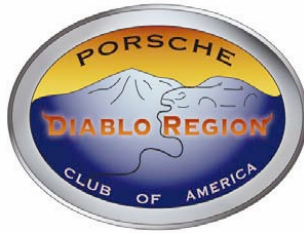


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November 2007

OKTOBERFEST



At the home of Joan and Frank Duran, in Walnut Creek, approximately 50 Diablo members enjoyed an evening of great food, and great fun. About half of the attendees were new members. We all got to know each other by asking questions trying to find out answers to the list of 'who's - who' Ingrid French put together.

Frank was at the BBQ and did a super job with the main course.

We hope to see these new members again soon, at

another event. Hopefully, they will all attend the planning meeting being set up now for Dec 1st at Porsche of Fremont. Please see article later in issue for more information.

Porsche of Fremont generously provided many of the door prizes for this event.

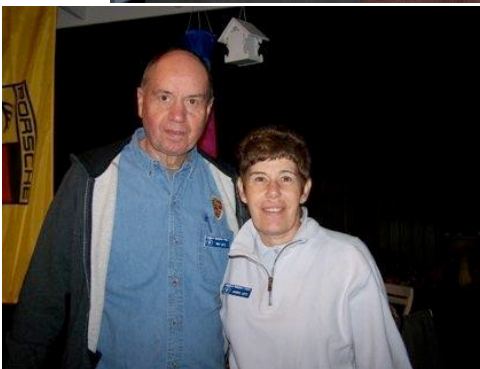
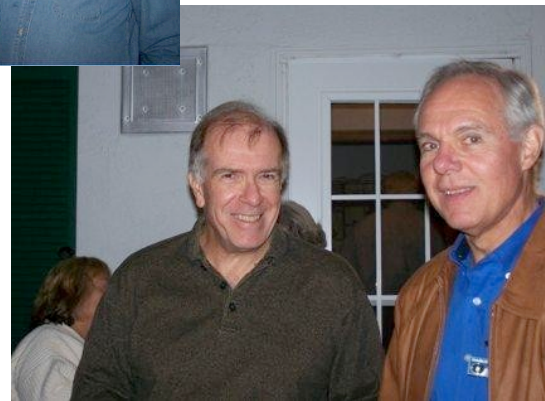
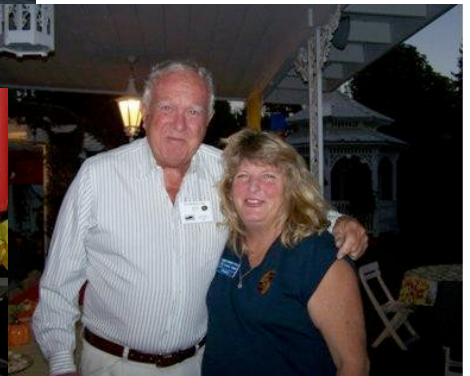
A very big thank you to the hosts, Frank and Joan Duran.



