

## 159 Drivers Make Roebling Road DE a Resounding Success!

*February Drivers Education Wows Participants*

By Chuck Hennings

Based upon the weather so far this winter, I think most folks who drove to Roebling Road Feb. 19-21 brought lots of heavy winter clothing. But the weather gods were smiling at **Ross Evers**, new FL Citrus DE Chair, and his large group of volunteers for the 3-day weekend. The skies cleared and the temperatures climbed through Sunday when suntan lotion broke out. The great weather was a factor, but Ross's well organized and prepared team made for lots of smiling faces at this fun-filled, safe event.

The weekend started Friday with the Instructors School which graduated enough new Instructors to preclude the usual doubling-up supporting the instructed Green and Blue groups. That was a harbinger of better things to come! After a very social



DE Braintrust Ross Evers (c) and Howard Osterhouse (l) discuss Details with Mark Peebles



Greg Barrows Overtaking 914

registration party Friday night at the Wingate Hotel, an enthusiastic group of "newbies" and veterans filled the canteen area at 7:45am Saturday morning for the Driver's Meeting at Roebling Road Raceway. We wanted to give **Howard (Osterhouse)**, who setup the weekend time schedule, a hard time about the early hour, but it was an informative session kicking us off to a safe day. The Green and Blue Groups then went off to the classroom and the White, Black and Red Groups began their on-track runs. By the sunny afternoon, you could comfortably be dressed down to the classy, logo'd short-sleeved denim shirt given to all participants. As if we didn't have enough fun at the track, Saturday evening at Cancun, a Mexican restaurant, was a blast (literally) with a Mariachi band and dancing! Thanks to **Anne and Bert (Del Villano)** for the restaurant venue (as well as the myriad of other key tasks they performed).

The fun continued on Sunday with everyone seeming to be doing better and going faster than Saturday. Some of the Blue Group graduated to White after check rides. During the "quiet time" lunch break you could do a "tour" of the track in factory muffled cars to show family and friends what the magic was all about!

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### Upcoming Events

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| Mar 7     | Wine Tour                     |
| Sunday    | See Page 3                    |
| Mar 8     | Monthly Meeting at            |
| Monday    | Porsche of Orlando            |
| Mar 12-14 | Amelia Island Concours        |
| Mar 20    | Mt. Dora Car Show             |
| Saturday  | Mt. Dora, FL                  |
| Mar 20    | 12 Hours of Sebring and       |
| Saturday  | Porscheplatz                  |
|           | Sebring International Raceway |

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## Presidents Update

I'm writing these words only a day after participating in our Driver's Ed event at Roebing Road February 19-21. Not only was the weather perfect after a protracted "winter", but there were lots of cars and smiling faces broadcasting the fun everyone was having. **Ross Evers**, our DE Chair, and a large cast of volunteers put on a terrific, safe event, with few "incidents". And after becoming a fixture in the Blue Group over the years, I was OK'd for solo and managed to stay on track during my solo runs! Read more about the event and see plenty of photos starting on page 1. Also, registration for the fall DE at Roebing is expected to open in March. After this huge turnout for the February DE and resultant success, it will be important to sign up early for the fall event.



Another favorite event, the Sunrise to Sunset Rally, is planned in April (23-25) and registration opens Feb. 28th. It fills up very quickly so register as soon as you can. With breakfast served on the East Coast, a fun trek across Florida with an Autocross mixed in, and a great evening on the West Coast planned, what's not to like?

We're getting closer to having our own "Goodie Store" as I've signed an agreement to implement one for our Club and hopefully it will be available before the end of March.

March is a very busy month for car events. We have our Wine Tour on Sunday the 7th and then there's the Amelia Island Concours, Mt. Dora Car Show and of course, the 12 Hours of Sebring (see Calendar for dates). Warmer weather has to be here by then! Hope you can get to several of these great events.

Please take a look at the flyer for the 2010 Zonefest planned for Memorial Day weekend in Mt. Dora. Another fun-filled weekend is being planned by **Nort Northam**, founder of the Florida Citrus Region. More details will be available soon and we'll need a crew of volunteers.

