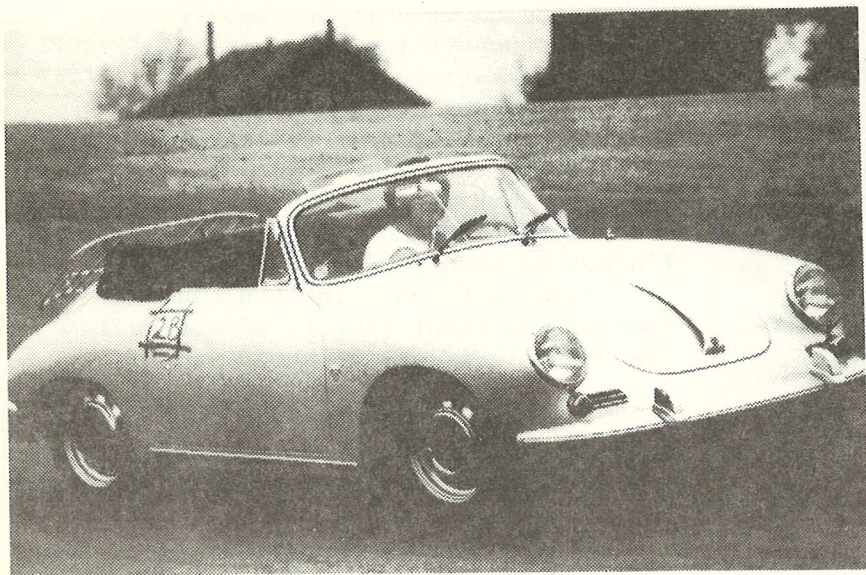


August, 1980

# PORSCHE ÜBER ALLES



Kurt Wurth (left) and Paul Thieme (above) at MIR's IROC event in July. Complete IROC information inside. See you at Ionia this Saturday.



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# Board Meeting

August Board Meeting 8/6/80

Members present: Paul Thieme, Rick Riley, Doug Hoek, Shari Hoek, Nancy Dunn, Chuck Olenyk, Lynne Olenyk, Bob Shedd, Phil Cull, Dave Kramer

For the treasurer's report, Chuck Olenyk distributed a funds statement that compared our financial situation as of 7/31/80 to the same date last year. Generally, it looks like events have brought in more money, but have also cost more. Uber Alles has also cost more this year. Porschemporium expenses were also up, but so were sales. The conclusion is that the expensive part of the year is over, and we made it through. Our current balance is a total of \$1287.56.

There was no membership or council report.

Emporium reported that they opened the month at \$195.89, closed at \$132.80. All bills have been paid for art and t-shirts. Porsche visors are being considered as possible additions.

Uber Alles reported that articles or columns are needed. Also, Dave Kramer asked the treasurer to try to determine who paid for ads last year, and still has space coming to them. And he asked for suggestions on what to charge for ads, so that Uber Alles can begin to pay its own way.

Under old business, it was reported that HOW made a profit of \$217.67.

Under new business, Paul Thieme reviewed his worker list for our IROC event on August 23rd. Everything seems to be under control.

The subject of whether WMR should continue to participate in IROC after this year was brought up, but tabled for later discussion.

The Gilmore Tour and October Color Tour were brought up and discussed briefly, with no specifics decided.

Winterfest was also discussed briefly, but since the chairman was not present, further discussion will follow later.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

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Just a reminder that our board mtgs. are in fact open to all members. They're held the first Wednesday of the month at Arbanas Restaurant, 900 W. Fulton in Grand Rapids, and they get started at 7:30 pm. (I know you think I said 8 pm a couple of months ago, but forget that. 7:30 is the correct time.)

Hey! I haven't gotten any drawings of Porsches. Didn't you folks think I was serious? Wouldn't you love to see your original artwork published in a periodical of such high stature as the "Uber Alles?"

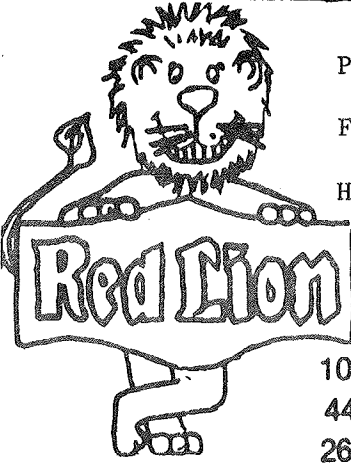
For that matter, I haven't gotten very many articles, either. This is your big chance to make it in the big time. Write about anything you want. An event you've been to recently, an event you'd like to see WMR put on, something of national interest that will affect us... ANYTHING!!!

