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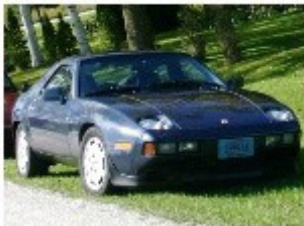
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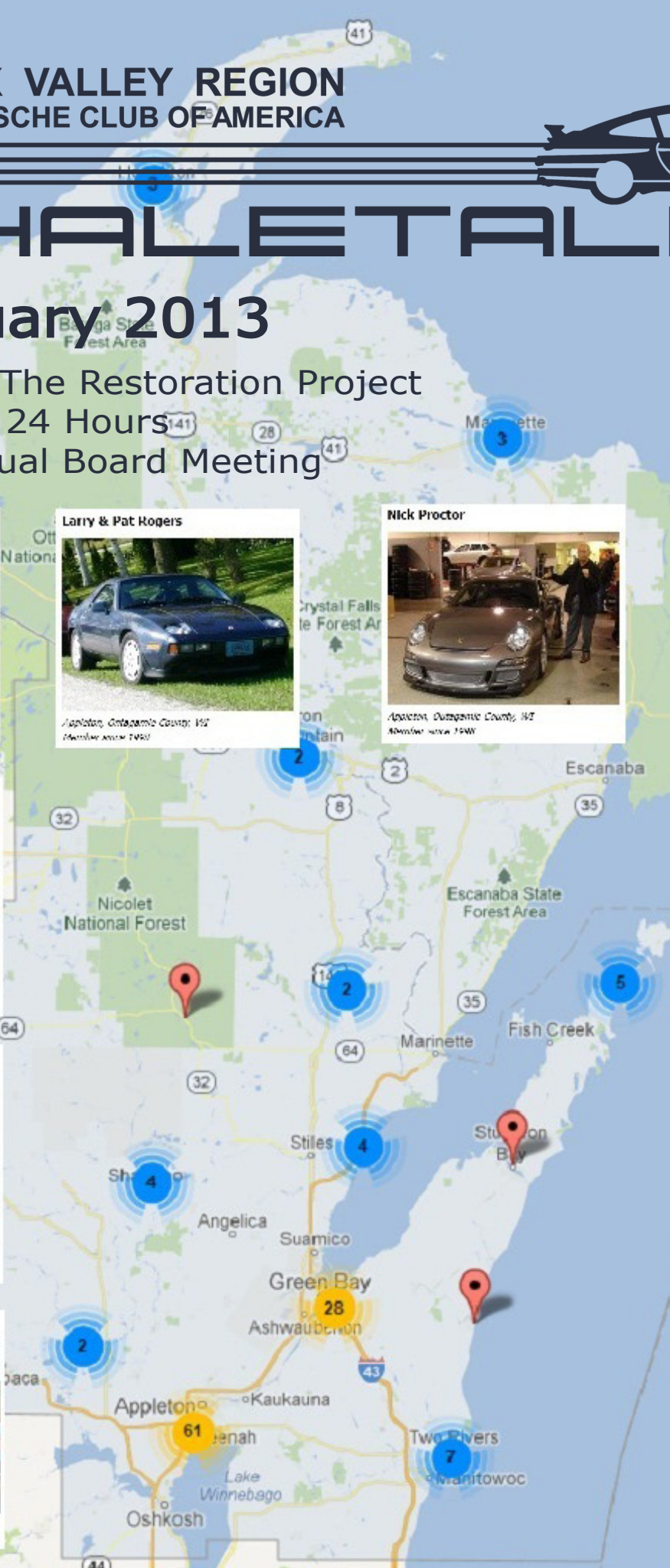


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On the cover

The Fox Valley region membership is a geographically diverse group, with members in 4 Michigan and 23 Wisconsin counties, and also in 5 other states. This month's cover provides just a hint of our new FVR member directory that will put this data in a new perspective.



From The President

January by all means, is one of the slowest months of the year for me. Business slows down as most people are still reeling in from all the holiday spending and activities, preparing for taxes and trying to stay in from the cold. But yet this month has passed faster than a blink of an eye. At least I squeezed a long weekend vacation to Nashville with my brothers.