If you've not participated or volunteered for a Club event, this is the season! Let me know if you have questions/suggestions!

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# Upcoming Calendar

Your guide to Citrus Region Events

## Wine Tour

Mar 7 at 1:30pm

Meet @ Starbucks Sand Lake  
Tour to Keel & Curley winery in Plant City. See block bottom page for more details



## Monthly Meeting

Mar 8 at 7pm

Porsche of Orlando  
2nd Monday of Each Month until April  
1st Monday of Each Month After



## IRL Street Race

Mar 28

at Downtown St Petersburg, FL

| March 2010 |     |     |     |      |     |     |
|------------|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|
| Sun        | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat |
|            | 1   | 2   | 3   | 4    | 5   | 6   |
| 7          | 8   | 9   | 10  | 11   | 12  | 13  |
| 14         | 15  | 16  | 17  | 18   | 19  | 20  |
| 21         | 22  | 23  | 24  | 25   | 26  | 27  |
| 28         | 29  | 30  | 31  |      |     |     |
|            |     |     |     |      |     |     |

## Cars & Coffee

Mar 20 from 9am - 11am  
at House Blend Café

Gathering of car-nuts on the third Saturday morning of each month in Ocoee for all car makes.  
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## Amelia Island Concours

Mar 12-14

at Amelia Island, FL

## 12 Hours of Sebring

Mar 20

at Sebring Intl Raceway

Mar 4-7 (Thr-Sun) HSR Endurance Challenge @ Sebring  
Mar 6 (Sat) Concours in Tampa (Suncoast Invite)  
Mar 7 (Sun) Wine Tour  
Mar 6,7 (Sat-Sun) Grand Am @ Homestead  
Mar 8 (Mon) Monthly Meeting at Porsche of Orlando  
Mar 9 (Tues) Parade Registration Opens  
Mar 12-14 (Fri-Sun) Amelia Island Concours  
Mar 17-20 (Wed-Sat) SVRA Races @ Sebring  
Mar 20 (Sat) 12 Hours of Sebring (ALMS)  
Mar 28 (Sun) IRL Street Race in St. Petersburg  
Apr 5 (Mon) Monthly Meeting at Porsche of Orlando  
Apr 15-18 (Thr-Sun) Celebration Car Show  
Apr 23-25 (Fri-Sun) Sunrise to Sunset Rally  
May 28-30 (Fri-Sun) Zonefest  
Oct 16,17 (Sat/Sun) DE at Roebling Road

## Winery Tour

The first Sunday in March (3/7) Citrus Region will be having a driving tour to the Keel & Curley winery in Plant City. We will meet on Sandlake Road (SR 482) on the Southwest side of Orlando at 1pm and depart around 1:30pm. The afternoon start time should allow those members with Sunday morning commitments to join us. There is a Starbuck's close by for those who need a afternoon pick-me-up. The drive should take about an hour and is West on I-4 toward Tampa.

I hope you will take this opportunity to join your fellow region members and enjoy a nice drive and some wine tasting.

Directions to Meeting Place: Take I4 to Sandlake Road exit (SR482), head west for ¼ mile, turn left into shopping area (Timpano's, Samba Room restaurants plus Publix), look for Porsches in the lot. For a Mapquest use the Starbuck's address at 7610 W. Sandlake Rd., Orlando 32819.

## Welcome New Members

Total region membership as of 31 January was 502.

|                   |               |             |
|-------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Larry Bloomfield  | 2002 911      | Orlando     |
| Neil Demetree     | 2006 Cayman S | Gotha       |
| Russell Fairchild | 2006 Cayenne  | Orlando     |
| Glen Gorton       | 1977 911      | Winter Park |
| David Hewitt      | 2001 911      | Orlando     |
| Richard MacLeod   | 1984 911      | Winter Grdn |
| Michael McKeon    | 2006 Cayman   | Geneva      |
| Chika Okereke     | 2009 Cayenne  | Orlando     |
| Stephen Selby     | 1969 911e     | Lake Mary   |
| Alejandro Sosa    | 2007 911 S    | Orlando     |
| Richard Woodruff  | 2005 911 S    | Winter Park |
| William Kosman    | 1999 911      | Deltona     |

