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WHALETALES

October 2010

**Tour of Waushara County
Wisconsin Legislative Alert
FVR Fall Tour**



Whaletales

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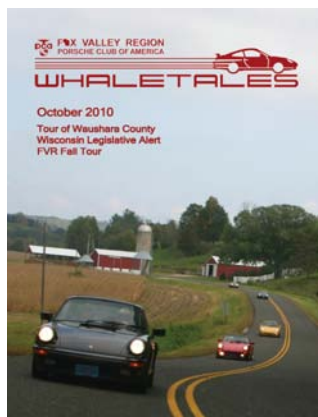
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On the cover



The 2010 Fox Valley Region Fall Tour participants enjoyed the great twisties and beautiful scenery enroute to Prairie du Chien in Southwestern Wisconsin.

Photo by Barb Wilkinson

From the President



It may be my impending birthday that has reminded me of just how fast time flies by. Like a GT3 on a racetrack the summer has zoomed by. As we start the preparations for storing our 'babies' for the long winter I like to reflect on some of the fun had during the driving season. We kicked things off with a bay-fly filled event in the great town of Pipe, WI. We explored Iola and were pelted by frozen rain pellets while floating down the Wolf River. Some of the women of the club learned to drive stick shift. We were awed by the magnitude and energy of Porsche Parade. We were humbled to be welcomed into people's homes and grateful to have opportunity to get to know each other better. We enjoyed Porsche Park at Road America for many fun events including the American Le Mans and the Labor Day Picnic. Overall, it has been an amazing summer and just because our Porsches will be taking a break does not mean the fun has to end! We have a great fall and winter lineup to look forward to.

One event that has grown over the years is the FVR Porsche Club Holiday Party. This event will take place at the Holiday Inn River Walk in Neenah on Saturday December 11th 2010. If you have attended in years passed you will know it is filled with good food, good friends and a couple surprises. Knowing that the holiday season is busy I hope that all of you consider fitting this party in to celebrate the joy of the season with fellow Porsche enthusiasts. This event also plays host to our notorious silent auction, which raises a considerable amount of the charity dollars that our club donates. Please consider donating items (whether Porsche related or not) to the auction, and of course come prepared to bid that evening. Please contact me with any questions about the holiday party and/or the silent auction. More details will be available closer to the event.

Lastly, I just returned home from the 2010 Fall Tour and it was just fabulous. Thank you to Al and Ann Taylor and Warren and Joyce Beaver for arranging the 2 day, 2 night event. There is a tremendous amount of work that goes into preparing such an adventure for 20+ cars and we all appreciated their efforts. The views in the south-western part of Wisconsin are picturesque and the roads are winding and fun to drive. We are thankful that everything went smoothly, and other than a couple tire issues it was relatively uneventful. Thank you to the efforts of Porsche Cars North America and Dean Hoff from Red Horse Transport who saved the day and went above and beyond the call of duty to ensure the quick and safe transport of a members beloved GT3. Now if only we can arrange better cell phone coverage out in the middle of the corn fields!

Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

Andrew Opicka
President, Fox Valley Region
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Upcoming Events

September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30		

Question: Where, all in one place, could you see a beautifully restored...

- 1922 Model T (touring)
- 1926 Model T (doctor's coupe)
- 1954 Jaguar XK - 120 (open two-seat)
- 1963 Porsche 365B Carmen Coupe
- 1967 Porsche 912 - 5 speed
- 1970 Jaguar XKE Coupe
- 2001 Mazda Miata Special Edition

Answer: All in the garage of Dan and Barb Pankratz in Manitowoc, WI, at 2:00 PM on Sunday, September 26th.

Dan and Barb recently completed an on-going 32 year project and have fully restored the 356B to its original grandeur and would very much be honored to share it with you, along with some of their other restored vehicles.

Plan to meet at 4421 County Road CR just south of Manitowoc to see their great cars and for the Pankratz's to show and share with you their latest accomplishment, the complete restoration of the 1963 356B Carmen Coupe.

At 4:00 PM we will caravan a short distance to Luigi's Italian Restaurant in Manitowoc for pizza or pasta (you may order from the menu).

Please RSVP to Laura Prellwitz (for dinner reservations) no later than Friday, September 24 at lprellwitz@att.net

Directions: From I-43, take exit # 149 at Manitowoc (look for the Menard's store or Holiday Inn signs). Turn left onto Hwy. 151/ Calumet Avenue. At second stop light (by Culver's, Wal-Mart and Festival Foods) turn right onto Dewey Street. Go only a short distance to next stop light (Manitowoc Visitors Center and Festival Foods) and turn right onto County Road CR. Drive approximately 1.9 miles. Look for brown house on the left, shortly after you pass Natural Ovens Bakery on the right.

