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16 Zone 7 Concours Fresno (Sequoia)	17	18	19	20	21	22 Brunch at the Beach Capitola (LPR)
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May 6—Board Meeting

• May 22—Brunch at the Beach •

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The Mt. Hamilton
Tour members
encounter one of
those Porsche
impediments seen
occasionally on
tours.

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Linda Smith

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President's Notepad

Robert Morgan, President



...with a little help from my friends

Thanks again to Pete Siemens and Tom Holdych for their assistance and support while I rebuilt my engine.

I wanted to be able to report that I'd gotten the engine back in my 1979 SC Targa, but alas, I haven't. My deadline was to have it ready to take to the Drivers Education at Thunder Hill on Easter Sunday. I will still make it to the Driver's Ed, but with my 1982 SC Targa instead. Let me explain...

It is March 26th and I'm starting to get nervous. My engine is coming together. I have been working on it nearly every night and weekend since Pete and I pulled it out of the car on February 8. Tom has been helping nearly every day. Annie (Tom's wife), and Karen must be getting tired of this. I went up to Partsheaven to get some spark plugs. Spencer invited me in the back to look at an SC that had only just arrived. You've seen the Partsheaven ads, so you know what most of the cars look like when they arrive. This one was different! The body and paint looked good. Al told me that it smoked and probably needed a rebuild. That no longer intimidated me, confident that my motor will be back in and running soon. I asked "how much?" Al gave me a price and said I'd need to decide quickly because the major parts had been quoted out and he was about to tear it apart. I admitted I was tempted and promised to get back to him right away if I wanted it. I called Karen to see if she was OK with this idea. Other than reminding me that I'd need to get rid of the 1979 Volkswagen Beetle Cabrio I have in the driveway, she said it sounded like a good idea. I called Al back and made the deal.

On Monday, I went back to pick up the car, and got a chance to see it run. Sure enough, it was billowing smoke out the exhaust. So much for the test-drive. I arranged to have it hauled down to my house. When it arrived that evening, the neighbors had a good laugh. What is this guy doing with one Porsche torn apart and now one that needs to be. As I

❖ President's Notepad...

told my 16 year-old son, "a man can't have enough Porsches". I thought I would show him how badly it smoked so I started it up. Strangely, it didn't smoke immediately, only as the oil pressure came up did it start looking like a fog machine. The leather seats were pretty badly cracked-the foam was visible in several places on both seats. Other than that, it looked pretty good, I thought.

As I pondered my purchase, and talked to Al, we thought it might have been overfilled with oil, which would certainly cause it to smoke as the oil pressure came up. So I drained the oil and, as is typical, spilled some all over the driveway, but it sure seemed like a lot more than the 12 quarts that I drain out of the '79. Hmmm, maybe it was overfilled. So I put 12 quarts back in and started her up. Well she still smoked-just like before, but I hoped that was just the oil in the cylinders burning off. I must've run it for 30 minutes. My neighbors came out and wanted to know if my house was on fire! I said it was just my new car. I could almost read their minds...

The smoke seemed to be lessening. Must be my overactive imagination. But when I started it the next day, it didn't smoke at all (except all the oil burning off the exhaust manifolds). Maybe it'll be OK! Sure enough, in subsequent drives, it seems to be ok. So I'm going to the Driver's Ed after all, but I'll be taking the '82. I will contribute to an article on that topic, but now you have the background.

Wish me luck at Thunder Hill and at the SMOG station, which will be the REAL TEST.

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POST POSITIONS

Kevin Bennett, Editor



I read three stories in our local paper during the last week that all have something in common. The first was about an apparent feud going on in one of the local mobile home parks here in Santa Clara County. Two elderly occupants of the park were going at each other with rocks and flashlights over the feral cats that are, depending on your point of view, infesting/living on the grounds around and under the homes in the area. Complaints to the management produced traps to capture the wayward kitties for transfer to the dubious future of disposition by the local bureaucracy. One of the residents has taken umbrage over her perceived infringement of these animals' rights and, being a retired attorney, has appointed herself Defender of Felines, using courts, police calls and allegedly committing actual battery on her neighbor in her zeal to protect her adopted wards.

The second was about Larry Hiibel vs. the state of Nevada. Police were investigating a reported crime involving a vehicle similar to Hiibel's. An officer upon finding him standing next to the vehicle asked Hiibel eleven times to identify himself and he refused. Hiibel, who was not the party being sought and was otherwise unwanted by authorities, was convicted of violating a state law that requires people to identify themselves to police if they are asked to do so. The case is now before the Supreme Court of the United States under the legal theory that requiring a citizen to give his name violates constitutional protections against self-incrimination.

The third story was about another local boy, Michael Newdow, who is an avowed atheist, and is in a long running custody battle with the born-again Christian mother of his daughter. Newdow is battling to have the words "under God" removed from the pledge of allegiance claiming that every time the daughter is required to pledge allegiance to "one nation, under God," he considers it a slap in the face. One of the more interesting aspects of this dispute is that it has gone all the way to the Supreme Court of the United States and the justices are weighing whether they

❖ POST Positions...

should be even considering the matter because Newdow does not have custody of his daughter and therefore lacks the legal standing to be suing on her behalf.

What ties all these stories together is the fact that a great deal of time, energy and money is being expended in disputes over what is seemingly the most trivial of matters. It is more proof of how civilization insulates us from having to deal with really important matters like food, shelter or safety. This, of course, is not necessarily a bad thing. Being freed from dwelling on the laws of the jungle is what has allowed the long list of mankind's great accomplishments, not the least of which is our favorite cars. It just seems sad that with all of the real problems in our world so much effort is expended on causes of such little import.

Housekeeping

Thanks to all of the photographers out there who submitted pictures for all of the events reported in this issue. When attempting to make things more fun, more to work with is definitely better.

POST gets mail...

I just read and enjoyed your editorial in the Post.

