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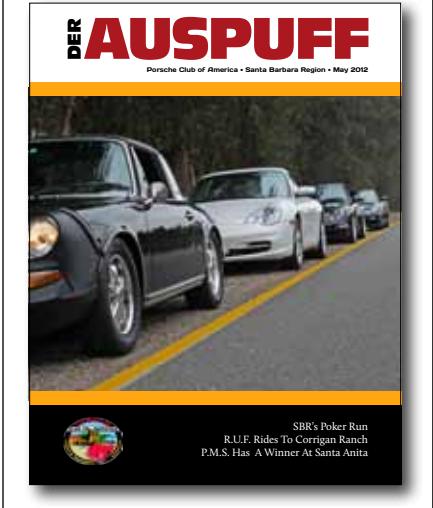
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Four generations of 911s line up for cards during The Poker Run.
Photo by John Alfenito



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Way-Point Café, 9:00 a.m.
- Wednesday 9 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
- Saturday 12 SANTA BARBARA BREAKFAST
Moby Dick Restaurant, 9:00 a.m.
- Fri.-Weds.25-30 SEQUOIA/KINGS CANYON/YOSEMITE
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- Saturday 9 SANTA BARBARA BREAKFAST
Moby Dick Restaurant, 9:00 a.m.
- Wednesday 13 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
- Saturday 23 SBR MEMBER APPRECIATION DAY
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- Saturday 30 EL CAMINO REAL XXIX
THE BOUCHER-SCHNEIDER TSD RALLY
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July

- Saturday 7 CAMARILLO BREAKFAST
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- Sun-Sat 8-14 PORSCHE PARADE - SALT LAKE CITY
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- Wednesday 11 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
- Saturday 14 SANTA BARBARA BREAKFAST
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- Saturday 21 16TH ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF
theresa.middlbrook@hklaw.com – See page 18
- Saturday 28 CAMARILLO AUTOCROSS
dan_byers@mac.com – See page 6

August

- Saturday 4 CAMARILLO BREAKFAST
ALTERNATE VEHICLE MONTH
Way-Point Café, 9:00 a.m.
- Wednesday 8 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
- Saturday 11 SANTA BARBARA BREAKFAST
ALTERNATE VEHICLE MONTH
Moby Dick Restaurant, 9:00 a.m.
- Saturday 25 PROGRESSIVE DINNER
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The President's Column

Nicolas Liakas

It is very exciting and most rewarding to experience (as region president) the enthusiasm, energy, and management skills displayed by our board members.



While some may think that our schedule for the balance of 2012 is already full, others continue to bring forth new or refreshed ideas for further enhancing enjoyment of and participation in our region. A couple of examples follow.

Ted Lighthizer, Doreen Pankow, Jeff Parker, Becky Lundberg and Joan Yabitsu have presented a fascinating proposal that will greatly serve our general community. In conjunction with the BMW Club of America and The Tire Rack, our region will present on October 20, 2012 the latter's Teen Safe Driving Program. Certified drivers will serve as instructors and The Tire Rack will provide material and financial support. The target audience will be teenage drivers holding a valid driver's permit or license. The hands-on instruction and guidance will emphasize safe driving techniques and responses to emergency situations. Driver responsibility, knowledge, and awareness will be stressed. The program is open to the general public and will be showcased at the Camarillo Airport. Our region is thus branching out to our friends and neighbors, and providing an extremely valuable resource to keep all drivers safe.

Speaking of community service, our region's designated charities for 2012 provide an invaluable resource to a special group of our fellow citizens. Introduced to us by SBR member Steve Mascagno, the Special Olympics Committees of Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties will share equally the net proceeds of our fundraising efforts during the latter part of this year. There will be one event, and one event only, specifically identified for this purpose, but it will be supplemented by a raffle or silent auction at our holiday party. I know you will agree that the Special Olympics are deserving of our enthusiastic support. Details will be provided as the year progresses.

Mike Furnish, a veteran member of our region, informs us that on Saturday, May 5, the Dunkel Brothers Mix Museum will host an Open House & BBQ from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. So many of us remember the Dunkels' swap meet and car show at their former facility in Orange County. Eminent domain forced the company to move to La Mirada, and ended this annual event. Well, it is happening again for one more time. Peter & Cheryl Dunkel have planned an Open House & BBQ. Porsche and Woodie memorabilia (possibly the biggest collection in the world), along with vintage trucks and machinery will be on display, as well as Roman Chariots and Steve McQueen's driving suit from the movie "Le Mans." The event will be located at 14500 Firestone Blvd, La Mirada, CA. (Please note that this is not a PCA/SBR sponsored event. If you intend to participate, please make your own travel and reservation arrangements.)

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CAMARILLO AUTOCROSS

SATURDAY, JULY 28, 2012

Requirements: Safe and mechanically sound car. Please review PCA Zone 8 website autocross rules for helmet and seatbelt requirements <http://zone8.pca.org/rules.php>. This event will be run in compliance with Zone 8 rules. Complete results will be posted on the SBR website (pcasb.org) within two weeks of the event.

