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## Editor's Letter

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With Jackie recuperating from her injured leg sitting in the family room with her leg propped up in the sofa recliner, I have lost control of television channel selection. With that, I am watching much less Barrett-Jackson and Mecum car auctions and more Oprah and "Say Yes to the Dress".

Oprah had a psychologist on one day who said that if you attend only one group meeting per month with a social organization that it is the psychological equivalent of doubling your income. So I read that as meaning that if I attend one LPR function a month I will feel much richer....so what about you?

March is the month we move out of member homes with GTG's focused on eating chili and soup and we start doing things with the cars.... tours, tech sessions and autocross. So join in the LPR fun and feel richer.

I had a tremendously positive response running the Technical Section on fuel, so this month we cover synthetic oil, I hope you enjoy. Also note that I didn't forget the Unclassified Ad section. We have no ads this month, but we do have a sale at the Goodie Store, so take a look and get your LPR couture to wear at the next event.

Enjoy this month's edition of the *Prieta Post*.

Steve

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# Newsletter of the Loma Prieta Region, PCA

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Steve Graham's 993 cab at Marina AX. The LPR autocross season opens this month.

Photo by Rena Schaut

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### **Back-Cover Photo:**

From the LPR archives a scanned image of June Iles circa 1971 autocrossing with Jim Kershaw riding shotgun in the Iles' 1969 911E.

Photo: Prieta Post



# Hye Notes

**Ed Tefankjian, President**



**The month of March** brings the end of winter and the beginning of spring....so get your cars out of the garage, dust them off and get ready, because March also starts the beginning of LPR's driving events. On March 20th Kris and Tony Vanacore are leading a driving tour...Sippin' at the Ranch. And on March 27th Anne Roth is kicking off the LPR 2011 Autocross Season at Marina. Check the POST for the details on both these and other events. There are many fun LPR activities planned for this year.

There are eight LPR Autocross events scheduled this year at Marina, plus there are Zone 7 and Golden Gate Region Autocross events that you can attend....about twenty days of Autocross (or about one set of tires). There is an Autocross Ground School on March 12th....see the POST for details. For you first time Autocrossers and you veterans I've got some tips before LPR's first Autocross;

- Find that helmet you stored somewhere in the house or was it in the garage? If you can't find it or if you don't have one....we have loaner helmets.
- Check your seat belts, make sure they are tight and work properly.
- Check your brake pads and make sure you have a firm peddle. Also, it's a good idea to flush your brake fluid every other year.
- Check your wheel bearings, make sure that they are not too loose.
- Make sure your battery is secure.
- Check your tires for excessive wear and the correct pressure.
- Make sure you have enough gas, not too much....it's extra weight.
- Check your oil level even if you recently changed it.
- If you have a water cooled engine check the water level.
- Look under your Porsche for anything loose or any major oils leaks.
- Check under your seats for anything loose that could fly out and get under your feet.
- Bring a small tarp to cover all the "stuff" that must be removed from your car.
- Bring lots of water, a hat, sunscreen, food to munch on, a folding chair, your camera and what other "creature" comforts you may need to make your day enjoyable.
- And lastly, wash your Porsche ....I've been told that a clean Porsche goes faster.

Come on out to some of the great LPR events....see your old friends and make some new ones. Remember, "it's not just the cars, it's the people.

Bye for now, Ed

report of the Membership Director

# Membership Report

Tom Provasi



**It was a slow month for new members.** Slow might be an understatement since we had zero new members last month. The one transfer in this month was actually an LPR member who moved and the national office automatically changed his region

to GGR last month. His intention was never to leave LPR. To make things easier for any of you in the future, if you move and intend to stay in LPR, let the national office know what region you want to remain in when you send them your change of address.

Spring is a great time to get the Porsche out and try one of the many events the club has to offer. Take a look at this month's calendar and decide to join us for a good time, there's plenty going on.

Hope to see you at an upcoming event.

