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(Mon) 7:00pm @ Porsche of Orlando

March 7-9 Amelia Island Concours

(Fri-Sun) Amelia Island, FL

March 12-15 12 Hours Sebring

(Fri-Sun) Sebring International Raceway

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April 12 Auto Cross (Sat) Tavares, FL

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## President's Update

by Lyn Perez - Club President

The first two months of the year have been busy with lots of driving events. Our first autocross of the season was held with the Martin Sports Car club at the Orange County Convention Center. Thanks to Martin for their partnership with Florida Citrus. We could not have the quality program we do without their assistance. The Florida Citrus Region helped host the Porsche Corral for the Rolex 24 hour Race at the end of January. It was a great race with beautiful weather and the Corral had a bounty of programs and speakers including the Porsche Factory Racing Team. David O'Neal our Zone 12 Rep gets accolades for his organization of the Corral this year and we thank Lisa Lewis, Mike Colon and Nilo Argudin for their volunteer service.

The 48 Hours of Sebring, the largest Porsche Club race and advanced DE was held the first weekend in February. This year many racers were wishing they had power boats rather than race cars because it rained and rained – one of the hazards of living in Florida, but hey, at least it was rain and not snow like 95% of the rest of the country has experienced this winter. This is an event you need to have on your calendar each year.

We want to thank the LaPiana's for hosting our Chili Cook Off at Porsche of Orlando on February 8th. It was a good time with plenty of food and a good sampling of special brews from Orlando Brewing Company and door prizes from Porsche of Orlando and Florida Hospital. Congratulations to our food winners – Jim LaPinia, Carl and Tammy Lueck, Larry Bloomfield, Jim Kisio, Karen Harms, Jan Marshall, Travis Young, and Linda Colon. Thanks also to Emilio Cortez and Andrew Parkinson for the use of the Porsche of Orlando facilities. We appreciate the support Porsche of Orlando provides our club

And then the following weekend was one of our two annual Drivers Education events at Roebling Road Raceway in Savannah Georgia. A group from Florida Citrus met at the Longwood Rest stop on I-4 and caravaned up together on Friday. It was a successful weekend with over 115 cars registered. If you have ever wondered what it would be like to drive your Porsche or other sports car on a race track, our DE program is a great way to try it out. We have numerous High Performance Driving Instructors who are members of our club and they are excellent at pro-

viding you a safe learning experience driving on track. Thanks to our T-Shirt sponsors - German Excellence, Zotz Autowerks, Millenia Motors, Troysport, Porsche of Orlando, and Performance Race Solutions.



And then at the end of February was first of the Sebring DE events sponsored jointly by our sister regions - Suncoast and Gold Coast Regions of the PCA. Over two hundred cars were registered for this two day event February 22-23. There was a whole section of the paddock area with Florida Citrus members that provide for camaraderie and mutual support.

Please check the calendar for our upcoming events in March and April. Of course the 12 Hours of Sebring March 12-15 is the big event. There is still need for volunteers to host the Porsche Platz and parking. Email David O'Neal at pcazone12rep@gmail.com if you are available to assist. Our next autocross in April 12th in Tavaries so watch clubregistration.net for open registration and lastly please plan to join is the this year's Sunrise to Sunset Tour event April 25-27. We start with breakfast overlooking the sunrise over the Atlantic Ocean and end the day's drive across Central Florida with a dinner overlooking a sunset over the Gulf of Mexico. Make it a date with your spouse or significant other. Details and registration information will be sent out by email later in the month.

-Lyn Perez President Florida Citrus Region PCA



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## From the Editor

Wow starting the new year off with a huge issue and tons of articles to share with our members! Since the rest of the

country seems to have been frozen in over the last few months and Central Florida has escaped, we have been making up for it with racing and social events - as you can see in this issue.

Many thanks to everyone that contributed to this issue of The Spiel. We cannot make such a great newsletter for our members without all of your input. As always, feel free to send me any articles and/or photos of your Porsche releated activities.

And be sure to notice our PCA anniversaries below - 25 year, 35 year, 40 year, and even 50 years this month - congrats to all!

Hope to see everyone at the next event or out on the track!

Travis Young - KineticFlow@mac.com

## PCA Anniversaries

**50 Years** Walter Herbert

**40 Years** Gary Stratton

**35 Years** Thomas Johnson

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## **Upcoming Calendar**

Your guide to Citrus Region Events

#### **Monthly Meeting**

Mar 3 at 7pm

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1st Monday of Each Month

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### **Future Events**

April 5-6 RRR DE with Florida Crown April 12-13 Sebring DE with Suncoast April 12 Florida Crown & Brumos

**Swap Meet and Councours** 

May 23-25 Zone Fest

May 25 Auto-Cross Zone Fest June 14 Auto-Cross Tavares

June 15-21 Porsche Parade

Nov 6-9 Escape to Magical Orlando

Events in bold represent Florida Citrus sponsored events

#### **Amelia Island Conours**

March 7-9 at Amelia Island, FL www.ameliaconcours.org

#### **Cars & Coffee**

March 15 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. www.houseblendcafe.com

#### 12 Hours of Sebring

March 12-15 at Sebring International Spd

#### Cars & Coffee

March 22 from 9am - 11am at Southeast Performance Last Saturday of each month 1116 Solana Ave - Winter Park The donuts and coffee are free so grab a few while you look at some of the area's most beautiful cars

#### **Auto Cross**

April 12 Tavares, FL See Page 25



#### Cars & Coffee

April 19 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. www.houseblendcafe.com

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#### Sunrise to Sunset

April 26
Starts at Crowne Plaza Hotel
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at ClubRegistration.net

#### **Editors Note:**

If you have an upcoming event you would like to see listed on our calendar, please contact Travis Young at Kinetic-Flow@mac.com. The most up-to-date list of events is always available on our website at http://flc.pca.org.



