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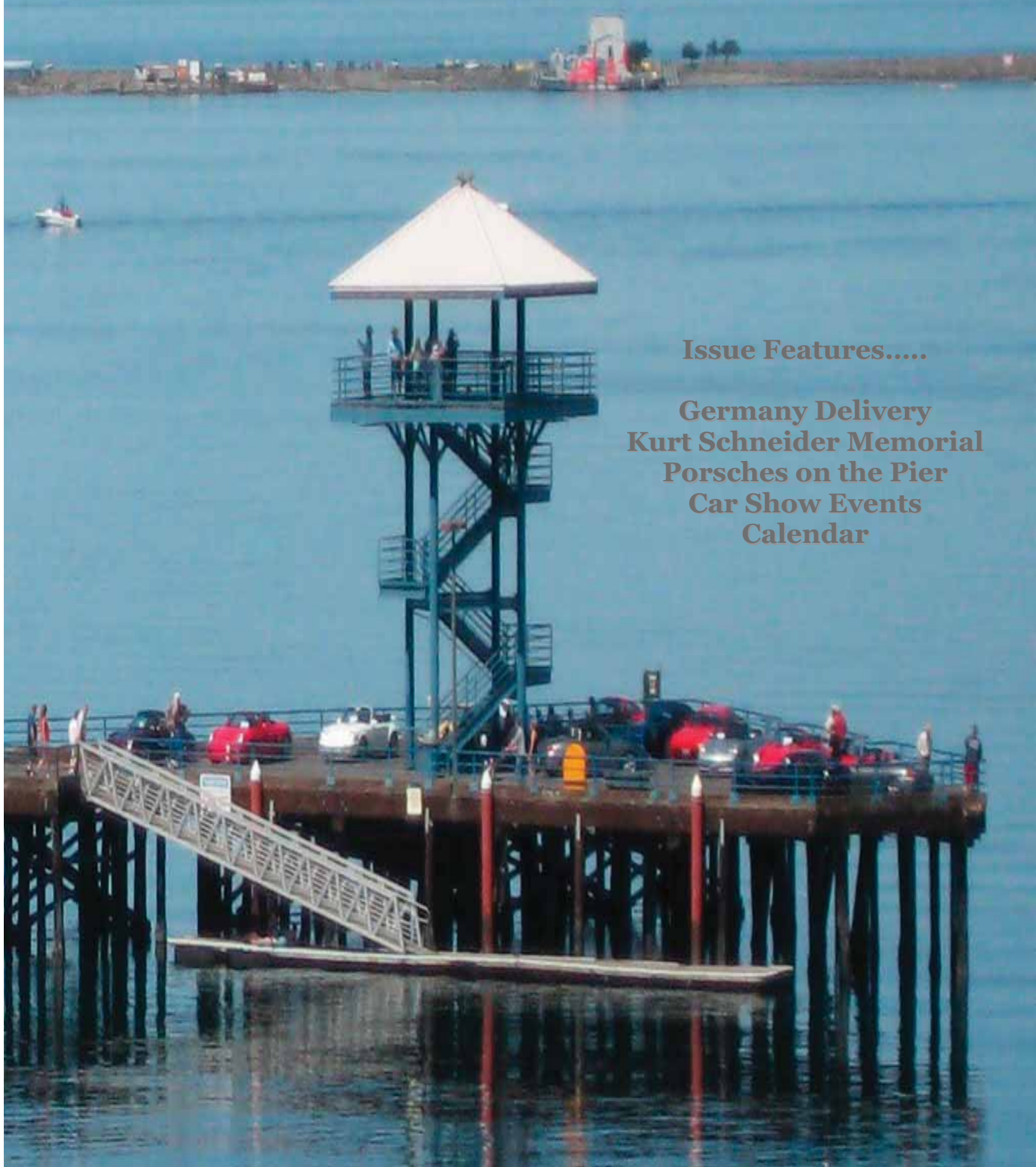
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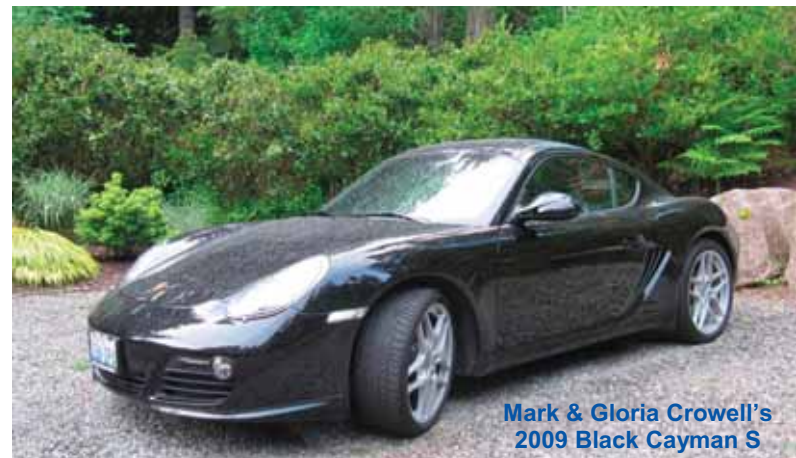
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January 2011

- 6th -- 6:30P/7:00P Calendar Planning Airport Diner Bremerton
- 12th -- 6:30P/7:00P -- Dinner/Member & Board Meeting Round Table Pizza Silverdale
- 21st -- 7:00P-Social Dinner-- Panda Inn in Bremerton

February 2011

- 9th -- 6:30P/7:00P -- Dinner/Member & Board Meeting Round Table Pizza Silverdale
- 15th -- March/April Nor'Wester Deadline.
- 20st -- 2:00P-- 7th Annual Chili Cookoff Gig Harbor

March 2011

- 8th -- Porsche Parade 2011 Registration Open. Savanna, GA.
- 9th -- 6:30P/7:00P -- Dinner/Member & Board Meeting Round Table Pizza Silverdale
- 19th -- 10A Cub Scout Pine Wood Derby
- 19th -- 7P Movie Night Brownsville
- 26th -- 10A Spring Tour Hart Auto Barn in Carnation

April 2011

- 1st -- 3rd -- Astoria, OR Tour -- weekend get away .
- 13th -- 6:30P/7:00P -- Dinner/Member & Board Meeting Silverdale
- 15th -- May/June Nor'Wester Deadline.
- 15th -- 7P Social Dinner Silverdale
- 20th -- Porsche Escape 2011 Registration Open. Flagstaff, AZ.
- 23rd -- 10A-3P -- Tech Session--Gig Harbor
- 30th -- Poker Run

May 2011

- 7th -- 1P Kentucky Derby Party
- 11th -- 6:30P/7:00P -- Dinner/Member & Board Meeting Silverdale
- 21st -- 9A Bremerton Armed Forces Day Parade

June 2011

- 8th -- 6:30P/7:00P -- Dinner/Member & Board Meeting Silverdale
- 15th -- July/August Nor'Wester Deadline
- 19th -- 9:30A-3P -- Great Wolf Charity Show & Shine Grand Mound
- 26th -- Tour/Rally -- Rally in the Valley Mixer

July 2011

- 1st-3rd -- 9A -- SOVREN Pacific NW Histories Races & Car Corral Sunday
- 13th -- 6:30P/7:00P -- Dinner/Member & Board Meeting
- 16th -- 7A -- Bremerton Elks Car Show
- 23rd -- 6P -- Dinner & Overnight in Port Angeles
- 24th -- 11A -- Porsches on the Pier in Port Angeles
- 31st -- 9A-2P -- Port Ludlow Festival by the Bay Car Show
- 31st-Aug 6th -- Porsche Parade 2011 Savannah, GA

August 2011

- 10th -- 6:30P/7:00P -- Dinner/Member & Board Meeting
- 15th -- September/October Nor'Wester Deadline
- 19th -- 7P Social Dinner
- 27th -- noon Annual Picnic-- Mason Lake

September 2011

- 9th-11th -- Cascade Loop Tour
- 14th -- 6:30P/7:00P -- Dinner/Member & Board Meeting
- 15th-18th -- Porsche Escape 2011. Flagstaff, AZ
- 24th -- 9A Bainbridge Island Tour

October 2011

- 1st -- Tech Session Bremerton
- 8th -- 2012 Board & Chair Nominations Due
- 8th -- 5P/6P --Member & Board Meeting/Dinner
- 14th -16th -- Porsche Rennsport Reunion IV
- 15th -- November/December Nor'Wester Deadline
- 23rd -- 12-5P-- Shop/Studio Open House & BBQ
- 31st -- Payment due for Holiday Party

November 2011

- 9th -- 6:30P/7:00P -- Dinner and Annual Membership Meeting
- 15th -- 2012 Member Roster Update Deadline
- 23rd -- 6P -- Pre-Thanksgiving Party
- 26th -- 2012 Board Election Ballots Due

December 2011

- 10th -- 6:00P/7:00P -- Cocktail Hour/Holiday Party Bremerton Conference Center
- 15th -- Jan/Feb Nor'Wester Deadline

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Brian Forde

Thank you to all members of our region who have shared their first Porsche story here. Some are new to owning Porsche automobiles and others have owned several through the years, but there is always a first. We all share this even if your story is from last week, last year or even last century.