## Transferred In

Don & Jan Schmidek	Saratoga	1991 911
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## Anniversaries

### 5th

Jane & Bill Charron	S. Juan Bautista	1972 914
Brian Confetti	Watsonville	
Elaine & Jaime Kopstein	Brazil	1994 993
Lisa LaForge	Palo Alto	
Glen Peterschmidt	Los Gatos	1989 911

### 10th

JoAnne Antonowicz	San Jose	1994 928
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New members from PCA: 0, Transfers in: 1, Transfers out: 1

Memberships that expired last month (1/31/11): 6

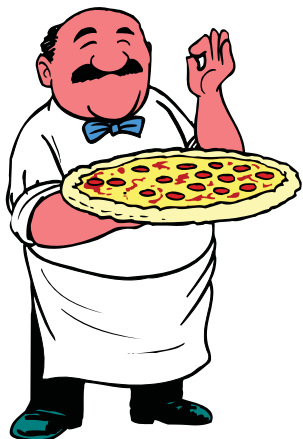
Total renewal's last month (January 2011): 20

**LPR Membership: 2/1/2011 Total = 527 (Primary = 292, Affiliates = 235)**



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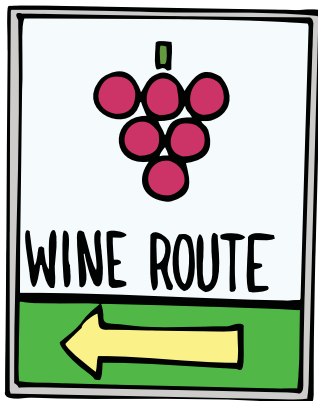


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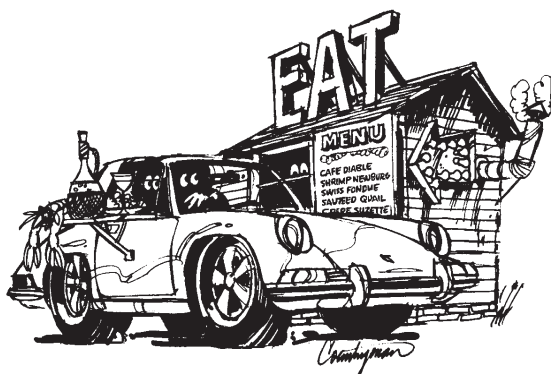
Meeting at The Country Inn 6484 Camden Ave, San Jose. 95120

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The next weekend outing is on July 9-10 with a real twist...this is a "Ladies Only" Porsche tour! The men can stay home and do the laundry and wash the cat because they're not invited on this event. LPR first lady Karen Tefankjian is the tour leader and she's not letting the cat out of the bag about the location as yet, she probably knows but is keeping the cat in the bag to herself.

Hold your breath because just two weeks later on July 23-24 Suzette Pangrle is heading up another weekend get away. Yet another twist! On Sunday, the 24th, LPR is hosting a zone autocross in Marina and Suzette is taking as many who want to, to this autocross, especially the ladies! A tour and autocross offing on the same weekend, let's twist the night away!

A one day "Wine Country" drive by Paul and Nanci is on tap for Saturday, August 13th. Summertime fun in your Porsche, doesn't get any better than this!

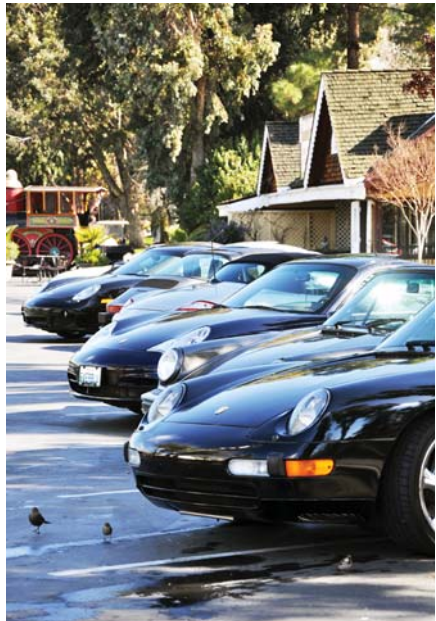
October 8-9 will find us once again spending the weekend exploring back roads to our final destination, Morro Bay. The Reeds and Bennetts are the hosts of the last weekend tour of 2011. By the sea, by the sea, beautiful Porsches by the sea.



The annual "Christmas in the Vineyards" one day event on Sunday, December 4th will end the LPR tour season. A great way to finish off the year! Hosts Paul and Nanci always provide an outstanding drive and a social LPR goodtimes!

Let's see: Five one day tours. Four weekend tours. Tour junkies will jump for joy. Hope to see you on as many of these tours as you can attend. All the information will appear in the POST a month or two before the events.

