



September 2007

KEYNOTES

PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA KEYSTONE REGION



Keystone Canyon Cruise - September 30th

This year our annual Keystone Canyon Cruise will begin at European Imports (570-769-1626) located on route 150 between Avis and Woolrich at 9:00 a.m. The cruise will start at 10:00 a.m. This years tour will include a stop at Hyner Mountain, lunch at Hotel Manor in Slate Run, a visit to the Oregon Hill Winery, and will conclude with dinner at Members Doug and Janette Stewart's house located just 5.3 miles north of rt. 220 on rt. 44 at Fore feet drive at 5:00 p.m. If you plan on attending the dinner, please bring \$20.00 per person to help cover the cost of the meal.

We hope you'll join us! Please R.S.V.P. by mail, phone or email to:

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See you at the cruise!



Up To Speed

Judy Sears

We have been back from our trip to Porsche Parade in San Diego for a while now and life is somewhat back to normal or at least what passes for normal for us.

I want to thank Eric Dash and his crew at Black Walnut Body Works for a most enjoyable and informative session on June 10. It was a beautiful day and we had a great turnout - 20 members. We learned how to take care of our cars and Eric even did some clean up of problem areas on vehicles. The luncheon was delicious. Thanks, Eric!

On August 4 we had another beautiful day for our Endless Mountain II Tour organized by Howard and Barbara Williams and Wayne and Barbara McPherson. Nineteen members had a great luncheon at the luxurious Williamsport Country Club and then embarked on a delightful tour of the area of Northeast Pennsylvania including a run up the hill used as a hill climb site - NEAT. We ended the day at the home of Howard and Barbara Williams in Muncy for a delicious meal. Many thanks to the Williamses and McPhersons for another great tour.

Our planned Predator Performance Tech Session has been cancelled. Sorry. I know many of you were looking forward to it but Chuck Beck has left Predator and his 904's will go elsewhere with him. We will try to replace the session with something else.

Past President and Nominating Committee Chair Eric Swendrowski is working on the slate of officers for next year and we will ask you to send in your ballots soon so be on the lookout for them.

The Keystone Canyon Cruise will be our next event so sign up and enjoy another great day with Keystone Region/PCA.

'Till Next Time

The Search #2

It's warm, sweat is running down my back and I'm standing in a lot full of used performance cars with several of my colleagues. Knowledgeable fellows fill out the group. Lead by a BMW auto and bike owner. His recommendation lead us to this spot know as AutoLex.

We are in Allentown, PA and I am in pursuit of a fine 911 SC. How we arrived here, started with the important function of client golf. This is a requirement of my job and those in our firm that I can convince to bare this burden. The down-side is this trip required a 4:50 AM departure from our office. But this trip always was targeted towards clients, catching up with buds, and the search for a good car deal.

As promised by my bimmer bud, this is good. The lot has some fine deals on high-end cars. I spy one of the best deals. It is an older, 7 Series BMW at mid \$17k. I put my Porsche goggles on and crawl around the lot with no interaction from employees. I see four 944s, three 924Ss, three 911s, and an early 912. All the vehicles have issues, but offer possibility. Don't all Porsches?

I walk to the office/garage and view a Ferrari in works and a completed Ford Model T. Lex speaks of vintage motorcycles, if I'm interested, and hands me keys to an early 911SC in the lot.

In the back is a 911SC. Brown with no tail, my kind of car. Brown as it is, Bryan (one of my crew and body guy) shadows me as we inspect. We agree on paint, panel gaps, and body issues. Offered at just below \$10k puts it in play. Interior is original, and tired. With keys in hands, I open doors and hatches with mostly good outcomes.

I check oil, OK. Time to crank the engine over. No go to first click, battery might be down. Grab the shifter, and push in cultch pedal. Pedal goes all the way to the floor with no resistance, not OK. Clutch and paint job waiting with an ask of \$10k, I'm looking for a strong coffee and a way to beat the traffic back to an undisclosed location near you in the Keystone Region. So, my search finishes another chapter. When I started today, I didn't have a feeling it would end this way. I felt a break-through was possible.

