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# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

## Welcome to all our new Florida Citrus Region Members!!

We are so happy you have joined us. Florida Citrus Region offers a wide variety of activities – everything from Driver Education (DE), Autocross (AX) social events, rallies, and great scenic drives. Come check out some of our activities and join up with other Porsche enthusiasts.

The Florida Citrus Region has a website ([flc.pca.org](http://flc.pca.org)) that contains information about our club. The calendar lists many events where you will be able to meet up with some of your fellow Florida Citrus Region Members. We also have a Facebook page that can be found at [facebook.com/FloridaCitrusPorscheClub/](https://facebook.com/FloridaCitrusPorscheClub/).

We hope to have monthly meetings that usually occur on the first Monday of each month. We have suspended the meetings temporarily due to the pandemic, but with vaccines a reality, we plan to hold the meetings soon. Check our calendar ([flc.pca.org/calendar/](http://flc.pca.org/calendar/)) for meeting location.

Hope to see you out there!!

**Leslie Sikorski**  
*Membership Chair*

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# SUMMER 2021 CALENDAR

## JULY

**4**  
(Sun)

**CFL Cars & Coffee**  
Sam's Club – 11920 Narcoossee Rd

**4**  
(Sun)

**Independence Day Party**  
Ace Cafe

**5**  
(Mon)

**Membership Meeting**  
Independence Day at Ace Cafe

**11**  
(Sun)

**Orlando Cars & Coffee**  
Various – Check FB

**19**  
(Mon)

**Porsche Night**  
The Ace Cafe

**24**  
(Sat)

**Horsepower, Horses, and Polo**  
Polo Ocala

**TBA**

**Meet up at Dezerland**

## AUGUST

**1**  
(Sun)

**CFL Cars & Coffee**  
Sam's Club – 11920 Narcoossee Rd

**2**  
(Mon)

**Membership Meeting**  
Porsche Orlando

**8**  
(Sun)

**Orlando Cars & Coffee**  
Various – Check FB

**16**  
(Mon)

**Porsche Night**  
The Ace Cafe

**28**  
(Sat)

**DE Seminar**  
The Ace Cafe

## SEPTEMBER

**5**  
(Sun)

**CFL Cars & Coffee**  
Sam's Club – 11920 Narcoossee Rd

**6**  
(Mon)

**Membership Meeting**  
Porsche South Orlando

**9-12**  
(Mon)

**Appalachian Adventure (Reg. 7/15)**  
Meadowbrook Inn – Blowing Rock, NC

**12**  
(Sun)

**Orlando Cars & Coffee**  
Various – Check FB

**19**  
(Sun)

**Autocross**  
Lake Tech in Tavares

**20**  
(Mon)

**Porsche Night**  
The Ace Cafe

Full details at: [flc.pca.org/calendar](http://flc.pca.org/calendar).

All events subject to change or cancellation.



# PRESIDENT'S LETTER

**SPRING** was a great time for FLC as we emerge from under the specter of COVID. We started holding monthly meetings, including the first meeting at one of our dealerships, Porsche South Orlando. Look for continued monthly gatherings – a 4th of July celebration with hamburgers/hot dogs and more at Ace Café; then alternating between Porsche Orlando and Porsche South Orlando. Come see your Porsche friends.

All things Porsche was celebrated in May at the Werks Reunion at Amelia Island. FLC was well represented as you will see in a series of articles and photos. Some of our beautiful cars were in the judged concours as well as in the non-judged display. Greg Barrows and Dan Beyer were judges for the concours. Nort Northam brought home a trophy. Werks Reunion and the Amelia Island Concours are events that deserve to be on your must do list.

At the National PCA level, the Porsche Treffen (to meet) was celebrated in Scottsdale, AZ. FLC Vice President, Karyn Rinaldi and Terry Johnson made a 5000+ trip to join up with FLC Membership Chair and Treffen Registrar, Leslie Sikorski, for parties and tours through some of the most scenic parts of the Southwest.

We had a very active series of autocrosses this spring – 4 events in 7 weeks, including a Ladies Day. Sixty-nine Porsche drivers and even more non-Porsche drivers enjoyed fun filled competition. Mid-year standings are later in this issue. We will start up again in the fall. Look for the schedule to be announced in July so come and join us to drive your Porsche the way the engineers designed them.

Also look for us to open registration on July 15 for the FLC Instructor School/solo day (10/8) and DE (10/9-10). We will also present a seminar on August 28 at Ace Café to discuss our DE events – everything you need to know to drive at a track event.

PCA asked all regions to update their Bylaws to conform with the National PCA documents. The FLC Bylaws Committee (John Vick, Lyn Perez and me) has spent countless hours developing new Bylaws, which have been approved by the FLC Board and Membership and which have been submitted to PCA for review. When approved by PCA, the Bylaws will be sent to the membership

in the next issue of the Spiel, along with a ballot. Please look for the ballot and vote to approve the new Bylaws.

The hot Florida summer will be quiet with only limited events. One to look for will be a visit to Dezerland in Orlando. This is a fascinating entertainment attraction with a car museum holding over 1700 cars on display, a massive game room, a go kart track, and a Bond room. Watch for emails to follow, as well as announcements from [www.PCA.org](http://www.PCA.org), and [www.clubregistration.net](http://www.clubregistration.net) and check our website ([flc.pca.org](http://flc.pca.org)) and social media.

**Bert Del Villano**  
**Club President**  
**FLC – PCA**

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The Spring 2021 issue erroneously listed the 2002 Enthusiast of the Year winner as "Pedro Varga." His name is **Pedro Rivera** and he has been a **PCA member since 1988** and has been "campaigning a **914 in SCCA F-Production for almost 20 years now**." Our apologies, Pedro! Thank you for all your years of support!



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# WERKS REUNION

## 3 MEMBERS DESCRIBE THEIR EXPERIENCE AT AMELIA ISLAND CONCOURS WEEKEND



NORT NORTHAM'S '89 SPEEDSTER AND KEVIN DUFFY'S '88 924S SPECIAL EDITION AT AMELIA ISLAND'S CARS AND COFFEE (CREDIT: BARBARA DUFFY)

***"BEAUTIFUL WEATHER. WONDERFUL CARS. GREAT PEOPLE. OLD FRIENDS. NEW FRIENDS. THAT IS WHAT THE PORSCHE WERKS REUNION IS ALL ABOUT."***

### KEVIN DUFFY 924S944.COM

Beautiful weather. Wonderful cars. Great people. Old friends. New friends. That is what the Porsche Werks Reunion is all about.

