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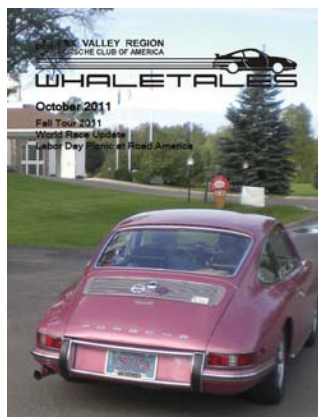
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Fall Tour Participant Pete Bollenbach competes in the "Time Distance, Speed" rally Saturday morning during the 2011 Fox Valley Region PCA Fall Tour.

From the President



Finally the details of the new 911 have been released. And again I say WOW what engineering. As many of you know I am quite intrigued by quality engineering, something many manufacturers I feel today have forgotten about. In a world of plastic, speed of production, and meeting profit margins most companies forgo the extra quality craftsmanship of a product, but this new 911 like its predecessors, breaks the mold of normality. I have to say what a defining moment yet again for a car manufacturer.

This morning as I watched CBS Sunday Morning I was reminded about our brain's pleasure sensors. Areas of the brain that are chemically excited by different activities both by action and reaction. The comment the host had made better defined an example of pleasure, for many of us that of driving a Porsche. As they mentioned that you never forget your firsts...your first kiss, your first bite of sushi (yuck), your first drive, and more symbolically to me my first drive in a Mercedes. I was about twelve years old, arriving with family in Brussels Belgium. I was meeting unfamiliar people in an unfamiliar land, when my grandfather's friend asked if I would like to ride home with him in his Mercedes. Being somewhat unfamiliar to the Mercedes line of automobiles and to this gentleman (Mr. Armand Borniville) I accepted with caution and proceeded to enter the car. I can still recall the texture of interior components, the smell of leather, and the sound of that engine V-12. During our drive I was astonished as this machine handled so much differently then our family's Volkswagens. Not that these Volkswagens were bad by any means, just different. At that age I had no idea of the difference or the horsepower that I was experiencing.

Armand asked if I would like to drive (Roughly translated by my grandfather) to which I sheepishly said I don't have a license yet, let alone a license in Belgium. He then said to take the wheel and again I recalled the different power and feeling of driving this car. Lastly he said as we traveled at approximately 130 Km/h let go of the wheel and hang on. He mashed his foot on the brake and the car gracefully came to a jolting stop dead straight on the small country path. That moment there is what gave me the bug! A moment that is defining in life where you feel the passion, understand the work, time, and emotion that goes into making a product. A product as technically astonishing as automobiles are. From that point on in life I looked at products and engineering a bit different.

I enjoyed my first Volkswagens, Mercedes, and Audis, but none have gotten the pleasure synopses firing quite like Porsche. My first Porsche experience was quite the ride as well, and very defining when it comes to driving cars. I recently had the pleasure of driving a Porsche Club member's 912 on the fall tour/rally this year, this same emotion and feeling was overwhelming. For every 356, 912, 944, 911, GT3, and yes even a Cayenne this experience and pleasure are what keeps me coming back to a brand. Both a brand and a club that are so pivotal for evoking emotion and pleasure. Below is a link to the new Porsche Microsite: <http://www.porsche.com/microsite/911/> I hope you find the new products as emotionally rich as I do.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

Andrew Opicka
President, Fox Valley Region
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FVR Calendar of Events

October	Sunday, October 2, 2011 NEW! Door County tour - view a private auto collection, followed by lunch at Godon's Lodge in Baily's Harbor, hosted by Bob Hawley. robert.hawley@yahoo.com
	Tuesday, October 4, 2011 Tech session at Auto Clinic, hosted by Gordon Skog
	Saturday, October 15, 2011 Porsche Tractor and Antique Tractor Field Day event in Rubicon, WI, hosted by Robert Geiser. rgeiser@milwpc.com
November	Tuesday, November 8, 2011 November dinner/social, at Mackinaws hosted by Barb and Charlie Wise. seawise@new.rr.com
December	Saturday, December 10, 2011 Fox Valley Region Holiday Party Holiday Inn Neenah Riverwalk, hosted by Jamie and Laura Prellwitz lprellwitz@att.net
January	Tuesday, January 3, 2012 Annual meeting/dinner at Victoria's Italian restaurant., hosted by Larry & Pat Rogers. lrogers3@sbcglobal.net
February	Tuesday, February 7, 2012 New member dinner at Plum Hill in Kaukauna, hosted by Jim & Lisa Stephenson.
March	Tuesday, March 6, 2012 Spring Tech Session at the Auto Clinic, hosted by Gordon Skog
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
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
	Tuesday, June 5, 2012 Dinner/social at Kodiak Jack's in Oshkosh, hosted by John & Jeanne Strublic
	Saturday, June 9 - Sunday, June 10, 2012 UP Tour - theme TBD, hosted by Al Curran
	Saturday, June 23, 2012 Ladies' Only tour - Lap Around Lake Winnebago, hosted by Laura Prellwitz
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 Iola Old Car Show, tubing, and potluck, hosted by Barb & Mark Wilkinson
August	Saturday, August 4, 2012 Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstrom Porsche, hosted by Nick Proctor
	Tuesday, August 7, 2012 Dinner/social at Bavarian Inn, host: TBD
September	Saturday, September 1, 2012 Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstrom Porsche, hosted by Nick 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, Michigan, hosted by Jamie and Laura Prellwitz lprellwitz@att.net
October	Tuesday, October 2, 2012 Fall tech session at Auto Clinic, hosted by Gordon Skog

