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FROM UNDER DAN'S HOOD

BY DAN CONKLIN



JANUARY, BRRR! SNOW, SNOW, SNOW, COLD, COLD, COLD. SURE ISN'T PORSCHE PUSHING WEATHER. AT LEAST, NO WEATHER TO BE DRIVING YOUR PORSCHE AROUND IN WITH ALL THAT MICHIGAN SALT.

SO FAR THIS YEAR, I HAVE HEARD COMMENTS FROM THE STATE AND KENT COUNTY REGARDING THE SALT THEY USE ON OUR ROADS. THE SALT IS EXPENSIVE TO BUY AND THEN SPREAD ONTO OUR ROAD BEDS, LAWNS, AND FLOWER BEDS. THE ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCIES SAY IT IS RUNNING OFF INTO OUR STREAMS WHICH IS CAUSING WATER POLLUTION. SO FAR, MOST OF OUR CONCERN HAS BEEN OUR CARS. SALT CAUSES RUST ON ALL METAL PARTS AND CORROSION OF THE ALLOY PARTS. THIS PAST WEEKEND, MARY ANN AND I WERE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN. WE FOUND VERY LITTLE SALT EVEN AFTER AN 8 INCH OVERNIGHT SNOWFALL. THE ROADS WERE PLOWED AND LIGHTLY SANDED ON CURVES AND INTERSECTIONS. TRAFFIC MOVED SMOOTHLY AND WITH LITTLE OR NO PROBLEMS. SAND HAS BEEN MENTIONED FOR USE HERE IN SOUTHERN MICHIGAN OVER AND OVER AGAIN, BUT STILL EVERY YEAR COMES THE SALT. SOMEDAY MAYBE THEY WILL BECOME WISE AND USE SOME OF THE BILLIONS OF TONS OF SAND THAT MICHIGAN HAS EVERYWHERE YOU LOOK.

THIS MAY BE NASTY WEATHER FOR PORSCHE, BUT IT DOESN'T SEEM TO SLOW UP THE PORSCHE PEOPLE MUCH. JANUARY 15TH WAS A VERY BLUSTERY DAY AND NIGHT. HIGH WINDS AND SNOW MADE DRIVING MISERABLE AND HAZARDOUS, STILL PORSCHE PUSHERS CAME FROM FAR AND NEAR TO ENJOY A FANTASTIC WINTERFEST. THE FOOD AND DRINKS WERE EXCELLENT. THE DOOR PRIZES WERE MANY AND THE ONLY REASON YOU DIDN'T GET ONE IS BECAUSE YOU WERE NOT THERE. THE YEAR-END AWARDS WERE VERY WELL DONE AND LIKED BY ALL. LARRY WATERS WAS HONORED AS ROOKIE OF THE YEAR FOR THE GREAT JOB HE DID DRIVING HIS 914 IN 1976. GREAT JOB, LARRY. CONGRATULATIONS TO TERESA KNAPP, AND THANK YOU FOR A TERRIFIC EVENING.

FEBRUARY BROUGHT US MORE SNOW AND COLD AS YOU WELL KNOW. I FOUND OUT THAT TWO OR THREE WARM DAYS IN A COLD MONTH CAN SURE FIRE UP A LOT OF PORSCHE PEOPLE. IT'S TIME TO THINK OF HOW TO GET OFF THAT PESTY STORAGE DUST AND CLEAN UP A FEW OF THE ITEMS THAT YOU'VE BEEN MEANING TO GET AT DURING THE COLD MONTHS OF WINTER. SOMEHOW IN THOSE TWO OR THREE DAYS, MOST OF US MANAGED TO LEAVE THE PORSCHE IN STORAGE AND STICK TO THE WINTER CARS AND DREAM OF PERMANENT WARM

WEATHER. SOME OF US EVEN WENT SKIING. THE WMR SKI WEEKEND WAS WARM, AND LATE SATURDAY IT WAS VERY WET. SATURDAY NIGHT THE RAIN TURNED TO SNOW WHICH ACCUMULATED TO 8 INCHES. WE HAD A LOT OF FUN AS PORSCHE PEOPLE ALWAYS DO WHEN WE'RE TOGETHER.

I HAVE SEEN MANY PORSCHE ON THE ROAD IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS. I ALWAYS GET A VERY CURIOUS LOOK, AND SOMETIMES A BIG LAUGH WHEN I BLOW MY HORN, FLASH MY LIGHTS, OR WAVE FROM MY TRUCK WITH THE PORSCHE DECO STRIPE ON EACH SIDE OF THE HOOD. OCCASIONALLY, I GET A CHANCE TO TALK TO THESE PORSCHE PUSHERS AND FIND OUT WHO THEY ARE. I ALWAYS HAVE PORSCHE CLUB INFORMATION WITH ME, AND CAN TELL THEM ABOUT NATIONAL AND WMR, AND WHAT WE ARE ALL ABOUT. WE'RE DEFINITELY NOT A BUNCH OF SNOBS! I KNOW MANY OF THE WMR MEMBERSHIP IS INVOLVED IN DISTRIBUTING INFORMATION ALSO. MANY GOOD FRIENDSHIPS HAVE STARTED WITH A HELLO. WHO KNOWS WHAT IT COULD LEAD TO? A NEW FRIEND, A NEW PORSCHE CLUB MEMBER, AND MAYBE A BLACK EYE TO YOU OR THEM WHEN YOU FIND OUT HE OR SHE

FROM UNDER DAN'S HOOD

CONTINUED

WAS TRYING TO STEAL SOMEONE'S PORSCHE. ALWAYS LOCK YOUR PORSCHE!

THERE ARE STILL A FEW COLD DAYS LEFT IN FEBRUARY AND SOME IN MARCH, BUT DOUG AND SHARI HOEK PROMISE TO WARM US UP TO OUR PORSCHEs AT THE WMR CONCOURS TECH SESSION MARCH 20TH. THEY ARE GOING TO SHOW AND TELL US HOW THEY PREPARE AND MAINTAIN THEIR CONCOURS WINNING CARS. THEY PLAN A PROGRAM THAT WILL BENEFIT ALL PORSCHEs OLD AND NEW ALIKE. SEE YOU THERE.

