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## WHAT'S NEW WITH PORSCHE

What's changed with the new Boxster? Watch the *Overdrive* film to see, and hear, for yourself. This visual thrill ride offers a look at the latest generation of the Porsche roadster you can't



get anywhere else. It leads your eyes over every inch of the refined exterior and completely restyled interior. All the while your ears are treated to the unmistakable sound of the spirited flat-six engine. Once the ride is over, download the free SportChrono Desktop Clock and Weather Station. It's a convenient reminder of the kind of sport-inspired performance only the new Boxster can deliver. See the film on the Porsche website: [www.porsche.com](http://www.porsche.com).

2005 Porsche line-up.

ABOVE: *The new Boxster.* CLOCKWISE:  
*Cayenne, 997, Carrera S, Cabriolet and  
Ralph & Jackie's Roebling Rd car—the GT.*



### Mission Statement

*The newsletter's purpose is to keep Coastal Empire Region members informed on activities for participation and enjoyment.*

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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**April 23** - 5pm: Coastal Empire Region Car Show & Concours live at Historic Grayson Stadium, Savannah, GA. Complete with food and a Sand Gnats baseball game. Car show entry notices will be sent out soon by our esteemed panel of judges—Brian Dooley, Carlton Joyce, and Joe Frazer. \$28 per person.

**April 29** - PCA Instructor Training with Pete Tremper á la JT

**Apr 30 & May 1** - Dark Side Driver Ed at Roebling Road. The same great DE at the same great track.

**June 23** - Sonic Drive-in on 95 in Pooler. Start with a visit to the Mighty 8th Air Force Museum and caravan over to Sonic.

**July 28** - Meeting at Siglers.

**August 25** - Meeting at the new Porsche dealership?

**Sep. ?** - September Rallye. Carlton Joyce will map out another infamous rallye.

**Oct. ?** - Autocross and Oktoberfest. Location and date to be announced.

**November 12 & 13** - Dark Side Driver Ed at Roebling Road. The same great DE at the same great track.

**December 2.** - Holiday party.

### OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST TO CAR PEOPLE:

Need more info for these? Call Jackie at 843-757-6666 or Email: [heron@hargray.com](mailto:heron@hargray.com)

- Apr 16-17 Florida Crown DE at Roebling
- May 14 Gathering at Skidaway Island
- Jun 24-July 7 50th Anniversary Porsche Parade, [www.pca.org/news/parade.html](http://www.pca.org/news/parade.html)
- Aug 20-21 Florida Crown DE at Roebling
- Oct 14-16 Florida Citrus DE at Roebling?
- Oct 14-16 EURO AutoFest, BWM Zentrum, Greenville, SC [www.euroautofestival.com](http://www.euroautofestival.com)
- Nov 5-6 HHI Concours d'Elegance [www.hhiconcours.com](http://www.hhiconcours.com) or 843.785.SHOW
- Dec 3-4 Florida Crown Club Race

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

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Mar/Apr To come by Tom Hoffman

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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Feb. 24, 2005 To come by David Higgs

## FUN AT BEAUFORT FUN PARK

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Mar. 12, 2005 To come by Robert Engler

## EDITOR'S NOTES

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by Jackie Trivison

It was a lovely dinner at Siglers on February 24th, 30 of us were there and interestingly enough, brand new to the meetings were Steve Potter, from Porsche Hilton Head, Jeannine de la Bruyere, just moved here from Macon, and 5 others (my apologies, I'm lousy with names and it's 1+ month later...)

There are a lot of good things going on. Hopefully, it is not too late for you to mark your calendar for the baseball/concours which will be lining up cars at 4:30 on Saturday, April 23.

I'll see you at the Dark Side at Roebling Road Raceway. Even if you do not want to bring your car to the track, please bring your body. I received a call the other day from a guy who is signing up—only because we are having the pig roast again—and he said, "It's the best!" Make your reservation for Sat Dinner, it's a whole \$10 bucks per person. If you come to watch, there is a \$5 gate fee, but just for dinner the gate fee is waived. We are filling up, so if you haven't gotten your application in, please hurry. We don't want any of our members to miss out. Good news, our official PCA Observer is going to be Mr. Peter Tremper—PCA's DE Man—himself!

