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# ZONE 8 REPORTER

## NOVEMBER

### 11 CAL-INLAND MEMBERSHIP MEETING!

The August membership meeting will be held in Rosamond at Zuma's Restaurant on Sierra Hwy. just south of Rosamond Blvd. The time is 6:00 p.m.

## NOVEMBER

- 8 Z8 Concour, Arizona
- 9 Z8 Autocross, Arizona
- 15 Z8 Autocross, San Diego, **CANCELLED**
- 22 Presidents' Meeting at Palm Desert
- 23 Zone 8 Autocross, San Diego, Bob Schang (619)740-1325

## DECEMBER

- 6 Zone 8 Autocross, San Diego, Bob Schang (619)740-1325
- 14 Cal-Inland Christmas Party, Stallion Springs Guy Williams, (805)822-9379

## JANUARY 1998

- 17 Presidents' and Editors' Meeting, Awards Banquet (Location TBA)

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## **PORSCHE MOUNTAIN BIKE FS**

### COVER STORY

With the popularity of mountain bikes I'm sure there must be a member or two in Cal-Inland who just have to have the best. Here it is. The Porsche Mountain Bike FS.

It has a 7020 aluminum, powder coated frame with rear suspension and spring/dampers. There are two wheelbase choices at 41.75" or 43.25". The weight is approximately 29 or 30 lbs. The forks are mounted with two triple clamps and have 4.33" of travel. The steering head is adjustable for height, reach and angle. The derailleur is a Sachs Plasma while the shifters, sprockets and hubs are Sachs Quarz. The brakes are Formula hydraulic disc brake system with two piston calipers and cross-drilled rotors. The cassette is a Sachs Quarz Power Glide

8 speed and it uses Michelin tubes and Michelin Wild Gripper tires.

If your bike has to match your car or you just want the latest technology, this bike can be yours for just \$4,500.00.

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## **FOR SALE**

**1984 944:** Needs radiator and rear hatch window along with some t.l.c. \$2,500.00. Dave Smith 805-294-0072 (days)

**'73 914 Body Shell:** Has rust on left longitudinal, left door sill, left sail panel, battery tray, vertical panel forward and below battery tray and lower, rear corner of right, front fender. (Rest of fender is in good shape). Front trunk floor is gone. Left front fender, headlight buckets, nose panel, both rear quarter panels, rear trunk floor and tail light panel, floor pan, fire wall and cowl are good. Good for repairing a rusted or wrecked car. **FREE!!** Get it out of here. Mike Forest: (805)273-2690

## **WANTED**

944 Cabriolet or 968 Cabriolet. Reasonable mileage OK, but must have complete service records. No smoke, track or damaged cars please. Will pay fair price and pick up car at your location. Lee Woods Bellevue, Wa. (452)746-1493 or E-mail to leewoods@sprynet.com

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## **HAPPY THANKSGIVING**

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## BUMPER SMILES

DAVID WITTERIED, PRESIDENT



Well, we are heading into the home stretch for this year. It is election time again! Please take a few moments to complete the ballot which is enclosed in this issue of Winding Roads.

I know it doesn't seem that close yet, but the holiday season is upon us. And I thought Porsches were fast! This year's Christmas party will be at the Stallion Springs resort near Tehachapi. We decided to have the party at a restaurant this year as a change from our usual format. We have always had a great time at these parties. I hope everybody will make an effort to attend.

I will be attending the Zone 8 Presidents' meeting next month. If anybody has any topics they would like me to bring up at the meeting, please drop me a line.

Alan Friedman, Chairman of Club Racing since it's inception, has resigned from his position effective January 1, 1998. The Executive Council of PCA has appointed Monte Smith of Intermountain Region as the new Chairman. Alan has served PCA for many years in various positions including Zone Rep. and National Safety Chairman. Alan led the program through approval stage, and then to the actual organization and racing venue that we have today. With over 1200 Club Racers, the program has been very successful.

Having known Monte while I was in the Intermountain Region, I believe that the Club Racing program will continue to prosper and grow. If you get a chance, I encourage you to attend one of these fun and exciting events. Especially since we have a great race track here in our own region.

The PCA Executive Council is offering PCA merchandise as a service to the membership under the name "PCA Exclusive". The National Merchandise Committee has assembled a line of high quality clothing with the PCA and Club Racing logos. Individuals can order merchandise through

the PCA Executive Office in Alexandria, Virginia (703)922-9300. Initial items will be: long and short sleeve polo shirt, denim work shirts, sweat-shirts, windbreakers and baseball hats. If you are looking for something for that special someone for the holidays, this might do the trick!

I have started work on a Web site for our region again. I recently acquired a copy of a web page development program along with a new respect for the people who make the professional web pages that we see on the World Wide Web. If there is anything you would like to contribute; some artwork or ideas for our website, please give me a call. I may be good with computers, but I am not a skilled artist. I anticipate that we would be updating web pages like our event calendar every month, while some of the other pages would be fairly static. If you have any ideas, artwork or soundbites, let me know.