Only two club activities this past month, the Barlow theater night, showing Lemans, with Steve McQueen was a fun night. A real different perspective of the film on such a large screen. Not a bad seat in the house. We are definitely going to do this again next year in January. We also had a board meeting in January, it was not as fun as the Barlow event, but it was still good being with friends from the Porsche club. I have to say thanks to all the board members for coming out that night to cover all that goes on with the club, We had a 100% attendance, that really shows the dedication all the board members have. We are very fortunate to have these people head our club. The board meeting went exceptionally well; we got a lot covered and resolved. I am very excited for the upcoming year and think this will be one of our best years as a club. In just this past month the schedule of events has filled up, some new members are getting involved and some new and different events are getting in place. So look at the club calendar and plan to attend some of this year's events.

Keep a look out for what Mark Wilkinson has been doing with the layout of club members geographic location on map form, complete with names and pictures, very awesome!!!

Again I suggest, keep an eye on the club calendar and plan some events to attend this year or better yet get involved and host an event. Any of the board members would be willing to help if needed. A very rewarding experience, I guarantee it.

Sincerely Proud to Be Your President,

Gordon Skog



FVR Calendar of Events

Saturday, March, 2 Kaffeeklatsch at Beans & Books, 1235 E. Green Bay St., Shawano. Hosted by Jim & Marlies Lowey jlowey@charter.net

Saturday, March, 9 Kaffeeklatsch at Biggby Coffee, 320 East Bridge Street, Wausau. Hosted by Dennis & Heidi Kepchar dennis.kep@gmail.com

Saturday, March, 16 Kaffeeklatsch at Fork & Knife, 2209 S. 44th Street, Manitowoc. Hosted by Jamie & Laura Prellwitz lprellwitz@att.net

Saturday, March, 23 Tech Session at Al & Ann Taylor's in Nekoosa. Hosted by Al & Ann Taylor ataylor@wctc.net

Tuesday, April, 2 Dinner / Social at Lorelei Inn, 1412 S Webster Ave, Green Bay. Hosted by Jamie & Laura Prellwitz lprellwitz@att.net

Saturday, April (TBD) Kaffeeklatsch at Cronies, 220 S. Main Street, Waupaca. Hosted by Tom & Lori Mazza 1lamazza@charter.net

Saturday, April, 13 Tour / Dinner / Social at Manitowoc. Hosted by Barb & Dan Pankratz panky@lakefield.net

Tuesday, May, 7 Dinner / Social / Car Show at Jim & Linda's, W3496 County Rd W, Pipe. Hosted by Allan & Pat Utecht allanu@walsdorffroofing.com

Saturday, May, 18 Kaffeeklatsch at Linger Café, 9431 Spruce St., Fish Creek. Hosted by Bob & Jen Hawley robert.hawley@yahoo.com

Saturday, May, 18 Spring Tour (2 days) to Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore in Michigan's UP. Hosted by Al Curran arcllc@gmail.com

Saturday, May, 25 Tour / Social at Waupaca & Stevens Point. Hosted by Jim and Mary Niemiec zimal@charter.net

Saturday, June, 1 Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstrom Porsche, 3030 N Victory Ln, Appleton. Hosted by Nick Proctor nick@theproctors.com

Tuesday, June, 4 Dinner / Social at Kodiak Jack's, 2059 Witzel Ave, Oshkosh. Hosted by John & Jeanne Strublic jstrublic@centurytel.net

Saturday, June, 8 Ladies' Only Tour to Washington Island. Hosted by Laura Prellwitz lprellwitz@att.net

Sunday, June, 23 Porsche Parade (7 days) at Traverse City, MI Grand Traverse Resort. Contact Kathleen Behrens, Parade Registrar registrar@pcaparade.org

Saturday, July, 6 Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstrom Porsche, 3030 N Victory Ln, Appleton. Hosted by Nick Proctor nick@theproctors.com

Saturday, July, 13 Social / Dinner at New London. Hosted by Barb & Mark Wilkinson mark.wilkinson@charter.net

Saturday, July, 20 WVBO Car Show at Fox Valley Technical College. Hosted by Bryan Robertson bryan187247@hotmail.com

Saturday, July, 27 Social / Dinner at Trout Springs Winery, Greenleaf, WI. Hosted by Steve & Andrea DeBaker brchrivr@centurytel.net