Tech Session at Auto Clinic
1495 Winchester Road (County II)
Neenah, WI 54956

October 2010

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

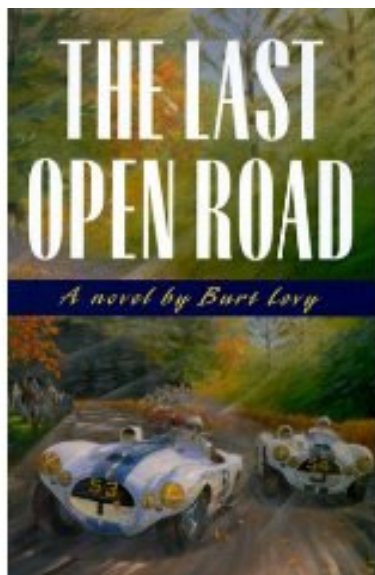
What: Tech Session at Auto Clinic
When: Tuesday, October 5, 2010
Early arrival around 6:00 pm.....
Session to start at 6:30
Where: Auto Clinic, 1495 County Road II
(Winchester Road exit off Hwy 41)
Neenah, WI. 54956
(1/4 mile west of Hwy 41)
(920) 722-7990 (shop)
(920) 428-6954 (Gordon's cell)

Auto Clinic will be hosting it's annual Tech Session on Tuesday October 5th, unfortunately Rob Schvid will be on vacation, but Gordon Skog will be filling in for him and demonstrating the replacement of disc brake rotor and pads, also the procedure of bleeding the brake fluid. We hope to have a representative from Castrol oil on hand and may give a small talk and answer any questions. As always will try to be as informative as possible, lots of great door prizes, food and drink will be on hand. No RSVP needed just show up for one of the last fun nights before the snow flies.

Look forward to seeing everyone then.....Thanks.....Gordon



Upcoming Events



October 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
17	18	19	20	21	22	23

THE LAST OPEN ROAD PARTY

Come and enjoy a day in the cartoonish life of a bunch of lovable Fox Valley Region Porsche Club of America palookas on the upper-crusty open-road car-race circuit. It's 1952, and Gordon Skog, just 19, may not be the most gifted mechanic to hang around Rob's Sinclair gas station, but he can't stay away. Turning down his father's offer of a union job in a chemical factory, Gordon is lured into the grease-pit by glimpses of Rob's curvaceous niece Debbie Houle. Gordon becomes Rob's head mechanic and has to maintain the black Porsche 911 of the tough-talking computer expert Andrew Opicka. A problem with the 911's touchy carburetor sends Gordon to an Appleton KIA dealership, where he learns the sleazy tricks of the import luxury car trade from owner Jim Janes and shifty sidekick Cindy. From there it's a short hop to the world of open-road sport-car racing (on make-shift courses laid out on rural roads) at Little Nelligan Lake in Beaver, WI. While Gordon is smitten with the skin-deep charms of Laura Prellwitz, girlfriend of wealthy cad Nick Proctor. This fun, high-octane fuel, day for fans of the Fox Valley Region Porsche Club of America, will enjoy a relaxing race meal and socializing with other typecast members and vivid racing fans.

Where: Pat and Allan Utecht's Cottage, N5424 47th Road, Little Nelligan Lake, Beaver, WI. This is about one hour North of Green Bay on Highway 141.

When: October 23, 2010 1:00 PM to ??? There are overnight accommodations available at the cottage for four couples on a first come basis. There are cabins for rent two miles away at **Whispering Pine Lodge, 5058 Parkway Road, Pound, WI 54161 Phone: 920-897-4417 E-mail: whisperingpine@ez-net.com**. In addition, there are motels in Crivitz and Coleman / Pound.

Food: The meal will be the race fan menu from page 361 of the book "The Last Open Road" by Burt Levy. Please bring the beverage of your choice.

Upcoming Events

November 2010

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

Tuesday, November 2, 2010

Dinner at Mackinaws, hosted by Charlie & Barb Wise.

It's baaaack!! "Show and Tell Night" last year was a hoot! So be sure to bring something "Porsche" or something with a "Fox Valley Region" logo on it to share with the group. Just please, nothing that drips oil!

A head count is needed prior to the event, so please RSVP to the Charlie and Barb Wise no later than Friday, October 29th at seawise@new.rr.com

Remember to bring a wee gift valued at between 3-5 dollars each person (not per couple) It can be eatable/funny/serious/or just stupid, its really the fun that it gives doing this game along with a story!! The gifts are also to be silly wrapped/nice/or whatever, can be in a big box and not much in it also. There will be door prizes, some that suit the women, the men, and the cars!

What: Dinner/Social at Mackinaw's
When: Tuesday, November 2, 2010
5:00-7:00 p.m. Social
7:00 p.m. Dinner
Where: Mackinaws Grill & Spirits
2925 Voyager Drive (I-43 and East Mason)
Green Bay, WI 54311
(920) 406-8000
<http://www.mackinaws.com>

Fox Valley Region 2010 Holiday Party Holiday Inn Neenah, hosted by Andrew Opicka

What: Holiday Party at Holiday Inn
When: December 11, 2010
Where: Holiday Inn Neenah Riverwalk
123 E. Wisconsin Avenue
Neenah, Wisconsin 54956
(920) 725-8441
<http://www.hineenah.com/>

December 2010

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

Our holiday party is one of the highlight's of our region's events. The silent auction is our big fund raiser for Multiple Sclerosis as well. A block of rooms is set aside for those looking for overnight accommodations. Watch for more details to follow in the coming issues of Whaletales.

