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Cover photo: The new 911 Speedster was recently shown at the Paris Motor Show. Photo courtesy of Porsche AG.

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President's Message

by Don Malson



Hi Chesapeake Members,

This month we celebrate the oldest annual event in PCA history, the Chesapeake Challenge. This year's event is being held at the Maryland Yacht Club. Our theme for the 41st Chesapeake Challenge is "Porsches by the Bay." Over 50 Porsches have been registered for the event and will be on display in either the Concours or People's Choice car show. Hope to see you there.

The end of October brings us the ever popular "Friendly Farm Tour." Nothing brings out Porsche owners more like a fun drive and good food. Al Gunzelman is mapping out a leisurely route to the Friendly Farm Restaurant. Put this one on your calendar.

Is your Porsche ready for the upcoming winter weather, or will your car spend the winter hibernating in the garage? My 85 911 gets pulled off the road at the first sign of salt. Preparation includes a trickle charger for the battery, oil and filter change, and a full tank of gas with a gas stabilizer additive. What will you do for your Porsche? Drop me an email and I will forward your response to our Patter Editors for publication in a future edition.

Have you been to one of our "Get Together" events arranged by our Social Chairman Steve Condax? Steve has given our socials a new twist by moving the events all around the region and at different days of the week and weekends. Steve also coordinates the Octane and Coffee events, all of which keeps him very busy. Check the monthly calendar in the Patter or on the web for the latest social event times.

I look forward to seeing you at one or all of the events this month.

Donald Malson, President
Chesapeake Region, PCA

Octane & Coffee

by Steve Condax

On a beautiful Fall Saturday morning, ten region members and two guests brought their Porsches (and one very special M3 Lightweight!) to the Octane and Coffee at Starbucks in Cockeysville. This time around we had a turnout of two very new Boxster Spyders, a Cayman, two 997s (one a Twin Turbo), a 928, and a Boxster brought by a new member. Our Porsches even received a compliment from a patron who drove up in his wild looking "Rat Rod."



This location was perfect with plenty of shaded parking. Some members took advantage of the outdoor seating to have a light breakfast, but all members took this opportunity to talk about their car ownership through the years and how they came to purchase their current Porsches.

The attendees also had a chance to speak with Jason Schiavone, of Baltimore Grand Prix, who gave us some insight on the INDY race coming to Baltimore next year. He brought his rare BMW, which we all enjoyed seeing. Jason ~ we enjoyed meeting and talking with you. Thanks for stopping by!

We had such an enjoyable time that everyone stayed from the beginning to the end! Without exception, everyone expressed an interest in attending a future Octane & Coffee events. This is a great opportunity to come to a low key, informal gathering of Porsche owners, and talk about the cars we love.

It would be great to see a 356, 914, early 911, 912, 924, 944, or other classic Porsche at the next Octane and Coffee to compliment the modern line up at Saturday's gathering.

See you at the next Octane and Coffee!



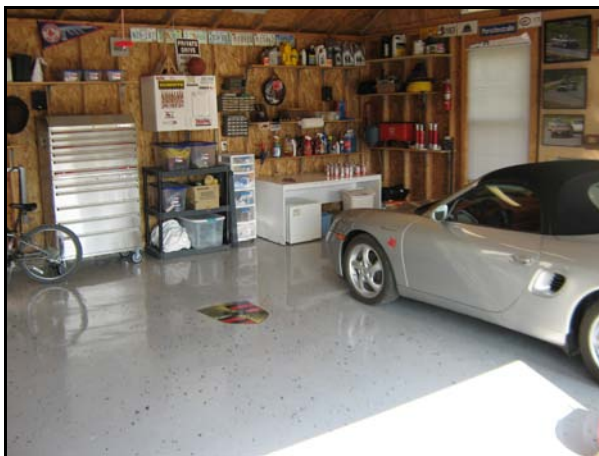
Photos by Jim Condax

Pimping My Garage, Part 1

by Mark Hubley

When my wife and I bought land in the Lothian area back in 2004 it was to serve as our home and a site for Susan's equine veterinary practice. Since the land we purchased had nothing on it but a 20 acre patch of head-high weeds surrounded by many more acres of trees, that meant building a house and a barn. Although the purchase of the land and construction of the buildings (not to mention permits, grading, etc.) pushed our financial limits, I insisted on adding a 24' x 24' garage. As we were getting a new home for Susan's horses, I wanted a nice home for my horses (in the form of a Boxster and a 944 at the time) as well!