THINK WARM, PORSCHE PEOPLE, SO WE CAN TURN DOWN OUR THERMOSTATS (WITHOUT FREEZING), GET OUR PORSCHEs OUT OF THAT DARK, COLD STORAGE AND BACK ON THE WARM SALT-FREE ROADS OF MICHIGAN. WE CAN SAVE ENERGY BY STORING OUR WINTER CARS AND DRIVE OUR GAS SAVING PORSCHEs. MAYBE YOU THINK I AM A BIT EARLY WITH THIS SUBJECT, BUT I DON'T THINK SO. JUST LOOK AT YOUR GAS BILL, ELECTRIC BILL, GASOLINE BILL (UNLESS YOU ARE LUCKY ENOUGH TO DRIVE ANOTHER GAS SAVER) AND THE THERMOMETER. IT'S COLD! IF YOU DRIVE YOUR PORSCHE IN THE WINTER YOU WILL FIND IT GETS AROUND BETTER BY FAR THAN MOST OTHER CARS. BUT, IT'S NO FUN WHEN YOU SEE CARS SLIDING IN EVERY DIRECTION

BECAUSE OF PEOPLE WHO DON'T SEEM TO CARE ABOUT THEIR LIVES OR THEIR CARS. I LIKE TO THINK THAT PORSCHE PEOPLE ARE MORE CAREFUL BECAUSE THEY LIKE THE FINER THINGS IN LIFE. THINGS LIKE BREATHING AND HAVING A PORSCHE THAT LOOKS FAR BETTER THAN THE AVERAGE CAR ON THE ROAD

TODAY. TAKE A LOOK AROUND AT CARS ONE YEAR OLD. A GOOD SHARE OF THEM SHOULD BE 15 YEARS OLD, OR IN THE BONE YARDS. I CAN'T KNOW ALL OF THEM BECAUSE THEY MIGHT BE A SECOND CAR OF A PORSCHE OWNER. AT ANY RATE, IN MY MIND, PORSCHE WILL BE... ALWAYS AHEAD.



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FIRST TUESDAY BY TERESA KNAPP

PRESIDENT, DAN CONKLIN, CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:40 PM. MEMBERS PRESENT WERE: DAN AND MARY ANN CONKLIN, JUDY AND PHIL CULL, DAN DIXON, DOUG AND SHARI HOEK, TOM LILLIBRIDGE, CHARLIE AND MAUREEN RICHARDSON, RICK RILEY, BOB SHEDD, DAVE WRIGHT, AND TERESA KNAPP.

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY MEETING WERE READ. CORRECTION UNDER PORSCHEMPORIUM. AMOUNT TO BE RECORDED IS \$12.75. MINUTES STAND CORRECTED AND APPROVED.

AN UPDATED MEMBERSHIP LIST HAS BEEN COMPLETED. EVENT CHAIR-PEOPLE WILL RECEIVE COPIES OF THE LIST.

COUNCIL PARTY WILL BE HELD AT LINCOLN COUNTRY CLUB - MARCH 26. PRICE: \$2.00 PER PERSON, OR \$5.00 PER COUPLE. BEER WILL BE FREE AND MIXED DRINKS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT A CASH BAR. THE PARTY STARTS AT 7:00 P.M. WITH AWARDS BEING GIVEN AT 8:00 P.M.

LAST YEAR'S COMMUNICATION UNITS ARE NOT WORKING. NEW IDEAS FOR COMMUNICATIONS WERE DISCUSSED. MOST DISCUSSION CENTERED AROUND THE USE OF CB UNITS.

THE IROC MEETING WILL BE AT THE HOLIDAY INN IN KALAMAZOO, MARCH

5TH.

THE MARCH CONOURS TECH SESSION CONTINUES AS PLANNED; A SUPER WAY TO GET READY FOR YOUR CAR'S SPRING CLEANING!

THE GENERAL MEETING WILL BE APRIL 16TH. ALL INFORMATION ABOUT THE MEETING CAN BE FOUND ON THE EVENT'S FLYER.

CATASTROPHIC II, OUR FIRST CON-OURS OF 1977, WILL BE OPEN TO ALL TYPES OF CARS. DON'T FORGET THE DATE: APRIL 24TH. CHECK THE FLYER FOR MORE INFORMATION -- ESPECIALLY THE \$1.00 DISCOUNT!

START CLEANING!! WE ARE PLANNING A RUMMAGE SALE -- PORSCHEPOTPOURRI!! MAY 5TH, 6TH, AND 7TH. WE'LL BE SELLING ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING.

GOOD NEWS IS FOOD NEWS! FROM NOW ON THERE WILL BE SNACKS AND REFRESHMENTS SOLD AT ALL WMR/PCA EVENTS. PROFITS FROM SUCH SALES WILL CREATE A FUND SEPARATE FROM OUR GENERAL FUND, AND WILL BE USED TO REDUCE THE COST OF WINTERFEST! WINTERFEST AT A LOWER PRICE? YES, MIRACLES DO HAPPEN.

A MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING



WAS MADE BY JUDY CULL. THIS WAS SECONDED BY BOB SHEDD.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:00 P.M.

NEXT MEETING: MARCH 1ST 7:30 PM.
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I DIDN'T KNOW THAT

BY SANDY LILLIBRIDGE



PORSCHEPOTPOURRI IS THE NAME OF OUR GARAGE SALE TO BE HELD AT MY HOUSE ON MAY 5-7. THIS IS AN EVENT THAT EVERY CLUB MEMBER CAN CONTRIBUTE TO -- SAVE YOUR GOODIES.

THE WORD FROM THE KALAMAZOO AREA IS... 924. I TALKED WITH ART LAMBRIGHT, OWNER OF CLASSIC TOYOTA, PORSCHE, AUDI AND HE IS VERY IMPRESSED. AS OF THE END OF 1976, THEY HAVE SOLD 9 924'S, 4 OF THEM IN DECEMBER, ALL WITHOUT ANY SERVICE PROBLEMS.