<p>Where: Camarillo Airport. Las Posas exit off the 101 in Camarillo. Take Las Posas south, turn right on Pleasant Valley Road, turn right on Airport Way to T-intersection. Turn right and follow the signs.</p>	<p>Schedule: (times approximate) 6:30 a.m. Registration Check In at Airport Gate 6:45 a.m. Tech Inspection begins 8:00 a.m. Mandatory Drivers Meeting 8:30 a.m. Practice Runs begin 2:00 p.m. 3 Official Timed Runs (to 4:30 p.m.)</p>
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CAMARILLO AUTOCROSS ENTRY/REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

This is how we will communicate schedules, weather changes, results, etc.

Car/Model: _____ Year: _____ Color: _____

Requested Car Number: _____ (Subject to change due to computer program limitations.)

Porsche Class: _____ (Please review class info in Zone 8 Rules - <http://zone8.pca.org/rules.php> - Non-Porsche is Class X.)

Are you available to help set up on Friday afternoon, July 27th? YES or NO (Circle one)

Make checks payable to PCA/SBR for \$85, which includes lunch for one.

Extra lunches can be purchased with registration for \$17 each.

Mailed entries must be received no later than July 20, 2012.

Send Check & Entry/ Registration to:

Dan Byers
347 Daytona Drive
Goleta, CA 93117



Total Amount Enclosed: _____

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Entry Fee: \$85.00 per driver, includes lunch.

- Extra lunches can be purchased with registration for \$17 each.
- Event day registration (if not sold out) \$100 per driver cash only. Extra lunches \$20 cash only.
- Enrollment limited to 65. Pre-registration is encouraged to reserve your space.
- Course work is mandatory in order to run this Autocross.
- Porsche drivers: **This IS NOT a Zone 8 sanctioned event for points.**
- More than one person may drive a car, but each driver may drive only one car.
- Each driver must submit a separate Entry/Registration form.
- One check may be written for multiple drivers, but the check must identify all those covered by the check.
- Questions? E-mail DAN BYERS at: Dan_Byers@mac.com Want to use PayPal? Contact Dan.



April 7, 2012

Alternate Vehicles Kick Off Easter Weekend

STORY & PHOTOS BY JOHN ALFENITO

Once again the confluence of Passover and Easter brought out a big crowd of 114 members, friends and guests for our April Camarillo Breakfast. And with April being one of our two “alternate vehicle” months, there were a lot of non-Porsches parked among 60 of our beloved German machines.

Jeff & Terri Koski arrived on their classic Norton Commando 750 motorcycle. James Oldham parked his red Ferrari on the Way-Point lawn. There were Volkswagens, a trio of MINI Coopers, a couple of Alfa Romeos, and even a tricked-out golf cart with chromed, over-sized rims. Impressive stuff!

Filling in for President Nick Liakas, Activities Co-Chair Ted Lighthizer handled the business portion of the meeting. Membership Chair Sue Kinsling introduced first-time breakfast attendees Chris Clarke from Newbury Park and Robert & Serena Sadler of Woodland Hills. Bill & Maxine Lambuth had their grandson, Randy Christing, along as a guest. Mike Brasheavs was a guest of Jeffry Waxman.

Activities Co-Chair Doreen Pankow promoted the upcoming events on SBR's busy calendar, reminding everyone to sign up for activities early so as not to miss out.

As many of us headed out to begin hiding Easter Eggs for the next day's celebration, we all agreed to meet up again the following weekend in Santa Barbara. ❖❖



Jeff & Terri Koski's Norton Commando 750



Robert & Serena Sadler of Woodland Hills



James Oldham's bright red Ferrari



From Newbury Park, say hello to new member Chris Clarke

PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA/SANTA BARBARA REGION & SCHNEIDER AUTOHAUS PRESENT

El Camino Real XXIX

The Boucher/Schneider Zone 8 Time/Speed/Distance Rally SATURDAY, JUNE 30, 2012 IN SANTA BARBARA



SCHNEIDER Autohaus

WHEN: REGISTRATION 9:00 a.m. - 9:40 a.m.
FIRST CAR LEAVES AT 10:01 a.m.

WHERE: SEARS UPPER PARKING LOT
SANTA BARBARA'S LA CUMBRE PLAZA
EXIT Hwy 101 (North) at Hope Ave. in S.B.
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Right into Sears upper parking lot.

COST: \$30 per car at the start, \$25 per car
if you pre-register by June 23, 2012.
Enjoy a no-host lunch with your fellow
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by the awards presentation.

CLASSES: Novice, Tour, SOP, NAV, Expert.
For a copy of the rules, go to:
<http://zone8.pca.org/rules/2012/2012Z8Rules.pdf>

NOVICES: No experience required. Good stuff to bring:
navigator, time-of-day watch, clipboard, paper,
pencil(s), and a water bottle. You will have fun,
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but you must have a driver and a navigator!

MORE INFO: Call Doreen Pankow at (805) 527-8280 for
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Or email: dpankow@sbcglobal.net

PRE-REGISTER

To SAVE \$5.00, pre-registration MUST be received by June 23, 2012. (Make checks payable to PCA/SBR.)
Send this form and your check to: Doreen Pankow, 2251 Brownstone Creek Ave., Simi Valley, CA 93063

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A copy of the Rally Rules will be sent on request.



April 14, 2012

Another Beautiful Day in Paradise

STORY AND PHOTOS BY JOHN ALFENITO

An absolutely beautiful morning greeted a smaller than usual crowd of 34 members and guests for our April Santa Barbara Breakfast meeting. A major Spring rainstorm the day before had cleaned out the air and left a blue sky with scattered clouds over a still angry sea.

