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The Great Porsche Armada

In conjunction with the 17th Annual Blessing of the Fleet

When: Saturday, April 5th
Where: Panama City Marina

With the Panama City Bay in the background, bring a chair and talk Porsches with other owners while showing off your pride and joy. All Porsche owners invited. There will be a special Porsche parking area. Please arrive by 10:30 a.m. Contact tgowilson619@gmail.com for info.
Cover Photo
Greg Schlaf gets credit for this great night time shot of the fireworks at the Rolex 24 at Daytona Speedway. Only the fireworks on the track were more spectacular.

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Race Report


By Steve LaRosa

Photos by Greg Schlaf and Bert Everhart

If you ask me about the 2014 24 Hours of Daytona, all I know is the Porsche #911 RSR won the GT Le Mans class!!! Ask me about the Daytona Prototype class, the LMPC class, or the GT Daytona class and I don’t know. All I know for sure is that the 2014 Porsche RSR 991 won the MAIN EVENT, the GT Le Mans class race. (Yes, in my opinion this is the main event for the new IMSA TUDOR United SportsCar Championship Series).

It was a full factory effort for Porsche Motorsports, with so many Germans in the garages I felt compelled to spend Saturday afternoon trackside in the German Beer Garden drinking Bavarian beer, patronizing the Schnitzel food truck, and listening to the Bavarian Folk Band featuring the Alpine horn. I think Porsche AG sent the Beer Garden, Schnitzel food truck and Bavarian Alpine Band to Daytona so the Porsche Motorsports crews would have some of the comforts of home and have a place to relax between pit stops. It must have worked as the 2014 911 RSR (#911) ran like a Tudor watch to win first place in a hard fought battle with Viper, Corvette, Ferrari and BMW. The other Porsche RSR (#912) was in second place when it was withdrawn from the race for abnormally high crank case pressure sensor readings (Really? They have crank case pressure sensors in...
the engines now?!). Don’t ask me how you get a high crank case pressure reading (maybe a broken piston ring?). It was determined to be a terminal problem for the #912 and the car was withdrawn. But for the #911 RSR, it was a 2.5 second margin of victory over the BMW Z4 GTE (yes, 2.5 seconds after 24 hours of racing). No other GTLM class cars were on the lead lap at the end of the race. It was certainly a great start to the new season for the brand new IMSA TUDOR United SportsCar Championship Series.

And by the way, does anyone know what TUDOR is? It is...
a watch company owned by Rolex for those customers that want a less expensive alternative to a Rolex watch ($4000 for a Tudor watch rather than $12,000 for a Rolex watch). So it is the Rolex 24 at Daytona IMSA TUDOR USCC Series. There must be very good money selling high end watches. I read that Rolex and Tudor had a combined ~ $4.5 billion in sales last year.

And back at the Porsche Corral, North Florida and Sonnenschein again hosted the Porsche Corral during the race on Sunday morning. Zone 12 representative David O’Neal organized a great corral. Some said it was the best corral ever at Daytona (although I take credit for saying it first). Our Sunday morning North Florida Crew brewed coffee, served up donuts and parked a lot of amazing Porsches during our shift. I heard that the Porsche Corral sold their entire allotment of 200 tickets, and that 199 Porsches showed up at the Corral over the weekend. Special thanks go out to Bert Everhart and Tim Kerns from North Florida Region, also my brother in law, Marshall, from North Carolina and my good friend, AJ, from Washington for lending a hand. Also thanks go out to my friend, Mike, from Indiana for the Porsche victory Arturo Fuentes cigar after the race. And to my brother, Billy, and my Dad, Bill, who have been coming to Daytona with me since 1966. Also special thanks to Wally Lindenmuth, Pete Mellin and Steve Pearce from the Sonnenschein Region for their help on Sunday morning at the Corral.

To sum it all up, there is so much going on at this one race event that it is hard to put it all down in a short article. But there is no doubt that Porsche is a strong team this year in the GT LeMans class. And this will be a fun series to follow from start to finish. Next Race: Sebring.