I was reminded of a customer of mine whom I talked with years ago who had worked for a lawn mower manufacturer. They were sued by a couple who had lost all of their fingers while picking up a rotary mower (while running) and tried to trim a hedge.

They won the suit because, after all, there was no warning label on the mower telling them that they shouldn't do this. The couple, both husband and wife, each had a masters degree! I don't know what their degrees were in, but it sure wasn't logic.

Pete Novak

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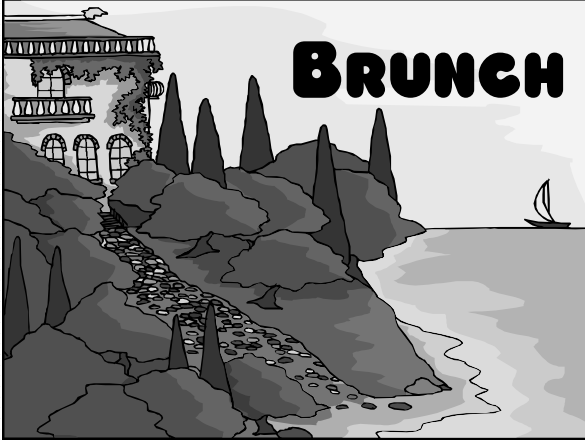
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BRUNCH AT THE BEACH

**SATURDAY
MAY 22**

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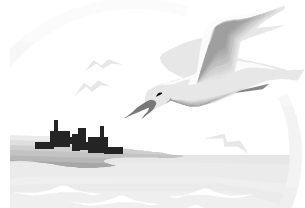
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Capitola Village, the beach and Shadowbrook Restaurant are just a short walk away, so plan on spending some time exploring.



Member Notes

Liz Shaw, Membership Director



Spring has sprung and the Newcomer's Social in mid-March was a great success. We had excellent attendance and I think many of the newbies came away with a good understanding of all the activities available to them from LPR. People were signing up for tours, Good Time Gatherings, and tech sessions. I also had several requests for name badges.

In keeping with my New Year's resolution (the only one I made, anyway), I participated in my first autocross at Marina airport. What a fun sport! The day started out in typical central coast fashion – cool, misty, and subdued. But once the action got going, who cared about the weather! Not good for pictures, but it wasn't raining, plus it certainly wasn't hot. I met several members from other regions and the camaraderie was wonderful. Oh, about the racing, it was exciting seeing my times drop after every run, but shaving off those fractions of seconds was very tough. It was also interesting to work on the course because I could observe how each driver approached certain turns and challenging aspects of the course. I don't think my debut as an announcer went over very well (can't blame everything on equipment), so I think next time, I'll stick to working on the course. The instruction was excellent, the event was very well-run, and I highly recommend giving it a try.

We had a whopping 6 new members who were voted into LPR for the month of April. Archer Bishop and his brother, Thompson Bishop, live in Santa Cruz. Archer drives a 1996 911.

Shawn and Teri Draeger live just south of Archer, in Soquel. They have a 1999 996.

And to round out the Santa Cruz county bunch, we have David C. Robinson, who lives in Santa Cruz and drives a 1970 911 T.

❖ MEMBER NOTES...

The next set of members mailed their membership forms to me so I have a few more details about them. John Hardin lives in Hollister and drives a 1983 brown 911 SC. He listed his interests as Technical, Social, and Concours.

Jon and Edie Mulberg live in Saratoga and drive an Arena Red 2000 Boxster S. Their only checked interest was Technical and I hope we get to see that beautiful car on more occasions.

And last, but certainly not least, we have Bob and Gerry Hicks. They live in Campbell and drive a 1984 red 911 Carrera cabriolet. Bob attached a note to his membership application and said that they missed the “fun” gang and we’re glad to have them back in LPR!! Bob and Gerry have a full schedule of Good Time Gatherings to pick from and I’m sure we’ll see them at several parties.

Welcome to LPR, everyone!! Hope to see you at an activity very soon.

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Awards given for concours entries at this event sponsored by
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Check the "Greater Valley" web site at www.concoursdelegance for concours registration and information. You may also call (559) 438-6367 for more information.

Entry deadline is April 10th. Contact Rocky Taylor (559) 674-8847 or (559) 706-1324 or e-mail to taylor@sierratel.com. Fax your entry to (559) 674-3867.



Lodging at a special group rate is available at the Four Points Sheraton, 3737 N. Blackstone Avenue, Fresno. The rate is \$90.00 plus tax. Call (559) 226-2200 to place your reservation and be sure to mention "Porsche Club." If you have special transportation needs, contact Rocky. Shuttle service will be available to the dinner/dance.

"Instead of getting married again, I'm gonna find a woman I don't like and give her a house." - L. Grizzard

"My wife and I were happy for twenty years. Then we met."- Rodney Dangerfield

"You may marry the man of yours dreams, but fifteen years later you're married to a reclining chair that burps." - R. Barr

GAS, GAS, GAS - AX #1

By Eric Fajaro

Having jumped over from the other German sports car company, I was pleasantly surprised at wide variety of track options open to Porsche owners in the central coast area. I couldn't be happier with the Marina airfield location as it is in my backyard so to speak. The morning of the event went off without a hitch. I managed to find a local Starbucks for a quick hit of double espresso to get my heart rate up. I thought I would be one of the first ones at the place when I showed up at 7:30 AM, but I was surprised at how many folks had already parked their Porsches and at the the number of trailers in the parking lot. There clearly were some folks who took this seriously.



Autocross Chair Cathy Carlson poses with the series sponsor's sign.

Registration and tech went off easily. It helps to read about the procedure before your first event. I helped set up the cones for the course and used it as an opportunity to meet some nice folks. The course looked tight and some of the turns reminded me of the avoidance maneuvers that I had to do in the Costco parking lot a few days ago!

