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- 12 Concours, Santa Barbara Region
- Autocross, Orange Coast Region
- 25 Rally, San Gabriel Valley
- 26 Concours, San Diego Region

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Air & Water

By Rich Paré— President Photos by Greg Reed and David Witteried



Well here we are again for another month. And as usual I am late in getting this off. Not just late, but laaaate! It seems I am somewhat disoriented

from my trip to the East Coast last week so I wasn't sure which way was up. That's my story David, and I'm sticking to it!!!

Good news for those of you who were following my exploits with the clutch problems of my 914, Old Yellar lives and drives. I drove him to work on Monday the 26th of April, I didn't care what the temperatures were sup-



Old Yellar. Rich Paré's 914.

posed to be, I wanted to drive the thing before leaving for the East. Wow, sure felt great, and so very many thanks to Mike Forest for his invaluable assistance in making it happen. Since my return, I have driven it to work a few more times, and plan to do so again tomorrow.

OK, now for the trip. I was invited to attend the retirement dinner for my sister who put in 43 years as a nurse in the same department of the same hospital. She is a neo-natal nurse and has ever so many stories to tell about her experiences. Many years ago she was headline news across the country for the part she played when a newborn was found in the bushes outside the hospital. I took a picture of her and another of her "babies" who came to the dinner to wish Cecile well. This "baby" was born at 1 pound, 9 ounces!!! She dropped to 1-6 before beginning to regain the weight. This young lady now has two children of her own! There

were a large number of doctors present also who wanted to wish Cecile the best. One in particular had some very

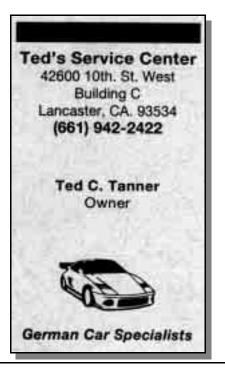
glowing words to pass on, and went on to talk about his own grandson who wound up in Cecile's care. Dr. "Dan" said he knew the day would come when his grandson would ask him, "Who is Cecile Paré?" and he needed to have his story ready. He proceeded to read a poem about Cecile that he wrote; there wasn't a dry eye in the house! About 120



California Inland Region Porsches at the 2003 Foster Freeze Cruise -n.

people were in attendance that night, and the love in the room was ever so evident. It was an incredible evening I sure won't forget anytime soon.

Coming up this month is the Foster's Freeze Anniversary and Cruise-In in Rosamond on June 5th (see advertisement on next page). Plan on attending and showing off you pride and joy. Last year we had seven cars, we need more this year to show our strength in



the automotive world. I will ask you to please let me know if you will be there. I told the owners we would have at

least ten cars this year. Please don't make me eat my words! They usually have a tri-tip dinner available, a live band, door prizes and a good time for the evening. It's cheap entertainment and the opportunity to show off our spectacular toys. I know most of us don't have "show cars" but it doesn't matter. This is NOT a PCA concours. It's just a fun time. Her we are at the end of another late column, so, as usual

until next month, keep the

shiny side up! 📥



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From the Editor's Bench

By David Witteried — Winding Roads Editor Photos by David Witteried



I recently decided to have a four-wheel alignment done on my Porsche 911. When I called the alignment shop that I typically use and

