Executive Board Sales and Marketing of Porsche AG. "The name of a new Porsche has to fit with the brand, sound good in very many languages and dialects and evoke positive associations."

As the fifth Porsche model line, the Macan is a central plank of Strategy 2018, by which the sports car manufacturer wishes to expand its model portfolio. Porsche intends the Macan to emulate the success of the Cayenne. The SUV will start coming off the production lines in Leipzig in 2013. To that end, the site in this city in Saxony is being expanded into a fully-fledged production plant including body assembly line and paint shop - with 500 million euro of investment one of the biggest building projects in Porsche's corporate history. In the medium-term, the sports car manufacturer will be creating more than 1,000 new jobs here.

Word names at Porsche have a concrete connection with the corresponding model and its characteristics: the name Boxster describes the combination of boxer engine and roadster, Cayenne stands for sharpness, the Cayman is snappy and agile and a Panamera is more than a Gran Turismo, capable also of winning the Carrera Panamericana long-distance race.



Design drawing Porsche Macan (Porsche AG Press Database)

Source: Porsche AG Press Release

Porsche Motorsport around the world: Newsletter 1 - 2012

Stuttgart. The Motorsport Newsletter regularly provides information on Porsche Motorsport around the world. More detailed information and additional photographs are available for accredited journalists from the press database.

ALMS winter test in Sebring: Racetrack debut for new 911 GT3 RSR

Porsche customer teams are right on schedule in their preparation for the season-opener of the American Le Mans Series at Sebring (14 - 17 March). At the test debut on the challenging concrete circuit in Sebring, drivers were unanimous in their praise for the handling of the new 911 GT3 RSR. "We are able to carry a lot more momentum through the fast corners," said works driver Patrick Long enthusiastically. "The new RSR has much less understeer at the front axle and feels stiffer and altogether more balanced," added his factory pilot colleague Marco Holzer. While the Flying Lizard Motorsports team continues to run on Michelin rubber, Falken Tire competes with their own Falken race slicks with Paul Miller Racing joining forces with Dunlop for the first time.

24 Hours at Daytona, USA: Triple victory after long distance sprint

The strongest grid in the history of the Daytona 24 Hours (28/29 January), a breathtaking in-house fight to the flag amongst Porsche pilots, and a victory and triple success for Porsche in the GT class. Porsche works driver Richard Lietz (AUT) won the 50th running of the classic on Florida's east coast in the 911 GT3 Cup fielded by Magnus Racing with René Rast (GER) as well as Americans Andy Lally and John Potter. At the flag, a mere 9.4 seconds separated the Magnus 911 from Porsche works driver and last year's winner Wolf Henzler (GER) at the wheel of TRG Racing's 911 GT3 Cup which he shared with teammates Jeroen Bleekemolen (NED), Marc Goossens (BEL), Spencer Pumpelly and Steven Bertheau



Porsche 911 GT3 RSR Wintertest Sebring (Porsche AG Press Database)

(both USA). Third place went to Porsche factory driver Marc Lieb (GER) who received reinforcement in the Porsche 911 GT3 Cup of the Daytona-winning squad Brumos Racing from Americans Hurley Haywood, Leh Keen and Andrew Davis. With 22 overall and now 74 class victories, Porsche holds a record in Daytona.

Porsche motorsport 2012: Nine works drivers race around the globe

Like in the last years, Porsche supports its most successful customer teams again in 2012 by providing works pilots. The driver line-up this year remains the same with Joerg Bergmeister (GER), Timo Bernhard (GER), Romain Dumas (FRA), Wolf Henzler, Marco Holzer, Marc Lieb (all GER), Richard Lietz (AUT), Patrick Long (USA) and Patrick Pilet (FRA). Amongst other series, the factory pilots will contest the FIA World Endurance Championship, the American Le Mans Series and the International GT Open as well as major long distance races.

Gulf 12 Hours: Porsche claims class win at endurance premiere

Success for Porsche customers at the "Gulf 12 Hours", the first long distance race for Grand Touring vehicles on the Yas Marina Circuit in Abu Dhabi (20 January). Sweden's Mikael Bender, Johan Löfqvist and Patrik Skoog scored the Cup class victory at the wheel of a Porsche 911 GT3 Cup run by PFI Racing and secured sixth overall. The Porsche ran perfectly. Only Patrik Skoog experienced a fright when several opponents spun ahead of him in a very fast corner. After safely negotiating the high speed slalom, Skoog brought the 911 back to the pits for the driver change unscathed.

Youth scholarship programme: Carrera Cup Deutschland as career stepping stone

Porsche continues to expand its motorsport involvement with an international youth development scheme. Beginning in the 2012 season, two young pilots will receive support as Porsche Juniors in the Carrera Cup Deutschland series. Porsche provides most of the season's budget, the drivers select their team themselves. A junior coach trains the youngsters off the track. In the second year, depending on their performance, the juniors have the chance to pit themselves against the



Magnus Racing: Richard Lietz, Rene Rast, Andy Lally, John Potter (Porsche AG Press Database)

Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup regulars, with a new pair of talented youngsters getting the chance to launch their GT or sports car career in the Carrera Cup. The programme is initially planned to run for four years.