My story begins 1977 or '78 when I was living in Southern California as teenager. My Dad had a friend who owned a 911 and I was captivated by this car. I had seen them, but never was I allowed to touch one, let alone go for a ride in one. I never forgot that experience.

Flash forward to a Sunday morning in July 2008 and I am now looking to strip down my old 1949 Dodge 1-1/2 ton truck as it had acquired many layers of paint through its long life. I needed to run out to get some spray cans of sealant, primer and paint for the areas I was to be grinding down to the bare metal. While I was out running around I also needed to see about what it would

cost for a good used car for my now sixteen year old daughter, who refused to drive the 1986 Honda Accord I had because it was a manual transmission. This held my 1995 Dodge pickup truck hostage as it was the only automatic that I owned and I really wanted it back.

So with a trunk full of new spray cans and an idea to locate another affordable Honda car (at the time we owned three, but the automatics were spoken for by my wife and step-son) I kept finding cars that were more than I wanted to spend. One car salesman even dragged me through his detail area and every lot they owned for better than half an hour, trying to find a car I wanted. Finally he brought me over to a year old Mazda Miata for \$23,000 and says this is what I really want. I blew a gasket and told him for that much money, I could get a Corvette or a Porsche! He laughed and I left, but in my head something had clicked because I never realized that I would be able to own such a car before this day.

detailed. I went into the office to inquire and was met by a sad looking fellow who knew nothing other than he had the key.

We opened it up and I checked it out while he made a phone call to check on the price. When he returned and told me what they wanted, I asked to take it for a drive. With a bleary eyed shrug he went to lock up. That ten minute test drive was my first drive of a Porsche and I knew then that I was hooked. When we returned I asked to write it up and apply for financing. When I got home, I told my wife June what I had done and that I was sure to be turned down by the credit union. To my utter amazement while riding the ferry home from work two days later, I got a call from the car lot telling me I could come by to pick up the car. The rest is history and I did not miss the pickup truck that my daughter continued to drive.

In closing I would like to thank my wife June, for putting up with a total nut of a husband who loves her very much. Life is what we make of it, as time and tide waits for no man. Thank you for the opportunity to share my adventure with all of you, The Olympic Peninsula Region. Please tell us about your own 1st Porsche adventure. Any comments, contact me at opr-brian@live.com.

On my way home I spotted the unmistakable nose of a black 911 in a line of used cars at a small lot in Bremerton. The car had no information and was not even

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**Tower at Porsches on the Pier in Port Angeles.
Photo by Kevin Strilcov or Judy Berrain.**



FROM THE EDITOR:

Gloria Mellon

Great times are ahead as we approach the most beautiful time of the year in the Northwest. Most roads have been repaired from last year's cold and rainy season, so the surface of asphalt is at it's very best. The temperatures are near perfect for a casual drive along the Hood Canal, a more vigorous run out on the backroads of Seabeck or up to Hurricane Ridge. I can remember when I first moved up here in 1993. It was Labor Day weekend and all I heard prior to coming was how much it rained. Apparently, those people forgot or didn't know about the weather in September. It did not rain for the first 29 days I was here. Luckily, it set the stage for me to appreciate this absolutely amazing place before it was tainted by the number of wet days ahead. I decided to take the opposite approach to being glum on a dreary day in Washington. I figured if I could smile, appreciate and embrace the rain then I would have no need to feel badly when most people struggle through those sometimes 30+ days straight of wet weather. I also know that when the clouds clear and it's dry, I'm heading to the garage for my needed dose of "Porsche". My daughter nicknamed my Cayman, Mona, short for Carmona Red. Back when I first got here I had an 84 Rubin Red 944, yeh, that one was, you guessed it...Rubin. Funny how we all name the things closest to our hearts... I can remember vividly taking the roof out and enjoying the most perfect match between wind and sun. Even as the days began to see lower temperatures, I would put on a light jacket and drive around with the windows down and music blaring; for some reason it felt like I was a teenager again. Sometimes to create that summery feeling, I would even turn the heater on my feet for that warm sensation. It would combine with the cool brisk air to make me relive my crazy earlier years.

You will be reading some in depth articles about special order cars with the delivery in Germany and the many stories that came out of Porsches on the Pier this year. It was truly a blast. Keith and I stayed overnight, which we thoroughly enjoyed. I know to take Maryann with me on the run to Hurricane ridge in his C4S. What a hoot that was... you'll find no written details of our mischevious acts through the tunnel, but you can always ask about it. Man, was it fun!

Lastly, don't miss the upcoming holiday party!! If you have a need to feel jolly, this is the party to attend!! Look out 'White Elephant'!!! Our spin on it will make you laugh your Porsche off...

Studio/Shop Open-house at the Egan's

Arlene and I invite you to a joint studio/shop open-house to be held from **12-5PM, Sunday 23 October 2011** at our home. Our intent is camaraderie and a chance for the Porsche Club (OPR) and the Cougar Club (CCC) to meet and swap stories about their cars/project(s). I am a member of both clubs and each has accused me of being a Porsche/Cougar imposter since neither has seen my cars; they will be on display in their current state of progress.

Arlene's studio will be open for those that are interested in seeing her work and processes, her primary focus is on fiber arts and jewelry.

We will have brats, burgers and beverages; **the grill is open 1-3 PM.**

We're a ways out but hope you can come, please RSVP (yes or no) by 17 October by e-mail or phone.

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FACTORY DELIVERY: EVERYTHING A PORSCHE CAN BE

by W. W. Williams

Speeding a new Porsche down the Autobahn and up through the twisting roads in the Black Forrest is no doubt a thrill of a lifetime. And I'm here to tell you about it.

Which Porsche to take delivery of is, of course, a matter of personal choice. So first let's single out the options for factory delivery. Any Porsche model can be ordered for factory delivery at either the Stuttgart or Leipzig, Germany plants. All 911 models are made in the Stuttgart plant while Cayenne and Panameras are made in Leipzig. Boxsters and Caymans were being made in Finland but that is now changing. However, you can take delivery of either model at either plant. For 911 buyers, Stuttgart is the usual delivery point of choice. There you can take in the Porsche Museum and the 911 factory line. Leipzig though offers an FIA-approved test track and an off-road proving ground for SUVs. I took delivery of my Boxster at the renowned Zuffenhausen plant in Stuttgart (the old mare's breeding garden).

With my choice made, I headed for the nearest Porsche dealer to take a test drive and pick out the options and colors I wanted on my Boxster. To place your order for factory deliver, you must order your car through a North American factory-authorized dealer. However, some dealers do not appear to be very eager to take part in this program. Some of the dealers that I tried certainly were not. My advice is to get all the program's details from Porsche Cars North America (PCNA) before you visit any dealer.

Porsche charges a factory delivery fee and requires an upfront VAT (Value Added Tax) deposit. The delivery fee varies with the model from some \$1,000 to \$3,500 USD. The required VAT deposit also varies with the price of the car from some \$5,000 to \$10,000 USD.

Even with the fees and deposits, I still wanted to take the Euro road trip and I really wanted the Porsche. When I checked with Porsche Cars North America (PCNA) they informed me that anyone can order a car for factory delivery the same way as they would buy one at any dealership in North America. However, several dealers that I contacted gave me the run-around quoting exorbitant fees and deposits. They also stated that my model may no longer be in production. But they all offered me immediate delivery off their lot.

After a few discouraging visits and several phone calls, I finally reached Gregg Lawrence, the Sales Manager at Sunset Imports in Beaverton, Oregon. Gregg informed me that the factory delivery fee for my Boxster, which was still in production, was \$1,150 and the refundable VAT deposit, with interest, was \$6,500 dollars. Gregg assured me that I could get factory delivery in Germany for the model I wanted some three months hence. After a little negotiating over the phone, we settled on a price, and I agreed to pay the European delivery fee and VAT deposit. A few days later, I received Porsche's European Delivery Program form, which detailed my model, options, colors, and pricing. It also listed my desired delivery date and the length of my anticipated stay in Europe. After signing the form and plunking down a small deposit, I began the wait for order confirmation from PCNA.

With the facts of the program in hand, visit your local dealer and pick out your model, options and colors. You'll need to order your car some three to five months before delivery to get the model, color and options you want. Shorter delivery times are possible, but you may not get everything you want. It's the dealer's responsibility to secure your factory delivery date.

Two weeks after signing the European Delivery Program form, Gregg called to confirm that my Boxster would be ready for delivery on the date I requested at the factory in Stuttgart and that my VIP factory tour was scheduled for 10:00-o'clock that morning. With my order confirmed, I made travel arrangements and

started to plan a two month Euro road trip.

The length of your planned stay in Europe is the critical issue. Your car's European registration, license plates, insurance and taxes are dependent on the length of your stay. In general, Porsche's delivery program is geared for a two week stay, though they do offer flexibility, at a price. My additional six weeks of insurance cost some \$700.

Porsche offers up to a one-year stay before your car must be exported or you forfeit your VAT deposit. However, if the duration of your car insurance and registration exceeds three months, your vehicle is also subject to German motor vehicle tax, regardless of whether it's driven in Germany or elsewhere in Europe.

Make sure you understand the VAT rules before you take delivery, especially if you're planning a lengthy stay. German VAT runs 19 percent of MSRP. Also, tourist delivery does not cover European residents, diplomats or military personnel stationed in Europe.