DURING THE SLOPPY, WET WEATHER, STOPPING TO A GAS STATION AND ASKING FOR A FILL-UP OF WINDSHIELD WASHER FLUID SEEMS LIKE A SIMPLE ENOUGH CHORE. WELL, FOR TERESA KNAPP, THIS LITTLE CHORE BACKFIRED. SHE WAS OUT DRIVING IN HER HONDA CALLED 'CHOP-CHOP' AND STOPPED FOR WASHER FLUID. NO PROBLEM, EXCEPT THAT THE ATTENDANT DIDN'T RELEASE THE ROD THAT HOLDS UP THE HOOD BEFORE HE SLAMMED IT SHUT. THIS RESULTED IN ONE WRENCHED HOOD WITH CRACKED PAINT. THERE WAS NO CHARGE FOR THE FLUID, BUT THERE WAS FOR THE NEW HOOD... \$87.00. THANK GOODNESS FOR INSURANCE.

TALKING ABOUT WINTER SLOPPY, WET WEATHER AND 'SALT CARS', NEXT

TIME YOU SEE GLEN BOHNER ASK HIM ABOUT THE NEW 'DRAIN' IN HIS ICE RACER.

AS OF THIS WRITING, THE 2ND ANNUAL PCA SKI WEEKEND WAS JUST COMPLETED. IF YOU DON'T LIKE THE WEATHER IN MICHIGAN, WAIT AN HOUR AND IT WILL CHANGE. SATURDAY AFTERNOON IT WAS WARM 40+ DEGREES AND THEY WERE SKIING IN THE RAIN. SATURDAY NIGHT IT TURNED COLDER, BUT WAS STILL

RAINING, AND WHEN THEY WOKE UP SUNDAY MORNING, THERE WAS 8'' OF FRESH POWDER ON THE GROUND. TAKE NOTE ALL OF YOU WHO DIDN'T ATTEND BECAUSE YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO SKI THE ORGANIZERS OF THIS EVENT DIDN'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO GET ON THE CHAIR LIFT.



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HEY JUDE BY JUDY CULL

WOMEN ON A PIT CREW? YOU BET! LAST YEAR AT THIS TIME I RECEIVED A 'PHONE CALL FROM A PREGNANT LADY (BETTER KNOWN AS PATT WEST) WHO WANTED TO LEARN TO AUTOCROSS. WHEN THE WEATHER WARMED UP I CALLED PATT AND SAID LET'S GO TO THE FARM (NOTHDURFT FARMS) AND HAVE A GO AT IT. WE SPENT THE WHOLE DAY THERE AND PATT FELT A LOT MORE CONFIDENT AND ALL OF A SUDDEN LEARNED THINGS ABOUT HERSELF AND HER CAR THAT SHE NEVER KNEW BEFORE.

HOWEVER, BEFORE WE KNEW IT, PATT AND NEW BABY BOY MOVED OUT TO BOSTON TO JOIN HER HUSBAND WHO HAD TAKEN A NEW POSITION THERE.

I DIDN'T HEAR MUCH FROM HER UNTIL THIS PAST DECEMBER WHEN PHIL AND I WENT TO THE MOTORSTADT CHRISTMAS PARTY. PATT AND HER HUSBAND WERE THERE. SHE WAS VERY EXCITED AND SHE HAD JOINED THE PIT CREW OF JOHN WOOD WHO IS PART OF AN INDEPENDENT PORSCHE REPAIR AND BODY SHOP IN FARMINGHAM, MASS.

ON JANUARY 20, 1977, I RECEIVED A LETTER FROM PATT WEST AND FOLLOWING IS AN EXCERPT FROM IT:

'JOHN WOOD IS RACING AT 6-HOURS OF WATKINS GLEN AND MOSPORT. HIS FIRST RACE IN TRANS-AM IS AT

RIVERSIDE ON MAY 29TH. (I WON'T BE GOING TO THAT ONE.) NOT ONLY AM I EXCITED ABOUT BEING ON HIS PIT CREW, BUT I'M HELPING TO BUILD THE RACE CAR (HE BOUGHT A FACTORY PORSCHE RSR AND IS REBUILDING IT). TOMORROW I HAVE TO BEAD BLAST THE BANANA ARMS, ENGINE SUPPORTS AND ANTI-ROLL BAR ARMS AND THEN SEND THE BANANAS OUT FOR MAGNAFLUX TESTING. I'M REALLY LEARNING LOTS OF NEAT

THINGS (AND ALSO GETTING 'MECHANICS HANDS', HA!).''

WHEW. JUST THINK WHAT I STARTED WHEN I TOOK THAT PREGNANT LADY TO THE FARM TO DRIVE. I SHOULD BE SO LUCKY.

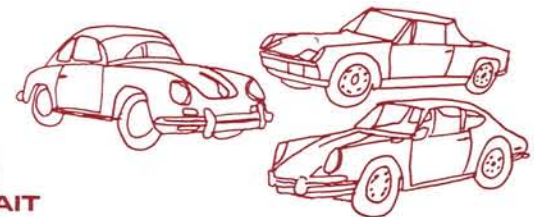


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PORSCHUSSING

BY MARY ANN CONKLIN

WE DID IT AGAIN! ANOTHER SUPER WMR SKI WEEKEND WAS ENJOYED. IT WAS A GREAT FEELING TO BE ON SKIS AGAIN AND WE CERTAINLY SKIED HARD. IT WAS ALSO GREAT JUST TO GET OUT OF GRAND RAPIDS FOR THE WEEKEND AND ENJOY OURSELVES.

DAN AND I ARRIVED AT 10:30 P.M. WE WERE THE FIRST ONES THERE THIS YEAR. WE DECIDED TO GO OVER TO THE JUNCTION INN AND RELAX. WHEN WE RETURNED, ALMOST EVERYONE HAD ARRIVED. WE GATHERED IN ROOM 14 DRINKING CHAMPAGNE AND UNWINDING FROM A LONG TRIP UP TO WALLOON.

SATURDAY MORNING WAS CLOUDY AND THE WEATHERMAN MENTIONED THERE WAS A CHANCE OF RAIN. I THOUGHT TO MYSELF, "NO YOU DON'T, MOTHER NATURE. PLEASE DON'T RAIN." WE ENJOYED A SUPER BREAKFAST AT MARCHES; THEIR HOMEMADE CINNAMON ROLLS ARE OUT OF THIS WORLD. EVERYONE MENTIONED, THE NIGHT BEFORE, HOW ANXIOUS THEY WERE FOR MARCHES BREAKFAST.