Our new Zone 8 Representative Tom Brown drove up the coast to join us for our meeting. President Nick Liakas introduced Tom, who was making the rounds of the 13 regions within Zone 8. Tom spoke briefly about getting to know everyone within the zone, and he was warmly welcomed.

Membership Chair Sue Kinsling reported her tally of 34 attendees and 18 Porsches. Even though it was "Alternate Vehicle Month," the Porsches far outnumbered the non-P-cars on the wharf. Sue introduced new members Anthony & Lindsie Gentile of Moorpark, who arrived in their 1984 Carrera.

Activities Co-Chair Ted Lighthizer outlined the many events to come on the busy Santa Barbara Region calendar, promoting the Zone 8 Festival of Speed, which would occur the following weekend in Fontana. As always, lots of opportunities to meet and interact with your fellow club members at future SBR events. Check the calendar on page 3 or the "Down The Road" listing of more distant events on page 26.

Another successful breakfast meeting came to a close as many members stepped out onto the pier for some mutual Porsche admiration and a dose of Southern California sunshine. ❖❖



New SBR members Lindsie & Anthony Gentile of Moorpark



Just so there is no confusion on the whole "alternate vehicle thing," Andy Gault's new Cayenne S wears a special tag.



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R.U.F. RIDES INTO CORRIGANVILLE

STORY BY BARRY WEINSTEIN
PHOTOS BY NICOLAS LIAKAS & BRIAN RUBINO

On Thursday, March 15th, 45 PCA/SBR “R.U.F. Riders” saddled up 25 Porsche stallions and galloped over the 118 freeway to Corriganville, an old western movie ranch in Simi Valley, CA.

Our gang of R.U.F.-fians on their hot-blooded German steeds covered the short trail ride to the ranch in about 1/15th the time it would have taken “Crash Corrigan,” the movie star who owned the ranch, and his western actor buddies, to gallop across the same territory. The large posse of white-hatted heroes and gangs of black-hatted outlaws who rode in the western movies and TV shows filmed at Corriganville included many we all remembered such as John Wayne, Hopalong Cassidy, Roy Rogers, Gene Autry, the Lone Ranger & Tonto, as well as hundreds of other familiar names and faces.

Today, Corriganville is a regional park operated by the Simi Recreation and Park District. Three-quarters of a century ago Corrigan bought this property for about \$11,000 and began renting it to major motion picture companies for location shooting. Sixty years ago it was opened to the public on weekends and holidays as a western-themed amusement park. The

live “shoot-‘em-up” shows presented on weekends were largely made up of a cast of cowboy actor friends of Corrigan, whom the kids would have seen weekly in the 25-cent Saturday afternoon serials they would enjoy at their local movie houses.

During the years it was a working movie ranch, a thousand or more films were shot there. Through the early 1960s, hundreds of B westerns, portions of various classic movies and complete TV series were shot either in their entirety, or in part, at

Corriganville. Included in this group are the familiar names of Fort Apache, Robin Hood, The Lone Ranger, Rin-Tin-Tin, Lassie, The Cisco Kid, Have Gun Will Travel, and more.

Our PCA/SBR R.U.F. adventure became a fun return to the Old West of B movies and Saturday afternoon serials. Our guide was the extremely knowledgeable park historian, Greg Anderson. Greg took us on a two-hour leisurely and scenic walk

Continued on page 12



Tour organizer Barry Weinstein (left) with Corriganville Historian Greg Anderson

CORRIGANVILLE *Continued from page 11*

around the park, pointing out the exact spots films were made and individual scenes were shot, continually recounting to this gang of "R.U.F.-fians" many interesting and little known stories.

His wonderfully unique way of bringing the past into the present by holding up very large production stills of the actual scenes with the stars on horseback in the exact locations where we stood brought the tour alive. At each point we were able to see our childhood heroes in front of or on the boulder, bridge or set remains where we were standing. Everyone agreed that it brought back fond memories of the days of our childhood westerns where we all wanted to be cowpunchers like those we idolized in the movies. In fact, Past President Michael Brovsky's wife, Beverly, recalled retreating to her parents' basement to saddle up their hassock and watch Hopalong Cassidy gallop after the bad guys on TV. The picture Bev showed us of her as a child, in her head-to-toe black Hopalong Cassidy outfit, was the cutest production still we saw all day.



Corriganville Historian Greg Anderson holds a "production still" showing us exactly where a particular scene from a famous movie was shot.

After completing the tour we jumped back in the saddle and as a group stampeded over to a western-themed restaurant named Sutter's Mill, one of Simi's best kept "saloon-like" secrets. Due to our R.U.F. Riders' reputation as a group of hard-riding, straight-shooting, gun-slinging cowpokes and cowgirls, a private dining room was set up for our happy outlaw band, keeping our gang separated

from the good citizens of Simi Valley.

