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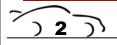
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# President's Perspective - April 2014

By Randy Kaplin, CRPCA President

The Autocross season has officially started with the first two practice sessions in March. Unfortunately I was out of town for both of these Autocross events and will have to start the season with no practice.

My most recent trip out of town was to attend the annual Zone 5 President Meeting in San Antonio, Texas. PCA Zone 5 includes the states of Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Louisiana. It was interesting and informative listening to the activities of the various regions and exchange ideas concerning increasing membership participation and activities. Our region is definitely one of the smaller regions in Zone 5, however our participation percentage was one of the highest. As an example, the Cimarron Region has approximately 220 registered members and our last Christmas Party we had a turnout of 82 people. Assuming half of those in attendance were registered primary members this would equate to around 18% of our members showed up for this social event. In comparison, the Maverick Region in the Dallas Area typically has a turnout of around 50 people for its social events and they have over 1,000 registered members, thus participation level of 2-3%. The conclusion I reached from these statistics is that our social chair, Steve Canada, is doing a heck of a job putting on social events that members enjoy and attend regularly. Good work, Steve!

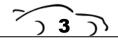
Also at the President Meeting was a lengthy discussion concerning ways to increase participation in Autocross/Car Control events. Some Regions have sponsored Women Only Autocross sessions to limit the intimidation factor of initially competing against seasoned Autocross participants. The Warbonnet Region (Oklahoma City) suggested that perhaps the Cimarron Region could jointly conduct such an event if the participation level was sufficient to justify the event. Additionally there were discussions regarding a joint Driver Control session since it has been quite a hit in the other regions. Driver Control events are similar to Autocross events with the introduction of water and foam on the track to produce slick conditions and enhance the drivers' ability to control their car under these conditions by practicing maneuvers in these less than desirable driving conditions. I would like to gauge the interest level in our Region for such an event, so if you could send me an e-mail at <a href="mailto:rwkaplin@swbell.net">rwkaplin@swbell.net</a> expressing an interest in a Women Only Autocross or Driver Control Course this would be quite helpful in our planning.

In other news Mayfast, our DE (Driver Education) weekend at Hallett Race Track is fast approaching (see attached information in this newsletter). Those interested in participating in this event need to register as soon as possible.

Additionally the upcoming annual Devils Den Drive is scheduled for Saturday April 12<sup>th</sup>. This event is a great drive to Devils Den State Park in Arkansas where the Region will provide lunch at a Pavilion we have reserved. It has typically been a great event to kick off the driving season. See the details that are posted on the Cimarron Website, http://www.cimarronregionpca.org/.

As a reminder, please send to Greg Petzet (our new professional newsletter editor), at <a href="mailto:cimnews@cox.net">cimnews@cox.net</a>, any articles or photos to contribute for publication in the *Cimarron Trail* Newsletter. I know we have a lot of writers and photographers out there just waiting to be discovered!

See you on the road, Randy





# **PCA Cimarron Region Member Update**

Reported by Greg Hart, Membership Chair As of April 1, 2014

Primary Members 217
Affiliate Members 146
Life Members 1

Total 364

#### **Welcome New Member!**

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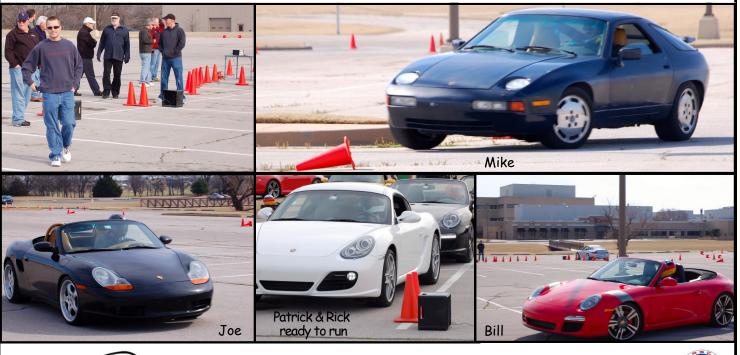
No Transfers In No Transfers Out

# Autocross Action - March 30

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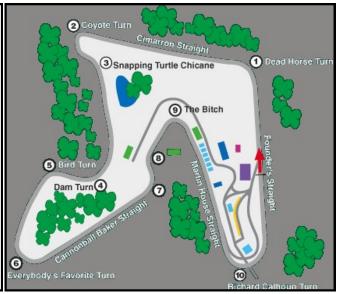
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(See more action on Page 18!)









