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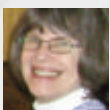
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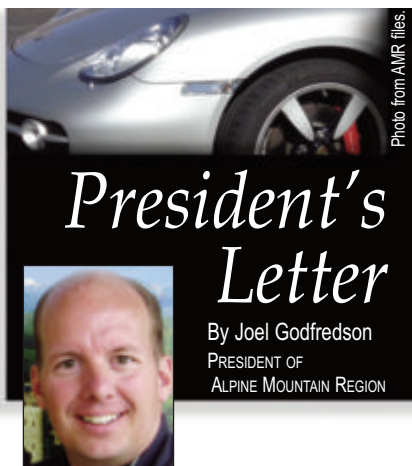


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President's Letter

By Joel Godfredson
PRESIDENT OF
ALPINE MOUNTAIN REGION

Hello AMR PCA and Happy New Year! My name is Joel Godfredson and I am your newly elected President. I want to start off the new year by saying "Thank You" to the membership for electing me your President. I will try and do my best to represent the club and continue the tradition, like the past Presidents, by pushing us along in the right direction.

For those of you who don't know me, I decided to write a little about myself: I basically grew up in the Back of a Porsche. My Dad, "Hank" who most of you know is one of the longest standing PCA members in the USA has been my Porsche inspiration. He has supported my Porsche passion and my Porsche dreams throughout the years. Without my Dad's Porsche passion and support, I most likely wouldn't be a Porsche person. I have been a member of the PCA since 2003. My first Porsche was a 2003 Boxster S which I special ordered through the Porsche facto-

ry. It took over 8 months to get the car and it was everything that I hoped for! Since I received my first Porsche, many things have changed for Doreen, my wife, and I. We have a 10 year old son named Henry and a 23 year old daughter named Lindsey. Henry enjoys going to the track events, helping where he can and going on tours. He also is working on his Black Belt in Kempo Karate, is an avid skier and enjoys electronics of any sort. Lindsey is currently going to college in Tennessee and will be graduating this spring. She is also getting married this spring! Needless to say, I am a very busy guy.

Back in 2010, we recognized the Boxster wasn't the ideal car for us so we sold the Boxster to pursue my dream car...A TURBO! Ironically, my dream turbo was waiting for me at an AMR membership social at the Porsche of Colorado Springs dealership! Doreen and I currently own a 2007 997 Turbo, a 1991 964 "Track Car" that has been converted using GT Racing body panels to a 1974 type RSR, a 1986 911 Carrera and a 1986 944.

We enjoy many Porsche events including Racing, HPDE, tours and social events. Doreen and I are also the owners of GT Racing and European Racing Headers. Our companies specialize in the manufacturing of light weight body panels and high performance exhaust systems for Porsches.

Since moving to Colorado and joining the AMR in 2009, I have come to know the AMR folks as more than Porsche enthusiasts, track car, tour or social folks. The people in the AMR have truly become some of my best friends. I really look forward

to each of the events I am attending. If you see me at an event and we have never met, please come and introduce yourself!

The calendar for 2015 is shaping up to be a good one. We have the 40th Anniversary of the Alpine Mountain Region on April 4th at the Broadmoor! As many of you know, one of our own long standing members Fred Veitch started the AMR 40 years ago and it is only fitting that he is helping out along with Kathleen Lennon in reserving this great venue for this special occasion. This event will surely go down as one of the best events in 2015! Look for more information on page 19. The other big news for 2015 is we will have two separate events where we will be heading into the mountains for a very special tour as well as head to the race track in Snowmass. These two events are sure to sell out so look for more detailed information in the upcoming newsletters and e-blasts as well as Face book and the AMR website.

Let's ring in the New Year and make 2015 a great one!

Joel



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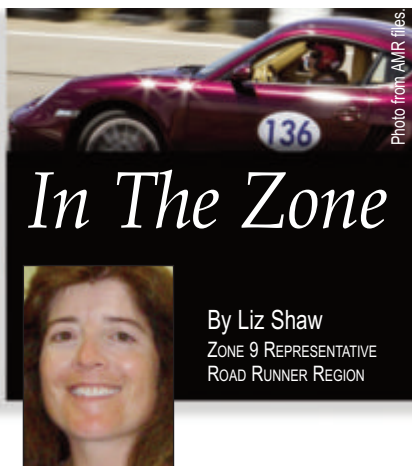
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Hello Zone 9er's

Can you believe we're already starting a new year? Many of the Zone 9 Regions already have their calendars filled with many events so be sure to take a look at them and start your planning! We will have the Zone 9 Challenge again this year and now is the time to set your strategy to win the big trophy.