Insurance is what most affects your length of stay. No North American policy is recognized in Europe. You need a policy issued by a European third-party carrier. This is especially true of liability insurance. If you cannot prove liability coverage, your car can be confiscated. International registration is limited to the duration of your insurance and cannot exceed a period of twelve months for German delivery. The expiration month and year is embossed on your license plates. All cars delivered under this program are fitted with tourist registration or export plates, which will still be on the car when it arrives back to your local dealer in North America.

When you pick up your car at the factory, you'll be issued an International Motor Insurance Card (Green Card), an Insurance Identification Card (Yellow Card) and a vehicle registration document (V5). You'll also receive a Certificate of Origin, unless you've financed or leased your vehicle. Make sure you keep these documents with the car at all times. Roadblocks looking for illegally registered vehicles are common along Europe's motorways. I was stopped in both Spain and France for lengthy inspections of my documents.

Another factor affecting insurance is your keys. If your car is stolen and you can't produce your factory issued keys, your insurance, with a 10 percent deductible, may not cover your loss. Keep your keys in your pocket and keep your car locked at all times.

Financing is another factor that can affect your length of stay. Generally, Porsche-financed vehicles must be exported within 90 days from the date of delivery, and leased cars must be exported within 30 days. Again, check with PCNA for exact details and financing options before you visit the dealer.

With your length of stay in Europe set, you need to decide where you want to pick up and drop off your vehicle. Picking up your wheels at the factory and taking off along the roads that it was built to be driven on remains the single greatest allure of European delivery. Porsche offers free factory delivery and drop off, with alternate drop off cities at additional cost. The advantage of dropping off at the factory is expert warranty work. After 7,500 kilometers on Europe's back roads, I had a small brake issue and a squeak in my ragtop. Both were fixed at the factory perfectly, and I never had another service issue with the car.

At the end of your stay, you simply take your car to your selected drop off point and fly home. All the shipping, duty, port fees and insurance costs are covered in your car's MSRP. There are no additional costs to return your car to your local dealer, though local delivery and dealer preparation charges above MSRP are applicable. Note: You can have your car delivered to any dealer, not just the one you ordered it from.

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TECHNOLOGY ON THE ROAD

by **Bill Elwell**

What the Future Holds

Four years ago when I started writing these articles alternative fuels and the future of automobiles were heavily debated topics. Much of the debate has settled over the years. I don't think anyone feels they know exactly what the future looks like yet but it's easier to discuss the subject now.

Let's start with the basics. Worldwide there are about 600 million passenger cars on the road today. Those cars burn about 260 billion gallons of gasoline annually. The growth rate of the number of automobiles appears to be outpacing the population growth rate. I don't want to resort to hyperbole here so let's just say that the number of vehicles on the road is growing at a rather rapid pace.

So the first order assumption is that crude oil production will have to roughly match the growth in the number of cars on the road. But the general consensus is that crude oil production is at or near its peak. Sure, there's debate on this topic. But the debate isn't about whether oil production will increase or decrease. The debate is about exactly when oil production will peak and start to decline. Almost every forecast shows oil production peaking sometime in the next 10 years.

Let me restate all that for clarity. The number of cars on the road and the miles they are driven are forecast to climb in the foreseeable future. Yet oil production is expected to peak and start to decline in the next 10 years. Put simply, something about the way we use our cars is going to change in the near future. The only question is whether we wait for rising gas prices to force us into action or we take action now that will allow us to ramp down our consumption of gas before we are forced to do it. The most interesting thing to me is that the whole argument for reducing fossil fuel consumption can be made without ever mentioning global climate change.

What can be done? What will cars of the future look like? Great questions, we know a lot more than we did 4 years ago.

Can we increase the efficiency of gasoline and diesel cars? Actually we've been making rather dramatic increases in engine efficiency since the mid 80's. But we haven't seen those improvements translate to higher gas mileage for two reasons. First, automotive weight has been steadily climbing. Both my '88 Mustang and '89 944S2 tip the scale around 3,300lbs which is typical for that period of time. Porsche has managed to hold weight steady or slightly reduce it over the years. But today the average car weight is closer to 4,000lbs. So horsepower has been climbing to keep pace with the weight of our cars. Second, consumers tend to buy the most horsepower they can afford. Horsepower has also been climbing to meet consumer demand. So to take advantage of increases in efficiency we, as consumers, will have to change our buying habits. But even with consumer change, efficiency gains won't get us where we need to go. The gains here are small because internal combustion engines are very

inefficient machines.

Hybrid technology? It helps a little. But it won't solve our problems. We will slowly see hybrid technology migrate to more and more cars. Someday it may be an option on all cars. Diesel? Yeah, it's more efficient than a gas engine and that helps. But it doesn't buy us enough to solve our problems. The argument about biodiesel is similar to the argument about ethanol which I will cover next.

What about ethanol? If we make it out of corn or some other food stock it will ultimately compete for farm real estate we need to feed ourselves and that will happen long before we make a big dent in oil consumption. If we figure out how to make ethanol out of the unused parts of the corn plant (husks, stems, ...) we eliminate the issue with competition for food resources. But we still don't have enough farm real estate to completely replace oil. And there would have to be some major changes to how we distribute and sell gasoline to accommodate a fuel like E85 alongside gasoline and diesel. All that we will likely see is that our gasoline will continue to contain 10% ethanol. That's probably all that ethanol will have to offer.

Electric cars? Electric cars will be a viable option for some consumers with short commutes. But range between charges is still 150 – 200 miles at best and a recharge can take at least 6 hours. That's not a solution consumers will readily embrace.

Fuel cells? Fuel cells have the potential to be a big part of the solution to our problems. Well, except for one big issue. They run on hydrogen and we haven't figured out how to economically make hydrogen. If we find a way to produce hydrogen economically, fuel cells could be a very exciting answer to a lot more problems than just automotive fuel consumption.

I'm sure there are a few more alternatives I've neglected to mention. But the story is the same no matter where you turn; there is no single answer to the issues we're facing. Sooner or later someone will crack the code and we'll have a single technology that we can broadly deploy. But until then, the future appears to be a patchwork of all of these options and more.

Thanks for reading. Any topic suggestions, you can write me at billelwell@hotmail.com.



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TRACK & RACING INFO

by Jeff Smith



On the local scene, we are still having autocross, driver training and racing events at the current Bremerton race track. However, if you are not involved with one of the clubs or following the local news you may not know that the current facility is going away in the near future and efforts are underway to build a new multi-use racing facility. A little background. The old track uses an abandoned runway behind the operational runway at Bremerton National Airport. It's been used for racing since the fifties. Even if growth of the airport and industrial area wasn't forcing it to close, it is really long past time to replace it with a modern facility. The clubs and agencies have done the best they can within the limitations of the current site but it is definitely going away in the near future. There may be some partial paving work done to improve and extend the usability of the current track for a little while longer but that's about it. It's done, and if we want to continue motorsports activities in Kitsap County a replacement facility better be ready sooner than later.

The Bremerton Motorsports Park has a volunteer board of directors and are a non-profit entity dedicated to the development of the new racing facility. You can visit their newly updated website for the latest on plans and information at www.bremertonmotospark.com. Our club has a member on the board, Gloria Mellon, who holds the Secretary's position and she has been providing status updates at our OPR monthly board meeting. Pretty exciting stuff if you ask me. Being the track junkie that I am I would love to have a new facility so close. And without getting on a soapbox or starting too much cheerleading, even if you are not a potential user of the new facility there certainly is a need for recreational and economic development in our area. Building a new racing facility is a big project and this is a grassroots effort so of course there are all kinds of ways for us locals to help. Presently, as I understand the major focus is on raising funds for the initial permitting process which each of us can contribute to as individuals.

On my 944 Cup racing front, we finally repaired my engine that was damaged during the Memorial Day weekend. Like we suspected, one very bent valve. I'll just mention that when some of us upgraded to stronger specially made racing clutches last year (after destroying out stock type clutches) we were warned that the clutch would no longer be the weak link, and now the clutch would no longer slip or absorb any bad shifts or other mistakes and something else would break. Well, that was definitely the truth and I've proved it. But I still like my upgraded clutch, just need to keep upgrading my driving skills to match it. Now replacing a valve is not a hugely expensive fix in the general realm of racing breakage expenses but it is a fair amount of work and a significant hit to my meager racing budget for this year. As it is this late in the season and I've already missed several races I may sit out the rest of the season, conserve resources, and concentrate on preparing for a better season next year. Might run the

September Time Trials at Bremerton just for a test of the engine repairs and a little 'track fix' before winter.

I wondered back in July how many of our ranks would be motivated to tow all the way to the Spokane for our ninth and tenth races. Well, first the operators of the track and hosting club made a great effort to complete major upgrades to the Spokane Raceway track in time, which meant a safer and better track to race on. Then they even sweetened the pot by offering a 'triple' race weekend, which was an expanded schedule offering up to three times the racing and track time of a 'single' race weekend. The chance to run for the first time at a newly configured track and to three times more track time tempted twice as many of us to go this year! Of course you have to consider that only two made the trek (750 towing miles for me) last year so with four 944s it wasn't a huge field. The hosting club did however appreciate their attendance and treated our guys very well. The guys had a blast and say that the new track is a lot of fun, so maybe more of us will go next year. I wasn't there and even though all four cars came back I did hear something vague about Mike Adams encountering a Miata there... again! Mike is going to have to start watching out for Miatas, or is it that they are going to have to watch out for him? Two races were scored for NWC 944 Cup with same top three in both. 1. Mark Lacombe 2. Matt Chambers 3. Eric Schwenter.