FVR Calendar of Events

September	Friday, September 17, 2010 - Sunday, September 19, 2010 FVR 2010 Fall Tour Fall Tour to Prairie du Chien/Spring Green area. This premier Fox Valley Region event will be hosted by Al & Ann Taylor and Warren & Joyce Beaver. ataylor@wctc.net
	Sunday, September 26, 2010 See the Concours d'Elegance winning 356B, and other restored vehicles in the garage of Dan and Barb Pankratz. Hosted by Laura Prellwitz, lprellwitz@att.net
October	Tuesday, October 5, 2010 Tech Session at AutoClinic Tech session at Gordon's. gord240z@hotmail.com
	Saturday, October 23, 2010 The "Last Open Road" Party, based on the book "The Last Open Road" by Burt Levy. Hosted by Pat and Allan Utecht. allanu@walsdorffroofing.com
November	Tuesday, November 2, 2010 Mackinaw's Social Dinner at Mackinaw's hosted by Charlie & Barb Wise. seawise@new.rr.com
December	Saturday, December 11, 2010 Holiday Party Holiday Party - Holiday Inn Neenah, hosted by Andrew Opicka. andrew@opicka.com
<h2>2011 Tentative Calendar</h2> <p>The following FVR events are being planned for 2011</p> <p>If you have an interest in volunteering to host an event listed, or if you would like to work on developing a new event, please contact any of the club officers listed on page 2</p>	
January	Tuesday, January 04, 2011 Annual meeting and dinner (host needed)
February	Tuesday, February 01, 2011 February dinner/social (host needed)
March	Tuesday, March 01, 2011 March dinner/social (host needed)
April	Tuesday, April 05, 2011 April dinner/social (host needed)
	Friday, April 29 - Saturday April 30, 2011 Supermileage Joe & Peg Homel phomel@att.net
May	Tuesday, May 3, 2011 Season opener at Jim & Linda's. Dinner at Pipe, WI hosted by Tim & Judy St. Aubin tstabin@sbcglobal.net
	Sunday, May 15, 2011 Fox Valley Road & Track Classic - Roy Fine (British Car Club)
	Garage Mahal Tour 2011 (tentative - late May early June, or early September).
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 07, 2011 June dinner/social at Kodiak Jack's in Oshkosh hosted by John and Jeanne Strubic. jjstrubic@centurytel.net
	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 will be based in the Waupaca and Wautoma areas. Hosted by Jeanne Strubic and Laura Prellwitz.
July	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

FVR Calendar of Events

August	Tuesday, August 02, 2011 August dinner/social in Shawano area. Hosted by Al & Pam Kuck akuck@crinet.com
	Sunday, August 14, 2011 "Arctic Circle" Lap around Lake Winnebago w/ice cream stops! Tour hosted by the Prellwitz's jprellwitz@att.net
	Late August or September??? Dinner/social on a Saturday in Door County. Hosted by Bob Hawley robert.hawley@yahoo.com (tentative)
September	Monday, September 05, 2011 Labor Day picnic (host needed)
	Fall Tour (mid-September) 2011 Fall Tour hosted by Jim Janes
October	Tuesday, October 04, 2011 Tech session at Auto Clinic. Hsted by Gordon Skog gord240z@hotmail.com
November	Tuesday, November 08, 2011 November dinner/social (host needed)
December	Saturday, December (10 *or* 17 ??), 2011 Holiday party (host needed)

Bits and Pieces

20th Anniversary Celebration Note:

As part of the follow-up communications between Steve and Andrea DeBaker, fellow FVR members and owners of Trout Springs Winery where the celebration was held this last July, and the Fox Valley Region 20th anniversary celebration committee members, Andrea DeBaker wrote:

I'm so glad everyone had such a good time, it was a lot of fun. One thing I have to say to the club in general is this: Our group was the most respectful and helpful group we have ever had out here, from helping with setup and tear down to the fact that there wasn't a single piece of trash anywhere! It really, really helps, so THANK YOU!

Well enough said, congratulations to all members for their efforts in developing a club that gains respect in the community through exemplary behavior.

Mary and Jim Niemiec sent this photo of their newest family member... Olivia Jane Frisch, born Wednesday August 18th at 5:55 pm to their daughter Tricia and her husband, Shane Frisch of Spencer, WI. When the Niemecs visited on the Sunday after her birth they learned that she has put claim to her inheritance for the future... good taste for such a very young age. :)



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Tour of Waushara County



Fairly new members Robert and Susan Dean joined us for their first tour with their 2007 Cayman.



Wayne and Gail Kindschy, Jim & Mary Haen, and Robert & Susan Dean enjoying lunch on the deck.



Tour hosts, Tom & Kathy Robl, left, with Jim & Cindy Janes having lunch on the deck of the Pioneer Pub in Wild Rose.