Happy motoring.

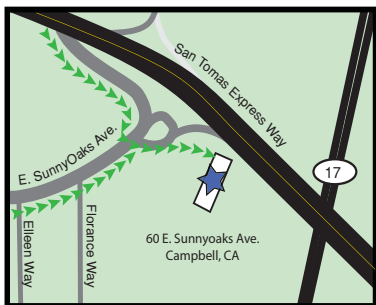


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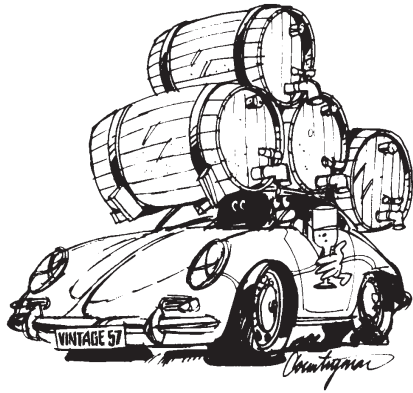
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# Synthetic Oils; Should You Be Using Them?

By: Ken Koop—Yellowstone Region



Do synthetics work better in some cars than others? Can you change the oil less frequently by using them? Do they make your engine last longer? Should you be using them in your car? Are they cost effective? Will they make the engine seals leak? Most people do not really understand how synthetic oils work or how they benefit an engine. Let's examine some of these questions to get a better understanding of synthetic oils.

The precursors to synthetic oil actually began during World War II and then became even more important for the aviation industry with the development of jet engines. Synthetic oils are unique in their ability to function very dependably during extreme hot and cold operating temperatures. They also can withstand the rigorous and lengthy high temperature engine operation (without chemical breakdown) that a jet engine places on their lubricating fluids. Because of their extraordinary capacity to reduce friction and wear on jet engine parts, other applications to utilize synthetic oils were quickly looked at. Since these same advantages would obviously be a benefit to the automobile industry, the oil companies began working to bring

synthetics to the automotive market. Early synthetic oil applications for road use were developed as problem solvers. Engine oil products from Conoco and Mobil were developed for use in equipment on the Alaskan North Slope due to the extreme cold weather operating conditions. In 1972, Amsoil introduced their synthetic motor oil for automotive applications and shortly thereafter, Mobil SHC was launched for cars in Europe. Mobil SHC went through further development and in 1974 it became the product we know today as Mobil 1. By the 1990's, many other oil companies brought their synthetic oils to the marketplace and sold them along with their conventional petroleum-based products. Mobil 1 is by far, the largest selling brand

Steve Mitchell

of synthetic motor oil on the market today.

Conventional oils come from crude oil that is pumped out of the ground. In an oil refinery, crude oil is separated into various "fractions". These fractions become the bases for lubricating oils and fuels. The part of crude oil that form the thick tangled masses of carbon chains are used in roofing tars and blacktop for roads. The very short-chain and ring compounds of carbon are volatile and can be refined to produce gasoline, diesel, lubricating oil and other products.

All motor oils are composed of (1) base oils and (2) additives (e.g. detergents). In general, fully synthetic motor oils contain 100% non-conventional, high-performance fluids. Whereas, synthetic blends typically use some non-conventional high-performance fluids, in combination with conventional oil for their bases. It is the unique chemical formulation of synthetic oil that allows them to be highly resistant to viscosity breakdown caused by high temperatures, friction and chemical contaminants. The chemical contaminants that affect a motor oil's life are controlled by the detergents that are added to all oils (both synthetic and conventional). These detergents suspend, absorb or breakdown the contaminants in the oil and are one of the main reasons that oil needs to be changed on a regular basis.

Conventional oils lack the performance of synthetic oils in the areas of both low-temperature flow rates (pour points) and high-temperature oxidation stability (flash

points). Conventional motor oil is made up of an inconsistent mixture of long and short chains of carbon and hydrogen atoms. In the extreme heat of an engine, the short-chain molecules can evaporate and unstable long-chain molecules can oxidize and break down. Conventional oils also contain greater amounts of impurities such as sulfur, reactive and unstable hydrocarbons as well as other undesirable contaminants that cannot be completely removed by the conventional refining process. Mobil 1 uses high-performance fluids including polyalphaolefins, along with a proprietary system of additives, which turn the finished oil into a much purer and homogeneous lubricant.