In August the NWC 944 Cup returned to Pacific raceways for race number eleven, and the German Touring Car Challenge (non points paying – just done for the fun of it). Race 11: 1. Mark Lacombe 2. Lyall Eddy 3. Eric Schwenter.

After eleven races completed in our 2011 NW 944 Cup Racing Series Mark Lacombe (2010 Champion) has a good lead in points but does not have it completely locked up yet. Second place Lyall Edey (2008 & 2009 Champion) is close enough to force Mark to defend his points lead in our last three races.

Our August race in Grass Valley was cancelled. It looks like we may only have three more races. Tentatively we have a single race weekend at Pacific Raceway and double weekend in Portland.

Upcoming Local Events

- Sept 2 -- Lapping Day, BSCC, Bremerton
- Sept 3 -- Driver Education, PNWR, Seattle
- Sept 3 -- Autocross #7, PNWR, Seattle
- Sept 5 -- Autocross #7, BSCC, Bremerton
- Sept 9-11 -- 944 Cup, SCCA Portland (Tentative)
- Sept 11 -- Time Trials, SCCA, Bremerton
- Sept 24-25 -- 944 Cup, ICSCC Seattle (Tentative)
- Oct 7 -- Lapping Day, BSCC, Bremerton
- Oct 9 -- Autocross #8, BSCC, Bremerton
- Oct 14 -- Autocross Practice Day, BSCC, Bremerton
- Sept 29 -- Driver Education, PNWR, Seattle
- Oct 15 -- Autocross #8, PNWR, Seattle
- Oct 15 -- Driver Skills, PNWR, Seattle
- Oct 30 -- Autocross #9, PNWR, Seattle

For me this year's tour to Port Angeles for the Porsches on the Pier event was not really about cars and scenery. Traffic was not good due to the *%\$#@ Honda with a kayak on the roof doing 25 in a 55 and the usual Sunday drivers, but we managed to arrive as a group from Poulsbo to Port Angeles, before the big push to the pier itself for the car show.

Thank You
by Brian Forde

I was very impressed by the turn out for the event and

was given a very welcome surprise by Gloria and Keith Mellon before a crowd of fifty or more club members. Those who read the last newsletter know my respect for Porsche's driver Vic Elford and his story of rising to the forefront of sports car and endurance racing.

During Porsche's push to become a true leader in the racing world, Porsche was transitioning from a sports car manufacturer to become a true super car manufacturer with the release of the 917 and it took rare talent to tame these powerful machines as they pushed beyond known performance racing boundaries on the greatest racing stages in the world.

This year at the meeting point prior to heading down to the pier I was presented with an 11x14 inch poster board mounted photo of my car personally inscribed and autographed by Mr. Elford. Vic Elford is a rare gem in the world of racing and a gentleman. I think his story is an important one in Porsche's history and his tremendous focus and dedication should not be forgotten.

For those who were not in attendance during the presentation, Gloria read a letter she had sent to Mr. Elford outlining the long process that took place over the months prior with regard to having me take some pictures of my car for the newsletter and the process of finding one good enough to enlarge and then the process of contacting Vic to get his autograph and the process of having it back and ready to be presented on such a great day is overwhelming. This is a rare honor and I was overcome with emotion by the effort put out by Gloria and others to have presented me with this rare gift, which hangs above my desk and will forever be cherished.

I have since contacted Vic to thank him and I would again like to thank Gloria and the members of the Olympic Peninsula Region for their considerable effort and thoughtfulness, which I will always treasure. Thank You.

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Kurt Schneider Memorial Porsches on the Pier

by Bill Elwell

On Sunday July 24th a rather large group of Porsches gathered in Port Angeles for our annual Porsches on the pier event. I heard someone say that this was the 8th year we've shown our cars in conjunction with the Port Angeles Arts and Action festival. It seemed tough to believe so I checked out my photo archive and, sure enough, we were there on the pier back in 2004. But this was the first year that we didn't have Kurt Schneider's smiling face among our ranks. We will all miss Kurt and felt it more than appropriate to rename the event in his honor.

What many folks don't know is that Porsches on the Pier is usually a very well attended event. In fact, the Christmas party is the only event that consistently draws more club members. This year was no exception with 36 cars. There was a beautiful red 356 there. Of course we had Boxsters and 911's, and Gloria's Cayman. There was even a small pack of 928's. But the real surprise to me was that we had a batch of PNWR members join us! Keep in mind, this weekend was the PNWR Olympic Loop Tour and we had a handful of PNWR members choose our event over theirs. That's quite a complement.

Shifting gears a bit, tradition has it that we would go to Kurt and Lori Schneider's house for ice cream after we left the pier. That plan had to change this year. Thankfully, Dave and Patty Meyer stepped up to the plate and offered their house for this year's ice cream social.

Let me tell you a quick story about Dave and Patty. The first event they attended in our region was the Tour to Astoria back in April. It rained like crazy for the first two days of that three day tour. I can still remember that the convertible top on their Speedster just wasn't up to the task of keeping Dave and Patty dry. But they smiled about it all and seemed to have a good time. During that weekend they told us about the house they built in Sequim. It sure sounded like a beautiful place. But you know how it is, you just never know until you see it with your own eyes. We finally got to see it.

This is the tough part about writing this article because I just don't know how to describe Dave and Patty's house. It's beautiful. The house is beautiful. The view is beautiful. The woodwork is beautiful. Even the Ducati on display in the bar is beautiful. Yes, you read that correctly, a Ducati is on a display stand across from the bar in their house!

OK, I'll calm down. Dave and Patty were wonderful hosts. We can only hope that they open their house to us again next year. So whether you come to see old friends or to enjoy the festival or to see some great cars or even if you just

All the cars on pages 10-11 belonged to the Schneider's since 2004, the first Porsches on the Pier (POPPA) for the OPR.



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We could not have asked for better weather for the weekend of Porsches on the Pier. After having a ton of rain and cool temperatures most of this summer, it was so nice to see the sun shining bright and the Olympic mountains in all their glory. My husband Bill and I headed out from Gig Harbor around noon and arrived at the Olympic Lodge in Port Angeles around two. It was such a nice day and the view from our of the Olympic Mountains was stunning and beautiful.

Just before three I headed over to the Super 8 Hotel to meet up with some other PCA members for a drive up to Hurricane Ridge. Since neither of our husbands wanted to go, Gloria and I decided to drive together. Joining us were Robert Bernardo, Amy and Pete Bonfrisco and Bill Williams and his girlfriend Rita. We headed out together for the Hurricane Ridge entrance to the Olympic National Park. After a short wait in line to enter the park, we headed up the long and winding road to the top of Hurricane Ridge. Normally in a Porsche caravan this ride would have been extremely exhilarating, but to our dismay, there was a bicycle race to the top. Hence the car in front of us, kept stopping any time they were next to a bike and a car was coming down the other side of the road. Eventually we made it to the top and the view was spectacular. It took our breath away. We had such good visibility we could see over to Mount Baker across Puget Sound. After a short snack and bathroom break, a couple of photo opportunities of some deer and getting our picture taken by some young guys from Microsoft, we decided to head back down. Again we were plagued by a multitude

of bicycles, so we didn't get to go very fast. However, it did allow me to get some more scenic photos and I think we all enjoyed the ride despite the obstacles along the way.

Upon our return to the hotel, I headed back to the room to get changed for dinner and then headed over the Keith and Gloria's room for some wine and cheese to hold us over until dinner. When dinner time rolled around, we all caravanned over to the for Downrigger's Restaurant on the Port Angeles waterfront. Upon pulling into the parking lot, we got our first up close view of Lori Schneider's new Cayenne Hybrid. What a cool Porsche. Dinner was set up as separate tables of 6, so that allowed us to have a nice conversation with our table mates, Jon and Lynda Wyman and Bill Williams and his girlfriend Rita. We tried several appetizers, including Oysters Rockefeller, Onion Rings and Crab Dip, all of which were awesome. Everyone seemed to enjoy their dinner. In total I think we ended up having 24 in total for dinner. Thanks for Kitty and Larry Byrne for making the dinner arrangements for our group.

By Maryann Elwell



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From the Social/Event Chair – Maryann Elwell

Finally our summer has arrived and hopefully everyone is out driving their Porsches to take advantage of the beautiful weather we've been having. Let's hope it lasts for a couple of months at least. It has been a fun summer of events so far for the Olympic Peninsula Region of PCA. We have enjoyed a number of different events ranging from car shows to rallies. I would like to thank those members who have stepped up to organize events this summer: Bob Becken, Gloria Mellon, John & Susie James, Brian Forde, Larry & Kitty Byrne, Dave & Patty Meyers, Cecil White and Bob & Martha Olbrych. You are the ones that make this club so great. Take a look at our latest calendar of events inside and be sure to RSVP by the deadlines specified, so we can properly plan ahead for the number of attendees.