# Mayfast is Almost Here! - May 3 & 4

Get the Details and Register now at:

www.clubregistration.net

Advance Registration Ends April 20 - No Worries!
On Site Same Day Registration Available!

(For Size Choice of Included Tee Shirt, Sign Up by April 20!)

Instructors will be available for new participants!

#### **Instructors Needed**

If you are a qualified instructor
And wish to participate in Mayfast
Please contact Gary Bernard
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# **Cimarron Region Briefs**







#### Devil's Den State Park Picnic/Drive - Saturday, April 12

Spring is definitely here! Time to dust off the Porsche and hit the road east for a fun drive and cookout! You already should have received an email "blast" with details. We're meeting in the parking lot at the Church at Battle Creek, just north of the B.A. Expressway on 145th E. Ave. Optimally you'll have a PlkePass, a tank full of fuel, and an empty bladder! Departure time is 9:11 am. The club will provide hamburgers and hot dogs with all the fixins. Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share. Those with last names beginning with A-L should consider a dessert item; M-Z a salad. And bring along your favorite beverages. We have a large pavilion there for the entire day, and there are also paddle boats, fishing, and hiking. So bring all your comfy outdoor accounterments, like







sunscreen, folding chairs, jackets, etc. Please R.S.V.P. to Social Chair Steve C an ada at scanada@cox.net, so enough food may be provided!

#### **Curious About Mayfast? Let's Go Watch!**

Heard of it but don't know exactly what it's all about? Don't know if you'd be interested in participating in the event? Not sure how safe it is driving with other cars? Get an up close and personal view of Mayfast on Saturday, May 3. We'll meet at Panera Bread, Tulsa Hills Shopping Center at West 71st and US 75, 8:15 am., for coffee and breakfast specialties. Then about 9:00-9:15

we'll head west to the Hallett Motor Racing Circuit for a bit of spectating. Admission is FREE! Once inside the gates, you'll have an opportunity to get a feel for what's happening. Shortly after the drivers break for lunch, you may have a chance to join a guided "procession lap" or two around the track, at low speed of course. Then you'll have the option to return home at your leisure, or "follow the leader" early in the afternoon. Hallett is about 50 miles west of Tulsa. Please R.S.V.P. to cimnews@cox.net. See you there!



#### Cinco de Mayo Dinner

Cinco de Mayo NOT on May 5? Your Cimarron Region PCA will celebrate anyway on Wednesday, May 14, at 6:30 pm. Watch your email for a "blast" containing the restaurant location. But mark your calendars now! Come join your fellow Porschesters for a "buen momento" and maybe even a margarita or a cold cerveza!





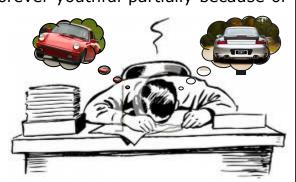


From the Editor: Had Alfred, Lord Tennyson lived in our modern times (and begging his forgiveness), he may very well have

written, "In the Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of Porsches." Some might question the "young" reference at first, but in this writer's opinion, even those of us with silver (gray) or thinning 'coifs' are forever youthful partially because of

what we drive! Porsche is definitely a state of mind!

When I think back through the almost ten years since Pam and I obtained our first Porsche, I can't help but grin from ear to ear when I think of the people we've met and some of the experiences we've had due to owning that automobile! Slipping down behind the wheel I felt my age start decreasing in a way, and as I turned the key and that throaty note came to life, I was a kid again, full of excitement and anticipation for hitting the road!



A few months ago we had a bittersweet week as we turned our Guards Red '87 over to its new owner. The Porsche that had captivated my dreams for so many years even before we owned it, and still as it disappeared down the street, was gone. But sadness was short lived, as a few days later an even more impossible dream became reality in the form of an '02 911 Turbo! It's about the same color as most of the hair I have left. I have returned to my youth once again!