Once our bellies were filled and the cook had hitched up the chuck wagon, we cinched up our saddles and said "adios" to this sleepy little cowboy town. After a full and fun-filled day on the range, our gang of 45 R.U.F.-fians rode off into the sunset, each to their own homestead, cattle ranch, or bunk house. ❖

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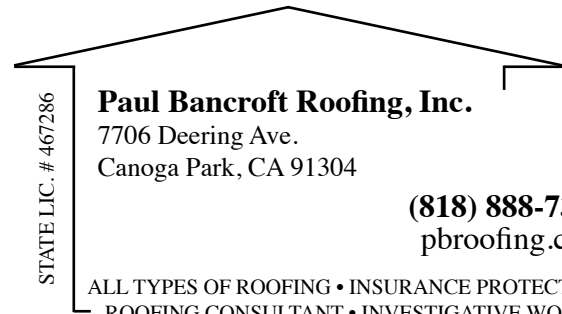
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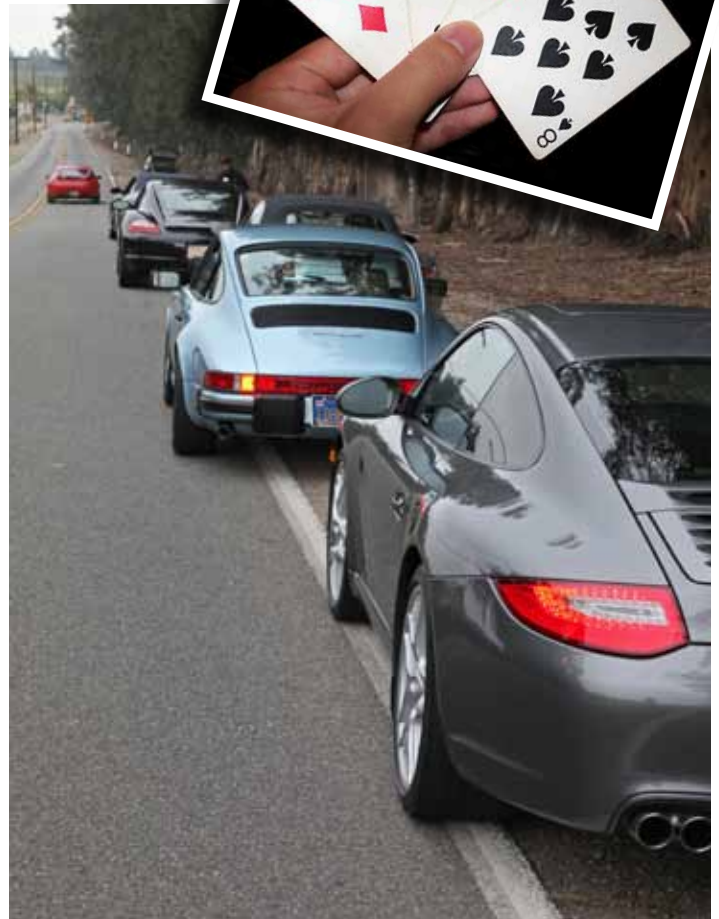
Great people, great cars, great roads, great food, great weather, and oh, by the way, a chance to score some easy cash! Are these the ingredients for a great day? If you answered, “Yes,” then you must have attended the 2012 Poker Run!

Held (most) every spring by the Santa Barbara Region, the annual Poker Run consists of a preplanned route on sinuous roads suitable for sporty driving, incorporating several stops along the way where participants gather a poker hand of 5 “cards.” As the poker hand is accumulated, one card at each stop, players attempt to assemble the best or worst hand.

It all began at the Way-Point Café parking lot, at the Camarillo Airport, site of the club’s monthly breakfast gatherings. 53 eager members lined up to collect their first card, drawn from a single, meticulously shuffled deck. Cries of joy were only equaled by moans of displeasure as the cards were drawn. Inevitably, face cards were lusted after by all. However, soon everyone realized that any and all cards, when assembled into a strong hand, were valuable regardless of face value. Several brave males opted to draw cards for their significant others.



Pick a card...any card at all. Mike Hodson holds the deck.



At each of three stops along the route, cars would collect another card for the players’ poker hands.

However, after the draw, mumblings were heard regarding the error of their ways.

Following the obligatory group photo, President Nick Liakas announced that due to an unfortunate oversight and resulting rules conflict on the part of the event organizer (yours truly), a clarification was necessary regarding the division of the “pot” between the highest and lowest hands. Upon resolution of the matter, everyone mounted up, and we were off in small groups to avoid unnecessary congestion at the card stops along the route.

Over the hills and through the woods the various sub-groups drove, being met by the frantic waving of USA flags to positively identify every stop and minimize confusion. Each stop was manned (personned?) by very capable, friendly, and efficient folks. However, only one of the stops actually contained a Porsche vehicle (!). As the cars paused at the card stop, everyone acquired an additional card, and then proceeded on the route.

Mission Oaks Park in Camarillo was the final destination, where the last card was to be drawn. Listening to the good-natured comments from the participants, it was obvious who arrived at the park with a chance for glory, and who did not have a snowball’s chance. Per the usual event spirit, everyone was happy, having enjoyed the drive with a minimal amount of detours and wrong turns.

Next on the agenda was to partake of the



Lunch at the beautiful Mission Oaks Park in Camarillo.



High hand holder William Griswold (L), keeper of the cash Mike Hodson (C), and “low hand man” Nick Liakas (R) pose with the impressive pot, which William and Nick split.

delicious catered lunch, consisting of lime chicken, beans, rice, etc. Everyone filled their plates, some more than once, and gathered at the tables to visit, catch up with old friends, or meet and get to know new members.

During the luncheon, the poker hands were reviewed by a committee, re-reviewed and re-re-reviewed to determine the winners.