FVR Calendar of Events

November	Tuesday, November 6, 2012 Dinner social at Mackinaw's (tentative location) Host: TBD
December	Saturday, December 15, 2012 Holiday Party

Important Club News

Jim Stephenson and John Beck are co-hosting a bus trip to the **Chicago Auto Show** in February. Jim has planned the trip many years in the past by himself, and John has kindly volunteered to help keep it going this year.

Did you know that the Fox Valley Region has a **Facebook page**? We have at least a dozen members that have "like" or posted information and/or photos on the page. In addition to our club's website, it's a great way for members to chat, post photos directly, share information and experiences, etc. Visit us at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Fox-Valley-Porsche-Club/227468667119>

Bob Hawley has organized what sound like a great tour in **Door County** for Sunday, October 2nd. The plan starts with the tour group meeting near Dykesville at 10:00 am. From there, Bob will lead the group to see David Hatch's 914 and 914/6 collection, along with other cars and cycles. After that it will be a 1:00 pm lunch at Gordon's lodge in Baileys Harbor. For those who would like to make it a weekend in Door County, Bob will also be hosting a beach fire at his home in Jacksonport at 8:00 pm on Saturday night before the tour. See page 6 for more information on this FVR event.

On the up and coming **Porsche Tractor Day** on Saturday, October 15th **Robert Geiser** will provide for hands on demonstration of his Super Export 339, serial #2919, with an estimated build date of Nov. 1962. In spite of its name, it was intended mainly for the German market, 30 hp with 3 cylinders. Robert drove it in Germany prior to its shipment to the U.S., arriving June 1995. In the time he has owned it, Robert has done a top end overhaul, replaced some of the pto drive components, 3 of the 4 tires, and also done some brake work. You can also see more information on this FVR event on page 6 of this issues of Whaletales.

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Upcoming Events

What: Door County Tour

When: Sunday, October 2, 2011

Where: Meet 10:00am at intersection of Kewaunee County Highway S and WI 57 east of Dyckesville, WI

Details:

Bob Hawley will lead the group from Sturgeon Bay towards Lake Michigan, and then to a private vehicle collection for a tour sure to be of interest to any Porsche owner. Then, the group will travel to Gordon's Lodge in Baileys Harbor, for a 1:00pm lunch, with choice of three selections for around \$20 each.

For those who might make a weekend of it, Bob Hawley and other FVR members will be hosting a Saturday evening beach fire at Bob Hawley's in Jacksonport on the evening prior to the tour.

Contact: For more information contact Bob Hawley at robert.hawley@yahoo.com

October 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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What: Antique Field Day event

When: Saturday, October 15, 2011, starting at 11:00am

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

Hosted By: Robert Geiser

Details: Saturday, October 15, 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

October 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Upcoming Events

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

October 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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What: Tech Session at Auto Clinic
When: Tuesday, October 4, 2011
Social starts around 6:00 pm
Tech session to start at 7:00 pm
Where: Auto Clinic, 1495 County Road II
(Winchester Road exit off Hwy 41)
Neenah, WI. 54956
(1/4 mile west of Hwy 41)

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It's that time of year again, for the annual Tech Session at Auto Clinic. This year, Auto Clinic's master technician, Rob Schvid will discuss and demonstrate internal engine function's and what goes into rebuilding a Porsche engine, and of course any question's you would like to ask will be answered and covered.

- As always there will be plenty of food and drink!
- ((Lots of Great Door Prizes))
- NO RSVP NEEDED, just come early or late for a fun and informative evening!

November 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6	7	8	9	10	11	12

Tuesday, November 8, 2011

Dinner at Mackinaws, hosted by Charlie & Barb Wise.