Should you be using synthetic oils in your car? Well that depends on the vehicle's age, mileage and recommendation from the manufacturer. Older vehicles with high mileage tend to have excessive mechanical wear in the engine, allowing for unwanted internal oil by-pass (burned in the combustion chamber by passing through the piston rings). For vehicles with high mileage, it may not be ideal to use conventional or synthetic oils with lower viscosity ratings such as 0W-20/30 or 5W-20/30 because they are very thin and free flowing. The use of these lower viscosity oils could potentially result in higher internal oil consumption in older engines. However, the use of synthetic oils in older vehicles without excessive wear is permissible. One concern that owners of air cooled engines have is the reduction of Zinc (Z) and

Phosphate (P) in the newer (actually all) oil formulations. This reduction in Z & P helps to prolong the catalytic converter's service life. However, these same compounds have been instrumental in reducing wear on valve train components such as cam lobes and valve lifters in older engines. Using higher viscosity synthetic oils such as 15W-50 still retain higher levels of Z & P and are probably still permissible to be used for air cooled engines. The formulations are continually changing, so it is wise to monitor the oil that you use for both Z & P levels.

Many automobile manufacturers use full synthetic and semi-synthetic oils in their engines today. Porsche adds Mobil 1 at the factory to all of their new cars and only recommends Mobil 1 to be used in their cars since it is one of the few synthetic oils that are actually fully synthetic (not just a semi-synthetic blends). Porsche has used Mobil 1 exclusively since the early 90's, in all of their production and racing cars. In general, you will find that synthetic lubricants are used when there is a high-performance engine with tight tolerances; high compression ratios; turbo-chargers; or high operating temperatures involved. For those of you that track your cars, especially on hot days, synthetic oils are much more predictable than conventional oils and are able to prevent the viscosity of the oil from breaking down (making synthetics more stable). It is also important to follow the owner's manual for the correct motor oil recommendations regarding viscosity grades (0W-40, 15W-50 etc) to provide proper

lubrication and cooling of the engine parts at all operating temperatures. If you want to use a synthetic oil and your car is still under warranty, check with your local dealer before switching to a synthetic oil to make sure you are able to do so under the warranty specifications (the last sentence pertains to your non-Porsche automobiles).

Porsche uses fairly low viscosity ratings for their newer cars (generally 0W-40 and 5W-40 weight oils). There are a number of reasons for this; the first is that the car will get better fuel mileage with lighter weight oils since heavier oils generate more resistance. Another is that with the use of newer and lighter weight materials inside the engine, tolerances are tighter and lighter oils will flow better between the two materials. With the development of the Vario-Cam Plus system in the mid 90's (which helps to develop more power and better fuel mileage), it requires the use of lower viscosity oils to work properly. Sludge and varnish build-up inside the engine are all but eliminated with the use of these light weight synthetics. So there is good reason for Porsche to be using them.

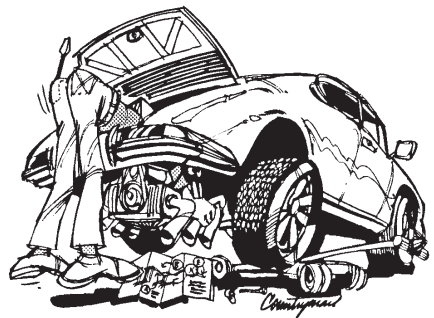
Another commonly asked question is; will synthetic oil leak out of my older car's gaskets or seals? The answer is, (according to the Exxon Mobil Corp.) "Mobil 1 does not cause leaks. Mobil 1 was tested in dozens of industry standard and original equipment manufacturers tests to prove its seal performance. It is fully compatible with the elastomeric materials from which all automotive seals and gaskets are made. If an older engine

is in good condition and does not currently have oil leaks, then Mobil 1 will provide the same advantages as when used in a new engine”.