The last of 2014 was busy for me but I had lots of fun in the process. I attended the LA Auto Show and PCA Tech Tactics West around the 3rd part of November and both events were great. I had never been to such a large auto show and it was overwhelming. PCNA had their own show room and they welcomed PCA members with a launch party for the 911 GTS. I walked around the convention center and marveled at the fancy displays and representation from all of the major car manufacturers. It was also interesting to see some concept cars.

After the show, I headed to Ontario with Pete Tremper (National DE Chair) and Tom Brown (Zone 8 Rep) to start setting up things for Tech Tactics. The PCNA Training facility is huge, with several lifts and classrooms. This is also where all of the Porsche parts are shipped and then distributed around the country. There were 3 "tracks" of presentations, which included a tech talk on the 918 Spyder, the new Andial program, and new tire technologies from Michelin. In addition, Rusnak Pasadena Porsche had lots of Porsche stuff for sale.

Moving into December, I attended



parties at most of the Zone 9 Regions, starting with Llano Estacado on the 1st. Their annual party is held at the Amarillo Club in the Chase bank building and it's always great to see the club members. Then later in the week, I attended the Carrera Region party in El Paso, joined up with the West Texas Region members in Santa Fe, and then headed to Colorado Springs for the Alpine Mountain Region party at the Air Force Academy. Not to be missed, I want to congratulate West Texas Region's Rick Garlock on winning the Zone 9 Challenge for 2014! Rick attended events at 3 Regions outside of WTR: Rocky Mountain's DE in April, Roadrunner's Fiesta in May, and a monthly breakfast with the Llano Estacado members. He also visited the PCA headquarters in Columbia, MD, and attended the PCA Palooza in Arkansas. Good job, Rick, and thanks for supporting the Zone 9 Regions!

I would like to congratulate two Zone 9 members for winning Toyo tires. There were two contests this year - for **Zone Instructor of the Year** and for **Rookie Driver of the Year**. Intermountain Region's Mike Clarke is the Instructor of the Year from Zone 9 and Rocky Mountain Region's Art Van Dyck is the PCA Rookie Driver of the Year. All of the instructors and rookie drivers received very nice commemorative medals from Toyo. In AMR, Denise Jordan, was awarded the **"2014 Regional Rookie Driver of the Year"** medal. (Each Region nominated a

rookie driver and their names were put in a drawing for a set of Toyo tires. Art Van Dyck won the tires from among all the Regions, but all of the nominated rookies received a medal from Toyo.

And finally, we're still waiting to hear the results for the 2014 PCA Club Race series, but we already know that several Zone 9 racers will finish high in the standings. Good job, everyone!

Liz



Denise Jordan with her medal
"2014 Regional
Rookie Driver
of the Year".

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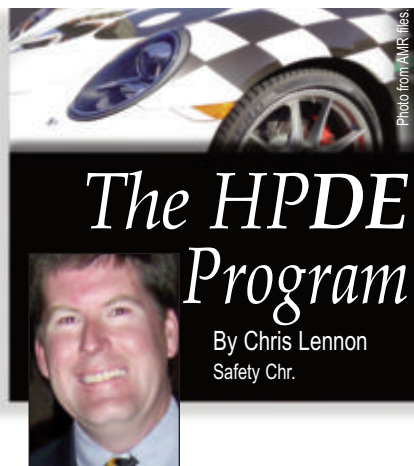
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As we head into the new year, it's time to look at what we have planned for our *High Performance Drivers Education* (HPDE) program. 2014 was a great year, with a wide variety of events, and terrific turnout all year long. Our plan is to build on this in 2015.

The Boards of Alpine Mountain Region and Rocky Mountain Region met recently to finalize the plans for the 2015 calendar, and we have some exciting things to share with you.

We will have a record eleven events, at six tracks! We don't think any other regions in the country offer a variety like this. Most are lucky to have two tracks to visit in the space of a year.

The HPDE calendar for 2015 offers opportunities for both experienced drivers and beginners. For those who have not driven much on a track, La Junta is a delight, both the track itself and the town. For novice as well as experienced women drivers, RMR's Ladies' Day DE is just for you! Of course, Instructors from AMR and RMR will be at all our DEs to work with novice and beginning drivers at HPR, Pueblo, PPIR and Aspen, as well as La Junta and the State Patrol Track.