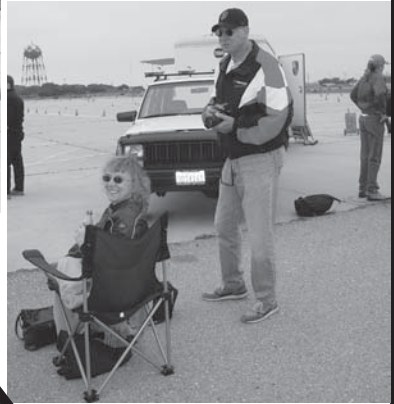


It may look like an auction, but lots of communication leads to greater safety.



Above: Would someone please put that poor little cone out of its misery?

Below: The Safety Chairman (and his chief consort) create a photographic record of the event's safety.



Startin' 'em young...

**GAS, GAS,
GAS - AX#1**

This newbie, water cooled guy got his first ride in an instructor's car and it felt much like the first drop in a roller coaster. My stomach was in my throat for much of his run, but it sure was fun. He rode with me through my first two runs, yelling gas, gas, gas the whole way.



I tell you, all this outsourcing of jobs is getting ridiculous. Here the checkered flag has been entrusted to other than local labor.

I managed to finish the day improving on my times and hitting only one



I'm telling you, my shoe was untied, that's the only reason you beat my time!

cone. Safe, conservative driving. I set out to find the smoothest way around the course, which was not always the fastest. I quickly realized that the 996 cannot be driven like the earlier 911's. The rear end of the 996 remained planted and the car was hampered by understeer.

Additionally, Porsche's PSM came on at unexpected times when I wanted the car to drift or the rear end to rotate around. It really felt weird having one tire brake all by itself! I also had a tough time finding a good place to shift into second gear. My best second gear time was about 1 second faster than my best first gear time so I guess it helped.



The day's participants queue up (that was for Ken) rarin' to get onto the course.

I'm looking forward to the next autocross and the Driver's Education in April!

GAS, GAS, GAS - AX#1, more please.



Above: The 'crossers really appreciate a downhill start.

Right: "I wish they wouldn't put these damn toll booths in the middle of an autocross course."



Left: "What do you mean it was my turn to start the timer?"

Right: To the great satisfaction of the Safety Chairman, the guy working the toll booth survived the day unscathed.



Left: Is it really true that you can improve your run times if you know which way the wind is blowing?

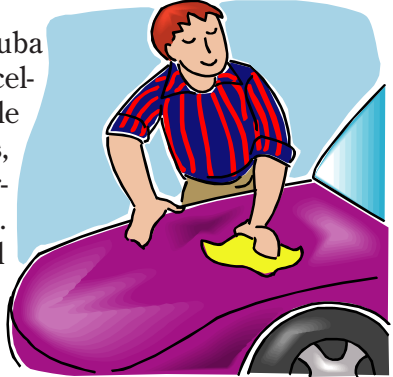
Photos by John Reed & Linda Smith

What is Carnauba?

By David Bynon, San Diego Region (The Windblown Witness) _____

Carnauba is a vegetable fat obtained from the leaves of a Brazilian palm tree called the “Tree of Life” (*Copernicia Cerifera*). Pure Carnauba, in its natural state, is harder than concrete. One of its most interesting properties is that it swells and closes its pores when exposed to water.

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Upcoming LPR Events

June

- 6/3 LPR Board 7:00 p.m. at Mt. Mike's
- 6/6 LPR Swap Meet
- 6/13 Autocross
- 6/19-20 Zone Autocross - Sacramento
- 6/26 GTG - Pool Party at Harlan Pester's

July

- 7/1 LPR Board 7:00 p.m. at Mt. Mike's
- 7/4-10 Parade in Ft. Worth
- 7/11 LPR Picnic at Kelley Park
- 7/25 Autocross

August

- 8/5 LPR Board 7:000 p.m. at Mt. Mike's
- 8/8 Autocross - GGR/LPR
- 8/13 New Comer's Social
- 8/13-15 Monterey Historics
- 8/14 Santa Cruz - Chardonny Tour

MT. THE GREAT HAMILTON TOUR



by Ken Iles

DAY MINUS 5

Half-hour telephone from John just to tell me he has a big problem with his AOL e-mail tour attachment. Check to see if received. No problem! It was there all the time!

DAY MINUS 4

E-mail from Post-Pest Debbie. Will miss tour, - Kev. won't drive twisty roads, - but meet at tour end restaurant. Requests I do write-up. Reply "No prob. Happy to."

DAY MINUS 3

Beautiful weather is continuing. But concern has been expressed about rain on Saturday.

DAY MINUS 2

Cloudy skies and mucho rain. Bad omen for tour weather? Trouble with my printer. Only recipient addresses print O.K. on John's e-mail, but attachment hardly readable when printed.



Was it a bird? Was it a plane? GGR's Gary Leiber starts off the windshield cleaning contest.

DAY MINUS 1

Rain stops. Maybe John's Gawds smile on him. (Snickers more likely!) Pencil copy John's tour times, places etc. visible only from computer screen. Check batteries in mini-recorder for write-up. Prep. Porsche. Start write-up.

DAY ZERO

Right! Here we go. No rain, mainly sunshine, but a bit of drizzle in the hills.

Found our way to the start. And according to John, whose tour e-mail preamble had bestowed upon me the salutatorian mantle of "Head Honcho - Hugs and Greetings Committee", I was now officially empowered to hug and greet. Nice start to the tour methinks, although I have no idea what I'm supposed to do with his back-seat blind chicken he says I have. Weird chap is John! Make a great class subject specimen on a physcho-analysist's couch. Come to think of it, a guy his size could do with a shrink. But I digress!.....



"Okay, okay, they are German cars.. but I still don't know about the salute." John Reed inspires the troops.