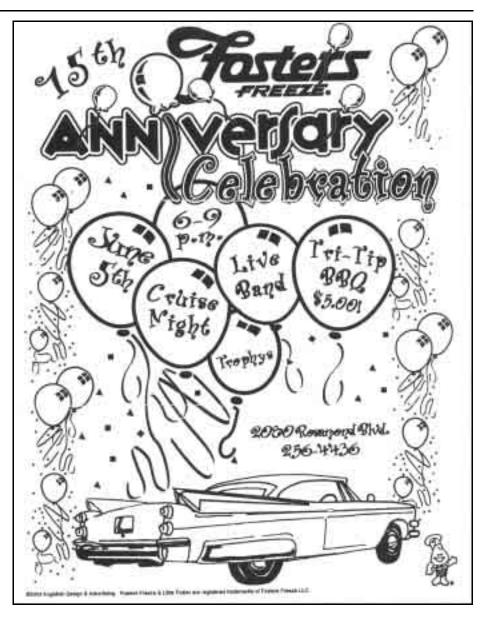
mentioned that the car was a 911 the proprietor mentioned that he could not do a four-wheel alignment on my Porsche! I was surprised, as I had used this shop for many years. After calling around I eventually located another alignment shop that could do the job through Ted's Service Center. I was afraid that I would have to drive to Bakersfield or even the Los Angeles area to have the job done. After performing the search I thought it might be interesting to survey our membership and get a list of shops that people have used and been satisfied with. You can e-mail me your answers at witteried@ccis. com. Here are the categories:

> Mechanic: Alignment Shop: Upholstery Shop: Paint Shop: Performance Shop:

Speaking of shops... recently one of our longtime members, David Lucia, who has been working overseas asked for help to transport his 356 from Ridgecrest to our local Porsche shop in Lancaster. Rich Bessette generously volunteered to help by providing his time, truck and trailer for the effort. I recently received an e-mail from David Lucia which I would like to share with you.

David and Rich,

My thanks to both of you for assistance with my 356 repair. Although the actual repair work was modified from my original plan, it was a great feeling to get the car running again and eliminate the dripping from the transmission side covers and flanges. Ted's com-



pleted the necessary repairs, and the car seems to run fine even after years of dormancy.

I'm back at my desk in Belgium glad to know the car will be ready to get up and go shortly after my return. In that regard, I have also decided to switch my PCA Region Membership back to the CAL-Inland Region. Although, I won't be able to attend any events or activities, perhaps the Region can benefit slightly from that portion of the PCA dues that are returned to the region.

Thanks again Rich for the towing service. It was your assistance that made the repairs possible. I really appreciate your assistance especially on that HOT Sunday afternoon.

Happy Trails, David Lucia

I once got stuck in Colorado Springs during a cross-country trip and after a few phone calls to the local Porsche club I had two members come to my assistance. It's great to belong to a club where the members are willing to help each other out!

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome our newest advertiser, Stacey Biresch, Stacey owns a company that sells gourmet food using a Tupperware party format. Sounds like fun!



Porsche Parts Distribution Center Tour

By David Witteried Photos by David Witteried

On Saturday, April 10th five Porsches met at the Baker's Square restaurant in Palmdale for a short drive down to Ontario to Porsche's West Coast parts warehouse. After socializing for a short while we hopped into our Porsches and



Meeting some friends from around Zone 8, Carolyn Ewbank (Orange Coast), Janice Witteried (California Inland), Nita Burrows (Las Vegas).

headed down Highway 138. Along the way we picked up two more Porsches for a total of seven of Germany's finest automobiles.

An uneventful drive down the 138 to Ontario brought us to the parts distribution center where we were directed into the Porsche only parking area behind the warehouse. What a spectacle! There were Porsches from all over Southern California as well as Nevada and Arizona in attendance. After climbing out of our cars we proceeded to the vendor display area to sign up for the warehouse tour and Tech sessions that



were being offered by Porsche. The vendor area had about a dozen booths set up where various dealerships were offering Porsche parts, clothing, posters, calendars, and other items for sale. In fact all Porsche parts, including anything in the warehouse, were discounted 20%!

As Janice and I wandered around the vendor area we encountered several friends from the various PCA regions



The crowd gathers around to listen to the Carrera GT rev it's engine.

within Zone 8. We chatted about recent club events, upcoming events, car projects, and family. It is a lot of fun to have friends from all over the Southwest come together at one event.