Member contact information is very important if you want to continue receiving the "Panorama", the "Citrus Spiel" or any E-Mails about upcoming region events. This contact information is maintained on the member database at PCA. There are three ways to update this information:

- Call PCA at 703-321-2111
- On the web at [www.pca.org](http://www.pca.org)
- Send the information to Bill at [daviswm@cfl.rr.com](mailto:daviswm@cfl.rr.com)







# DE Orientation Event

Jan 23rd at SE Performance

Article by Sue Belt, Photos by Chuck Hennings

*Ron Zitza has been instructing students for many years, mainly at the track prior to a Driver's Education event. Sue's article captures much of Ron's classroom content almost word-for-word from this event which was held to enlighten Club members who had never been to a DE. Save this article for when you think about attending a DE.*

**Ron Zitza** spoke before a large DE class recently at an orientation at Southeast Performance headquarters. Florida Citrus Region's Director of Instructor Training, Ron owns Zotz Racing, Inc. and is a top race car driver. He's been in the DE program since inception. In his own words, "This is not racing...it's physics and your car. It's learning Control while driving at speed. It's more fun than you can ever have in your car".



He stressed that there are rules for passing to keep drivers safe and the flow steady. You can assist someone behind you to pass by using hand signals. To allow them to pass you don't brake...you just don't accelerate. Until they're used to it, lower range drivers pass only on the straightaway. Each track has different passing zones. Drivers must have common sense; they must take care. You can't drive your car by watching the mirror the whole way. It's not safe to watch your rear view mirror into a curve. Instead, you should be thinking of the apex of the turn. Especially in the Beginners classes, drivers learn how to brake. Once again, it's physics—brake hard and release, release, release. It's preferable to brake and then downshift...and preferable to heel-toe the downshift while braking. Whatever your body's doing, your car is doing. In Driver's Ed you learn how to use your car more efficiently. Your skill sets improve and you use your car more completely as your car moves faster around the track. A faster driver should not be in a novice's track session. How you position your car lets the other drivers know your intentions, especially about passing. Don't just follow the leader. You'll learn about "holding the gap"—maintaining your line/position, unless passing. As a novice driver you'll stay 2-3 car lengths away from others. You'll move up in class until you're comfortable and one car length away from others.

Continuing his stream of consciousness, Ron stressed that it's very important to attend driver's meetings and to listen to your Instructor. Other clubs might have different rules about passing, colored flags etc. but you must follow the rules of our sanctioned body. An Instructor will bring you in if you're not paying attention. Driver's Ed is about "becoming aware of what you already know". Like holding the steering wheel—you turn it differently at different speeds, like in a parking garage, on I4, and on the race track. You turn the wheel slower the higher the gear you're in. When you're at the track, drive around, feel it out, think about it. "Connect the dots and it all makes sense".

Safety comes first. You need a high level of courtesy toward each other. Don't only depend on your corner workers. You'll get packets of instructions/info—get quizzed about what you read! Know about the corner workers and their instructions. Watch for your car number for information (there are lots of silver or white or red cars out there). Be visually aware of the flags and the little communication subtleties. A checkered flag means the session is over. At Savannah's Roebing Road race track you stay to the right side when leaving pit lane until turn one—so you don't merge into a car going 160...It can be dangerous.

Beginners can steadily add changes the Instructor talks about. Think about three changes each session. It can all be sensory overload. However, you can attend a DE as a "rider" prior to entering one as a driver. And, unless he has an in-car communicator, most instructors use hand signals. (If your personalities clash, you can change Instructors). Maintain your oil—check the light after each session. It should read a smidge over full. And gas up before the start of the day and possibly at lunch. The faster you drive the more fuel is used.

