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P R E S I D E N T ' S C O L U M N

What a busy time of year!

Lots of happenings and not happenings for the club. First, what's happening: We had our signature event at the Keeneland Concours d'Elegance in August. There was a great turnout for the Porsche Paddock with over 70 cars showing up. Becke Cleaver and her team did an excellent job of coordinating the parking and presenting some very neat attendee awards. Several regions were represented in our paddock and for the second year Chris Ingot our PCA Zone 13 Representative has driven down from Chicago to attend. Larry and Julie Woods were "super host and hostess" at their after concours get together. Their farm was "bustin" with nearly 50 Porscheophiles in Larry's grill line. Thanks to Becke, Larry and Julie for the extra effort to make the concours a special event for our Porsche folks.

Lots of folks are doing Track Time. Gary Hackney has done a great job of helping folks to choose and get signed up for several different track events. I'm hearing from various track event attendees that Bob and Sarah Dawson and Gary Grigsby have really been super as mentors to ensure attendees get the most from their track experience. Thanks to Bob, Sarah, Gary and Gary. I'm sure they are a key reason why we're seeing more folks involved in DE's.

Now what's not happening. You may have noticed that the August Rumble did not come out until September. Recall that Ed Stevenson has asked to be

replaced as newsletter editor or for help in getting Rumble out. He has had no volunteers for either from the club. The Board and Ed feel that a newsletter is important for the club and want to continue publishing the Rumble. In order to ease the current publication timing crunch and reduce the amount of effort devoted to the Rumble, we've decided to change the frequency of publication from monthly to every two months. If this does not work we will evaluate further changes or possibly discontinuing the Rumble completely. So, let me make another request for someone to either take over the publication or assist Ed in the production. Please contact Ed directly at: edsteve@abracadabra-graphics.com or me at: kendellhold@insightbb.com.

Help! We are also looking for three more Board members. We need these folks asap to help with current activities and we need to fill a couple of officer positions for next year. Working with the Board is a great way to get involved with the club, learning how it works, and meeting lots of neat people. Please contact me asap and help us to keep the Board and the club active.

Well, we're doing a lot and having fun. Help us to make it happen.

Just for the fun of it!

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Editors Column by Ed Steverson

Another great summer filled with great weather and great Porsche events is coming to an end. Where did the summer of 06 go?
I hope all had an opportunity to enjoy some of the regions events. If you did not, you should there are alot of great people that drive great cars to great events. Check us out!
The Rumble has shifted gears and went to 6 publications annually to try and insure a timely distribution. Nothing worse that finding out an event you wanted to attend has already happened.
As usual, suggestions and/or comments for the Rumble or activities 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

Six new members this month!! Please join me in welcoming:

Richard Alloo of Lexington	1998 Boxster
James Bugay & Joy Flynn of Lexington	1972 911T
Tom Bulleit of Lexington	2004 911
Brian Cunningham of Danville	Porsche of Lexington
Muhammad Saifullah of Lexington	Porsche of Lexington
Craig Stafford of Lexington	2006 997

Our total membership remains at 115 Members (assuming we get 7 renewals this month), 75 Family Members, and 7 Affiliate Members.
Also, please recognize the following Member Anniversary dates:

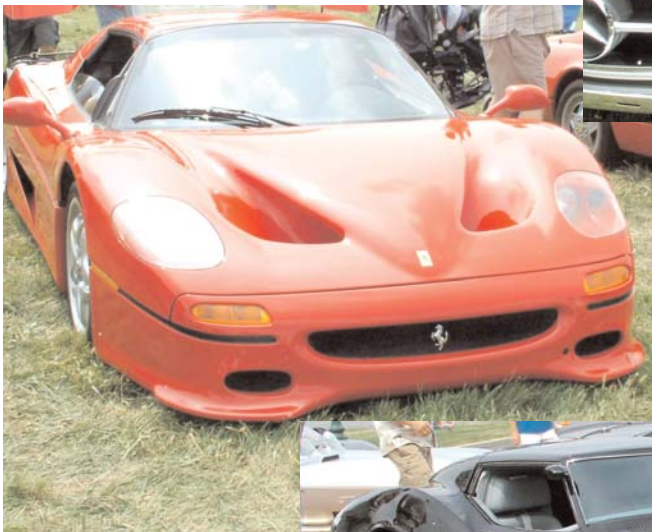
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Upcoming Club Events