On arrival at the start at 8.10 a.m. we found **Ed & Rosie Tavares** already



Talk about precision driving... would you believe these cars were doing almost 70 when they hit this curve!

there along with **Larry & Linda Smith** and **Vince Vincent**. Naturally, as duty called, I hugged and greeted, and continued to do so as people arrived. (It's a dirty job, but someone has got to do it.....I'm very happy to say!) **John Reed** and **Angie Sharp** turned up next at 8.20 a.m., John is in a pretty nasty frame of mind because he lost his name-tag somewhere. He quickly brightened when **Tom & Annie Holdych** arrived next, for Tom



Signs of civilization found in the wilderness.



Another high speed corner



"John, it still comes up short! I'm sorry, but I'm gonna have to ask you for that seventeen cents you got from Pepsi."



The Lick under



Mike Lobenberg, Matt and Kathy Lord, June Iles and Rosie Tavares bundle up for a LPR family photo.



It's all do

LPR COMES TO THE MOUNTAIN



... on the mountain road.



Larry Smith, representing the dark side, poses with the forces of light, First Lady and Mr. President.



... construction.



Mary Woellesen & Rick Jiloty and Leslie & Don Orlando seem pleased with the day's events.



... own hill from here...



The tourists gather for their astronomy lesson.

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held in his hand John's name-tag which he found on the ground as he got out of his car. Nearly trod on it. **Bob & Karen Morgan** arrived next, Karen sporting a temporary "my name is" tag saying 1st. Lady. A story goes along with this, not be narrated here says Bob. Next to arrive were **Jay & Kim Patyk**. Following them were **Don & Leslie Orlando**, newcomers to our region. People were arriving thick and fast now, Mike Lobenberg next, along with **Rudi & Joanna Herz**. Also more newcomers to our region were **Rick Jolity** and **Mary Wollensen**, and **Gary Lieber** from GGR who must have heard of LPR's legendary friendly tours and needed to check them out himself. You new folks are very welcome in our easy-going tour group, and we hope that you will put on some tours of your own sometime soon. Next came **Matt & Kathy Lord**, followed by **Adam & Karen Woblesky**, and **Vic Monzon**. Arriving next was **Klaus Eler**, followed by **Greg & Sue Sickal**, and lastly **Ed & Karen Tefankijan**.



*"Don't shoot, I'm only the messenger."
Tour leader John Reed offers
guidance to his wards.*

There were one or two no-shows, but we had a 10.30 a.m. appointment at the Lick Observatory so we had to get going. Distance to destination was not really that far as the crow flies, but then crows are smart, - they don't fly zig-zag hair-pin courses. We tuned our C.B. radios to Channel 15, and our FRS's to Channel 9/11 so we could talk to each other en route, and our caravan of multi-colored German jelly beans briskly took off at 9.15 a.m.

The drive up the road to Mt. Hamilton seems unending. Sharp bends, tight corners, zig-zags and hairpins all the way. And as we were all driving Porsches which are designed for that kind of terrain, we didn't exactly take our time to take in the wonderful views on the way. And in any case, there was quite a lot of mountain mist or drizzle in places which obscured the gorgeous scenery, and made the road wet in places. Much to my chagrin, for I lost control on one particular slippery corner. First time ever for me in the Boxster! No damage fortunately, other than my bruised ego of course. My instinctive corrective reaction, inbred from

❖ Mt. Hamilton Tour...

previous autocross experience no doubt, saved me. Other than that, the ride up was fairly uneventful, and we all arrived safely at 10.00 a.m.

The doors were opened for us five minutes later so that we could look around the astro exhibits, the gift shop, seismograph, recording barometers, photographs etc., before our scheduled tour of the 120" refraction telescope. The photographs alone were absolutely breathtaking, renewing sobering mind boggling like "is there life elsewhere, what's it all about, - why are we all here on this planet," and other theological questions to which there are no proven answers. Then a technically and scientifically knowledgeable young lady astronomer with very long blonde hair conducted our tour of the telescope, but her habit of constantly flicking her hair back ala Britney Spears was distracting. And



*"Father, at last I've found you."
"Pinocchio?"*

Kevin Bennett & Ken Iles.



"I don't think he knows where we are either." Vic Monzon & Larry Smith check John's tour instructions.

so I quite forgot to concentrate on her presentation facts about the history of the observatory that I intended to relate here. Sorry 'bout that. Maybe I'll blame the altitude! However, I do remember her saying something about \$700K, a whole lot of pianos! Makes appropriate sense, - you had to be there!

We then left the observatory for our downhill run on the other side of Mt. Hamilton to Livermore. Just as well, for a bunch of bikers up there were eyeing our Porsches with envy. In straight line acceleration they may leave us in the dust, but they consider our 4 fat wheels on the road to be way preferable to their 2 skinny wheels in these tight bend roads! Especially if the surface is slick. A descending and uneventful drive through lovely countryside scenery and now full sunshine took us into Livermore, arriving at the Rattlesnake Bar and Grill at 12.40 p.m.

MORE MOUNT HAMILTON



The Rattlesnake chef did an amazing job of disguising Bill Highley's sock.

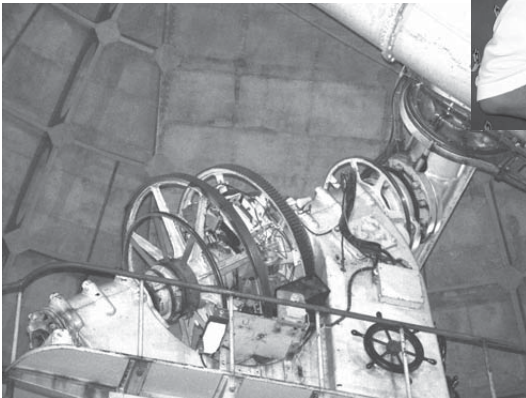
Below: California in the green season made this tour stunning.



John Reed hasn't wound down yet, despite the fact that he found his badge!



Vince Vincent was outgunned at this event; there were almost more cameras than cars.