After making several purchases I wandered around the parking area looking at all of the beautiful Porsches. One surprising thing I noticed was that there

were only two 914's amongst the many Porsches. One of those belonged to Mike Forest. I guess 914's are starting to become rather rare!

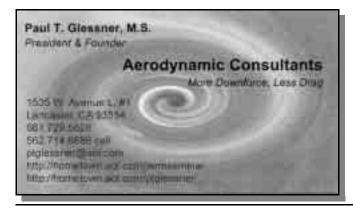
One of the crowd pleasers occurred when Danny McKenna fired up his black Carrera GT and revved the 10 cylinder engine. The sound can only be described as automotive music!

After the events at the distribution center wound down four of the seven California Inland Region Porsches headed west on Highway 210 for a lunch stop at Tommy's Hamburgers where we all enjoyed a cholesterol busting lunch of chili burgers and french fries. After lunch we continued up the freeway and exited onto the Angeles Crest Highway. This was the highlight of the trip for those of us who enjoy driving fast on windy mountain

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Participants listen intently as the operations of the Porsche Parts Distribution Center are explained.





Region Board Meeting

By Mark Charus — Secretary



Executive Officer's Board Meeting, 21 April 2004, Zuma's Restaurant. Call meeting to order at 6:43 p.m.. Last months minutes read.

Treasurer Report: Income collected from the from the Vineyard and Festival of Speed tours.

Membership Report: Current California- Inland membership is 49.

Events Report: Upcoming California Inland events are the monthly membership breakfast the first Saturday of each month at the Greenhouse Café. May 15th, The Mulholland Scenic Tour, POC is Lynn and Joni Barnes. The June event was scheduled for a tour to Laguna Beach, this event has been can-



celled. A possible replacement event, The Foster Freeze Cruise –In, held in Rosamond was discussed and from a show of hands appears that this event will be widely attended by members. The event is on June 5th, more info to follow.

Editor Report: Articles are due for the May newsletter.

Webmaster Report: The web site is currently being updated.

New Business: An autocross, possibly held at Mojave is being discussed, with a couple of club members working hard to make this event happen. Next board meeting will be May 19th, 2004 at Zuma's Restaurant. All members are welcome to attend, enjoy dinner, and add your thoughts, to make Cal-Inland your club.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m..



Membership Report

By Greg Reed — Membership

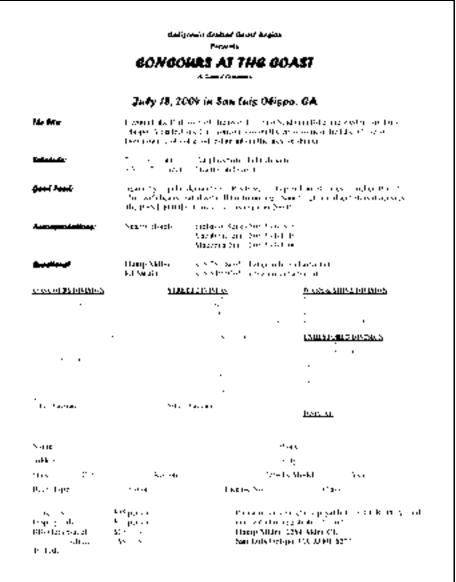


Hello Cal Inland Region members! We did it! This month we officially hit the fifty, 50, five-oh, mark. No, not only that, we hit 51!

We have been driving hard (pun intended) to hit this goal for some time. Thanks to all your efforts in recruiting, we topped our goal and are still competing for the Membership contest, which ends May 31st. We had a late renewal and two new members join us. Please welcome our newest members: Tim O'Hearn who drives a 1983 944 and William & Sharon Osborn who drive a 1980 911. WELCOME! We

also have several anniversaries this month: Frank & Joni Jackson at 19 years, Pete & Kim Lartigue at 6 years, Chad Metten at 1 year and Todd Schultz at 1 year. CONGRATULATIONS!