Tour of Waushara County



Warren & Joyce Beaver, left, share a lunch table with Craig & Janel Reich, right.



George & Quinn Payne, Debbie Houle & Gordon Skog, Jim Prellwitz all enjoying the sunny deck for lunch



Vice-President Gordon Skog presented a Certificate of Appreciation to tour hosts, Tom & Kathy Robl.

Tour of Waushara County



Birthday boy, Gordon, celebrated his 52nd birthday with a special cupcake from the waitstaff of the Pioneer Pub.



Robert & Susan Dean with their 2007 Cayman. Welcome to the club and tour!!



Front row: Gail Kindschy, Janel Reich, Debbie Houle, Susan Dean, Robert Dean. Second row: Quinn Payne, Craig Reich, Gordon Skog, Jim Haen, Mary Haen, Cindy Janes. Third row: George Payne, Wayne Kindschy, Warren Beaver, Joyce Beaver, Kathy Robl. Back row: Tom Robl, James Prellwitz, Jim Janes.

Manitowoc Car Show September 3



Al Taylor, Laura and James Prellwitz, along with Jim & Mary Haen had their Porsches on display at Manitowoc Rehabilitation Center's 4th annual event on September 3rd.

"Thanks so very, very much to Al Taylor and Jim & Mary Haen who participated in the car show 9.3.10 at the Manitowoc Rehabilitation Center's 4th annual event. Many of the residents, including Laura's mom, really enjoyed seeing the cars and having some outdoor social time. All guests were treated to ice cream and lemonade, along with live music during the afternoon show"

- Laura Prellwitz



Wisconsin Legislative Alert

URGENT REGULATORY ALERT (Hearing Information)

WI Proposal to Restrict Registration of Imported Collector Cars to be Considered on Wed., Feb. 10

A hearing on a Wisconsin regulatory proposal to prohibit the registration of certain imported collector vehicles will be considered by the state's Assembly and Senate Transportation Committees on Wednesday, September 22. The proposal, Chapter Trans 123 ("Trans 123")/ Clearinghouse Rule 09-044 ("CR 09-044"), was put forth by the WI Department of Transportation to prohibit the registration of imported vehicles manufactured after 1967 that do not meet Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS). U.S. law specifically exempts imported vehicles that are 25 years old and older from these safety standards. Trans 123 offers no such reasonable exemption. The regulation permits the continued registration of subject vehicles that are already legally registered in Wisconsin, but only until they are transferred to a new owner. The rule is currently being reviewed by the Senate and Assembly Transportation Committees as the last step in the regulatory approval process. The committees will have until October 10, 2010 to raise an objection.

Attendance at this hearing is highly recommended for anyone who opposes Trans 123. The hearing will take place on Wednesday, September 22 at the following address and time:

State House
2 East Main Street, Room 412 E
Madison, Wisconsin
10:00 AM

For those unable to attend the hearing, we urge you to contact all members of the Assembly and Senate Transportation Committees (List Attached Below) immediately to request their opposition to Trans 123

- Imported vehicles 25 years old or older are usually brought into this country by hobbyists as unique collector vehicles.
- Trans 123 fails to recognize the fact that collector vehicles are overwhelmingly well-maintained and infrequently driven.
- Trans 123 is inconsistent with Federal law and would prohibit the registration of vehicles coming in from other states that have already been proven safe on U.S. roads.
- Trans 123 provides no way for vehicle owners to prove that a vehicle is safe other than conforming exclusively

to the FMVSS.

- Trans 123 would deny legal registration to these imported vehicles once sold or transferred to a different owner.

DON'T DELAY! Please contact all members of the Wisconsin Senate and House Transportation Committees to request their opposition to Trans 123. Please e-mail a copy of your letter to Steve McDonald at stevem@sema.org. Thank you for your assistance.

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Have you ever felt like a dork at a meeting because you had a press-n-peel name tag on while others had an attractive and classy wood or metal pin?

Furthermore, you were even more embarrassed when you forgot to take it off and went somewhere else afterwards?

Larry Rogers has a solution for you! Our region has very attractive and professional name badges that are laser-engraved with our region's name, and most importantly, your name for about \$12 each. You can order either a pin-on style or magnetic style.

Please contact Larry at fvrpca@sbcglobal.net to order yours now. You can have it in time for our upcoming events.

Labor Day Picnic



The crew gets started on setting up for the Labor Day picnic at Road America on September 6, 2010.



Friends and family of John Guy, "Mr Porsche Park" receive a memorial plaque from the Fox Valley Region.



A Fox Valley Region Certificate of Appreciation is presented to Jim Janes by Gordon Skog



Porsche - Outstanding in their field.

Labor Day Picnic



Dennis Olson, Nick Proctor, and Pete Bollenbach took part in the Labor Day picnic at Road America



Action on the road course



L to R; Gordon Skog, Nick Proctor, Debbie Houle, Larry Rogers, Kathy Robl, Tom Robl, Jim Haen, Mary Haen, Joyce Beaver, Warren Beaver, Andrew Opicka, Cindy Janes, Jim Janes, George Payne, Quinn Payne, Kathy Bollenbach.