We had a lower than normal turnout for our annual Charity Show and Shine at the Great Wolf Lodge this year, so only collected \$500 for our charity, Big Brothers and Big Sisters. The members at our September meeting unanimously agreed to have the club add \$250 to bring the total to \$750. We appreciate all those that made it out for this rainy Father's Day event. And thanks for all the work of Bob Becken and his sons in putting the event together and running it that day.

We have our annual Multi-region Event coming up September 9th-11th for our Cascade Loop Tour. If you haven't already RSVPed to Jon Wyman, please do so right away via e-mail: jwyman@cascadiaint.com or phone: (440) 463-1978. Don't forget to make your hotel reservation at the Sun Mountain Resort in Winthrop (604 Patterson Lake Road) at (800) 572-0493 by 9/8/11. Mention Olympic Peninsula Porsche Club to receive the discounted rates of \$130-\$325/night + tax, depending on room type. See details below along with other upcoming events.

We're now beyond the halfway point in the year, and here are the latest standings for the 2011 Member Participation Awards. The top three women currently are: Amy Bonfrisco (1st), Barb Hanford (2nd), and Debbie Raphael (3rd); the top three men are: Keith Mellon (1st), Brett Burroughs (2nd), and JR Leaman (3rd); and the top board/chair member is myself. Since I can't win two years in a row, someone better pass me by the end of the year. You can earn points by chairing and attending OPR events, writing articles and submitting photos for the newsletter/website, getting a new member to join, and getting a new advertiser for the newsletter? If you like a challenge, get busy and let's see who pulls ahead of the top contenders by the end of the year!

If you would like to host a club event, please contact me via phone: (253) 853-4003 or e-mail: maelwell@centurytel.net. For the latest event information see the calendar page on our website at www.opr-pca.org. Here's our upcoming calendar of events:

Sep. 9th-11th – **Cascade Loop Tour** – This is a Multi-Region Event. Group drive on Friday afternoon, Fri. and Sat. night dinners and return on Sunday. Goodie bags for first 15 cars that register. Car Show, Parade & Tour to Grand Coulee Dam. Book Room at Sun Mountain Lodge (604 Patterson Lake Road, Winthrop, WA 98862) at (800) 572-0493 by 9/8/11. Ask for Olympic Peninsula Porsche Club rate of \$130-\$325/night + tax. RSVP to Jon Wyman at jwyman@cascadiaint.com or (440) 463-1978 ASAP. Cost is \$40 per car and must be pre-paid ASAP. Mail checks to OPR-PCA, P.O. Box 3572, Silverdale, WA 98383.

Sep. 14th – 6P/7P – **Dinner/Member & Board Meeting** at Round Table Pizza in Silverdale located at 3276 NW Plaza Rd # 101.

Sep. 15th-18th – **Porsche Escape 2011**. Flagstaff, AZ. If you plan on driving down for this event, contact Hayward Seymore at hseymore1@yahoo.com or (360) 460-2864 to coordinate drive down together.

Sep. 24th – **9A Bainbridge Island Tour** – Scenic tour ending on Bainbridge Island to hopefully tour Glenn Mounger's Porsche collection. Lunch to follow at a local restaurant. RSVP to John James by 9/15/11 at jjcarrera@comcast.net or (253) 265-2500.

Oct. 1st – **Tech Session** – with PNWR at MAXRPM located at 2320 6th Street in Bremerton. RSVP by 9/25/11 to Maegen at maegen@maxrpmmotorsports.com or (360) 373-6758.

Oct. 8th – **2012 Board & Chair Nominations Due** – There are 3 board and 3 Chair positions up for election. See page 17 for details and job descriptions. Please submit any nominations before or at the meeting on October 8th to Brian Forde at opr-brian@live.com or (360) 620-1227.

Oct. 8th – 5P/6P – **Member & Board Meeting/Dinner** at 7 Cedar's Double Eagle Steak & Seafood restaurant in Sequim. Located at 1965 Woodcock Rd., Sequim, WA 98382, just west of downtown Sequim (not located at the casino).

Oct. 14th -16th – **Porsche Rennsport Reunion IV** – At Laguna Seca, Monterey, CA. Cost \$90 for 3-day pass with Porsche Corral parking or \$60 for 3-day pass only via MazdaRaceway.com or call (800) 327-7322. Rooms available at the Hofsas House Hotel in Carmel for the weekend. King room is \$159/night and Queen Room is \$149/night + tax for the week nights and slightly higher on the weekend nights at <http://www.hofsashouse.com/reservations1.asp>. If you plan on driving, please contact John James at or (253) 265-2500 or via e-mail: jjcarrera@comcast.net.

Oct. 15th – **November/December Nor'Wester Deadline**

Oct. 23rd – 12-5P – **Shop/Studio Open House & BBQ** – Jim & Arlene Egan are hosting a studio and shop open-house in concert with the local Cougar Car Club. Located at 1191 NE Tee Lake Road in Tahuya, 13 miles out of Belfair. Jim will be grilling burgers and brats with all the fixings from 1-3P. RSVP by 10/13 to Jim and Arlene at egan@inlandnet.com or 360-372-2874.

Oct. 31st – **Payment/RSVPs Due for Holiday Party** – Must send in payment of \$40 per person for dinner including tax & tip and \$5 per person if you want desert to OPR-PCA at P.O. Box 3572, Silverdale, WA 98383-3572. Also provide meal choice dinner (choice of Rib-Eye Steak, Chicken Cordon Blue, Grilled Salmon or Vegetable Risotto) at \$40/person and optional dessert (choice of Carrot, Red Velvet, or Chocolate Thunder Cake) at \$5/person.

OPR PCA 2012 Board Elections & Chair Positions:

The OPR-PCA Board is soliciting names for Board Member and Chair Positions for 2012. Please see descriptions below. To nominate yourself or another member for a Board position and if interested in filling an open Chair position, please submit all nominations before or at the meeting on October 8th to Brian Forde at opr-brian@live.com or (360) 620-1227.

Vice President: The Vice President is responsible for requesting Insurance coverage for all moving car events (tours, rally's tech sessions, etc.) and completing Observer's Reports for these events and providing to National PCA office. In the absence of the President, presides over meetings; prepares the agenda and directs the discussion thereof., assuring that the new President of the Region has signed this report acknowledging receipt of this Manual and other Region property. Two year position. One of five Board members. Vice President is required to attend the monthly Board/Membership meetings on a regular basis and Annual Membership meeting. Current Vice President is Alex Raphael if you have any questions.

Secretary: Keeps and preserves the minutes of all meetings of the Board of Directors and membership, to include the Annual Meeting and provides a copy to Newsletter Editor and Web Master for publishing. Two year position. One of five Board members. Secretary is required to attend the monthly Board/Membership meetings on a regular basis and Annual Membership meeting. Current Secretary is Dan Kalinski if you have any questions.

Member at Large: If you cannot decide which of the above positions you would like best, perhaps the Member at Large is for you. The Member at Large fills in where he/she is needed, either through direct tasking, or through his/her own initiative. Best described as "A Helper", the Member at Large assists with special events, understaffed boards, and over tasked editors. One of five Board Members. Member at Large is required to attend the monthly Board/Membership meetings on a regular basis and Annual Membership meeting. One year position. Current Member at Large is Maryann Elwell if you have any questions.

Webmaster: Maintenance of the Olympic Peninsula Region web site at www.opr-pca.org. Updates should be made, as new information is available to

keep the site current and at a minimum the calendar should be updated twice a month. The website should maintain the following minimum information: Home Page (latest news and upcoming events with links to event pages for details and link to PCA National website), Club Contacts (board members & committee chairs with contact information), Calendar of Events (current year's calendar of events that are scheduled with links to event pages for details), Event Pages (for upcoming events scheduled within the next month or so), Past Events (Pictures and write-up on past events), Past Newsletters & Board Meeting Minutes, Classified Ads, Club Sponsors (appear on each web page), and Club History. . Currently filled by Bill Elwell if you have any questions.

Newsletter Editor: Prepare and edit the Nor'Wester newsletter every other month to communicate to the Region membership the activities and operation of the Region. The newsletter shall include, but not be limited to: calendar of upcoming events and board meetings, articles concerning upcoming and past events, Board of Directors meeting minutes, new membership data, list board members and committee chairpersons with their contact information, region website address newsletter deadlines, newsletter credits, technical articles and reports, President's message. The newsletter shall be printed and available for the printer no later than the set day of every other month selected by the editor and printer. Coordinate editorial and advertising inputs with the appropriate chairpersons. Currently filled by Gloria Mellon if you have any questions.

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Porsche Rennsport Reunion IV

PCA will participate in Porsche's celebration of its racing heritage at Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca, October 14-16, 2011

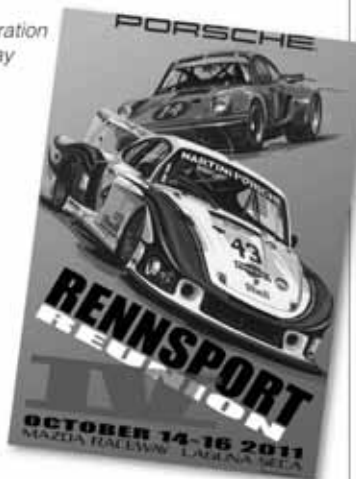
The Porsche Club of America is honored to assist the Porsche Rennsport Reunion IV with several activities:

1. History of the Porsche 911 Display
2. Porsche Model-Specific Parking Corrals—with Parade laps of the track
3. PCA Hospitality and Membership Center
4. Two race groups: Rennsport Reunion Cup for Porsche Cup Cars and PCA Club Racing for PCA race cars
5. PCA Volunteer Pool—workers to assist with the club's involvement.

