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Lauritzen Garden Party by Ken Kusik



Beautiful examples of some of Porsches finest gleam in the sun and fun of the Lauritzen Gardens.

It was a celebration of everything that is exciting and exhilarating about the world's finest automobiles. An exhibition of the best for those who truly appreciate the art, engineering, and performance of European automobiles.

It is the Lauritzen Gardens All European Car Show. It truly is an "escape in an urban oasis" and a stunning site. It was like the Pebble Beach Counours d'Elegance but relaxed and non-judged. The sight of rows of exceptional automobiles shining in the sun on green grass was a refreshing sight.

Among the roughly 100



Over 1000 spectators enjoyed viewing automotive art amongst the flowers.

participants over 20 different marques were represented. Among them were Ferrari, Lamborghini, Alfa Romeo, Mercedes-Benz, Fiat, BMW, Volkswagen, Maserati, Audi, MG, Triumph, Austin Healy,

Rolls Royce, Mini, Lotus, Smart, Volvo, Aston Martin, Delorean, Saab, Jaguar, andmore. The rare and exceptional were there.

The GPR was proudly

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From the Prez

By Jon Theobald



I was finally behind the wheel of a Porsche on the track again at the recent Woodhouse Track Experience and boy did it feel good! To reach this track induced zen-like state I had to set aside my macho image I've been trying to maintain and ignore the rainbow paint job and the "You've just been passed by a girl" bumper sticker on the back of Sally Knapp's old 944 race car she let me borrow. I beat that little red wasser-pumper like a rented mule and it just begged for more! I had so much fun tossing it's perfectly balanced chassis into the corners with nary a twitch of the steering wheel. I'm a self-confessed 911 snob but now I'm a huge fan of 944's as well so I have to thank Sally for "showing me the light" on the front-engine models of the Porsche family.

Speaking of the Woodhouse Track Experience, great job to Lauren Schlomburg and all of the volunteers from Woodhouse who helped put on a fantastic event! Even with the

huge number of cars, they were able to keep the tech lines flowing and the cars moving to grid and on the track in a fun and safe environment. Great job to Sandy Steckman assisting as the leader of the classroom sessions and to all of the volunteer driving instructors who stepped up to help show the newbies the wonderful world of high performance driving.

For those that aren't already aware the GPR will be hosting our final track day of the season "Last Pass in the Grass" at Midamerica Motorplex Saturday, October 9th. This is a one-day event, Saturday only (NO HUSKER GAME). We will be having instructors available for new drivers and we are also trying to shoot for six sessions for the day so everyone will get plenty of driving in.

We've got some really fun events coming up with this October 3rd (this article may not make it to you prior) the Fun Run to the Hausbarn in

Manning, IA put on by Ardey Clark and then October 16th a group dinner at Pasta Amore featuring Sandy Steckman and his adventures in Germany.

Hope to see you at some upcoming events!



Fatburger

The threat of torrential rain (followed by the real thing) kept all but a few stalwarts from making it to the second Porsche Pride at Fatburger on September 26. The seven members in attendance enjoyed great burgers, onion rings, fries and shakes (and a secret sneak preview of a new item). We talked about plans for the upcoming Fun Run and shared Porsche stories. Don't miss next year!.



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Adventures in Deutschland by Sandy Steckman

Friday, October 15th

Pasta Amore, Rockbrook Village

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6:30 Cocktails

7:30 Dinner

8:30 presentation



Ever wonder what it would be like to visit the Porsche & Mercedes Museums, drive the Autobahn, see a race at Nurburgring, and then drive a car on the Nurburgring Nordschleife? The GPR is hosting a dinner & social event to present a perspective on these adventures as experienced recently by Sandy Steckman. For the slightly less car crazy members, perspectives will be shared on observations of Germany including climate, food, travel, castles, and other travel experiences.

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. You must RSVP in advance by emailing ssteckman@cox.net or calling 457-5997 prior to October 12th. Seating is limited, and door prizes will be included, so RSVP soon! Menu & pricing is listed below, and a cash bar will be available. All prices include gratuity and tax. Hope to see you there!