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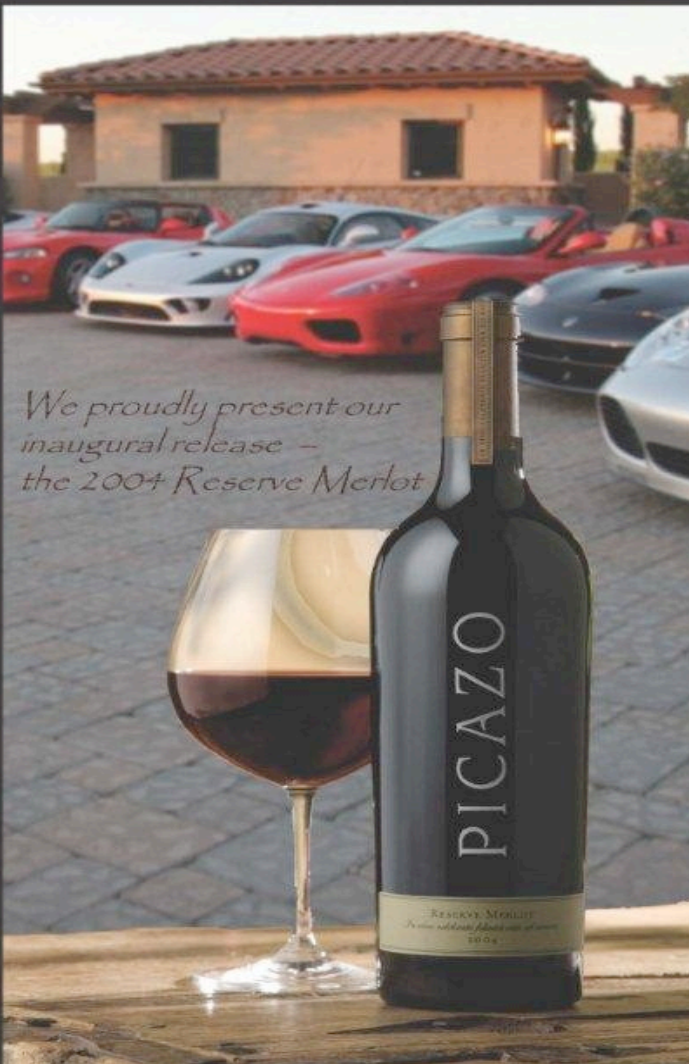


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The following letter came in from a concerned member of Zone 7, and requested it be published: (And, I could not agree more!!)

Open letter to the Club

Our club is made up of members who gather together to do many events. The key thing about our club is that we all do things for the club for the pure pleasure of doing it, No one gets paid, and they all just volunteer their time to join with their friends to have a fun time. Since I have said that, now I must remind people that our events are put on by volunteers who are just regular members of our clubs like anyone else, and if after all their hard work and time spent, they might have done something you didn't like. Please take a short time to pause and think of the consequences you might incur if you make someone feel unappreciated. When you criticize a volunteer you're almost guaranteed to lose a volunteer. Some volunteers can take a lot of abuse and some cant. But no one likes it. The one thing that is sure to drive an active participating member away is to be told how bad they have done by someone who has no intention of helping do a better job or is a member that is only on the sidelines, not helping to make the club better in some way.

Please if you feel that an event wasn't done correctly or an article was written poorly or the pictures were too fuzzy. Don't complain about it just step forward and help out. Because if you are noticing those types of things, then don't you think the club needs your skills to do those jobs better?

Concerned PCA member

PCA/Diablo Region Christmas Party



PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE CHRISTMAS PARTY ON SATURDAY DECEMBER 15, 2007.

Gathering starts at 5:00 PM with dinner served at 6:00 sharp. The event will be at John and Rosemarie Place's in Danville. The festivities will be surrounded by the Place's incredible collection of cars.

This will be catered by the famous Kinders. The menu will include: Appetizers, Prime Rib and Chicken, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Caesar Salad, soft drinks, and wine. Of course enticing desserts and coffee will end the evening with something sweet!

This year we are requesting everyone at the party bring one unwrapped new toy we can donate to Toys for Tots, instead of our usual gift exchange.

Only 44 places are available for this very special party, therefore, RSVP Early! The cost of the evening is \$55

Please send your check to Joan Duran PO Box 30667, Walnut Creek, Ca 94598.

If you would like to volunteer to help with the festivities please email lrboyd47@yahoo.com I need people to help. This will secure a reservation for the party! Hope to see you there!

SVR PCA-Photo Rally-*Any Kind of Vehicle Okie Dokie*

This is a new **twist** on the word “Rally”. **Time is a minimal factor**, and distance may become one, in case of a tiebreaker.