Just get it to me by the first Wednesday of the month. That's all I ask. I'm not so hard to get along with.

Also...if you think you know of someone who might like to advertise in the Uber Alles, let me know.

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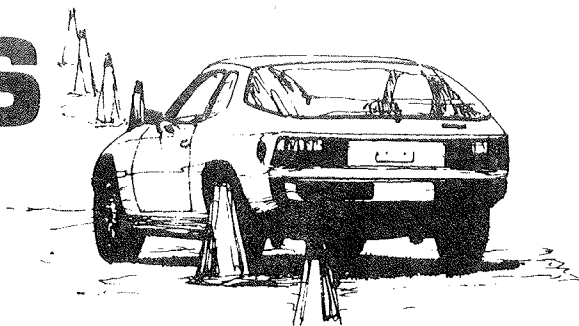
WMR is looking for any and all equipment that belongs to the club, so we can have an inventory of club equipment that will make life a little easier for our event chairpersons. This could include anything from checkpoint signs to timing equipment to wire to pylons to just about anything. If you have any such equipment lurking in your garage or basement or anywhere, just call any of the club officers.



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# IROC NEWS



Okay. Here's the situation as we enter the final event of the IROC series. But first...a brief summary for the new folks of just what I'm talking about.

The series consists of four events sponsored by four regions: Chicago, Michigan-Indiana, Motorstadt, and WMR. Points are given to individuals based on their finishing positions at each of the events. Awards are given to individuals at the end of the year banquet.

But an overall award is given to one region at the end of the year, based not on the number of wins, but simply on the number of members from your region that attend.

And that brings us to the current situation. We are in the enviable position of having our home event be the deciding match. But we're in third place. It is not a distant third, however. In short, we have a chance to take home the overall award for the first time in WMR's history.

But we'll need help to do it. Until now, only fourteen members have participated regularly in the IROC series this year. That leaves about seventy of you out there somewhere.

Our Ionia event is a fun, well-run event on a challenging course. A safe course, too.

If you're a newcomer to auto-crossing, talk to Nancy Dunn or Gary Petertyl...two relative rookies... who can tell you how much fun it is, and how addictive.

You can talk to them at Ionia on Saturday, August 23rd. We'd love to see you out there.

For details, there's a flyer at the back of this issue.

To find out why the above illustration is not quite appropriate for this year's IROC competition, show up at Ionia this Saturday morning.

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Here's how the WMR contingent did at the MIR IROC in Plymouth, IN in July...

Rick Riley: 1st  
Paul Thieme: 1st  
Dave Kramer: 1st  
Sue Andrews: 1st  
Nancy Dunn: 1st  
Charlie Dunn: 2nd  
Bob Shedd: 2nd  
Kurt Wurth: 3rd

As you can see, we had a pretty good weekend...including a party after the autocross.

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Be sure to show up this Saturday at Ionia, because after the autocross, the Moses' will be having a party, and the pool will be open. Bring your swimwear.

Here are the actual numbers for the four regions as of the third event in Plymouth, Indiana. Don't let the numbers fool you into thinking we're way out of the running. Keep in mind the fact that all the other regions have already had the benefit of their home event. And remember that fourteen drivers have kept us this close. Fourteen more would practically clinch it for us. So come on out.

Chicago Region.....	27.19%
Mich.-Indiana Region.....	21.21%
Western Michigan Region.....	14.14%
Motorstadt Region.....	6.10%

## Let's Talk Autocrossing

by Nancy Lou Dunn



Let me introduce myself as a "lady-autocrosser." There are some of us here in WMR Porsche-land, but our numbers are almost as rare as Turbos cruising through Grand Rapids in January. In an effort to convince more of our lady members to participate in autocrossing, I have established this column as a forum for your questions and as a means of "talking autocrossing."

Autocrossing is probably one of the most misunderstood events WMR members attend or ignore. The purpose of an autocross is not to tensely grip the steering wheel, put the accelerator pedal to the floor, leave rubber all over the track, flat spot your tires in a wheel-locking skid, all in an effort to beat someone else's time or set some kind of speed record.