The season kicks off April 11-12, at Pikes Peak International Raceway. This AMR event runs on a 1.3 mile course which utilizes a portion of the 1 mile oval, coupled with a challenging infield road course. The facilities at PPIR are terrific – with full garages, nice rest-room facilities, and a control tower that includes beautiful climate-controlled banquet and meeting rooms. The entire circuit can also be viewed from atop the control tower, which is fairly unique. This is a good course to begin



with, as beginners find it less intimidating to learn on, and all attendees always report having a great time.

Two weeks later, on April 25-26, RMR will host its first of six HPDE weekends at High Plains Raceway, East of Byers, CO. HPR is a fantastic circuit, with a challenging and fun layout, featuring many different types of turns, nice elevation change, and lots of opportunities to push yourself and your Porsche to the limits.

May 9-10 takes us to La Junta Raceway. This is the best learning track we visit. Its 1.3 mile, seven turn layout is very high speed and loads of fun, and is quick to learn, but like all tracks, difficult to master. It has no elevation change, as it is laid out on the taxiways and runways of a WWII training base. There are many parallels between its development, and that of Sebring. As we all spend a couple of nights down in La Junta, this also tends to be one of the more enjoyable social HPDEs, as we get to spend lots of fun time not only on track, but enjoying meals and the entire weekend together.

We wrap up May, over the weekend of the 30th and 31st at Pueblo Motorsports Park. This track is similar to HPR in length, but with fewer turns (only ten). It has fun elevation change, and many say it has the best flow of any track in Colorado.

The following weekend takes us to the Colorado Highway Patrol Track for Ladies Day for a single day event, on June 6th. If you are a lady, and want an introduction to high performance driving in a fun environment, this is the event for you.

Two weeks later, we return to HPR June 20-21, to enjoy the early summer weather. You get another chance to enjoy HPR about a

month later, July 18-19.

In August, over the weekend of the 15th-16th, RMR hosts the Club Racers, where we get an amazing variety of cars from far and wide. This weekend also includes a Super HPDE, for advanced solo drivers who do not require instruction.

September takes us back to HPR from the 19th-20th, to enjoy cooler temperatures at this favorite track.

The following week, we go to a track we haven't been able to enjoy in quite some time. September 24-27 takes us to Aspen Motorsports Park for AMR's Snowmass HPDE. This track is a private facility, so we are very lucky to be able to return here. It's a 1.1 mile layout, with 8 corners that is more fun than you can imagine. Unlike the other tracks in our state, which tend to be in the flat lands, this one is surrounded by mountains, making it a beautiful setting. This event will be an all-inclusive one, with deluxe accommodations, fabulous dining, and activities for spouses in this gorgeous part of the country. Attendance will be very limited, so you'll want to sign up for this one early, or risk missing out on the most unique DE of the year.

October sees us returning to La Junta Raceway on the 3rd and 4th. Two weeks after that, we wrap up the season at HPR on the 17th and 18th.

Putting together a schedule like this takes a lot of work by a huge number of people. We hope you enjoy what we have put together, so please support all of these great events.

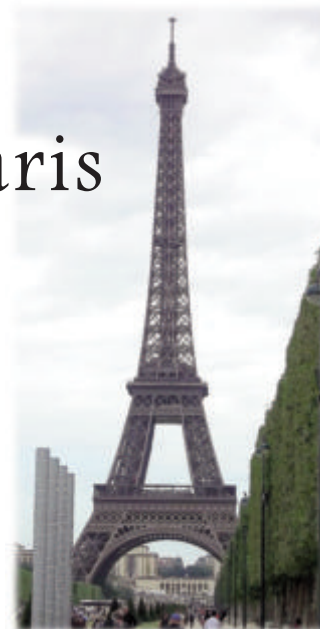
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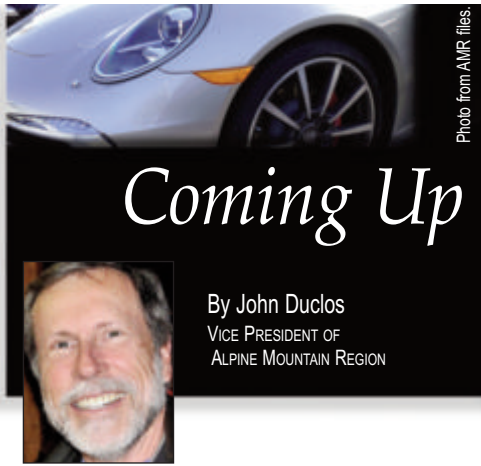
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Calling all Chairs, Co-chairs and Mentors.