So it is finally Spring! National and regional Porsche events are becoming plentiful. As a matter of fact, inside this edition of *Cimarron Trail* on page 6, you'll find information about our first Spring event, the Devil's Den State Park Picnic/Drive on April 12. Mayfast is right around the corner, autocross events are regularly scheduled throughout the next several months, and registration is open for the National Porsche Parade in Monterey, California, to be held June 15-21. Watch our calendar and make plans to join your fellow Cimarron Region members for wonderful times enjoying a variety of activities.

Make certain your email address is updated at PCA.org, and you'll receive periodic



"blasts" to keep you apprised of what's going on!

Oh, and by the way, thanks to everyone who commented on the March issue of this *Cimarron Trail*. Suggestions, stories, photos, and any pertinent information is always welcome. Send them to cimnews@cox.net.

Nothing else is a Porsche! Greg Petzet





# THE MUST-DO PORSCHE EVENT OF 2014! in beautiful Monterey, California



Learn more and register at parade2014.pca.org

#### Fiesta New Mexico 2014 Fiesta de Enchantment!

Registration IS OPEN for the 36th Fiesta New Mexico! May 22-25, 2014



Roadrunner Region of PCA has a weekend full of notable drive outs and tours, outstanding autocross, elegant concours as well as an exciting TSD rally planned.

You can visit the website <a href="www.fiestanewmexico.com">www.fiestanewmexico.com</a> and get details on this upcoming Memorial Day Weekend event.

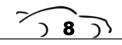
This year's Fiesta is hosted in Albuquerque's Old Town. There will be a concours at the Albuquerque Museum, Autocross at Napa Speedway and a TSD Rally. All are included in Fiesta registration, along with several interesting tours and exhilarating drives in beautiful New Mexico during the 3 day weekend.

This year's host hotel is the beautiful Hotel Albuquerque in Old Town with a fabulous \$89 a night rate. The hotel has secure, well lit free parking. There will be a car washing station set up in the hotel parking area for all cars during the Fiesta weekend.

Hurry! Registration opened on March 1st on www.motorsportreg.com

Credit cards will be charged on May 16<sup>th</sup> and you can modify your registration choices on motorsportreg.com until that date.

Please visit our website and prepare for a wonderful New Mexico weekend in your Porsche.





# Robert Rids Rust-Recreated Relic Reborn!

By the Editor as told by Robert Dorn, CRPCA Member

Most of us have heard stories of old cars found in barns or abandoned buildings after years of storage. Sometimes the tales are so outrageous, they're hard to believe. But here we have one in our own back yard, or at least it might have been. This yarn begins in Tustin, California, where Robert and Linda Dorn lived for years after his discharge from the Marine Corps.

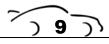
A long-time automobile enthusiast, Bob had completed a three year pan off restoration of a 65 VW and had sold it to a Japanese dealer in August 2001, not long before the 9/11 terrorist attacks. After four days of watching non-stop television coverage of those events, Bob had to make a drive.

"I left early for a business trip to the San Joaquin Valley. My plan was to drive to Fresno and turn right and go up to Shaver Lake for the night as I had never been there. While driving along a two lane asphalted road I came across a white '65 356 C parked in a lemon grove with a for sale sign."

Three weeks later after arduous details he's spared us, Bob was able to drive the car. It was the dark of night. The Porsche had a dirty windscreen and 6 volt system lights, but it did run. An offer was made somewhat lower than the man's \$7,000 asking price. The man said he would consider the number and get back with Bob, who had hoped for a bit of back and forth before coming to an acceptable price. Bob traveled back home, disappointed, and awaited contact from the seller. He even phoned a few times and sent emails to no avail. The man never called back.

Several weeks later, Bob and his wife found themselves at his sister's place in Golden, Colorado. Linda was helping his sis redecorate, and he was spending time sitting on the deck, reading his *Panorama*, just trying to stay out of the way, and mumbling about that "jerk" who had not returned any of his calls. Bob's wife then suggested he was dealing with the wrong person.

"<u>He</u> doesn't want to sell the car, <u>she</u> does." (continued next page)





a-ha moment! Bob called the

# Let's call that the proverbial **Revived Relic** (continued)

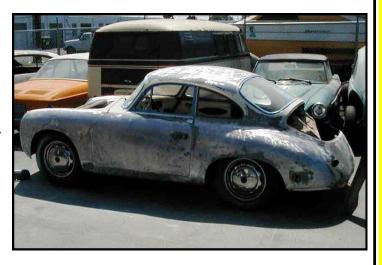
owner's house and the wife answered on the first ring. Not surprising she was unaware of Bob's offer, or any other potential offers for that matter. He repeated the number to her and she immediately said, "Sold. Come get it." It seems the man's only commitment to selling the car had been to park it at the end of the driveway in the lemon orchard for a few days.

