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President's Message

Almost a year ago Porsche announced the introduction of it's new and innovative model 928. It was to be at the dealers in November 1977. Came November no one was very surprised that there was a delay in delivery. Dealers were reporting large numbers of orders for this auto which had not yet been seen by the general public. Why were these individuals willing to commit themselves to purchase a car they had not yet seen much less driven?

It is now approaching March and the 928 has not arrived. Rumors of the reason for delay are moving quickly among Porsche enthusiasts. Are the Feds delaying entry into our country for non-conformity with our complex regulations? Is Porsche delaying delivery for some unknown reason? Or is this a series of production delays inherent in new models?

No matter what the reason it is an unusually long wait. Did we have to wait this long for the 911, 912, 914 or the 924? When will we get to see the mysterious 928; the possible successor to the 911; "the ultimate Porsche"? I hope soon.



Special Notice

PORSCHE DAY IN THE POCONOS

Can't afford that winter vacation? Then, why not treat yourselves to a day's outing in the Poconos with your Riesentöter friends? us on Saturday, February 25 for skiing at Jack frost, cocktails at Bob and Babe Ahrens' house "Snowbird," and dinner at Richie's House of Steak. If you can't make all three, then at least try to make the last two.

Skiing at Jack Frost is purely optional, but you are on your own concerning lift tickets and ski rentals. Plan to get an early start (lifts open at 8:30) to avoid the weekend crowds, particularly if you are renting equipment.

For the non-skiers, Split Rock Lodge offers a number of winter alternatives such as ice skating, tobogganing and snowmobiling.

Cocktails at "Snowbird" are

from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. There will be a cash bar and some cheese, chips, crackers and pretzels to munch on dinner will be served around 7:00 p.m. at Richie's, where you will order from the menu and receive individual tabs.

DIRECTIONS TO "SNOWBIRD"—

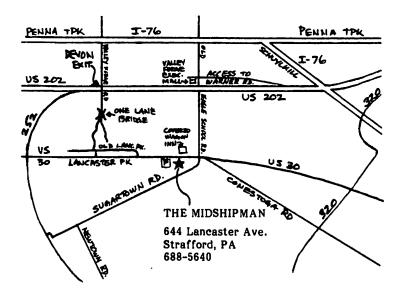
Take Exit #35 off the Northeast Extension of the Pennsylvania Turnpike. Go east on route 940 for four miles. Turn right into Split Rock Lodge (directly across from Jack Frost). Proceed for two miles. bearing left at the "Y" just past the Texaco station. Go two blocks to Crest Crive, and turn left. "Snowbird" is the fourth house on the right. PANIC #: 712/443-8133.

Cocktails and dinner will go on regardless of weather. If you plan on making either of the two. please call the Koerbels (789-0820) or the McCullens (789-1523) prior to February 23.

Meeting Notice

The February 22 meeting of Riesentöter Region, PCA will be held at 8:30 p.m. at the Midshipman Restaurant, Strafford, PA.

Owing to recent meterologic phenomona, final confirmation of the planned program was not possible by press time. Rather than promise the undeliverable, let us simply surprise you.



Achtung!

Sat FEB 18 Tech Session at YBH

Wed FEB 22 Meeting at Midshipman

Sat FEB 25 Ski Day in Poconos

Fri MAR 3 Executive Committee

Fri MAR 10 Der Gasser Deadline

Sat MAR 18 Blue Mountain Sunsetter

T/S/D Rally

Fri APR 7 Executive Committee

Fri APR 7 Der Gasser Deadline

Sat & Sun, SCCA National event and

APR 23 & 24 swap-meet at Pocono

Wed APR 26 Meeting

Sat DEC 2 ANNUAL BANQUET

1974 PORSCHE 911S

I don't need my Porsche - It's the third one I have owned and having had three, I know I don't need it. I don't need the admiring looks of my friends or the disdainful ones of my enemies. I don't need the exercise I get from walking from deserted corners of parking lots. I don't need to be cold in the winter and hot in the summer. Nor do I need the bills from Molin Auto Body or the ball of fear that knots up in my stomach every time I leave it alone outside of my garage or the fear that some jerk will rearend me on the way to work.

I don't need to be a member of RTR and PCA. It costs me money and great amounts of time. I have to show up at Executive and monthly meetings. I have to make interesting conversation with many people and answer many questions that are asked of a club officer. I am expected to show up at tech and social functions and even bring my wife along.

But worst of all, I have to take the car to driver's schools that the club sponsors. First I have to get up at the crack of dawn and drive to some "garden spot" track. I have to listen to my wife moan about nothing to do and then give in to letting HER race MY car. Not only that, but I have to work to make the event come off.