Long pants are required, and a long sleeved cotton shirt is recommended (should the airbag deploy). You can feel the pedals with a driving shoe. Running shoes are too wide and can catch on something. You need "smart feel" to feel pressure on the bottom of the foot—an increase or decrease. There are lots of places to buy gloves, helmets, 3M clearcoat and the like. A full-face helmet is recommended—"just in case". Prior to the event your car must be inspected for safety at the hotel Friday evening. Last minute Tech Sessions are done early Saturday at the track. Saturday morning is very hectic and quick—the Driver's meeting starts at 7:45. Loud mufflers are only allowed on the track between 8am and 8pm. Get to the large paddock area early to unpack and to get loose things out of your car. You can set up a tent, a generator, extra tires. Be in synch with your Instructor. Know when and where you'll meet him during the day. You'll have plenty of track time with both Saturday and Sunday sessions. If it rains you just slow



down and drive smoother. Only lightening cancels a session. It can be cold at times—be prepared ahead.

Ron finished by saying, "Driver's Ed makes driving safe and fun. It's not Skip Barber's Racing School. Where you take it from there is up to you. It's a disciplined program that's rewarding with a WOW factor! You can drive fast legally!"

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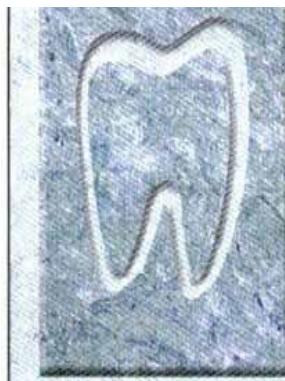
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# Large Presence by PCA at Rolex 24

Jan 23rd at SE Performance

Article and Photos by Chuck Hennings

152 Porsche's  
in the Corral  
demonstrate  
PCA's presence  
at the Rolex  
24

Despite another "weather-challenged" Rolex 24 Hour Race at the Daytona International Speedway, the infield area was crowded with fans and cars. PCA had a large tent with member info, coffee/donuts and lunch plus a large TV to watch the race. Coordinated by **Jennifer Barrows**, Zone 12 Rep, the food and beverages were a big hit and when the rain started, the tent of course, filled. National PCA was well represented with all the Officers and **Vu Nguyen**, Executive Director in attendance. **Manny Alban**, VP, conducted many interviews which can be viewed at [pca.org](http://pca.org).



By 11am the PCA Corral had filled with 152 cars, that despite the 24 Hour race starting at 3:30pm! Many PCAers walked to the garage area to see the teams up close and personal. And with the autograph session including **Patrick Dempsey**, the lines were huge.

Thanks to our FL Citrus volunteers who helped park cars (see photo) and to **Steve Sanford** who brought the coffee And donuts.



National PCA President Kurt Gibson  
With Historic Number for 5K Run



Hurley Haywood Before His  
Last 24 Hour at Daytona



Dr. McDreamy (Patrick Dempsey)  
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# Porsche News

*Porsche Power Succeeds at the Rolex 24 at Daytona as Action Express Racing Porsche Riley Wins Overall; TRG Porsche 911 GT3 Cup Entries Second and Third in GT*

Article Provided by Jill Beck

Using a veteran driver line-up including **Ryan Dalziel, Mike Rockenfeller, Joao Barbosa, and Terry Borcheller**, and support from a veteran team, Brumos Racing, the Action Express Racing Porsche-powered Riley upset the pre-race favorites to win the 48th running of the Rolex 24 at Daytona. The engine is a Porsche Cayenne-based V8 built as a independent project and mated to a Riley chassis. Pre-race favorites BMW Riley, Ford Riley, Ford Dallara, and last year's winner, the Brumos Porsche Riley, all led the race at various times during the day and night, but mechanical gremlins and mis-cues on the track derailed those efforts, and the Action Express team came away with the win.