Oh, yea. And there is a little car show over the weekend - the *Amelia Island Concours de Elegance*.

The 2020 Porsche Werks Reunion happened quite literally days before the Covid shutdowns started. The Concours weekend is normally in March, but for 2021 Covid moved it to the end of May. Timing could not have been better - lots of people having a great time and lots of beautiful Porsches. And Florida Citrus Region

was well represented on the judged field.

For the past many years, we have attended and participated in the Porsche Werks Reunion. This year we featured three 924S's from our Florida group, including TWO Special Edition 924S's. Jennifer and Greg Barrows were awarded a second-place trophy for their blue 968 and Nort Northam won a third place trophy for his 924S Special Edition. Nort also displayed his 1989 911 Speedster.

The PCA tent was working hard to promote the *PCA Sim Racing Series*. A simulator was set up for sim drivers to test their skills at Daytona International Speedway, and our own

Chris Duffy - prominent and popular PCA Sim Racer- was invited early in the day to lay down a couple of laps in the simulator. In two laps he set a time at 1:48 to provide a target for the day. No one was able to beat it all day - fast time of the day.

Along with the Friday Porsche Werks Reunion, many from Florida Citrus Region also brought their cars to the *Amelia Island Cars and Coffee* on Saturday morning. Pre-registration is required for participation in this annual event, and we registered back in November 2020 to be sure we were there. Our 924S Special Edition was parked next to Nort Northam's 911 Speedster, with both garnering a lot of



This is the day the Lord had made, let us rejoice and be glad! Psalm918:24

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attention. Hundreds of cars populated the Concours field, including Doc Brown's "slightly modified" Delorean – the actual car used in the *Back To The Future* movies. Corvettes, Mustangs, BMWs, Minis, Alfas – all there. Nice way to spend a Saturday morning.

Next year's Amelia Island Concours will go back to the March dates – Friday through Sunday, March 4-6. The Porsche Werks Reunion will be on Friday, March 4, with the Cars and Coffee on Saturday, March 5. Do you want to go? Here are some tips.

- Registration for the Werks Reunion opens in December. Register early. Pay the bit extra to get on the judged field – that's where the action is!

- Registration for the Cars and Coffee usually opens in November. There is a limited number of spots available, and it fills quickly.

- Accommodations for the weekend are usually sold out very early – make reservations now. Consider AirBnB as well as area hotels. At this writing, accommodations are getting difficult to find – so act now.

- A day trip for the Porsche Werks Reunion is also an alternative to spending the weekend, but there is so much to do, spending the weekend is best!

For us the Amelia Island weekend is the best. However, you must plan well in advance and make sure that you make the most of it!

## JENNIFER BARROWS "SALLY GETS A RED RIBBON"

In early March 2020, right before the world closed for business, the Porsche Club of America held The Werks Reunion at Amelia Island. Greg and I attended and were so impressed

with the event that we decided to enter in 2021.

Just a few weeks ago, the Porsche Club again pulled off an exceptional Werks Reunion at Amelia Island. For those of you who have not attended, you've missed a terrific event. This year over 730 Porsches registered to be either judged or parked in the model-specific corral. However, as we all know, PCA is about the people and Werks is a great opportunity to connect with PCA friends from around Florida and the country. The passion for the Porsche brand is visible as guests walk from car to car talking about the model, the year, the color, and other details that catch their eye. Some recall similar Porsches that they have owned in their past or see new models that they are looking to purchase in the future.

Greg had been preparing our entry for weeks before the event. Our 1993 Tahoe Blue 968 Coupe, which we affectionately call "Sally", had been out a few times during the pandemic and was not in concours condition. The car was purchased for me in 2006 when Greg started racing as the racecar was not street legal leaving us without a proper car to participate in other club activities. The club offers so many amazing events, we wanted to be sure we had the ability to take advantage of as many as possible.

While Greg took the arduous job of detailing the outside, my assignment was to work on the interior leather and carpet. We have spent many hours over the fifteen years that we have owned her getting Sally to where she is, but she still needed some extra care to be able to compete at Werks.

Staging of the cars was early

morning on Friday, May 21. You know what early morning in Florida means; dew. Once parked, we proceeded to dry the car and make sure she looked her best. I even cleaned the grass clippings off of the tires as our show area was on a recently mown golf course. Other cars in our class of 924/944/968 took their positions in our row and the rest of the field continued to fill with cars. There were around 150 cars entered to be judged and we were honored to be there.

My job was to wait at the car for the judges to arrive. Greg was judging the Boxster/Cayman class, which thankfully was close by if I needed his expertise (I did). When the judges arrived, the car was already surrounded by several spectators including a group from Hagerty and Panorama magazine who wanted to talk with us about a photoshoot for an upcoming issue.

After the judging was completed, we were happy to see a red ribbon for second place in our class placed on Sally's windshield. First would have been better, but it went to a 1993

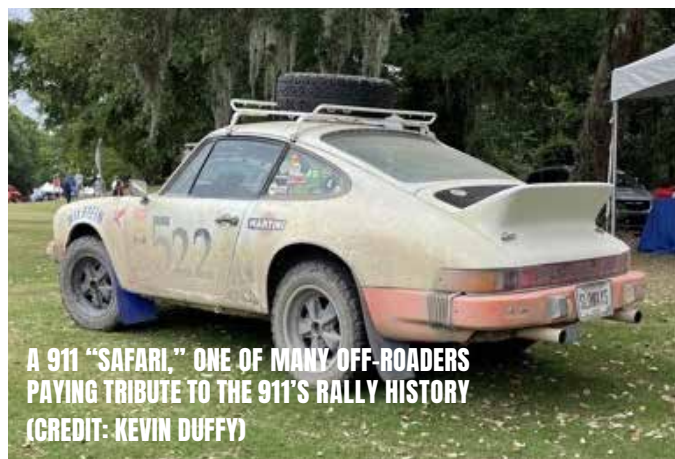
**"THE JUDGES ARE ADVISED  
TO FOCUS ON THE IMPACT  
AND STORY OF THE CAR"**