It started with a phone call from Joel. Would I be willing to chair an AMR event, specifically a new Drivers Ed event at Pueblo? Being a new member and having only attended a few DE events (or any events for that matter), I was a bit hesitant. The event was about three months out and all that had been done was a rough budget. "Don't worry," Joel assured me, "We'll hook you up with a mentor who's chaired several events in the past. You'll be fine and you'll have plenty of help."

Well, he was right. Within a few days, Joel hosted a planning meeting where I met my mentor and co-chair, Dan Taylor, for the first time. By the end of

the meeting, Dan had given me a list of potential volunteers to call, a timeline for actions that needed to be taken, and contacts for t-shirts, food vendors, the ambulance service, etc, and even newsletter announcement samples. Over the next three months, with Dan always available for advice and guidance, the budget was refined, the contract was signed, volunteers were lined up, the food vendor was reserved, the track was inspected, the ambulance arranged, on-line registration was up and running and t-shirts were designed and printed. Just as Joel promised, I had lots of help and by the first day of the event, I found myself without a whole lot to do. The volunteers knew their respective tasks and once I turned the event over to the Chief Driving

Instructor (Chris Lennon), my work was largely over and I was free to enjoy the event.

I bring this all up because we need your help. Most of our events are chaired and staffed by a small group of dedicated volunteers who step up year after year.



But, sometimes life just intrudes, and we come up short of folks who are trained and willing to take on these roles. At Pueblo last year, we started mentoring a group of volunteers to back up our control and starter functions and we'll continue to build on that "bench strength" in the future with additional training and experience.

Now what we'd like to do is build a similar "bench" of event chairs and co-chairs. If you enjoy participating in our AMR events, we urge you to consider being a chair or co-chair of an event. If you're already an experienced chair, please consider mentoring or co-chairing a "newbie" chair.

OK, so you might ask "what's in it for me?" Seems like it's just a lot of work and responsibilities. Well, the answer for me is simple. First, there's a tremendous amount of satisfaction when you successfully pull off an event like a HPDE or tour. But that pales in comparison to the real payoff. In my experience in chairing Pueblo for the past two years, I've met and worked with a large

number of really great folks who I might not have ever met and gotten to know. I consider all these new friends to be the real payoff.

Bottom line, if you're ready to get involved in a more significant role in the club's activities, please contact Joel or me or anyone on the Board. And, if you get a friendly phone call from one of us asking for help, please say "Yes." You won't regret it.

John

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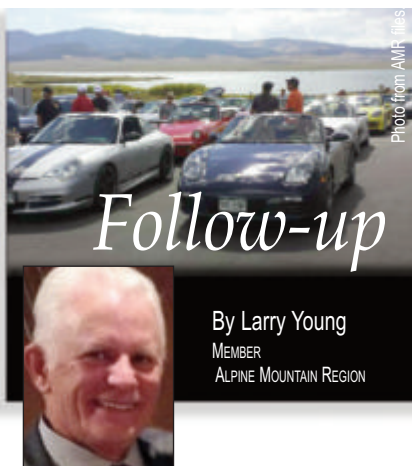
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AMR's Annual Holiday Party.

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Arriving couples received a warm greeting and a very nice gift of a Porsche key fob from Jim and Dona Sorenson.

Following an excellent buffet dinner, the evening program,

went to Denise Jordan; the Pink Flag award recognizing the past year's outstanding female member went to Cheryl Pixley; and finally the Dedicated Service award for long-term service was given to Tom Kautz.

Jim McDonald announced the winners of the recent Selfie Photo Contest. Charlie Marino was awarded first place followed by Lauren Becker in second place with Hank Godfredson taking third.

With hands placed firmly on an official Porsche service manual, newly elected President Joel Godfredson and his Board members were officially sworn in by District 9 Representative Liz Shaw.

After handing out a number of door prizes, the program concluded with Jim Sorenson making the drawing for the \$1,000 credit toward the purchase of tires. This year's lucky recipient was Chris Lennon, who said the new tires will be used on the car he is preparing for the 2015 Pikes Peak Hill Climb.

Many thanks to Jack and Chris Ferguson for organizing this event.

Larry



Doreen and Joel Godfredson.



John Duclos and Kathleen George.