Respectfully submitted from your North Florida Region PCA Racing Correspondent

Steve LaRosa
From November 2013 through early February of 2014 the North Carolina Museum of Art held a special automotive design exhibit. This first of its kind exhibition at the Museum brought together twenty-two examples of Porsches from the 1930s to current models of today. Several members of the North Florida Region of the Porsche Club of American made the three day pilgrimage to Raleigh, North Carolina to experience this display of Porsches. What follows are a few examples of the unique Porsches that were collected for this exhibition. Pick your favorite!

The Beginning – 1938 Type 64 Berlin-Rom Racer
1949 Type Gmund

1953 Type 550 Prototype

1961 Type 365B 1600 Carrera GTL
Abarth Coupe with Steve McQueen’s 1958 Type 356 Speedster 1600 Super in the background.

1960 Type 718 RS60

1962 Type 804

My favorite 1965 Type 904/6 Prototype Carrera GTS
1968 Type 908K Prototype

1974 Type 911 Carrera RSR (IROC)

1977 Type 935 “Baby”

1969 Type 917 16 Cylinder Spyder Prototype

1963 Type 901 Prototype

1989 Panamericana Concept Car
1971 Type 917K (Short Tail)
Note: Damage to right front fender. This reflects current view of 21st Century restoration of race cars.

1988 Type 959

2010 Type 911 GT3 R Hybrid Race Car Prototype

1990 Type 962C

2005 Type 980 Carrera GT
To see the last car of the exhibit you had to walk over to the West Exhibit Hall where the museum restaurant and gift shop are located. Beside a wonderful lunch and beautiful gift shop (we picked up several Christmas presents there) you could view the final car of the exhibit.

The North Carolina Museum of Art held two fund raising raffles during the exhibition. One was for a Red 2014 Cayman S and the other was for a Blue 2014 Boxster S.

No members from the North Florida Region came home with a new Porsche, but we did come back with memories of seeing some of the most unique Porsches ever designed.
This year the Region Post Holiday Party was held at the University Club at Doak Campbell Stadium in Tallahassee on February 15. After two successful years at the Boat Yard in Panama City, a change of venue to the eastern part of the Region attracted over 40 attendees to the Stadium setting.

Thank you to Shirley Kerns, Tallahassee Area Activities Chair, and Danny Fuchs for putting on a great event. The food and drink were very well done and door prizes disappeared from the prize table quicker than a Porsche around a curve. Everyone in attendance won a nice door prize. Don Boggs, our long time Treasurer and attendee at more than 23 Porsche Parades, was awarded a well-deserved Region Member of the Year Award.

Thanks to everyone who attended and made it a fun night. Look at the happy faces in the pictures.
In Memoriam

STEPHEN NOBLE ROBERTS

June 29, 1947—February 26, 2014

Stephen Noble Roberts, a long time North Florida Region Member, and Former Officer and Director of the Region, passed away on February 26, 2014.

Steve was born in Atlanta, Georgia and a graduate of Georgia Tech. His first career was in banking and he enjoyed a second successful career as a partner in Daws-Roberts General Contracting firm. Steve was also a Major in the US Army.

Steve was an avid Porsche enthusiast and enjoyed club racing and the camaraderie of fellow Porschefiles. He served the Region in a variety of offices. He was also an enthusiastic baseball fan and played adult league baseball with his sons Zack and Nick long after others had hung up their spikes.

Steve is survived by his wife Cyndi, a frequent worker and participant at Region events, son Brian Roberts (Nikki), daughter Jennifer Hergesell (Bryan), son Zack Roberts, and son Nick Roberts.

It is with heavy hearts and deep sadness that we send our sympathy and condolences to Steve’s family and friends.