See you on the road!

## EDITOR'S MESSAGE

MIKE FOREST



Computers! Bah! Humbug! As those of you who read the newsletter know, I have had a lot of problems with my computer as of late. The first problem was a strange noise on start-up followed by nothing. If I reset it a few times, it would usually stop the noise and start-up normally. The second problem was accessing Windows '95©. It would take forever to get in and then it would operate like a "286"; real slow.

My favorite computer guru was unable to cure the problem, although he could make it act normal for a day or two. After the third trip to him I called a new guru who made house calls. He did some different things and the old girl was back to her normal self. For about a week! During the last meeting, I was discussing the problem with David Witteried at the last meeting when he volunteered his

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## ELECTIONS! MY, HOW TIME FLIES

Yes, it's that time of year again. The time of year when everyone hides for fear of being nominated for an office in Cal-Inland. We are open to anyone who would like to be an officer in the club.

**WE NEED NEW PEOPLE!!** As it stands, Vice-President is the only position that can not be filled by the existing person. She has served the maximum two years and we now need a new Vice-President. The other officers are willing to stay in their present position, but once again, we could use new people. You have joined the club for a reason, now we need you to get involved.

At the last meeting, the officers nominated Guy Williams and Crawford Cronkhite for the position of V-P but as yet neither has agreed to run. Also, as of this time next year, the only position that is eligible to repeat is V-P. We will need new faces in each of the other positions.

The positions are as follows:

President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary.

None of the jobs are difficult or time consuming but do require some dedication to perform the job correctly.



## CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Christmas Party will be held, this year, at the Stallion Springs Resort west of Tehachapi. The date is Sunday, December 14, 1997. The time is 5:00 p.m. Dinner will be ordered off of the menu. Attire is "Holiday Party".

For further information, please call David Wittered at (760)373-1413.



## COMPUTERS

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expertise. The following Saturday, after about three hours of fiddling around, he concluded that I had lots of stuff I didn't need taking up space and that I had installed my Windows '95© upgrade incorrectly. Things were decidedly better after he got done but we both knew the time would come when Windows '95© would have to be loaded properly. This newsletter is being done on the post David session and it is working pretty well, although not as fast as in the past. I think re-installing Windows '95© will take care of that problem. The newsletter should be completed on time and delivered more consistently after this is taken care of.



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## YOU MIGHT BE A RACER IF..

FROM "GOING PLACES" ARIZONA REGION, SEP. '97

When something falls off the car you wonder how much weight you just saved.

When you call home from Montreal, instead of saying "Hi, daddy," your three year old son asks who has the pole.

You always want to change something in your street car to make it handle better.

You and your spouse met at a race track.

You are happiest when your street car's tires are worn to racing depth. (Wear bars showing).

You buy new parts because you don't know where you put the spares.

You came back early from your honeymoon to attend drivers school.

You can look the hotel clerk straight in the eye and say "One adult, and could I have some extra towels?"

You can't remember when you last worked on weekdays and rested on weekends.

You change oil every other week.

You complain the seatbelts in the family car aren't tight enough.

You consider a test drive successful if you get the sales guy to whimper.

You created a huge fire in your backyard when you used left over racing gas to light your char-

coal grill.

You critique the way people wave flags at a parade.

You discover that the only thing you record on t.v. is racing.

You do more catalog shopping than your wife.

You don't see anything unusual about cording a set of tires in just a few hours driving.

You enjoy driving in the rain on the way to work.

You feel compelled, on a road trip, to beat your previous time.

You feel naked in your street car without a roll bar and a five-point harness.

You fix the race car before you fix your daily driver.

You fix things around the house (kid's bikes, etc.) with grade 8 bolts and nylock nuts from your parts bin.

You get a parts cleaner as a wedding gift and both bride and groom are thrilled.

You get upset if you don't rear the rumble of Bot's dots at the entrance, apex and exit of every corner on your way to work.

You had to stop at an apple orchard to pick dinner while towing back from Elkhart Lake.

You have a "home" toolbox and an "away" toolbox.

You have a large piece of piston mounted on a wall plaque in your living room.

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ARTICLE

## THE PORSCHE RULES

(At our house, anyway)

BY KAREN WOODS, RENNSPORT REGION, DER AUSPUFF.

This label should be stuck to the dashboard of all Porsches.

It's been one and a half years since we bought the 911, and yes, our life has changed drastically. We are ruled by the car. Actually, my husband is ruled by the car. I'm just swept up in all the commotion because of matrimonial ties.