What: Dinner/Social at Mackinaw's
When: Tuesday, November 8, 2011
6:00-7:00 p.m. Social
7:00 p.m. Dinner
Where: Mackinaws Grill & Spirits
2925 Voyager Drive (I-43 and East Mason)
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This year I would like to play the Porsche game again, and for each PERSON to bring a wee gift no more than \$5.00. To be silly/funny/eatable/or useful. wrapped up as silly/pretty/ugly or whatever.

A head count is needed prior to the event, so please RSVP to the Charlie and Barb Wise no later than Sunday, November 6th at seawise@new.rr.com

Upcoming Events



December 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4	5	6	7	8	9	10

What: 2011 Holiday Party, hosted by Jamie and Laura Prellwitz

When: Saturday, December 10, 2011

Where: Holiday Inn Neenah Riverwalk - ([link](#))
123 East Wisconsin Avenue, Neenah, WI 54956 - ([Google Map](#))

Details: 3:30 - 5:00 PM - BOD Officers Only meeting
5:00 - 7:00 PM - Social including cash bar, hors d'oeuvres, and silent auction bidding
7:00 - 8:00 PM - Italian Buffet dinner, including beverage and dessert
8:00 - 9:00 PM - Business meeting and award reception
9:00 PM - Silent Auction promptly closes with all money collected for charity
10:00 PM - Continued social time in Fan Club

Cost: \$13.00 per member*. Non-member or additional guests \$26 per person.
(*The FVR is subsidizing the cost of the dinner)
Please make checks out to FVR-PCA and send to: Larry Rogers
168 S Pine Ct
Appleton, WI 54914

Overnight Accommodations: The Holiday Inn will be providing a special overnight rate of \$81 plus tax. In order to take advantage of this opportunity please call the Holiday Inn directly at 1-800-725-6348 and mention you are with the Fox Valley Region Porsche Club.

Silent Auction: Please be sure to bring an item or items to donate to our silent auction! This is our largest fundraiser for charity, and a lot of fun every year. Items do not have to be Porsche related, so bring anything that you believe will start a bidding battle. Thank you for your generosity!

RSVP is assumed by your nonrefundable payment sent to Larry Rogers by December 6, 2010. No additions or cancellations can be accepted after December 6th for final planning purposes. Any questions can be directed to Laura Prellwitz at lprellwitz@att.net

Fall Tour 2012

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.

September 2012						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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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, 1 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 lprellwitz@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!

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

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Fall Tour 2011

Fox Valley Porsche Club
Fall Tour 2011
Submitted by Jim Janes

The 2011 Fall Tour started out at the Burger King in Green Bay. Just before leaving on the tour, a Green Bay Police car came in lights flashing and pinned a car so that it could not leave. As we were next to the action, Andrew decided that we should all raise our hands so he could snap a picture.

On Friday the group took a tour up the west side of Green Bay. The tour followed the back roads through small towns and little traffic. We stopped at a small park just south of Marinette with a great view of Chambers Island and the tip of Door County. From there we followed the Menominee River on both the Wisconsin and Michigan side to the Four Seasons Resort. Upon arrival the resort greeted us with Champagne to cure our thirst from the long drive. Dinner was held at the resort with instructions on Saturday's events after dinner. A bonfire followed with much conversation.

Saturday started out with a "Time Distance, Speed" rally in the morning. This was the first time any of the participants took part in a TDS, however the competitiveness of our members was beyond belief. With a calculated time of 65.94 minutes,



Fox Valley Region PCA receives a warm welcome



Bad boys, bad boys whatcha goona do? Whatcha goona do when they come for you?

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Tom and Margie Zoromiski came in with a time of 65.18 and Gordon Skog (without a navigator) with a time of 66.56. Even though Tom and Margie were closer, Gordon took first place because, as explained the night before, if you are under the calculated time your time doubles.

During lunch a race course was setup on the tennis courts. Two 1/12th radio controlled Porsches were available to anyone willing to donate \$5.00 to the Club Charity Fund and endure the heckling of the onlookers. Again Gordon Skog had the best time, after two tries, on took home a red Porsche for Deb. \$55.00 was raised for our charities.

The afternoon was filled with a Gimmick Rally. Rumor has it that the natives were wondering where all the Porsches came from as the group would miss a question, double back and go back again. There was no time limit on the event, and what I thought would be a two hour event turned into a three plus hour event. After grading the papers, we ended with a tie between the Olsen car and the Curran car with only one wrong answer. A flip of a coin gave the trophy to Al.

Dinner that evening was at the Newingham's in Wausaukee after Dennis Olsen hit a deer on the way there (Porsche 1, Deer 0, car okay). Stories abound both before and after dinner.

Everyone loved the rallies and are still married. Next time we should go from a level 2 tour difficulty to at least a level 6. All asked to do it again.