968 Club Sport in Marina Blue. This European model had recently been imported from Japan and the new owner had owned it for just less than a year. As this is not a typical concours, the judges are advised to focus on the impact and story of the car in addition to making sure the owner at least





**PORSCHE TRANSPORTER AND  
SOME "OLD" FRIENDS  
(CREDIT: DAN BEYER)**



**A 911 "SAFARI," ONE OF MANY OFF-ROADERS  
PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE 911'S RALLY HISTORY  
(CREDIT: KEVIN DUFFY)**



**JEFF ZWART'S NEW 935  
(CREDIT: SCOTT HANSEN)**



**STAN KOSTEWICZ'S 944 RAGER (FEATURED IN THE  
WINTER '20 ISSUE) BESIDE THE CLUB SPORT WINNER  
(CREDIT: DAN BEYER)**

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**"SALLY" BROUGHT HOME A RED RIBBON  
(CREDIT: JENNIFER BARROWS)**



**'93 968 CLUB SPORT - CLASS WINNER  
(CREDIT: BERT DEL VILLANO)**

made an attempt to clean it. The Club Sport's story was hard to compete with, so we were thrilled with second place.

The early morning had been beautiful. However, as the day went on, clouds began to roll in off of the Atlantic. For a while, it looked like the Porsche Gods may smile on the event and keep it dry, but it was not to be and there was a brief downpour during the awards ceremony. Better than during the judging! Award winners happily accepted their awards in the rain and first place winners drove their cars in front of the stage for a brief interview. Florida Citrus Region was well-represented when awards were handed out. In addition to our second place, the members below also received awards.

**First Place 964/993**

Lou Verdiales '98 Turbo Ruf

**Third Place 924/944/968**

Nort Northam '88 924S Special Ed.

**First Place Competition/Race**

Mark Nasrallah '95 993 SuperCup

The Werks Reunion committee

led by longtime PCA members Tom and Sandy Provasi, members of PCA leadership, and volunteers did a terrific job. Make sure to put it on your calendar for 2022.

**DAN BEYER  
WERKS JUDGE**

For many of us, last year's Werks Reunion was the last big event we attended before the pandemic lockdowns began. Returning to Werks in 2021 (albeit it a little later in the year), provided a glimpse of a return to our pre-Covid-19 lives. And while it was terrific to see all the great Porsche cars, it was also cathartic to see friends again and reestablish relationships.

Speaking of the cars, Werks did not spotlight a particular model this year. Last year, 914 cars were featured. Despite this, you would be forgiven if you believed the 928 was this year's featured car. The 15+ 928 cars entered were in a separate category and judged separately from the other

transaxle cars. As an owner of a 928 for 18 years, it's refreshing to see these cars get some well-deserved attention.

I was again honored to be a judge. This year there were three teams of judges assigned to a single group of 24 1980's 911 cars. In order to make the task more manageable, this group was broken into three subsets. Each judging team chose their top 1 and 2,

***"RETURNING TO 2021 WERKS  
PROVIDED A GLIMPSE OF A RETURN  
TO OUR PRE-COVID LIVES"***

and then we all compared notes, and ultimately landed on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for the combined group. It was quite difficult this year in a field that included several excellent "rally style" 911 cars, 911 Speedsters (including Nort's), and a couple of amazing 930 Turbo cars - including one that had previously been personally owned by Brumos' Peter Gregg. One of my team's cars ended up as the 3rd place finisher overall - a beautifully restored, white 911SC that the owner purchased from his University of FL professor after he retired and could no longer drive it with a manual transmission. One of the 930 cars won 1st (but not the one formerly owned by #59 Mr. Gregg). As you might imagine, one of the most rewarding parts of the job is hearing the stories that frequently accompany the cars.



**MAC, NICKI, SCOTT, BECKE AND TOM HAVING A  
BLAST AT THE CONCOURSE  
(CREDIT: SCOTT HANSEN)**

**Dan Beyer is Treasurer of FLC - PCA.**

# ROAD TRIP! TO TREFFEN SCOTTSDALE

BY **KARYN RINALDI**  
WITH **TERRY JOHNSON**

## ***Road Trip!!!!***

Who doesn't love the words "Road Trip?" Especially when they involve a Porsche? So when the Treffen Scottsdale registration opened this past February, Terry and I were ready with our laptops to log into the PCA site and quickly fill out our registrations. This Treffen, like the previous seven Treffens, sold out in under 10 minutes (7 minutes to be exact!) but we were fortunate to get registered along with 290 other Porsche enthusiasts.

We set off on our 2500-mile road trip to Scottsdale on May 1st. We took 4 days to drive there, stopping in Dallas and Albuquerque enroute to visit with family members. We also made a detour through the Painted Desert and the Petrified Forest once we crossed into Arizona. Such beautiful landscape that is so very different from what we have here in Florida!!!

We finally arrived at our destination – the beautiful 5-star JW Marriott Camelback Inn Resort in Scottsdale. We were greeted by FLC member and Treffen Registrar, Leslie Sikorski, and many other Porsche friends. Our first event upon arrival was a Cinco de Mayo celebration with the other Treffen participants. It was fun to see other Porsche members from previous Treffens and to meet new Porsche people, while eating local foods and listening to a Mariachi band.

On Thursday morning, the drives began. We opted for the Scenic Sedona Red Rock Country Tour. The route took us from the Sonoran Desert and all of its Saguaro Cacti, up through the Coconino National Forest and Canyons. The change of scenery from the desert and cacti landscape to the evergreen-pinon covered mountains was amazing. We then took the Red Rock Scenic Byway into Sedona. Bell Rock provided an awesome background for the Porsches. We enjoyed a wonderful lunch at Los Abogados Resort, and had plenty of time to explore the Tlaquepaque Arts and Crafts Village.

The drive back to the resort from Sedona was just as scenic, taking us by numerous wineries and vineyards. Who would have thought to see this in Arizona? (Did I inadvertently navigate us to Napa??? Oops!) But this turned out to be a prelude to our next day's events.

Back at the Camelback Inn that evening, we were treated to another wonderful meal at the resort's Mummy Mountain, a rustic outdoor event venue that epitomized an Old West town. The food was again delightful local delicacies cooked over an open pit barbeque. The ambiance created a beautiful evening under the stars. (With no humidity! Sweet!)