FVR Fall Tour

The Fox Valley Region PCA 2010 Fall Tour which took place September 17 through 19 was enjoyed with enthusiastic FVR membership participation, as well by many appreciative observers along the way. The fall tour route this year, carefully selected by tour co-hosts Al and Ann Taylor along with Warren and Joyce Beaver, was a tremendous hit among the 39 individuals sharing driving and navigation responsibilities.

After assembling at the Auto Clinic in Neenah on Friday morning for brief formalities, distribution of route maps, and the driver's meeting it was clutches out at 10:00 am sharp as the Porsche caravan made tracks to the noon destination of Lake Arrowhead Golf Club in Adams County for a Hawaiian style Pig Roast. After lunch and a brief driver's meeting, the group proceeded south along the Wisconsin River and then crossing it before travelling westward.

After a brief rest break and photo opportunity at Hillsboro, a small community in Vernon County, the tour route became progressively more alluring as it followed the topography of the region. With magnificent views from the ridges and countless curves from beginning to end to exercise the skill of drivers, the group weaved its way to the city of Westby. With several accomplices lagging behind to offer support to a fellow member while dealing with an unfortunate tire failure, others indulged in an exceptional sweet treat at Ole and Lena Kaffe Hus, an ice cream shop in Westby. And with complete honesty, the editor can attest to the deliciousness of the Caramel Walnut Apple Pie, with a scoop of vanilla ice cream side.



After lunch at Lake Arrowhead Golf Club

FVR Fall Tour

The route from Westby to our Friday night lodging in Prairie du chien provided a range of scenery and exceptional roads seemingly constructed with deliberate appeal for the Porsche. After checking in and socializing for a time, the group walked to a nearby restaurant for an evening meal.

Saturday morning, after the women on the tour were crowned with their tiara in special recognition of “their” day, the group travelled south, once again crossing the Wisconsin River and meandering along a nearly parallel path to the Mississippi River towards the village of Potosi in Grant County. While according to Wikipedia Potosi has a claim to fame as being the “Catfish Capital of Wisconsin”, FVR members had endured miles of twisty roads on the way to this out of the way location for a more solemn reason: a visit to the National Brewery Museum. Potosi had achieved a significant coup in outbidding notable competitors for the location of the National Brewery Museum, such as Latrobe, Pennsylvania and Milwaukee, Wisconsin. After enjoying a lunch in the top floor of the original brewery building, completely restored prior to the opening of the museum in 2008, we were treated to an education in the history of the Potosi Brewing Company, makers of “Good Old Potosi Beer,” from 1852 to 1972. The museum features historic beer and brewing memorabilia, including signs, advertisements, bottles, cans, and miscellaneous paraphernalia of many breweries from across the country, many of which are no longer in existence.

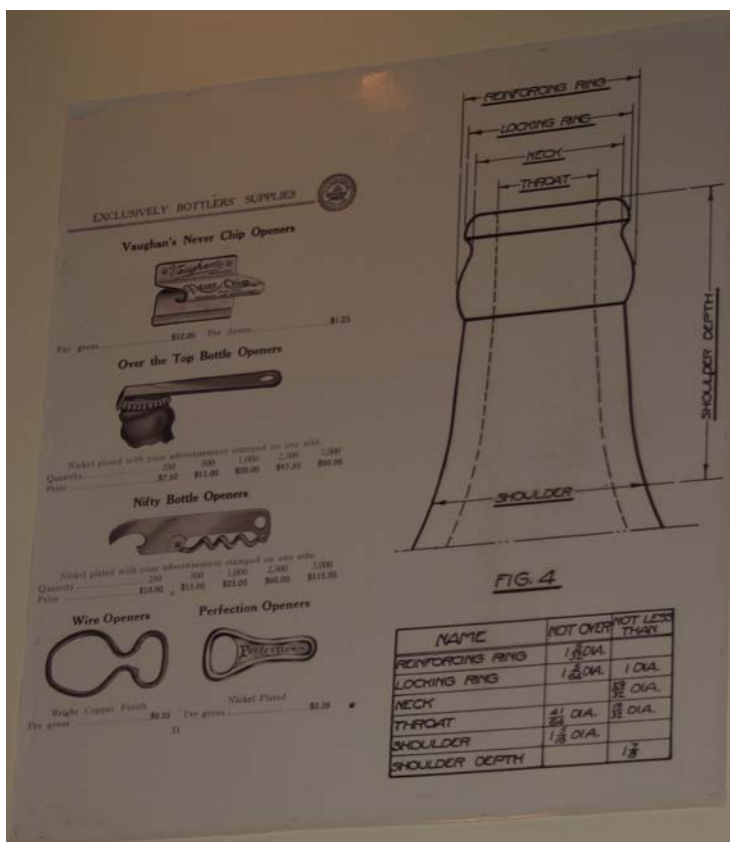


A portion of the group at Hillsboro during a brief rest stop and photo op.