Sponsored by Porsche Cars North America and with the cooperation of Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca, Porsche Rennsport Reunion IV is open to the public and brings together an unprecedented gathering of significant Porsche vintage and current race cars and those drivers who have taken them to victory in the world's most famous sports car races. It features a three-day program of on-track competition plus a concours d'elegance, which is open to the event's participants by invitation.

In addition, special activities are planned to honor the series of historical Porsche 911 race cars including a display of various models. New to Rennsport IV, there will be a social center with many features and enhancements for the Porsche owner, including video coverage of Rennsport activities, racing videos, memorabilia, car related games, etc. Also expected are a vendor village, driving event and other diversions designed exclusively for the Porsche enthusiast.

We are looking for exceptional examples of Porsche 911 production models for the History of the Porsche 911 Display at Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca during the event. It will be a display representing the 911 model throughout its generational life. Please contact Tom Provasi for information and registration at tprovasi@netgate.net or 408/947-0980. PCA members will be invited to use a terrific



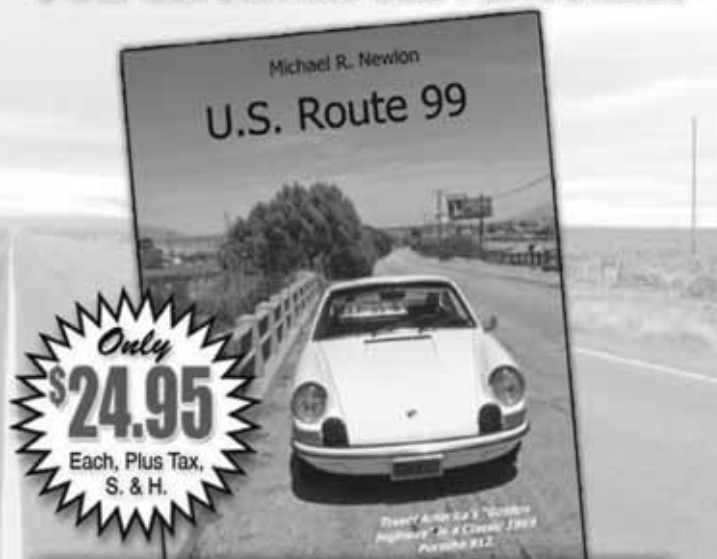
PCA Hospitality and Membership Center that will be open for all days of the event, October 14-16, to park safely in one of the Porsche Model-Specific Parking Corrals (a corral parking ticket will be required— please visit www.mazdaraceway.com for ticket information), and to enjoy Parade laps of the track with their Porsches.

We will need PCA volunteer workers to assist with our activities at the Rennsport Reunion IV. If you are interested in supporting this memorable event, please contact Sharon Neidel with the PCA Volunteer Pool at sharonneidel@yahoo.com or 650/508-1308. We will have a very special event incentive for the volunteer workers.

Additional details of the Porsche Rennsport Reunion IV are published on the following Porsche web site: www.porsche.com/usa/rennsport-reunion-iv/. For additional information and event tickets please visit the Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca web site at www.mazdaraceway.com or 800/327-7322.

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Your first night in a hotel near the factory is included and you can also expect a great meal in the executive dining room plus local transportation before you drive your new Porsche away. Once you're on the road, you'll find some additional benefits. Porsche offers a twice-annual Grand Tour package. One in the spring and one in the fall for sports cars (Stuttgart) and SUVs (Leipzig), which also includes test track rides.

Porsche does not require an international driver's license, but one is highly recommended. You do, however, need one to drive legally in Austria, Greece, Poland and Spain. An international driver's license is not really a driver's license, regardless of who issues it and what you're told. It's only a translation into several languages of your valid U.S. or Canadian driver's license, which can make dealing with non-English speaking authorities a bit easier as I learned on more than one occasion.

The best place to obtain an International Driving Permit, which is issued under the United Nations Convention on Road Traffic, is at your local American or Canadian Automobile Association (AAA or CAA) office. The permit is valid for one year. You can apply for it up to three months before your planned departure date and select the date for it to become effective. You simply fill out a short application; pay a \$15 fee; supply two passport photos, which most AAA offices will take for you on the spot; produce your valid State or Province driver's license, and your International Driving Permit will be in your hand in a few minutes.

Driving in Europe also requires some additional safety equipment that is not normally found in North American cars. Roadside Warning Triangles are compulsory in all European Union (EU) countries. First-aid kits and fire extinguishers are compulsory in some countries and recommended in others. Visibility Vests are compulsory in Italy and Spain only if you need to walk along a motorway (expressway) after a breakdown. Porsche packs the required equipment into your car before delivery, but make sure you have what you need for the countries you'll be driving through. The Porsche factory delivery program also includes free roadside assistance and full new car warranty while driving in Europe.

Most EU countries have eliminated the road use tax. It's now covered in gasoline tax, which amounts to some 60 percent of gas cost. That's one of the reasons gas is so expensive in Europe. You can expect to pay between \$6.00 and \$8.00 US or more per gallon.

The exceptions to the road use tax are Austria, Switzerland and the Czech Republic. To drive on Austrian motorways (expressways), your vehicle must display a motorway tax sticker or *Vignette* (a.k.a. *Pickerl*). Austrian *Vignettes* can be purchased at gas stations near the border: €7.60 Euros (\$11.50 US) for 10 days, €22 Euros (\$33 US) for 2 months or €72.60 Euros (\$109 US) for one year.

Czech Republic motorway stickers are bought at petrol stations, border crossings and some post offices. Fill the sticker out with your car registration number and attach the shield-shaped portion to the bottom right hand corner of the windshield. You have to keep the rectangular part as proof of purchase and to show the police upon request. A sticker with one year validity costs 800 CZK (\$44 US), stickers with 10 day validity cost 100 CZK (\$5.50 US) and stickers with one month validity cost 200 CZK (\$11 US).

In Switzerland, which is not an EU member, you must pay an annual motorway tax, even if you're only using the motorways (expressways) for an hour or so. A Swiss *Vignette*, costing CHF40 (\$36 US), must be displayed on the windshield of all vehicles using Swiss motorways. Of course, if you don't need to use the

motorways, you don't need to pay, although it's difficult to cross Switzerland without doing so. If you don't display a *Vignette*, you'll be fined CHF100 (\$124 US) plus the cost of the *Vignette*. You can buy a Swiss *Vignette* from customs offices at the border or service stations, garages and post offices.

Also note that the expressways in Spain, Italy and France are tolled by mileage (kilometers) and they are not cheap. There are also several other tolls, especially in the Alps, for tunnels, auto trains and even some scenic drives. Keep your Euros ready, or better yet, your Visa or Master Card.

You may find a hidden benefit in European registration, depending on your State's vehicle registration fees and sales tax laws. Depending upon how long you keep your car in Europe you may be registering a used, not a new vehicle, when your car is shipped back to your local dealer, which may result in lower fees and taxes. The advice here is to check your state's vehicle registration and sales tax laws before you order your car for European delivery. It will be your responsibility, not the dealer's, to register your car once it returns to North America.

Do you really get a free ride with factory delivery? The answer's no. The high cost of a comparable rental car in Europe (some \$500-\$800 dollars a week) is a savings, but any additional registration and insurance costs, and taxes for driving your own vehicle cuts into these savings. A free night in a hotel is a free night, but hardly a significant saving on a two week or longer stay. Any possible fee or tax savings are dependent upon your own circumstances.

In my experience, the tax savings and rental car savings, after I paid the factory delivery fee and additional insurance, only paid for about a quarter of my eight-week road trip. But I had the once-in-a-lifetime experience of visiting the factory and getting the VIP treatment. Then I had the priceless adventure of speeding my Porsche down the Autobahn, up through the Swiss Alps, out along the sun-drenched Riviera, across the Pyrenees, and along Spain's Mediterranean coast. All of which, for me, was worth the price tag. Ya, and it was everything that a Porsche should be.