Chili Cookoff

by Lisa Lewis

It was a cold, blustery February night in the City Beautiful - not our typical 75-degree winter evening. Perfect weather for a chili cook-off! Jim and Christie LaPiana were back at the helm, putting on a great event for about 50-60 Citrus members who enjoyed some really good food, along with fun Porsche camaraderie. There were some new faces and new competitors, as well as the usual gang of chili aficionados, and everyone enjoyed the chili, side dishes and desserts. But as the night ended, a few of the more competitive types (on the track and off) who didn't bring a dish this year seemed to long for the days gone by, when they WON their categories! So fair warning: You all have 11 months to get prepared for next year's highly competitive event.

The winning dishes included: Best hot chili: Hot Chocolate Chili - Jim LaPiana

Best mild: Pulled Pork Chili - Carl & Tammy Lueck

A tie for #2: Fire Roasted Tomato & Green Bell Pepper Chili - Larry Bloomfield

#2: Chason's Chili - Jim Kisio

Best side: 3-Cheese Macaroni - Karen Harms A tie for #2: Orange Salad - Jan Marshall #2: Corn Fritters - Travis and David Young

Best dessert: Flan - Linda Colon #2: Cuban Flan – (Unknown Entrant)

As usual, the event was a success because of our dedicated volunteers. They included Nilo Argudin, Lyn and Marjorie Perez, Allen Vogl, and yours truly. Thanks, as always, to Porsche of Orlando and our wonderful dealer liaison Emilio Cortes, who helped us set up all the tables and get everything squared away before



and after the event. Orlando Brewing again served up four of their great brews: Old Pelican, Poppin Pilz, Red Ale, and Oktoberfest (we were lucky enough to get the last of this one, which was "nicely cask aged," so I'm told). Finally, thanks to all of our prize sponsors: Apex Performance; Florida Hospital; and Porsche of Orlando for a much sought after four-wheel alignment, as well as four gift bags with Porsche shirts and hats. And for the first time, the Citrus Region donated a Roebling Road Driver's Education certificate, won by the Luecks for their outstanding mild chili.

See you at the next great Porsche event!













## Apps on the Go

by Robert Layne

Now a days, most people have smart phones. With these handy mini-computers in our palms, we can access so much information whenever we want. Today I want to share some useful applications that are available on these portable devices. Most of the following applications are free, which is the best part. The rest can be had for a small fee. I use an iPhone (iOS), but most if not all of these are accessible for Windows and Android devices as well. The descriptions I give are for the Full versions if any. I tend to purchase the product if I like the free version, and delete the ones I do not like. I feel I also have to pull the legal lingo out and say that I do not in anyway want you as the driver to access these apps on your iPhone while driving. In other words, don't try these on the road!

Porsche has released quite a few apps for its followers. The first one I want to mention is called Good



Good to know

to Know. This is almost a must have for any current model owners. This app allows you you download the manual. The digital book is fully searchable by keyword. It already has many common words that are selectable and takes

you straight to the section that covers it. This little program makes it easy to navigate. Once I get to a section I find myself reading more and more. I tend to find things I didn't know or refresh things I had forgotten. My favorite parts are the Video Instructions and Useful Tips. The bonus part, it's much lighter and smaller then the actual manual you tuck away in the glove box. The price of this app is free!

Another Porsche app that I use frequently is MyPorsche. You can easily classify this application as a sales device. This is more of a quick link to your local dealership. It has a listing of current inventory and specials. Importantly, it allows for automated scheduling of service. The highlights are the utilities. You get a

CarFinder that can be useful in big city parking, although I've been encountering issues with it crashing. To add to it, you also get a Parking Timer. Admittedly you can do the same with the basic clock



program, but it's there. You also get a map light with adjustable brightness that can strobed if needed for emergencies. Finally you get three communication options across the bottom. One calls your selected dealership. Another brings up an email to the General Manager. The last one calls Porsche Roadside Service. These are all widgets you can or may have elsewhere on your device, but here it centralizes them. Personally, I would like to see this and the previous application combined into one. This app is also free. See not everything from Porsche costs something!

The one I use the most is Road Trip. This is an iOS product only. Remember how people would write down

their mileage and how much gas they just pumped into their car on the receipt? This little guy makes things simpler by letting you input the data into your phone. Yeah, it's a glorified spreadsheet, with pretty pictures and charts, but I find



it useful. Road Trip does all the calculations for you. With it you also can find trends in your driving. It can also double up as your maintenance log for your car. As the data accumulates, I can look at charts and see that dip in my mileage was when I was at Roebling getting 8mpg over the weekend. While before the average was more like 28mpg. Again, it's a simple thing yet simple things make me smile. It's only \$4.99.



Have you recently, or ever, had the urge to just go driving around the backroads of Central Florida? Then you had little to no idea what is out there and sat back down? BMW Ultimate Drive is a socially sourced

driving app. Other people have put in their favorite drives into the database for you and me to try out. If you happen to find a road that no one else knows about, then you may want to put it into the system too. Admittedly, Florida is pretty low on great driving roads, but I have used it to find spots in West Virginia, Arkansas, and other states too. The roads can be rated on a five star basis on Twisty, Traffic, Scenic, and Fun to get an overall score. Many cartographers have input useful information as well, such as heavy traffic at times of the day, lots of motorcycles, or police activity in the area. The bad part is the app is a little old seems

to have lost some of its lustre. Not as many users anymore. The good part is roads don't change much, and it too is free!