Saturday, August, 3 Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstrom Porsche, 3030 N Victory Ln, Appleton. Hosted by Nick Proctor nick@theproctors.com

Tuesday, August 13 Dinner/Informal Car Show, location TBA. Hosted by Larry Rogers fvrpca@sbcglobal.net

Saturday, August, 17 Car Show at Egg Harbor. Hosted by Bob Hawley robert.hawley@yahoo.com

Saturday, September, 7 Coffee and doughnuts at Bergstrom Porsche, 3030 N Victory Ln, Appleton. Hosted by Nick Proctor nick@theproctors.com

Friday, September, 20 Fall Tour (3 days) to Minoqua. Hosted by Bob & Carol Burress / Greg & Mary Rigoni grrigoni@chartermi.net

Thursday, October, 24 Porsche Escape (3 days) at Fairplex, 1101 W McKinley Ave, Pomona, CA. Hosted by Grand Prix / San Gabriel Valley regions, contact SuesanWay@pobox.com

Saturday, December, 14 Holiday Party at Holiday Inn Riverwalk, 123 E Wisconsin Ave, Neenah. Hosted by Gordon & Debbie Skog gord240z@live.com

Kaffeeklatsch by County

In an effort to get members together in a more casual setting, and in a place (hopefully) not too far from home, the Fox Valley Region will begin having Saturday morning coffee meetings hosted by various members in their county of residence. There is no agenda; just meet your fellow club members and talk Porsche for as long as you'd like and perhaps share a pot of coffee. You are welcome to attend as many meetings as you'd like. You don't have to just attend the one where you reside. Everyone is welcome- bring a friend if you'd like as well.

As long you're "talking Porsche", it's all good!

Thanks to all our hosts!

<u>County</u>	<u>Host(s)</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Menominee & Shawano	Jim & Marlies Lowey	March 2, 10:00AM	Beans & Books, 1235 E. Green Bay St., Shawano
Manitowoc & Sheboygan	Jamie & Laura Prellwitz	March 16, 9:00 AM	Fork & Knife (by Holiday Inn). 2209 S. 44th Street, Manitowoc
Door & Kewaunee	Bob & Jen Hawley	May 18 - Time - TBA	Linger Café, 9431 Spruce St., Fish Creek
Marathon	Dennis & Heidi Kepchar	March 9	Bigby Coffee, 320 East Bridge Street, Wausau
Oneida	James & Tonna Appelgren	April - TBA	Minocqua - TBA
Outagamie	John & Elizabeth Beck	TBA	TBA
Wood	Jim & Mary Niemiec	TBA	TBA
Waupaca	Tom & Lori Mazza	April - TBA	Cronies, 220 S. Main Street, Waupaca
Portage	Marty & Jan Krebs	April - TBA	TBA
Oconto	Host needed		
Shawano	Host needed		
Brown	Host needed		
Calumet	Host needed		
Marinette	Host needed		
Winnebago & Fond du Lac	Host needed		
Upper Michigan	Host needed		

Don't see your area listed or would like to have a meeting in your home town? Volunteer to be a host! Please contact Laura Prellwitz at lprellwitz@att.net to have a kaffeeklatsch in your town.

We're Talking Porsche!!

March 23: Spring Tech Session @ Taylor's

Spring Tech Session



Can you tell by the picture above which car needs a new clutch?

(Hint) It is a red one!

Please join my wife Ann and myself for a Spring Tech Session at our house on March 23, 2013.

The tech session will cover the process of changing a clutch on a Porsche 924. The weather prediction for that day is bright and comfortable, inside our shop.

While we are turning wrenches on the car, the ladies will be creating tied, fleece blankets which will be donated to a charitable organization in Wisconsin Rapids. Ladies, please bring your favorite pair of scissors. We will supply the material to create the blankets, we just need your scissors and talent.

We are planning a pot luck style lunch. We will supply the meat and beverages, but we ask that you bring a dish to pass.

Please RSVP by March 9, 2013 so that we can plan accordingly. ataylor@wctc.net or 715-325-2250

1406 Alpine Drive, Nekoosa, WI 54457

April 2: Dinner at Lorelei Inn

Gemutlichkeit!