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# ***Treffen at The American Club***

## ***Touring the Autumn Colors of Wisconsin***



Autumn in Wisconsin is all about the color and getting out to see it. Wisconsin comes alive in the Fall with gorgeous vistas of colorful foliage, lakes, rivers, and waterfalls. Take in Mother Nature's show as you cruise the beautiful ribbons of asphalt leading through these scenic wonders. Join us in October 2021 as we explore America's Dairyland.

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Dates: October 13-17, 2021  
Venue: The American Club  
419 Highland Dr, Kohler, WI 53044  
Website: [treffen.pca.org](http://treffen.pca.org)  
Registration: Opens August 4, 2021 @ 3:00 PM (EDT)

LEFT: **THE PAINTED DESERT**  
RIGHT: **SAGUARO IN THE SONORAN**



Friday was the “Navigator’s Day Off” with offerings of guided activities throughout the local area. We chose to do the “Old Town Scottsdale and Wine Tasting Tour.” The golf cart tour took us to three wine tasting rooms where we got to sample multiple local wines. The Arizona wines were actually quite good! And it was a pleasant surprise to find out that Arizona produces so many diverse wines. (A large number of those bottles ended up back here in Florida, I might add.... Yay for UPS!!!)

Saturday’s drive was to the top of South Mountain, where there is a magnificent view of Phoenix and the “Valley of the Sun,” which is the valley extending from the Estrella Mountains in the west to the Superstition Mountains in the east. The summit road was a 5.5 mile wonderfully windy drive (YES!! Fun in a Porsche!!!) through one of the largest municipally managed parks in the nation, terminating at a 2300 ft elevation lookout. After a fun (FUN!!) drive down the mountain,

we headed to the Wrigley Mansion. This mansion was built in 1932 by chewing gum magnate William Wrigley Jr. as a winter cottage and 50th anniversary gift for his wife Ada. (Niiice gift!!!!!!) Its extraordinary views and blended architecture provided a lovely background for our lunch. Saturday ended with a closing banquet and music lounge, which was a great ending to an outstanding Porsche event.

Having been to five Treffens now, I can say that these events are a wonderful way to meet new Porsche Club members and to make some amazing friendships. The events are designed for smaller groups and more personal relationships with other enthusiasts. That alone was worth a road trip of 5000 miles roundtrip!!! Terry and I are already planning for the next Treffen at the American Club in Wisconsin this coming fall.

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**Karyn is Vice President of FLC - PCA.**



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PHOENIX & THE VALLEY OF THE SUN**





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## LET'S DRIVE! BY STEVE WILLIAMSON

**FLORIDA CITRUS REGION IS ONE OF THE FASTEST** growing in PCA. That means that we have a constant flow of new participants in our High Performance Drivers Education program (HPDE). If you have an interest in having fun with your Porsche, driving on a racetrack in a safe environment, please keep reading.

First, we are having an Introduction to Citrus Region HPDE on Saturday, August 2,8 at ACE Cafe in Orlando. From 9 - 11 (see the irony?) Citrus Region will buy you continental breakfast and will have presentations to inform the new driver what to expect and how to prepare for our on-track weekends. There will be plenty of experienced drivers available to answer any questions those new to our program may have. You will need to register for this event and sign our waivers at [clubregistration.net](http://clubregistration.net) to attend. We anticipate registration will open July 15.

Citrus Region will be offering an Instructor School to qualified candidates at Roebling Road Raceway on Friday, October 8. Our Instructor School is nationally recognized and graduates earn instructor credentials from PCA and Motorsport Safety Institute. On the school day, there will also be run group sessions for advanced solo level drivers. Registration will open for the School/Advanced Solo Day at [clubregistration.net](http://clubregistration.net) on July 15.

Our regular fall High Performance Drivers Education program will run October 9 and 10 (the dates following the Instructor School/Advanced Solo Day) and will be open to drivers of all levels. Included in the registration for our drivers education is a pizza and beer social on Friday night and a bar-b-que on Saturday night. All driving and social events are held at Roebling Road Raceway. Registration for High Performance Drivers Education will open at [clubregistration.net](http://clubregistration.net) on July 15.

If you are still reading, there is a chance you have never tried our Drivers Education program and you may have some interest in doing so. I encourage you to register for the Drivers Education weekend immediately upon the opening of registration at [clubregistration.net](http://clubregistration.net). Run groups fill quickly and if you wait until the introductory seminar to register, you WILL be disappointed.

Now why should you get involved in the Driver's Education program? It's fun!!! Citrus Region events have a reputation for low stress, no intimidation, and plenty of support from your friends. Make plans to join us for the Introduction Seminar in August and the HPDE weekend in October.

I hope to see you soon!