Those are the ones I use quite often. There are other

applications available too. One I hear about regularly, but haven't yet used is Waze. Another free download based on social networking to pass traffic information to other drivers. You can get info on speed traps, slow traffic, accidents, road



hazards, etc. And excuse me, but it is quite cute too. I feel dirty for saying that. You can use your Facebook account to log in, unlike me (I know, no facebook account, really?). I find it to be a great idea. It's just that to put the data into the phone, you have to either have a co-driver, or take your attention away from what you should be focussing on. Still, it's soo cute!



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Finally the last one I want to mention is something I am planning on trying out at the next DE. This is called Harry's LapTimer. There are three versions and they vary in price from \$8.99 for the Rookie edition, to

\$19.99 for PetrolHead, and \$27.99 for the Grand Prix edition. You can think of these as a cheap alternative to Trackmate and other set-ups for your car. As you would expect the more money you pay, the more options you get. The PetrolHead is the one I am looking at. As by using an iPhone mount, you can utilize the camera to record your laps. The video will have overlays of where you are on the lap, your speed in turns/ straights, your G's, and other goodies you get with the

big boys. I will say that this is not 100% accurate. The software uses your devices GPS locator to determine speed and location. This can be off a tad, so that you know. Yet, if you have a street car and do not want to install extra cameras and such, grab a good mount, insert your phone, and go. Roebling Road, Sebring, Daytona, and about 400+ other tracks are already in its database. Harry's LapTimer is available for iOS and Android only.

Each of the programs I mentioned are ones that I have used or plan to use. I did not give a complete rundown of all their features and uses. If you wish, simply do a search on the Internet to see if they are right for you. In addition, there are other apps out there that I haven't seen or mentioned that are quite useful. The six here are probably more in line with a common user and are rather general in nature. Please, let us know about apps that you use regularly. And I cannot stress enough, do not operate the apps while driving. I'm out there too and don't want to run into you.



by Sue Belt

Lyn Perez and his wife Marjorie have resided in Maitland FL since 1989. Lyn was born in Lakeland FL but claims Tampa FL as his hometown - the place of his father's birth and where he attended both high school and college. Lyn and Marjorie met in New York City, NY, Marjorie's hometown, after Lyn graduated from a NY graduate school and was working in the city.

They have two sons. Their son Ian is an accountant with Price Waterhouse in Chicago and their son Anthony is the VP for Business Strategy with the

Orlando Magic and lives nearby in Orlando. Anthony and his wife Julie have a 4 month old daughter, Alaina which is Lyn and Marjorie's first grandchild.

Lyn is president of the RTS Foundation, a supporting foundation of Reformed Theological Seminary, a multi-campus graduate school with campuses in Washington DC, Atlanta GA, Jackson MS, Charlotte NC, Houston TX, Memphis TN and Orlando FL.

Lyn has always had a passion for sports cars. His first car at 18 years of age was a 1970 yellow MG. However, in the years following, after seeing a lineup of Porsches at a dealership in NC in the mid 1970's, he knew he found a sports car he would work toward owning.

His first P car was a 1988 Turbo S, one of those oft seen rose colored, burgundy plaid interior cars. He has since owned a silver 1979 911SC, white 1986 930 Turbo, white 964 C2, black 1997 C2 S, red 944 Turbo S, atlas grey 2006 Carrera S, red 2008 Carrera S. He currently drives a red 1992 968 and an atlas grey GT 3.

He first became a Citrus Region PCA member in the early 1990's at the urging of Nort Northam from whom he had bought a few cars. Participating in a few autocrosses and drive events, he has become very active in recent years in various drivers educations events and is currently a DE instructor. Lyn loves driving on the various tracks around the southeast and keeps a busy driving/instructor schedule. He participated in 26 DE events in 2013 alone.



Lyn Perez and family

Formerly the Secretary for the Florida Citrus Region PCA, Lyn serves this year as our President.



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On the personal side, it's a family business with Shay, their daughter and a brother also working at the facility. Don and Shay participate in Feeding Children Everywhere which distributes food to children worldwide through the sale of t-shirts and donations. Checkout the German Excellence website at german-

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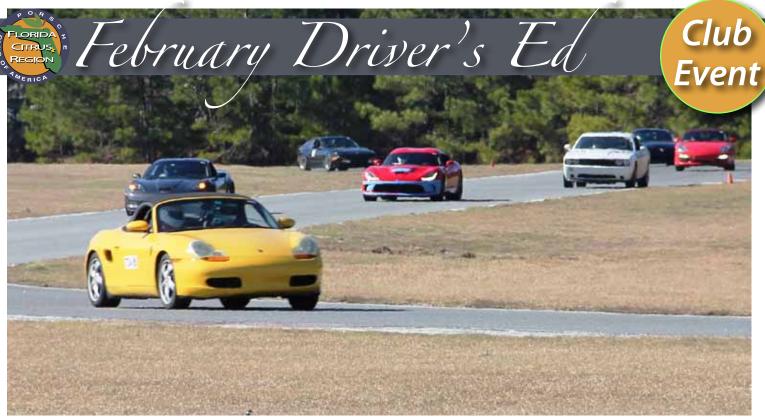
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This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice! Psalm 118:24





by Chuck Hennings

Roebling Road Raceway is just west of Savannah, GA and a 5 hour drive north from Orlando. The weather there in February can be frosty and this year was no exception. Saturday's wind chill and Sunday's frost made for many layers of clothing but once on the track, things warmed up considerably. With engines roaring, heart rate increased and focused on driving, no attention was paid to what the outside temperature was.