What autocrossing really is depends on you alone. The purpose of an autocross is to drive within your own limits, to gain confidence in your ability, to gain confidence in your precision machine, and to establish a rapport with your Porsche. You control your goals, and you set your own timetable to meet them.

Autocrossing doesn't take a special type of Porsche, or any modifications of any kind.

If your Porsche is a "family car" (i.e. your husband's car that he will occasionally let you drive...only if you promise not to break it, never over-rev the engine, shift into a higher gear too soon...in short, if you promise to be the perfect driver he thinks he is), you should still autocross. This season, the only bodily harm that was inflicted on Porsches was accomplished by men.

Autocrossing is a safe way to gain confidence as a Porsche driver. The events are well planned, and safety is always stressed by the organizers. All cars are inspected for safe operation before you go onto the course, and you drive without any interference from another car.

Autocrossing is a personal event. If you drive your Porsche anywhere, you owe it to yourself to autocross. At your first event, just concentrate on learning the correct path through the course. Handling techniques and a lower time will come at later events.

### About the Author(ess):

Nancy is, in fact, a newcomer to autocrossing. But she seems to be learning quickly. This is her first year, and driving a 911 S has pretty much cleaned up her class in the IROC series, including a Ladies' Fast Time of Day at the MSR IROC at Owosso. Watch for her later in the year in a blue 914-2.0.

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As an added feature at any autocross, awards are given to the top finisher or finishers in each class (cars are grouped into different classes depending on the type of Porsche, and its capabilities.).

Ladies do not compete against men...we have our own comparable classes. Who knows? You might even take home a trophy at your first autocross! It's been done.

I hope to see WMR's lady autocrossers at Ionia on August 23rd.

If you have any questions or comments, let me know. General interest questions will be published in future columns (names withheld by request).

# OOPS

Yes folks, even newsletter editors make mistakes. They just don't usually admit it. But I put the wrong phone number in last month's issue for one of our new members. So here's the whole thing over again:

Stephen & Kimberly Tuzzolino  
2804 Oakwood SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49506  
949-6994

Also I now have a phone number for another new member whose number wasn't listed last month:

David W. Oosting  
Box 10  
Fremont, MI 49412  
821-0188

And while we're on the subject of correct phone numbers, I should let you know that the number I've been listing for Chuck & Lynne Olenyk is their old one. Here's their new and improved one: 874-8142. I think.



Bob Shedd waiting for another run at Plymouth.



Sue Andrews on the course at the Plymouth, Indiana Speedway.



This is just a brief note about an event on the Council Calendar sponsored by the Furrin Group called the Braille Rally. Some PCA members have run this event in the past and know all about it. But for the new members, here's the story. It's put on with the Association for the Blind to give some kids a chance to have some fun in a real open top sports car. The instructions for the rally are printed in Braille, and the kids act as your navigator.

It's a great event, so if you don't have anything going on the 27th of September, you might want to consider driving in this one. Open top cars and drivers thereof are always needed. If you'd like more information, call the chairperson, Debbie Boris, at 949-1217.



# PORSCHEMPORIUM

## SHIRTS

Here is the latest list of Emporium offerings. There have been a few changes. And there may be a few more soon. We're considering the addition of Porsche visors, so if you'd like to see those offered, call Charlie and Nancy Dunn at 243-8065. Or if there's something else you'd like to see offered, let them know. Or if you'd just like to say Hi.

One change worth mentioning is that the "Always Ahead" buttons that were 50¢ each, are now free with every purchase while they last. So start purchasing.

Also, you may notice that belt buckles have been reduced from \$6.00 to \$5.00. Such a deal...

Jerseys.....	\$9.00
Ladies French Cut.....	\$8.50
Adult T-Shirt.....	\$6.50
Child's T-Shirt.....	\$6.00

## License Plate Frames

ABS Plastic.....	\$4.00
"Think Porsche".....	\$3.00

## Misc. Articles

Nat'l PCA Patch.....	\$3.00
WMR Patch.....	\$2.00
PCA Car Badge.....	\$12.00
PCA Decals.....	10/\$1.00
Belt Buckles.....	\$5.00
Key Cases.....	\$4.00
Panorama Binders.....	\$8.50

"Always Ahead" buttons FREE with purchase, while supply lasts.

