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Where did January go? It seems like we were just welcoming in 2006 and now it's

February. Well, January was a busy and very fun month. In addition to our bi-monthly board meeting and our monthly social, our members were invited to the Cayman unveiling at Porsche of Lexington. Thanks to Brian Cunningham for hosting the event and to Ed Steverson for chairing it. Well BGR folks didn't just spend their time at indoor events. Gary Hackney chaired the "Cold Rain & Snow Rally" and spent some quality track time at Road Atlanta with other members of the BGR. You've got to admit, the Peach State Region can really put on a great DE at a super track. Our DE track folks were able to prove that Kentucky Porsches can in fact run on a wet track. Sounds like lots of fun for our folks who attended. Also, in case you missed it, Gary put out a current schedule of DE events on the chat. Be sure and sign up early if you are interested in participating. These events fill up fast. And, remember that there are new helmet requirements for 2006.

We didn't get in a tech event during January, but will take care of that in February. Richard Lane is moving on to phase 2 of his 911 engine rebuild. Remember we left phase 1 with the engine out on a stand. So, if you haven't had an opportunity to get up close and personal with a 911 engine, now's your chance. Work starts at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday the 11th. Watch for details on chat.

What else is going on? Well our social meeting on the 19th will be a little different than typical. Tom Jones, the President of the Lexington Concours d' Elegance (and BGR member) will be attending the meeting to present the latest information about the 2006 concours. There are several significant changes for this year's concours. While the concours is not directly a PCA event, 13 BGR members are directly involved in event planning and execution. PCA members from both the BGR and KY regions also participate as judges. Becke Cleaver is again chairing the Porsche Paddock for the event and is working on some really great plans for Porsche folks who attend. In 2005 we had Porsches from Illinois. Ohio. Tennessee, and Indiana in our paddock. Most of our Porsche visitors said they would be back in 2006.

Talk about preplanning, Becke Cleaver and Michael Fielden have already zeroed in on a location for the BGR 2006 Christmas Party. They are now working on finalizing the date, so more to come.

OK, rallies, tech sessions, new car launches, track events, social meetings, what are we missing? Oh yeah, "Hey Gary how about a TTT?" Keep an eye on the chat!

Still there for the fun of it!

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#### Editors Column by Ed Steverson

We are nearing the end of winter and ideal driving weather is just around the corner! Its time to take off the car cover and get your Porsche ready for the season. Some of the activities planned for the year include Ky Speedway, Ault park Concours, Tennessee Tubs, A winery tour, A covered bridge tour, and a Historic Frankfort tour, just to name a few. I hope to see some old friends and meet some new ones at some of this years activities. If you have an activity in mind please contact me and we can plan it. Suggestions and/or comments can be emailed to: rumble@abracadabra-graphics.com or I can be reached by phone at 502.320.2655

Drive it, Ed



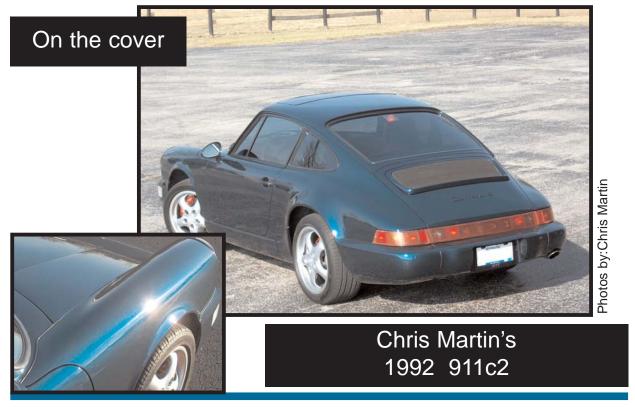
#### Membership by Tim McNeely

# Another new member this month!! Please join me in welcoming:

#### William Alverson of Nicholasville

1988 911SC

Our total membership is 112 Members, 72 Family Members, and 7 Affiliate Members. It's good to start 2006 with continued growth.