October Social at Xalapa Farms, October 21th

John Downs, a Bluegrass Region member is the manager of the historic and beautiful Xalapa Farm in Paris. John has will host our monthly meeting and social at his home on the farm. The meeting will include a catered lunch. The morning will start out at 10am at The Happy Dragon on Newton Pike with a TT tour. The destination of the tour will be at the farm. Food will be served at 12:30. After lunch John will lead a driving tour or the farm narrated on frs radios. So, If you have radios, don't forget them! You can attend the TT Tour or just the meeting, meal, and farm tour. I need to get a head count for the meal. Please call or email Ed Steverson to RSVP by September 30th, phone 502.320.2655 email: rumble@abracadabra-graphics.com

The club will meet at The Happy Dragon on Newtown Pike at 10am.



Photos credit: Ed Steverson



2006 Keeneland
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On the cover

Ken Partymiller in the Porsche/BMW race at the
Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix races at Beaver Run



Photo credit: Ken Partymiller



Modern Porsche brakes are great; just read any magazine road test of any Porsche (this may not be true if you have drums, or single-piston front disks). But track use isn't normal use. How often do you brake hard from 125mph to 40mph on the street, every two minutes for a half hour? And that's ignoring the other 8 or 9 corners that require lesser amounts of braking. Tracks are hard on brakes.

You might use stock pads and fluid for many events without ever having a problem. But premium brake fluid is cheap compared to other car upgrades and I've always liked to use better fluid. The main failure mode is fluid boiling. Liquids are incompressible; that's what gives you that nice solid pedal feel. But once your fluid boils--and cheap fluid can and does boil in the caliper--those bubbles in the brake lines are very compressible. That's when your pedal goes to the floor. Few non-race cars recirculate brake fluid; that means the fluid that was in your caliper pistons during the last lap is still in the calipers on this lap, and it hasn't had much time to cool down.

If you didn't change your fluid--even though the DE tech sheet told you to--it's probably absorbed water; all fluid does over time. Old fluid boils more easily. Next time you look at your brake fluid can, check the difference between the wet and dry boiling points; it's significant. Fresh fluid is "dry" fluid and is much more resistant to boiling in the calipers and lines. I like ATE Blue and ATE Type 200 (same specs, but the different colors makes bleeding easy; just keep bleeding until the old color is gone.)

I also like to use different front brake pads, although I admit I'm not sure it's necessary on a Porsche. I started doing this when I was tracking my Saturn; the stock pads just couldn't take a 25-minute track session without fading. [Brake fade is when it takes more and more pressure to slow the car from lap to lap; very annoying and very dangerous.] Track pads will have a sharper "bite" and much less fade, giving you the confidence to brake later than that guy you're trying to catch. But unless you're changing tires anyway it's a pain to change pads and probably isn't worth the trouble unless you know from previous events that your stock pads aren't up to the task. I use Hawk Blues on the front and usually leave my street pads on the rear, since the fronts do most of the work.

Track pads also cause more rotor wear, despite the "rotor-friendly" marketing words almost all pads use. Over time you will need to replace front rotors more often.

Lots of catalogs offer "big brake" kits. I personally don't see the value in these, as I've never had a brake issue with stock calipers, and I drive and brake pretty hard. If you have enough braking power to lock the wheels or activate the ABS on dry pavement, bigger calipers won't help you. The brakes don't stop the car; the tires stop the car. If you install larger calipers, possibly with more pistons, you might even need a master cylinder with a larger piston diameter to provide the additional fluid needed. And if the bigger brakes require bigger rotors, you've just increased your unsprung rotating mass, which might even make your car slower.