Fall is "Porsche Fun"



FVR members arriving at the Four Seasons Island Resort in Pembine

Fall Tour 2011



Raising a toast to a great club

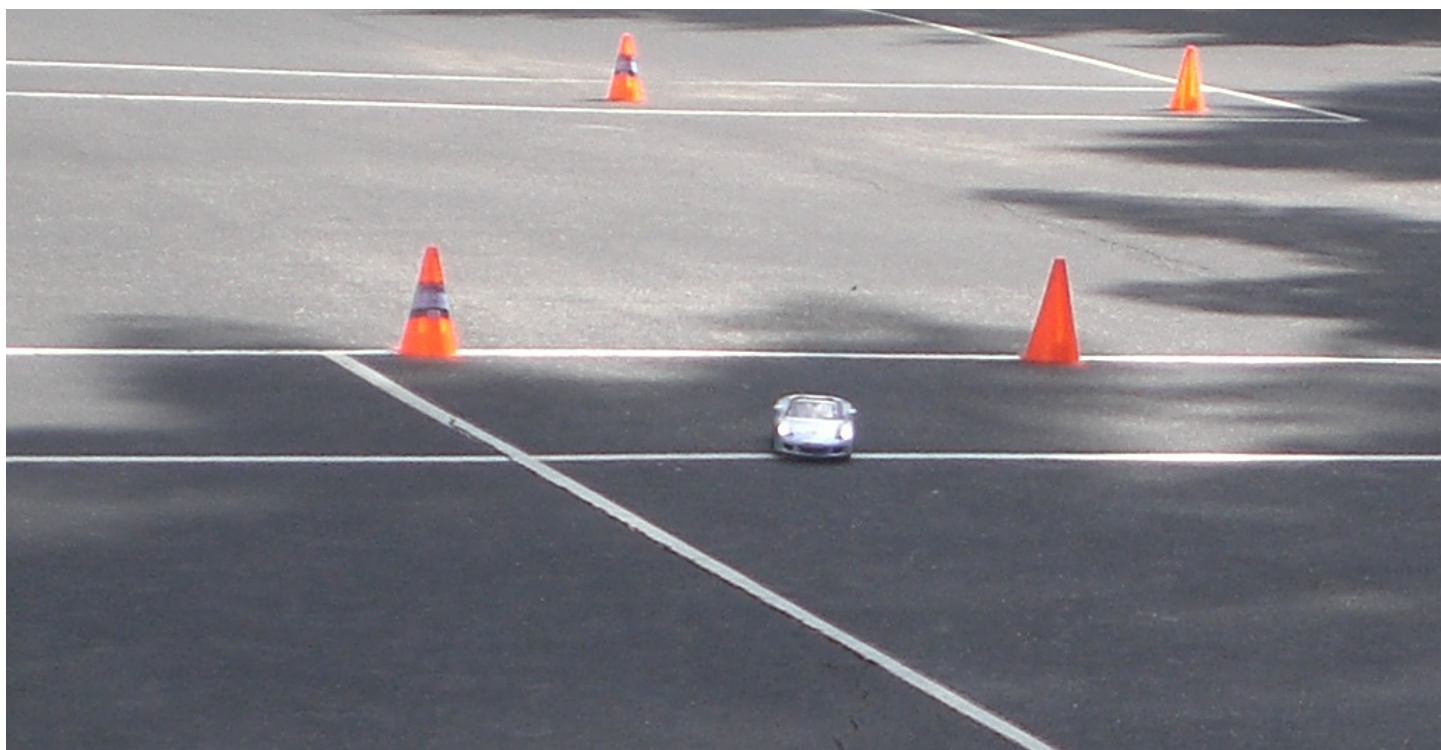


FVR members have a predilection for gathering around a bonfire

Fall Tour 2011



The racers are feeling their mojo!



Liebling, ich habe den Porsche geschrumpft!

Masterpiece Concours d'Elegance

Twenty-seven Porsche cars and one tractor were present for Club Day. By report from the 930 owner next to me this was about twice as many as the previous year. We were out-numbered by the Jaguar Club who were celebrating the 50th anniversary of the E-type. The Pantera Club also made a good showing for their 40th anniversary. Thank you for promoting this non-PCA event to your members. There were some truly fantastic vehicles there. - Donna Daufenbach