WITH EVERYONE READY TO GO, WE HIT THE SLOPES. WE HAD NO CROSS COUNTRY SKIERS WITH US THIS YEAR; EVERYONE WAS DOWNHILL. WE ALL HEADED FOR WALLOON. WE STILL HAD PEOPLE WHO MISSED THE CHAIR

LIFT; IT WAS DAN AND I WHO GOT OUR SKIS TANGLED UP. IT'S A STRANGE FEELING LAYING ON THE GROUND WITH THE CHAIR LIFT OVER YOUR HEAD. I WAS RATHER EMBARRASSED, BUT THE CHAIR LIFT MAN WAS VERY NICE AS HE HELPED ME UP AND ASKED IF I WAS ALL RIGHT. IT WAS GETTING CLOSE TO BREAK TIME AND I DECIDED TO HEAD ON IN. I LOOKED UP AS EVERYONE STARTED COMING IN AND NOTICED THEY WERE ALL WET. YOU GUESSED IT, MOTHER NATURE DECIDED TO TAKE A BATH. BUT, A LITTLE RAIN DIDN'T STOP US PORSCHE SKIERS, WE PUT PLASTIC BAGS OVER OUR GEAR AND ENJOYED THE REST OF THE AFTERNOON SKIING WHETHER IT RAINED OR NOT.

AFTER WE ENJOYED SOME REFRESHMENT AND SOME WASH TUB MUSIC, WE HEADED BACK FOR A TERRIFIC ROAST BEEF DINNER WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS. IT WAS DELICIOUS AND WE ALL ATE TOO MUCH. WE WENT BACK TO OUR ROOMS AND RELAXED FOR AWHILE, THEN STARTED FOR THE HOLIDAY INN IN PETOSKEY FOR SOME ENTERTAINMENT. THE BAND WAS EXCELLENT AND THE DRINKS WERE GOOD. THERE WAS AN HOUR WAIT FOR SOME PEOPLE TRYING TO GET IN. WE WERE LUCKY, WE DIDN'T HAVE TO WAIT AT ALL. WHAT A SURPRISE WHEN WE WENT OUT THE DOOR, THE RAIN HAD TURNED TO SNOW. WE GOT

8 INCHES OF SNOW SATURDAY NIGHT AND EVERYONE WAS EXCITED FOR SKIING THE NEXT DAY.

WE HAD ANOTHER TERRIFIC BREAKFAST AT MARCHES, PACKED UP, AND ALMOST EVERYONE HEADED FOR ANOTHER DAY OF SKIING IN FRESH SNOW.

ALL IN ALL, WE HAD A GREAT TIME! EVERYONE ENJOYED THEMSELVES AND ARE ALREADY TALKING ABOUT ANOTHER WMR SKI WEEKEND NEXT YEAR.



DOUG'S HEAD

BY DOUG HOEK



FEBRUARY 5TH WEEKEND WAS VERY COLD IN MICHIGAN. HAVING A BAD FOOT, I DECIDED TO SPEND THE DAY WITH MY STEREO AND TV. THE PLAN WAS SIMPLE; JUST STAY ON THE SPORTS STATIONS AND LISTEN TO THE 24 HOURS AT DAYTONA. WELL, WHAT WE SAW WAS THE NEWMAN, FORBES-ROBINSON, MINTER FERRARI PIT STOP. NOW I THINK BLUE EYES IS A GREAT GUY AND A FINE DRIVER, HOWEVER, NOT ONE WORD ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED TO ICKX AND MASS IN THE MARTINI 935 PORSCHE WAS MENTIONED OR THAT THE LEAD PORSCHE WAS STARTING ITS 3RD YEAR OF COMPETITION. RACING IS BIG TIME AND THE NETWORKS ARE IGNORING THE WORLD'S MOST POPULAR SPORT. IT IS THE BEST ATTENDED, SURPASSING ALL EXCEPT HORSE RACING, BUT CLOSE THE BETTING WINDOW AND NO ONE WOULD SHOW UP.

THE RSR 3.0 OF HAYWOOD, GRAVES, AND HELMICH WENT 2,615 MILES IN 24 HOURS FOR AN AVERAGE OF 108 MILES PER HOUR. THE CAR NEVER MISSED A BEAT; NOTHING BUT SCHEDULED STOPS WERE MADE. THE RSR 3.0 IS A DEVELOPMENT OF THE RS 2.7. THE RS NORMAL CARS ARE A LEGEND IN DURABILITY. THE ENGINE IS VERY SIMILAR TO THE ROAD GOING 911 AND THIS WRITER FEELS WHAT PROBLEMS ARE ENCOUNTERED WITH THE ROAD VERSION ARE DRIVER RELATED RATHER THAN OF DESIGN OR CONSTRUCTION. THROUGH THE YEARS OF DEVELOPMENT THERE HAVE BEEN OVER

100 VARIATIONS IN THE 911 FLAT 6 SERIES ENGINES. THE 911 RACING CARS HAVE MORE INTERNATIONAL VICTORIES THAN ANY MAKE IN HISTORY. FOR YOU WHO OWN THE ROAD-TYPE 911 THERE IS NO BIG SECRET TO A LONG LIFE. NEVER MAKE A SHORT TRIP, ALWAYS GET THE ENGINE TO AT LEAST 180° AND DRIVE THE HELL OUT OF THE CAR. ENJOY THAT 911 AND LET'S HOPE IT STAYS AROUND A FEW MORE YEARS.

AS A LEVEL OF COMPARISON, A COUPLE YEARS AGO A STREET STOCK, LICENSED 914 2.0 WENT THE DISTANCE AT DAYTONA AND PLACED IN THE TOP 15. A 911 HAS NEVER DONE THAT, BUT THEN THEY CAN'T ALL BE PERFECT. THIS 914 IS ALREADY REGARDED AS ONE OF THE BEST VALUES OFFERED IN A SPORTS CAR; JUST CHECK OUT THE CURRENT PRICES.