Left: The telescope positioning mechanism seemed about as well maintained as one of Kevin Bennett's Porsches.

Photos by Vince Vincent, Rick Jiloty, Don & Leslie Orlando and Linda Smith

As expected, we met there with **Debbie & Kevin Bennett**, the chicken-hearted latter refusing to drive twisty mountain roads, obviously unaware that this is Porsche's forte, and equally obviously unable to resist the companionship of fellow members of the Good Time Region. Unexpectedly, also there to meet us was **Paul Seidel** and **Nanci Bishop**.



Kevin Bennett demonstrates the epitome of reserve and etiquette while dining out with LPR!

While the name Rattlesnake Bar and Grill may conjure up visions of some hick cowboy watering hole out in the sticks, it is actually in Livermore's downtown area and is somewhat upscale. Quite nice in fact, but the most memorable thing about the place is an item on their menu. Ribs! From what animal came these ribs? If the dinosaur was not extinct these ribs could



The way to Angie Sharp's heart seems absolutely clear!

well have been theirs! They were ENORMOUS! They could not be served on a plate, - it was a actually a turkey platter. And even then the ribs overhung both ends. Honestly! We measured them at 18" long and 8" wide! Lots of meat and not a bit of fat on 'em either! Mmmmmmmm! It was said **Karen Woblensky** with outstretched arms like some fisherman knocked a glass of water over everyone when describing the size of these ribs. No wonder they say we overeat in America, - there's a meal that really could do with downsizing..

Then came the usual announcements by **Bob Morgan** about forthcoming events, and thanks given to **John Reed** and **Angie Sharp** for putting on this short but excellent tour. A restaurant birthday cake was then presented to John (hey, didn't you guys pull this trick before, - quite recently?), and we left at about 3.10 p.m. for home. Except June and I. We fancied a nice cuppa tea at **Ed & Rosie Tavares's** place, - just to help wash down those ribs.

BBB 4

BOGUS BASIN BACCHANALIA

May 28-31, 2004
in Boise

The Silver Sage Region will again host the Bogus Basin Bacchanalia (BBB) weekend that includes PCA's only hillcross. This is a multi-region event that includes the hillcross, a TSD rally and a mystery event on Memorial Day weekend, May 28-31, 2004.

The BBB '04 weekend starts with registration and a get-acquainted dinner on Friday evening in the Pioneer Lodge at the Bogus Basin ski area, 16 miles north of Boise. Saturday is for the hillcross, where you can drive your Porsche as it was meant to be driven: safe, fast and on a beautiful stretch of winding mountain road. The course is nearly two miles long and features six tight turns and over 500 feet of elevation gain. Kim John Crumb in his 928 set the hill record of 2:01.549 in 1999 on the recently repaved road. If you want to be challenged by the BBB hillcross, be sure to register early since the number of entrants in the hillcross is limited. Saturday ends with dinner and partying in the lodge. Sunday is reserved for rallyists to tour scenic parts of southwest Idaho, and ends with the awards banquet at the lodge. Sometime during the weekend, a mystery event will take place. Since it's a mystery, that's all you get to know for now.

You can learn more about BBB '04 and get an application form by visiting the Silver Sage Region's web site at www.pca.org/ss. Information is also available from Registrar Walt Thode, 547 Balmoral Rd., Boise, ID 83702, (208) 363-9169, wthode@rmci.net.

Sierra Nevada and Sacramento Valley Regions Present
Zone 7 Autocrosses #3 and #4
Saturday and Sunday, May 15 & 16
Stead Airport - Reno, NV



Early registration from 7:30 to 8:30 A.M.
Late registration from 11:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.
Fee: \$30.00 per driver - paid at the site
No open exhaust; a few loaner helmets available

Directions: from I-80 take Highway 395 North; turn right on Stead Boulevard; bear right at “Y” intersection; continue around the curve and bear right at next “Y” intersection. Continue straight toward the airport control tower and grandstands. For last-minute trailer parking information, call Pat Costin at (775) 348-6177. Note: food is not available at site, but fast-food establishments are about three miles distant.

Lodging: Sands Regency Hotel, located at 345 N. Arlington Avenue, has rooms available at \$89.00 plus tax per night for May 15 and 16. Call (775) 348-2200 for reservations and reference Sierra Nevada Region/Porsche Club. *Directions:* from I-80, take Exit 13 (Downtown Reno/Virginia St.), turn right on Sierra St. (one way South), turn right on 4th St., and turn left at Arlington.

Saturday Night Barbecue at the Sands Regency Hotel. Cost is \$25.00 per adult, \$15.00 per child under 16. RSVP by May 10, sending your check, made payable to “PCA-SNR,” to Pat Costin, 1850 Aquila Ave., Reno, NV 89509.

For information, contact Pat Costin
at
(775) 348-6177
e-mail pcostin@attglobal.net



“I protect my investment with Clear Armor” says Jerry Rice

by *Michael Ching*

Bright and early on a beautiful Saturday morning a group of Porsche enthusiasts met at the very clean Clear Armor shop on Old Middlefield road in Mountain View and were greeted by Craig Hirotsuka. Clear Armor provided the usual goodies - which included - fresh coffee and Krispy Kreme doughnuts to awaken all.



Craig began with a layman’s description of clear armor (CA), a clear car bra for any make of automobile to protect the paint of the car from rocks, gravel, bugs and anything else that might hit your Porsche, like a piece of an aluminum ladder, but we’ll get more into that later. CA was originally created by 3M Corporation to protect army helicopter blades from being damaged by flying debris as the helicopters were landing and taking off. It is a layer of thermo-plastic urethane for long term durability. Craig passed out examples of the CA, and it is a very strong plastic, we tried to break the plastic with our hands and it was extremely difficult. The Clear Armor for the headlights is a thicker plastic made to provide a non-glare, non-reflective, breathable shield. At this point the thought comes to mind, what would you rather do, pay for the Clear Armor or pay for a \$1,500 broken headlamp assembly in the future?