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Porsche European Delivery Program (Details Chart)

*Note: €1.00 Euro = \$1.50 USD

Program Details	PORSCHE
Free Factory Pick Up & Drop Off	Stuttgart or Leipzig, Germany
Alternate Pick Up Cities	None
Alternate Drop Off Cities	€150* handling fee plus: Alicante €1,150, Amsterdam €550, Brussels €550, Geneva €850, Graz €800, Innsbruck €750, London €1,050, Madrid €1,150 Barcelona €950, Milan €830, Nice €850, Paris €650, Rome €1,030, Salzburg €750, Seville €1,250, Valencia €1,150, Vienna €800, Zurich €750 (Plus most major German cities at additional cost) NOTE: These charges are for shipping your car back to the factory and usually payable in cash at the time of drop off.
Models Available	All models
MSRP Discount	None
Full Payment Before Delivery	30 days
Order Lead-Time	3 months
European Delivery Charge	\$1,150 to \$4,075 by model
Maximum Length of Stay in Europe	1 year
Value Added Tax (VAT)	19% of MSRP if not exported in 1 year
Road Assistance in Europe	3 months
Registration & Plates Included	30 day German Tourist Plates
Motor Vehicle Tax Exempt	3 months
Collision Insurance Included	16 days
Liability Insurance Included	16 days
Additional Insurance Coverage	Up to 1 year
Road Safety Equipment Provided	Warning triangle & first-aid kit
Additional Charges	Destination & Dealer Preparation
Air Travel Assistance	30%-35% discount on economy, biz & 1st
Hotels Rooms Provided	1 night at selected hotels for 2
Meals Provided	Lunch
Other Incentives	Transportation from airport to hotel & factory
Factory Track Test Drives	Yes at Grand Tour and Leipzig
Tour Packages	Twice annual Grand Tour in spring and fall: Cocktail reception & dinner. VIP factory & museum tour & lunch. Test track rides & farewell dinner.
Return Shipping Time	6-8 weeks from drop-off date

[BIO] Bill's a globetrotting contributor to several magazines. With his Porsche and an unquenchable wanderlust, you can find him along most any back road. This article first appeared in 2008 under the title *Wheels: Euro Deliver* in Hemispheres, the in-flight magazine of United Airlines.





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Ed Wieland — Bainbridge Island 2001 Seal Gray Boxster

Transfer In: Jim Decker — Bainbridge Island 2009 Silver 911S

Brett & Joan Erwin — Gig Harbor 1987 Silver 911

Roger & Linda Haskin — Port Ludlow 1987 930

Let me take this opportunity to welcome our newest members!! We are very glad you joined!

A Word About Membership by Gloria Mellon

The thought of membership seems to imply 100% involvement in our club. But it ain't so. We only want you to attend and involve yourself with the events that interest you. We may not be all of the following: mechanic types, tinkerers, detailers, speed demons, social or rally types, or any other thing that might be associated with cars. But most of us are at least one of the above. And we know many others that fall into this category. If you see that Porsche car in your neighborhood, at work or near a retail store, don't hesitate to ask them about their car and tell them about our club. We're finally making it over the 138 primary members, which is where we were the whole of last year. We are on the road to upward growth. Your help in seeking out these anonymous members will do a lot to increase the numbers.

OLYMPIC PENINSULA REGION—PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA Board Meeting Minutes— July 13, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Brian Forde at the Round Table Pizza, Silverdale.

Board Members Present: President: Brian Forde, Vice President: Alex Raphael, Past President: John James, Member At Large: Maryann Elwell & Zone 6 Rep.: Dave Cooley.

Members Present: Keith/Gloria Mellon, Jeff Smith, Dick Brown, Bob & son Rob Brackman, Brett Burroughs, Grace/Warren Stoner, Jon Wyman, and Debbie Raphael.

Motion made by Maryann Elwell and Warren Stoner seconded to approve the June 2011 minutes.

BOARD MEMBER AND CHAIR REPORTS

President: Brian Forde: Nothing to report.

Vice President: Alex Raphael: Nothing to report.

Secretary: Dan Kalinski: Not present.

Treasurer: Robert Becken: Continuing to do well financially with \$6,775.21 in our checking account as of 7/8/11. Bob to return money pre-paid for the July 23rd dinner that has been moved from the Golf Club to Downriggers Restaurant.

Member at Large: Maryann Elwell: No new reports.

Membership Chair: Gloria Mellon, Total of 254 members with 139 as primary and 115 as family/affiliate members.

Newsletter Editor: Gloria Mellon: The newsletter came out at the end of June. Gloria will be retiring at the end of the year, so we need a volunteer to take over next year.

Social/Events: Maryann Elwell: Calendars/notes were passed out and sign-up sheet was passed around for upcoming events in July and August. Please see the listing and get with Maryann Elwell if you need any further information or visit the web site. Rennsport Reunion at Laguna Seca in Monterey, CA on October 14th-16th. John James plans to drive down starting Tuesday, so contact him for drive down together. Go to the 2011 Rennsport web page for passes ASAP.

Website: Bill Elwell: Not present. Bill Elwell will continue to update the site while the new one is being developed with new application. This will be ongoing.

Advertising: Two new advertisers as of July newsletter: East Bay Collision and Wagen Werks. We still need a new advertising chair going forward. Contact any board member with your prospective advertisers.

Technical/Speed: Randy Baisden: Not present. Jeff Smith: See our calendar for the activities and or please contact Jeff Smith for the list of the events and or go to the web site. George Avila and Dick Brown and his son are participating. Need Snell 2005 or newer helmets as of July 1, 2011. 944 cup is halfway done with no leaders. Four more weekends and 9 races to go. August 944 cup race is canceled at Oregon Raceway Park.

Goodie Store: Jon Wyman: The shirts for Great Wolf came out very nice.

Zone 6 Representative: Escape in OPR: Dave Cooley our Zone 6 Representative attended and talked about duties for picking Escape locations. OPR is looking to host an Escape in a coming year on the Kitsap Peninsula. Our Zone has the best scenery and locations. Gloria gave Dave a tour of Kitsap Peninsula today. It looks like Bremerton now has the facilities to support an Escape. A non-competitive full PCA supported event in mid-summer with tours and low intensity events (i.e., golf, people's choice concours). National staff had winter meeting in MT and are getting familiar with what the Pacific NW has to offer. Anticipate approximately 400 people. Need to provide a game plan and staff to put it on. Per Canada West region, it took 5-6 core people who did the planning with support from additional members for golf tournament, tours, meals, etc. Need to make sure community is fully in support as well. Next one available for us to put in a bid for would be 2014 or 2015. Doug Pierce will be the Escape Coordinator, from Dave's region, as a facilitator and has checklists. It's still TBD about financial requirements for reservations that would be needed. We'd need to put together our proposal sometime after Parade 2011. Two ways to put together the presentation package with lots of pictures – more advertising than schedule and send a local region rep. to the meeting it will be voted on at. You need to convince PCA National and Zone Reps you have the facilities and management structure. Not a whole lot of competition, but needs to be at least 1000 miles from the Parade that year. Parade 2012 is Salt Lake City, then Travers City, MI in 2013. Dave Cooley to get one from the Canada West Region proposal. Gloria may have the PDF of the Sun Peaks Escape. When making arrangements, get everything in writing from the facilities. Opportunity for club to make a profit, even though a small profit margin.

OLD BUSINESS:

Zone Grill Badges: Zone 7 came out with one at a cost \$20 plus \$3 S&H. There is interest in Zones 6 for one. Dave Cooley will send an e-mail to all Zone 6 members, using the PCA database/e-mail capability with more information on a Zone 6 badge design contest. Dave is looking for a volunteer to run the effort, so contact him if interested at mtcarrera@rennlist.net.

NEW BUSINESS:

Kurt Schneider Celebration of Life: Caravan up on June 30th in Port Angeles meeting at Poulsbo McDonalds at 11A.

Bremerton Track: Gloria is the Secretary of the organization working to build the new track. John James would like to consider this organization for our donation from the club for next year's fundraising. Maryann to work with Bob Becken to research if we can donate to a non-charitable organization, since they are currently not a charitable organization. They need money to pay 7 consultants to put together the documents for getting permission to build, so need to raise approximately \$250K to complete that task before they can even get investors. Site includes 235 acres across Hwy 3 from the current Bremerton Motorsport Park.

Portland Art Museum is running a special event now – 9/11/11, The Allure of the Automobile, a show of 16 of the world's most luxurious and rare cars, including a 1953 Porsche 550 prototype. Museum is located at 1219 SW Park Avenue in Portland, OR. Entry fee is \$15/person or free for museum members. Cars in the Park exhibit every Saturday 10A to 3P, with Porsche day on August 8th.

Larsen's is building several new dealerships for Porsche, Audi and another brand of cars on the Hwy. 99 side of I-5 in Fife.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm. John James motioned to adjourn seconded by Gloria Mellon.

Maryann Elwell, Member at Large for Secretary. NEXT BUSINESS MEETING August 10th at Round Table Pizza in Silverdale. MEETING STARTS AT 7PM.

OLYMPIC PENINSULA REGION—PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA

Board Meeting Minutes— August 10, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Brian Forde at the Round Table Pizza, Silverdale.

Board Members Present: President: Brian Forde, Vice President: Alex Raphael, Past President: John James, Secretary: Dan Kalinski, Treasurer: Robert Becken, Member At Large: Maryann Elwell

Members Present: Keith/Gloria Mellon, Jeff Smith, Brett/Diana Burroughs, Debbie Raphael, Brooks/Barb Hanford, Doug/Linda Henderson.

Motion made by Maryann Elwell and John James seconded to approve the July 2011 minutes.

BOARD MEMBER AND CHAIR REPORTS

President: Brian Forde: Nothing to report.

Vice President: Alex Raphael: Memorial for Mr. Kurt Schneider was well attended.

Secretary: Dan Kalinski: Nothing to report.

Treasurer: Robert Becken: Continuing to do well financially with \$6,841.14 in our checking account as of 8/10/11. Gray Wolf: Made some money on the T-Shirts, and the Club will add an amount to equal \$750 and shall be given to Big Brother/Big Sisters as a donation.