Please join us for dinner on Tuesday, April 2, at the Lorelei Inn at 1412 South Webster Street, Green Bay, 54301. This is our second annual dinner at this delightful German-American restaurant, with no ghostly encounters reported (yet).

If you'd like to check out the menu and prices ahead of time, go to www.lorelei-inn.com

Attitude Adjustment from 5:00 - 6:30 PM. Dinner from the menu at 6:30.

Please RSVP to Jamie and Laura Prellwitz by March 31st at lprellwitz@att.net



April 13: Pankratz's Garage

Please join us Saturday, April 13, for a leisurely afternoon of driving, viewing of classic car restorations, and Italian supper. Dan and Barb Pankratz from Manitowoc, have once again invited members of the FVRPCA to visit their "Garage Mahal". Dan has personally restored many of these vehicles, sometimes spending decades to complete the project. Comprising his collection: 1922 Ford Model "T" Touring, 1926 Ford Model "T" Doctors Coupe, 1954 Jaguar XK-120 Roadster OTS, 1963 Porsche 356-B, 1967 Porsche 912/5 Coupe, 1970 Jaguar XKE Coupe, 1973 VW Kombi Bus, 2001 Mazda Miata Special Edition. Additionally, the Pankratz's have dozens of awards from the hundreds of rallies in which they have participated, along with many items of auto-related nostalgia.

1:30 PM - Meet at the Highway 310 Park & Ride. It is Exit #154 off I-43, then go east. It is at the intersection of Wagon Wheel Road. If you are traveling east on Hwy. 10, just remain on Hwy. 10. When you cross under I-43, the Park & Ride will be on your right. (The highway changes its name to "310" after pass under the interstate.) We have a leisurely tour along the Lake Michigan shoreline, including a stop at the home office of Cedar Crest Ice Cream in Manitowoc.

Approximately 3:00 PM - Arrive at Pankratz's.

By group consensus, we will leave and take a short drive to Luigi's Italian restaurant for supper. Participants will order from the menu.

Please join us Saturday, April 13!



June 8, 2013: Ladies' Only Tour

Ladies, reserve **Saturday, June 8, 2013**, as YOUR day to drive and enjoy your Porsche! This year's tour will take us to beautiful Washington Island, in Door County. There is an optional overnight stay in Ephraim as well. Come with us for a great day of driving, fun, laughter, fellowship, shopping, and scenery!

June 2013						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3	4	5	6	7	8

We will meet at the BP Station/McDonald's at 2721 Manitowoc Road, Bellevue (east side of Green Bay) to **DEPART @ 8:30 AM**. Please be prompt! Manitowoc Road is exit # 181 off I-43. It is about a 2 hour drive to Northport where the ferry will take us to Washington Island. We will take the 11:00 AM ferry and will spend the afternoon on the 35 square mile island.



Costs and options: The 2012 rates are \$13 per person for the ferry only. Each auto is \$26. Therefore, two people in one car is \$52. IF you do not wish to take your car to the island, you may park it at the Northport Visitor's Center parking lot and pay the \$13 fare only. Upon disembarking the ferry, you may walk to some scenic areas and do some shopping, rent a bike or moped. Another option is to ride the 2- hour scenic and narrated Cherry Train tour. Individual tickets are \$15, or you may purchase a combo ticket (ferry fare and Cherry Train) for \$27.50. For more information about the ferry, <http://wisferry.com/ride-ferry> For more information about the cherry train, <http://www.cherrytrain.com>

For those of you who take your car to the island and will be driving, we will not have a "follow the leader" type tour. Since it's an island, the chances of getting lost are quite low. Therefore, you will be given a map of the island highlighting points of interest, things to see and do, list of restaurants, etc.,so you will be free to explore at your leisure. Every needs to be back to the ferry dock before 4:00 PM to catch that ferry back to the mainland. The last boat of the day is at 5:00 PM.

We will gather back together at the Northport Visitor Center (ferry dock) and will drive south on Hwy. 42 making a shopping stop at Seaquist Orchards and at Ellison Bay Bluffs County Park for a scenic view.