IN THE LAST 10 YEARS, PORSCHE HAS MET MANY FEDERAL STANDARDS WITH MORE EASE THAN NON-ENGINEERING COMPANIES, AND IN ONLY A FEW EXAMPLES HAVE THEIR PRODUCTS SUFFERED DRIVEABILITY PROBLEMS. THE PORSCHE IS A STANDARD IN THE FIELD OF MEETING AIR POLLUTION, SAFETY AND NOISE REGULATIONS. ALMOST EVERY CAR IN THE WORLD HAS LOST PERFORMANCE DRAMATICALLY AS A RESULT.

MY '62 TR-4 WOULD RUN OFF AND HIDE FROM A '77 TR-7 AS WOULD AN

EARLY MG-B TO THE MG-B OF TODAY. ALFAS, FIATS, VETTES ARE ALL SLOWER AND WEIGHT-EMISSION STRANGLED. HOW ABOUT PORSCHE? MOST OF THE SPORTS CARS OF THE 60'S HAVE DOUBLED IN PRICE AND OFFER A LESSER CAR TODAY. NOT STUTTGART. YES, THE PRICE IS DOUBLED, IN MOST CASES, BUT THIS SMALL COMPANY HAS MANAGED TO KEEP MOST OF THE ACCELERATION OF THE EARLIER MODELS AND MORE, IN SOME CASES. THE BRAKING AND HANDLING IS FAR SUPERIOR TODAY. IT IS THIS DILIGENCE IN ENGINEERING THAT KEEPS THE PORSCHE FAR AHEAD.

PORSCHE COULD SELL THEIR NEW CARS FOR QUITE A BIT LESS, BUT THEN IF CARBURETORS, AIR PUMPS, CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, HANG-ON BUMPERS, CONVENTIONAL STEEL IN PLACE OF LIGHT ALLOY, JUST A COUPLE COATS OF PAINT, 5 INCH WHEELS, AND TERMINAL OVERSTEER IS YOUR IDEA OF A GOOD SPORTING CAR, I'M SURE PORSCHE COULD SUPPLY ONE TO YOU FOR ABOUT \$6,000. THE ONLY THING YOU WOULD NOT GET IS A CREST ON THE HOOD AND THE SEVEN LETTERS -- P O R S C H E.

THE SWEETNESS OF LOW PRICE IS SOON BITTERED BY POOR QUALITY.

WHALE TALE

BY RICK RILEY



TO AUTOCROSS AND BE COMPETITIVE, YOU SHOULD THINK ABOUT WHAT CAN HAPPEN TO YOU AND YOUR CAR. 'A RACE CAR IS A HOLE, DOWN WHICH YOU THROW MONEY.' I'M NOT SURE WHO SPOKE THESE WORDS OF WISDOM, BUT I DO KNOW HOW TRUE THEY ARE. HOWEVER, BY FOLLOWING A FEW SIMPLE GUIDELINES, AUTOCROSSING CAN BE SAFE AND FUN.

FIRST CONSIDER YOUR OWN ABILITY AS A DRIVER. WHAT IS YOUR PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE AT MEDIUM TO HIGH SPEED PERFORMANCE DRIVING? IF THE ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION IS NONE, THEN I SUGGEST YOU PLAN ON STARTING WITH SLOWER SPEED EVENTS FOR OPENERS. IT WOULD BE BEST TO FIND A LARGE PARKING LOT WITH AS FEW CURBS AND LIGHT POLES AS POSSIBLE. THIS WILL GIVE YOU A LARGER MARGIN FOR ERROR. THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH MAKING ERRORS, BUT WHEN THEY START COSTING YOU MONEY YOU HADN'T PLANNED ON SPENDING IS WHEN YOU SHOULD WORRY. THE FIRST FEW TIMES OUT, FIND OUT WHAT YOUR CAR CAN DO AND THEN FIND OUT WHAT YOU CAN DO WITH YOUR CAR. IT IS A WELL KNOWN FACT THAT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING ABOUT A FAST CAR IS THE DRIVER. THIS BRINGS US TO THE SECOND POINT OF THIS ARTICLE; CAR PREPARATION.

AS I SUGGESTED, THERE IS NO REASON TO RUN OUT AND BUY A LOT OF EXPENSIVE 'SPEED EQUIPMENT'. YOUR CAR WILL GO A LOT FASTER THAN YOU ARE PREPARED TO DRIVE IT WHEN YOU BEGIN. LEARN WHAT YOU HAVE FIRST BEFORE YOU START CHANGING IT. THERE ARE A FEW THINGS THAT ARE MUST DO'S FOR EVEN THE MOST AMATEUR RACER. IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO MAKE SURE YOUR ENGINE IS TUNED UP AND FULL OF OIL. A POORLY TUNED ENGINE THAT IS RUN HARD CAN CREATE PROBLEMS FOR BOTH THE ENGINE AND YOUR BUDGET. WHEN A CAR IS UNDER HARD CORNERING CONDITIONS, THE OIL WILL TEND TO SLOSH OVER TO ONE SIDE OF THE OIL PAN, AND IF THERE ISN'T AN AMPLE SUPPLY FOR YOUR OIL PUMP PICK UP, AIR GETS INTO THE LUBRICATION SYSTEM AND RESULTS IN BEARING DAMAGE. OWNERS OF 924'S, 914'S 912'S AND 356'S SHOULD ALWAYS RUN WITH A FULL LOAD OF OIL.