The general idea of this Rally was more like a **Scavenger Hunt**. Each team was given the list of items to photograph-in any order they please, and with liberal interpretation of what the item means. Everyone had the same list. The rule is that your vehicle and **one member of the team MUST be in each photo with the item from the list.**

Date: Sunday, September 16th, 2007 ~ 3 Hour Rally

Article submitted by Eugenie Thomas

After working our Zone Concours at Heather Farm I joined my best friend, Tish, and we hit the highway to join Sacramento Valley 's photo rally. (See above) Here is our story of this event.



Pic #1: You have NO IDEA how few pay phones exist these days.



Pic #2: BRAKES!! Tish is running backwards to stop the car, and I'm finding it quite amusing. (Not My Car!)

SVR PCA-Photo Rally



Pic#3: Good thing we pay our AAA bill!

Pic#4: Finally a respite spot.



Pic# 5: Yahoo! A golf course! Lots of single men hanging around. I'm ready to go! Where is Tish?



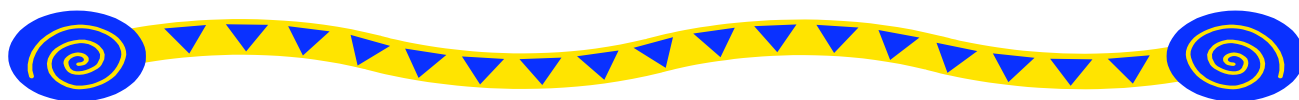
Pic#6: See my smile? See the handcuffs?



Notes from the Editor

If you have changed your address, or email address, you should contact National PCA and update your information. If you need assistance, contact **Ingrid French** at:

ingtedf@pacbell.net



I would also like to request if you have attended an event and you have pictures from the event, please send them to me to publish. Send as an attachment, and .jpg format. I need pictures for “Photo of the Month” and will rely on you to forward them to me. I know there are some great pictures out there.....so please share! In addition, if you attend an event, send me a short article about it so I can get it in the Advocate.

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Planning Meeting

Diablo's 2008 event planning meeting is scheduled for December 1st this year. Porsche of Fremont will be hosting the event at their dealership, and pizza and beverages will be provided.

This special planning meeting is a great opportunity for you to:

- = See how the calendar of events gets put together
- = Suggest new kinds of events or bring back old favorites
- = Find out what it takes to put on an event
- = Volunteer for an event - anything from helper to coordinator

These events are organized for all members to enjoy. But every event needs some club members to volunteer to help run them. There are opportunities for members and their affiliates to do everything from taking tickets or making phone calls, to planning a driving tour's route, to hosting a BBQ or running an autocross. All you need is a willingness to help and the ability to have fun.

So if you want to have a say in what Diablo does next year, or help make those events happen, remember:

When: Saturday, December 1st, 6:00 PM

Where: Porsche of Fremont

Why: Because you make it all happen!

Please tell us if you know you will be attending so we can make sure there's enough to eat and drink! Contact Linda Boyd at lrboyd47@yahoo.com.

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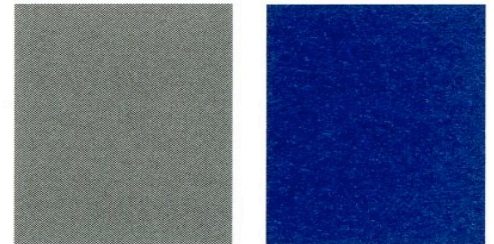
Now in its 25th year, over 1,200 people attend the annual Porsche and Vintage V-W Literature, Toy/Model, & Memorabilia Swap Meet at the Los Angeles Airport Hilton Hotel. The meet has over 225 tables with tens of thousands of collectibles - posters, sales literature, toys, models, factory gift items, press kits, technical literature, small trim items, and accessories for Porsches and vintage VW's. The meet is held in two huge ballrooms on the main floor of the Airport Hilton, 5711 W. Century Blvd., Los Angeles - very close by Los Angeles International Airport. The public is admitted at 9:00 a.m. for \$5 each at the door. "Earlybird" shoppers are admitted with the vendors at 7:30 a.m. for \$25 at the door. Special discounted room rates are available from the LA Airport Hilton directly at 310-410-4000. Please ask for the special room rates under the promotional code "PCH."