Craig Hirotsuka welcomes LPR to the tech session.

❖ I protect my investment ...

CA for newer Porsches is cut to specification by a software program. Craig passed out example diagrams of the exact pieces that would apply to specific Porsches. The full package includes protection of the hood, front bumper, mirror housings, gas door edge, headlights, front fender lips, door cups (the place under the door handle that gets scratched from finger nails) door trims, rear flares and rear fender lips. The pieces are very well thought out. If you have an older car, they will custom cut the pieces for you.



Class is in session.

is scientifically tested and proven to counteract the damages from harmful ultraviolet rays.

Q: How is the CA applied?

A: The film is attached with a high performance, pressure sensitive, acrylic adhesive to guarantee proper adhesive to automotive paints.

Q: Can you remove the CA?

A: Yes, the CA can be removed from the car with no damage to the paint.

Q: Can you apply the CA to a newly painted area?

A: It depends on the quality of the body shop that did the work, however typically they recommend waiting 4 months before applying the CA. Although they have had circumstances with high quality body shops where they have been able to apply the Clear Armor 2 days after the paint was completed, with no damage to the paint.

Now the Porsche enthusiasts were clearly intrigued, and questions started flying at Craig from all sides. Some of the questions and answers were as follows:

Q: Does the plastic yellow over time?

A: No, the CA contains a UV protective top layer coating that



Mike Lee and Craig Hirotsuka study the application of the Clear Armor as Michael Ching looks on.

Q: Can you wax the CA?

A: Yes, the CA is a breathable plastic and you should treat it just as you would treat your paint.

Q: Will the headlight protection bubble as a result of the heat?

A: No, the CA breathes and will not bubble even with the HID lights.

Q: Does the CA hold up under racing conditions?

A: CA has been race tested to over 160 mph.

Q: Can I have it done today?

A: Unfortunately they were booked for the day, but they take appointments and can be very flexible around the Porsche enthusiasts schedules.



The applied Clear Armor is almost invisible.

CA provides services to Carlsen Porsche, Stevens Creek Porsche and Sonnen Porsche in this area.

Q: What is the cost?

A: The CA complete service typically costs around \$1,200 - and they were offering a discount to attendees and club members. Those interested should contact Craig and refer to the this tech session.

Now for the testimonial, Vince Vincent has had the CA on his 996, and swears by it. He had the unfortunate incident of having a piece of an aluminum ladder fly off of a truck in front of him and hit the 996's front bumper. Upon our analysis of the area on his bumper which was hit, the CA clearly took a beating, however the underlying paint had no damage. Enough said, this stuff works.

And finally, the warranty, if the Clear Armor paint protection film damages the paint on the vehicle at any time during the first 48 months after installation, the paint damage will be repaired at no charge to the owner up to a value of \$1,000. For more information on Clear Armor contact Craig at (650)625.1882 or visit www.cleararmorinc.com.

On behalf of all - I want to thank Craig and the owner, Simon Yiu for making this event very interesting and informative

Yosemite Region Presents

MayMadness

A Pan-Am Rally
Saturday, May 8



Fee: \$20.00 per car, \$15.00 if preregistered by May 3
Registration at 8:45 A.M. • Driver/Navigator meeting at 9:30 A.M.
First car out at 10:01 A.M.
Bud Behrens and Jim Cooper, Rallymasters

Description: Official maps or instructions will be used to communicate possible routes to standoff and checkpoint controls so that entrants may arrive at each checkpoint at the time and in the direction specified. All roads are paved and public unless otherwise specified.

Classes: Everyone is in the same class. Permissible equipment includes clipboard, paper, pens/pencils, highlighters, a watch or timing device, and a single-memory calculator. No rally charts or tables, calculators, or computers are permitted. Each rally car must have a driver and a navigator.

Preregistration: It is strongly recommended that entrants study the general rules prior to the event. To obtain them, send your entry fee check in the amount to of \$15.00, payable to "Yosemite Region - PCA," and a self-addressed, stamped, legal-size envelope postmarked for delivery no later than May 3 to:

May Madness
6424 Culpepper Place
Stockton, CA 95207-3208

Directions: Start and finish will be in Stockton at the Marina Center on Benjamin Holt Drive, just west of I-5. From northbound I-5, take the Benjamin Holt exit and turn left; from southbound I-5, take the Benjamin Holt exit and turn right. Registration will adjacent the McDonald's.



Information: Bud Behrens at (209) 477-6496, e-mail <budnmaryann@cs.com> or Jim Cooper at (209) 239-9465, e-mail <xdecman@yahoo.com>

Bill Peterson, a Florida State football coach:
"You guys line up alphabetically by height." And "You guys pair up in groups of three, then line up in a circle."

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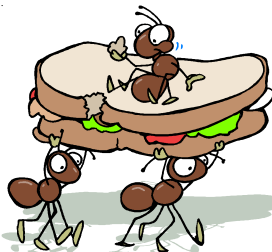
Mark Your Calendar for LPR's Family Picnic