NEXT ON THE LIST IS TIRES. YOU SHOULD HAVE GOOD TREAD ON YOUR TIRES AND BE SURE THERE ARE NO VISIBLE CRACKS IN THE SIDEWALLS. YOU MAY SEE SOME 'HOT DOGS' RUNNING BALD MICHELIN XWX TIRES AT AN AUTOCROSS AND WONDER WHY. ON DRY PAVEMENT, THE BALD TIRE HAS THE ADVANTAGE OF MORE RUBBER ON THE ROAD THAN A TIRE WITH FULL TREAD. HOWEVER, IF IT RAINS, THE

'BALDIES' ARE ALL DONE. MY RECOMMENDATION IS TO HAVE A GOOD SET OF ALL-WEATHER RADIALS. THERE ARE A LOT OF ARTICLES WRITTEN EACH YEAR ON TIRES, SO ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS FIND ONE AND CHOOSE THE TIRE BEST SUITED TO YOUR NEEDS. WHEN YOU HAVE YOUR TIRES, OVER INFLATE THEM BY AT LEAST 5 POUNDS ABOVE THE MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS. THIS GIVES THE TIRE MORE STABILITY FOR HIGH SPEED CORNERING. IT IS ALSO A GOOD IDEA TO HAVE TUBE TYPE TIRES AS OPPOSED TO TUBELESS TIRES. THE TUBE IN THE TIRE WILL HOLD AIR AND KEEP THE TIRE ON THE RUN LONGER THAN A TUBELESS TIRE IN THE SAME SITUATION.

ANOTHER ITEM TO CHECK IS YOUR SHOCK ABSORBERS. MAKE SURE YOU HAVE ONE ON EACH WHEEL AND BE SURE THEY WORK WELL. ANY OF OUR AREA SERVICE GARAGES WILL BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO CHECK YOUR SHOCKS FOR YOU. OTHER THINGS THE BEGINNER NEEDS IS A GOOD HELMET, STRONG SEATBELTS, AND A DESIRE TO LEARN. NEXT MONTH, I'LL DISCUSS COURSE SELECTION IN GREATER DETAIL, SWAY BARS, AND WHAT YOUR REV LIMITER CAN DO FOR YOU.

TOOLING ALONG

BY JERRY KNAPP

SO, YOU SAY YOU HAVE A FEW EXTRA DOLLARS AND WANT TO SPEND THEM ON YOUR PORSCHE. WHAT RUNS THROUGH YOUR MIND; WIDER TIRES AND WHEELS, NEW SHOCKS, OR MAYBE A FRONT SPOILER? HAVE YOU CONSIDERED ANTI-SWAY BARS? EVEN WITH ALL THOSE ADVANTAGES OF INDEPENDENT SUSPENSION I.E. IMPROVED STEERING, BETTER TIRE-ROAD CONTACT, AND A SOFTER RIDE, THERE IS STILL ONE DISTINCT AND DEFINITE DISADVANTAGE, AND THAT IS THAT INDEPENDENT SUSPENSION INCREASES THE ROLL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CAR WHEN CORNERING. TO REDUCE THIS ROLL, A STEEL ROD CALLED AN ANTI-SWAY BAR IS MOUNTED TRANSVERSELY INSIDE THE CAR'S BODY WITH THE ENDS ANGLED FORWARD OR BACKWARD AND ANCHORED TO THE SUSPENSION ARMS. THE ANTI-SWAY BAR IS MOST GENERALLY MOUNTED TO THE BODY WITH RUBBER BUSHINGS TO PROVIDE A BEARING SURFACE.

WHEN YOUR CAR IS MOVING IN A STRAIGHT LINE THE BAR'S MOTION IS VERTICAL WHEN GOING OVER BUMPS IN THE ROAD AND PLAYS A VERY SMALL PART IN CONTROL OF WHEEL MOTION. WHEN THE CAR BEGINS TO CORNER, SIDEWAYS ROLL OCCURS WHICH, DUE TO CENTRIFUGAL FORCE, TRANSFERS THE WEIGHT TO THE OUTSIDE. THIS ROLL CAUSES THE BAR TO TWIST, GIVING IT A

SORT OF WINDING UP ACTION WHICH IN TURN LIMITS THE AMOUNT OF ROLL POSSIBLE. THE THICKNESS OF THE CAR DETERMINES HOW MUCH ROLL THE CAR WILL HAVE. IF THE BAR IS TOO SMALL, IT WILL HAVE LITTLE AFFECT AND IF IT IS TOO LARGE, YOUR CAR WILL BE TOO STIFF AND SKIP ACROSS THE PAVEMENT LIKE A FLAT STONE ACROSS THE WATER. A HAPPY MEDIUM MUST BE REACHED AND THE BEST WAY TO DO THIS IS BY ASKING OTHER DRIVERS IF THEY FEEL THEIR BARS ARE ADEQUATE.

THE REAR BAR HAS AN EXTRA DUTY TO PERFORM. WHEN THE CAR HITS A BUMP, THE WHEELS HAVE A TENDENCY TO TUCK UNDER. APART FROM STABILIZING THE CAR WHEN CORNERING, THE BAR ALSO WILL, TO A DEGREE, KEEP THE REAR WHEELS FROM TUCKING UNDER SO THE LOSS OF TRACTION IS MINIMIZED.

IF YOU HAVE NEVER DRIVEN A CAR WITHOUT ANTI-SWAY BARS, YOU'RE MISSING A REAL THRILL. THE BEST COMPARISON I CAN DRAW WOULD BE TO GO OUT THIS SUMMER IN A SPEED BOAT AND MAKE A FEW 180° TURNS. NOTICE THE DEGREE THAT BOAT LISTS - NOW IMAGINE YOURSELF BEHIND YOUR CAR'S STEERING WHEEL AND I THINK YOU WILL SEE THE IMPORTANCE OF ANTI-SWAY BARS.



OH YA.. LAST MONTH'S POP QUIZ ANSWER IS 1500 RPM. THE CAMSHAFT ON THE CONVENTIONAL (ONE CAM) ENGINE TURNS HALF AS FAST AS THE CRANKSHAFT. TIRE SIZE, GEAR RATIO, COMPRESSION RATIO HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS QUIZ PROBLEM. DRIVE CAREFUL.

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THE PARTY'S OVER....

BY TERESA KNAPP

SOMETHING STRANGE HAPPENS TO CHAIRPEOPLE LATE IN THE EVENING THE DAY PRIOR TO THEIR EVENT, OR IN THE EARLY, EARLY HOURS OF THE MORNING ON THAT FATEFUL DAY. EVEN AFTER ALL THE CALLING, PLANNING -- JUST PLAIN NITTY-GRITTY ORGANIZING, YOU EITHER GO TO BED OR WAKE UP WITH AN ACUTE CASE OF ''NERVOUS STOMACH, WHAT DID I FORGET, SOMETHING'S GOING TO GO WRONG, HYSTERICAL UP AND DOWN BLUES''. I WAS NO EXCEPTION TO THE RULE.