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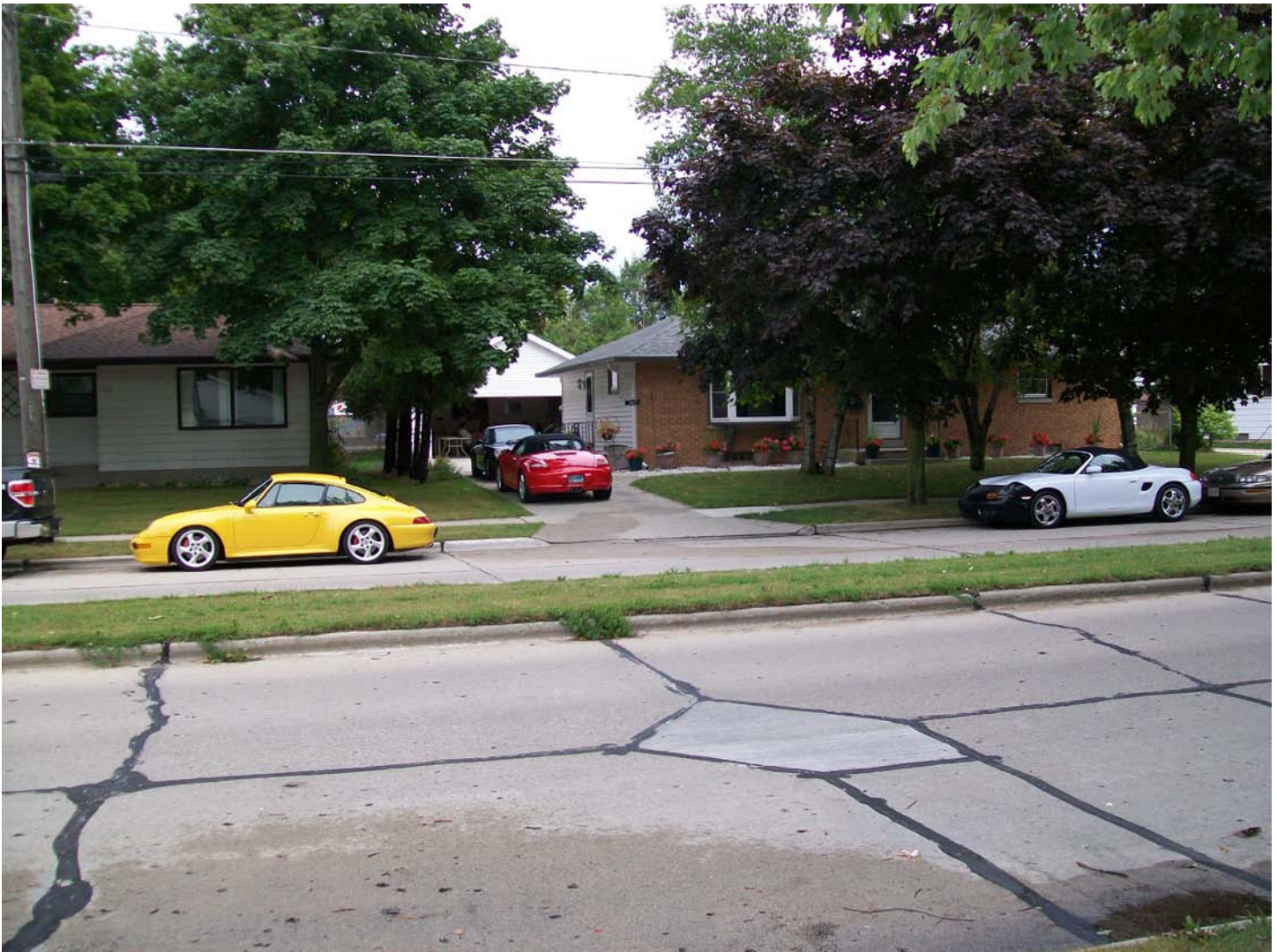
And so does this one!

Prellwitz's New Garage "grand opening"

Despite a nasty storm the day before, and questionable weather conditions on September 3, about two dozen FVR members came to Manitowoc for the "grand opening" of the Prellwitz's new garage, patio, and firepit. The original intent was to participate in a car show at the Manitowoc Health and Rehabilitation Center, but due to poor weather conditions for both our cars and the residents, the show was cancelled late morning. However, the dinner/social went forward, only briefly interrupted by a couple of sprinkles and some flying ants. A few members who wanted to participate were unable to do so as they were still dealing with the clean up of damage and lack of electricity from Friday's (9/2) powerful storms that blew through the central part of the state, or were out in the field for many long hours helping to restore the power.

Thanks again to all the members who so generously offered to participate in the car show at the nursing home to bring a bit more joy to the residents there. Your kindness will always be remembered. Thanks also to those who still came to Manitowoc and helped make the party a fun time for us!