In the Rolex GT class, it looked like a Porsche 911 GT3 Cup victory was in the works once the leading Camaro broke overnight, but the leading TRG Porsches lost their advantage in the last four hours of the event. First, the #71 TRG Porsche 911 GT3 Cup, with NASCAR star **Bobby Labonte** at the controls, ran out of fuel on the course and had to be towed into the infield, where the TRG crew met the car, gave it a dump-can of fuel, and got it back on the track. However, Labonte had to circle the track again, and then come in for a full fuel stop and driver change under green, and lost the three-lap lead the team had built in the GT class. Only seven minutes later, the new leaders #67 TRG Flying Lizard Porsche 911 GT3 Cup of **Seth Neiman/Johannes van Overbeek/Joerg Bergmeister/Patrick Long** came into the pits with a broken front shock. The team replaced the shock, but it put them five laps back, and opened the door for the #70 Speedsource Mazda to take the lead - a lead they never relinquished. The #71 car, with **Labonte, Romain Dumas, Timo Bernhard, Spencer Pumpelly and Tim Gerge, Jr.**, later broke an axle and ended up ninth in class. The #67 car finished second, and third place went to the #66 TRG Porsche **Ted Ballou, Kelly Collins, Wolf HENZler, Andy Lally, and Patrick Flanagan**. The #59 Brumos Porsche Riley, although many laps down in eighth place, had an emotional moment at the end of the 19th hour as five-time Rolex 24 winner **Hurley Haywood** stepped out of the car for the last time as he had announced that he would retire after this race. "I would have liked to finish this with a win, but we gave it a good effort, and I am proud of our entire Brumos team," said Haywood, who added that he thought about his retirement a little before his last stint, but once he was belted in and out of the pits, it was 100 percent racing. Other top Porsche 911 GT3 Cup finishers in the Rolex GT class included the Magnus Racing Porsche 911 GT3 Cup team (**John Potter, Craig Stanton, Jeroen Bleekemolen and Richard Lietz**) - fifth; the Foametix/Battery Tender Alex Job Racing Porsche (**Claudio Burtin, Jack Baldwin, Mitch Paggerey, Martin Ragginger, Dominik Farnbacher**) - 12th; and the Bullet Racing Canadian Porsche (**Kees Nierop, Darryl O'Young, Steve Paquette, Sean McIntosh and Ross Bentley**) - 13th.



Photos: Courtesy of Porsche Cars North America, Inc.



# FLORIDA PCA ZONEFEST 2010



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS *The Florida PCA Zonefest 2010 is on!!!*

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**WHERE:** Mount Dora, FL  
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## February Drivers Education Wows Participants (cont.)

There were some individual stories told but hopefully the pictures and captions capture them. Viewing them, you understand again how "it's not just the cars, it's the people". Registration for the October DE will open in March and based on the response for this February DE, it will be important to sign up early.

Please give a big thanks to the partial list of volunteers this weekend headed by **Ross**, and plan on volunteering at a Florida Citrus Region event in the future. Thanks to **Ross** and wife **Genie**, **Bert** and **Anne**, **Howard**, Chief Driving Instructor **Tom King**, Director of Instructor Training **Ron Zitza**, and **Ron Branom** and all the Instructors for a special DE event.



David Edwards in his Cup Car



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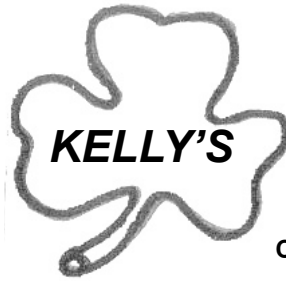




Top: David O'Neal, Space-coast VP and Genie Evers

Mid: Mark Peebles Pays Price of 2009 Off-Track Experience

Left: Kendall and Hannah Barrows



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# Club Racing

## My First PCA Club Race at the 48 Hours

Club Member  
David Edwards's First  
Club Racing  
Event

by David Edwards

The Sebring 48 Hour is the largest club race of the year, and my car runs in the fastest race group of the event. Sound like a good place to compete in your first race? I was definitely nervous, but being out on track competing with all of the other cars was one of the most exciting things I've done, ever.