While we are cognizant of our significant loss, we will always remember Steve with the same joy and affection he brought to us in his long association with the Region. Steve was a great guy, an enthusiast with great Porsche knowledge and experience, and a person we enjoyed knowing. We are fortunate he shared his great passion for Porsches with fellow devotees in our Region. His spirit and zest for Porsches will continue to ride with Region members.
Thanks to Barry Waters for these pictures of Steve at Region events.
Monterey is the site of our 59th Porsche Parade, to be held this June 15 through 21, 2014. This is PCA’s annual extravaganza of competitive and social events. Only minutes away from the beautiful Pacific Ocean, we’ll be treated to drives on the famous Pacific Coastal Highway, to some of California’s legendary vineyards, and through the hills and valleys of northern California. Of course, Parade has a long history of friendly competition and that will continue this year with the always challenging Concours d’Elegance, TSD rally, autocross, and the tech-quiz.

Registration

Registration will open on April 1st, and there will be a link to register on pca.org and parade2014.pca.org. This Parade will be very popular, but we will accept ALL entries. We can accommodate all entrants for each of the banquets and all competitive events, as well as most activities. Tours on some days will sell out, however.
Upon checking out of Parade registration, you will receive an email with the link to our host hotels and discount codes. We have blocked rooms at five area hotels, and we do expect hotel rooms to fill up quickly.

**Check In**

Parade entrants should check in for Parade on Sunday, June 15 between 9 am and 5 pm. This is the only time when all the event chair-people will be all together in one place to check you in, answer all your questions, and make sure you have the banquet seats you want, pick up your meal tickets and are classified properly for the competitive events you’ve entered. That is when you get your Parade goodie-bags and volunteer t-shirts. Late check-in is available throughout the week, but we recommend getting to Monterey on Sunday.

**Banquets**

We have five banquets, our Welcome Party on Sunday the 15th, the Concours banquet on Tuesday, TSD banquet on Wednesday, AX on Friday, and our Victory banquet on Saturday. You can sign up for all of them, or individually, through registration.

**Competitive Events**

The Porsche Concours d’Elegance is the showcase of the week’s activities and gets started early on Monday, June 16th on the beautiful fairways of the Monterey Hyatt. We have classes for every Porsche and stage of preparation—from “Full” preparation to “Street” class where only the interior and exterior, including wheels and tires, are judged.

The Mobil TSD Rally on Tuesday June 17th takes us in and around the beautiful vineyards, hills, forests and beaches of the area in a rally that’s sure to become the stuff of legend. We’ll be offering the TSD Rally School on Monday evening, June 16.
**The Michelin Autocross** is on Wednesday and Thursday, June 18 and 19 at nearby Marina airport.

Whether you study-up or just show up, the **Technical/Historical Quiz** on the morning of Friday, June 20 is always a great way to show what you know about our favorite cars... or to face what you don’t.

**Events and Activities**

**Parade Kids**

The Parade Kids program has become a favorite of our family of enthusiasts, with many of the kids forming enduring friendships and looking forward to Parade each year. The 2014 Parade Kids program will have plenty of fun and adventure, true to the California spirit of fun, adventure, and learning in Monterey.

**Hospitality**

The Hospitality area is always one of the best places to hang out at Parade, whether you’re perusing the various vendors, partaking in the planned Beer or Wine tastings, or just looking to visit with friends before heading out to dinner.

**Gimmick Rally**

The Gimmick Rally will held Thursday, June 19th, and is designed to provide a scenic and entertaining outing for everyone, children included. The route showcases the 17-Mile Drive, the Lone Cypress, Carmel and its famous Mission, historic John Steinbeck sites and much, much more. The choice of this year’s gimmick will be unique, and provide both fun and challenge, along with capturing the amazing scenery and character of the Monterey Bay area.

**Tours**

Throughout the week you will have an opportunity to go on a different driving tour each day. In addition, most driving tours will run more than once during the week in the event you commit to another activity on a particular day. All tours include a variety of points of interest and a destination.

**Tech Academy**

The fifth annual Parade Tech Academy will be held Friday, June 20th, immediately following the Tech Quiz. Once again, we have an exciting mix of our outstanding PCA Technical Committee and outside speakers. By attending more than one session, you become eligible for "Tech Academy Accreditation" of various levels, depending on the number of sessions you attend:

- Five Sessions equals a "Doctorate"
- Four Sessions earns a "Masters"
- Three Sessions takes a "Bachelors"
- Two Sessions starts you with an "Associate"
**Michelin Drive and Compare**

Another great event at Parade is the Michelin Drive & Compare and this is your chance to take a couple of thrill laps around the course in two identical Porsches with two different types of tires.