#### **Upcoming Club Events**

#### **Board Meeting, March 9th**

Board meeting, 6:30pm Cooking by George Lexington. For more info contact Ken Hold 859.396.3502

#### **Membership Meeting, March 19th**

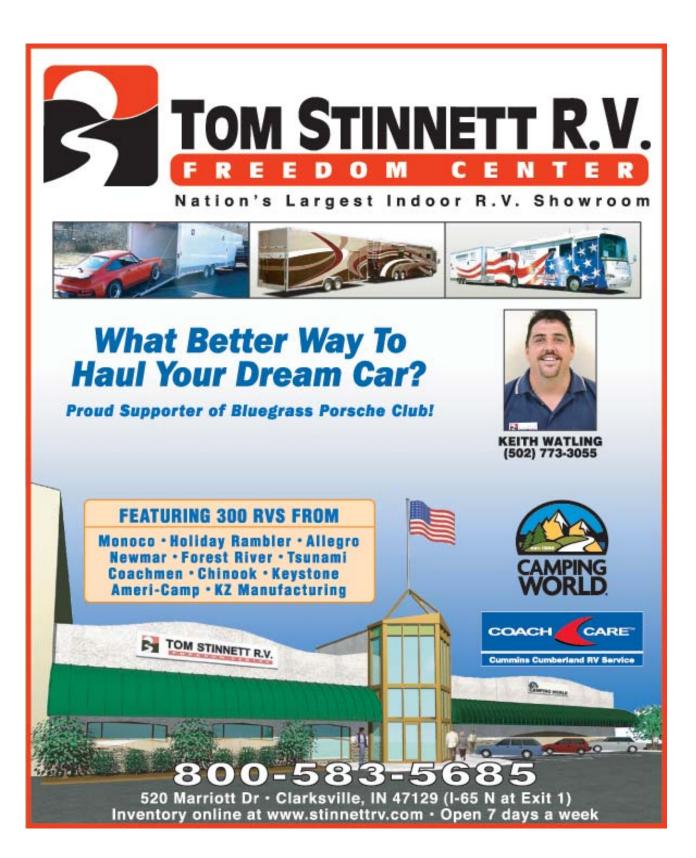
Come join us for our March Membership meeting, Great food, great fun, and great cars! 5:30pm Portabella's Richmond Road Lexington. For more info contact Ken Hold 859.396.3502

#### Drive your Porsche on the Kentucky Speedway, March 25th

Drive your car on the Kentucky Speedway. For every \$40 spent in the gift shop you get three laps on the Speedway in your car. This was a great event last November. The drive to and from the track is as exciting as the track itself. Don't miss this one! We will meet at Jim's Seafood in Frankfort at 9:00am. For details and to RSVP for Contact Ed Steverson 502.320.2655







#### **Recent Club Events**

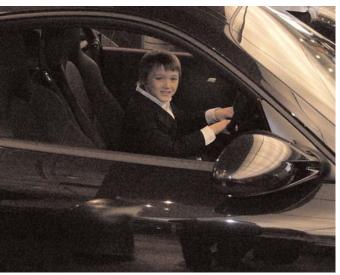
#### Cayman launch, by Ed Steverson



Photos by Ed Steverson

January 14, 2006 was the long awaited official launch date for the new Cayman! The Lexington Dealership invited all BGR members to their launch celebration and was it a celebration! They had several Caymans on hand and were giving rides to all interested. The turnout was GREAT! My guess would be around a hundred Porsche enthusiast. The event was catered by Dudley's, had

an art display, Jazz musicians, and door prizes. The dealership really knows how to put on an event. If you missed this one, I'm sure there will be a couple more later in the year. You should really try and attend. Someone even won a Cayman watch as a door prize. I want to thank Brian, Katie, Mark, Summer, and the rest of the bunch at the Lexington Porsche Dealership for including the club and hosting a great event.