The auto manufacturers use synthetic oils for a number of reasons: (1) They provide better lubrication allowing the engine to last longer. Synthetics are able to do this because the molecules reduce friction so much better than conventional oils. They produce less engine wear and provide for greater engine longevity. (2) Synthetic oils give better fuel economy because there is less friction developed between moving engine parts. (3) Engine start-up wear is also greatly reduced with 0W-xx or 5W-xx viscosities, because the fluids can be pumped through the oil system easily and get to the parts requiring lubrication quickly (especially beneficial in cold climates). (4) Synthetics are highly resistant to viscosity breakdown (the ability of an oil to flow during all ranges of operating temperatures) from heat, friction and chemical contaminants. (5) They provide for longer service intervals (5,000-7,000 miles compared to 3,000 miles for conventional oils). For instance, my Porsche Cayenne has a recommended oil change interval of 20,000 miles with the use of Mobil 1. (6) Because of their longer service life, they are also better for the environment since there is less dirty oil that has to be recycled. (7) Synthetics have proven themselves in the most difficult of all automotive applications—racing. Almost every Porsche and professional racing team now use synthetic oils exclusively in their race cars.

One of the only arguments for not using synthetic oils is the cost. They are about two to three times the price of conventional oils. However, because of their superior lubricating properties, the increase in cost is more than offset by improving the engine’s performance, lowering the maintenance costs (extending the oil change interval), being friendlier to the environment, reducing fuel consumption and increasing the longevity of the engine itself.

Exxon Mobil Corp. currently makes two different types of synthetic oils; Mobil 1 and Mobil 1 Extended Performance (good for 15,000 miles between oil change intervals). Both offer superior lubricating properties for all of our high-performance engines. Another thing you may wish to consider is the lubrication of the car’s non-engine parts (ball joints for steering, wheel bearings and transmissions). Mobil 1 also offers a full range of synthetic gear lubricants and synthetic grease that will out-perform conventional lubricants. With the use of these products, you should be able to keep your Porsche running at its best for a long time.







The Chili Party was off to a good start with a delicious assortment of appetizers and wine which were presented at the dining room table. The conversation of course was about delicious food and chili. Anne Roth was praised for her "famous" Margaritas and "killer", "world class" brownies. There were several opinions as to the origin of chili. It was agreed that chili is an American invention but there was dispute as to everything else concerning the origin. Texas trail cooks prepared chili in the 1800s on cattle drives, pork chili verde came from New Mexico, chili con carne from Texas, and black bean chili with butternut squash from California.

A waft of delicious aromas from the kitchen led me to an assortment of six steaming hot chili entrees, none of which were traditional recipes. All were very different in ingredients and concept. Knowing the creativity of LPR members, this was not unexpected. It was obvious to me that each of these creations definitely had "SECRET INGREDIENTS" in them, so I set out to interrogate the chili chefs and get them to disclose their secrets.

Chili prepared by Joanna Herz emphasized her "English side". Secret ingredients were Worcestershire sauce, Coleman's dry mustard, along with kidney beans and brown sugar. Kevin Bennett made his chili with pork, curry, Irish Porter dark beer, and three types of peppers; jalapeno, Anaheim, and bell peppers. Margie's chili contained bay leaves, beef and fresh produce. Angie Reed prepared "Green and White Chili" with ground pork, onions, great northern beans,

green salsa, cumin and cilantro. Emile Highley created a white bean chili with chicken and white beans



and half & half. Anne Roth made "Chile Colorado" (chile spelled with an "e") with a red sauce, 5 or 6 varieties of dried chilis, onion, agave nectar, and her secret ingredient of beef fillet in chunks. All the recipes were delicious.

Everyone enjoyed sampling the various chili creations with fresh cornbread and an array of gourmet salads. After we indulged in dessert, Ken brought out his golf putting game in the living room for everyone to try. According to Ken, this game will be used as part of the next "FunKhana". We enjoyed looking at photos in several coffee table "Shutterfly books" of past memorable events in the life of Ken and June which were beautifully put together by Joanna Herz into professional presentations. When we were ready to leave, we heard Angie in the kitchen declaring that she was "looking for her top".

Ken and June were outstanding hosts, Chili Night was very well organized to accommodate a large group. They had all the "SECRET INGREDIENTS" of putting on an outstanding Chili Night. The result was great fun and sharing with a good time to be had by all. We are grateful for having the continuing friendship of our LPR friends. Thank you June and Ken.