**Steve is the Chief Driving Instructor for FLC - PCA.**

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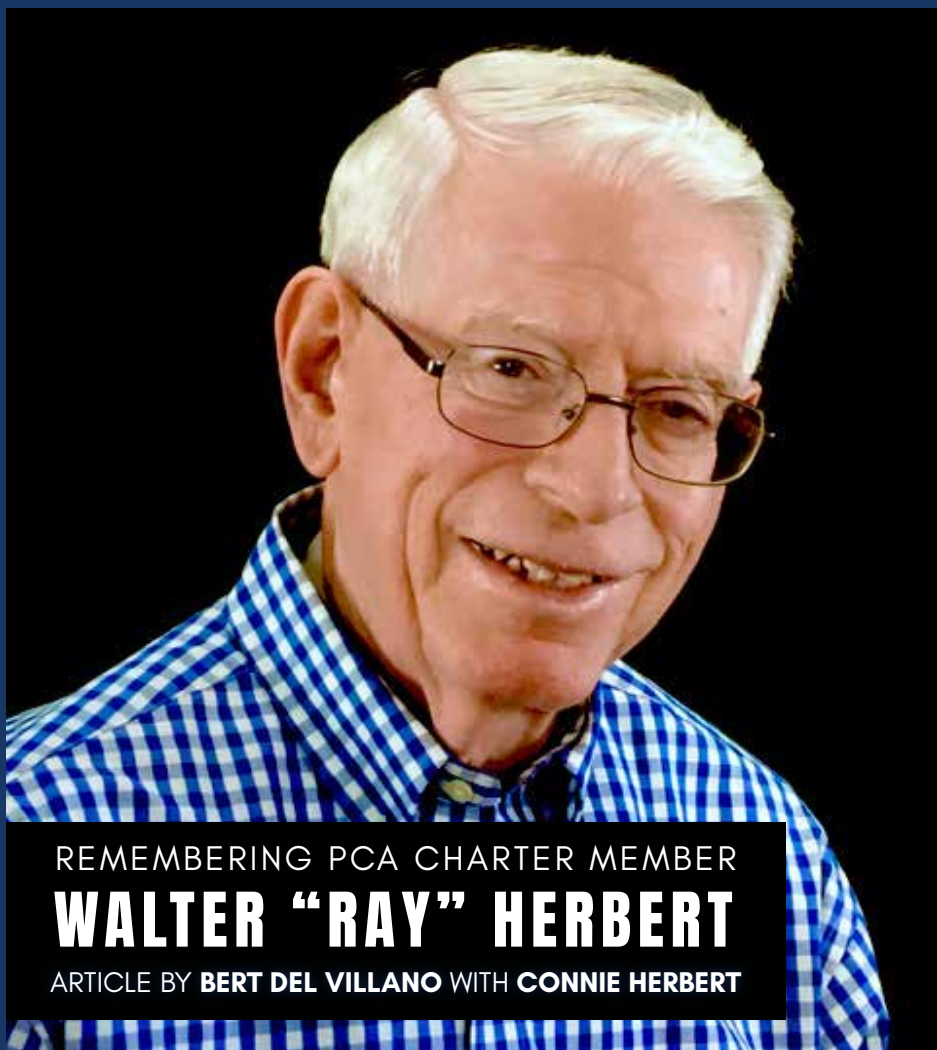
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**VERY SADLY**, Florida Citrus lost one of our Charter Members, Walter (Ray) Herbert on March 25, 2021. Ray loved his Porsches and he loved PCA. In March 2019 he received a 55 year certificate from PCA, which he had framed and put in his study. His children, and wife Connie, thought this most appropriate as they never lived a day at their house without a Porsche in the garage. He even brought home their first-born in a 1963 356B. That tradition has continued in that their daughter has a 911S, while their son owns two Boxsters. When Ray was unable to get in and out of their last 911 in 2016, he did not want to give up the Porsche brand, so they purchased a 2016 Macan S, which Connie still enjoys.

Ray had been living at a long term care facility, Village on the Green, since December 2018 due to the need of more care than could be given to him alone at home with his Multiple System Atrophy form of Parkinsons, diagnosed in 2004. He was fine, however, in a wheelchair most of the time, but walking when supervised, eating a regular diet and participating in activities, enjoying outings, etc. As everywhere, the health center was closed in March 2020 to all visitors due to COVID, yet the virus was brought in by workers. He went to the hospital with COVID in July 2020. He was in the COVID unit for three weeks, and after all else failed, he was given plasma and subsequently

tested negative. He was in the hospital another two weeks when Connie finally got to see him after five months. Unfortunately, Ray was not returning to pre-COVID status. He was bedridden and tube fed. At that point he was sent to Encompass Rehabilitative Hospital until mid-November, at which time Connie brought him home. He never gave up, but his body did. She is so thankful for the time they had together following COVID, but knows he is finally at peace.

Connie asked to remain affiliated with FLC, as she too, is a PCA member and Charter Member of the Citrus Region, even though she has been unable to participate as of late. She is not comfortable driving through Orlando, especially at night, so hopefully we will see her at club meetings when held at Porsche Orlando. ■



**Above: Ray pictured with fellow PCA Charter member (of FLC) Nort Northam at Zonefest in 2014.**

KARYN RINALDI, SARAH THOMPSON, & JIN SOH-URBANO CELEBRATING



## LADIES DAY AUTOCROSS AS THERAPY

By Barbara Duffy

### I WAS TIRED OF:

- COVID,
- cancelled travel plans,
- Netflix, and
- my own cooking.

I longed to take a deep breath of Springtime without a mask smothering my face and tugging at my ears. I missed talking with real life people face to face. I missed adventure. I missed fun.

At that moment, I wanted to chase away the mundane monotony and escape the restrictions on life. I longed for the thrill of an outdoor roller coaster ride – but I also wanted to be in control of it. My requirements

were: it had to be fast and wild enough to suit my comfort level – but also challenging enough to get my attention and put a smile on back my face.

And then, as if on cue, the FLC – German Excellence Ladies Day Autocross at the Lake County Sheriffs' Training Facility came to the rescue. Compliments to a patient, experienced coach and two (really bad) attempts to understand the course, I finally found the proper way through a sea of seemingly wayward orange traffic cones. I conquered something new! I felt great and I left the sad stories, intolerance, and mayhem of the world in the dust behind my car – and me. For the

moment, my concerns and worries were gone with the wind outside the driver's window. When the tires tweaked a bit, or I took a turn fast (probably all of 25 MPH), the autocross track transformed into my desired roller coaster thrill ride – on pavement. And something amazing happened! I smiled ear to ear.

Therefore, I have concluded that AX is exceedingly therapeutic... with ample potential to be habit-forming and contagious among other things. It comes highly recommended for some profound fun and relief of whatever may be ailing you! (And thankfully, the traffic cones did not seem to mind being run over – another very good thing too!) ■



BARBARA'S THERAPY IN A 924







# MAY 16, 2021 LADIES DAY AX: RESULTS

Pos.	Class	#	Driver	Car Model	Time
1	sl	1	Heather O Hamill	Porsche, Boxster; 2013	29.326
2	sl	54	Karyn Rinaldi	Porsche, Boxster S; 2012	32.866
3	sl	26	Penelope Strater	Porsche, Cayman S; 2014	34.588
4	sl	5	Tamara McPherson	Porsche, 924s; 1988	34.915
5	sl	198	Sarah Thompson	Porsche, Boxster; 2016	36.600
6	sl	88	Jin Soh-urbano	Porsche, Boxter; 1998	38.217
7	sl	42	Barbara Duffy	Porsche, 924S; 1987	44.347
18	funL	818	Cristina Gonzalez Pascual	BMW, M3; 2016	32.910
20	funL	2002	Patricia Gonzalez	BMW, 320i; 2015	34.110
22	funL	68	Alysha Rocca	BMW, Z4; 2014	34.426
23	funL	174	Alison Heffernan	Mazda, Miata; 1999	34.640
24	funL	93	Viviana Gonzalez Pascual	Subaru, WRX STI; 2016	35.489
25	funL	681	Sonja Gspurning	BMW, Z4; 2014	35.844



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# FLC- GERMAN EXCELLENCE AX SPRING RESULTS

BY BERT DEL VILLANO

## FOUR AUTOCROSSES IN 7 WEEKS! A DREAM FOR THE DRIVERS. A NIGHTMARE FOR THE ORGANIZERS.

Yes, planning and running driving events almost every other week was a bit of work, but in fact, it was a lot of fun – both for the drivers and for the organizers.