FVR Fall Tour



The women on the FVR Fall Tour thoroughly enjoyed being crowned as "Divas For a Day"



Bottle Opener Engineering 101 - at the National Brewery Museum

After visiting Potosi the group began to journey north, with a planned rest stop at Montfort, Wisconsin where decisions loomed large; what would it be: ice cream on the north side of the road, or popcorn on the south? With decisions such as these being made with resolute certainty, the entourage went about their business with remarkable efficiency. Well, there is always room to pack a bucket of caramel corn or a popcorn popper in a Porsche, right?



The FVR is obviously a social club.

FVR Fall Tour



Well, I guess if the Pirelli girls let you down...



Since when did tire failures become trendy?



A welcome sign at the tour's end.

Saturday evening was approaching, and the final gathering place for this tour was reached. Although not without yet another tire problem; and interestingly enough it was again the left rear - and this time it was the 912 of the Good Samaritan who was kind enough to carry as a passenger, the misfortunate owner of the GT3 who had experienced the tire failure the day before. Perhaps the tire gods were displeased.

The accommodations arranged for the Saturday night stay at Spring Green provided an excellent setting for an evening of socializing amongst the members in attendance, including special guests David and Vicki Grant who had travelled from Winnipeg, Canada to visit with their unique custom 944 based camper conversion. Conversations through the evening covered the realm of the many highlights of the 2010 fall tour, the 2011 fall tour for which plans have already been prepared, and discussions regarding potential locations of future fall tours.

FVR president Andrew Opicka presented framed certificates of appreciation to Al and Ann Taylor, and to Warren and Joyce Beaver as co-hosts working with Al and Ann, for their work in creating and bringing to fruition the 2010 fall tour.



A mile of (Porsche) smiles.

FVR Fall Tour



The Grant's 944 camper conversion, pulled by - a matching 944.



Socializing at the Round Barn Lodge in Spring Green.



Porsche parking at the National Brewery Museum at Potosi



Porsche parking at the Round Barn Lodge (photo courtesy of Rieck Beiersdorf).

Club August Meeting Minutes

August 28, 2010 Board Meeting Notes

It's time for you to consider a Board Position for 2011. Anyone interested in any of the board position is invited to step forward. We are definitely in need of a volunteer for social chair.

Once again it's time to start thinking of Holiday Party plans. The Board decided to once again subsidize the meal as an enticement to attend. We are looking for a volunteer to host the upcoming Holiday Party. Past hosts/ hostesses are willing to share what they have done.

PCA National will likely soon require Safety and Insurance Waiver forms for ALL events. Our wrist bands have been a pretty effective tool in assuring FVR PCA participant compliance. The completed forms MUST be sent back to PCA within 5 days, and then we must keep the originals for 7 years in our "President's Binder".

The 2011 calendar of events has a few conflicts that are being worked out. Suggestions for meetings have included more tech sessions, Dent Doctor demonstration, waxing seminars, Web tech session - how to buy on the web, and where is the jack and how do I change a tire. (Honest, this was discussed before the events of the fall tour!) Be sure to watch the newsletter for details as they become available.

Would anyone be interested in viewing the new Movie "Cars 2" when it comes out? If we rent the full theater, we may be able to swing a reduced rate.

We also discussed having a new member dinner for those who have joined the club in the past two years so they can get together for a meet and greet introduction of the club.

Voting via email has been questioned by National for possible fraud for stuffing the ballot box. Not likely in these parts, and many volunteers run unopposed for positions.

By getting rid of our "old" web site, we have saved \$100.00 per year. The only feature we have given up is email forwarding for club contacts. We now use public or actual email addresses. If you have feedback on the web site, please send it to Al Taylor. The question was raised "is there interest in putting the old Whaletales on the site?" Mark Wilkinson did a significant amount of work into getting them into a topic searchable .pdf format and they could now be tied into the website, time and effort permitting.

Club treasury funds are available for door prizes for major events (examples include but are not limited to our season opener, fall tour, and holiday party). Per our discussion, the club funds are always available to be used "for those who participate in the club's events". Those of you volunteering to host or assist with an event should contact a Board member for guidance and re-imbursement. Formal guidelines are on the web site.

submitted by Mary Haen

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Top 10 Car Songs

Searching for something else on the internet, my attention was interrupted by a link to a post by Matthew Wilkening on <http://www.aolradioblog.com> with a reference to “the top car songs of all time”. According to Matthew; “common themes include guitar-heavy odes to the joys of speeding and the call of the open road”. The list, as rated by AOL Radio listeners, follows. While top-down driving with an ear tuned to the exhaust note of our Boxster is one of our all-time favorites, I really can’t argue with this list.

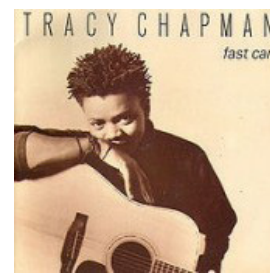
Number 10 - 'Chevy Van', Sammy Johns

Sammy Johns largely made his living writing songs for country stars such as Waylon Jennings, Conway Twitty and Sammy Kershaw, but he stepped up to the microphone himself for this Top 5 hit from his self-titled 1975 album. Surprisingly, the song was never used in any car commercials, although it was the inspiration for the 1977 movie 'The Van,' which featured one of Danny Devito's earliest film performances.