Future Cayman owner, Corbin Steverson

Attention: The club's web address has changed:

The new address is

bgs.pca.org

#### Track Action by Gary Hackney



Dale Keller, Bob & Sarah Dawson, and I enjoyed lousy weather at Road Atlanta in mid-January. We had mist or light rain almost all of both days. That's the chance you take, and the event went on as scheduled. Smoothness was even more important than usual, and

lap times (not necessarily top speeds) were much reduced. The weather did save me from having to put on my race tires. The next Road Atlanta event is in June; check the Peachstate PCA website to see when registration opens.

I've started researching how to install a harness in my car, without having it interfere with the factory seat belts or compromising access to the back seat (not that anyone ever sits there). A harness prevents you from having to use the steering wheel to hold you in the seat, allowing you to drive more accurately and be more relaxed. The problem is that five- or six-point harnesses don't play well with factory seats, and I hadn't planned to change the seat. The other "problem" is that equal harnesses must be provided for both seats or you can't have a passenger or instructor, so you have to buy two harnesses, not one.

My next event is a non-PCA DE at Putnam, followed by CIR's April "Spring Brake" (unless I squeeze Alabama's Barber DE in in early March). Registration for Spring Brake isn't open yet but should be soon; check the CIR website. I assume they'll be offering their "Intro to DE", an easy, inexpensive way to help you decide if this track stuff is for you.



#### **Upcoming Driving Events**

Mar 11-12 PCA @ Barber Motorsports Park
Mar 31- Apr 2 Zone 2 PCA @ VIR
Apr 15-16 Ohio Valley @ Mid-Ohio
Apr 22-23 CIR "Spring Brake" @PutnamPark
May 5-7 Potomac PCA @ Mid-Ohio
May 12-13 M-O @ Mid-Ohio
Jun 16-18 PCA @ Barber Motorsports Park
Jul 23-24 Mid-Ohio PCA @ Putnam Park

Visit the respective regions' websites for more information. Keep in mind that many events have a "start of registration" date two or three months in advance of the event, and they fill up quickly.

#### **BGR Members at Road Atlanta**



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# 997 GT3



**Photo from Porsche.com** 



Actually, Falling in love is quite easy. The New 997 Turbo

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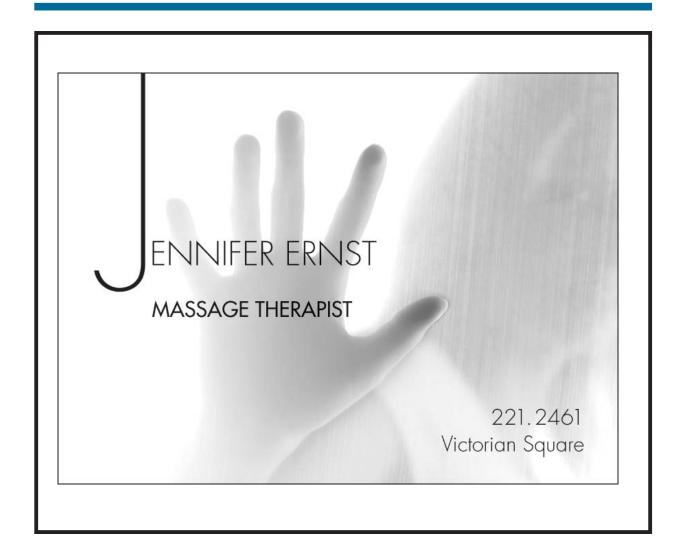


