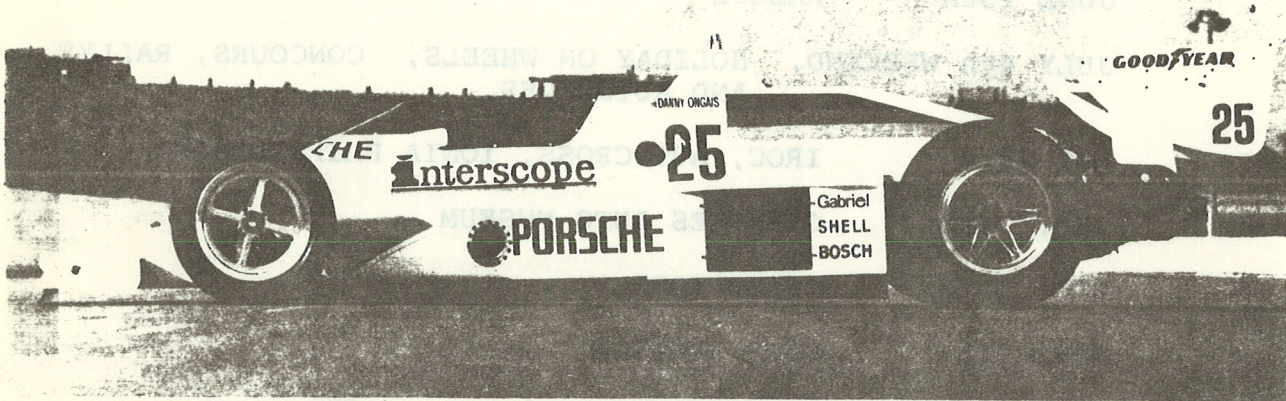


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MARCH 1980



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MARCH 23rd	TECH SESSION, GERMAN AUTO, DAN CONKLIN
APRIL 20/27th	WINE TOUR ,
MAY 17-18th	DRIVER SCHOOL, IMPORT MOTORS,
JUNE 15th	<u>RALLYE</u>
JULY 4th WEEKEND,	HOLIDAY ON WHEELS, CONCOURS, RALLYE, AND AUTOCROSS.
AUG 23rd	IROC, AUTOCROSS, IONIA FAIRGROUNDS
SEP. 14th	GILMORES AUTO MUSEUM
OCT. 19th	COLOR TOUR
NOV. 9th	TECH SESSION
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# BOARD MEETING minutes

Feb 5, 1980

Present- Steve Locke, Paul Theme,  
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The Treasury contains approx  
\$1,150, part of which will be  
deposited in a new interest  
bearing savings account.  
Club assets, & equipment will  
be inventoried. A New member-  
ship list will be prepared.  
There will be a March issue of  
Uber Alles, including a event  
calender.

WMR, renewed our council mem-  
bership. Our March Tech Session  
at German Auto will be an open  
event on how to store, and  
remove your car from storage.

The April Wine tour will be held  
and the agenda was discussed.  
the May Drivers School location  
was discussed, and must be  
decided by the March Board  
meeting.

# MAKI'N TRACKS

by PAUL THIEME

Here it is, halfway through the Winter, and I'm talking about Autocross already--hopeless case! This is the time when alot of the Club's events are in the planning stages, and so autocross comes up as a natural topic for discussion. I am going to be taking on the responsibility of being your official IROC representative this year, and since we have a considerable number of new members out there that have never herd of, let alone seen a Porsche Club IROC event, I'm going to explain what an IROC is, and why we have one in my next few articles.

IROC is a series of four autocrosses, taking place from early to late Summer. One autocross is put on by each of the four Regions involved in the series. The Regions are; Chicago, Michigan-Indiana, Motorstadt, and Western Michigan.

Perhaps I'm getting a little ahead of myself for those of

you that do not know what an autocross is, let me give a little insight. An autocross may consist of driving your Porsche over a course marked by pylons in a parking lot, (Lear Seigler), or maybe over a course consisting of private roads ( Ionia Fairgrounds), or on an honest to goodness full blown race track (Elkhart Lake). This is a timed event, i.e., to see how fast you can drive your Porsche through the particular course.

Only one car is usually allowed on the track at one time, and you have the entire course to yourself, to see haw fast you can go, to beat the fastest time, or just take it at your own pace, and practice on improving your driving abilities.

Books are written on the subject of driving, & racing techniques, so let me get back to the topid, the IROC series. I want you to know that there has been considerable contro-

versey involving the series during the past few years. The problem seems to be that the IROC tries to be all things to all people, so no one is ever 100% happy.

Let me explain; there are fast courses involved- some people who like to go fast love them, some go-fast people feel they are too dangerous. There are also slower courses involved; novices may feel more at home, others appreciate the decreased danger factor, and hard core go-fasters hate them.

There are driving distandes involved. Some people have the time to drive across the State, some people don't, or don't think it's worth it.