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1650 Senter Road, San Jose

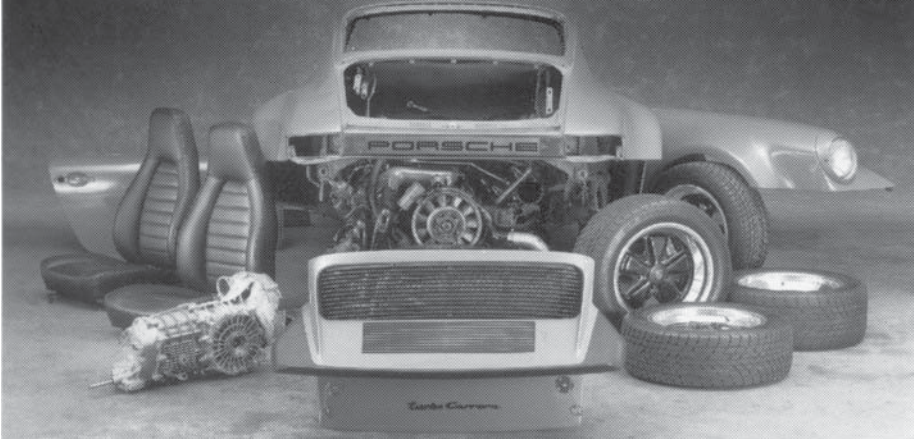
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St. Patrick's Day Brunch with O'LPR

by *Larry Brisson*

Most people are unaware that St. Patrick grew up in Scotland, and was carried off to Ireland at the age of 16 by a band of Irish marauders. He matured as a slave in Ireland, escaped and spent many years in other countries before returning as a priest to convert the country. With such an international background, it is fitting that in his honor, a group of Americans drove their German cars to have brunch in a quaint town with the Hispanic name of Los Gatos, to celebrate the patron saint of Ireland.



*Larry and Juanita O'Brisson,
wreathed in Irish sentiment.*

Almost 30 LPR members turned out on Sunday morning, March 14, for an early celebration of St. Patrick's day. It was one of those totally clear, sunny and warm days that remind us why we stay in California. We met at the Los Gatos Brewing Company for brunch, libations, and socializing. The restaurant was quite full; this was clearly a popular place for a Sunday brunch. At one end of the room, behind a glass wall, the micro-brewery equipment was visible, lending a certain ambiance to the room, and hinting at fresh and interesting beers. Nevertheless, for some reason, most of the LPR folks chose other drinks this morning, rather than beer.



*Rudi O'Herz dispenses with those
prissy Irish toasts and just says,
"Here's mud in your eye."*

The group soon got organized and seated at a few tables in a small group. Drinks were served, and soon the food was delivered. I had the omelet, which was great. At the table, we were seated next to Jim and

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Rochelle Warriner, whom I hadn't seen in years. It was great to see them again and catch up on what was going on with them.

Everybody was very much in the spirit of St. Patty's day, and most participated in the "wearing of the green". In our case, Juanita made us both little "crowns" consisting of interwoven strands of metallic green cloth. As she put mine on my head, I was suddenly struck by the thought that I was lucky that the symbol of Ireland is not the rose, or I would have had to wear a crown of thorns.



Bob O'Morgan and Kevin O'Bennett take this "Kiss me I'm Irish" stuff seriously. Bill O'Highley basks in the amorous attention as Ed O'Tavares dreams of his RV.

It happened that Joanna Herz had her birthday that day. As a present she received a magic wand, and was told that she could touch anyone with the wand and "get whatever she wants". I was afraid to ask later if the wand worked, and what she had wanted from whom. In honor of her special day, there was also a birthday cake, and everyone had the chance to eat a piece.



Emilie O'Highley demonstrates her secret weight loss technique with O'GGR's loss and O'LPR's gain, Rob O'Heuser.

Along with the brunch, we were served with Irish fortune cookies. They looked just like the Chinese variety, but the fortunes inside had a different "flavor". Some of them read: "There is no love sincerer than the love of food."

"May your coffee, and slanders against you, be ever alike – without grounds."

"Where there are two Irishmen, there are three opinions."

After brunch, we gradually made our way out

of the brew-pub, and many of the group went walking about Los Gatos, enjoying the unique atmosphere and the beautiful sunny day. During our walk, we found ourselves in a shop that was showing a movie about a gorilla that had learned to communicate with humans by sign language.

A man's Porsche has often been considered a mistress, seducing his attentions away from wife and family. After the brunch, I learned that my red 993 is a jealous mistress! While we were



The secret identity of Porscherman finally revealed! Ralph O'Maines.

walking around Los Gatos in the early afternoon, I noticed a beautiful Ferrari 360 Modena parked across the street. I remarked to Juanita, "There's my next sports car." We continued our leisurely walk around



Partners in crime.... Emilie O'Highley and Debbie O'Bennett.

the quaint town, stopped for some great coffee, and returned to our car. As I backed out of the parking space, I noticed a puddle on the ground under where the front of the car had been. Closer inspection showed that it was power steering fluid (or possibly tears from my jealous mistress). It was an expensive lesson; I'll have to be more careful what I say within earshot of my car!

In spite of this little mechanical glitch, it was a really fun event. In the spirit of Ireland I will leave you with a final blessing: "May you be an hour in heaven before the Devil knows you're dead."

St. Pat's at the Los Gatos Brewing Co.



Bill & Emilie O'Highley.



Dick O'Dentino, Kevin O'Bennett, Jim & Rochelle O'Warriner.



June & Kenneth O'Iles



Above: Ed & Rosemary O'Tavares and Kenneth O'Iles.



Left: Dick O'Dentino and Sam & Liz O'Shaw.

PCNA Porsche Supercup Dinner Announced

PCNA Porsche Supercup Dinner and Race tickets for the benefit of PCA members planned for Indy F1 Race at the United States Grand Prix June 19&20, 2004.

Porsche Cars North America and the Central Indiana Region of the Porsche Club of America are pleased to announce the Third Annual Porsche Supercup Dinner to be held on Saturday, June 19th in conjunction with festivities surrounding the United States Grand Prix Formula One race.

This year's Supercup Dinner will be hosted at the Walker Racing facility in Indianapolis and feature a variety of current and vintage Porsche's including the 1989 Porsche Indy Car that was piloted by Teo Fabi under the direction of Derrick Walker. The dinner will feature a special "key-note" speaker and will also feature select Porsche Supercup drivers talking about their experiences with Porsche and the Supercup program.