The man had originally bought the 356 for his first wife while she was in college at Berkeley. Elisa drove the car for three years until she graduated, at which time the couple divorced. The story meanders to and fro and back and forth, but the Porsche never left California throughout all those years. Long story short, wife #2 of twenty years grew tired of the car occupying space in her furniture restoration section of the garage, and wanted it gone. After numerous discussions with her husband, he likely reluctantly decided to stick it out by the road and put a for sale sign in the window.

"Two days later guess who is driving by while talking with the wife about not having a project in the garage, now with the VW gone, and how I'll have to do something or go nuts. It was at this point, honest you can't make this stuff up, that I saw the little white car parked in the trees."

Bob figured he'd better pick up his new project before the man returned home, so . . .

"I arranged for a buddy to drive up with me the next day as hubby was going to be out of town. This buddy was supposed to keep me from seeing a silk purse when looking at a sow's ear, as I had only seen the car up close in the dark. He even



brought along a magnet to check for Bondo. While checking and confirming Bondo the wife pointed out the original engine on the garage shelves and said, 'That stuff has to go as well.' My buddy eyed the weber carbs and said, 'Hell they're worth \$400-500 each!' And the original heads and never been ground crank."

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#### "Damn! Okay, I got greedy. We packed

# Revived Relic (continued)

everything in my car with my buddy driving and got out of there before 'he' came home. I did drive the car home, no problem. Well, except it had no seat belts, (amazing how nervous you get without them), and a flat tire. Miraculously I found a used 15 inch tire at the first repair shop in walking distance. But we never looked at the car again until it was in my garage. Greed is an ugly thing."

Once Bob got the car home, a plethora of problems began to surface one after the next. Some research revealed the man's first wife had driven the 356 in Berkeley, but also to her folks' place in Lake Tahoe and the house at Shaver Lake, two of the few locations which get lots of snow. The ole girl had met a few snow banks, which was evident upon discovering plenty of Bondo. After the car had been "turned turtle" a new



top had been welded (kinda) on. Once all the Bondo was removed, the front end of the Porsche raised up about an entire inch! The man had installed seat belts only in the rear in order to drive his two young boys around on Sundays. At one time a cylinder had broken and the engine was changed. Wife number two had said it was cheaper to buy the mechanic's used replacement than to rebuild the original. She resented him spending so much money on "that old car," and it was at about that time with the growing family, the car was moved into storage, which is where the mice apparently converted it into a condo.



Restoring the body began with a rusted battery box. It was not providing ground along with a transmission strap that had gone missing sometime during three tranny rebuilds, due to an unmatched first gear in the first, and a bad sync on the second. After dealing with a case leak, bad cooler seal, and rebuilding the master cylinder, he moved ahead.

Next up: Rust! Once that rust worm is discovered, where does one stop? The nose was not to be saved. The same applied to both floor and rocker panels. (continued next page)

dealing with others, one guy got a divorce and another

# As is usually the case when Revived Relic (continued)

moved away. The only constant was the building owner's guard dog, who adopted the 356, likely the guietest place he could find. Bob continued:

It was like "There was never any work being done. This was not your usual restoration where you turn it over to a professional and they call you when it's done or when they need



another check. No, this was by the hour paid help, besides myself, doing the stripping, and a fabulous welder, when he wasn't touring with his heavy metal rock band. Honestly, you can't make this stuff up! The painter was able to complete three other cars while "working" on mine. Was it a money issue? 'No,' he said, 'they're just in a hurry.' About the time we got to primer, I found him sleeping in his shop after his wife had locked him out. It didn't look good. I thought him living on site might result in more hours of work. Nope, but it did result in more parties at the shop and a lot less work. But it eventually got done and the little 356 was moved to Octavio's shop for the interior."

Bob had known Octavio for years and two other interior jobs. His work was excellent and timely. The wrapping of the re-welded dash was amazing, stereo sound proofing under the carpets helped tone down the noise, and new door panels, carpets and headliner topped it off. The total refurbishment of the seats helped rid the smell of the mice who had used them for nesting sites over the years.

