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JUNE - JULY PCA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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- 4 17 Longwood Gardens/Brunch
- I 21 PCA/DVSA Sprint at Cornog 27 Meeting at Beck's
- ✓ 1 Xmas Village Sprint Series
- 8 Sprint, Leeds & Northrup 21-22 Glen CanAm/6 Hour
- □ 25 Meeting, CHECK LOCATION
- △ 29 Xmas Village Sprint Series or Trip to Giant's Despair

See page 9 for event details See next page for non-PCA events

Other things to do

June 17 - DVSA at Cornog

July 7-8 - PHA at Giant's Despair

July 15 - DVSA Championship, Cornog

July 15 - PRCA Championship Rally, Dave Deckard, 302-798-5449

July 21-22 - PHA at Schaefferstown

July 22 - DVSA, Montgomery County Community College

July 22 - PRCA Championship Rally, William Lengel, 215-779-3389

July 28-29 - PHA at Red Rock

July 29 - DVSA at Leeds & Northrup

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1974 Porsche Parade Coordinator, John Chatley, 215-696-1657

COVER PHOTO: Riesentoter hard core! The Sprint School was a REAL washout this time, but there were a few who just had to see how the car handled in 2 inches of water. That's Bob and Babe Ahrens splashing around.

Potomac Charter

The dates of the flight to Europe organized by Potomac Region have been changed. The flight (Cabena) will now leave Dulles Airport on Friday evening, October 5 and arrive in Frankfurt, Germany around noon of the following day. The return flight will leave Amsterdam on Saturday, October 20 for Dulles. The airfare is \$182.50 per person round trip, plus applicable airport taxes.

This is not a tour. While in Europe, you will be free to travel as you wish. The Porsche factory in Stuttgart, of course, is a must for PCAers. For the bachelors, incidentally, there are a number of single girls already signed up to go.

You will need a passport, of course. This can be obtained at the Passport Agency, 401 N. Broad, Philadelphia. Take along two passport photos, a notarized copy of your birth certificate, an ID card with your signature on it and a check for \$12.

(The IBM just threw a red, that's the reason for the type change.)

At this time, six Riesentoters are making the trip. There must be more out there who would like to go. For full information, call Herb Oberson at 491-1693 (office) or 265-7666 (home) - any hour of the day or night is OK.

President's Message

What is happening in PCA National? The 1973 Parade! The 1974 Parade! These are just two of the topics discussed at the Zone Two President's Meeting held at Allegheny Region's Parts Swap Meet and Concours in May.

The purpose of the meeting was to try to move the club forward through the combined efforts of the eleven region Presidents in our Zone by discussing those topics which are most relevant to this end. The discussions and any decisions are then to be passed on to PCA National through our Zone Representative, Jim Perrin. It was unfortunate, however, that only slightly more than half of the regions were represented.

One of the primary topics was how to involve the new members of the club. It seems that this is a universal problem and one that is most difficult to solve. We know from personal experience that few new faces appear at our events. Possibly the unfamiliarity with our events is the underlying cause. Perhaps each region should try to enlighten its new members to the many facets of the club. Such is our intention with the new 'Riesentoter Story' booklet that we have planned to prepare.

One of the most current and worthwhile projects discussed is the development of a strong rapport with the Porsche-Audi distributors. Meetings have been held in the Ohio area with good results and steps are being taken to hold similar talks with PAD in Valley Forge. We're hoping to possibly establish a program similar to one on the West coast wherein the distributor donates the discontinued parts to PCA for sale! This involves thousands of dollars worth of new parts for 356 and 900 cars which the factory labels obsolete. It may be just the parts you need for your car!

The controversial issue of non-member Parade guests eliminating a PCA member from consideration for Overall Parade competitions was discussed at length. Those present were in agreement that a guest should <u>not</u> disqualify a member entrant from Overall. However, if the guest should be a rally 'expert' brought in for the sole purpose of winning Overall, then the member should be disqualified.

Another problem we discussed is a direct result of the growth of the club. As the regions grow and develop a wide range of activities, they try to stretch out and hold multiregional events. This has resulted in conflicts of dates for these events. The Zone Calendar has been created so that with careful planning it will be possible to attend most of these outstanding weekends in our zone.

I feel that these were the most important topics covered. As with any meeting, its worth can only be measured by what changes or ideas are then adopted. It will be interesting to note, during the coming months, how much of what we discussed becomes reality.