For those of who are interested, a block of five hotel rooms have been reserved at the Somerset Inn and Suites in Ephraim, WI. A room with two queen beds is \$82.14, all taxes included. Please call the hotel directly at 920-548-1819 or 1-800-809-1819 and ask for one of the rooms reserved under the name "Laura Prellwitz". If there's a problem, please let me know, or ask for the manager, Phil Koch. Any unreserved rooms will be released by May 5, 2013. First come, first served. Please also let me know when you've made a reservation. For more details about the hotel, check out <http://www.somersetinndc.com>

We will have pizzas delivered from a local pizzeria to the lobby of the hotel for evening supper. Everyone is invited to join with us, whether you are staying at the hotel or not. You are welcome to return home at your leisure on Saturday night, or if you're staying at the hotel, depart at a time of your choosing Sunday morning.

I am excited to have you join us on this unique tour! If you have any questions, please e-mail me at lprellwitz@att.net or call 920-242-1644.

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Starting The Restoration Project

Source - Gordon Skog

Part Two; Starting The Restoration Project.

With the 356 sitting in its new home, my garage all covered up and tucked away waiting to be put back together. Life got busy for both my son and I, so it sat untouched for another couple of years. About this time Joshua decided to purchase a new home and had gotten engaged to get married, so he informed me that he would like to sell the car as he would not be able to afford to restore the 356 and could use the money for the down payment on his new home. So he and I came up with an agreed price and I purchased the 356 from him. So with renewed excitement I loaded the 356 on my trailer and had the outside body media blasted down to the bare metal. With all the paint removed and just bare metal, one could see all the past damage the car had experienced through its life. We knew the car had a dent in the driver's door and the whole car had been repainted many years prior, but we did not know that the right front had been hit and extensive repairs were done and were not done proper, we found over an inch of body filler all over the right front fender and a fair amount in the left rear quarter. Also we found most of the lead used by Porsche had deteriorated over the years and would need to be redone.

I believe this was about the year 2005 when I had the car stripped and had David Treichel do all the major straightening and welding of all body panels, when he finished his part of the repairs, David



Gordon's 356 restoration project (Skog photo)

Starting The Restoration Project

put a heavy primer on the car to protect it from rusting and returned the car to me. At this stage I then took the car to another body repair man, to have all the finish and fitting of the doors and lids done. All of this took many years as it was a side project for all involved and turned into more work than anticipated at every stage of the work. With the encouragement of a friend of mine, I finally decided to bite the bullet and get the paint and body work finished and brought the car to Dave at Paintwerks in West Bend. I had become friends with Dave over our many annual trips to the Porsche swap meets in Hershey Pennsylvania. Dave had a short window of time to fit me in, the fall of 2012 and finished the car 2 months later, and at that time I brought it back home to Auto Clinic for the first time in 7 years. It had been such a long time and when I saw the perfect paint work, and the deep shine it had, it made me even more anxious to finish putting this car back together. I have my work cut out for me, but my goal is to be driving this to the first club event of the Spring Opener at Pipe in May 2013.

It has been a long and hard road to see this project done for me, but even longer for my little 356. You see this project started back in 1973, when the owner that we had purchased the car from started to disassemble the car and then passed away. That means this car has not been on the road for over 40 years. Think about that, a 50 year old car that has only been driven for 10 years. But in those 10 years a lot had happened and I will be getting this 356 a new life this year. So keep a look out for me and my new 356 at the Spring opener, bring your cameras!



The 356 in primer coat (Skog photo)

FVR Member Focus: Bryan Robertson



Bryan Robertson purchased his 1988 911 Turbo (930) in December of 2011 from a dealership in California and has greatly enjoyed driving, improving, and maintaining it ever since. This was his dream car for as long as he could remember, mostly due to its beauty, personality, power, and capacity to hold more than two people. Bryan lives with his wife, Tika, and two daughters in Menasha and attends most of the club functions in the Fox Valley area.