Number 9 - 'Fast Car', Tracy Chapman

Singer-songwriter Tracy Chapman burst onto the music scene in 1988 with this world-wide Top 10 hit from her self-titled debut album. Unlike many of the other top car songs on this list, this is not a light-hearted celebration of engine power or sexual pursuit. Instead, Tracy is commanding her alcoholic, deadbeat boyfriend to take his fast car out of town so she can make a better life for their children without him.



Number 8 - 'Brand New Cadillac', The Clash

Many other bands, including Van Morrison, Brian Setzer and Mott The Hoople have covered this 1958 track from British rock 'n' roll wildman Vince Taylor, but it was punk rock pioneers The Clash who basically claimed it as their own, with this fiery version from their 1979 masterpiece 'London Calling.'



Number 7 - 'Slow Ride', Foghat

This Top 20 smash from Foghat's 1975 album 'Fool for the City' was one of many US chart hits these English blues-rockers somehow managed to have during the otherwise disco-mad '70s. The song is most famous now as the soundtrack for the closing scene of the cult film 'Dazed and Confused.' Oh, and what's a 'Foghat?' Reportedly, it's just a word lead singer "Lonesome" Dave Peverett and his brother invented during a game of Scrabble.



Number 6 - 'Cars', Gary Numan

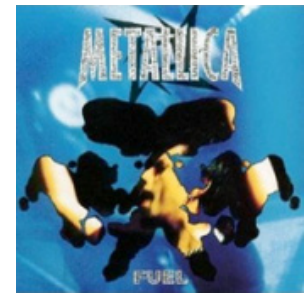
Dave Grohl, Trent Reznor and Marilyn Manson have all cited new-wave pioneer Gary Numan as a big influence on their own music. This No. 1 UK hit from 1979's 'The Pleasure Principle' was inspired by a scary road rage incident. While stuck in London traffic, Numan was forced to use his car as a protective shell when he was attacked by a group of angry drivers.



Top 10 Car Songs

Number 5 - 'Fuel', Metallica

Clearly one of the top car songs on any respectable hot-rod loving metalhead's list, with frontman James Hetfield proclaiming his undying love for all things over-driven and chrome-plated. This hard-charging song from 1998's 'ReLoad' was used for years as the theme song for televised NASCAR events.



Number 4 - 'Mustang Sally', Wilson Pickett

This 1965 tune by Mack Rice became a platinum-selling R&B smash when Wilson Pickett covered it the following year. Reportedly none other than Aretha Franklin suggested Rice change the song's title from 'Mustang Mama' to the more relatable 'Sally.' 25 years later the song served as the centerpiece for the hit movie 'The Commitments' as one of the first songs the rag-tag group of musicians are able to perform successfully as a band.



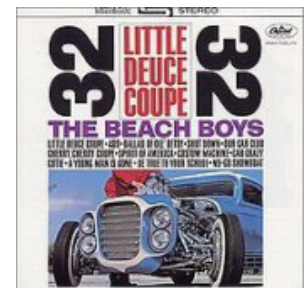
Number 3 - 'Drive My Car', The Beatles

The song tells the story of a young man seduced by a would-be starlet into ditching his perfectly fine day job to be her limo driver, with the only catch being that she doesn't actually own a car... yet. In 1994, McCartney and Ringo Starr joined an all-star, if slightly oddball, assortment of musicians -- including Phil Collins, Travis Tritt and Bret Michaels -- in a performance of the song as a benefit for "Rockers Against Drunk Drivers."



Number 2 - 'Little Deuce Coupe', The Beach Boys

Head Beach Boy Brian Wilson's ode to the classic 1932 Model B Ford Coupe was originally used as the B-side of the band's 1963 single 'Surfer Girl,' then re-purposed as the centerpiece of their next full length. 'Little Deuce Coupe,' the album, featured a series of car and cruising-themed songs, and many historians now consider it one of the earliest examples of the concept record.



Number 1 - 'Low Rider', War

The top car song of all time is also high on many "best use of cowbell" lists. This lifestyle-defining celebration of Latino car-customizing and cruising comes from the California-based funk band's 1975 'Why Can't We Be Friends?' album. It's been covered by dozens of bands and featured in countless movies and television shows, most recently serving as the theme song for George Lopez's late night talk show



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Porsche News

Porsche due back at Detroit auto show

Porsche is returning to the North American International Auto Show in 2011 after a three-year absence, a signal that organizers say is a sign that the industry is significantly stronger.

"We're very excited about it," said Bill Perkins, cochairman of the Detroit auto show. "The demand for space is very strong. People see the market coming back."

The German luxury brand withdrew from the show in 2008, saying it wanted to find "more personal, direct ways to reach out and communicate to its potential customer base." Porsche haven't shown any vehicles here since then. Through the first eight months of 2010, Porsche sold 15,719 vehicles in the U.S., up 23.5% from a year earlier.