(L-R) Jeff Koskie, Gary Weaver, and Mike Turek enjoying the Spring sunshine after our fun run through the hills and dales.

At the end of the day, identifying the highest hand was too easy. William Griswold had four, yes four, eights! No one was even close to challenging that hand. The battle for lowest hand was far closer, with numerous contenders. However, President Nick Liakas took top (bottom?) honors with the worst of the worst. Although the pot was to be split evenly, due to the uneven pot total, Mr. Griswold wound up with \$1 more than Mr. Liakas. As expected, Nick protested, laughing and smiling the whole time, but his words fell short. Sorry, Mr. President.

Congratulations to both winners, and thanks to all the participants. Special thanks go out to Doreen Pankow and Ted Lighthizer for their patience, expertise, assistance and wonderful attitude. We look forward to seeing everyone at the next Poker Run! ❖❖

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P.M.S. Hits The Track

STORY BY LINDA KUCKENBAKER, PHOTOS BY LINDA KUCKENBAKER, DOREEN PANKOW, AND KAREN TUREK

The racy Porsche Mademoiselle Society (P.M.S.) of the Santa Barbara Region joined together on March 31, 2012, and headed to Santa Anita Park in Arcadia for a day of encouraging our educated picks to cross the finish line first.

The weather was a bit drizzly and overcast on our drive. Fortunately, once we reached Arcadia, the drizzling stopped. Still somewhat overcast, but beautiful, the weather cooperated as we were escorted to the Turf Terrace. There we each placed our order for a beautiful lunch and some “calorie-free” desserts.


Before the races started, our personal handicapper assisted each and every one of us in placing our bets, starting with the very first race. Robin Liebes and Karen Turek were the big winners of the first race with Robin collecting \$50 and Karen \$100. A few races later Doreen Pankow had a \$20 winner.

After a tour of the paddock, where we admired the beautiful ponies, we gathered around the statue of Seabiscuit for our group photo. Then it was back to the conclusion of the races and a return trip home, where we encountered rain that delayed itself long enough to have a dry day at the races. ❖❖



WE'RE IN THE MONEY! - Robin Liebes (L) and Karen Turek cashed in on the very first race.

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CHECK YOUR PORSCHE'S WATER DRAINS

BY CHRIS ANDROPOULOS

In light of being at the tail end of the “rainy” season here in Santa Barbara, a pertinent topic for this month’s tech article is how water from a rain shower or car wash flows over and through your Porsche to the ground. While this may seem like an irrelevant subject, it is actually very important to regularly check the various water drain holes and tubes distributed throughout your Porsche to prevent possible water damage to carpets and expensive electrical components. One of the most important tools used during a routine service in my shop is a strategically used vacuum cleaner to clear out debris from the various drains and ducts located throughout each Porsche.

All modern automobiles feature a number of water drain holes and channels to ensure that water runs efficiently through the car, and does not accumulate in places where it should not. These drains are necessary because it is neither practical nor indeed possible for manufacturers of mass-produced automobiles to make the exterior of a car completely watertight. There are gaps between body panels, openings for hoods and trunk lids, sunroofs, and convertible tops that water gets into and therefore needs an exit out of the bottom of the car.

Modern Porsches can be particularly prone to certain water drains clogging, with dire consequences, if left unchecked...

The downside of any water drain is that if water can get into it, then dirt, leaves, and other debris can also get into the drain and clog it. This causes water to pool up in the area of the clogged drain, possibly



Okay, maybe it's not quite this dramatic, but keeping your Porsche's water drains open and clear can prevent some possibly expensive fixes down the road.

overflowing into places that it should not, perhaps causing expensive damage to interiors and electronics. Modern Porsches can be particularly prone to certain water drains clogging, with dire consequences if left unchecked, especially the 986 series of Boxsters (1997-2004) and 996 series of 911s (1999-2004). The cowl drains in all 986/996 models, and the convertible top compartment drains of the 986 Boxsters can be especially problematic if clogged.

The “cowl” refers to the gap between the upswept trailing edge of the front hood/luggage compartment lid and the base of

like levels of wind noise at high speeds (besides the relatively upright angle of the non-flush windshields) is the lack of such a cowl. The resulting large gap between the base of the windshield and the front hood means that efficient water evacuation from this area is imperative.

The earliest Boxsters only have 2 drain holes for the entire cowl area. They’re located underneath the plastic panels in the rear of the front luggage compartment where the battery resides. These drains easily clog up with leaves and debris if the car is ever parked underneath trees. If left unchecked, the water can overflow into the interior of the car. Porsche added two additional drain holes for the 2000 model year, which helped matters somewhat, but these cars still need to have the cowl drains periodically checked for debris. Besides flooding of the interior, the early Boxsters and 996s were also susceptible to water getting into the vacuum brake booster, as the rod from the brake booster that goes to the brake pedal runs through the driver’s side cowl area. Water in the brake booster results in a high, hard brake pedal, which is unsafe because massive force on

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CHECK YOUR PORSCHE'S WATER DRAINS

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the brake pedal is required to slow the car down. Luckily, the vast majority of these early Boxsters and 996s have had the brake booster and bellows boot updated by now per a factory technical service bulletin. Nonetheless, it is still imperative to regularly check and clear the cowl drains as necessary. Clogged cowl drains can cause water to overflow into the interior and even get into the dash area and damage electronics and wiring.