Activity began Friday evening with Tech checkout of cars and Registration at the Wingate Hotel. Registrars Bert and Anne DelVillano, with the assistance of Genie Evers, signed drivers in, distributed armbands and t-shirts and directed everyone to the room where pizza, sandwiches and other refreshments were available as part of the entry fee.

Saturday morning the sky revealed the last traces of the cold front but a 20-30 mph wind settled in which lasted all day. After the 7:30 Driver's Meeting at the track, Green and Blue drivers headed for Classroom training and White [Solo], Black [advanced solo], and Red [Instructor] groups prepared for their sessions on the 2.02 mile road course. Roebling is one of the safest tracks with plenty of runoff areas but is technically challenging. It's also a track that will wear tires more than brakes due to its sharp turns yet ability to maintain speed without severe braking except at the end of the straightaway.

Sunday was a colder day without wind but it was difficult to say which day felt colder. But again, once driving started, temperature ceased to be a concern. Perhaps there was one exception to that scenario. Mark Peebles, one of our Region's most avid racers, was instructing in an open cockpit Morgan [see photos] in which the chill factor must have been crushing! Of course, there were a few participants from New Jersey who thought it was spring after taking 3 days to get to Roebling from their frigid and snowy state. And speaking of the many drivers from other states and Regions, they were a pleasure to meet and share stories with. As like-minded Porschefiles, their company exemplified a PCA reminder that 'It's not just the cars, it's the people'.

Driving conditions both days was excellent and many smiling faces were seen exiting their cars after a run. Many thanks to the DelVillanos, Ross and Genie [Evers], Michael Colon, Tom King, Ron Branom, Greg Barrows, Kevin Duffy, Club President Lyn Perez and our Instructors for a great event. Also, a big thank you to Apex Performance and owners Linda and Clark Hamerly who support our events. If you haven't tried Driver's Education, please consider signing up for our next event at Roebling Road in October. It will be a 'tell your grandchildren' experience!



above - Registration with Genie Evers and the DelVillanos below - Pizza time Friday night















Rolex 24 Rolls Out New Format by Check Hennings photos by Jim Peters

Some 15 months after the merger of the Grand-AM and American Le Mans Series [ALMS], the consolidated product hit the track for the prestigious Rolex 24 at Daytona. The inaugural event for the TUDOR United SportsCar Championship marked the first time sports cars in North America have been unified since 1997. And the race provided the fans who turned out in record numbers, with tight contests in all classes. Except for the apparent lack of horsepower for the PC class cars in competing with the Daytona Prototypes [DP], officials seemed to have gotten the competitive formulas right.

For the Tudor Championship, there are basically two car types – Prototype and GT – with two classes within each – 'pro' and 'pro-am'. Pro cars are marked with red flashes on the door mirrors, rear wing end plates, windscreen strips and leader lights; pro-am with blue flashes. The prototypes [P class] include Daytona Prototypes from Grand-Am and the Prototype Challenge [PC Class] LMP2 cars and the DeltaWing from ALMS. The other two classes are the GT Le Mans (GTLM) and GT Daytona (GTD). The GTLM class and PC classes carry over in their entirety from ALMS. The GTD class combines the former Grand-AM Series GT, the ALMS GTC class and cars slightly modified from European GT3 competition.

The results of this first race in the Tudor United Sports-Car Championship were:

#### **Prototype**

- 1. 5/Action Express Racing/Corvette DP (Overall Winner)
- 2. 10/Wayne Taylor Racing/Corvette DP
- 3. 9/Action Express Racing/Corvette DP

#### **Prototype Challenge**

- 1. 54/CORE Autosport/ORECA FLM09
- 2. 25/8Star Motorsport/ORECA FLM09
- 3. 38/Performance Tech Racing/ORECA FLM09

#### **GT Le Mans**

- 1. 911/Porsche North America/Porsche 911 RSR
- 2. 55/BMW Team RLL/BMW Z4 GTE
- 3. 91/SRT Motorsport/SRT Viper GTS-R

#### **GT** Daytona

- 1. 555/Level 5 Motorsport/Ferrari 458F
- 2. 45/Flying Lizard Motorsport/Audi R8 LMS
- 3. 58/Snow Racing/Porsche 911GT/662

Porsche claimed the GTLM class with the CORE Autosport factory team in its No. 911 Porsche 911 RSR, Nick Tandy, Richard Lietz and Patrick Pilet sharing driving duties. They finished 2.8 seconds ahead of the works BMW Rahal Letterman Lanigan team. With the 76th class win and the 40th for the Porsche 911, Porsche added to its record as the most successful manufacturer in the history of this race.

Club participation in the event was active with not

only volunteers manning the Porsche corral area, but Ron Zitza had stints in car number 18 in the GTD class. Ron said that this year's race was the most competitive he's ever participated in with approximately 80% of the drivers being pros. Although ECU problems and a couple of 'incidents' prevented his car from finishing, he thoroughly enjoyed his seat time. He said that for the first time he had spotters relaying track position information to his helmet and that after getting used to it, they were a great help. Another Club member, Alex Job, whose racing team has won many high profile races over the years, fielded 2 cars for the Rolex with his fan recognizable numbers 22 and 23. The No. 22 WeatherTech Porsche led laps and spent the entire race in the top five for the full 24 hours, until the last three. A combination of the competition's speed and the newness of the Porsche 911 GT America kept the team from the podium. The No. 23 Team Seattle Porsche 911 GT America briefly led the GTD class early in the race after starting from the 10th row but finished 'out of the money' due to mechanical issues.