The 996 GT3 Cup is normally not a very good "first" racecar. It's blisteringly fast, costly to run, and is much more complex and adjustable than the street GT3 it's based on. But it has always been my dream car. I rode in one as a brand new DE student years ago, and knew I had to have one some day. I have to give a special thanks to Ron Zitza and Zotz Racing for helping me with this whole adventure, from learning the car, to how to work on it, to setting it up. Most of the guys racing these cars are drivers only, leaving transport, mechanical work, and support to pro teams. Working knowledge of these cars tends to be guarded, so his help has been invaluable since I wear all of these hats in operating the car.

Getting a racing license starts by applying with PCA National. There are a bunch of forms to fill out, you have to have a certain level of experience, complete an interview with Susan Shire, and your region's chief driving instructor has to vouch for you. You also have to complete several driving and classroom tasks the weekend of your first event, before you can actually race.

Arriving at the track Thursday night was exciting, seeing all of the racecars, transporters, and people. It was like a mini 12 Hours of Sebring. I scrambled to get the car unloaded, and get it over to tech inspection. I was missing one of my forms, so I ran back through the paddock to find someone's to copy. They wouldn't let me tech my car without it. I barely made my mandatory 6pm rookie orientation meeting!

Florida Citrus Region had a record turn out as well, with several of our members competing; Mark Peebles in his 944, Greg Barrows in his 996, Christian Engle in his monster booster, Nort Notham in "the Bean", and Darin Deguire, KC Latiner, Fred Beasley and Aaron Jones. Greg and Mark have been a big help to me, answering many, many questions, so I must

thank them as well! The camaraderie of these events is really what makes them special. Everyone is willing to help one another, and everyone is excited to be there. To me, it's the ultimate club event because it highlights everything that PCA is about.

The next day I completed the three mandatory practice runs. On my third lap, I went into turn one, at speed, sandwiched between two faster cars (one of which raced in the 12 Hour last year). Turn 1 is fast, bumpy, and blind, so it was scary and exciting all at the same time! Passing, and being passed anywhere certainly took some getting used to, as did seeing these cars through a plastic rear window blocked by a big wing, and tiny side mirrors!

The last thing I had to do for my license was to complete the practice starts and fun race. The afternoon called for rain, but I was told that if I didn't complete all the requirements, I could not race Sunday. I have no rain tires and the dry tires are slick with no tread. So basically, I would be driving a fidgeting, overpowered racecar on bald tires in the rain! Luckily, I did well in practice, and was gridded towards the front away from the crazies, but my plan was to ease the car along until I did the absolute minimum time required, and come in. The track was slippery! Luckily, the run was cancelled and the pace car brought us in after one lap. I thought I was done, but my friends didn't think I would be allowed to race Sunday. The rules are that cut and dry. I was the only rookie in my race group, so what would they do with me? I had all night to think about it, and then find one of the officials in the morning. Luckily, as part of the rookie program, David Murry put a camera in my car for some instruction, and he vouched for



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me to be able to start Sunday! Woohoo, I'm legal!

After wandering around the paddock Saturday morning, soaking in all the ultra cool sights and sounds that are the 48 Hour, a Michelin engineer convinced me that I had too much camber in my alignment, and really needed to adjust it before my 90 minute endurance race on Sunday. One problem. I needed to be on my way back to Orlando for my friends Saturday afternoon wedding, missing the sprint race. That left a few hours Sunday morning to do it before my race. The other problem? I'd never aligned the car before by myself!

I didn't want to rush my friend's wedding, so I was sure to get there on time, and stayed until the end. I finally got home to Sanford around 11pm, and left for Sebring again about 5am Sunday morning. I got to the track and borrowed a camber gauge from Mark Peebles, and brought my homemade toe aligner from home. I got set to work on the car as soon as I got there.



You have to picture the scene to really appreciate this, but here I am parked between million dollar tractor-trailer rigs, home to four other cup cars, and their drivers. They have the finest of everything. I camped. In my trailer, you can see my blow up mattress and sleeping bag, and a shower towel hanging up to dry, and tools stacked everywhere. My neighbors were the nicest of people, and brought me lunch as I wrenched away furiously adjusting the car. I was still adjusting AFTER my race started! Hot, sweaty, parched, and greasy, I threw on my safety gear, hopped in the car, and headed off to the grid. As luck would have it, I got stuck behind a spectator in his BMW cruising through the pits, and followed him for what seemed like an eternity to the grid. Finally, I made it to pit road and the starter waved me on track. Time to relax. My goal for the race was not to finish last, and not to crash. At this point, I was happy to meet the latter of those two goals; I started 8 minutes late.