WINTERFEST WAS MY FIRST ATTEMPT AT CHARING AN EVENT. (DOES THAT IMPLY I'LL DO ANOTHER?! WMR -- WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?) NOT HAVING A CO-CHAIRPERSON MADE THINGS A LITTLE DIFFICULT, BUT WITH ENCOURAGEMENT AND ADVICE FROM THE ''VETS'' IN THE CLUB, THINGS BEGAN TO HAPPEN. SOON THE MAGICAL, MYSTERY, WINTER EVENT, WHERE A PORSCHÉ IS RARELY SEEN, ARRIVED.

FROZEN PEOPLE CAME THROUGH THE DOORS THAT NIGHT, ONLY TO QUICKLY THAW-OUT AT THE BAR. (A NATURAL REMEDY!) DINNER -- WELL, IT WAS LIKE EVERYBODY'S MOTHER WAS IN THE KITCHEN, MAKING SURE THE KIDS HAD ENOUGH TO EAT. I THINK THE KITCHEN CREW DID A FANTASTIC JOB!



SO LET'S PLAN ANOTHER!



MANY, MANY THANKS TO THOSE BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE WHO DONATED SOME GREAT DOOR PRIZES!

LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, A SUPER BIG THANKS TO THOSE PEOPLE WHO HELPED TIE ALL THOSE LAST MINUTE, LOOSE END DETAILS. YOU HELPED MAKE MY THREE-PENNY WISH OF THE EVENING COME TRUE -- I LIVED TO SEE THE MORNING AFTER!

DANCING? -- WELL, THAT'S ANOTHER STORY! LET US SAY THERE WAS ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT. WE MANAGED TO SUFFER THROUGH THE MUSIC HOWEVER, AND SOME PEOPLE DID LEAVE TIRED FROM STOMPING AROUND.



RAMBLIN ON

BY CRAIG PAULL



AS THOSE FIRST 40 DEGREE DAYS HIT IN EARLY FEBRUARY, MY THOUGHTS, ALONG WITH THOSE OF MANY OTHERS, TURNED TOWARD SPRING. SPRING IS WHEN MY LITTLE-SEEN 914/6 COMES BACK OUT OF STORAGE, GETS ITS SPRING CLEANING AND NEW PARTS, AND HITS THE AUTOCROSS CIRCUIT FOR A NEW YEAR. SPRING IS ALSO THE STARTING TIME FOR NEW PROJECTS AND FOR THOSE OLD ONES YOU PUT OFF BECAUSE IT WAS ''TOO COLD''. IT IS A TIME WHEN MELANCHOLY THOUGHTS TURN TO POSITIVE ONES AS WELL. SINCE LAST MONTH'S COLUMN WAS BASICALLY ABOUT LOSING, I THOUGHT THIS MONTH'S SHOULD BE ABOUT... WINNING.

I AM NOT GOING TO SHOUT UP AND DOWN THAT MY QUALIFICATIONS TO WRITE ABOUT THIS TOPIC ARE SPECTACULAR; THEY'RE NOT. HOWEVER, I HAVE WON A COUPLE OF TIMES AND I WANT TO IMPART TO YOU MY PHILOSOPHY ON THE SUBJECT.

THERE IS A LOT OF TALK AND ARTICLES ABOUT THE TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF WINNING. THE RIGHT KIND OF TIRES, THE PROPER PRESSURES, SUSPENSION EQUIPMENT, ENGINES, AND OTHER KINDS OF TECHNICAL DATA IS KICKED AROUND TO A GREAT EXTENT. HOWEVER, THE MOST IMPORTANT ELEMENT (TO ME) IS NEGLECTED. WITHOUT THE PROPER

MENTAL ATTITUDE, WINNING EITHER DOESN'T HAPPEN AT ALL, OR MEANS NOTHING WHEN IT DOES HAPPEN. UNFORTUNATELY, IN MOST PEOPLE, THE RIGHT MENTAL ATTITUDE JUST DOESN'T NATURALLY POP UP. IT NEEDS TO BE CULTIVATED AND GROWN WITH A LITTLE WORK.

THE BIGGER PART OF THE ''WINNING ATTITUDE'' IS SELF CONFIDENCE. THIS IS WHERE EXPERIENCE PAYS OFF, BECAUSE THE MORE YOU HAVE COMPETED, THE BETTER YOUR CONFIDENCE IN YOURSELF AND YOUR EQUIPMENT WILL BE. MOST ROOKIES DO NOT DO WELL IN THEIR INITIAL EFFORTS BECAUSE OF THIS FACTOR, AND I THINK THE ROOKIES CLASS DOES WONDERS TO HELP ALLEVIATE THE PROBLEM. I REMEMBER MY FIRST TIME OUT AGAINST A BUNCH OF HOT-SHOE 911'S. TO COMPETE AGAINST OTHERS OF SIMILAR EXPERIENCE IS A DECIDED ASSET TO DEVELOPING THE NECESSARY CONFIDENCE. CONFIDENCE ALSO HELPS YOU TO IGNORE THE PSYCHOLOGICAL GAMES THAT MANY PEOPLE PLAY AT COMPETITIVE EVENTS. THESE CAN GET YOU RATTLED, OR HAVE YOU DO SOMETHING THAT DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT, AND OFTEN YOU PAY A BIG PENALTY. CONFIDENCE ALLOWS YOU TO JOIN IN THIS TYPE OF CONVERSATION WITHOUT LOSING YOUR SANITY OR YOUR TIMES.

A SECOND ELEMENT OF THE WINNING ATTITUDE IS CONCENTRATION. OFTEN I WILL LET MY ATTENTION WANDER WHEN IT BELONGS ON THE ROAD, OR ON MY CAR. NOT VERY FAR, PERHAPS BUT JUST FAR ENOUGH TO MISS THE TIMING ON A DOUBLE-CLUTCH AND DOWNSHIFT. YOU MUST NOT ONLY CONCENTRATE ON WHAT YOU'RE DOING, BUT ALSO ON YOUR GOAL WHEN NOT DIRECTLY COMPETING. DON'T FORGET TO CHECK THE TIRE PRESSURES AND YOUR OIL LEVEL. IT'S TOO LATE TO REMEMBER IT WHEN YOUR REAR-END POINTS WHERE YOUR FRONT END WAS GOING.