"And my butt wasn't bouncing off the floor panels anymore, amazing!" Bob said, "Once home I completed the trim, rubber and electrical install, and I had a working car that proved to be pretty dependable."

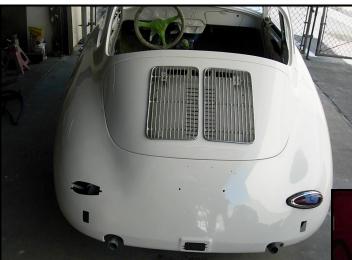
About that time, Bob's Tulsa relocation plans were coming up fast. A house was purchased and the date was nigh. There wasn't sufficient space in Tulsa for both his 356 and '83 911SC, so he put the SC up for sale. He attributes the soft response to the auto fax, which revealed a turned back speedometer sometime during the car's checkered past.

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A dealer flew in from Carmel Valley to look at the SC but wasn't interested. He saw

# Revived Relic (continued)

the newly re-done 356 in the garage and inquired about buying. Bob told him it wasn't for sale, as he had just completed it and hadn't had a chance



to enjoy it yet. The dealer pressed on, asking IF for sale, how much? With the move date bearing down on him, and in the heat of the moment, Bob quoted a price he thought would be way too high. Dealer said, "Sold, let's go to the bank."

Bob laments that decision daily.

"I should have backed out and parked the wife's car outside in Oklahoma. I've said it a hundred times. Every time I see one on the street, which pretty rare here, or a story in Panorama, I hate myself. I will never have that opportunity



again. Was it a concours beauty? No way. But it was cool, man."



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#### Porsche Palooza 2013: Prescription for Addiction!

Part 2, (continued from last month) By Greg Petzet, Photos by Rick Hardmeyer & Greg Petzet

Throughout the remainder of the afternoon, attendees devoured the wide variety of Porsches on display, and voted for their favorites in each classification. Title Sponsor Porsche of Springfield, MO. displayed a fine variety of new Porsches outside, and offered many Porsche related items inside at their own Goodie Store. As the balloting wound down, Tech sessions were available inside for those interested in learning more about feeding automotive passions. Some folks perused the plethora of door prizes set up on tables in the banquet room, and bid on the ones they desired to have a chance of winning.

Around 6 pm, with the cash bar offering beverages, Porschesters came and went, then slowly filled the banquet hall for the 7:30 dinner. The Taste of the South Buffet included such scrumptious offerings as: an extensive salad table, including greens, veggies, and shrimp. Entrees included fish, crab legs, chicken, beef, and a variety of sides. Tea, coffee, and desserts were also available.

As dining wound down, Therapeutic Administrators Leonard and Melody Zechiedrich commenced the announcement of various award winners. including Sponsor's and People's Choice plaques and special recognitions. interspersed with coveted door prize drawings. (continued next page)











#### Palooza 2013: Prescription for Addiction! (continued)

With around 50 Cimarron Region members in attendance, our local group was very well represented, including perennial event Gold Sponsors Brian and Christy Thomas of Rennsport Werkstat in Tulsa, who walked away with the People's Choice award for their speed yellow 1995 968 coupe. Other Cimarron Region winners included: Scott Bever-black 2012 Cayenne Turbo, Jim and Linda Burroughs-red 1988 911 Turbo Cabriolet, Rick and Becky Hardmeyer-limited edition orange 2008



Boxster S, and Randy and Elinor Kaplin-black 1955 356 Speedster! Way to go Cimarron!



The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Porsche Palooza climaxed on Sunday morning with a short, quick autocross on the slick recently reasphalted lot at the convention center. Less than one second separated four Cimarron Region competitors. Gary Bernard, Rod Nordstrom, Greg Petzet, and Brian Thomas claimed four of the five fastest times, and all missed the top mark by less than one second.

Sadly, little progress was made in curbing the addictions suffered by so many patients in attendance. Recognizing the need for further therapy, plans for the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Porsche Palooza **2014** are already in the works. Commit to getting some help! Mark your calendars for November 7-9.