Club President Lyn Perez and Michael Colon coordinated corral parking making sure 180 – 200 Porsches with pre-sold passes fit into the area. No problem! Nilo Argudin and Lisa Lewis, Club Vice President, had the early duty of supplying the donuts and coffee. Thank you Nilo and Lisa! And many of the PCA National leaders were at the Porsche tent greeting members from many regions. Manny Alban, PCA President, Kurt Gibson, Past President and Vu Nguyen, National Executive Director were in attendance while the writer was there. Also, Space Coast Region members David O'Neal, Zone 12 Representative and his wife Ginny O'Neal, National Awards Chair for Parade were in attendance.































## PCA Club Racing

by Chuck Hennings

The 48 Hours of Sebring is one of 'the most exciting PCA Club Races in North America held at the historic Sebring International Raceway. Every year the event provides 'a gathering of 350 to 400 Porsche drivers ranging from Advanced Solo to the who's who of Porsche drivers, many times arriving with the latest Daytona 24 Hour winning team and car'. This year's event, held January 30 - February 2, was impacted a bit by rainy weather, but the excitement of hundreds of Porsches running at Sebring was truly spectacular. And Patrick Long, one of the best Porsche factory drivers was there driving a Panamera pace car. His Porsche team had just completed their Rolex 24 win in GTLM although his car number 912 retired early and the victory went to the sister car number 911.

The Florida Citrus Region was well represented in several classes at the 2014 48 hours with drivers Greg Barrows, Nort Northam, Mark Peebles, Fred Beasley, Mark Murray, David Edwards, Mark Nasrallah and Randy Proudfit participating. Final results were not available in time for this issue of the Spiel. But there was plenty of action and all not the good kind. Nort got tangled up in a first lap incident and had to come in. The same thing happened to Fred and Mark [Nasrallah] blew an engine. Finally, Greg was cut off in a turn and also had to return to the pits which eliminates a good placing in a Sprint race. But that's racing and will not discourage these PCAers who've been participating in these events for many years.

There are approximately 31 PCA Club Racing events planned around the country for 2014 including the Daytona race Oct. 3-5 co-sponsored by the Citrus Region. If you're interested in participating or would you like to know more about the sport, as a PCA member you may apply for a Club Racing license if you meet the criteria set forth in the PCA Licensing Procedure (contained in the Rule Book). Go to the PCA website [pca.org/activities/clubracing] for more information.





above - The team of Greg and Jennifer Barrows middle - Spectators John Hursh and Gary Merideth below - David and Kelly Edwards



## GIRUS Try an Auto Cross!

Your Porsche Needs Exercise Too by Chuck Hennings

It's been said that the best way to become acquainted with your Porsche's driving qualities is to run it in an Autocross. And that includes Panameras and Cayennes. Short sprints combined with heavy braking and turning, but at a relatively safe speed, demonstrate the wonderful responsiveness and handling of your Porsche. And you'll be amazed at how much you'll learn and how much more comfortable you'll become with your Porsche in just one or two autocrosses. The Citrus Region holds autocrosses regularly at the Sheriff's Training Facility in Tavares, or at the Orange County Convention Center [OCCC]. Instructors





ing FLC members and their Porsches. After the course is set up with cones, registrants walk the course receiving information on the route and answers to any questions. A final Driver's meeting completes preparations and cars line up at the starting line. First timers may seem to move agonizingly slow around the course while 'hot shoes' squeal tires and knock down a few cones. The action is exciting and fun. So come out and let your Porsche breathe hard and get your heart rate up a bit. You'll be hooked!.

and helmets are available if you are new to the event. Check the Calendar section of the Spiel for the date of the next Autocross and register on clubregistration. net.

Citrus Region Autocrosses are held in conjunction with the Martin Sports Car Club who provide the equipment to run the event, the course and timing and scoring. Citrus volunteers, such as Mel Saiz assist. Bert DelVillano is the Citrus Autocross Chairman whose been coordinating FLC entries for many years.

On Sunday February 2nd, the Martin Club held an Autocross at the OCCC with a great turnout includ-













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By Bert Del Villano Autocross Chairman

Konrad Lorenz was a Austrian scientist and won the Nobel Prize in Physiology and Medicine in 1973. He made ground breaking discoveries concerning "organization and elicitation of individual and social behavior patterns". In his studies of ducks, he noted that most behaviors were "fixed action patterns" – without any learning. More interestingly, others behaviors were "imprinted". The best known example of imprinting is that ducks will adopt and follow the first moving object they see after hatching as though it were their mother. Lorenz observed imprinted ducks following balloons, boxes, or people. The imprinted behavior is essentially irreversible. Lorenz's research formed the foundation for new directions in human psychiatry and psychosomatic medicine.

So what does all this mean to a Porsche driver on an autocross course? Several of our events clearly demonstrated the impact of improper imprinting. Imag-

ine, you are driving the course and come around a turn and see an 8 cone array before you. You need to drive between the first 2 pairs, jog left and go through the second 2 pairs. Easy enough. Suddenly, after navigating the first 6 cones correctly, your imprinting says, "Turn left now!" You turn hard and then head to the next gate - off course, earning a Did Not Finish. At the end of the run, you hear the dreaded announcement and ask, "What did I do?" You get the explanation and go out for your next run and the one after that and after that. All with the same result. Quack, quack. You were imprinted just like Lorenz's ducks and it appears irreversible.

All of us have had Lorenzian experiences. The problem is to how to overcome imprinted behavior. For autocrossing, the most important answer is to stop it before it begins, during the course walk before the event. The walk should not be a leisurely stroll around a parking lot, it should be a focused learning experience. Get to the site early, help set up and walk the course several times. The goal is to be able to visualize the course in your head, complete with entry points, apexes and exits. After that, if you still have an imprinting problem, find out how to drive the troubling section. Draw a map. Ride with an instructor. Watch other drivers as they navigate the course. If all that fails, curse Lorenz and quack.

