

riesentöter region, porsche club of america

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President's Message

The American-made automobile of the future, we are told, will be small, light, and inherently economical to operate. It will feature "reasonable" acceleration, ease of handling (read "steering") and a suspension system adaptable to varying road conditions. It will, in short, provide comfortable, safe transportation for (at least) two people. This sounds like the "uniform transportation module" concept advanced by the thinkers and planners in our government, and it is.

However, many of us have cars of the past which meet the above description. These cars also would appear to meet any reasonable criteria which our civil servants could apply in the specific areas of air pollution, occupant safety, fuel economy, etc.

So, what are those responsible for specific areas doing to justify continued employment by the U.S. Government? You guessed it: they have developed, and are continuing to develop, unreasonable standards for performance in at least the above mentioned specific areas.

The Porsche Club of America, at the National level, continually informs its members of proposed

legislation which would serve to limit our choice of automobiles and asks that you contact your Congressman to give him your viewpoint.

Please do so, before it is too late.



Meeting Notice

The September 26 meeting of Riesentöter Region, PCA will be held at 8:30 p.m. at the Joshua Tree Restaurant in Haverford. At press time several alternative programs were under consideration, each a winner. Come out and be surprised!

Achtung!

- Sep 26 MEETING
- Sep 30 Malibu Grand Prix, Mt. Laurel
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Oct 7 OYRSCC/DVSA sprint at Bucks
Co. Comm. College
- Oct 12 Der Gasser deadline
- Oct 13 TECH SESSION at Holbert's
- Oct 21 Riesentöter Sprint at Xmas
Village
- Oct 31 MEETING
- Nov 9 Der Gasser deadline
- Nov xx (no meeting in November)
- Dec 1 ANNUAL BANQUET

HILLCLIMBING

by Jess Holshouser

After a rather dismal season so far, PHA/SCCA held it's third event of the season with Weatherly Hillclimb on August 25/26. Driver and spectator turnout was good and the weather cooperated with no rain.

Earlier in the season Goldmine Hillclimb was replaced by Ravine Hillclimb which eventually was cancelled due to the gasoline crunch. Duryea moved from June to August and then cancelled for the same reason. The remaining season is:

Sept. 15 & 16 - Giants Despair
Sept. 29 & 30 - Ravine (tentative)
Oct. 13 - York Solo I, at
York PA Dragway/
Airport

So at best, the season will consist of five events with the possibility of one more.

Only two of our club drivers participated in Weatherly: Carl Ulrich who finished 2nd and Jess Holshouser who finished 4th in EP2. There were TR-3Bs all around us - but it was a good day and highly competitive. It was humid and not too hot. The event was conducted as in the earlier days with practice on Saturday and timed runs on Sunday for all cars. This made it a long day on Sunday since three runs were provided. The Northeast Penna Region of SCCA, who staged the event, did an excellent job.

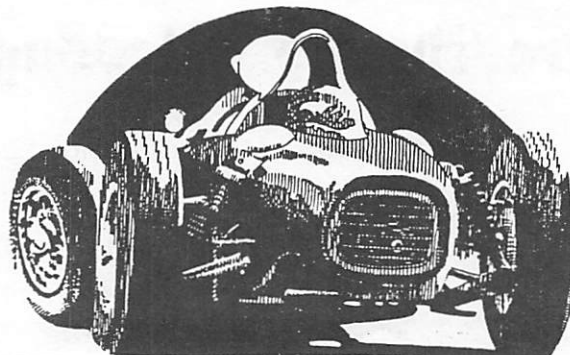
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Special Notice

RIESENTOTER REGION

is going

FORMULA RACING



at: Malibu Grand Prix

Mt. Laurel, N.J.

September 30, 1979

9 A.M. to 1 P.M.

Cost: \$1.00 per lap

Malibu Grand Prix course will be reserved for the exclusive use of Riesen-toter Region. A trophy will be given for the fastest time of day.

For more information
call: Bob Holland
215-436-6577

Guests are welcome
Helmets will be provided

CENTRAL PENN REGION

PORSCHE/CORVETTE CHALLENGE

After a long day of sprinting the Porsche Pushers sent the Corvette Owners home with their tails between their legs. Only a few of the many Corvettes were able to pose a threat to the dominating Porsches.

About 70 entrants made a day of very interesting sprinting. The times of the first six positions in class A (911's) varied by ½ second. Bob Koerbel proved that pride of ownership makes one go slower by winning class A in Joe Shelanski's 911s.

Bob Buchler of Chesapeake Region put many 911's to shame by turning a time of 58.5 seconds in his 356B Super 90 roadster.

The Corvette owners worked late into the evening replacing the sod which was displaced in their many excursions off the pavement. One Corvette owner asked, without delay, after crossing the finish line backwards, "I finished. Didn't I."

Hopefully we will have complete results in next month's issue.

Bob Holland

Membership

Please extend a cordial welcome to the following new members of Riesentoter Region, PCA:

Tina Tuccillo, Lawrenceville, NJ
Bill Browne, Doylestown
Jerome Lacheen, Philadelphia
Stephen L. Gertz, Philadelphia
Arnold W. Adams, Churchville
Axel A. Shield II, Norristown
John W. Horstmann, Wayne
William Billick, Allentown
Edward Hindin, Center Valley
John Schrader, Norristown

Prospective new members are invited to join us at an upcoming event or meeting to "try us out" before officially joining PCA. The regular meetings are informal, and spouses or friends are encouraged to also participate. Potential new members are reminded that their applications and dues must be processed through the local region by being turned in at a meeting or event, or by being sent to the Membership Chairman.

John Reker
Membership Chairman

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The nominating committee will be presenting a slate of officers for 1980 at the September meeting. Nominations from the general membership will also be accepted (and encouraged.)

The election of officers will take place at the October meeting.

The nominating committee would like to hear from those members who would like to serve on the executive committee in 1980. The elected offices are:

President
Vice-president
Secretary
Treasurer
Membership
Competition
Social
Editor

The members of the nominating committee are:

Nick Imperato
Bob Holland
Bill Smith

Please let us hear from you.

Bob Holland

Special Notice—Technical

Holbert's Porsche+Audi on Route 611 in Warrington will host a

TECH SESSION

Saturday, October 13

for the Riesentoter Region. Starting time is 8:30 a.m.; the Parts Department will be open, and a mechanic will be on duty. In addition

to your usual maintenance ritual, this would be a good time to check out the condition of your heating system and clear the schmutz away from your pedal cluster; a dollop or two of appropriate windshield-washer antifreeze wouldn't be premature, either.

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ELECTED OFFICERS 1979

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Members attending the July meeting were treated to the following quote from the 6/15/79 Energy Daily:

"West Germany's toll-free, no-speed-limit autobahns are famous for their fast left lane—a blurred path of Porsches, Mercedes and BMWs zipping along at speeds anywhere between 100-120 mph. Recently there have been a few timid suggestions that such behavior might be a trifle energy-extravagant. Such suggestions have been roundly rejected by Count Otto von Lambsdorff, the federal minister responsible for these matters. Speed limits on the autobahns would not be a good idea, the count told the women's magazine Brigitte, because German cars are built for high performance at high speed. 'If we had speed limits,' the count declared, 'we should soon be making cars as technically miserable as the Americans.'"

John Reker's reading of that item and another from the same source is believed to have resulted in the longest and most interesting official report of a Membership Chairman in the history of the Riesentoter Region. Der Gasser should NOT be relied upon, however, to always pass such gems along: you must attend the meetings in order to benefit therefrom!