When the house went up in 2005, so did my garage. It's a pretty basic 24' x 24' detached garage with siding to match the house. The inside was left unfinished, although I did run power to it with lights and plenty of power outlets. Thinking I might one day install a two-post lift, I made sure the concrete floor was properly reinforced, and the ceiling is 12' high in the center. For the past five years this has served me well, providing room for the Boxster and now the 2008 Mitsubishi Lancer that replaced the 944 three years ago. I've installed various shelves and cabinets to hold everything including tools, helmets, fluids, shop manuals, and detailing supplies. I also have an air compressor and a refrigerator for Gatorade and beer. One of the walls is adorned with posters and a few trophies for concours and autocross. It's functional, but I've had my thoughts of jazzing it up.



Well, this past spring Susan was ready to start getting the surgery area in her barn "ready for operation." One thing she wanted to do was put a special coating on the concrete floor. She asked me about my thoughts on the matter, and we searched various web sites looking for ideas. Of course, many of the sites with information on floor coatings were car-related, and we decided to test a product on the floor of the garage before settling on a product for the surgery. In other words, the garage would be our guinea pig.

After searching the web and getting some recommendations, we decided to go with products from UCoat It (ucoatit.com). It was a bit pricey at over \$500 for the garage, and I came across a couple of complaints on the web. However, I have a friend who really likes the product and I read a lot of favorable reviews. For the garage I got a medium gray color along with decorative flakes and a high-gloss finish coat. I also purchased a large, vinyl Porsche crest, which I placed on the floor under the glossy finish coat. I got the work done in August, and so far I'm very happy with the results. We ended up using UCoat It for the surgery, too, although we went without the flakes and Porsche crest. Ask me next year how it's holding up.

So, now that I've done the floor I'm thinking about finishing the walls and putting in insulation. Then maybe some new cabinets. Oh yeah, and about that lift . . . Keep an eye out for "Pimping My Garage, Part 2."

Concours people and robin leave their marks.

My first Parade experience as part of a concours prep team provided a refreshing awareness of Porsche owners, accented by response to a robin in flight over the prep floor. Fellow Bluegrass Region member Phillip Doty invited me to assist him and Chesapeake Region member Bob Gutjahr in preparing Bob's 1979 Sebring Edition 924 for preservation competition. Bluegrass Region member Robert McClelland and brother Richard volunteered to join the work on Saturday.

Although I am not a concours person, I have spent many hours working with experienced paint. My 14-year-old Carrera 4S turned 109,000 miles on the drive to Parade, and although I try to take care of my car, whose panels remain free of dings (save one that I will not point out), she sports the patina of a Porsche that is well-traveled, and that suits me.



I enjoy a display of low-mileage Porsches, but what really draws me in for a closer look is the car more traveled, not less. So I was happy to lay hands on the 924 approaching 100,000 miles, its Guards Red finish showing light scratches, stone chips, and the oxidation that comes with age and use. Following my shift of polishing and waxing, the finish glowed a little more under the cruel brilliance of the overhead lighting.

The five of us enjoyed working on the 924, which won second place in class on Sunday. The experience was especially

rewarding for Bob in his first Concours outing. We all felt some pride in having been a part of the win, but for me winning was secondary. I was impressed with the enthusiasm of concours car owners in the prep area who volunteered more information about their cars than requested, searched for needed parts to complete our prep, and generally had a great time sharing their cars with others. Parade, then, is about sharing the enthusiasm.

The uninformed imagine owners with Q-tips applied to hood hinges to be people with mental health issues, but from my first Parade experience, concours people left their mark with me as super enthusiasts. Enthusiasts who whoop loudly with laughter when a robin in frantic flight over the prep floor leaves his mark on a concours body panel.

Paul Elwyn is President and Newsletter Editor of Bluegrass Region.

Photo of Bob Gutjahr and his 924 by Paul Elwyn

Membership

by Jan Borchardt

PCA Chesapeake Membership Report for September 2010

Summary:

Primary Members 658 Affiliate Members 500 Total Members 1,158

New Members:

Trevor Cell	Columbia	1988	944
James Foley	Baltimore	1971	914
Eric Griesinger	Bel Air	1999	911
James Hefner	Manchester	1984	944
Kenneth Kimmell	Baltimore	2003	Boxster
K. Krunkaitis	Clarksville	2008	911
Adam Mihulka	Westminster	1988	911
Matthew Neuberger	Owings Mills	2011	Cayenne
Chris Ourand	Severna Park	1985	911
Lynda Sobus	Havre de Grace	1987	944
Ross Thornley	Knoxville	2002	911

Transfers:

Joseph Lord Towson 2006 Cayenne Florida Crown Region

September Anniversaries:

<u>5 Years</u>	<u>10 Years</u>	<u>15 Years</u>
Jeff Marcon	Gennady Soykher	James Nowakowski
Igor Soykher		
Vince Iatesta		

Upcoming Events

For the latest news concerning upcoming Chesapeake Region events, please refer to the events calendar on the Region's web site. Here are some highlights . . .

Monthly board meetings are generally held on the fourth Wednesday of the month.