The highlight of the spring season was the Ladies Day Autocross. Thirteen women came to play. Seven in Porsches and 6 more in a variety of cars. Some were experienced regulars, others total novices. All had huge smiles at the end of their runs. Congratulations (again) to Heather Hamill for taking TTOD for the Ladies – no surprise. She is an expert driver and is “as one” with her 2013 Boxster. In addition to leading all Ladies, Heather also took TTOD for all Porsches, whupping all the men! The results for the Ladies are on page 21 in Table 1.

All was not sunshine this spring. The autocross on April 25 was held at Orange County Convention Center on a very big lot. Everyone was eager to play on a longer, faster and still challenging course. The day started out

with a threat of rain. The first group was treated to good runs, but the skies opened up on the second group – rain and lightning. Unfortunately, we had to cancel the event for the safety of all shortly after this group started their race. We apologize to those drivers who did not have a chance to enjoy their runs at OCCC.

Year-end standings for the Porsche drivers are in Table 2. Congratulations to all, especially to Heather for driving in and winning every event.

Look for the fall/winter schedule to be announced in July. Come join and to drive your Porsche the way the engineers designed it.

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***Bert Del Villano is the AX Chair and Club President for FLC - PCA.***

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# Sum of Points

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Grand Total
<b>sl</b>							
Heather O Hamill	10	10	10	10	10	10	60
Karyn Rinaldi	6	8		8	6	8	36
Rebekka Marinov	8	6	8		2		24
Ingrid Fong	4			6	4		14
Elise Marquette					8		8
Penelope Strater						6	6
Tamara McPherson						4	4
Anne Del Villano		4					4
Barbara Duffy					2		2
Jin Soh-urbano					2		2
Evelyn Montelvo	2						2
Sarah Thompson					2		2
<b>s1</b>							
NICK BISHOP				10	10		20
John Lovejoy	10						10
<b>s2</b>							
Kevin Duffy				10	10		20
Ali Akkan	10						10
Elise Marquette	8						8
<b>s5</b>							
Mel Saiz	8	8	10	10	10	8	54
Keith Thompson		6	8	8		10	32
Zac Saubert	10	10					20
Carl Lueck		4		6			10
Larry Hughes	6						6
NOEL MOENSSENS	4						4
<b>s6</b>							
Maury Hamill			10	10	10	10	40
Bill Morthland	10	8	8			8	34
Jimmy Strater	8	10					18
Gerard Hynes			4			6	10
Murphy Walden		2	6				8
Lesley Hynes				8			8
Mark Peebles	6						6
Paul Bishop		6					6
Juan Fong	4						4
Marc Gerber		4					4
Bill Urmann					4		4
<b>s7</b>							
Terry Glazar	10	10	10	8		8	46
Marc Gerber	8					10	18
Michael Andrew			6	10			16
Enrique Vargas			8				8
Jason Lazarus	6						6
<b>s8</b>							
Paul Bishop	8		10		10	8	36
Michael Andrew						10	10
Juan Fong				10			10
Dave Johnson	10						10
Toby Wilson	6						6
<b>p1</b>							
NICK BISHOP					10		10

## p2

Mike Gaboda	10	10	8	10			38
Bradley Thomas	10		8	6			24
Joe Maru	10			4			14
Gary Merideth				10			10
Kevin Duffy	8						8

## p3

Jorge Gonzalez Garcia				10			10
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## p5

Tracy Smith	10	10	10				30
Zac Saubert	8			10			18

## p6

Robert Blucher	10	10		10	6	8	44
Don Cross	6	8	8	2	4		28
Jimmy Strater			10			10	20
William Van Tassel				8	10		18
Joshua Marinov	4	6			2	6	18
Mark Peebles				6	8		14
Harry Corbin	8						8
Tom Sheehan				4			4

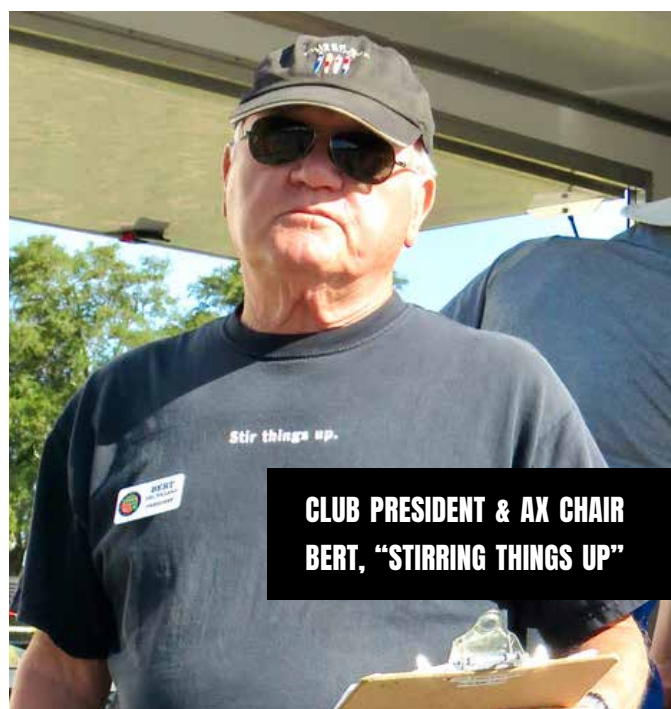
## p7

Bert DelVillano	10	10	10	6	10		46
Francis Johnson	8	8	8	8	8		40
Trent Ksionek				10			10

## p8

Nick Rocca	10	10		10	10		40
Juan Fong				8			8
Chris Merlino	8						8
Hal Gunner					8		8