P.S. I've been informed that next year the South East Division of SCCA would like 4 more events at Roebling, and they are looking for weekends to take over. Please be considerate when you go to the track—give the people who work there and the track the respect they deserve and be as courtesy as possible. Thank you.

*And thank you Dick Kjellsen for your suggestions.*

# AMELIA ISLAND CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

March 11-13, 2005

by Jackie Traxson



*A GM concept car about to be revealed...  
You had to be there!*

There is just no way Bill Warner can top what he did at the 2005 Concours. What a show! Each year when I attend, I am always amazed at how Mercedes is there as a major sponsor, so you could imagine how good it felt to know that this year, Porsche Cars NA was there as an associate sponsor.

I always try to collect the story of the old car that was found in someone's barn, just waiting to greet the world again. This year, I came across two such stories. The first was about a 1911 Ford that twenty years ago was found beneath the hay in someone's barn.

The second story was of human interest.

*A friendly ornament on a Rolls-Royce  
from 1914 Silver Ghost and winner of Best in Class*



Scott Isquick's father grew up in Scotland. His very first car was the 1914 Stellite Roadster. In the early 1950s, Scott came across the original (equivalent of a VIN) number for his father's car and started making inquiries. The car was still in Scotland being used as a chicken coop. Scott made his way to Scotland and saw the car first-hand. The owner knew after their correspondence that Scott would want to purchase the car and not just take a look. (Scott had never seen a Stellite before this venture.) The farmer had his carpenter on hand, and told Scott he'd like to barter. Scott could pay his carpenter



ABOVE: *The 1911 Ford (Idea drawn by Edsel Ford in 1910)*  
BELOW: *1914 Stellite*





*A very Porsche blue 356 in perfect condition!*



*Jerry Seinfeld's 1949 Porsche*

£150 (about \$420 back then...) and the carpenter would build a new chicken coop. All that was left was the \$79 freight bill to the U.S. and 30 years of love, care and restoration bills.

Also Jerry Seinfeld's 1949 Porsche Gmünd Coupe was on display and won for best in class. (Looking its age and all original.) It was the 40th Porsche ever built, and that was in a sawmill in Porsche's "first" factory in Gmünd. (Ah, that's why the name!)

The crowd was a good one, sprinkled with lots of volunteer help, especially from the Florida Crown Region. (They had their own booth to the side, complete with refreshments, and a friend from Michigan manning it so they could see the show!) Ken and Ellen Perry (and Katie, their cocker spaniel) were running the

silent auction. They helped raise a lot of money for the charities. Ken was delighted in meeting a "last-minute" artist who contributed his works to the auction and helped immensely.

I had the pleasure of fellow-Coastal Empire member, George Word bumping right into me, literally. So it became a day of not only what cars to look at, but what people we know, especially from PCA.

Happy ending. When it was time for the Best of Show, it was a tie. The tie—a Bugatti and a Porsche Spyder 550! Just the icing on the cake!

Don't know about you, but I have to return next year just to see if Bill Warner could outdo himself yet again.

All photos by Jackie Trivison



*Best of Show  
at the  
Amelia Island  
Concours d'Elegance  
1953 550 Spyder  
from the  
Collier Collection  
Naples, Florida*

# BUILDING A PORSCHE SPEEDSTER

by old-Time Porsche Pusher Gustav Potz

In 1982, while still owning a 914/6 Porsche, the business pressures were surmounting and to alleviate this, I considered a home project beneficial. After some analyzing, the conclusion was to build a Porsche Speedster Kit Car in the garage, during my evenings and weekends.

The research revealed the best engineered kits at that time were manufactured by Intermeccanica.

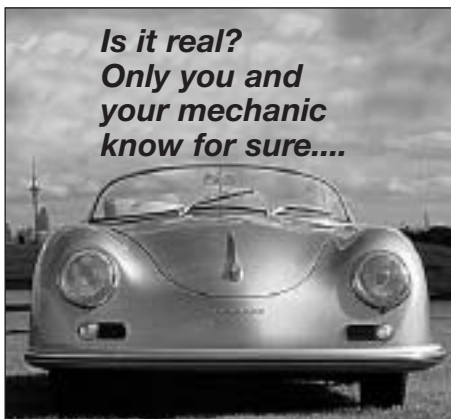
This constructor had previously design and manufactured his own cars in Italy, but was now located in Canada.