THE OTHER TRULY CRITICAL THING TO WINNING IS DECIDING WHAT ''WINNING'' REALLY IS. THERE ARE THOSE TO WHOM WINNING ONLY MEANS AN FTD TROPHY. THERE ARE THOSE TO WHOM WINNING MEANS GETTING A TROPHY, EVEN IF THEIR CAR ISN'T COMPLETELY ''STOCK''. TO ME, WINNING MEANS DRIVING THE BEST I CAN, EVEN IF I LOSE OUT ON AN FTD (WHICH HAS HAPPENED SEVERAL TIMES), OR A 1ST PLACE, OR WHATEVER. MY THIRD PLACE FINISH AT ELKHART LAKE MEANS MORE TO ME THAN SOME FIRST PLACE FINISHES, BECAUSE I DROVE BETTER

RAMBLIN ON

CONTINUED

THAN I REALLY THOUGHT POSSIBLE. DON'T MAKE THE MISTAKE OF SETTING YOUR GOAL OF ''WINNING'' TOO HIGH. THERE CAN ONLY BE ONE FTD AND SOMETIMES THERE ARE BETTER CARS AND BETTER DRIVERS. WINNING ISN'T NECESSARILY A TROPHY.

LAST, IF YOU DON'T WIN, AND MOST OF US DON'T WIN ALL THE TIME, LEARN FROM YOUR EXPERIENCE. IT COULD MEAN YOUR GOALS NEED RE-ADJUSTING OR IT COULD BE THAT YOU JUST HAD A BAD DAY. BAD DAYS DO STRIKE ALL OF US, AND IT IS NECESSARY TO RECOGNIZE THAT

FACT. DON'T LET THE FACT THAT YOU MISSED THIS TIME PREVENT YOUR TRYING AGAIN THE NEXT. AND WHEN YOU DO WIN, WHEN YOU HIT THAT GOAL, YOU'LL FIND IT FEELS PRETTY GOOD AFTER ALL, AND IT WAS WORTH THE TIME NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE IT.

FUTURE WISE BY JUDY CULL

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HOPEFULLY, THE SNOW WILL BE GONE AND WE CAN GET TOGETHER FOR A GENERAL MEETING ON APRIL 16TH. SHARI HOEK AND BECKY WATERS HAVE SOME NEAT FILMS LINED UP FOR US.

IT IS ALSO MY UNDERSTANDING THAT RICK RILEY AND CHARLIE RICHARD-

SON HAVE THEIR WHITE GLOVES READY TO INSPECT YOUR CARS ON APRIL 24TH. OF COURSE, AFTER A GREAT CONCOURS TECH SESSION PUT ON BY THE HOEK'S IN MARCH, IT SHOULD BE A CLOSE COMPETITION IN CLEANLINESS. RIGHT?

AS WARMER WEATHER APPROACHES, LET'S KEEP OUR EYES OPEN FOR FACES UNKNOWN TO US AND LET THEM KNOW ABOUT OUR ROOKIE WEEK-END MAY 29TH AND 30TH. BILL MOSES AND LARRY WATERS ARE WORKING VERY HARD TO PUT TOGETHER YET ANOTHER GREAT WEEKEND AT LEAR SIEGLER.

IN JUNE, WE HAVE AN OPEN RALLYE AND A RALLYE SCHOOL. BOB SHEDD TELLS ME IT WILL BE JUNE 17TH AND 18TH.

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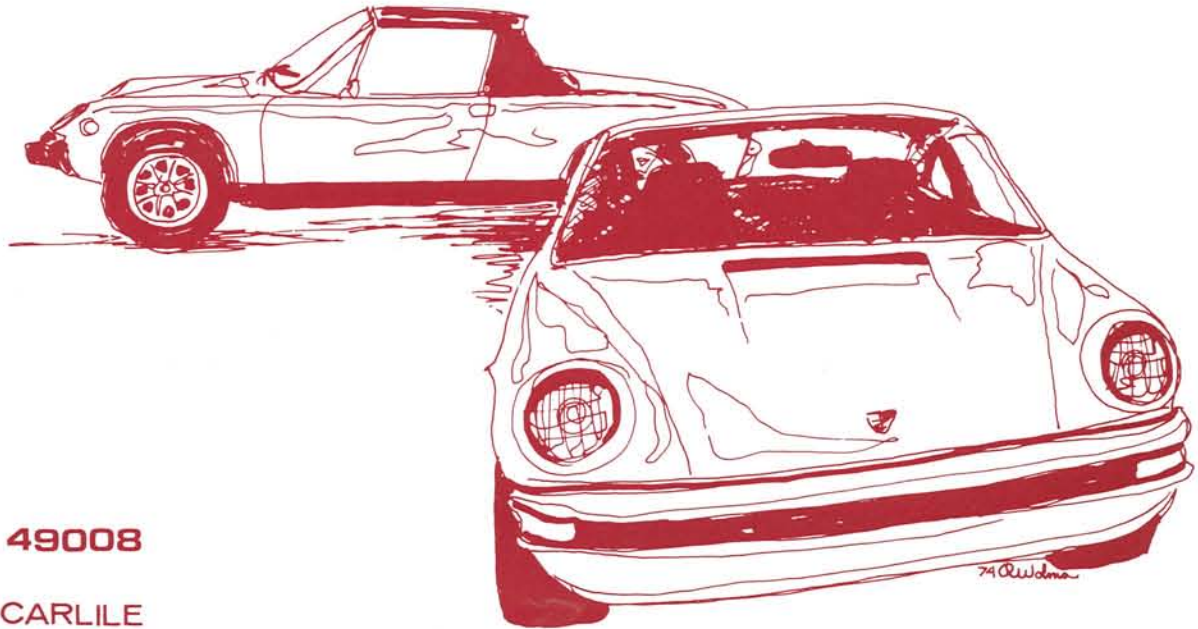


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