Daytona 24 Hours

Best Porsche finishes fifth in the fuel gamble at Daytona

Source: Porsche AG Press Database

Stuttgart. The sprint to the finish of the Daytona 24 hour race turned into a gripping game of fuel poker in the fiercely contested GT class. In the last laps, the teams put all their eggs in one basket with their strategies, waived an additional time-consuming fuel stop so that they had a winning chance at the prestigious sports car classic in Florida. For Porsche works driver Richard Lietz this did not work out: Last year's winner from Austria, who had held the lead position over long stretches in the Porsche 911 GT3 Cup and was on course for a podium result in the final laps, had to save fuel and was hence unable to utilise the full potential of the car. With his Magnus Racing teammates Nicolas Armindo (France), Andy Lally (USA) and John Potter (USA) he finally finished in fifth - ahead of his works driver colleague Marco Holzer (Germany) who shared driving duties in the Alex Job Racing Porsche 911 GT3 Cup with Jeroen Bleekemolen (Netherlands), Damien Faulkner (Ireland) and Cooper MacNeil (USA). The six best placed of the 34 GT vehicles crossed the finish line inside one lap.

"As title defender we had anticipated a better result than fifth of course, still we can be satisfied with our performance," said Richard Lietz. "Right up until fifteen minutes before the flag everything was running to plan, unfortunately our strategy didn't quite work. But we didn't have a choice. We did everything we could but it wasn't quite enough." He led the field with his number 44 Porsche 911 GT3 Cup over a total of 43 laps - far more than any of his opponents. Marco Holzer said: "It was a tough race for us. We managed the distance well despite some problems but had to ease off the throttle in the last laps to save fuel. We took the gamble and didn't want to refuel at the end. Sadly this plan didn't quite succeed."

"That was certainly one of the most exciting 24 hour races," said Hartmut Kristen, Head of Porsche Motorsport. "Our customer teams were right up there in the fight for victory. Last year we came home with a triple victory, this time others climbed the podium."



Porsche 911 GT3 Cup, Magnus Racing: Richard Lietz, Nicolas Armindo, Andy Lally, John Potter (Porsche AG Press Database)

Daytona 24 Hours

The first leader on the Daytona International Speedway was Nick Tandy. At his debut race as a Porsche works driver, the Briton from Konrad Motorsport/Orbit snatched the lead from pole position. His perfect start, however, was not a good omen: After about eight laps and many incidents, he had to park his Porsche 911 GT3 Cup trackside with suspension damage. This also proved to be a bitter experience for his teammate Michael Christensen, the Porsche junior from Denmark who contested his first ever 24 hour race. For the second Porsche junior, however, Daytona yielded success: Austria's Klaus Bachler, who contests the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup this year with Michael Christensen, finished eleventh in the Porsche 911 GT3 Cup fielded by Snow Racing/Wright Motorsports after putting in a commendable performance. "We had a few problems during the night but all in all everything went well," he commented. "That was my first 24 hour race and I learned a great deal."

At the wheel of his Porsche Cayman, the 2009 overall winner from America David Donohue won the GX class with his compatriots Nelson Canache, Shane Lewis and Jim Norman. With this, he earned Porsche, the most successful manufacturer in the history of the race, the 75th class victory in Daytona.

Race result
GT class

1. Albuquerque/Jarvis/Mortara/von Moltke (MEX/GB/MEX/USA), Audi R8, 678 laps
2. Bass/Basseng/Rast/Stippler (USA/D/D/D), Audi R8, 678
3. Wilkens/Assentato/Cosmo/Lazzaro (USA/USA/USA/USA), Ferrari 458, 678
4. Balzan/Frezza/Pier Guidi (I/I/I), Ferrari 458, 678
5. Lietz/Lally/Armando/Potter (A/USA/F/USA), Porsche 911 GT3 Cup, 678
6. Holzer/Bleekemolen/Faulkner/MacNeil (D/NL/IRL/USA), Porsche 911 GT3 Cup, 678
10. Farnbacher/Baldwin/Burtin/Ragginger/Renauer (D/USA/USA/A/D), Porsche 911 GT3 Cup, 671
11. Bachler/Maassen/Seefried/Snow/Snow (A/D/D/USA/USA), Porsche 911 GT3 Cup, 668
13. Lieb/Sellers/Davis/Keen (D/USA/USA/USA), Porsche 911 GT3 Cup, 663



911 GT3, Alex Job Racing: Cooper MacNeil, Marco Holzer, Jeroen Bleekemolen, Damien Faulkner (Porsche AG Press Database)

FVR Annual Board Meeting

The Fox Valley Region Board of Directors annual meeting was held in January in Appleton. Thanks to a great email conversation that was started prior to the meeting, we were prepared with an agenda and a number of key discussion points. The following notes from the meeting are presented for member information, and to provide documentation for future use.