Just a side note for the future: Dakota Region members Jim and Arlyce Lillegaard have become regulars at Palooza, all the way from Canton, South Dakota! Along with the Nord Stern Region in Minneapolis, they are heading up the **2015** Porsche "Escape to Rushmore," to be held in and around Rapid City, SD, September 30-October 4, **2015**. Timing is everything. Just think, after enjoying Mt. Rushmore, the Black Hills, and all they have to offer, you would get back home in time to prep your Porsche for the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Porsche Palooza! Think about it, maybe a change of scenery would do you some good.

Again, thanks to Leonard and Melody Zechiedrich, all the sponsors, and every volunteer who lent a hand to provide much needed treatment for our beloved addiction. See you again in November!





Autocross is an individually timed event. Electronic timing equipment records elapsed time around the course to the thousandth of a second!

The second practice session of the season was held in breezy, partly cloudy conditions, with 14 entrants vying for the fastest run. Each driver had 6 chances to post their best time.

Welcome Steven Mack and Kent Proctor! If practice times are any indication of a trend, this 2014 season is shaping up to be a dogfight! Come join the fun and improve your driving skills!

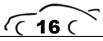
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2) Brian Thomas	53.928
3) Joe Hill	54.266
4) Dan Arthrell	54.723
5) Greg Petzet	56.419
6) Bill Jacobi	56.619
7) George Paul	56.953
8) Rod Nordstrom	57.234
9) Rick Hardmeyer	57.283
10) Eric Engles	57.391
11) Patrick Skinner	58.041
12) Mike (Snake) Helweh	59.978
13) Steven Mack	60.866
14) Kent Proctor	62.111

Autocross is held on the lot west of Corporate Woods Business Park, 4500 S 129th East Ave. Entrants meet at 8:30 am to lay out the course, and begin driving approximately 9:30. The event is always over by noon, the latest. See schedule below.

(\*) marked dates count for the season long championship. Your top 8 times are used to calculate your position. So missing up to 2 of the 10 counting events does not adversely affect your score. Practices are free, official dates are \$10. A helmet is required, a few are on hand to borrow. Complete at least 5 events, and receive a shirt or hat at the Christmas party! Bill Jacobi, bjacobi@sbcglobal.net, or 918-694-1261.

March 9 & 30 April (\*13\* & \*27\*) May 18 June (\*8\* & \*29\*)
July (\*13\* & \*27\*)
August 10 & (\*24\*)

September (\*7\* & \*21\*)
October 12 & (\*19\*) & 26
November 2 & 16





# Autocross Competitors Practice Session March 30

(Alphabetically by last name)



Rod N.



Dan A.



Mike (Snake) H.



George P.



Gary B. & Brian T.



Joe H.



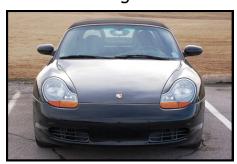
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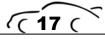
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# Autocross Action - March 30

Photos: Rick Hardmeyer & Editor

(See more action on Page 4!)



### Social Calendar and Upcoming Events



# April 2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5 Breakfast Wild Fork 8 am
6	7	8	9	10	Also on Saturday! Picnic Drive See Page 6	12 Breakfast Wild Fork 8 am
Autocross 'Counting' 8:30 a.m.	14 Board Meeting @ Jackie Cooper	15	16	17	18	19Breakfast Wild Fork 8 am
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Autocross 'Counting' 8:30 a.m.	28	29	30			

#### **April Highlights**

Saturday Breakfast - Wild Fork @ Utica Square - 8 a.m.



🧙 Porsche Parade - Registration began April 1

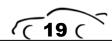
Devil's Den Picnic/Drive - April 12 - See page 6

Cimarron Region Board Meeting @ Jackie Cooper Second Monday each month - 6:30 p.m.

Mayfast Registration is Open @ <u>clubregistration.net</u>

Look for more details on page 5

Two Autocross "Counting" Sessions Corporate Woods
(Although these times 'count' toward 2014 season point totals,
ALL are encouraged to participate. Counting sessions are \$10)
April 13 & 22, 8:30 a.m.