# KALENDER

## PCA EVENTS

- 8/23: WMR IROC Autocross  
Ionia, MI Fairgrounds  
(how could you forget?)
- 9/6-7: Chicago Region Autocross  
Elkhart Lake, WI
- 9/14: WMR Gilmore Museum Tour
- 9/21: MIR Rally  
MSR Autocross Practice  
Grattan, MI (Tentative)  
NOR Drivers School  
Mid-Ohio
- 10/19: WMR Color Tour
- 10/25: IROC Banquet  
Elkhart, Indiana
- 2/7/81: Winterfest (Tentative)

## W. Mich. Council

- 8/31: SCCA Autocross  
Ionia, MI
- 9/1: KSCC Autocross  
Hartford, MI
- 9/14: Furrin Group TSD Rally
- 10/4-5: Johnson Park Hillclimb
- 9/27: Furrin Group Braille Rally
- 9/28: SCCA Rally (Tentative)
- 11/2: Furrin Group Gimmick Rally

# IROC AT IONIA AUG. 23, 1980

**THIS IS IT, FOLKS! THE FINAL IROC EVENT OF THE YEAR—YOUR LAST CHANCE TO HELP YOUR REGION WIN!**

**WHAT: IROC AUTOCROSS**

**WHERE: IONIA FAIRGROUNDS, IONIA MICH.**

**WHEN: AUG. 23, 1980 (SAT.)**

**DETAILS: REGISTRATION 8:30-10:30**

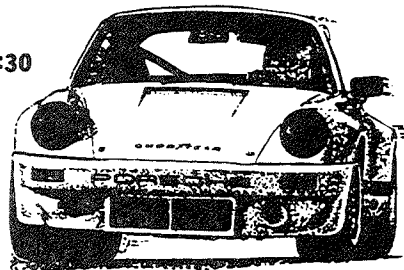
**TECH 9:00-11:00**

**PRACTICE 10:00-1:30**

**TIMED 1:30-**

**COST: \$15.00 ONE DRIVER  
\$20.00 TWO DRIVERS**

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# the FURRIN GROUP presents: MICHIGAN MAJESTIES

## SEPT. 14, 1980

If you've been looking for a rallye to bring out your good car (and keep it clean!) or a rallye recommended for novices--- THIS IS THE ONE!!! The course is about 85 miles of paved, but interesting, roads in Kent and Barry counties. Alternate sections of gravel roads may be available for enthusiasts. A short rallye school will be offered prior to the event for novices and rusty 'experts' covering basic definitions, course following, and timing. The rallye will run approximately four hours, with some checkpoints even near restrooms. Cold pop will be available for 50¢. We will be ending at the Cantine Restaurant, 2770 East Paris Road S.E., where surer Mexican food and drinks are reasonably priced. This is the third TSP rallye of the 1980 series. Classes for equipped and unequipped teams. Special trophy to the best finishing novice team! Equipment needed: clipboard, paper, pencils, watch that reads seconds. Optional: maps, rallye tables, stopwatch. A calculator is helpful.

**Start At:**

Helmholdt's Home Decorating  
 2111 S. Division  
 Grand Rapids, MI 49507

Registration: 12:00 to 1:45

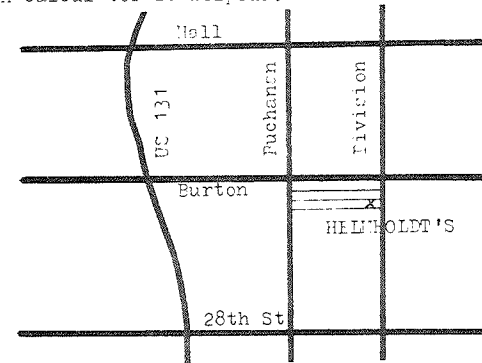
Rallye School: 12:30 to 1:30

Competitors Meeting: 1:40

First Car Out: 2:01

**Information:**

Tom or Jennifer Johnson  
 959 Silverleaf S.E.  
 Kentwood, MI 49508  
 616-455-3912 home  
 616-452-3193 work (Jenny)



**Preregistration: must be received by Sept. 7, 1980**

Cost:	Preregistered:	Day of event:
Club Member	\$7.00	\$8.00
No Club	\$8.00	\$9.00
Driver _____	Phone _____	Club _____
Address _____		
Navigator _____	Phone _____	Club _____
Address _____		

Mail to: Furrin Group % Tom and Jennifer Johnson  
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