Region News

Officer Elections for 2007

Can you believe it! It's time to start on the election process for 2007 Officers. While this is not as much fun as a Track Event, you can't imagine all the politics, PAC monies, stress and pressure. And that's just to get someone to run for an office! Seriously, being an officer for the region is a great way to get involved and to really get to know both the region members and lots of neat folks from national.

The first step in getting the 2007 process moving is to select a Nominating Committee. We need at least one Active Member for the NC. Not much time is required and the work is finished by mid-November. Please let me know if you would be willing to be on the NC and attend 2 to 3 meetings in the September/October timeframe. If you can help on the NC let me know by August 23.

We will have at least 2 openings for 2007 officers. Glenn Combs has indicated that he will not be running for Treasurer in 2007 and I will not be running for President. I would appreciate input from anyone interested in holding these offices to let me know as soon as possible. Also, if you have any recommendations for office holders, let me know.

Our club continues to grow and offer more Porsche excitement every year. Having great officers and a great board is key to keeping us active and growing. Now is the time to make sure we have both.

Ken Hold

The Rumble wins award!

This year at the Porsche Parade, our newsletter won third place in the newsletter competition!

Porsche of Lexington Track Day has been postponed.

Due to the interest and desire for a two day event, Porsche of Lexington has postponed the event until next year. Details to follow in future Rumbles. Refunds will be given to those who already rsvp'd. The dealership number is 859.335.1111

Upcoming Driving Events

September 1-3: Ohio Valley Region at Putnam Park

September 8-10: Potomac Region at VIR

September 15-17: Central Indiana Region at Putnam Park

Many events fill up early so register early.

Check the regions' websites for details.

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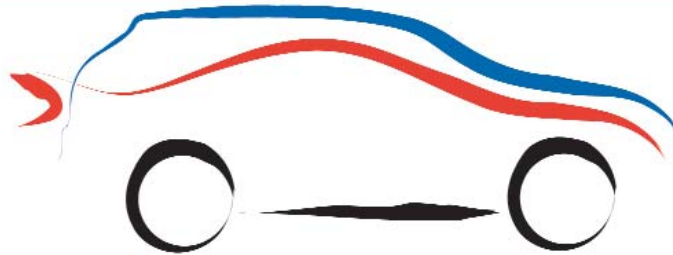
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If you haven't put VIR on your list of tracks for a DE, change your list. The track is 3.27 miles of great fun. Gary Hackney, Dale Keller, Benson Miller and I had a ball with the Potomac Region at their three day DE event. It's an eight hour drive to the VIR track from Lexington. We stayed at Danville, VA. It's the closest large town and within 15 minutes of the track. Friday started with a drivers meeting, hookup with instructors, and track training for each driving class. The track has two major straight-aways and speeds of 100 to 130 mph are common. The section of Climbing Esses is very rhythmic and you sort of feel like you are dancing on four wheels. There are several sweeping turns and five very tight turns, with Oak Tree being the most extreme.

We had mostly good weather. Two exceptions were fog on Saturday morning and rain in the afternoon. The fog cost a 50 minute start delay. As the track is located close to a river it is subject to fog. Track officials are much attuned to safety and no driving was permitted until there was clear visibility. I was initially concerned about driving in the rain, but found it to be a lot of fun and great learning with regards to how my car handles in rainy conditions.

The DE proved to be a good opportunity to test changes we've made to our cars. Benson was very pleased with the major suspension change and wheel/tire changes to his 930. I noticed a positive improvement from the minor suspension change made to my 930S.

We definitely improved our driving skills. Dale was promoted a class. Benson got signed off to solo. Gary continued to hone his top class skills and I was able to find my way around the track.