Below: The official swearing in of the newly elected board:
L2R: John Duclos, Denise Jordan, Joel Godfredson, Liz Shaw (Zone 9 Rep), Dana Kastin and Chris Lennon.



MC's Kathy Fricke and Chris Lennon.

MC'ed by Chris Lennon (AMR) and Kathy Fricke (RMR), began with President Tom Kautz expressing his appreciation for the hard work and support of his Board members and event Chairmen during the past year.

Board member John Duclos then presented awards to several very deserving members for their outstanding service to our club. The Enthusiast of the Year went to Bubbles and Sweet Pea (aka Jack and Chris) Ferguson; the Green Flag award for a newer member



Holiday Party hosts Chris & Jack Ferguson with Jim & Dona Sorensen welcomed all the guests to the Holiday Party.





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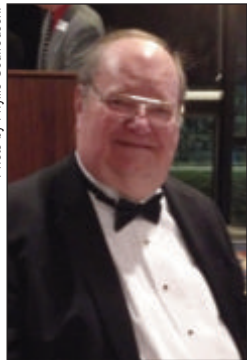


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Jim McDonald.

Charlie and Felicia Marino.

Mark Stolburg.

Kathleen Lennon.



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Alan Bale.

Larry and Nancy Young.

Bill and Amy Perry.

Smith and Nancy Holt.



Past President Tom Kautz recognizing the 2014 Board of Directors and Committee Chairs.

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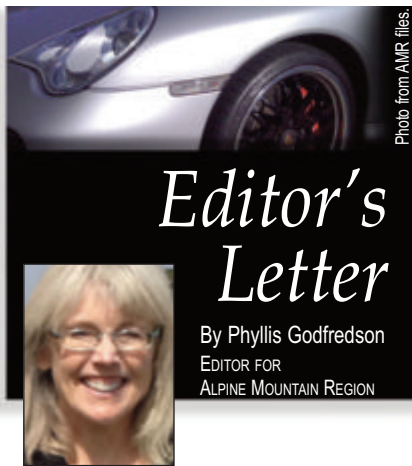
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Many toys were donated for charity.

Members enjoying the evening L2R: Kathy & Karl Klepfer, Sandy & Bill Espinola and Bill & Jane Cosper.





Ladies' Lunch!

Our very busy Denise Jordan, who is not only our Club's Secretary and Membership Social Chr. but also "Regional Rookie of The Year" found the time to arrange a lovely luncheon for the ladies of AMR. We met on a gorgeous November day at Marigolds Cafe & Bakery. It was a nice opportunity for us gals to sit down and get to know each other better. Following are the ladies that attended:

Nancy Holt with a green 911 Cab.

Elaine Millon from Canon City, with a 1985 911 Carrera.

Dona McGunigal from Monument with a silver Cabriolet.

Doreen Godfredson, first lady of the club with a 911 Turbo.

Pamela Ament, joined in 1993 with a white Cayman.

Dona Sorensen our Goodie Store Chr., member since 1983, with a Cayenne.

Danyella Prilika from Castle Rock with a 'very fast 1999 911 Carrera.

Denise Jordan our Secretary and Socials Chr., with a Silver Cayman.

Melanie Richey with a Yellow 911 Carrera.

Barbara Treacy with a grey 911 Carrera.

Mary Bale, author, joined with husband Alan in 2013, has a blue Coupe.

Mary Wood with a silver Boxster.

Abi Gaylord from Pueblo, who with husband Don is restoring a 1966 912! Can't wait to see it.

Felicia Morino with a new yellow

Cayman and who's hubby just won the Selfie contest with a photo of the car and him self.

Chris Ferguson our membership Chr. has a '97 red 911 Carrera.

Phyllis Godfredson, editor and associate member for 32 years with a silver C4S.



Eleanor Bergquist with a 1998 Boxster, joined in 1998.

Thank you, ladies for coming and sharing some interesting details and stories! And thank you, Denise, for putting together this extra special lunch.