Upon inspecting four completed running cars, I placed the order. The kit arrived complete with all doors, hood, trunk installed and aligned, complete instrumentation and wired, including all lights, a perimeter sub-frame molded into the fiberglass body, even the body was painted and clear coated. Also included were two Speedster seats and all carpets.

I purchased a running 1968 VW Beetle donor car, discarded the body, every nut and bolt was removed, inspected, discarded or reinstalled. The chassis was shortened by 11.8" and welded on a jig. The engine was rebuilt and the front and rear suspensions was lowered to the correct height.

New parts had to be purchased; chrome rims and hubcaps, tires, Koni shock absorbers and a complete set of front disk brakes. Upon completion of all running gear, the body was placed onto the chassis with the assistance of friends.

The only small difficulty was with the State Inspection Department. The kit was registered



as a VW, but the Speedster had oval glass headlights, which had to be removed before yearly inspections, and then reinstalled.

Never claiming that the Speedster was a Porsche or placing a Porsche crest on the car, only "Old-Time Porsche Pusher" could identify three areas not in compliance with Porsche specifications:

1. The instrumentation were Porsche manufactured, but were not green faced
2. The grill was cast aluminum instead of individual aluminum pieces.
3. The round swaybar adjusting plugs behind the bottom of doors were absent.

I must tell you an epilogue, how capricious or snobbish people can be. While refueling in a gas station, a Porsche driver spotted the Speedster, he braked and came running over. He was as excited as a kid at Disney World. The questions came so fast, I did not have time to respond to the next one. It was the cleanest and most beautiful Speedster he had ever seen. How long did I own it? Did it have any rust? Did I drive it a lot? Then came the important question, what year was it? I informed him it was a 1968. There came a strange look on his face, stating that "Porsche did not build Speedsters that year."

I agreed with him, and informed him that it was a kit car. The Porsche driver then made an about face, not saying another word. He departed as quickly as he arrived.

Every time I think back to that particular moment, it makes me chuckle.

# PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY PARADE

June 24–July 1

HERSHEY, PA

With Parade completely sold out, we are receiving many questions about visiting Parade that first weekend for the National Literature and Parts Swap Meet and the Concours d'Elegance and Car Show.

## **Can I go to the Swap Meet on June 25th?**

PCAers from around the country are invited to visit our Swap Meet on June 25th just like they do in April of every year at Hershey. And just like at Hershey in April, you'll have to pay a nominal fee for parking and entrance into the swap meet. Vendors do NOT have to be Parade registrants, either, but do have to register through Steve Baun, our Chair, just as they do at Hershey every year. If you have registered or will register for swap meet spaces for the April 23d Central Penn Swap Meet, Steve will send you applications for the Parade meet, as well. The Parade Swap Meet will take place about a half mile up the road (Hersheypark Drive/Route 39) from the April meet at Lot M.

## **Can I see the Concours and Car Show on June 26th?**

PCAers are also invited to spectate at our Concours d'Elegance and Parking Corral and Car Show on June 26th. For those who want to participate in the car show/parking corral and are not Parade Registrants, we encourage you to sign up and park/show your Porsche on our field of dreams—the first time in the history of Parades that this will happen. Car Show registration will open on April 23d and will last only for as long as parking spaces are available. Parade sold out in one day. We expect car show registration to do the same. Details for car registration will be announced soon on our website and in our upcoming article in April's *Panorama*.

## **Where do I park?**

Please remember that if you want to see the Parade Concours and Car Show, there is NO parking at the Hotel Hershey. There is also NO parking along the access roads and residential areas down the hill from the Hotel Hershey. If you do not register for the car show, principal parking will be found at the airfield along



Hersheypark Drive across the street from the Amusement Park. The airfield is a ten minute walk from the Concours site. Shuttle bus services will run continuously from the Lodge and airfield on Concours Day. All PCA members who are NOT Parade registrants and/or not guests of the Lodge will be directed to park at the Airfield or overflow lots currently being arranged. Follow the signs. Do NOT attempt to park at the Lodge and Convention Center.