Jamie and Laura Prellwitz



Porsches at Prellwitz's: left, Dennis Olson; right, Warren & Joyce Beaver; center driveway, Bill Chapman and Jim Prellwitz

Prellwitz's New Garage "grand opening"



Left to right: Bill Chapman, Warren Beaver, Jim Haen, and Dennis Olson check out the new patio. Dennis, what's that behind your back???



wall decor on the new garage

World Race Update

Submitted by Roy and Darlene Geigel

At precisely 1:18PM, July 21, 2011, Price Racing's 2007 Chevrolet Corvette arrived at the Eiffel Tower in Paris, France after 11,893 driving miles and 22,000+ total miles!

Since my last update at the international half way point in Kazakhstan we crossed into Russia after ten hours for the border crossing and six days later into Europe after just a few hours at the border. Kazhak roads were the worst of the trip and Russia's not much better. Even with 100+ MPH speeds on the German Autobahn we only averaged 32 MPH for the 41 driving days overseas. We found the Kazhaks to be very rude. They would demand to sit in the cars and then would proceed to push every button on the dash. The Russians, however, were extremely polite and would even ask before taking pictures of the cars.

The beer was one of the highlights of my trip. It got better and better as we went west and culminated in Germany. The Russian vodka was as smooth as water but we did not feel like we drank water the next morning.

Car clubs met us in Russia and Europe and sometimes escorted us into and out of their towns. The Russians were very proud of their post war "boxy" cars. We toured many auto museums the best of which was the Deutsches Museum in Munich, Germany where we viewed the Protos auto that finished second in the 1908 race. I highly recommend the "Deutsches" as well as the U.S. Automobile Museum in Reno, Nevada.

Of course one of the highlights was driving the German Autobahn. It is no longer entirely unlimited speed; instead only select 4 - 5 mile stretches are unlimited. We took full advantage of each stretch reaching speeds of 130 MPH. Gasoline was plentiful and of great quality. We packed extra gasoline filters and strainers but did not have to use them. We even found 102 octane benzene to run in the Corvette.



Winners all at the Eiffel Tower!

World Race Update

As we continued our westward trek the food became more western, the people became more familiar looking, the roads became better and the villages more quaint.

As I mentioned previously we started the race in New York City with eleven cars but only four finished in Paris. Along the way we were down to only three while one was getting an engine rebuild. It was at that point that we decided a three car race was not much of a race so we declared the race a four way tie with all of us winners and none of us losers. We crossed the finish line in Paris side by side; all declaring victory!

Many people have asked questions since I returned:

Q: What had the greatest impact on you?

A: We saw happy people everywhere, we saw the lack of sanitation, we had great food and beverages but the pollution in China impacted me the most. There was no wildlife in China!

Q: Were you ever in fear for your life?

A: No!

Q: What was the most disappointing?

A: No Porsches in the race???? Actually, the decline of the U.S. as a world power and the decline in the value of our U.S. dollar.

The cars that finished:

2007 Chevrolet Corvette

Roy Geigel

Jerry Price

1967 Volkswagen Bug

Janet Howell

Ed Howell

1932 Ford Street Rod

Clay Miller

Blake Garrison

1929 Ford Model A Speedster

Mary Crabtree

Jack Crabtree

It was an enjoyable experience and an eye opening experience but I am glad to be back in little Manitowoc, Wi., U.S.A.!

Roy Geigel

PCA Member

Price - Geigel Racing

World Racer



Hat trade with a Russian cop.

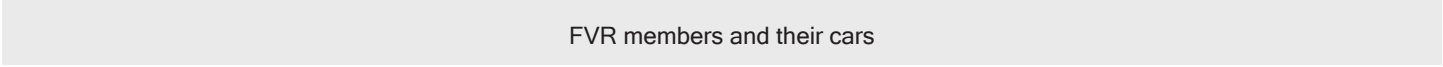
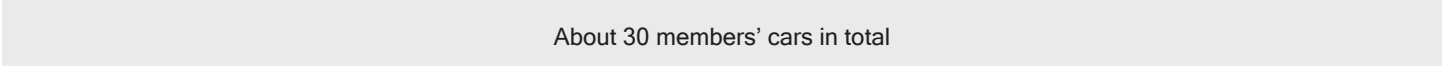
Labor Day Picnic at Road America



Justin Pauly getting ready to hit the track with his most recent acquisition



More than 55 members and their families were in attendance



Efficiency Yields Success

American Le Mans Series, round 8 in Laguna Seca, USA

Porsche 911 GT3 R Hybrid - efficiency yields success

Source: Porsche AG Press Release

Stuttgart. It beat them all - on the track and at the gas pump. At its first outing on the West Coast of the USA, the Porsche 911 GT3 R Hybrid beat all other GT vehicles in Laguna Seca. With Porsche works drivers Romain Dumas (France) and Richard Lietz (Austria) at the wheel, it turned the fastest race lap on the challenging course in Monterey/California and conquered the six hour distance with just three pit stops, while its fastest opponents in the GT class had to stop five times: An impressive demonstration of Porsche Intelligent Performance.