Phyllis



Starting at front left: Nancy Holt, Elaine Millon, Dona McGunigal, Doreen Godfredson, Pamela Ament, Dona Sorensen, Danyella Prilika, Denise Jordan, Melanie Richey, Barbara Treacy, Mary Bale, Mary Wood, Abi Gaylord, and Felicia Morino. (Missing from photo Chris Ferguson, Phyllis Godfredson & Eleanor Bergquist)

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finger foods and coffee and juice. This fun HPDE 101 event is a month before the first 2015 AMR HPDE. We currently have four AMR HPDEs scheduled in 2015: at Pikes Peak International Raceway on April 11-12, La Junta Raceway on May 9-10, Pueblo Motorsports Park on May 30-31 and one more to be announced. Each of these is a great learning track for beginners and it is possible that we will add a fifth HPDE depending on the level of interest. The plan for HPDE 101 is for several of our HPDE participants to tell their stories about their HPDE experiences. We'll have old hands there along with AMR folks who've only done HPDEs once or twice. Then we'll open it up for questions and answers.

Who should come? Of course any member is welcome, but we're really trying to reach those of you who've considered participating in a HPDE, but for a variety of reasons, have never done so. We're also trying to reach new members (or long-time members) and spouses who haven't really investigated the activities the club has to offer. There is NO cost to participate. Nothing, nada, zip, free...and we'll provide the donuts and coffee. So, please come and join your Porsche friends at Porsche of Colorado Springs on March 7th.

Robert Yen



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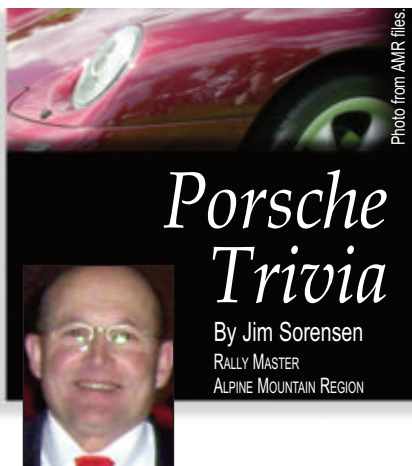
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Extracted from the web along with a few updates:

- Porsche began promoting vacation delivery in 1982: order the car in the United States, take delivery in Europe, drive around the continent and return the car to the factory to have it shipped home. Today the European Delivery Program is alive and well. At no cost (your dealer pays \$2800) you get to pick up your car at either Zuffenhausen or Leipzig. You get a factory tour; entrance to the museum—or at Leipzig a few laps around their test track; a very nice luncheon at the executive restaurant and up to two weeks of insurance. Cars may be returned at either factory for free or for a relative small fee about 10 other places in Europe for transportation to your dealer.

- The Porsche 928 in the film Risky Business is actually a total of four cars ranging in years from 1979-1981. Each car had different options such as interior colors, wheel designs and even paint colors. The production crew had to be very careful about which part of the cars they filmed to make it look like only one vehicle was used in the movie.

- Al Holbert set a FIA international class speed record while driving a stock 928 S4 at the Bonneville Salt Flats in 1986. His speed: 171.110 mph.

- Porsche 911 engines were air-cooled for an astounding 34 years before switching to a water-cooled format in 1998 to meet increasingly

stringent environmental rules and Porsche's desire to provide more power while reducing fuel consumption.

- In 1992 it took 125 hours to build a Porsche 911. By 1994 the factory was down to 80 hours, thus reducing the cost of the cars. Today, with "just-in-time" parts delivery it takes even less time. What is amazing is that different cars (911s, Boxsters, Caymans) can be on the line at the same time. The race cars (911RS and RSRs) are also integrated on the same line before they receive even more special mods.

- The Porsche 911 RS entered the United States in 1993. The "RS" stands for "Rennsport," German for "race sport" or racing. It had no sunroof, A/C, backseat or power steering.



- Porsche was the first auto manufacturer to make passenger air bags available, optional or standard. This was the 1987 944 turbo.



- The names for both the 911 Carrera and the new Panamera



Gran Turismo came from Mexico's historic Carrera Panamericana race, where Porsche scored many victories.

- Notable past and current American celebrities who are or were Porsche enthusiasts include James Dean, Paul Newman, Steve McQueen, Ralph Lauren, Jerry Seinfeld, Jay Leno, and Patrick Dempsey. Paul Newman almost won at Le Mans in 1979.

The Porsche 935 team of Stommelen, Newman and Barbour was leading on Sunday morning. The team owner (Barbour) insisted that new tires be put on to look good for the finish (unnecessary) and a wheel nut jammed costing them first place.

- This one is for Jack: The correct pronunciation of Porsche is "Porsch-eh."

Jim

Photos provided by Jim Sorensen.