Money is ofter a mafor factor. Entry fees range from \$15 to \$60 depending on costs, and the dind of profit the club is looking to make. Some members will pay almost anything to drive an interesting track, and

others think an entry fee over \$7 is highway robbery.

Competitiveness is another facet of the series. The serious people try anything from head games to shaving off 80% of the tread from their \$1,200 set of tires, just to psych out the competition, while others just mellow along, enjoying the scenery.

Comeradery is often an interesting sideline to the series. People often attend the events in their second car if their Porsche is disabled, just to watch and talk, while others arrive, compete, and leave with hardly a word said.

Because of the larger number of cars, often 50-60, at an IROC event, a feature that attracts some is the chance to compete in your own class and with fresh competition. Often at smaller regional events several classes of cars are grouped together so

at least three cars are in competition in any one class. This is ok unless your bumped into a higher class and have to run against more powerful cars. It's always more fun to win against equal cars than to say you almost kept up with Fred's Turbo this time.

To make a long story short, IROC offers something for everyone. Next Month I will try to explain some of the details of scoring, different requirements, and the tracks involved this year.

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# CHARLIE'S LAIR

## BY CHARLIE RICHARDSON

Again I must apologize for the recent prolonged absence of our Uber Alles. I guess we are just realizing just how much Sheri did for those seven years when she took care of all of this.

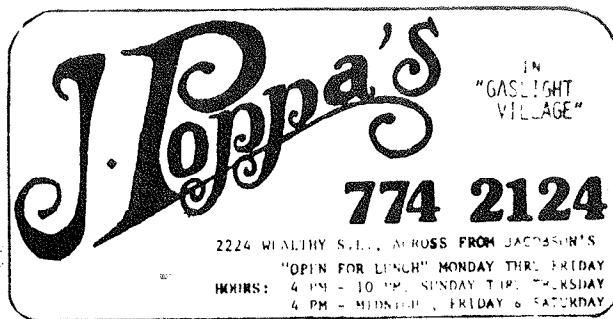
We have taken a few new steps to relieve this problem, such as going to a different mailing method, which will give us much more flexibility and reduce the size of the problems.

The most help will be eliminating the need to have 24 pages each month. I would love to publish 50 pages, but the articles just aren't out there. If you do have anything you wish to submit please do so, and it will get published. Our goal is to get event chairman to write in advance about each upcoming event to stir up interest, and to follow up with results, and other articles of interest to the members as they occur, but we don't have to saddle anyone with having to come up with a monthly writing chore.

Our cover is some of the most exciting news to come along in awhile. The rumors have been around for several years, but now it's official; Porsche is going to Indy!, in 1980.

The car pictured is a Parnelli chassis, being developed by Interscope, and Porsche. The engine is a turbocharged six-cylinder unit derived from the 936 LeMans powerplant, modified to run on methanol, and with a single KKK turbocharger.

The current rumors are that the car may be more like the enclosed drawing, which fits more precisely the current ground effects technology, more so than the pictured chassis which was selected for initial development work.