Our weekly activities revolve around whether the car is running well, just sorta running, or under repair. If it's running well, all is well with the husband. Big Smiles, good sleep, big appetite. If the car starts to stutter or ping, the smile dims, sleep is more restless and sandwiches will be fine, dear, just bring them into the garage. If the car beaks down completely (A stud broke a few months back and he had to remove the engine again!), no smiles, hardly any sleep ("I can't sleep now!— I have toooooo much work", he shouted, gesturing wildly with black, greasy hands) and food is only ingested to maintain life.

Even vacations are affected by the needs of the car. Last Christmas, my husband came home with two plane tickets to San Francisco. When we got there and found our hotel, the first thing my husband did was root around in all the drawers and closets looking for the Yellow Pages so he could find Porsche dealers and parts stores. The next day, we rented a car, "To take a nice drive along the coast", he said, and somehow found ourselves in the parking lot of a Porsche parts dealer. "Well, isn't this a coincidence", he said, with a sneaky smile on his face. He quickly leapt out of the car

and disappeared into the store before I could start shouting.

We lived a relatively anonymous life before the Porsche came along; but now, when we take the car out, complete strangers walk right up and start asking questions about the car. My husband seems quite at ease with this intrusion, as it gives him an opportunity to discuss his favorite subject. I, on the other hand, have been brought up to be highly suspicious of strangers. Besides, I'm downright paranoid that one of these people is actually plotting a way to steal it. So, while they chat, I mentally record all their physical characteristics, just in case I have to identify them later in a police lineup.



Speaking of strangers, strangers are who I now must hire if I want to have my house painted. You see, based on the strange logic of a Porsche fanatic, all those painful hours spent doing home renovations means precious hours missed working on the car. If my husband so much as sees me looking

at paint color sample strips, he runs away so fast he leaves skid marks.

In addition to the effects the car has had on our life, it has also had a considerable effect on our mailman's life. He's lost a tremendous amount of weight since we bought the Porsche, and his sunny disposition seems to have been replaced with disdain and crankiness. I'm pretty sure it has something to do with the extensive amount of stuff my husband orders from all those big, fat, glossy catalogues. The poor man staggers toward our house weighted down with a post bag full of thick Porsche parts catalogues and magazines and Porsche parts parcels. I greet him at the door with a smile and sympathetic eyes, but he just hisses "bonjour" from clenched teeth, his face glistening with sweat. I sign for everything and shut the

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## PORSCHE RULES

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door, and I can swear I hear him breath a big sigh of relief as he turns to leave.

In the time it takes me to shut the door, turn around and begin to yell, "Mail's here", The parcels and catalogues have been ripped from my hands as my husband, moving so fast he's a blur, races into the family room to begin opening them up. I have come to learn that during this very important activity of opening everything up and reading all the catalogues, I cannot expect any kind of reasonable response to anything that I say, because he becomes temporarily deaf. The other night while trying to decide what to make for supper, I asked my husband what he would like to eat...no response..."How about pig's ass with cabbage and goat's eyes covered in chocolate for dessert? Is that okay?" I yelled. "Hmmm. Oh yeah, that's great," he said quietly without looking up from the catalogue.

After all the catalogues have been read and all the parts and stuff that he wants have been chosen, comes the fun part (for me anyway). He has to try and convince me that he cannot go on without this or that part. How does he get me to agree to all these expensive purchases? **BRIBERY!** How else can I get him out of the garage long enough to take me to my favorite restaurant for dinner?

Most of the Porsche parts that are delivered to the house end up on the basement floor. There are so many things on the floor that I almost have to plan a strategic military maneuver just to get to the laundry room without falling over something and breaking a new part ( Oh Gosh! Can you imagine?). Okay, I say to myself, I'll turn left at the

flywheel, right at the intake manifold and leap over the new spoiler. Whew! Almost there!

Even though I'm starting to believe that the car is toying with our emotions, the experience of driving it when it's running at it's peak can only be described as sensational. It's persistent appetite for new, shiny expensive authentic Porsche parts must be fulfilled in order to experience these sporadic moments of pure driving ecstasy.

What I truly find incredible is the unconditional love that my husband and his Porsche buddies have for their cars. No matter what happens, no matter what state of disrepair the car falls into, they never give up. In spite of all the mechanical difficulties that they are confronted with, no matter how big or small the problem is, no matter how long it takes, nothing can stop them from making things right again. I admire their persistence. The only problem is, when the car is running well, they begin wanting to change things, to

make it better, faster louder, lighter in weight, etc. So you see, this is endless...infinity..."There is no light at the end of a Porsche owner's tunnel."

Don't get me wrong. All this is absolutely fine with me, as long as we don't go broke in the meantime. I feel very fortunate that my husband has such a great hobby. Owning and caring for a Porsche requires intelligence, skill, talent and commitment (not to mention a mastery of technical research abilities!).

I asked my husband the other day what he would like to do for a vacation this year and I noticed a slight hesitation before he said, "You know, I've always wanted to go to Stuttgart, Germany. I hear it's very nice there".

Gee, what do you think he could possibly want in Germany?



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