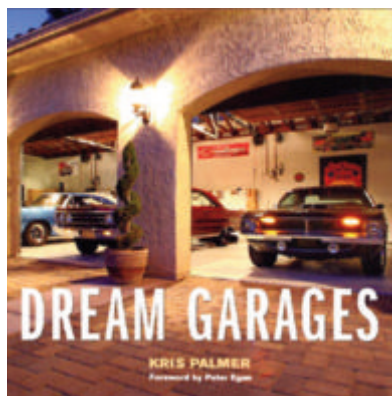


Book Review:

Dream Garages

Author: Kris Palmer,
Published by:
Motorbooks
International (2006)

For car and motorcycle enthusiasts there is scarcely a more sacred space than the garage. This is where it all happens: the restoring of relics and resurrecting of wrecks, the polishing of tall tales and tail fins, and friendships formed over a shared passion for automotive speed and style. Dream Garages takes the reader into more than 20 of these havens for the motor-mad. Some are beautifully conceived automotive shrines, some are grease-monkey heavens, and others are accidental creations. Dream Garages offers a profile of each garage and its owner, along with fabulous images from top automotive photographers including Peter Vincent, Robert Genat, James Mann, and David Gooley.



beautifully photographed. In fact, it's worth the cash for Peter Egan's forward alone, which beautifully sums up our fanaticism." --*Classic & Sports Car* (UK)

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"It is almost impossible to put this book down once you start reading it." --*Hemmings Classic Car*

"What makes this book a winner: any hardcore enthusiast can relate to it. It's funny, too, and

Tech Tip, continued from page 16

If the windshield is in good condition otherwise (no superficial pitting or scratches), it's generally better to have the chip or crack repaired because this way the windshield doesn't have to be removed and re-sealed which in some instances may cause air (sound) and water leaks into the vehicle's cabin. Also, modern cars' windshields are bonded to the frame which offers additional structural rigidity to the vehicle's chassis. According to National Statistics 8 out of 10 windshield replacements fail to be installed properly. It is recommended to repair instead of replace the windshield, whenever possible.

A word of caution. If your windshield suffers a crack or a chip, don't wait to get it repaired because the heat and or cold weather as well as any sudden added stress to the glass from driving the car on the road, may make the crack grow longer... to the point where it is not repairable any more the windshield must be replaced. There are many professional glass repair facilities in your area. Look them up whenever you need one.

Happy Porsche-ing,

Pedro

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Cracked Windshield! Repair or Replace?

Pedro Bonilla (GCR PCA)

You're enjoying a drive on an open road. There are a couple of vehicles in front of you, when all of a sudden you hear a loud "WHACK!!!" You stop the car, inspect it and find there's a chip in your windshield. What to do?

- Do you have the whole windshield replaced?
- Do you have the chip repaired?
- Will the repair be good?
- If you replace the windshield will you have leaks?

There are many things to consider in this case; all valid, but first let's learn a bit about automotive glass.

It's main function is for the protection of the passengers from the elements and debris. Glass has been installed in vehicles since the very first cars. Initially, windshields were made out of ordinary glass, but it didn't take but a few accidents and a couple of lawsuits to make manufacturers search for, and provide safer glass.

The first safety glass was tempered glass. It is produced by heating the pane of glass to over 1,100° F and then rapidly cooling it (this is known as annealing). The result is that the outer surfaces of the glass become harder than the center and therefore it becomes

stronger than regular glass of the same thickness. A good side effect of tempering is that when broken, tempered glass will break into very small, rounded pieces, which are much less dangerous than sharp and pointed glass shards from standard glass.

Tempered glass was installed in Ford automobiles as early as 1917, but it had the tendency to shatter from a simple stone chip. So, in 1999 Henry Ford solved the problem by applying a new French process of glass lamination. Laminated windshields, even today, are made from two layers of glass with a bonding substrate in the center. The "sandwich" is subjected to high temperature making the inner substrate become crystal clear which bonds the glass. This inner layer will also hold the pieces of glass together if it fractures, making it much safer for the occupants in case of an accident.

Initially, Ford used a cellulose substrate as a laminating agent, nowadays PVB (Polyvinyl Butyrate) is used instead. PVB offers several additional advantages, such as blocking the harmful UV rays from the sun, adding a light tint to the glass and reducing the amount of sound that comes through the windshield.

Modern cars, including Porsche still use both types of glass: tempered and laminated. The side and rear windows are tempered while the windshield is laminated. Nevertheless Porsche goes a bit further. Their tempered glass (side windows) gets a highly efficient water repellent finish. By rapidly dispersing moisture and dirt, it ensures optimum visibility in the wet.