From the Vice-**President**

By John Crnkovich — Vice President Photos by John Crnkovich, Greg Reed, and David Witteried



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It was a perfect Spring morning as members gathered for the May breakfast meeting. As usual The Greenhouse Café served up meals that tasted just great.

New member joining us was Earl VonBuck, a returning member from years past. He drove a black Porsche Carrera which all members attending admired. Welcome back to the club. Frank Jackson drove his 912 Targa and member Ron Davino drove his red coupe. Neil Masco drove his white 928. After an hour or so of good conversation and good eating everyone went out to take a look at the vehicles in the parking lot. This is always a good time to see what others have done to their cars and get ideas for your own car. I wish we could get more members out to these monthly breakfasts so I can see



Ron Davino, David Witteried, Greg Reed, and Neil Masco admire Ron's burgundy red 911 SC.

what every member has done to their machine. It's also a good time to make



Earl VonBuck, Mike Forest., Mark Charus, and Dacia VonBuck talk after the meeting.

new friends and say hello to old ones. I hope to see more members at future meetings. It's a great way to relax on a Saturday morning.

See ya next month.



Porsche Parts Distribution Center Tour (Continued from page 4)

highways! We encountered very little traffic so our progress was verv brisk. This certainly made up for the trip down Highway 138!

The trip to the Porsche Parts Distribution Center was well attended and enjoyed by



Ken Sarver enters the Tommy's chili burger restaurant on our way home via the Sierra Highway.

everybody. And even though we had to contend with some Los Angeles traffic, the drive up the Angeles Crest Highway made for a beautiful finish for a beautiful day!





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Las Vegas Region Porsches Wild IV

By David Witteried Photos by David and Janice Witteried

Two Porsches rendezvoused at the Highway 14 rest area just outside of Boron on a Friday morning. We had been expecting three Porsches but Paul Turner had to cancel at the last minute. Shortly after Janice and I arrived at the rest area a 993 Cabriolet with a couple



Janice Witteried and Mary Ann Paré.

from the San Francisco area arrived. While they were not members of the club and just happened to be passing through the area we had a pleasant conversation while waiting for Rich and Mary Ann Paré to arrive. Shortly Rich and Mary Ann arrived in their red 944 and we continued on our way towards Las Vegas in light traffic. After a short lunch stop in Baker we arrived in Las Vegas early in the afternoon which gave me time to wash my car in prepa-



Members pitch in to help prepare a Porsche for the concours.

ration for the concours Saturday morning.

On Saturday morning we awoke early and headed towards the concours site at Fremont Street. If you have never been to the Fremont Street Experience, it is made up of the old strip in downtown Las Vegas. Fremont

Street was blocked at either end of the strip and what can be best described as a four or five story steel arched trellis was built over the street to provide shade and a computercontrolled light show. As we arrived we were



Alessandra Garcia helps clean the hard to reach places!

directed to our parking spot in front of one of the casinos under the Fremont Street Experience. Soon, many other Porsches began arriving with Rich and Mary Ann Paré as well as Gay and Rich Bessette completing the California Inland contingent. We had my yellow 911S Targa, Rich Paré's 944, and Rich Bessette's 914 racecar on display.



A row of 911 Porsches.

After greeting the Paré's and Bessette's Janice and I strolled up-and-down Fremont Street viewing the sparkling Porsches and chatting with our many acquaintances from around Zone 8. As we approached a 996 which was busily being cleaned by five or six people I noticed a small pair of legs sticking out of the open driver's door! They belonged to Alessandra Garcia who



Three new Porsches provided by the local dealership.

was helping her mother detail the interior of their Porsche. I guess small kids can access those hard-to-reach spots that a concours judge will invariably locate.



Rich Bessette's 914 racecar.