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Admitting You Have A Problem

By Steve Jones (smj@fastleft.com)

Somehow I came to have three cars, and off-street parking for only two. If I lived in San Francisco, downtown Oakland, or under the all-seeing gaze of the home owners associations in the outer suburbs, this never would have happened.

But I don't, I live in Berkeley – one of the flat parts where there's adequate street parking. So when I stumbled on the opportunity to buy a factory 914-6 in decent shape, I took it. I even managed to sign the papers and take possession the week of my birthday. "Sweet!" as they say.

For about a year prior to that I had contented myself with a 2.0 liter 914-4, discovering that a well sorted 914 was everything a coworker had raved about when we were both driving Honda CRX's back in the early 90's. The bliss of open-top motoring in California? Check. The tight and direct feedback of a go-kart? Check. Flicking the car through tight S-turns without lifting? Check... and mate.

Only one problem then – this new (to me) 914-6 wasn't in the same shape as my 914-4. It had received an upgrade to the 3.0 liter motor from a 911SC, Brembo "Big Red" brakes, and a nice set of 16" Fuchs. Unfortunately none of this corrected the sloppy paint, horribly vague shifting, or the very leaky piston rings. Time to face the facts, then: this -6 is a great car, but it needs work...

Winter rains, minor street vandalism, and the monthly ticketing dance of the street sweepers have brought me to the bitter conclusion that something's got to give. And sadly, that something is the 914-4. I need the parking space for my daily driver, but I also need the money to fund the work on the 914-6. I would have done it months and months ago if the 914-4 weren't so much fun to drive, but push has finally come to shove.

So I'll clean up the car for sale, and I'll no longer have to explain that I own three Porsches but can't afford to replace the ancient dishwasher in my kitchen. And I hope I sell the car quickly, because I just heard about a cherry 968 with the M030 package and less than 75,000 miles on it...

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- **Thunderhill** - Friday/Saturday, November 9th & 10th
(TMR T-Hill Season Closer) -
TMR Event - Registration Open
- **Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca**, Thurs Dec 6 - -
TMR Event -
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- **Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca**, Fri, Dec 7
(SVR PCA Event) -
Registration Open



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Kathleen Dittmer 1964 356, White
Roger Maltais 1998 Boxster, Blue
Jaime Meily 2005 911S , Black
Cary Glen Noel 1973 911 RS , Clone Silver
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PENSKE RACING PORSCHE RS SPYDER TEAM ENDS DREAM SEASON WITH ONE-TWO LMP2 FINISH AT LAGUNA SECA RACEWAY; 11 WINS IN 12 RACES

MONTEREY, Calif. – In an exciting race similar to the event two weeks ago at Road Atlanta, Timo Bernhard (Germany) and Romain Dumas (France) scored their eighth LMP2 win of the season in the Penske Racing Porsche RS Spyder at the American Le Mans Series finale at Mazda Laguna Seca Raceway.

Bernhard and Dumas, who clinched the drivers championship before they arrived for this race weekend, also finished second overall to the LMP1 Audi R-10. The Penske Racing Porsches also scored eight straight overall wins during the season, beating the more powerful 12-cylinder Audis on both street course and traditional road circuits. And for the last hour of the race, Dumas chased the leading Audi, passing it twice in tight corners, but not quite able to make his lead stick on the straights.

“I put more than maximum pressure on him – I gave it all I had. With 200 horsepower less than the Audis, I think we gave everyone quite a show, and we are pleased with the outcome today as well as the whole season. We not only won our class championship, but we beat those guys overall eight times,” said Dumas, who celebrated his first ALMS drivers title.

“I could not have dreamed of a season like this – beating the overall Le Mans winners eight straight races. Penske Racing and Porsche Motorsport gave us the best of both worlds, and Romain and I are grateful for the opportunity,” said co-driver and co-champion Timo Bernhard, who is a two-time ALMS champion, having won a GT2 title with Alex Job Racing in 2004.