**Golf Tournament**

Please join us on Wednesday, June 18 for the annual Porsche Parade Golf Tournament. We will be playing at the Pacific Grove Golf Links, on the tip of the scenic Monterey Peninsula, overlooking Point Pinos and the Pacific Ocean, just a short 5 mile drive from the Hyatt.

**Parade of Porsches**

The final driving event of Porsche Parade will give you an opportunity to Parade your Porsche and take in the spectacular scenery of Monterey and Pebble Beach. You'll take in breathtaking views of the coast and hills surrounding Monterey and provide a great view to the locals of all our beautiful Porsches cruising by.

**Art Show**

The art-show is one of Parade's “must see” events, providing a great venue for our talented and creative members to show off their vision, creativity, imagination and skill. This Parade event continues with categories in fiber arts, jewelry, painting, crafts and photography (both amateur and professional divisions). All Parade entrants may participate, including children. We have an expert judging committee as well as our favorite people’s choice award. Take some time during the week just to see the amazing talent of our PCA artists and craftspeople from around the country.

**Driver Education**

One of the most asked questions about this year’s Parade: will there be a High Performance Driver Education event at nearby Mazda Raceway at Laguna Seca. The answer is yes-June 21-22. For more details, be sure to visit the Parade website. Space will be limited!

**5K Run/Walk**

One of the best ways to finish off your week at Parade is the 5K run/walk. The event will be held the morning of June 21st, with age classes from 10 years to 80+ years and awards for top male/female in each class, T-Shirts, and a commemorative item for each participant. Please join us!

**R/C Cars**

The R/C contest has become a favorite in recent years with kids young and not-so-young. If you have a “ride” get entered. If not, then come and watch. It’s a blast!

**Goodie Store**

Everyone who’s ever been to Parade knows this is a must-do on your shopping schedule. Whether it’s for this year’s logo designed outerwear, special jewelry, Porsche-themed books, or to add to your miniature car collection, the 2014 Porsche Parade Goodie Store will have a great array of products.
Volunteering

For “normal” people, vacation is the time to relax and be served. Porsche Parade is 99% volunteer supported! That’s how all of us from all over the country get to know each other, by working a couple of four hour shifts during the week with other PCA members. As a thank you, you will be eligible to attend the exclusive Volunteer Party Luncheon on Saturday, June 21st — there are numerous door prizes too!

Prior to Registering for Parade

Ensure you have an account for the member-only portion of www.pca.org. You will need to login to register for Parade. Check to see that all your information is up-to-date and current, especially your e-mail address. All pre-Parade materials are sent to you via e-mail, and are posted on the Parade website http://parade2014.pca.org.

Registration Fees

Everyone signing up for Parade must pay an entrant fee of $169, which covers the entrant and co-entrant.

Fees for the four major competitive events are:

- Concours -- $30 per car,
- Autocross -- $30 per driver,
- TSD Rally -- $15 per car, and
- Tech/Historical Quiz -- $15 per person.

Entrant fees for guests are as follows:

- JPP/CAFP -- $20,
- Child age 13-15 -- $15,
- Child under age 13 -- $10.
- Adult guests -- $40.

Additional fees apply for banquets and for selected other activities.

**Advance Registration is mandatory** -- there is no on-site registration during Parade. Parade registrations are not transferable. Fifty percent of your registration fee and 100 percent of your banquet fees will be refunded if your e-mailed cancellation request is received on or before June 10. There is no refund for cancellations made after that time. You may make changes to your registration at any time before June 10.
THE DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND SOCIAL CHAIRS OF THE NORTH FLORIDA REGION

Danny Fuchs  President, Safety/Insurance Chair and Director

Danny and wife Linda started with a '05 Boxster S and then, after several years of enjoyable ownership, the inevitable happened - they 'Upgraded'! A 2011 Carrera S Cabriolet now graces their garage and the roadways surrounding the region. As PCANFR Members since 2006, they'll tell you that the cars and the people have added another chapter to their lives and that they have a great time going to all the different events around the Southeast.