As I strolled around taking photographs it was fun to watch the locals and tourist reactions as they viewed the many Porsches parked in front of the casinos. People would stop and ask questions about the Porsches and some would ask to have their pictures taken with the cars. Sometimes they would relate how they had owned, currently owned, or wish they had owned a car just like yours! There were also many people from various countries on their



David Witteried's 1976 911 Targa next to a 1976 Turbo.

vacations that paused to chat.

Just after noon the event ended and we had to clear the street. A group of us retired to a nearby restaurant to share lunch together. After lunch as we pulled back out onto the surface streets we noticed Todd Schultz's 914 pass on one of the cross streets. Janice and I gave chase and caught up with him at one of the stoplights where we told him about our dinner plans to meet at the Sahara Hotel and Casino. He had driven down from Utah for the auto-

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Las Vegas Region Porsches Wild IV (Continued from page 7)

cross on Sunday morning! After clean-

ing up we joined our group which now numbered seven members at the Sahara Hotel for dinner at their buffet. We had a good time eating and talking about the day's events and what was to come tomorrow.

On Sunday morning Janice and I drove out to the

Las Vegas Speedway and after making a few false turns (lucky this was not a rally!) we found the autocross site. This

sches on display.

year the autocross was being run in conjunction with the local Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) chapter as

the Las Vegas region could not afford to rent track space on their own. After cleaning out my Porsche and getting it teched and registered we checked out the many sports cars that had arrived. There were all sorts of street cars, souped-The crowds on Fremont Street enjoying the Por- up street racers, purpose built racecars, and even go-carts in

attendance. The SCCA put on a wellrun event that moved along briskly and it was fun to see how the "other cars"



A young woman getting her picture taken next to David Witteried's 911 Targa. Who says old Porsches don't have it!

compared to our Porsches. It was surprising how fast some of the competition was! It was also evident that Todd Schultz had a great time at his first



One of the three run group grids preparing to

autocross judging by the broad grin on his face at the end of the day!

As usual, the Las Vegas region did an outstanding job putting on the Porsches Wild IV event! With four of our



A white 911 charges hard into the slalom.

California Inland Region Porsches in attendance this year we had a great turnout and we hope to see even more of our members turn out for next years event!



Perry Bradshaw ready for his first run.

PCA Zone 8 Detail Day at Meguiar's August 14th, 2004

On August 14th, 2004 Meguiar's will proudly host a hands-on detailing "How-To" class for Zone 8 PCA at their Irvine location at 8:30am.

This hands-on how-to class will cover the basics of detailing as well as some advanced techniques and procedures for detailing every inch of your Porsche. Hands-on demonstrations include how to take your Porsche's finish to it's maximum potential.

Topics include:

- Megular's 5-step paint care cycle
- Megular's Consumer line of products
- Megular's Professional line, as well as using Megular's foam pail
- * Techniques for using your hands, rotary buffers and the Porter Cable Dual-Action Polishes:

Each attendee will receive a Megular's gift bag for attending. You are encouraged to bring your Porsche, and if you have any isolated defects, such as an isolated scratch in your hood, door, or other panel, they will do their best to massage it out using Megular's Unigrit Finishing papers, diminishing abrasives compounds and cleaner/polishes and Meguiar's Soft Buff foam pad technology.

Register today - Class Limited to only 30 people. Cost is only \$5.00 each

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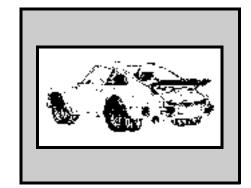
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Four 15" 944 Phone Dial wheels \$200. Alex Hernandez 661.256.4616.







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Our Next Event...

June 5th, California Inland Region joins the 15th Annual Rosamond Foster Freeze Cruise-In...

Meet at the Foster Freeze Restaurant in Rosamond (just east of the Hwy 14 overpass). The cruise-in starts at 6:00 p.m. but we will be meeting earlier to get parking spots together. Rich Paré (661.256.3486) will send an e-mail with more information.

Live Band — Trophies — Tri-Tip BBQ!

See event flier on page 3!