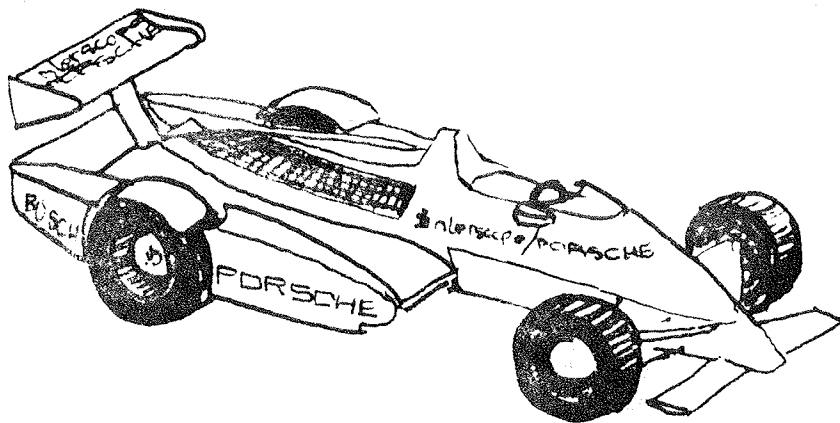
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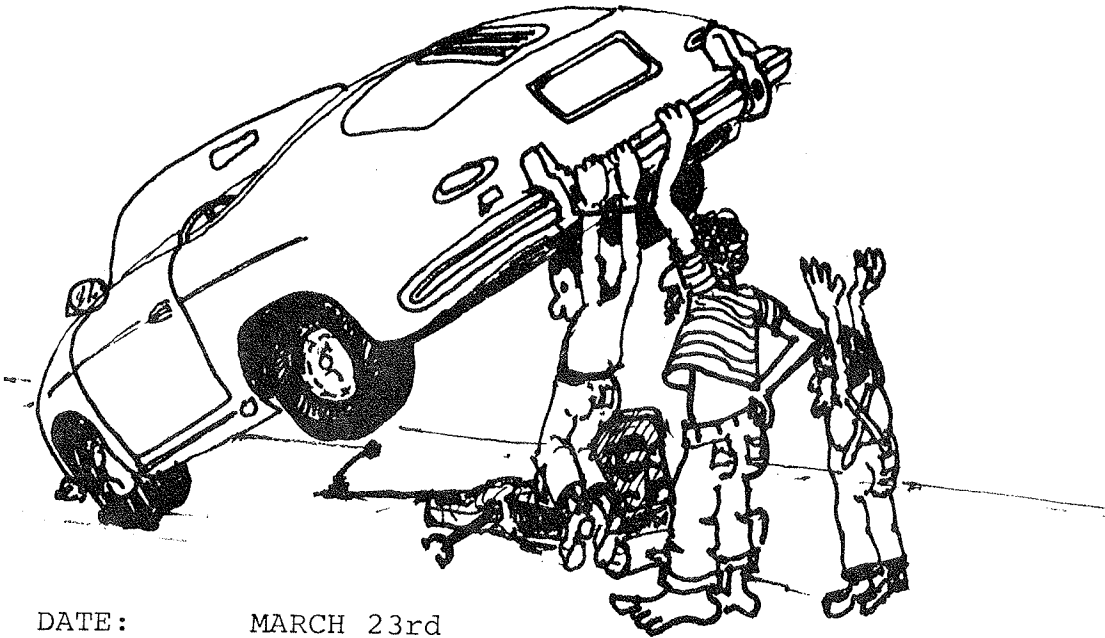
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LOCATION: GERMAN AUTO SERVICE  
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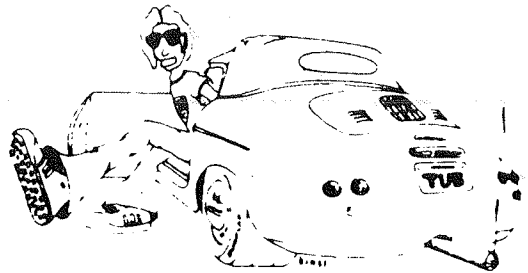
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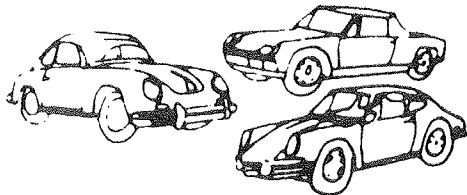
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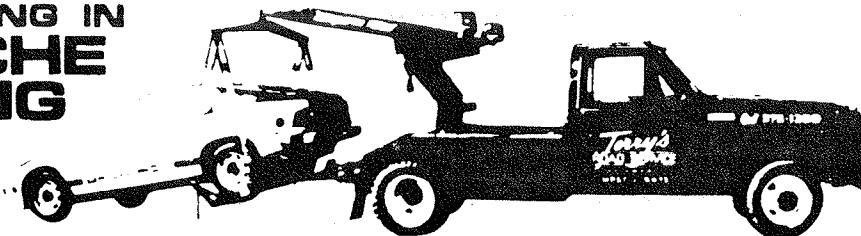
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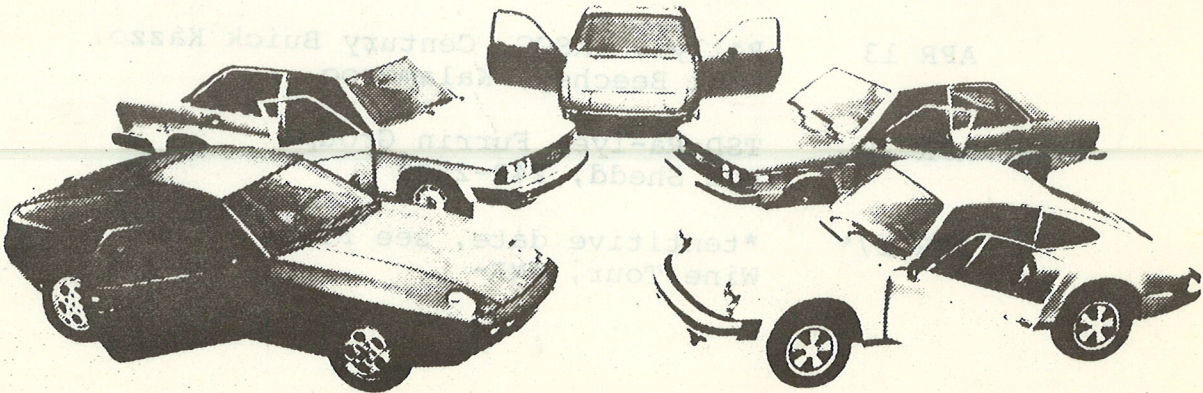
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