**EVENTS WERE HELD JAN. 17, FEB. 21, MAR. 28, APR. 10, & MAY 16, 2021. (APR. 25 WAS RAINED OUT)**



**CLUB PRESIDENT & AX CHAIR  
BERT, "STIRRING THINGS UP"**



# WHAT IS AN AUTOCROSS? BY MAURY HAMILL

*Could you be missing out on one of the best events available for Florida Citrus Region PCA members?*

**So, what is an autocross?** Briefly, autocross is a performance driving event where you maneuver your car through a course of soft orange traffic cones trying to be faster than your competition. Check Tech Tactics #25 on [PCA.org](http://PCA.org) for a more detailed description. PCA has numerous classes that rank cars of similar performance together from showroom stock (S), just as it came from the dealer, to production (P) with a few mods, to (I) improved with more changes allowed to (M) modified, in which virtually anything goes. Most cars at Citrus events are in either (S) or (P) classes. To learn the course, which is always a different design, walking it first helps one visualize where you can be quicker and when you must slow down. There will be a guided course walk for novices and anyone else who wants to. The shortest distance around a turn is often faster, though some corners will allow one to carry more speed with a wider line resulting in a better time. Like any sport you have enjoyed, you will have fun, enjoy the competition and the challenge to improve.

**Why would you want to bring your Porsche to an autocross (AX)?** First, it is a lot of FUN to drive your car closer to its limits than possible on the street. Safety is paramount with the maximum speed rarely, if ever, faster than second gear. The limit is not speed-related but car control, as the corners are many with the straight sections few and short. The second and more important reason to do this is to learn how your car reacts to sudden changes of direction and to improve your driving, particularly how you can react faster to avoid a crash on the street. Most veterans of this sport can recall incidents in which their "autocross reflexes" saved them from a collision. Much safer for a newly-licensed teen to learn how the car will react in this safe

environment than to experiment in their daily driving. Instructors are available for those who want them. Some elements of Street Survival Schools are similar to AX.

**Who does this sport?** Pretty much anyone with a driver's license. The driver of the fastest Porsche at the March AX drives a class P5 2001 Boxster S and does the course "walk" in a wheelchair. A very talented driver. There are usually a couple of 80+ geezers and sometimes teenagers, though most are between those ages. There are always several female drivers and, in fact, there is a ladies class. Some also do DE or have in the past. Some have road circuit raced, but most are just regular PCA members. What cars are driven? Rarely we see a 356 or 914, almost always 924s and 944s with many Boxsters, Caymans and all flavors of 911 up to GT-3s, as well as the occasional Porsche sedan or SUV.

**When can you AX?** FLC has an event most months from January to May or June, seldom in July or August due to heat and thundershowers, then resuming from September to December. The schedule and registration are on [clubregistration.net](http://clubregistration.net), in the Spiel, and at the FLC website, [flc.pca.org](http://flc.pca.org). Other nearby PCA regions AX regularly, as do MSCC and SCCA.

**Where can you autocross?** Lake Tech (formerly called the Lake County Sheriffs Training Center) in Tavares is the primary site for the Citrus AXs, but we do get an occasional date at Orange County Convention Center. Plus, FLC runs the Zone AX during the OctoberFast PCA club races and DE at Daytona. We use the go-kart track inside NASCAR turns 3 and 4, -- a fine AX site. All mentioned have indoor plumbing toilets. Lake Tech has a picnic pavilion where lunch was included after the AX... before the pandemic restrictions. Hopefully this will be back before long to enhance the social aspects where you can get to know other members... and share excuses for not having better times.

**Are there any downsides to driving your Porsche at an AX?** Few, if any. There will be slightly more tire wear. If you hit a cone, it may make a mark on the car that is easily cleaned off, but adds a second (or 2) to your time. The number of runs will vary, with five typical. The run times are less than a minute so nowhere near the wear of one DE track session. Generally, just good exercise for your Porsche.

**What do I need to get ready?** 1. Register at [www.clubregistration.net](http://www.clubregistration.net) right after the event is announced. 2. Be sure your car is ready -- just normal maintenance. 3. Arrive at the site and remove all loose items from your car. It will have a tech inspection for obvious issues. 4. Check your helmet to be sure it is rated SA2010 or newer. Loaners (provided by German Excellence) are available in the trailer if needed. 5. Attend the drivers meeting for more information. 6. ENJOY. ■

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## The new Porsche 911 GT3 with Touring package

A high-performance athlete that does not show off about its talent, and loves understatement: that is the new Porsche 911 GT3 with Touring package. The seventh edition of the powerful 375 kW (510 PS) GT car can now be ordered with the equipment package that was extremely popular for its predecessor. This purist 911 GT3 with a weight of just 1,418 kilograms is delivered with a six-speed GT sports gearbox as standard. For the first time, the Touring package can also be combined with the 7-speed PDK dual-clutch transmission at no extra cost.

The most conspicuous difference on the exterior is omission of the fixed rear wing of the 911 GT3. The necessary downforce at high speeds and even more understatement are guaranteed by an automatically extending rear spoiler. Silver-coloured trim strips made of high-gloss anodised aluminium on the side windows are another distinguishing feature that underline the newcomer's discreet appearance. The front end is painted completely in the exterior colour. The interior with extended leather items in Black is particularly elegant and is available exclusively for the GT3 with Touring package. The front of the dashboard and the upper side sections of the door trim panels have special surface embossing.

The name 'Touring package' goes back to an equipment variant of the 911 Carrera RS from model year 1973. Already then, the focus was on purist 911 design and elements of a classic interior. Porsche revived the idea again in 2017, and for the first time again offered a Touring package for the previous generation of the 911 GT3, the Type 991. Since then, this variant has appealed above all to lovers of top-class sports cars with a pronounced passion for understatement and classic driving pleasure.

**Performance without the show: the exterior and interior details.** A rear lid grille with the 'GT3 touring' logo in unique design is located over the high-revving engine. The trim strips of the side windows and the tailpipes of the sports exhaust system are silver-coloured. These elements are finished in satin-gloss Black in the optional Touring package. The front light modules are dark-tinted in this case.



The 911 GT3 with Touring package also offers the atmosphere of a classic sports car in the interior. The steering wheel rim, gear/selector lever, cover of the centre console, armrests in the door panels and the door handles are covered in black leather. The partial leather interior features black stitching. The seat centre panels are covered with black fabric, and the roofliner is also black. The head restraints bear embossed Porsche Crests. The door entry guards and trim elements on the dashboard and centre console are made of brushed black aluminium.