Porsche's strong performance at the riveting eighth round of the American Le Mans Series was rounded off by Joerg Bergmeister (Germany) and Patrick Long (USA): With the Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, the title defenders won the GT class in a photo finish final and secured their first win of the season featuring the world's fastest sports cars. For Porsche, this marked victory number three after Mid-Ohio and Baltimore.

Interest from the fans for the Porsche 911 GT3 R Hybrid was enormous in California, as well. And the way the innovative sports car from Weissach - which started from the rear of the grid and was not eligible for points - chased through the field in just a few laps to snatch the lead caused a sensation in the grandstands. The Porsche 911 GT3 R Hybrid convinced with its consistently fast lap times and low fuel consumption and finished ahead of all other GT vehicles thanks to its ground-breaking drive concept.



Porsche 911 GT3 R Hybrid, Porsche Motorsports North America: Romain Dumas, Richard Lietz

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"The start phase was huge fun, because it was relatively easy to overtake the slower competitors," said Romain Dumas. "But it's even more fun because we can apply superior tactics thanks to the lower fuel consumption. We are much more flexible and we made the most of this today." Richard Lietz stated: "We had the least pit stops of all the teams and showed clearly what the Porsche 911 GT3 R Hybrid can do. We didn't experience one technical problem and left all the other GT vehicles behind us. Our expectations have been far exceeded."

Thrills and spills also characterised the fight for victory in the fiercely-contested GT class as always. Spectacular tussles for positions on the track and in the pits as well as frequent changes at the lead were played out over the entire race - and in the last two hours, long after darkness had fallen on the Laguna Seca Raceway, events began to heat up: In the penultimate lap, Joerg Bergmeister squeezed past a BMW into second place with his Porsche 911 GT3 RSR fielded by Flying Lizard Motorsports. But the most successful GT pilot in the American Le Mans Series wasn't yet finished. He wanted victory - and in the final lap he pushed past the leading Ferrari.

"That was our first win this season. We did it at last and it was high time for that," said Joerg Bergmeister. "We didn't have the fastest car in the field today, but we fought to the flag. That paid off. To go from third to first in the last laps - you don't experience this every day in such a strongly-supported series." Patrick Long added: "Joerg won the race today. Our tactic was to keep out of any squabbles as much as possible and to have the car in one piece at the end to fight for victory. This worked, but the driving style of several competitors was clearly too tough today. It almost cost us the race."



Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, Flying Lizard Motorsports: Jörg Bergmeister, Patrick Long, Marc Lieb

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In the second Porsche 911 GT3 RSR fielded by Flying Lizard Motorsports, Porsche factory pilot Marco Holzer (Germany) joined forces with American Seth Neiman to bring home ninth place. "The track was new for me and has to be one of the most beautiful in the USA. The race was a fantastic experience," he said. "I'm pleased that we finished well. It was great fun." Sascha Maassen (Germany) and Bryce Miller (USA) saw the flag in tenth with Paul Miller Racing's Porsche 911 GT3 RSR.

After wins from Mid-Ohio and Baltimore, luck evaded Wolf Henzler in Laguna Seca. The Porsche works driver from Germany had taken over the Porsche 911 GT3 RSR from his teammate Bryan Sellers (USA) and was lying within striking distance of the top when a rival hit his rear shortly before the halfway point of the race. The impact damaged the water pump and put a stop to Falken Tire's recent run of successes. "Such a retirement is of course hugely disappointing, especially after our wins of the last weeks," Wolf Henzler said. "Now we have to roll up our sleeves and try to turn the best season for our team so far into a happy ending at Road Atlanta."

The ninth and final round of the American Le Mans Series takes place on 1 October on the Road Atlanta race track at Braselton, in the US State of Georgia.

At the same time as the penultimate race of the American Le Mans Series, Porsche teams were also fighting for championship honours in the equally as popular Grand-Am Series which held its final race on the Mid-Ohio Sports Car



Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, Team Falken Tire: Wolf Henzler, Bryan Sellers, Martin Ragginger

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Course in Lexington/Ohio. With the Porsche 911 GT3 Cup run by the successful customer team Brumos Racing, which is based on the lightweight 911 GT3 RS sports car, Americans Leh Keen and Andrew Davis secured the title with fourth place. The highlight of the exciting season was the Daytona 24 hour race in Florida, where Porsche kicked off the season with a double victory for the Porsche 911 GT3 Cup.