As you can see, I don't need my car and I would sell it. So, the first guy who comes along with \$50,000.00

--Nick Imperato

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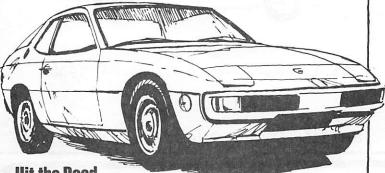
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0-200 mph 13.4 seconds

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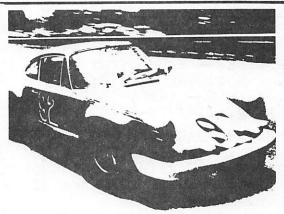
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Wanted

912 COUPE, 5-speed, or early 911 chassis. Relatively (90%) rust-free, rest is unimportant. Vern Lyle, 287-9521, after six.

Notice

We will soon publish a Riesentöter Region Membership Roster, including name and city of residence only. If you do NOT want to be listed, contact Dennis Mahoney, P.O. Box 51, Furlong, PA 18925, 598-7619.

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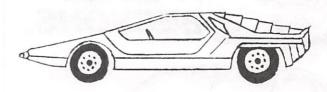
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SHOCKS

Competition

SPRINT SCENE

Snow may be on the ground, but there is much activity taking place regarding sprinting.

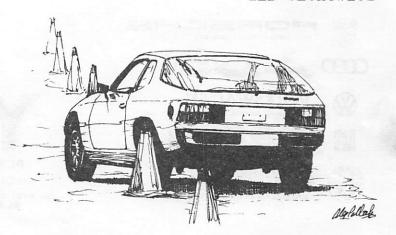
The 1977 Championship Trophies have been presented, and it was another highly successful year for Riesentöter Region. Most notable was Bob Ahrens winning the newly created Super Stock class: this was a fitting end to Bob's perfect season, his having been undefeated in every event that he entered. Other Class champions included A. J. Ahrens, who won C-Stock with his beautiful 356, and Ted Sechowicz, who did it in B-Stock with a 914.

Classes A-Stock and A-Mod, which are traditional 911 classes, had no champions because no one ran enough events to qualify. Let's hope that this practice does not continue next season.

The DVSA Rules Committee has finalized the rules changes for 1978. For a change, few alterations were thought to be necessary. The only significant change to the cars is the requirement of effective mufflers for <u>all</u> cars. The only class change <u>affecting</u> Porsches is the moving of the 924 from B-Stock to a more appropriate position in C-Stock.

DVSA is trying to increase the participation at events this year. To do this we're trying to organize a monthly newsletter. If anyone is interested in regularly receiving information about events to be held, get in touch with me at 6436 Bingham Street, Philadelphia 19111 (215) 342-0294, and you'll be put on the mailing list.

TED SECHOWICZ



RALLY

"Blue Mountain Sunsetter"

This will be a nine hour Performance, Endurance, Time/Speed/Distance rally of approximately 275 mi., covering the rural roads of the central Pennsylvania coal region.

The "prime route" lies north of Interstate 78, west of Interstate 81, south of Interstate 80, and east of the Susquehanna River. The moutainous terrain of this area is laced with twisting and winding roads of excellent quality. Speeds will be brisk, but always under the legal limit. Route instructions will be of the Tulip variety, with official mileage to each instruction.

Headquarters, start, and finish will be at the Kutztown Fire Co., Noble Street, Kutztown, PA. Entry fee includes a hearty breakfast which preceeds the awards presentation. ADVANCE REGISTRATION BY MAIL IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED, AS IS RESERVATION OF MOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS.

\$20.00 per vehicle. First car off at 3:01 p.m. Saturday, March 18. Registration and Safety Inspection 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Fire Co.; Route instructions issued at 2:00 p.m.

Safety Inspection will include (and not be limited to): all exterior lighting & signal equipment, horn, seat belts/harnesses (driver & codriver), wipers, suspension members (including shocks), rear view mirror, tires (including spares), foot brakes, jacking equipment, parking brake. In addition, the following must be carried (minimum): first aid kit (J&J Travel Kit or equivalent), six road flares with a total

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Bob McCullen uses "R.P.M." because they's his initials, gd. bdy.

Jess Holshouser's handle is "Tarheel" owing to his being a native born North Carolinian. Back home he's the "Pennsylvania Tarheel."

John English, when he gets the 914 back from Molin's, will be "Hungry Jack" for some unknown reason.