Steve LaRosa  Vice President and Director

Steve has been a North Florida Region PCA Member since 1985. His main Porsche interests revolve around attending sports car road races such as United States Sports Car Racing events. He also enjoys attending all PCA North Florida Region events. He is a Family Physician with Capital Health Plan in Tallahassee. His wife Katherine helps him organize club events. Steve is a past president of the region and annually helps arrange our region’s participation in the Zone 12 Porsche Corral at the Rolex 24 Hours at Daytona. He has a 1965 model 911 which was given to him by his father Bill in 1983.

Tim Kerns  Secretary and Director

Tim had his first seat of the pants Porsche experience in 1966 when he attended a couple of SCCA driving schools in an EP '57 Speedster. A '63 Super 90 followed during a three year active duty tour with the Army. After a brief hiatus of only four decades, Tim returned to the Porsche fold with a 2010 Boxster, followed shortly there after with a trade up for a 2013 Boxster in Dec 2012. He is retired from the US Army Reserve after a 31 year career as an Armor and Military Police officer and the State of Florida where he served most recently as the Director of the Division of Capitol Police. He now plays in an Irish band.

Don Boggs  Treasurer and Director

Don is retired after 38 years working for the Florida Legislature. He still owns the 1966 912 with which he joined PCANFR in 1976! Various stable-mates have come and gone over the years, but the collection presently includes two 356’s and a 944 S2. Don was Worker Chair for the '03 Parade in Florida and the past 2013 Parade marks the 23rd he has attended!

The folks on these pages are doing the “grunt” work in the Region. Feel free to ask them questions, propose events, make suggestions and to pitch in and help with an event or Region work. The Region is what its members make it. Your efforts will help make your membership worth while. Every thing we do is done by volunteers.
Bob Wilson  Membership Chair and Director

Bob is retired after 25 years working for the National Park Service as an archeologist and museum curator. His first encounter with Porsches occurred when he was 15. On his way to the public pool he would stop by and admire the local pharmacist’s dark brown 356B with that strange metal PCA badge on the back grill. Bob's first date with his wife, Christa, was at the 1973 Daytona 24 Hours race. Their first Porsche was in 1975 when they bought a 1964 356C. The next Porsche was a 1973 2 liter 914 bought in 1977. They currently own a European version 1981SC which Bob bought in 1997 instead of building a backyard pool. They have been PCA Members since 1997 and now also have one of those metal PCA badges on the 911's back grill!

Roy Vaughn  Director

Roy is a retired United States Air Force (USAF) pilot who still works for the Department of the Air Force as a civilian. He owns a 1986 944 that was a Zuffenhausen delivery while he was stationed in Europe. He has been a Porsche owner for 28 years and a PCA Member since 2009. Roy is an avid race fan and has been ever since listening to the 1959 Indy 500!

Shirley Kerns  Tallahassee Area Activities Chair

After 20 years with the Florida Department of Insurance, Shirley joined a local law firm in Tallahassee and has been providing consulting services to insurance companies and other regulated entities for the last ten years. Shirley's love of Porsches has been growing ever since her husband Tim purchased his 2010 Boxster. She was not remotely old enough to drive when he owned his earlier Porsches! Shirley enjoys attending various sports car events around the region with Tim and also enjoys sports and other outdoor activities.

Jason Boxerman  Panama City Area Activities Chair

Jason hails from a small island called Manhattan, where he acquired his first and current Porsche, a 1994 968 Cabriolet. He loves meeting up with PCAers, and always gets a laugh when someone says of his little car "I've never even heard of that model," or "Oh, you mean a 986, a Boxster?"