Again this year, the United States Grand Prix festival committee in conjunction with Central Indiana Region PCA will hold the Porsche Grand Car Cruise through downtown Indianapolis. The Supercup Dinner will follow the Car Cruise enabling dinner attendees to participate in both the cruise and dinner.

Seating is limited therefore early registration is encouraged. The \$55.00 registration fee per attendee includes access to the Walker Racing facilities, a selection of beer and wine, dinner and desert. Registration will be made available online at <http://www.cirpca.org> along with further details in the coming weeks.

Porsche Cars North America has made special arrangements with the track for PCA members. The seats "best in the house" are located in section H (1st turn coming off the oval). Race tickets are \$105. Please contact 1 800-822-INDY and ask for Carole. Please specify that you are a PCA member, have your PCA number available, and want to sit in the Porsche Cars North America block.

Loma Prieta Region PCA
Minutes of the April 2004 Board Meeting



The April Board meeting was held on April 1, 2004, at Mountain Mike's Pizza in Los Gatos. Board members in attendance were Bob & Karen Morgan, Susan Sickal, Emilie Highley, Harlan Pester, Liz Shaw, Kevin Bennett, and Vince Vincent. Other members present were Ralph Maines, Pete Siemens, John Reed, Angie Sharp, Cathy Carlson, Bill Highley, Joe & Cheryl Pruss, Ken & June Iles. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

A correction to last month's minutes was made to reflect that the August Harbor Cruise is to be considered a Tour rather than a Good-Time Gathering. Sue then moved to accept the minutes and Emilie seconded. Minutes were approved.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS

PRESIDENT: Bob Morgan

Bob read Ralph Maines' resignation letter as Tech Chairman. Ralph's many years of service were noted with appreciation. Ralph said he would continue to do the bulletin boards. Bob also announced the Zone 7 Concours Judges' School to be held on 4/18 with reservations due by 4/10.

VICE-PRESIDENT: Emilie Highley

Emilie reviewed the list of upcoming April and May events. April events include the Campbell Bunnies & Bonnets Parade on 4/10, Drivers Ed at Thunderhill on 4/11, the Hawaiian GTG at the Bryant's on 4/17, autocross on 4/25, and CRAB in Sacramento on 4/23 through 4/25. May events include the Board Meeting on 5/6, autocross on 5/16, and the Beach Brunch at the Smiths on 5/22. She announced the Clear Lake Tour has been postponed and will be substituted with a one-day tour either 5/8 or 5/9. She indicated that she spoke with Paul Siedel-Smith who has transferred his membership to GGR and asked that his name be removed from any tours that he has originally planned. Future June events were announced as well as the need to put together committees for the Family Picnic.

SECRETARY: Karen Morgan

Karen had nothing new to report.

TREASURER: Susan Sickal

Sue published a report detailing income and expenses for the month of March. Income was \$4,838.00 and expenses were \$5,658.85. Sue will publish a corrected Treasurer's Report to remedy the inclusion of income from the Mt.

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Hamilton Tour into the Good-Time Gathering category and move it into the Tour category. She also renewed the club's CD for another 6 months.

ACTIVITY DIRECTOR: Harlan Pester

Harlan reported he received waiver forms from Ralph's Tech Session and he needs them from the March autocross. Bob will collect signatures at the Easter Parade. Harlan has submitted insurance request for the April autocross.

MEMBERSHIP: Liz Shaw

New members John Hardin, Jon & Edie Mulberg, Robert Hicks & Gerri were announced. Karen proposed the new members be accepted and Vince seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE: Vince Vincent

Vince announced that the proposed By-Law revisions were out for voting by the members. Karen announced a vote counting party at her and Bob's house on May 7th at 7 p.m. Vince also announced that Ken, June, John, and Debbie will be the Nominating Committee for this year's elections.

EDITOR: Kevin Bennett

Kevin asked for anecdotal contributions from those attending the Drivers Ed event. Bob & the Prusses will write paragraphs about their first impressions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Webmaster - Greg Sickal

Greg was not present at this meeting.

Autocross – Cathy Carlson

Cathy presented the March autocross release forms to Harlan and an invoice for autocross expenses from Marina Motorsports and also for other autocross expenses incurred. She announced next autocross is 4/25. There were 40 drivers at the last event. The August autocross date at Marina was dropped without a fee.

Safety – John Reed

John said the tech session, the autocross, and tour were safe. He will be at the Easter Parade and the next autocross.

Tech – Now an open position.

Goodie Store – Joe & Cheryl Pruss

Joe & Cheryl reported receiving some product for delivery. \$277.69 was submitted for payment. The sample hat was rejected by PCA. They will send PCA another sample. Joe asked if the board wanted to set up a Goodie Store at the

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Swap Meet. He will send Bob an e-mail proposal and the board will vote whether to increase inventory.

Charity – Open position

Public Relations – Penny Brisson

Penny was not present at this meeting.

Drivers Education – Pete Siemens

Pete reported that Drivers Ed has 56 students and 20 instructors. We need 62 students to break even. We also need to build a list of potential participants and make sure other regions promote the event.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Membership Roster - One member declined to be included in the directory.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Printer Proposal – Discussion was tabled.

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

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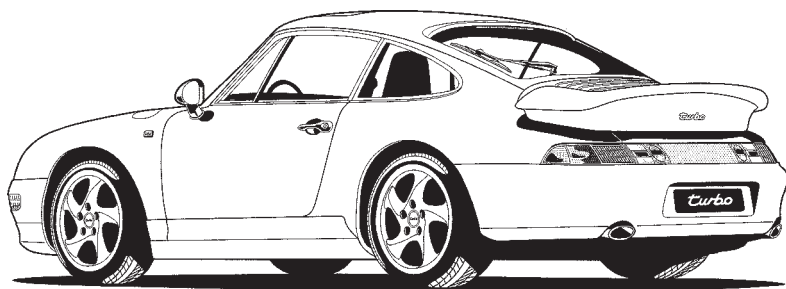
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