### ZoneFest 2014

A Porsche Club Zone 12 multi region weekend event will be held May 23-25. The headquarters Hotel is the recently renovated Lakeside Inn (http://lakeside-inn.com ) in beautiful Mt Dora (http://ci.mount-dora.fl.us).

The weekend of events begins with a reception Friday evening. Saturday morning is a People Choice Concours, followed in the afternoon by a fun tour though the winding back roads of Central Florida. After the tour there will be a Keg Party on the front porch of the Lakeside Inn.

Sunday will be an Autocross at the Lake County Sheriffs facilities with the weekend culminating in a banquet Sunday night for a Florida Citrus Regions 40th Anniversary celebration.

Registration will open soon at clubregistration.net. Attendance is limited so register early.



## **Upcoming Auto-Crosses**

Saturday April 12, Tavares Sunday May 25, ZoneFest Saturday June 14, Tavares

The first autocross of the 2014 FLC Autocross Series will be held on Sunday, February 2. Registration for the FLC 2/2 AX will be open at www.clubregistration.net, and is still only \$30, payable at the site, including lunch. A \$5 discount (making the total \$25) is offered for those that pre-register and pay before the event.

The event will be held at the Sherriff's Training Facility in Tavares. We will run an exciting course on the big lot. Gates open at 7:00 and on site registration closes at 8:30. Please preregister, we need the time to process the registration data.



If you are an experienced autocrosser, you know the FLC series offers friendly competition and great camaraderie. If you have not done an autocross, please join us. We offer a fun, safe environment in which you can drive your Porsche the way the engineers designed it. We welcome novices, women, and young drivers (over 16 with a valid license). Instructors and loaner helmets are available.

Bert Del Villano - FLC Autocross Chair - (407) 909-0636 - bertdelvillano@aol.com

## Year End Points 2013

(3 or more events)

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	Car	Class	TOTAL YE
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Wagner	David	911 1987 Red	Р3	22
West	James	GT3 2005 Black	P4B	50
Blucher	Robert	Boxster S 2004 Lapis Blue	P5	40
DelVillano	Bert	Cayman R 2012 White	P5	40
Saiz	Mel	Boxster S 2003 Lapis Blue	S1A	38
Kee	Scott	Boxster 2006 Grey	S1A	28
Budnick	Marty	Boxster 2003 Gray	S1A	26
Borden	Harvey	Boxster 2013	S1A	12
Peffen	Mark	Cayman S 2007 Red	S1B	34
Mertz	Erich	Cayman S 2008 Ruby Red	S1B	32
Williamson	Steve	Carrera	S2A	30
Meyers	John	Carrera S 2005 Black	S2A	28
Dieruff	Douglas	911 C2S Cabriolet 2008 Mac	S2A	10
Goetz	Geoff	Carrera 2002 Gray	S2B	24
Davis	William	Panamera 2012 Blue	<b>S</b> 3	26
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Del Villano	Anne	Cayman R 2012 White	SL	28

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Porsche Press Release

Stuttgart. World premiere of the 911 Targa: At the North American International Auto Show (NAIAS) in Detroit, Porsche is presenting the latest generation of the extravagant 911 model to the public. This model is the first to combine the classic Targa concept with state-of-the-art roof technology. Just like the legendary original Targa model, the new model features the characteristic wide bar in place of the B-pillars, a movable roof section above the front seats and a wraparound rear window with no C-pillar. But unlike the classic models, the roof segment on the new Targa can be opened and closed at the push of a button. When the button is actuated, the fully automatic roof system stows the convertible top behind the rear seat system, providing a real spectacle. The rear-weighted design of the PTM all-wheel drive fitted as standard is a typical Porsche feature, and guarantees that this latest 911 model also offers optimum driving dynamics on all road surfaces and in all weather conditions.

With these features, the new 911 Targa is presenting itself as a high-quality, innovative remake of the classic vehicle from 1965. The model shares a great deal in common with the 911 Carrera 4 cabriolet models;

up to the window line, the technology and body of the vehicles is more or less the same. The combination of the wide rear end that is typical of all-wheel drive models, the Targa bar and the dome-shaped rear window gives the latest 911 an extremely sporty appearance and a low-slung profile.

Two model variants, exclusively with all-wheel drive As with the predecessor model, the new Targa generation comes in two versions available exclusively with all-wheel drive. The 911 Targa 4 is powered by a 3.4-litre, 350 hp (257 kW) flat engine. Equipped with the Porsche Doppelkupplung (PDK) and Sport Chrono



package, this model accelerates from zero to 100 km/h in just 4.8 seconds and boasts a top speed of 282 km/h. Its NEDC fuel consumption figures are between 9.5 and 8.7 litres/100 km, depending on transmission, which corresponds to a CO2 emissions level of between 223 and 204 g/km. The top model is the 911 Targa 4S, which delivers 400 hp (294 kW) from a displacement of 3.8 litres. This model reaches a top speed of 296 km/h and, with the PDK and Sport Chrono package fitted, accelerates in 4.4 seconds. Its fuel consumption fluctuates between 10.0 and 9.2



litres per 100 km, depending on transmission, which corresponds to a CO2 level of between 237 and 214 g/km. With these figures, the model is on a par with the high standard set by the 911 Carrera 4 cabriolet models in terms of engine and road performance, as well as efficiency. Both sportscars are certified for compliance with the Euro 6 emissions standard.