Bert Everhart  Destin Area Activities Chair and Director

Bert is a retired United States Air Force (USAF) Lt. Colonel who served 38 years on active duty in various aircraft maintenance and logistics areas. He has also worked as a contractor for the USAF in such exotic locations as Gianaclis Egypt, Muscat Oman and Dayton Ohio. His 3rd and latest Porsche is a 1990 964 and he has been a PCA Member since 2006.
Alan Berg  Newsletter Editor and Director

Alan’s first Porsche experience was riding in his Dad’s Speedster as a youngster. He obtained his first Porsche in 1978, when he bought a 1977 Porsche 924. He no longer has that car, but retains the 1987 911 Targa he purchased in 1990, the 1964 356 Cabriolet he purchased in 2004, the 2007 911 Cabriolet, purchased in 2007 and the 1988 Commemorative Edition 911 Cabriolet he purchased from Gary Kempton’s estate in 2012. Alan has been a member of PCA since 1998 and has held several offices in the North Florida Region. He is a former Army Officer having served in the Infantry and Military Intelligence Branches, and is retired from Sprint Corporation where he served as an Attorney for 20 Years.

Barry A. Waters  Webmaster

Barry first discovered the lure of the Porsche marque in the early 1980’s while stationed with the U.S. Army just outside of Porsche’s home in Stuttgart, DE, but it was his attendance of a Porsche Driving Experience (PDE) 2-Day Advanced Driving Course at Road Atlanta in 2002 that really set the hook! A 1986 911 Carrera Coupe and membership in PCANFR soon followed and a 1988 944 for wife Mindy came not long after that - a move that truly turned the passion into a ‘family’ affair. Additional driving instruction for both Barry and Mindy via the Porsche Sport Driving School (PSDS) Master’s Course resulted in a 2008 Cayman S showing up next. After 11 years of enjoying the ‘Porsche Ownership Experience’ and the benefits of PCA Membership, both can only agree that Porsche and PCANFR is one Wonderful combination!

David O’Neal  PCA Zone 12 (Deep South) Representative

David and wife Ginny have been Porsche and PCA stalwarts since 2006 with both of them having provided untold hours of service at both the Regional and National levels of PCA during their membership. David is currently serving his third year as our PCA Zone 12 Representative and it would be difficult indeed to find a more qualified or enthusiastic person to serve in this demanding and challenging position. As a current PCA HPDE Instructor and Past President of Zone 12’s Space Coast Region, David knows Porsche and PCA and is always willing to lend a hand when and where needed.
**Significant Dates for the North Florida Region**

- **April 1, 2014**  
  Registration begins for the 2014 PCA Porsche Parade. See page 16.

- **April 5, 2014**  
  The Great Porsche Armada. See page 2.

- **April 12, 2014**  

- **May 10, 2014**  
  Region Recon to Apalachicola. See the Website (nfl.pca.org) or the Facebook Page (PCA North Florida Region) for details. Watch for Email Blasters.

- **June 7, 2014**  
  Brumos Tour in Jacksonville. See the Website and Facebook Page for details. Watch for Email Blasters.

- **June 15-21, 2014**  
  PCA Porsche Parade in Monterey, California. See page 16.

- **September 21, 2014**  
  Drive Your 356 Day. No details yet.

- **November 6, 2014**  
  PCA’s Escape 2014-To Magical Orlando. Watch the Website and Facebook Page.

**Socials:**
- **Tallahassee Area**—Third Wednesday each month, 6:30 PM, Milano’s.
- **Panama City Area**—Determined monthly. Watch the Website and Facebook page.
- **Destin Area**—Determined monthly. Watch the Website and Facebook page.

**PORSCHE FOR SALE**

1986 Porsche 944 Turbo, very nice condition, well maintained, repairs done by Wagen Haus. Guards red, black interior. Approximately 132,000 miles-odometer stopped at 126,000. List of items recently completed in the last couple of years.

- New Fuel Lines
- New slave cylinder for clutch
- New shifter boot
- Alternator-Bosch
- Check timing belt- adjusted
- Replace hood shocks
- Water pump
- Oil pressure sender
- Sway-bar bushings
- Oil sending unit
- Power steering hose

Asking $6,950, Contact Brett Bascom 850-524-3010 or email bbascom@comcast.net

If you have a car, parts or Porsche items for sale, send a description and pictures to the Editor at one of the addresses listed on the last page for inclusion in Der Porsche Brief.