The convertible top drains on Boxsters and 996 cabriolets are also problematic. These drains can be accessed by partially lowering or raising the convertible top, thus leaving the metal tonneau cover open. The drain holes are located at the lowest point of the foam insulation that lines the bottom of the convertible top compartment. These drains easily accumulate debris over time. If the foam insulation is torn or damaged for any reason, water can find alternate paths besides the intended drain hole. In either case, that water overflows into the interior and pools up on the carpet under the seats.

engine from being started without the proper coded key. Water intrusion into sensitive electronics results in irreparable damage to the alarm control unit, which usually causes the engine to be unable to start due to the immobilizer signal being unable to reach the DME (engine control unit). The car must then be towed to a qualified Porsche specialist for replacement of the pricey alarm control unit, and factory-level scan equipment is necessary to code the new control unit to be able to work with the car and the existing keys.

Suffice it to say, a routine vacuuming of the convertible top compartment can prevent an expensive headache! It must be said that Porsche largely improved the water drain design on the 2005 and up 987 and 997 series, as we have not seen nearly as many clogged drain issues with these cars, and we have noticed subtle improvements in drain design and location. Nonetheless, it is still important to routinely inspect and clear these drains as in any car.

All of the water cooled Porsche sports cars from the earliest 986 Boxster to the latest 991 series 911 require a periodic visit

to enter. Over time this "road ruffage" gets packed in front of the radiators, impeding the airflow and thus reducing their cooling capability. If leaves and other debris are left in the radiator ducts long enough, they eventually form a sort of compost that traps moisture, which can lead to corrosion of the radiators and leakage, necessitating radiator replacement. Once again, a few minutes of care from a shop vac can go a long way!

The Cayenne SUV has so far proven to be not quite as susceptible to its water drains clogging as its earlier sports car cousins. However, the Cayenne is not immune to electrical damage from water intrusion. A common issue on the first generation Cayennes is the air conditioning evaporator drain being plugged. The evaporator is located inside the dashboard, and water condenses on its surface during normal air conditioning operation. The water that drips underneath any car when the air conditioning is running is by design. The evaporator drain on the Cayennes happens to be located near the hot engine compartment and can partially melt closed. If this happens, the water dripping from the evaporator can eventually build up and soak the interior carpets. This can lead to electrical damage and mildew as with so many modern cars. The repair is as simple as snipping the end of the rubber drain tube off to prevent it closing up again.

The bottom line is that some easy-to-do maintenance can ensure that you and your Porsche can face the next rain shower or car wash with confidence! ❖❖❖



Shown here: the convertible top drain hole on a 987 Boxster. By partially lowering the top so that the tonneau is raised, you can access these drains at the lowest point in the top storage bucket. The drain is the circular opening in the center of the photo. There is one on each side of the car.

Besides the obvious issue of waterlogged carpets, the alarm system control unit happens to reside under the driver's seat. The alarm control unit controls the door locks, alarm system, and the anti-theft immobilizer system that prevents the

from a vacuum cleaner nozzle in another area besides water drains. The radiator ducts in the front bumper cover allow copious amounts of cooling air to enter the radiators that are located in the left and right corners of the car. These openings also allow any debris that happens to be in the air

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June 30	El Camino Real XXIX - Boucher/Schneider Z8 Rally
July 4	City of Santa Barbara's 4th of July Parade
July 14-15	Ventura Motorsports Gathering
July 21	16th Annual Chili Cook-Off
July 28	Autocross in Camarillo
August 17-19	Monterey Motorsports Reunion, Laguna Seca
August 25	SBR Progressive Dinner
September 8	Detail Clinic at Lavaggio
September 22	Autocross in Camarillo
September 29	The Gimmick Rally
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BY TOM BROWN, ZONE 8 REPRESENTATIVE

Zone 8 has a new Rules chair! I've recently appointed Russell Shon, San Diego Region, as the new Zone 8 Rules Chair. Russell is an avid driver, frequently participating in Autocross, DE & Time Trial events. He holds degrees in both Electrical & Mechanical Engineering, and loves to do his own work on his cars. With his background and experience, he seems perfectly suited to this task, and he will be a great addition to the Zone 8 staff. This reminds me, the proposal period for 2013 has begun. Please send Russell your thoughts on the rules. Now is the time to make proposals for 2013, and to review and comment on the proposals of others. You can view the current proposals on the Zone 8 website. Please send your proposals and comments to Russell at rules@zone8.org.



Tom Brown

Speaking of the website, next time you are on <http://zone8.pca.org>, check out the "About Zone 8" section. I'm in the middle of a zone history project, the results of which are taking shape on the Zone 8 website. I think it is important to remember our club's origins and history, and it can be quite informative and entertaining as well. I've recently spent hours digging through old Panorama magazines, as well as the zone records that were delivered to me by Michael Dolphin. Be sure to keep checking back over the next few months. There is enough to this that I'll be adding to it a little more each week for some time to come.

To this end, I need your help. The zone records are incomplete, and I'm hoping that region newsletters can fill in the gaps. In particular, I'm looking for February through May issues of the following years: 1984, 1986, 1988, 1989, 1991, 2006 & 2010. If you collect the old newsletters from your region and you have any of these four issues from the years listed, please drop me a note, I'd love to talk to you. I can be reached at zonerep@zone8.org. (Note: I have access to a complete set of San Diego Region newsletters, so to my fellow SDR members, thanks anyway, but I'm looking for newsletters from the other 12 regions in Zone 8.)