As noted in my earlier rant, Jim from Lawrenceville has joined PCA/Keystone Chapter. With some help from Stonebridge Motors, Pelican Parts, and Corning Import Auto, he has his 911SC rocking the road. So if you see him running up Route #15 in his dark mean coupe, drop in behind and push him hard. I will. Just don't ask him any questions about me. I'm still searching.

Carrera 4'um

Fred Sears

Membership:

As of the beginning of this month we have 83 members and 71 affiliates; I would like to welcome four new members - James Baker, Dan Crust, Larry Doyon, and Rich Button. Rich is so new he hasn't appeared on the PCA database but he is picking up his first Porsche - a beautiful used Boxster from Danbury Porsche on September 6th. He and I met at the local Backyard Burger last week; learned his salesperson is an old friend of mine from my Connecticut Valley days.

We are accumulating a fairly significant number of non-renewals; hope to see their names as renews on my October 1st report. Members showing as non-renews for the past two PCA national monthly reports include Wayne McPherson, Harold Woelfel, and Brian Cohen.

Safety:

There is a very interesting article on the Tire Rack web site regarding the stopping ability (or lack of same) for worn tires in wet conditions. I strongly recommend that all read this article. You'll find that even though your tires of are legal tread depth they do not provide meaningful stopping during wet weather. I have encountered this condition with my truck in the past; it wasn't an enjoyable experience. Drive safely and I hope to see you a one of our events soon.

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**MOSPORT 2007
CAN/AM CHALLENGE
JULY 27-29**

Gwen and I just returned from working the PCA races at Mosport, Ontario. This is a new track for both of us and we met a whole new assortment of PCA'ers.

The trip up included a visit to Old Fort Niagara, Niagara Falls and Niagara on the Lake. These are all good tourist destinations, and if we're nothing else, we are good tourists.

At the track, Gwen worked Timing & Scoring both Saturday and Sunday, while I worked a corner station (turn 10) on Saturday and the grid on Sunday. Ever since my racing days I've wanted to work a corner station, so it was a great experience for me. The races were terrific and as always, the people were the best. This might just become an annual event for us-too bad it's a 1000 mile round trip.

On the way home we stayed in the 1000 Islands and ended up having dinner with a PCA racer on his way home to Connecticut..There were actually 3 families of us, all from Mosport, staying at the same hotel in Clayton, NY.

Anyway as always, great racing, great time, and great people. You should try it.

Bob & Gwe Cornell

For Sale: 2 zone one gift certificates that are good for certain events in 2008. They are each good for \$100 off an entry fee for the Porsche Clash PCA club race and also for \$100 off the entry fee for the 48 Hours at the Glen DE. They are available for \$50 each. Bob Cornell, 15 Fairway Drive, Selinsgrove, PA 17870 570-884-7000. bob912@ptd.net

2007 Board Nominations

As Past President, it is my duty to assemble a nominating committee. This years committee is:

- Eric Swendrowski - Chairman
- Bill Simon - Member
- Karon Swendrowski - Member

All current Board Members have agreed to a second term if elected with the exception of Treasurer Jay Claster. Bob Cornell has agreed to be Treasurer if elected.

The Ballot will be inclosed in the October Newsletter. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Eric Swendrowski,
Past President



The Keystone attendees at the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix, in front of Eric's pristine 911SC (L-R): Dave Durrwachter, Carol Brown, Bob Cornell, Gwen Cornell, Jill Howard, Eric Dash, Susanne Howe, and in the back, Bill Simon holding the Keystone flag.

For Sale: 1976 914 2.0. I had the engine totally rebuilt about 2 years ago. It has Weber 44 carbs,a new littler faster cam, new pistons, flywheel slightly cut smaller, etc. I've put on maybe 1,000 to 1500 miles since the engine was rebuilt. The car runs great! I really hate to get rid of it but I really don't drive it much anymore and want someone else to enjoy it. The car has very little rust, minor rust on the side panels, the front and back trunks are totally rust-free with the rest of the car. I'm asking \$8,800 or best offer. 717-577-9850



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UP COMING EVENTS

Sept. 30: Keystone Canyon Cruise

GEMINI TECH SESSION TBA

Nov. 4: Board Meeting at Fred and Judy Sears' house

Dec. 1: Holiday Party

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