The new 911 Targa models will be launched onto the market in May 2014. In Germany, the 911 Targa costs EUR 109,338 and the 911 Targa S EUR 124,094, inclusive of VAT and country-specific equipment in each case.





by John Hursh

Florida Citrus member John Hursh is taking the next step in PCA racing, but that's only half of the story. John became a member of PCA back in 2007. He participated in a few autocrosses and a DE weekend at Roebling Road.

Desiring to go further, he enrolled in a three-day Skip Barber School at Road Atlanta. Between the cost of racing and starting a new non-profit, however, a couple years passed with no progress.

The non-profit, the 306 Foundation, began to garner the attention of drivers, sponsors and track workers at HSR events where John served as a chaplain. John thought that maybe he could put together a racing team to help promote the 306 Foundation's mission; to build strong communities by promoting health care and education for women and children around the world.

With out being asked, a driver stepped forward and donated a Porsche 914 chassis. Six months passed and another driver offered a 2.5-liter engine. However, nearly another year passed with no forward move-

ment. Just when racing seemed unlikely, another driver offered a Porsche 944 track car that was ready to go.

With this generous donation, 306 Racing was born. By liquidating the 914 chassis and engine a trailer was purchased, and the new car and new trailer were wrapped. John is now in a position to enroll in the SCCA two-day licensing weekend at Roebling Road in February. John ads his next step is to accumulate as much DE track time as quickly as possible to prepare a base of skills to attempt a race this fall.

Although racing is now possible, John says most of the time the car and trailer will be used as a display to promote the 306 Foundation mission, and raise funds for the foundation's first project; Toolbox4Life. The Toolbox4Life program takes at-risk women through a culinary arts program that also provides life skills and mentoring to prepare them for a career in a commercial kitchen at a resort, hotel or restaurant.

For more information contact John at john@306Foundation.org, or check out his website at http://306Foundation.org.

# MINUTES OF THE Florida Citrus Region Porsche Club of America Monthly Meeting Location: Porsche of Orlando January 6, 2014

Officers Present: Lyn Perez, President; Lisa Lewis, VP; Sue Belt, Secretary; Also present: 40 Members including one New Member – Shawn Sweeny.

The meeting was called to order by President Lyn Perez.

Lyn Perez referred to the agenda for the membership report and the financial report. The cash balance of the FLC PCA account is \$75,567.84. The portion belonging to the Club Race account is \$30,967.24. The balance of \$44,600.60 belongs to the Citrus Region. Membership stands at 540 Primary members, 341 Family members and 38 Affiliate members for a total of 919.

Lyn Perez mentioned the Spiel needed articles and pictures of driver activities, preferably Porsche related. He mentioned Chuck Hennings is working with Travis this year on developing each issue. Travis Young said the Spiel is in the mail and there will be two mega issues this year to be judged for national awards-content is important (small story with pictures). Lyn thanked Spiel advertisers and encouraged others to advertise in the magazine.

#### **Old Business**

- Lyn Perez announced the Citrus vs Space Coast Challenge event was won by Space Coast, despite the repetitive recounting process that appeared to favor a Citrus win. Winner displays the trophy for the following year.
- The Enthusiast of the Year was announced at the December Holiday Party December 8, 2103, Lisa Lewis. She was presented with a plaque at the meeting by Lyn Perez. The Bowl with all winner's names was shown to the members and will stay at the Porsche dealership.
- Two hundred tickets have been sold for the PCA Corral at the Rolex 24 Hour race event at Daytona January 23-26. The Daytona Corral is the last of the Region sponsored Corrals at any major race event. We will again need volunteers to assist in parking and manage the tent activities with food and beverages. Lyn Perez mentioned we need someone to pick up donuts and coffee early the morning of the race.
- Zonefest 2014 will be arranged this year by the Citrus Region PCA. Nort Northam is chair. We will return to the origin of the event, the newly renovated Lakeside Inn in Mt. Dora on May 23-25, Memorial Day weekend. It is the Florida Citrus regions 40th anniversary and there will be special presentations regarding our history at this event. Nort said you need to register for the dinner due to the limited number of seats, but you may participate in the other weekend events as you wish. Come out and enjoy the activities.
- Posters that were created by Travis Young were handed out for businesses to advertise the next Drivers Education event at Roebling Road Raceway February 15 and 16.
- Lyn Perez reported on Escape 2014 November 6-9 asking drive chairs to have their planning documents back to him by the end of January. Also we are working to have the Saturday night banquet at the German Pavilion at Epcot.

#### **New Business**

- The first Autocross of 2014 will be February 2 in Tavares. Others are scheduled for April 12, May 25 and June 14.
- The 48 Hours of Sebring will be January 30-Feb.2. It is the largest Club race of the PCA schedule. On that Saturday there will be an Ax Challenge by Suncoast/Goldcoast.
- Jim LaPiana, chairman, said the Chili Cookoff will be held February 8th at 7 pm at Porsche of Orlando. He asked everyone to email him to register how many are attending and if they are bringing a food entree. He asked for businesses to donate prizes.
- Lyn Perez announced that you can sign up during the month of January at clubregistration.net for Citrus logo name tags at \$10 each, payable by credit card or through PayPal.
- It was announced that the Sunrise to Sunset multi region event will be in the northern part of the state this year. It will begin on the East coast and end at Clearwater Beach. A route has not yet been chosen for the April 25-27 event. Further details are forthcoming.
- Regarding our standard procedure of going to dinner after our monthly meetings, Lyn mentioned we'd like to have our after meeting dinners at different venues. Share your ideas with Lisa Lewis.
- Lyn Perez passed out anonymous surveys for input about meetings and events. (Please return to him by the next meeting).
- Ron Zitza of Ron Zitza Racing was introduced to report about the great 2013 race season. He reported Doug Miller, in a 993, was 2013 HSR Endurance Champ with Ron as codriver. Ron said it's our 11th HSR endurance championship. Ron said Brad Blum drove a 993RS from California to Florida; he's won 5 HSR Enduro championships. Ron Zitza said he, Brad Blum, Randy Pobst and Earl Bamber (a Porsche factory driver) will drive a 991 GT America in this year's Daytona 24 Hour race. Their car is the #18--watch and root for them! The next Historic Races will be March 1st and 2nd. Ron also praised Citrus Club members who race including Greg Barrows, Nort Northam, Mark Peebles, Randy Proudfit, Eric Zitza and David Edwards.
- Albert reminded us that the Cars for the Cure car show will be in Lake Mary February 8th. Money raised at the event will help the American Lung Assoc. Where to register is posted on our PCA website and PCA Facebook. Note, our Chili Cookoff is that evening
- Lyn Perez announced that Robert Lane will be club Insurance Coordinator for this year's events and thanked him for his service.
- Lisa Lewis showed the Spacecoast yearly calendar as a possible project for our club. The money raised would go to our charity, the Russell Home. Spacecoast calendars are \$10, and you can purchase one by contacting Lisa Lewis.