2013 FVR Officers: Front Row; Gordon Skog, Al Taylor, Andrew Opicka, Jimmy Haen, 2nd Row; Laura Prellwitz, Larry Rogers, Nick Proctor, Mark Wilkinson, Jim Janes, Mary Haen, 3rd Row, Dennis Olson (Barb Wilkinson photo)

Annual Officer Reports:

President, Gordon Skog:

- Another fine year, and Gordon wishes to thank all for his support and guidance!
- Ensure both pre & post event (within 48 hours) Insurance forms filled out online, not much need to keep paper copies once submitted to PCA national as they back up their system.

Treasurer, Larry Rogers:

- \$7000 in checking , & \$2400 in savings.
- We have donated to cub scouts and veterans group this year. These comments led to discussion of the requirement that we stick closely to the Charitable Requirements listed on the FVR Web home page.

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Insurance, Dennis Olson:

- Do the paperwork online, pre and post event.
- Important change: Insurance forms should specifically name the individual hosting any event on their personal property for their protection. We likely have not done this in the past
- Wrist bands are a good method to ensure participants have signed the required event insurance waiver. The FVR President has these.

Membership, Jim Janes:

- Jim Has retired as of December and may be more active, if Cindy lets him! Congratulations Jim!
- Jim will provide detailed membership lists to Board members.
- An abbreviated membership list may be provided to all but we should ask members permission 1st, perhaps on the annual ballot.
- Jim requests a list of those participating in the tours.

Library / Archivist, Jimmy Haen:

- Only a couple of titles are missing after all these many years of library operation.
- Classic Motorbooks / Quaside publishing will send us media, and in return we will run their ads in newsletter. A win win situation.
- The library is a "victim of it's own success" and needs a new "home /cabinet or two, this should be at FVR PCA expense , Gordon will pursue this.

Secretary, Mary Haen:

- These secretary notes are published into the record within our newsletter, this gets the info out to all membership,...however that makes "searching" for specific notes of the past tedious. Mark & Andrew will work on an method to make an annual PDF, which would then be searchable by the year.

Dealer Liaison, Nick Proctor:

- Continue dialog with dealership, discuss the practice of offering free 1 year FVR PCA membership to new Porsche customers. "Coffee & doughnuts" Saturdays to continue. We really aren't seeing tons of new members identifying themselves as from Bergstrom.

Web Master, Al Taylor:

- Great job Al! Our site may be unable to be updated for just a bit while Al changes hardware. He is also working on an "app" to link us to mobile devices. Related: our facebook acct has been dormant for quite a while. Andrew has the password if anybody has an interest in updating it. General board consensus was that facebook was not worth the effort for lots of individuals right now, so similar views for club participation in facebook.

Newsletter Editor, Mark Wilkinson:

- Again, great job Mark! To all, BACKUP YOUR FILES. He was lucky (OK, excellent pre-planning) as he had redundant backup after a loss of hardware...nothing was lost!
- Mark is updating the look of newsletter, and would like members BIO's and members photos. Anyone can submit these things to him at anytime.
- Officers should try to have an article each month.

Social Chair, Laura Prellwitz:

- Laura has been "assuming" the position anyway, and has agreed to continue in a lower key fashion.
- Her outstanding passion for the club was recognized by President Skog, and suggested this lower key approach may prevent her from becoming burned out. The need for "Search and Groom" of future officers and event hosts was discussed. Laura will assign Board members to contact members to this end.

FVR Annual Board Meeting

Vice / Past President, Andrew Opicka:

- Email distribution is a great success, but there are a few bad addresses coming to us from National's database.
- Calendar of events: Possible future events include: Minnesota Autoplex, and Traverse City Porsche Parade, the well attended Trout Springs event not on calendar yet.