Carrera Cup France: WRC champion Sébastien Loeb fields own squad

The Matmut Carrera Cup France gets a celebrity boost: The eight-time World Rally Champion Sébastien Loeb brings his own team to launch a three-car campaign for the title. Two young drivers have already been confirmed: 21-year-old Vincent Beltoise and Sacha Bottemanne (23, both FRA). The new season takes off with the first of six race weekends in Lédenon on 28/29 April. It is understood that Loeb himself is keen to compete in the European Le Mans Series at the wheel of an LMPC prototype.

Porsche GT3 Cup Challenge Australia: Compact calendar for 2012

Six race weekends in six months between April and September - that's the calendar for this year's Porsche GT3 Cup Challenge Australia. Two new race tracks have been added: Winton and the Queensland Raceway. 2012 marks the second year that extra points will be awarded at three races towards the Jim Richards Endurance Trophy. The season kicks off at Mallala Motorsport Park from 13 to 15 April.

Porsche GT3 Cup Challenge Middle East: Race debut in Qatar

A premiere for the 2009-inaugurated Porsche GT3 Cup Challenge Middle East: Having raced exclusively in the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain and Saudi Arabia, the series now travels to Qatar for the first time. Rounds nine and ten of the 2011/12 season are held on the Losail International Circuit on the 2/3 March. At the halfway point of the season, Abdulaziz Al Faisal holds a tenuous lead over his Saudi Arabian compatriot Bandar Alesayi. Next meet: Rounds seven and eight on the Reem International Circuit, Saudi Arabia, 15/16 February.

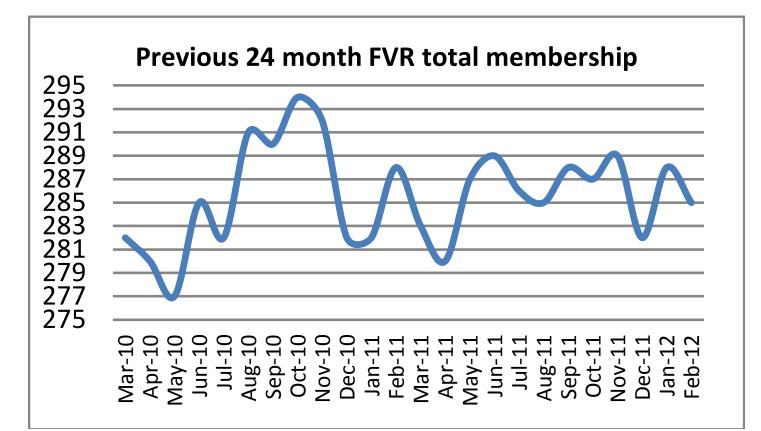


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William & Rhonda Gesell	Fond Du Lac, WI	2005 911, 2007 Carrera	2006
Martin Gravit & son Matthew	Ashland, IL	1966 912	1997
Earl Green	Appleton, WI	2007 Cayman	2008
Roger Heironimus & daughter Sara	Tony, WI	2002 Boxster S	1996
Robb & Lidia Nonn	Appleton, WI	2008 911 4S	2011
Steve & Heidi Petrovich	Menasha, WI	2009 911 CS	2009
David Savu	Ishpeming, MI	1982 930, 1996 993 TT	1980
William & Patti Schnettler	Neenah, WI	2007 911	2009
Kelly & Phyllis Wechsler	Neenah, WI	1987 944 T	2005

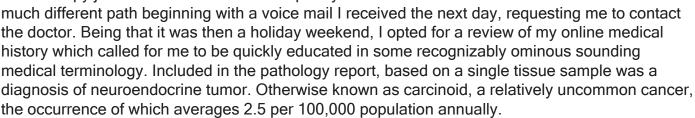
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From the Editor

The Learning Curve

Sometimes, life will throw you a curveball and things just don't go the way you had been expecting. To say things have taken an unexpected turn for me would be a bit of an understatement, starting with a reassuring "see you in 5 years" comment from the doctor following a

colonoscopy just before Christmas. That quickly took a turn down a



In what seemed like an eternity, but was in reality only a few short weeks, I read and learned as much as I could about my new found opponent. My intent was to be fully prepared with an understanding of the choices that lie ahead. While recommended methods of further diagnosis for staging required some consideration as to the date of the study due to constantly improving knowledge and available technology, the recommended treatment by surgery to remove the primary tumor remains fairly consistent, and is further supported by statistical information on survival rates. After a few minor procedures, a seemingly endless array of diagnostic tests, arrangements for time off, and more preparation than you can shake a stick at; I was on the operating table ready for surgery. As those of us in the operating room amused ourselves with the surgeon's notation that the day was otherwise known for Punxsutawney Phil's appearance at Gobbler's Knob in Pennsylvania, the anesthesia took effect. While follow-up diagnostics and appointments are a certainty for my foreseeable future, the timeliness of the initial diagnosis and a successful surgery improved the outlook considerably. As my oncologist put it, "you will be around to see me retire"; although I assured him that enjoying my own retirement was a bit more of a priority in my book.

A lengthy post-surgery hospital stay finally came to an end one day as I was reading the January issue of Panorama. I had brought it along to combat boredom, and the doctor doing rounds that day was very inquisitive about it. Seeing my eyes light up while describing the FVR club activities, people, and of course, the cars; he stood there, fingers to his chin, grinning and wondering aloud, "Well, what is left to do now?" I was quite pleased with his immediate agreement to my straightforward request to go home, and left the copy of Panorama for him with a Post-it note locating the "For Sale" ads, including a handwritten note and the <u>fv.pca.org</u> web address. And there you have it - my incredible story of going to great lengths to recruit new members.

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