Bernhard said the competition for both the overall and class lead was very close in the beginning, and he decided to play it safe and see how things played out. He ended up passing the pole-sitting Penske Porsche RS Spyder of Sascha Maassen (Germany), and then went after the overall Audi leader, but traffic forced him to concentrate on the LMP2 battle. Bernhard and Dumas finished on the class podium for all 12 ALMS races

Maassen and his co-driver Ryan Briscoe (Australia) fell to fourth place in class late in the race, but Briscoe passed the two Acuras ahead of him to finish second in class and fourth overall. Maassen and Briscoe won the LMP2 class three times this year, including two overall wins.

“It’s been a wonderful season, and this one-two class finish – the 11th win in 12 races – brings back the glory days of the Porsche 917/30 for both Porsche and Penske Racing. It’s been a huge honor to be a part of this program, and we believe this puts the exclamation point on a season which will put the Porsche RS Spyder right with the 917 in Porsche racing history,” said Tim Cindric, president of Penske Racing.

Porsche and Penske Racing swept all the championships in the LMP2 class, winning the chassis and engine manufacturers titles, the drivers crowns, and the team championship for the second year and a row. It was the Penske Porsche RS Spyder’s third win at Mazda Laguna Seca Raceway – the first win at the car’s debut in October, 2005

In the GT2 contest, three Porsche 911 GT3 RSRs and a Ferrari swapped the class lead nine times during the four-hour event, but the Salo/Melo Ferrari won the race in the end, clinching the team, driver and manufacturer’s title for Ferrari. The Flying Lizard Porsche of Johannes van Overbeek/Joerg Bergmeister had an outside chance to win the drivers title, but a flat tire after an off-track excursion caused an extra pit stop

which resulted in a fourth-place finish. The Tafel Racing Porsche driven by Wolf Henzler/Dominik Farnbacher finished second for the second race in a row with a late-race pass of the Rahal Letterman Porsche of Ralf Kelleners/Tom Milner, which ended up third.

Here is a summary of Porsche's record in the American Le Mans Series since its inception in 1999:

PORSCHE AMERICAN LE MANS SERIES STATISTICS (1999 – 2007)

Porsche overall wins: 9 (Mid-Ohio, '06; Long Beach, '07; Houston, '07, Salt Lake City, '07, Lime Rock, '07, Mid-Ohio '07, Road America, '07, Mosport '07, Detroit '07)

Porsche Class Victories: 83

Audi - 69

Corvette – 55

Lola - 32

Ferrari - 21

Dodge - 16

BMW - 15

Porsche LMP2 Wins: 19

Porsche GTS Wins: 2

Porsche GT/GT2 Wins: 61

Porsche 911 GT3 R/RS/RSR wins: 57

Porsche Class Poles: 74

Audi – 51

Corvette – 49

Lola/MG/AER – 31

Longest Class Winning Streak:

21 Porsche GT class wins in a row: 2002 – 2004 (started with 2002 12 Hours of Sebring - ended by Ferrari at Lime Rock 2004)

Porsche factory driver Maassen leads ALMS drivers in all-time consecutive starts 40 (streak ended at Lime Rock in 2004) and ALMS GT/GT2 class wins (22). Maassen is the only driver in ALMS to win a race every year the series has been run, including victories in 2004 at Sebring and Petit Le Mans, a 2005 LMP2 win in the new Porsche RS Spyder prototype, and 2006 wins in the RS Spyder at Salt Lake City, Road America, Petit Le Mans and Laguna Seca. Maassen continued that streak in 2007 with his St. Petersburg victory.

Porsche has 83 ALMS class wins, 14 more than any other manufacturer.

Porsche has won the GT/GT2 ALMS manufacturers title seven of the eight years of ALMS' existence (including 2006 title). 2006 was Porsche's first LMP2 title, and Porsche won the drivers, manufacturers, engine and chassis titles in LMP2 for 2007.