## **What else can I do at parade if I'm not registered?**

For those who are not registered for Parade, you can still participate to a certain degree. As we mentioned, you are invited to come and spectate at the concours and car show as well as the swap meet. The autocross is also free to watch. If you purchase tickets to a banquet from someone who is registered for Parade, you are welcome to attend the banquet. Entry into Parade Hospitality, PCA Academy Day and the Parade Goodie Store is open only to Parade Registrants. Why? Good question. It becomes an issue of space or rather the lack of it. The indoor facilities, while large, will still be taxed with roughly 1500 people in attendance. It wouldn't be fair to those who are paid registrants to have to compete for seating or viewing with non-registrants in Hospitality or in PCA Academy Day.

## **Can I at least go to the Parade Goodie Store?**

We will have a modest-sized Goodie Store on hand at the Concours. You can purchase items at this Store if you have either your PCA membership card or are wearing a 2005 Parade name badge. Why? We are a non-profit club and we are very limited by how much non-member income we are allowed to receive. At the Goodie Store in the Lodge and Convention Center, only Parade Registrants are allowed entry. Why? Once again, space is limited as well as the stock inventory of all the items.

# PCA 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY & MEMBERSHIP STATION AT THE MID OHIO PORSCHEPLATZ

Porsche Corral for the ALMS race weekend  
May 20-22, 2005

There will be a PCA 50th Anniversary and Membership station within the Porscheplatz at Mid Ohio from Friday, May 20th– Sunday, May 22nd. The Porscheplatz is hosted by Porsche Cars North America, Porsche Motorsport North America, International Motor Sports Association (IMSA) and the American Le Mans Series (ALMS). There will be scheduled appearances by Porsche race drivers for informal talks and autographs. In addition, IMSA will offer supervised Parade laps of the track on Friday afternoon from 6:45–7:15 p.m. with a two lap maximum open to the first 100 registered Porsches on a first come, first served basis. Registration for the Parade Laps starts at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, May 20th to credentialed Porscheplatz participants only (available at entrance to Platz, no cost to Porsche cars, owners and companions—track ticket required). Special features for the weekend will include a “Long Distance Award,” raffle drawings for an “Honorary Pit Crew Member” with an ALMS Porsche race team, a “Hot Pit” escorted tour and two passes to the “Victory Circle” celebrations. Round two of the IMSA Porsche GT3 Cup Challenge Series will take place on Sunday, May 22nd. For information contact Roy Wilkinson, 330-733-4813, rwilk5@juno.com and also visit the IMSA website, www.imsaracing.net for the latest event schedule. Parking in the Porscheplatz will be for Porsches only.

## A NEW DEVELOPMENT

by Jackie Traxson

The Southeast Car Club Council (SCCC) had another meeting. They found 25 Car Clubs in their defined area and about 18 say they will join. (Coastal Empire is not one of them.) The Council is forming by-laws which stress that they are there for information purposes and will not jeopardize the identity of any car club. They are building a website complete with a calendar for folks to see where/when local car club activities will be.

## CLASSIFIEDS

Deadline: the 15th

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Quintin Cowart Savannah, GA 73 / 911T	Bryon Von Dwyer Orange Park, FL 83/ 911 SC
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and welcome back...

Matthew Conn and Paul Bradican

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George de la Bruyere was trained in Europe as a Master Mechanic. He and his wife moved to the United States in the late '60s to work for Jaguar in New Jersey. The last eleven years George has owned the successful Eurotech Inc. where he serviced Porsches, Mercedes, Jaguars, BMWs, Rolls-Royces and Ferraris.

Photo: George de la Bruyere begins working on first Porsche for



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## **NEXT MEETING**

Saturday, April 23, 2005 starting at 4:30 p.m. for the 1st Annual Coastal Empire Region Concours d'Elegance and Sand Gnats Baseball Game. More info? Call or email TOM HOFFMAN (912) 236-8546 • hoffmanegr@comcast.net

## **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

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