Member at Large: Maryann Elwell: No new reports.

Membership Chair: Gloria Mellon, Total of 256 members with 140 as primary and 116 as family/affiliate members.

Newsletter Editor: Gloria Mellon: Will be retiring at the end of the year, so we need a volunteer to take over next year. Need articles for Porsches On The Pier and anything else car (Porsche) related.

Social/Events: Maryann Elwell: Calendars/notes were passed out and sign-up sheet was passed around for upcoming events in July and August. Please see the list and or the web page. If there are questions, please contact Maryann. Rally and Picnic on the 27th (August) at John James' lake house.

Website: Bill Elwell: Not present. Bill Elwell will continue to update the site while the new one is being developed with new application. This will be ongoing. Still looking for someone to champion the website other than Bill.

Advertising: We still need a new advertising chair going forward. Contact any board member with your prospective advertisers.

Technical/Speed: Randy Baisden: Not present. Jeff Smith: No new news. See our calendar for the activities and or please contact Jeff Smith for the list of the events and or go to the web site.

Goodie Store: Jon Wyman: Not present.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business at this point to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

Christmas party is still in the works. Menu has yet to be determined and it has been established that the dinner will not be buffet style. There will be a bar set up in this room for the attending club members. Looks like the room size will accommodate the club members.

Need volunteers for "Holiday Baskets" for the party.

Alex may bring a DJ for the party.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm. Keith motioned to adjourn seconded by Brett.

Dan Kalinski, Secretary. NEXT BUSINESS MEETING September 14th at Round Table Pizza in Silverdale. MEETING STARTS AT 7PM.

Auto Platz (Classifieds)

FOR SALE: 1988 Porsche Targa Carrera Guards Red, Black interior, great condition !! 3.2 liter engine, G-50 transmission. VIN#WPOEB0911JS160776. It has 83,272 miles. \$22,500. Email hseymore1@yahoo.com



FOR SALE: 1988 Porsche Cabriolet 911 Guards Red, Black interior. Possibly the most desirable Porsche 911 model of all time. We are fanatical about maint and have cared for our baby for 11 years.. Nothing beats the top down Porsche experience. Needs nothing!! Worth every penny, believe me. Clean CARFAX, title in hand, and no liens. **\$19,950** Contact Bob Rogers at 425.417.8457 or anchorchain@earthlink.net.



FOR SALE: Factory 19" 911 wheels wearing Michelin Pilot Sport Cup ZR tires 235/35 front and 305/30 rear with 50-plus percent tread left. Very nice condition -- perfect replacement or track day wheels. \$1200 obo. Also -- locking roof rails from 2004 Cayenne Turbo. Some scratches, but perfectly functional \$125 obo. For more information or photos, contact Rick Bush - sbarer@apexstrategy.com or 360-402-6487. Parts located in Olympia.

FOR SALE: Cayman/Boxster--Four Bridgestone Blizzak LM 25 Ice& Snow Tires, 225/40R19 front, 255/35R19 rear; 75-80% tread. Mounted on SSR - GT wheels,+49mm offset front & rear. From Tire Rack; paid over \$2K. Drive with confidence this winter for only \$700 or OBO. Contact Tom Gorman for photos (360) 915-7666 or email speedytom@me.com .

FOR SALE: Fikse FM10 18x11 finished, polished aluminum clear coat. Lightest, strongest wheels made for street or track. Were on my narrow bodied 1997-911 C2. One has stress fracture that may not allow it to be repaired and both have light curb rash hence the incredibly low price for the pair **\$150**. Call Bob (360) 297-3379 or email anchorchain@earthlink.net

FOR SALE: 4 track tires. Used but good for a few more DE weekends. Michelin Pilot Sport Cup. (2) 255/40 ZR17, (2) 225/45 ZR17. \$100 for all 4. Ned Luce, Port Ludlow. "[nedluce@sbcglobal.net](mailto:neduluce@sbcglobal.net)" or 360-437-0191

FOR SALE: Black rubber Cayman Floor mats... They were used less than a year and cost around \$150.00 new. Will sell for \$75, you pay shipping. Email: jeffreychappell@netscape.net

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Other Zone 6, National PCA and Local Events 2011

Now - 9/11 - **Portland Art Museum - The Allure of the Automobile** - a new show of 16 of the world's most luxurious and rare cars, including a 1953 Porsche 550 prototype. Museum is located at 1219 SW Park Avenue in Portland, OR. Entry fee is \$15/person or free for museum members.

9/2 - **BSCC Lapping Days #3** at Bremerton Motorsports Park. For details go to www.bscc.net.

9/2-4 - **Porsche Tour of Alsace, France** - for details go to <http://www.porsche.com/usa/eventsandracing/travelclub/tours/touralsace-vosges/>.

9/3 - **Bremerton Fly-In/Car Show** at Bremerton Airport in conjunction with Blackberry Festival downtown via shuttle bus.

9/3 - **8A PNWR Autocross #7** at Bremerton Motorsports Park. Register for Autocross at <http://scorekeeper.wwscc.org/register/pca2011/login>. See www.pnwr.org for details.

9/3 - **7A-5P - PNWR Driver Education Day** held at Pacific Raceways in Kent. Pre-registration is required and starts 6/2 online at www.pcapnwr.motorsportreg.com. Info. contact Greg Erickson at DriverEd_reg@pnwr.org or (206) 725-1741.

9/5 - **7:30A BSCC Autocross #6** at Bremerton Motorsports Park. For details go to www.bscc.net. Pre-register at <http://scorekeeper.wwscc.org/register/BSCC2011/login>.

9/7-13 - **Porsche Tour of Southern Germany** - for details go to <http://www.porsche.com/usa/eventsandracing/travelclub/tours/toursoutherngermany/>.

9/9-11 - **Silver Sage PCA Bogus Basin Bacchanalia** hill cross at the Bogus Basin Mountain Resort, 16 miles north of Boise, Idaho. For more details go to <http://ss.pca.org/BBB.htm>. Information is also available from Registrar Chris Beeson at (208) 318-6614 or chrisbeeson@givenspursley.com.

9/10-11 - **NorPacDiv-SCCA Double Regionals** at Portland International Raceway, OR.

9/10-11 - **OR PCA High Performance Drivers Ed/Lapping Day** - at Oregon Raceway Park in Grass Valley, OR. Register by 9/3/11 at www.motorsportReg.com.

9/11 - **NorPacDiv-SCCA Time Trials** at Bremerton Motorsports Park.

9/16-18 - **PNWR Cascade Loop Tour** - held at Sun Mountain Lodge in Winthrop, WA. See www.pnwr.org for details.

9/17-18 - **SOVREN Fall Finale with 90 minute Enduro** held at Pacific Raceways in Kent.

9/24 - **6P - LeMay Museum Hard Hat & High Heels Gala** - Fundraiser for new museum at the construction site in Tacoma. Cost \$175/person. For more info. contact Holly Wood at holly.wood@lemaymuseum.org.

9/24-25 - **944 Cup/SCCA Races** at Pacific Raceways in Kent.

9/29 - **7A-5P - PNWR Driver Education Day** held at Pacific Raceways in Kent. Pre-registration is required online www.pcapnwr.motorsportreg.com. Info. contact Greg Erickson at DriverEd_reg@pnwr.org or (206) 725-1741.

10/1-2 - **944 Cup/NorPacDiv-SCCA Double Regionals** at Portland International Raceway

10/7 - **BSCC Lapping Days #4** at Bremerton Motorsports Park. Details at www.bscc.net.

10/7-9 - **Porsche Tour of Hamburg, Germany** - for details go to <http://www.porsche.com/usa/eventsandracing/travelclub/tours/tourhamburg-sylt/>.

10/9 & 10/14 - **7:30A BSCC Autocross #6** at Bremerton Motorsports Park. For details go to www.bscc.net. Pre-register at <http://scorekeeper.wwscc.org/register/BSCC2011/login>.

10/15 - **8A PNWR Autocross #8/Driver Skills** at Bremerton Motorsports Park. Register for Autocross at <http://scorekeeper.wwscc.org/register/pca2011/login> or Drivers Skills at www.pcapnwr.motorsportreg.com. See www.pnwr.org for details.

10/30 - **8A PNWR Autocross #9/Driver Skills** at Bremerton Motorsports Park. Register for Autocross at <http://scorekeeper.wwscc.org/register/pca2011/login> or Drivers Skills at www.pcapnwr.motorsportreg.com. See www.pnwr.org for details.



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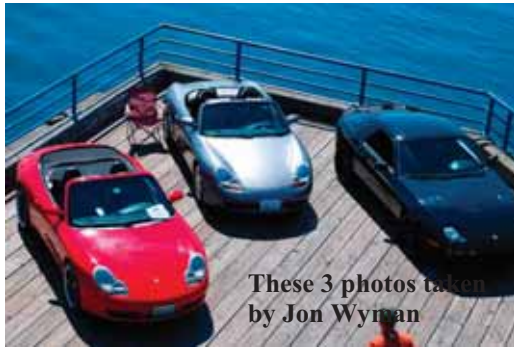
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Ed & Lynell Scheid at the Gig Harbor Car Show



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