Other substantial issues discussed:

- Voted unanimously to support the Blanket Charity portion of Al Taylor's event at Jimmy's suggestion, but Al needs to follow guidelines on the Web home page to formalize the request.
- Review of Bylaws: Decided as a board to keep "operational" details of the club, such as charity details and such out of the "organizational structure document" called our bylaws, no changes to bylaws required.
- "Criteria for voting" statement to be added to annual elections ballot.
- Anyone who hosts a new event should contact or be assigned to a board member to mentor & guide that person. This in order to make it easier for the newbie. We will try new way of Financial backing of club events, try new ways of mentoring folks who host an event, try new ways of recognizing / supplementing those who host club events, and then to review these changes after a year or so.
- Stress the need for EVERY member to go to PCA.ORG and ensure their email is correct and up to date when things change. FVR PCA uses this email address from national to send out our local newsletter and announcements! This email address cannot be changed by local board members, only can be changed at national's web site! Locally we can only inform national of their database deficiencies, it is up to the member and national to correct and update the list.

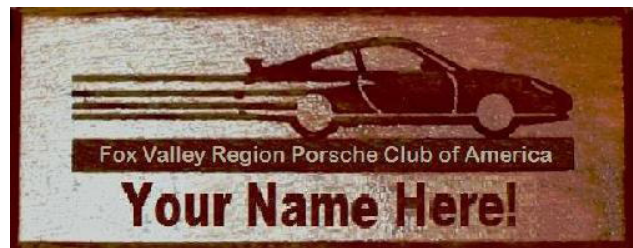
HELLO MY NAME IS

If you have been to a club event, undoubtedly you have seen others at the meeting with the attractive and classy engraved wood name tag, which is a great alternative to the press-n-peel name tag.

Now, you will no longer need to be embarrassed when you forget to take it off and go somewhere else afterwards - this FVR logo name tag rocks!

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Membership Milestones



Member Anniversaries

Name	Location	Vehicles(s)	Member Since
Steve & Andrea DeBaker	Greenleaf, WI	1984 911	2006
Richard Elrod	Appleton, WI	2005 Boxster, 2006 911	2006
David & Evan Johnson	Stoughton, WI	1999 911 996	2000
Brian & Joshua Liesch	Green Bay, WI	1999 911	2006
James & Marlies Lowey	Keshena, WI	1985 Carrera	2009
Harvey & Vickie Poling	Kewaunee, WI	2008 Boxster RS	1987
Gary & Hally Rosenbeck	Sherwood, WI	2004 Boxter 550, 1997 993	2003
Tal & Keri Sellers	Neenah, WI	2002 911	2005

Welcome to our new members of the Fox Valley Region!

Name	Location	Vehicles(s)	Member Since
Charles & Susan Johnson (transfer from KSC)	Fish Creek, WI	1957 550A, 2009 Cayman	1972

The Fox Valley Region Porsche Club of America's current membership is 280 total members, with 152 primary members and 128 affiliate/family members. Thanks to all of you who continue to promote our club to fellow Porsche owners! Thank you also to our loyal members who continue to renew their membership with us annually. Your continued support and participation is greatly appreciated.

From the Editor



The Learning Curve

Hey, how about that - January is now behind us. And I say good riddance to the sub-zero temperatures, well hopefully anyway. But a couple of really great things did happen during January, and one of them was our annual Fox Valley Region Board meeting. I'm willing to bet that many of you have already felt a touch of the enthusiasm that is currently sweeping through the club, as the board members have been busy soliciting input and working with members to help make 2013 an even greater year.

First off, I really want to thank those who have stepped up and offered to host a new series of events proposed by our now official Social "lite" Director Emeritus, Laura Prellwitz. And for a few words about that rather odd sounding title, Laura has long been deeply involved in FVR activities. After serving as club president, membership chair, and social director, she was in need of some respite to attend to her personal life and career. But as anyone who has ever met Laura can attest, the same blood that keeps the heart of FVR pumping runs deep in her veins, making any detachment difficult for both. The Board members at times seek her opinion on a variety of matters, realizing how fortunate we are to have such a great resource.

So secondly, I wish to thank Laura for agreeing to take on the "social" duties of the FVR, while being mindful that the Board respects her responsibilities inherent in a busy personal life and offers the position contingent on it being reserved to "lite" duty... as if there was such a half throttle possibility in her world. I am expecting good things to come of this, and based on the events we have put on the calendar in the last few weeks I'd say those expectations are sound. As each of us gains just a bit of momentum from the enthusiasm of others around us, we can grow into the club envisioned by those who dare to tackle new directions.

I just can't wait for spring!

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