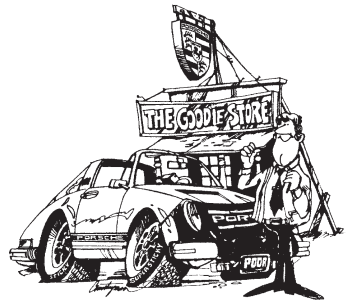
John Reed



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<b>Women's apparel</b>					
Hanes Silver tank top Sleeveless scoop neck LPR	L	Yellow	3	\$22.	\$15.
Hanes Her way, T shirt short sleeve scoop neck LPR	M	Yellow	1	\$22.	\$15.
<b>Men's Polos:</b>					
Outer Banks Polo	XL	White	2	\$30.	\$20.
Outer Banks Polo	XL	Black	4	\$30.	\$20.
Outer Banks Polo	M	Black	3	\$30.	\$20.
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 at [lpr.pca.org](http://lpr.pca.org) or contact  
 Dick or Mary Wallace at  
[WeBuy@wallace778.com](mailto:WeBuy@wallace778.com)  
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# Easter Parade

## *in Campbell*

April 23, 2011

11:00 am



Put on your Easter bonnet, wash your car, decorate it and drive in the  
*Campbell Easter Parade.*

**To participate, call Rudi Herz at (408) 559-1731  
before April 20th.**

We will meet and decorate our cars on Orchard City Drive near Railroad Ave. at  
11:00 am. The parade starts at NOON.

Prize for the best decorated car.

**Fee: \$5.00 per car.**

All of Campbell is awaiting the opportunity to once again ogle our beautiful  
Porsches. Don't miss this opportunity to delight the parade goers as well as visit  
with your LPR friends.



### **After parade lunch:**

Blue Sky Cafe (Chinese)

Near intersection of Winchester &  
Campbell Ave.

*No host lunch, moderate prices*

## Loma Prieta Region of the PCA

### Minutes of the February 2011 Board Meeting

**The February Board Meeting was held on Feb. 1, 2011** at the Round Table Pizza on Camden Ave. in San Jose. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by President Ed Tefankjian. Board members present were; Ed Tefankjian, Peter Ridgway, Doug Ryder, Emilie Highley, Suzette Pangrle and Jennifer Bryant. Tom Provasi couldn't make the meeting. Other members in attendance were Herb Radding, Anne Roth, Sue Sickal, Dick and Mary Wallace, Rena and Chris Schaut, Les Schreiber, Tony and Kris Vanacore, Steve and Jackie Mitchell, Barry Pangrle, Bill Highley and Sharon Neidel. Ed noted that the January Board Meeting Minutes were approved via e-mail and asked if there were any comments or questions. There were none. We will continue sending out minutes via e-mail for Board approval prior to POST 10th deadline.

#### **Directors' Reports**

##### **President:** Ed Tefankjian

Ed asked for Board approval to sign the proxy for National Treasurer: Tom Gorsuch. The Board had no issues and unanimously approved.

Ed asked if the new Board Members received a complete transfer package from their predecessor. No one had any issues.

##### **Vice-President:** Emilie Highley

Emilie reported on the Chili Night GTG. 39 attended plus Ken and June. We collected \$390 and gave Ken and June a \$40 gift certificate to Blowfish Sushi as a Host gift.

Emilie reported on upcoming events:

Feb. 12th, Soup Night at the Glathes, 6:00 PM: Details in the Jan. POST.

Emilie noted we have the opportunity to have this years family picnic at Blackberry Farm in Cupertino but need \$100 to secure the date. We also needed to switch the date of the Frostholm's GTG to 8/6 since the best available date at Blackberry Farm was 7/30. The Frostholm's approved the date switch and we're waiting to confirm booking Blackberry Farm.

Emilie also noted that DJ Dwane has been booked for the 2011 Awards Banquet.

##### **Secretary:** Peter Ridgway

Peter reported on emailed Board actions. Emilie asked for \$100 to secure the 7/30 date at Blackberry Farm. Suzette made a motion to approve \$100 for the Blackberry Farm deposit. Doug seconded the motion and with email approvals from Jennifer, Emilie and Tom, the Board approved the motion.

##### **Treasurer:** Jennifer Bryant

Jennifer reported on December year ending & January expenses. Jan. Income was \$1,709. Expenses were \$1,072 netting \$637 positive. Income and expenses were from membership, the Goodies Store, the Dec. Progressive Dinner GTG and POST advertisers.

For 2010, the club income was \$48,017. We had \$56,864 in expenses leading to a net loss of \$8,847.