Statistics: 8th race in Laguna Seca, California

Result GT class

1. Bergmeister/Long (D/USA), Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, 236 laps
2. Müller/Hand (D/USA), BMW M3 GT, 236
3. Melo/Vilander (BRA/SF), Ferrari F458 Italia, 236
4. Sharp/van Overbeek (USA/USA), Ferrari F458 Italia, 236
5. Werner/Auberlen (D/USA), BMW M3 GT, 236
6. Magnussen/Gavin (DK/GB), Chevrolet Corvette, 236
9. Holzer/Neiman (D/USA), Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, 230
10. Maassen/Miller (D/USA), Porsche 911 GT3 RSR, 224

Result GTC class

1. Pumpelly/Ende (USA/USA), Porsche 911 GT3 Cup, 222 laps

2. J. Bleekemolen/Pappas/S. Bleekemolen (NL/USA/NL), Porsche 911 GT3 Cup, 222
3. Le Saffre/Faulkner (USA/IRL), Porsche 911 GT3 Cup, 221

Points' standings GT class

Drivers

1. Dirk Müller, Joey Hand, BMW, 145 points
2. Oliver Gavin, Jan Magnussen, Chevrolet, 110
3. Dirk Werner, Bill Auberlen, BMW, 101
4. Jaime Melo, Toni Vilander, Ferrari, 90
5. Wolf Henzler, Bryan Sellers, Porsche, 77
6. Jörg Bergmeister, Patrick Long, Porsche, 76

Manufacturers

1. BMW, 145 points
2. Porsche, 132
3. Chevrolet, 114
4. Ferrari, 109

Teams

1. BMW Team RLL, BMW, 145 points
2. Corvette Racing, Chevrolet, 114
3. Risi Competizione, 90
4. Team Falken Tire, Porsche, 77
5. Flying Lizard Motorsports, Porsche, 75

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Membership Milestones



Member Anniversaries

Name	Location	Vehicles(s)	Member Since
Larry & Mary Bergner	Two Rivers, WI	1986 911	2002
Bob & Hiltrud Geiser	Sussex, WI	1962 339 Super	2010
Michael & Nancy Hagerty	Green Bay, WI	2008 Cayman	1998
Joseph & Peggy Homel	De Pere, WI	1997 993 TT 1997 911 Twin T	1991
Mark & Ramona Metz	Wisconsin Rapids, WI	1996 993	1994
Harvey & Vickie Poling	Kewaunee, WI	2008 Boxster RS	1986
Ronald & (son) Kevin Possell	Menasha, WI	1987 944	1989
Scott & Kelly Quinn	Neenah, WI	1980 924	1998
Larry & Pat Rogers	Appleton, WI	1986 928S	1998

Welcome to our NEW MEMBERS!!!!

Name	Location	Vehicles(s)
Dave Anderson	Appleton, WI	2011 911
Nick & Michele Guerrieri	Green Bay, WI	2012 Boxster
Todd Vanderheyden	Green Bay, WI	1999 Boxster

Our region's current membership is 288 total members; 159 primary members and 129 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.

In August, PCA solidified its title as "Largest single Marque Car Club" in the world by posting over 60,000 primary members, representing a total over 105,000 members including family/affiliate members. The current membership level illustrates a sharp growth over the past five years. In 2000, primary memberships were approx. 50,000 and in 2005 it was approx. 52,275. The growth in membership can be attributed to the dedication and coordinated efforts of individual members, PCA regions, and PCA National Staff to offer the general membership distinctive value of benefits only PCA can provide. Of course, PCA is on to its next milestone - 75,000 primary members by 2014! We look forward to maintaining our best practices and implementing new and exciting programs to reach the next milestone. Together, we'll get there!

From the Editor

The Learning Curve

It seems to have been just a very short time ago when winter was being so incredibly stubborn, and refusing to relinquish its grip on Wisconsin. But eventually the seasons did change, and the FVR marked that adjustment in weather with our annual rite of passage, the Spring Opener in Pipe. Each year with warmer weather the events taking place in the communities in which we live, or at locations near or distant tend to become more numerous, and compete for our time to take them all in.

Having such a variety of possible happenings and destinations offers an inspiring view of life, encouraging travel and satisfying the urge to explore. While a change of seasons is again drawing near, we still have plenty of opportunities for exploring what other FVR members have offered to share, and inspire us with.

Several great events are on the horizon, and each of these represents an effort to plan, organize, and accomplish an event, tour, or other gathering that provides for a great experience. Events scheduled on the calendar are an open invitation to explore what the FVR has to offer. Please attend one soon; perhaps you will be inspired to assist in managing an existing event, or maybe even create the plan for what will become another annual club tradition.

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