Parade registration opened up on March 27. This year's Parade is only a stone's throw away - just up the road in Salt Lake City, Utah,

July 8 through 14. The Parade is our club's national convention and features a week filled with numerous activities such as: Concours, TSD Rally, Gimmick Rally, Autocross, banquets, socials, Tech Academy (similar to the Tech Tactics we hosted last fall in Los Angeles), lots of wonderful driving tours in the beautiful mountains of Utah, and much more! This is the biggest event we do all year. Just think, all Porsche, all the time, for a week! When it comes time to plan your family summer vacation, you could do a lot worse than to join us in Salt Lake City for the Parade. Salt Lake City is a terrific place to visit. There will be lots of things for the kids, and plenty of fun for everyone. As I write this, there are 78 members registered from Zone 8; but there is still plenty of room for more. Parade moves around the country to a different place each year, so be sure to take advantage of it while it is so close. Join us! You won't regret it. For more information see <http://parade2012.pca.org>. Go to <http://paradereg.pca.org> to sign up and join the fun.

By now I'm sure most of you will have seen the new 991 at an introduction hosted by your local dealership. When we finally saw one of these in the flesh, those of us on the zone staff quickly noticed that the engine compartment was even less accessible than that of a Boxster or Cayman. The realization of the impact that this would have on our Concours events was not far behind. In a nutshell, if you can't get at the engine, you can't judge it, which means that this car could not compete in two of our existing Concours Divisions. This information, coupled with the dissatisfaction that many Boxster & Cayman owners have voiced over the years about accessing their engines for judging, led us to an urgent restructuring of the Concours rules. We created a new division specifically for those cars that have engine compartments with restricted access when compared to their older counterparts. These rules are "transitional," that is, intended to get us through this year, after which (based on our 2012 experiences) we can then modify them as necessary to keep our Concours events fair and fun for all. In the meantime, these cars have a place to compete that does not place them (or the other Porsche models) at a competitive disadvantage. Please see <http://zone8.pca.org> for the complete 2012 Zone 8 Rules.

Don't forget to keep your email current in your account at <http://www.pca.org>. Keeping your email up to date with national is what keeps you in the loop for important club information.

See you at the next event! ❖❖❖

SBR Board of Directors Meeting

April 11, 2012 - 6:30 p.m. – Four Points Sheraton Hotel

MINUTES RECORDED BY NADINE TRACY

The dinner board meeting was held at the Four Points Sheraton in Ventura. Present were: John Alfenito, Ted Lighthizer, Don Kuckenbaker, Randy & Sue Kinsling, James Edwards, Janice Herndon, Michael Brovsky, James Oldham, Dick Douglass, Jim Brown, Brian Rubino, Mike & Karen Turek, and Nicolas Liakas

Secretary: The March board meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

Vice President: No report.

Treasurer: Jim submitted his Monthly Income Statement, Statement of Cash Flows, and Balance Sheet with Comparisons. The bank reconciliations have been completed.

Membership: During the month of March, 12 new members joined our region and membership stood at 688 at month's end.

Activities: A motion was made and passed that Member Appreciation Day registration fees for new members, will be at 50% of those charged for veteran members; fee for children of same shall be at 50% of fees charged for other minors.

Editor: John Alfenito reported the May issue is on schedule. A new flier has been created and will run for the 16th Annual Chili Cook-Off in July.

Distribution: 708 copies of the April Der Auspuff were mailed out of the Thousand Oaks post office. The postage cost was \$322.77 which leaves \$432.17 in our credit account, enough for the May issue mailing. A motion was made and passed for the Distribution Chair to receive \$1,200 to cover mailing costs through August.

Advertising: Don Kuckenbaker had no new information to report.

Goodie Store: Brian Rubino reported that Goodie Store sales at the April Camarillo breakfast totaled \$795.00. A motion was made and passed for reimbursement of \$423.27 for expenses incurred in purchase of products, and authority given to spend up to \$1,250 for future product purchases.

Insurance: We are current on all certificates.

Rally: No report.

Concours: A motion was made and

passed that the October 2012 Concours (including a buffet lunch) is to be presented at The Fess Parker Hotel in Santa Barbara, and the preliminary budget proposed by chair Dick Douglass was approved.

Autocross: Everything is moving forward for our April 28th Camarillo autocross. Dan Byers extended thanks to Ted Lighthizer, Doreen Pankow, and Martin Keller for getting the word out on the various websites in the greater Camarillo area.

Archives: James Oldham thanked Pamuela Hodson for completing an excellent restoration of our battered 1974 scrapbook, which is now back in the Archives.

Webmaster: New fliers, calendar entries, and the April Der Auspuff have been added to the website. Cosmetic changes were made to the site, including a new header image designed by John Alfenito.

Safety: No report.

P.M.S.: The ladies had a great time at Santa Anita Race Track on March 31st. A motion was made and passed to reimburse Linda Kuckenbaker \$808.00 for expenses incurred for the day at Santa Anita Park.

R.U.F.: The April trip to NOAA is sold out with 40 people signed up. Jeanne & John McNair are working with Gamble House to arrange a tour for May. Mike Turek will be organizing the June event.