The race was amazing. All the troubles seemed to wash away, and that sense of pure, uninterrupted concentration emerged that I most enjoy about driving on track. I had a great flow. I could visualize where and how I wanted to pass people, and could see faster cars coming up behind me much sooner than I did during Friday practice. I was comfortable.

For the enduro, you must make a 5-minute pit stop. My designated fuel guy left early, so my neighbors offered to help, offering one of their crew to hold the fire extinguisher, as long as I came in at a specific time. No fire extinguisher guy, no refueling allowed. I needed gas to make it the whole way. In all the ruckus of getting the car ready, I remembered to set my stopwatch when the race started, so I was able to come in on time. 30 minutes. I duck into the pits, slow to the speed limit, and start what becomes an insane search for my pit box and my guys, which all look the same in fire suits! I finally found them, but one of their cars was sitting in the pit box; he was late. I pull in ahead, but the next team up ahead is waving at me that I can't stay in their box. Seconds are ticking. My guy waves me back, almost touching Andy's car. I jump out, grab the fueling stuff, and start pouring. After working on the car on hot pavement in the sun, I'm hot, dehydrated, and my lips are chapped. I spot cold Gatorade down the pit wall, and think how bad I want one, but no time! I toss the fuel rig, close the hood, and buckle myself back in. I'm 30 seconds over time.

Back on the track, all is well again. I've never driven this long before, and this car is really intense. I notice I start looking down at my steering wheel at the stopwatch more and more, and by 70 minutes, I'm really, really, tired and hot. All I could think about was not making any mistakes, as I went by the broken down, or damaged cars that weren't so lucky. When I passed the checkered flag, I felt a huge sigh of relief. I made it. I didn't crash. The car held up. I was happy with my performance. Like an excellent vacation, I loved every minute of it, but was ready to get home now that it was over.

My dad was there to greet me when I got the car back to the trailer, and he was as excited as I was. I was surprisingly sore, and had a ringing in my ear. All I wanted to do was sit still, but was so excited I couldn't stop moving. My friends were all pulling in too. I only knew one of my neighbors on Thursday, but will go home with 5 new friends. We all talked about how much fun we'd just had, and all were buzzing with excitement. Racing definitely exceeded my expectations.

How did we do? Miraculously, I finished 4th out of 12 cars in my class. What do I think of my first race? It was incredible. I am definitely hooked, and look forward to the next one!

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## Meeting Minutes - Feb 2010



The February meeting of the Florida Citrus Region of PCA was conducted on February 8 at 8 PM at Porsche of Orlando Highway 17-92 in Maitland. The meeting was attended by approximately 25 members and guests.

A report was provided by club treasurer Pete Brotsch indicating that the club is financially solvent. Membership chair Bill Davis has indicated that the club membership remains at approximately 500.

Editor of the club magazine Travis Young encouraged anyone who may have an article/photo of interest to submit the item for consideration to be published in The Speil.

Administration of the club website <http://flc.pca.org> has been assumed by Mel Saiz and the website is now being updated.

Feedback from the January 23 DE Orientation was positive with compliments to all who offered instruction.

The Rolex 24 PCA corral was well attended with approximately 150 cars parked despite rain and cold weather. Refreshments were much appreciated. Volunteers were thanked for their participation.

The DE event at Roebling Road now has over 160 cars registered with the majority being Porsches. An instructor school is scheduled for Friday prior to the DE event.

Registration is open for the autocross February 27. The Chili Cook-Off will be conducted at Porsche of Orlando February 27.

Several of our club members will be participating in the HSR Endurance Challenge at Sebring March 4 - 7.

Steve Williamson



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