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Minutes

The May meeting of the Riesentoter region was a dinner meeting held at The Inn of the Four Falls, Conshohocken, Pa., on May 30. Following a leisurely cocktail hour and dinner, an informal business meeting was held.

John Chatley, our Parade Coordinator, reported on the progress of Parade arrangements. Chairmen for all the events for which our region is responsible have been chosen. However, many volunteers will be required to handle the work. If you are interrested, please contact John.

Jerry Sigal is in the process of having our name legally changed from Eastern Pennsylvania region to Riesentoter region. This change will be voted upon at the June meeting.

Activities Chairman, Chuck Walter, urged everyone to attend as many of the upcoming events as possible. Something different to look forward to this month is the June 17 brunch at the Valley Forge Hilton, followed by a drive to Longwood Gardens.

Bob Russo warned everyone to check his DER GASSER for news of meeting locations. Next month's meeting will be held at Beck's Restaurant in the Valley Forge Shopping Plaza on Route 202; for July, the location is not yet definite.

The meeting was adjourned and a social hour followed.

Respectfully submitted, Jean Russo

Racing Photog in June

Having lined up some very interesting guest speakers in the past, our Public Relations man, Herb Oberson, has done it again.

At our June meeting, Walter Chernokal of the Delaware County Daily Times, will give us the lowdown on the techniques he used in becoming a winner for 18 straight years in the Associated Press Photo Contest. He has been on the AP Photo Team for 16 years covering Indy, Daytona and more recently, the Pocono 500 event.

Mr. Chernokal will bring along some samples of his work which led to his being named the 1973 Photographer of the Year by the Eastern Motorsports Press Association.

Official Notice

Please be advised that at the regular monthly meeting to be held on June 27, 1973 at 8:00 P.M. at Beck's Restaurant, King of Prussia, Pa., the membership will be asked to approve two changes in the Articles of Incorporation of the club. These changes are made necessary by request of the National organization for purposes of the 1974 Porsche Parade. The amendments are (1) to change the corporate name from Eastern Pennsylvania Region, Porsche Club of America. Inc. to Riesentoter Region, Porsche Club of America, Inc. and (2) to change the registered office of the club from Box 136, Langhorne, Pa. to 1351 Hi-View Drive, Southampton, Pa. 18966

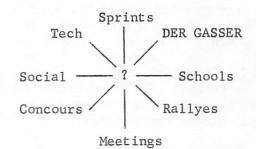
Why don't we..?

Before all you questionnaire haters out there decide to throw this out think for a minute. Membership is now over 300 and the interests of Porsche freaks vary widely.

We planned our events for the year based on what people have requested and/or supported in the past. But we realize that we have a large number of newer members since our last questionnaire and we would like to get an up to date feel for the interests of the majority of you.

Questionnaires only work if a lot of people reply, so if you want your opinion heard, now is not the time to be silent. It'll only cost you eight cents to get the ear of the entire Exec Committee, so feel free to add any comments, criticisms, etc. in the spaces provided or on a separate sheet, if necessary.

We really have no way of knowing if your interests change from time to time - so everybody please help us!





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Get it on! Chuck Walter

<u>July 1</u> - Xmas Village Sprint Series. Our region will be hosting this event, so come on out and enjoy the fun. If you attended the first sprint, you can continue your winning streak or try a little harder to better your time against the competition from Jersey Shore and Northern New Jersey regions.

July 8 - Sprint, Leeds and Northrup on Sumneytown Pike in North Wales, Pa., just down the road from William Penn Inn. For those who haven't had the opportunity to run a pylon type sprint course this year, give this a try. Since this is a relatively residential area, muffled exhausts are required. Also, watch your speed in the surrounding areas. The company is kind enough to grant the use of their parking lot gratis - we should make every effort to comply with their wishes.

<u>July 22</u> - Tech session at Holbert's has been postponed due to the Glen weekend. This will be rescheduled in the fall, hopefully before the Porscherama at Limerock. <u>July 21-22</u> - Trip to Watkins Glen CanAm/6 Hours. You should really take this opportunity to go to the Glen and see what has to be the most beautiful high performance racing course in the world and the best of all, Racing Porsches. Quite a few Riesentoters are going, so if you're interested, contact me for details.

<u>July 25</u> - Regular monthly meeting. Please note location in next month's DER GASSER.