The decision particularly stung show organizers because Porsche continued to participate in the Los Angeles auto show.

Now the maker of ultra-performance cars has a brand-new 911, slated to go on sale next year, featuring a new engine, a 7-speed manual transmission and other technology designed to improve fuel economy and interior comfort.

Nissan, Mitsubishi and Suzuki have also been absent from the Detroit show the past two years. Perkins said talks continue with some companies he declined to identify because there are unresolved details.

"We're still talking to several companies," Perkins said. "We still have flexibility to rearrange floor space if we need to."

In addition to General Motors' sale or closure of its Pontiac, Saturn, Saab and Hummer brands the show floor had a roomier feel last year.

Some of the slack was taken up by Chinese electric car maker BYD and an area called Electric Avenue that showcased a variety of other electric-vehicle makers.

Source: Detroit Free Press

Porsche, not Audi, will build sports car platforms for VW

There was said to be some tussling going on between Porsche and Audi over which brand would provide the platform for the Volkswagen Group's future sports cars. A report in Automobilwoche declares that Porsche is the winner. No one should be surprised at Porsche, now a Group company, winning such a competition.

The real coup, however, is in what Porsche plans to provide: a Modular Standard Platform that will place the engine directly over the front axle and fit both longitudinal and transverse engine arrangements. The MSB, as it's called, will be put into use for the next Porsche Cayenne and Panamera as well as a future Bentley, and its flexibility could quickly see it spread throughout the Volkswagen portfolio of brands. Group CEO Martin Winterkorn called it an advantage that would put VW "years ahead of the competition." But let's get to the real question: Does this get us any closer to the BlueSport? Bueller... ?

On another note, the same report states that Porsche has fast-tracked development of the 918 Spyder, with plans to produce 918 of them and have them appearing at the end of 2012, not 2014 as previously reported.

Source: Autoblog.com

Membership Milestones



Member Anniversaries

Name	Location	Vehicles(s)	Member Since
Bill & Barbara Chapman	Two Rivers, WI	2006 Boxster S	2009
Wayne & Gail Kindschy	Neenah, WI	2002 Boxster S, 2004 GT3	1979
Klaus Michaletz & Andrew Michaletz	Kohler, WI	1978 911 S	1999
Ron P. & Elaine Nelson	Egg Harbor, WI	2007 Boxster S	2007
Rick & Lori Otto	Appleton, WI	1974 911 S	1994
James & Laura Prellwitz	Manitowoc, WI	1987 911	1999
Charles & Barbara Wise	Appleton, WI	1990 911	2007
Thomas Zorowski & Margaret P. Takala	Crivitz, WI	1973 914, 1983 911 SC	1992

New Members!!!

Steven & Roxie Radich	Neenah, WI	2001 Boxster
Gary & Barb Zink	Fond du Lac, WI	1987 911 Carrera

The Fox Valley region now has a membership record with 160 primary members and 134 affiliate members, for a grand total of 294 members. **THIS IS A BRAND NEW RECORD FOR PRIMARY AND TOTAL MEMBERS!!**

New members may join online at www.pca.org, or contact Laura Prellwitz, membership chairperson, and let her know so she can send a paper application in the mail to the potential member.

It is estimated only 1 in 4 Porsche owners belong to PCA, so there are many more potential members to gain!

From the Editor

The Learning Curve

Having just returned from the 2010 Fox Valley Region Tour, I have learned a few things. Well maybe I knew them already, and they have just been reinforced in my mind a bit more firmly. Firstly, wheels, and the tires around them are best when round, or at least a good approximation of that shape. And I'm not just talking about the somewhat circular shape of a hastily sketched amateurish freehand drawing, but the good old rolling resistance defying estimate of round.



Leaving the play on words and descriptive geometry behind, there is something to be said though for the 'luck' of misfortune of when being in the company of those willing to lend a hand in any way possible. Sitting on the side of a desolate country road with a GT3 immobilized due to a tire failure so severe as to make repair impossible, Nick Proctor could have done no better than to have the negotiating skills of our FVR president, Andrew Opicka on hand to ensure the car would be delivered to Appleton rather than the Madison dealership.

The next day, Pete Bollenbach encountered a flat tire as well, even though luck in his case allowed for roadside repair in the form of the more common spare tire. Although rumor has it a nearby Kia owner did come to the rescue when Pete's jack did not perform as well as he might have hoped. With a cumulative 8,000 miles or better travelled by the participants of this tour, two flat tires, while not good - is certainly not the worst we might have encountered.

The success of the FVR fall tour was in a great many ways due to the hard work of members who generously volunteered their time in planning and guiding this event. Al and Ann Taylor, along with Warren and Joyce Beaver did an excellent job of co-hosting this years tour. Those who participated were provided with a great route and some very interesting stops along the way. That was the source of a few other things learned on this trip; I've got a few more places to visit in the future when venturing to Southwestern Wisconsin. From brewing memorabilia, great apple pie, and even an excellent breakfast stop on the way home Sunday morning, it was all good!

Hope to see you on the road!

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