There being no further business, Lyn Perez thanked Emilio for Porsche of Orlando's hospitality and then adjourned the meeting. A general membership dinner was held at the nearby Olive Garden.

Sue Belt Secretary

# MINUTES OF THE Florida Citrus Region Porsche Club of America Monthly Meeting Location: Porsche of Orlando February 3, 2014

Officers present: Lyn Perez, President; Lisa Lewis, VP; Arden Griffith, Treasurer; and Sue Belt, Secretary; Also present: 45 Members.

The meeting was called to order by President Lyn Perez.

Lyn Perez gave the financial report. The cash balance of the FLC PCA account is \$87,111.50. The portion belonging to the Club race account is \$30,967.24. And, \$56,144.26 belongs to the Club. The increase is due to February DE fees.

Lyn Perez mentioned the Spiel needed articles and pictures of driver activities, preferably Porsche related. Travis Young said we're submitting two amazing issues to National for the newsletter contest. Lyn thanked Spiel advertisers and encouraged others.

New members were introduced including Doug Trimarco who'd just bought a Porsche that day!! Also, Giancarlo Zanolini with his first Porsche, and Enrique and Wilda Vilella who went from motorcycles to a Porsche. Welcome!

#### **Old Business Reports**

- Lyn thanked Nilo Argudin, Lisa Lewis, Mike Colon, Travis Young and everyone else for their help with the Hospitality Tent and parking at the Rolex 24 Hour Corral. Chuck Hennings said "the big crash" was the talk of the day and they were keeping an eye on our own Ron Zitza who ran in car #18 (it came in third in class).
- PCA's largest race in the country with a DE, the 48 Hours of Sebring, was held January 23-26. David Edwards said that everyone had fun in spite of some rain and a few crashes. Several Citrus Club members participated. Greg Barrows was 4th in his class; Nort Northam 3rd in the first race and David Edwards was 2nd in the Sprint in A-1 and the Enduro.
- Mark Peffen said the first Auto Cross of the year was with Martin Auto Club with 115 cars! The morning was slippery, but everyone got 4 runs in. The next Autocross is in March in Lake County.
- Lisa Lewis said name tags were in and should be picked up. You can still order one for \$10 at clubregistration.net. Go to Events for Fla. Citrus Club to order. They can be picked up at the next meeting.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- Jim LaPiana, chairman, said the Chili Cookoff will be held February 8th at 7 pm at Porsche of Orlando. He asked everyone to email him to register how many are attending and if they are bringing a food entree. He asked for businesses to donate prizes, and mentioned that Porsche of Orlando was donating a 4-wheel alignment as a door prize. He also said Orlando Brewing would have four special beers including an Octoberfest brew.
- Ross Evers said the February 15 and 16 DE would include one more session per day (4/20 minute per day). He also said there'd be a little less classroom time. The next one is

in October. He said all you need is to bring your helmets to the DE and get a free tech inspection at Porsche of Orlando. He'd also like to set up a caravan up to Roebling starting at the Longwood rest stop.

- The Suncoast/Goldcoast DE at Sebring is Feb 22-23.
- It was mentioned that we might caravan to Amelia Concours March 7-9 if there is interest.
- The Sebring 12 Hour Race is March 12-15. We need volunteers for parking.
- Cars for the Cure car show is February 8th at Colonial Town Park in Lake Mary. But be sure to come to the Chili Cookoff that night!
- Lyn Perez said the Sunrise to Sunset multi region event will be in the north central part of the state this year. It will begin on the East coast and end between Sarasota and Clearwater Beach. A route has not yet been set for the April 25-27 event.
- Nort Northam said Zonefest 2014 marks our 40th Anniversary, Memorial Day weekend-May 23-25, and will be held at the Lakeside Inn again in Mt. Dora. There's a People's Choice Concours, fun rally, beer on the porch and maybe an autocross. And there might be a tour to Alex Job's shop--always interesting!
- Lyn Perez reported that of the anonymous surveys distributed for input about meetings and events there were only 8 returned of 542 members, so silence is a sign of ascent. Seems everyone is happy with all club activities as they are.
- Escape 2014 is in November. Lyn asked that Drive Chairs please send their specs to him.
- Lyn asked for volunteers to organize any drives or events they wished to provide for club participation.

There being no further business, Lyn Perez thanked Emilio for Porsche of Orlando's hospitality and then adjourned the meeting. A general membership dinner was held at nearby Millers Ale House, Winter Park.

Sue Belt, Secretary



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