July 29 - Take your choice today! For the hillclimb fans and those who have never seen a hillclimb, come out and support your fellow Riesentoters at Giant's Despair. If interested, contact Jess Holshouser - I'm sure he will be glad to give you directions and tell you what hillclimbing is all about.

<u>Xmas Village Sprint Series</u> - for those who didn't do too well at the two previous sprints, here's your chance to try again. This is an ideal track for spectators, too, since the entire track is visible from the bleachers revealing the secrets pertaining to the gathering of trophies.



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Hillclimbing

Jess Holshouser

We finally received our Team-A Trophy for our showing in 1972. Riesentoters Tom Beil, Dick Weiss, Dick Sweigart, Jess Holshouser, Charlie Hurst and Sandy Sadtler were the drivers who secured the silver. It represents a 5th among 20 teams competing.

The PHA Calendar has been revised with two new hillclimbs being added and Jefferson (originally Aug 5-6) postponed to an indefinite date.

<u>Camp Shand results</u>: Five of our 12 Riesentoter drivers competed, with 4 of these driving Speedsters. Dick Miles ran his first hillclimb with us and turned a good time for his first outing. The weather was near perfect and records were set in all classes. Dick Sweigart, 1st EP1, Jess Holshouser, 2nd EP1, Dick Miles, 4th EP1, Connie Sheldrake, 6th EP1, Bill Rolland, 7th Mod 11. <u>Pine Grove results</u>: Everything that could go wrong with a hillclimb happened on Sunday with a drenching rain and timing and communications equipment taking a holiday. The conditions were unbelievable but our team posted the following finishes: Dick Sweigart, 1st EP1, Dick Miles, 2nd EP1, Jess Holshouser, 4th EP1, Connie Sheldrake, 6th EP1, Dick Weiss, 1st CP, and Jay Schneider, 5th T1.

The Watkins Glen Solo 1 event June 30 and July 1 is open to SCCA, PHA and Senior Solo 1 competition license holders. Call me for details.





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Porsche Pit Stop

Bob McCullen

In the L races entered so far this year by the Carrera, Peter Gregg was part of all the winning teams. But the Trans-Am at Lime Rock proved his downfall - with his co-driver Sam Posey at the wheel. Gregg had handed the car over to Posey with a slim lead during a routine pit stop at half distance. Posey drove the rest of the way keeping a sharp eye out for Al Holbert, whom he considered his biggest threat. But Milt Minter in another Carrera, driving with a hot foot and a keen eye through the heavy traffic, slipped by Posey on the last lap to win, with Posey apparently not really knowing what was happening to him.

Al Holbert had a frustrating day despite his excellent 3rd place finish. Qualifying 5th, less than a second off the pace, a number of irritating incidents resulted in less than 100% concentration in his driving efforts. As a result, Al drove at too slow a pace in the early going, made up some of the time with an excellent pit stop, but then found himself

driving too hard the last half of the race, spinning out a couple of times and being back 30 seconds at the finish. You can be sure that he learned a few things and will be completely ready for the next Trans-Am, June 16th at Watkins Glen.

In the Under 2 Liter class, Mike and Dieter were having an excellent day in their 911S. They qualified 5th in class with car and drivers performing perfectly. The only problem occurred during the pre-race warm-up, when an auxiliary oil cooler sprung a leak. With no time left to replace the unit, they simply disconnected it and coupled the braided oil lines together. Having installed a similar unit in the opposite fender just the week before proved to be the saving factor as the oil temp only ran 30 degrees hotter during the race. The combination of their 11th Overall and 2nd in class finish as well as a perfectly running car proved to be one of their most gratifying and financially rewarding races to date.

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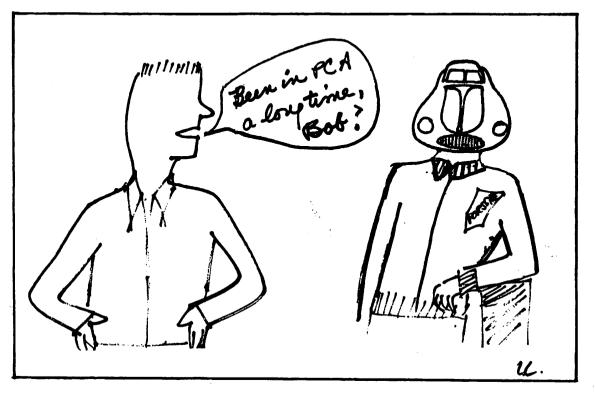
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