Porsche also offers almost all the optional equipment for the 911 GT3 in combination with the Touring package. This includes all exterior and wheel colours, LED headlights with Porsche Dynamic Light System and Porsche Dynamic Light System Plus, various assist systems, the ceramic brake PCCB, the lift system on the front axle, all seat variants, the Chrono package and the audio systems.

Porsche Design also offers a very special chronograph for customers of the 911 GT3 with Touring package. The timepiece features a movement with flyback function. The winding rotor evokes the vehicle's wheel design and is available in six different versions corresponding to the vehicle configuration. The dial bezel in Agate Grey Metallic is based on the vehicle's paint finish. The dial itself has a matte black finish, while the luminous yellow chronograph hands match the colour of the rev counter. The chronograph 911 GT3 with Touring package is worn with a strap made of Porsche vehicle leather with "GT3" embossing. The black decorative stitching with Porsche vehicle thread gives the strap an additional finishing touch. The chronograph is produced by the company's own Swiss watchmaking factory and is exclusively reserved for owners of the vehicle.



GT3  
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**With know-how from motorsport: the Porsche 911 GT3.** With the seventh edition of this high-performance sports car, Porsche has transferred race technology to a production model more systematically than ever before: the double-wishbone front suspension as well as the uncompromising aerodynamics with swan-neck rear wing – excluded from the Touring package – and striking diffuser originate from the successful 911 RSR GT racing car, and the 375 kW (510 PS) 4.0-litre six-cylinder boxer engine is based on the drive unit of 911 GT3 R tried and tested in endurance racing.

Despite a wider body, larger wheels and additional technical features, the weight of the new GT3 is on a par with its predecessor. It weighs 1,418 kg with the manual transmission and 1,435 kg with the Porsche dual-clutch transmission (PDK). The bonnet made of carbon fibre-reinforced plastic (CFRP), lightweight glass windows and forged alloy wheels exemplify the focus on weight-saving, as does the lightweight sports exhaust system.



Its racing genes are expressed in practically all the details of the new 911 GT3. The cockpit is equipped with a track screen for the first time: at the push of a button, the digital displays on the left and right of the central rev counter are reduced to the essential information on tyre and oil pressure, oil and coolant temperature and fuel tank fill level. The 911 GT3 has an easily accessible Mode switch on the steering wheel. This facilitates fast switching between Normal settings and the customisable Sport and Track modes.

Porsche is offering the 911 GT3 at a starting price of 170,969 euros including VAT and country-specific equipment. The Touring package can now also be ordered as an option at no extra charge. ■



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# MUSING FROM THE DESK OF A SOCIAL CHAIR

BY ANNETTE VASICKANIN

## IT'S HOT OUT THERE!

The Citrus Region was able to enjoy our last PCA drive with decent weather in April 2021.

The wind has been very active and playful, keeping the love-bugs at bay. However, Mother Nature has turned her easy bake oven on. So, having a comfortable temperature drive will need to be put on hold for a couple of months until second summer (otherwise known as Autumn) arrives.

Two separate drives for local charities are being considered. One will benefit the New Hope Animal Shelter- no kill facility in West Volusia. (If you have taken one of our drives to Saint Augustine, you will have driven past it!) The other will benefit the Southeast Guide Dog Society based in Palmetto, Florida.

Also, we're considering another drive to St. Augustine to see the Lights, but this time by boat. That one will be in late November. Stay tuned!

**Annette is Chair of Activities for the FLC PCA and was co-winner 2020's "Enthusiast of the Year" award.**



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# JUNE 7, 2021 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

## Minutes of the Monthly Meeting Florida Citrus Region - Porsche Club of America Location: Porsche South Orlando Date: June 7, 2021

**Officers Present:** Bert Del Villano, President; Karyn Rinaldi, Vice President; Jim LaPiana, Secretary; Dan Beyer, Treasurer; Immediate Past President, Lyn Perez

**Members Present:** Approximately 51

**New Members:** Shan Mirpuri of Orlando and his 2015 991.1 GT3, Fred Hazboun from Orlando with his 2018 911 & 2016 Boxster plus Kyra Hymas of Altamonte Springs and her 1987 944 Turbo. New members are eligible for a free AX, please contact Bert Del Villano at [bertdelvillano997@gmail.com](mailto:bertdelvillano997@gmail.com) before the event.

**Welcome – Moment of silence Ray Herbert, 1974 charter member**

**BJ's:** BJ's is having staffing issues, please be patient and kind **Karyn Rinaldi**

### Standing Reports:

Membership: currently: 872/1314

Finances: 6/2021 TOTAL \$141,000

**Dan Beyer reported**

### Spiel Content:

Spring issue has been mailed, everyone should have received their issue.

Need content for June 3 issue. Bert to send list for articles.

**Bert Del Villano and Jim LaPiana reported**

### Bylaws Major Changes

**Bert Del Villano reported**

- Summarized the approval process with PCA National
- Current Articles/Bylaws are on Citrus Region web site (from the 80's reportedly)
- Executive Council/Board have met and approved the Bylaws proposed by the Bylaws committee. They have been sent to PCA National for their approval/comment.
- Once the Bylaws are approved by PCA National they will be included in the next Citrus Spiel along with a post card ballot for each member's vote.

### OktoberFast. Oct. 22-24

Mark calendars. Volunteers will be needed

**Bert Del Villano reported**

### Recent Events

AX Ladies Day

5/16

**Bert Del Villano reported**

Cars & Coffee, Ocoee\*\*

5/16

Werks Reunion/Amelia Island

5/21

**Greg Barrows reported**

### Upcoming events (ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

DE Alabama RegionVIR

6/19-20

Supercar Social

8/14(tbc) Porsche South Orlando **Shan Mirpuri presented**

Orlando Cars and Coffee\*\*

6/13

**Narcossee**

Ace Café\*\*

6/21

**100 S. Livingston**

Dezerland

TBA

**Bert Del Villano reported**

DE Seminar

8/28

**Ace Café**

Instructor School/DE

10/8-10

**Roebling Road Bert Del Villano & Karyn**

**Rinaldi presented**

Donovan Drives\*\*

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**Next Club meeting 7/5 Ace Café for 4<sup>th</sup> of July style buffet**

**Karyn Rinaldi presented**

**New business:** None presented

**\*\* Not PCA events. No PCA insurance.**

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