50th Anniversary: No report.

Public Relations: Janice Herndon reported that the R.U.F. ride to Corriganville has been submitted for publication in the May Panorama. She will submit the April 28th Autocross info to the Ventura County Star in the Car Club News section.

Past President: Michael & Beverly have been working on organizing the 2012 Wine Country Harvest Tour scheduled for October 27th. The tour begins at Santa Barbara Auto Group, the event sponsor, with a continental breakfast, followed by a great wine country drive culminating at a unique winery at the pinnacle of Peachy Canyon Road in the hills outside Paso Robles where we will sample wine and have a picnic lunch. Porsche cars of North America will be with us on the tour and provide the latest and greatest in

Porsche engineering to sample. We will stay overnight at the Paso Robles Inn. A motion was made and passed giving Michael Brovsky authority to execute necessary contracts and make a deposit of \$500 with the Paso Robles Inn for the Wine Tour in October.

President: The board designated the Special Olympics of Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties as our charity for 2012. Nick spoke with Sara Spataro and Peggi Preston of the Santa Barbara and Ventura chapters, who are delighted. The limited club events that will be identified as supporting the Special Olympics will be managed and coordinated by our Vice President and Past President.

Ted Lighthizer and Doreen Pankow have made substantial progress in securing the necessary information and commitments regarding the planned sponsorship of the Tire Rack Safe Teen Driving Program and Ted shared their findings. The program date is October 20, 2012.

John & Jeanne McNair are well advanced into their planning for the 2013 January weekend getaway, the destination being Scottsdale, Arizona.

Many have noted that no Cayenne owners participate in our monthly drives and tours. The board agreed to encourage members with Cayennes to participate in future club activities. Dick Douglass will report to the Board on PCA National and Zone 8 plans to increase participation in the club by Cayenne and Panamera owners.

Old Business: The Board approved the club's presentation of the Tire Rack Street Survival Program For Teens on October 20 in conjunction with the BMWCCA, which will provide the required insurance coverage and instructors. Approval was also given for the deposit of \$590.00 with the Camarillo Airport for reserving the tarmac and conference room.

New Business: The Board approved participation by SBR in the Santa Barbara Fourth of July parade. Janice Herndon will chair the event.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The May 9th Board of Directors meeting will be held at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel, Ventura Harbor, at 6:30 p.m.



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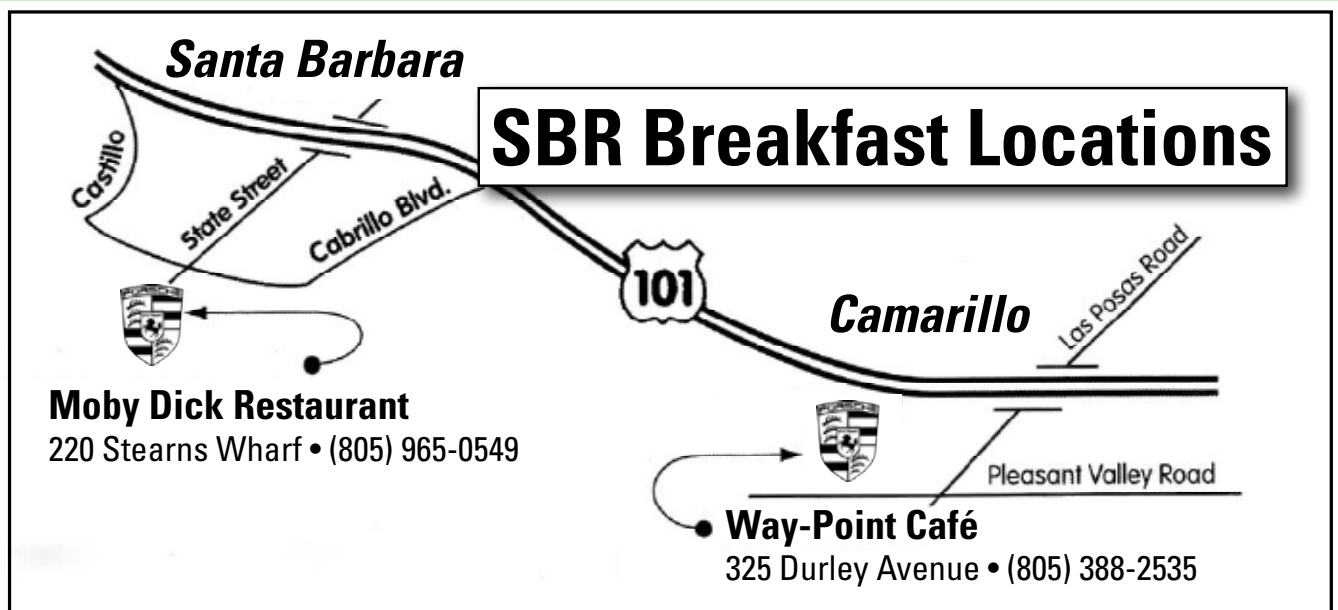
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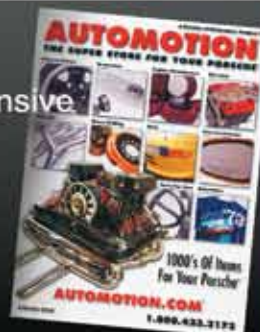
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