Chesapeake Challenge, Saturday, October 16

The 41st Chesapeake Challenge will be held on October 16th at the Maryland Yacht Club in Pasadena, MD. The event will include a concours, a rally, and an evening dinner in the MYC club building. Look for more information on the web site and in the September Patter.

Fall Foliage Friendly Farms Drive & Dine, Sunday, October 24

Everyone is invited to join us for the Fall Foliage Friendly Farms Drive & Dine in Upperco, MD, on Sunday October 24th. The first drive to Friendly Farms was led by Stuart Fine, I believe in 2003, and the Chesapeake Region has continued with this popular location. This year a new route is planned to make everything new and interesting for those that joined us for the previous colorful drives. Friendly Farms (410-239-7400) is Located off Mt. Carmel Road, not far from Rt. 83. They have a well-sorted variety of selections and desserts. We will meet at the Grauls supermarket parking lot at 220 Mt. Carmel Road, Parkton, MD, just 50 yards east of Rt. 83 at 9:30 AM and leave at 10:00 AM sharp. The restaurant will open at 11:15 AM, 45 minutes earlier than usual, to get us checked in and seated. Check the Friendly Farms web site friendlyfarm.net for selections; you won't be dissatisfied. Please e-mail Allen Gunzelman, Tour Meister, to give us a head count at Tour@pcachs.org.

Octane & Coffee, Saturday, October 30

Attention Anne Arundel County Chesapeake Region Members! Are you interested in attending an informal gathering of Porsches? Do you like discussing the latest machinery from our favorite manufacturer? If so, please join us at Baltimore Coffee and Tea located at 890 Bestgate Road, Annapolis, MD, on the morning of October 30th. We will be sharing stories over coffee from 9:30 AM until approximately 11:00 AM. This is a fun and informal event so I hope to see you there even if it is only for 10 minutes or an hour! If you have any questions feel free to contact Steve Condax at social@pcachs.org.

Tech Session, Saturday, November 6

Please join us for a Tech Session on the morning of Saturday, November 6th, at Porsche of Annapolis. The topic will be "Taking Care of Your Newer Porsche," including engine/drive train, exterior care, interior care, tires, and wear. Sign-in will begin at 9:00 AM, with coffee and donuts supplied by the club. The session will begin at 9:30 AM. There will be time reserved for a general question and answer period. If you have any questions and to RSVP, please contact John Patterson at tech@pcachs.org.

The Mart

1993 RS America

H class, Black, rebuilt engine, rebuilt trans (2009). Ring and pinion, Motons, Sparco seats, big reds, 2 sets Fiske, 1 set cup wheels. Roll cage, Frt spoiler w/ 3.8 wing, Cool Shirt system. Original owner 36,000 miles, no track. Current owner, 17,400 miles mostly DE some CR. Total \$ invested \$92,083. Professional Graphics are Decals.

Car \$47K, custom Trailex trailer \$5K. Package deal for both.

Woody 443-797-7691 wksmithster@gmail.com



1985 911 Coupe

BBS wheels, new A/C and brakes. 115K miles.

\$19,500.

Chris 443-481-8866.



2007 Cayman S

Black with sand-beige interior, as-new condition. 6-spd. Preferred package (includes Bose audio), self-dim mirrors & rain sensor wipers, bi-xenon headlamp package, heated seats, wheel caps with colored crest, Sport Chrono package. 7871 miles. Car is located in Taneytown, MD.

Call Lew (410) 756-6680, or email at lewkathleen@verizon.net

Trivia Question

What do the companies Daewoo, Harley-Davidson, Studebaker, and Subaru all have in common with respect to Porsche? (Other than being companies that make motor vehicles.)

Answer on the next page . . .

In preparation for the Chesapeake Region's 50th anniversary year, we're asking our readers if you have any old issues of the Patter with any articles that you found particularly interesting and relevant to the club's anniversary. We're considering including a historic article in each 2011 issue of the Patter, and we would be happy to consider your suggestions. Contact the editors at porschepatter@pcachs.org and we'll arrange getting a copy of the article.



Chesapeake Region is looking for alternatives to the Police Academy Training Facility as an autocross site. If you can think of a large parking lot or similar facility that we might be able to use for autocross, then please contact Claude and Ron at autocross@pcachs.org.

The club could also use some help in the area of sponsorship. The Patter, website, and various events provide great opportunities for area companies to advertise, but we need someone to act as a coordinator. Contact the editors (porschepatter@pcachs.org) or President Don Malson (president@pcachs.org) if you're willing to serve as our Sponsorship Chair.

Answer to the Trivia Question

Each of those companies has used Porsche Engineering Group as a consultant in designing a car and/or engine.

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24 FRIENDLY FARMS	25	26	27 BOARD MEETING	28	29	30 OCTANE & COFFEE
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