With respect to the 2010 LPR Financials, GTGs, Tours and Rallies were positive for the year. The Swap Meet contributed almost \$2,000 to the Club's bottom line. AX was negative for the year due to the purchase of tires and some maintenance performed on the trailer. The POST continues to be a big expense but the big unexpected hit in expenses was the 40th Anniversary event. The Board is monitoring the 2011 finances

and will work with event organizers to minimize unexpected large overages during 2011.

2011 advertiser invoice status ( see Advertising chair report).

Ed ask if Jennifer could send the previous month's financial reports to Board Members one or two days prior to the meeting, this would allow time for review before the Meeting. Jennifer agreed to do her best with the note that early reports may not be complete.

**Membership:** Tom Provasi

We had no new memberships from National this month.

LPR Membership on 1/31/2011, Total = 527 (Primary = 292, Affiliates = 235)

We received 6 checks for Dual Membership this month and sent email reminders to the 3 remaining unpaids. All 3 replied that the checks would be sent soon. One email bounced and Tom made a courtesy call instead. No response yet.

Suzette questioned a number of memberships going to GGR from Scotts Valley, Capitola and other areas that are in our area. Others also noted the unusual lack of new memberships from National. Tom was tasked with investigating possible National registration and reporting errors.

**Activities:** Doug Ryder

Insurance requested for the following:

February 19th - Tech Session at Bascom Trim & Upholstery

March 12th - Autocross ground school @ Borelli Motorsports

Doug noted the Coastal Driving School, Laguna Seca Event coming in March and that sign ups would be via Motorsportreg.com

March 20th is the one day "Sippin at the Ranch" tour by Tony and Kris Vanacore.

Insurance has not been requested yet.

March 27th is Autocross #1 for 2011. Anne noted she needed the insurance certificate soon.

**Member-At-Large:** Suzette Pangrle

Suzette reported that the committee to review club policies and by-laws is now meeting. Expect proposals by the Oct. Board meeting. Suzette will also be providing Board members and committee chairs with position responsibility guides.

**Committee Reports**

**Advertising Chair:** Bill Highley Bill was not present.

Bill sent in his report. 13 advertisers were billed, 9 have paid in full, 1 has paid half and will pay the other half in Feb. as agreed with the 2010 President. Two have cancelled and have been re-billed for one month's advertising for the fact that their ads ran in the January post (Mobile West and HPH). One - Borelli Motorsports - was given free 2011 advertising in return for storage of the Club's trailer. AX sponsor, BTM gave \$250 for AX sponsorship and is thinking about an ad. Additionally, Bill has set up a meeting with Monterey Porsche to continue discussions about working with LPR for advertising and sponsorships.

**Autocross:** Anne Roth

Autocross ground school on March 12th. See POST for details.

The first Autocross is on March 27th.

We still don't have anyone to tow the trailer but Anne is working on a couple options.

**Charity:** Sue Sickal

Sue reported that we got a Thank You card from On Lok. Sue asked if anyone

wanted to join the charity committee.

**Drivers Ed:** John Cole John was not present.

CDS has secured March 16th for a DE event this year. Things are still progressing on schedule.

**Goodies Store:** Dick & Mary Wallace

No sales and no expenses for Jan. Total value of LPR inventory is \$2,160.00. The breakdown is \$1,719.05 paid for by LPR and \$440.95 on consignment. There was a discussion about what to do with the consignment inventory including possibly donating to charity, having a fire sale or other options.

Ed asked that Mary to work with Steve Mitchell to get an ad in the POST for the Goodie Store inventory and also to work with Steve Crane to update the website.

We currently have no jackets in inventory and have had a number of requests. Mary requested permission to order 4 jackets (about \$200). Jennifer motioned to approve \$200 for 4 jackets. Peter seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved the expense.

**Hospitality:** Rena Schaut

Rena discussed a couple proposals for a new member "Buddy" plan depending on the event. Ed suggested we start by trying out a few things to see what works best. Tony and Kris Vanacore volunteered to start testing so we can fine tune a plan before the end of the year.

**Prieta Post Editor:** Steve Mitchell

Steve had nothing to report.

**Public Relations:** Ken Iles Ken was not present.

**Rallye:** Bob Frosthalm Bob was not present

**Safety:** Chris Schaut

No driving events occurred during the month of January.

No observer report necessary.

**Tech Chair:** Les Schreiber

Next Tech Session is 9 to 11 AM Feb. 19th at Bascom Trim & Upholstery. There will be a \$2 cover charge.