## Social Calendar and Upcoming Events



# May 2014

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11	12 Board Meeting @ Jackie Cooper	13	Cinco De Mayo Dinner See Page 6	15	16	Breakfas Wild Forl 8 am
Autocross Practice 8:30 a.m.	19	20	21	22	23	Breakfas U Wild Forl A R
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Breakfas E Wild Fork 8 am

## **May Highlights**

Mayfast Driver Education - May 2 & 3 - Hallett Motor Racing Circuit

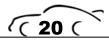
Saturday Breakfast
Wild Fork @ Utica Square
8 a.m.
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Cinco De Mayo Dinner May 14 @ 6:30 p.m. See Page 6

Cimarron Region Board Meeting @ Jackie Cooper 2nd Monday @ 6:30 p.m.

Autocross practice session Corporate Woods May 18, 8:30 a.m. ▲ FREE!













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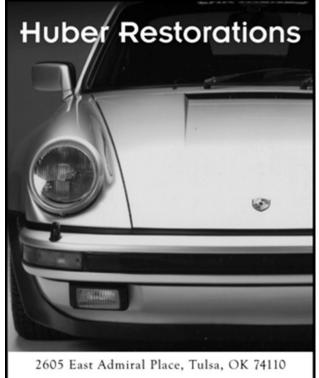


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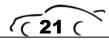


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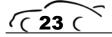
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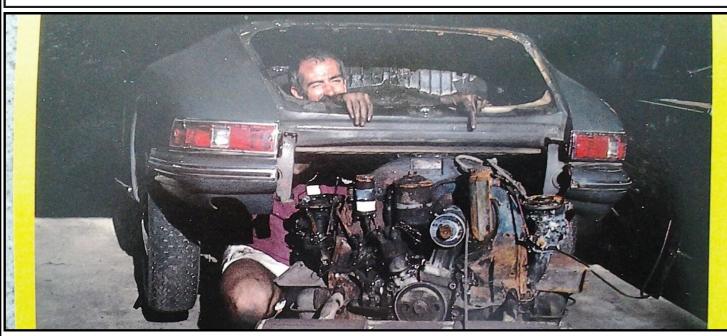




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# Motorsports Update

Two Races, Two Wins by Jon Jones - CRPCA VP



The 2014 season is off to a good start for Porsche. At Daytona in January the debut of the factory-backed 911 RSR resulted in a win after 24 long hours. As always with the twice around the clock event it wasn't easy. Two cars were entered by Porsche, appropriately numbered 911 and 912. They both started strong and with an excellent roster of drivers, things were looking good. Able to set consistent laps and push or cruise as the on-track situation required, the twin Porsches took turns at the



front of the GTLM class. With about six hours to go, however, the 912 numbered RSR developed an unexpected engine issue. Despite the best efforts of the team, the issue could not be resolved and the car was retired. Drivers Pat Long, Michael Christenson, and Joerg Bergmeister were disappointed but buoyed by the prospects of the team car.

Driver of the winning number 912 Patrick Pilet summed up their approach in the final hours: "Our goals included keeping a conservative pace, preserve the brakes and make sure that drivers, crew and support members did not make any mistakes..." True to form, they stayed out of trouble and brought it home. Pilet was joined in the victory by Richard Lietz and Nick Tandy.

Sebring presents a different challenge than Daytona, and though 12 hours less in duration, Sebring is a car killer. Much of the circuit has been revised from the old days, but enough of the old bomber base concrete remains to beat the cars to pieces. Porsche knows Sebring well, and was up for the challenge. Again fielding the two RSRs, they were prepared with a special eye to durability. The race began well enough, but endurance racing is about staying out of trouble and the Daytona winning number 912 did not avoid trouble. In only the second hour of the event, the 912 was involved in an incident that damaged the nose of the car. Headed to the garage for repairs, the car returned fixed and fast, but now 6 laps behind and last in the GTLM class. Meanwhile the 911 car was churning out the laps and yes, avoiding trouble. As the race wound down, star driver Bergmeister had the lead well in hand when trouble struck. Not in the form of collision or mechanical issue, but a late race caution flag thrown by the officials. With the field now bunched back up and with only 20 minutes to go, Bergmeister knew it was now or never. At the drop of the green, he rocketed away and never looked back. "I was just telling myself 'don't mess it up' those last laps. At first I pushed fairly hard and the car was really good," Bergmeister said afterward. "But, when I heard there was just five minutes to go I took some pace out and just tried to control it. I didn't want to mess it up for these guys." These guys being Long, Christenson, and the entire Porsche team. The win marks the third for Bergmeister at Sebring, and two in a row for Porsche in 2014. What a way to start the season!





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