For all of the glass surfaces, including the windshield, Porsche uses a special heat-insulating coating that helps prevent excessively high temperatures inside the vehicle.

Now, back to the chip. Repair or Replace? In the old days, replacement was the only option and it was costly. So, the insurance companies started promoting windshield repair whenever possible in lieu of replacement.

The origins of windshield repair date back to 1971 when 3M first introduced a

system they called "Scotch Weld".

Prior to that date, the only improvement that could be done was purely cosmetic. Typically, an oil-based fluid was poured into the area to fill the damage and to "hide" the break. It has been said that some used car dealers did this to try to sell a vehicle without installing a new windshield. It should go without saying that this was not a permanent repair.

Today, windshield repair is a thriving business aside from the fact that the new adhesives and resins are excellent. Professional windshield repair companies use very sophisticated equipment to ensure a near-perfect repair. Their system can draw a vacuum to get any moisture out. Their equipment can also "bend" the glass in order to spread apart the crack, then it will inject a series of special resins which will completely penetrate the cracks making them invisible. The final steps are curing the resin with UV light and shearing of any cured excess from the glass. This whole process will last around 30 minutes and in many cases they will come to your home or place.

Most insurance companies will give you the option of repairing your windshield at no cost to you or replacing it, but you're out your deductible.

The most common damages to windshields are: cracks, bulls-eye, star breaks and combinations of them. Cracks that are 6" in length or less are generally repairable and most chips can also be repaired.

The repair process consists of prepping the glass, and then injecting a special resin under pressure which fills in the crack, making it practically invisible. Finally the resin gets cured with a high intensity UV light which makes the glass bond.

Even though you can purchase a DIY glass repair kit, unless you have a minor chip with no cracks, it's generally best to have a professional do the work. It won't cost you any money, the work will be near perfect and you'll get a guarantee.

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JANUARY 2015

1/17	Eiskahana	ZC RMR	Eiskahana on Georgetown Lake, Angelia Hill
1/21	Membership Social	AMR	Jake & Telly's, ad page 5 Denise Jordan, Chr 6:00 social 6:30 dinner
1/27	Board Meeting	AMR	TBA, 6:00 dinner & meeting

FEBRUARY

2/18	Membership Social	RMR	TBA, Denise Jordan, Chr. 6:00 social 6:30 dinner
2/24	Board Meeting	AMR	TBA, 6:00 dinner & meeting

MARCH

3/7	HPDE 101	Joint	Driver Education 101 at Porsche of Colorado Springs... 9:00 a.m.
3/7	New Instructor Trainin	Joint	at Prestige Imports, 9201 West Colfax Ave. Lakewood...Chris Lennon
3/18	Membership Social	AMR	TBA, Denise Jordan, Chr. 6:00 social 6:30 dinner
3/21	Tech Inspector Training	AMR	at Porsche of Colorado Springs, Steve Smith 9:00 to 10:30
3/24	Board Meeting	AMR	TBA, 6:00 dinner & meeting

APRIL

4/4	AMR's 40th Anniversary	AMR Anniversary Celebration Kathleen Lennon
4/10-12	HPDE	AMR	PPIR (Pikes Peak Int'l Raceway), Dwight Kasten
4/15	Membership Social	AMR	TBA, Denise Jordan, Chr. 6:00 social 6:30 dinner
4/25-26	HPDE	ZC RMR	HPR (High Plains Raceway, Denver)
4/28	Board Meeting	AMR	TBA, 6:00 dinner & meeting

MAY

5/2	Car Show		"First Saturday" Car Show, at First & Main
5/9-10	Drivers Ed (DE)	AMR	Mother's Day Drivers Ed at La Junta
5/16	Rally	AMR	"Spring Rally" Jim Sorensen
5/20	Membership Social	AMR	TBD, Denise Jordan,, Chr. 6:00 social 6:30 dinner
5/21- 24	Fiesta New Mexico	ZC RRR	"Fiesta New Mexico" in New Mexico
5/26	AMR Board Meeting	AMR	TBD, 6:00 dinner & meeting
5/30-31	HP DE	AMR	Drivers Ed at Pueblo Motorsports Park

JUNE 2015

6/6	Drivers Ed (DE)	ZC RMR	"Ladies Day", Kathy Fricke
6/6	Car Show		"First Saturday" Car Show, at First & Main
6/7	Concours for Charity	RMR	"Concours d'Elegance", Arapahoe Community College, Denver

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