\$22.50 Chicken Parmigiana

\$31.25 Seafood Trio (Salmon, sea bass & shrimp over angel hair pasta)

\$37.50 Filet Mignon (best steak in town!)

2010 GPR Events

Fun Run to the Hausbarn in Manning, Iowa.....October 3

Last Pass in the Grass Driver's EducationOctober 9

Adventures in Deutschland at Pasta AmoreOctober 16

Boo Bash at Mid America MotorplexOctober 23

Dinner at Ryan's BistroNovember 13

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Lauritzen Gardens Party (cont.)

represented by 25 Porsches and one Audi. There were well over 1,000 spectators and they

noticed the Porsche presence.

It was a beautiful fall day in a spectacular setting with

stunning automobiles and even better camaraderie. Do not miss this event next year!



25 Porsches of all eras and models graced the Lauritzen Gardens All Euro Car Show.

Classified

I have recently decided to eliminate my magazine collection due to storage problems. I have the Panorama 1971 -2010, 356 Registry 1981-2010, and Excellence 1991-22010 available as single issues or as a complete collections. Shipping charges only. Please contact Gary Quast at (402) 681-9777.

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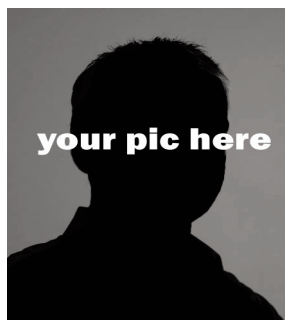
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GPR members to serve on the 2011 GPR Board. We have a number of openings in "entry" positions, which require only a few hours or less per month. If interested, please contact Jon Theobald.

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Last Pass in the Grass Driver's Ed

Don't miss the GPR's last track driving event of the season at Mid America Motorplex on October 9th, Saturday ONLY. It's a 1-day DE with instructors available for novice drivers. There is no Husker game this weekend so come on out and burn that last bit of rubber off your track tires.

Registration is open NOW on Clubregistration.net and contact Tom Cooper at gpr-registrar@cox.net for any other questions.



Last chance for a GPR Driver's Ed event this year is at Mid America Motorplex.

Kansas City Region Fall Fast DE at Heartland Park

The Kansas City Region of the Porsche Club of America's Fall Fast DE is open for registration at www.clubregistration.net.

The event will be held at Heartland Park Topeka on October 1-3, 2010.

We have managed to keep the cost of the event the same as last year!


Event details on the Club

Registration site. Friday October 1, 2010 is limited to KCRPCA approved instructors and pre-approved Advanced Drivers. If you would like to sign up for Friday and are not an instructor, please email me at kctrackstuff@gmail.com for pre-approval.

Instructors must be available to instruct Saturday and Sunday to receive the Instructor rate.

Sign up Early as this event will sell out.

Registration closes September 26th.



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Minutes of the September 7, 2010 Board Meeting

Attending were board members Jon Theobald, JR Sanders, Jim Avilla, Steve Wilwerding, Tom Cooper, and Abe Schlott. Also present were Eric Elliott and Past President John Krecek.

Social: Discussed Havelock car show. Lauritzen Gardens show, Woodhouse Track Experience, Fatburger events in September and the Ardey Clark Fun Run, 1 day DE, Steckman party at Pasta Amore, and Boo Bash in October. January 22 is the date for the holiday party.

Secretary: No minutes to approve as last meeting canceled due to schedule conflicts.

President: Discussed 1-day DE on 10/9 and promoting that event at the Woodhouse event.

Registrar: Discussed registration procedures for upcoming DE as well as how to increase participation at next year's events.

Treasurer: Jim Avilla reviewed July and August financials.

Club Race Chair: No Report

Membership: Reviewed membership totals and new recent members. Removing paypal as an option for membership dues collection due to lack of use.

Safety: No safety issues to report. Winter review of safety rules are upcoming. Ordering insurance for October 9th DE.

Newsletter: No report.

Website: Newsletter posted online. Up to date except for newest events.

Past President and Chief Driving Instructor: No Report.

Respectfully submitted by Abe Schlott



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