**Tours:** John Reed John was not present.

Doug reported for John. Tony & Kris Vanacore's "Sipping at the Ranch" tour on March 20th is set to roll. All the publicity is in the Feb. POST and will repeat in the March issue. RSVP deadline before March 16th. The PCA insurance will be requested.

Paul & Nanci's Weekend event on April 9-10 is next up. John requested that they send all the info regarding this tour to Steve Mitchell for the March POST. The reason: since the dates are very close to the beginning of the month (April) it's best to have everything available in March.

John submitted an article for the March POST outlining all the LPR tours for 2011.

During the year he will contact each tour guide and request that they prepare in advance publicity for the POST and will be offering any assistance needed.

**Webmaster:** Steve Crane Steve was not present.

**Old Business:**

As scheduled last month, we reviewed the "Buy pizza/beer or get your own food" question for Board meetings. After some discussion, the decision was for everyone to buy what they want before the meeting.



**New Business:**

Review who has “read only” access and who sends e-mail “blasts”. Doug motioned to approved “Read Only” and e-mail “blasts” access to the membership for Activities Director (Doug Ryder), POST Editor (Steve Mitchell) and POST Distribution (Tony Vanacore) as each of these positions has a genuine need. Suzette seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved the motion. President, Membership Director and Webmaster have full access.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday March 1st at 7:00 PM at Round Table Pizza on Union & Camden.

Doug moved to adjourn the meeting. Suzette seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Peter Ridgway



**Zone 7 Events**



Sequoia Region Presents  
Zone 7 Autocross



Saturday, April 2nd  
Zone 7 Autocross series

12801 W. Shields Ave. Kerman, CA 93630  
Pre-registration preferred  
7:45 a.m. - Registration and check-in  
8:00 to 8:45 - Tech inspection  
8:45 a.m. - Drivers Meeting  
9:00 a.m. - First car out  
5:30 p.m. – No Host Pizza & Videos

Sunday, April 3rd  
Zone 7 Autocross series

12801 W. Shields Ave. Kerman, CA 93630  
Pre-registration preferred  
8:00 a.m. - Registration and check-in  
8:15 to 8:45 - Tech inspection  
8:45 a.m. - Drivers Meeting  
9:00 a.m. - First car out

Online registration through [MotorSportReg.com](http://MotorSportReg.com)

Early registration closes midnight March 5th  
Online registration remains open until midnight March 30th – after that you will be asked to register the day of the events. Cancellation fee 10% of total registration will be charged.

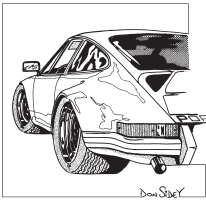
Registrants will identify their own class

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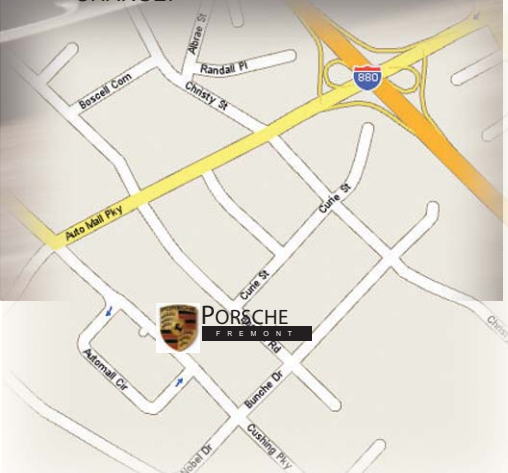
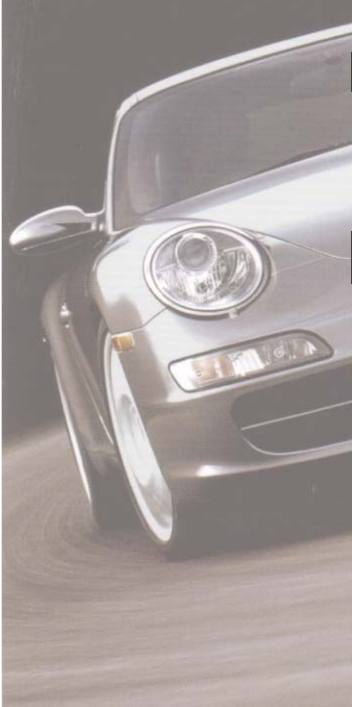
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