It was a great time. We met neat folks from several other regions. We learned a lot about the track, fast driving and control. We learned more about what fabulous cars we own. You've got to do a DE! -Ken Hold



Ken Hold in his 930s

Photos credit: Gary Hackney



Dale Keller in his 996 Turbo



Benson Miller in his 930



The gang, Dale, Ken, Gary, and Benson

Recent Club Events

August Social at Porsche of Lexington, by Ken Hold

Hey BGR- What a great Saturday! The concours was fantastic with two of our members winning three trophies. Brad Smith in his first concours winning Judges Choice and Jas Dhillon in his second concours winning both the Future Classic with his Carrera GT and Children's Choice with his Ferrari Stradale! Outstanding.

The marque for this year's show was the Corvette. General Motors was super supportive of the show in providing five of the most rare 'Vettes they've ever allowed to be shown outside the GM Heritage Collections. These cars were: '59 Stingray Prototype, '61 Mako Shark, '65 Manta Ray, '73 Aerovette Mid-engine, and '91 ACC Stingray III. These were a major attraction and a key reason we had over 470 Corvettes turn out for the show! This year's relocation to the Keeneland Entertainment Center not only allowed a better show field but it also enabled the presence of over 30 vendors. Lots of attractions for the attendees.

The Sunday Tour was great fun with 55 eclectic vehicles. There was everything from a pickup truck to a 1921 Stanley Steamer. Tour stops included Fort Boonesborough, Taylor Made Horse Farm, and a lunch at Talon Winery. Our tour visitors spoke very highly about the beautiful roads in the Bluegrass.

Next year's concours will be on August 25. "Marque" it on your calendar. The marque car will be Jaguar.



Photos Credit: Ed Steverson

August Social at Porsche of Lexington, by Ed Steverson

Our August social was held at the Lexington Porsche dealership. Wow the attendance was great even though the weather was wet.

A big thanks to Gary Hackney for leading a tour prior to the social. That was the first tour where the group actually ended up lost. Just goes to prove that there more Kentucky roads we still need to explore.

Once at the dealership there was seating for around seventy and there was no open chairs! We took time to get to know all at the dealership and their roles, talked about activities with the club and socialized. What a GREAT place to have a social! Thanks to Brian, Steve, Muhammad, Brian, Denise, Katie, Mark, Duane, Randy, Jenna, and everyone else in helping to put this event together. Please support our dealership so we can continue to have great events there.



Photo credit: Porsche of Lexington



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September

September 11, 2006: Board meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George Lexington. For more info contact Ken Hold 859.396.3502

September 17, 2006: Monthly membership social, 5:30pm Portabella's Richmond Road Lexington. For more info contact Ken Hold 859.396.3502

October

October 2, 2006: Board meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George Lexington. For more info contact Ken Hold 859.396.3502

October 21 , 2006: TT Tour with Membership Meeting and catered meal at Xalapa Farm. Will meet for the the TT Tour at Happy Dragon on Newtown Pike at 10 am food served at 12:30 at the farm. Check out xalapafarm.com for a preview. \$10 charge for meal per person. RSVP with Ed Steverson by October 7th 502.320.2655 or rumble@abracadabra-graphics.com. See upcoming events for more details.

November

November 6, 2006: Board meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George Lexington. For more info contact Ken Hold 859.396.3502

Covered bridge drive. More information to follow in chat and online at bgs.pca.org.

November 19, 2006: Monthly membership social, 5:30pm Portabella's Richmond Road Lexington. For more info contact Ken Hold 859.396.3502

December

December 4, 2006: Board meeting, 5:30pm Cooking by George Lexington. For more info contact Ken Hold 859.396.3502

December 7 , 2006: Lighting of the distillery, Buffalo Trace Distillery Frankfort. Contact Ed Steverson for details 502.320.2655

December 10, 2006: Christmas party and monthly social at Firebrook in Lexington. Details to follow in Rumble, on chat, and updated Activities calender.

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