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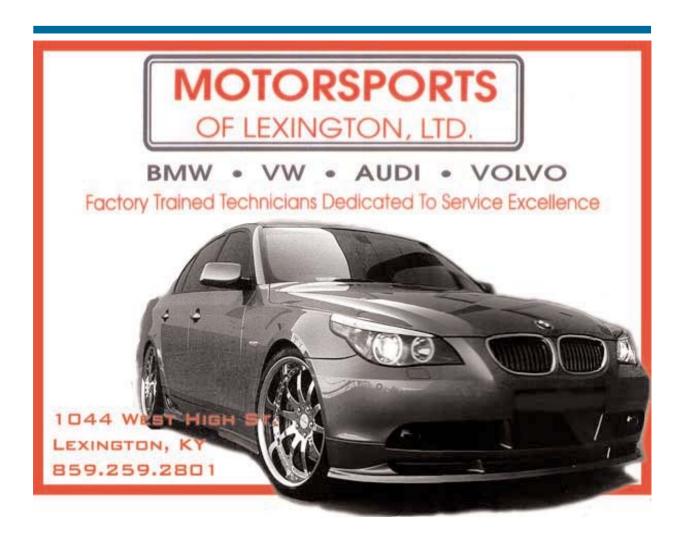
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#### Tech Quiz by Skip Carter and Greg Phillips

# 1. The first Porsche 550 (550-01) was a winner its first time on the track at the Eifel Races at the Nurburgring on May 31, 1953.

True or False Excellence, Vol. 1, page 101-T

# 2. Porsche 550-01 raced at Le Mans in 1953 and 550-02 at which other well-known race that year?

- a. Carrera Panamericana
- b. Sebring
- c. Daytona
- d. All of the Above Excellence, Vol. 1, page 101-a
- 3. The bodywork of the 550 was made of:
- a. Galvanized steel
- b. Aluminum
- c. Fiberglass
- d. Composite materials Excellence, Vol. 1, page 111-b

#### 4. Which one is not a general objective of the Porsche Club of America?

- a. The highest standards of courtesy and safety on the roads.
- b. The maintenance of the highest standards of operation and performance of the marque by sharing and exchanging technical and mechanical information.
- c. The expansion of PCA regions abroad, especially in South America.
- d. The enjoyment and sharing of good will and fellowship engendered by owning a Porsche.

  RPM 2004, page 7-c

## 5. In 1990, the Carrera 2 introduced which new option to the Type 964 series?

- a. ABS
- b. All wheel drive
- c. Supercharging
- d. Tiptronic

The Porsche Family Tree, PCA, page 16-d

# 6. The 1994 C4 "Turbo look" coupe and Speedster were completely different than the 1993 models.

True or False

The Porsche Family Tree, PCA, page 18-F

#### Tech Quiz continued

- 7. The first 356 coupes built in Gmund had the shape of their body panels checked on a (an):
- a. Aluminum buck
- b. Cast iron buck
- c. Plastic buck

d. Wooden buck Excellence Was Expected, Vol. 1, page 35-d

- 8. The first aluminum based coupe bodies for the Gmund cars had the windows and frames fitted by:
- a. Robots
- b. Hand
- c. Glass machine

d. None of the above Excellence, Vol. 1, page 36-b

9. The 1989 911 Carrera had a standard road wheel diameter of 16 inches.

True or False

Porsche 911 Story, page 199-T

- 10. The 914 body was built by:
- a. Reutter
- b. Karmann
- c. Fischer

d. None of the above Excellence Was Expected, Vol. 2, page 485-b

11. The 916 had a 3.0 liter 911 engine.

True or False

Excellence, Vol. 2, page 523-F

- 12. The 24-hour "Longest Day" races held at Nelson Ledges, Ohio provided Porsche engineers plenty of information for improvements on the 944 series. These improvements included:
- a. New Aluminum suspension arms
- b. Larger plastic fuel tank
- c. New boost-control system
- d. All of the above Excellence, Vol. 2, page 958-d
- 13. Recommended tire pressures for the front (cold), rear (cold) and the collapsible spare tire is 44psi on the 1994 968.

True or False

1994 968 Owner's Manual, page 116-F

#### **Region News**

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First, we are asking members to receive the Rumble via email if possible. This mode of receipt reduces all of the costs associated with distribution. It also results in your getting the monthly issue a couple of days sooner. Let Ed Steverson know if you can switch to email delivery.

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