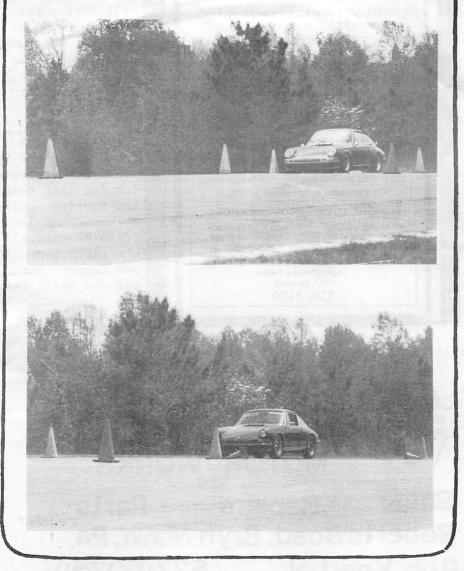
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BY THE WAY: The response to the 948 after Bob Patton's drawing last month was amazing. Glad to know that lots of folks read all the pages, but did you forget that it was the April issue?



Precision WORKS

Sales Repairs Parts Roberts Road, Bryn Mawr, Pa Bob Koerbel 527-6025 Well, we've already had a few events, there are lots more planned, and things are running quite smoothly. The schedule is in order and we must start planning for next year. Specifically, I refer to those members who use their talents a little extra to provide their own enjoyment and that of the club as a whole. This group, of course, is the Executive Committee. It is open to any member who is able, and is willing to give a bit of time to gain an immense amount of satisfaction. It might be composed of members who particularly liked an event and could expand on it with new ideas - or members who particularly disliked some aspect of the organization and could improve it for the benefit of all of us.

I urge everyone to seriously consider for a moment, if it might be time for he or she to participate more deeply in the club. With the right people and the right attitude, it is easy to imagine Riesentoter as the real "Giantkiller" of PCA.

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Up Comin'

May 21 - Open House at Holbert's Porsche-Audi, 9 am to 6 pm, see page 7

22 - Porsche Car Show & Tour of Duryea, hosted by Horrigan Porsche-Audi, see page 11

21-22 - Duryea Hillclimb, PHA sanctioned

21-22 - Orangeburg NY, Swap Meet & Concours

22 - DVSA Autocross, OYR at Gloucester County

25 - Riesentoter Meeting, see page 3

27-29 - Driver's School, NNJR at Pocono; PATTS

June 5 - Riesentoter Autocross School at Montgomery Mall, Bob Russo, 674-4756

5 - SCCA Autocross, Plymouth Meeting Mall

12 - DVSA Autocross, Schattenbaum at Gloucester

18-19 - Driver's School, Potomac at Summit Point

19 - SCCA Autocross, Northampton Co. Com. College

26 - SCCA Autocross, Plymouth Meeting Mall

29 - Riesentoter Meeting at Casa Maria

July 10 - SCCA Autocross, Exton Mall

16-17 - Driver's School, Riesentoter at Summit Pt, PATTS #2, Axel Shield, 215-279-1809

16-17 - SCCA Pro Solo II at Harrisburg

24 - SCCA Autocross, Exton Mall

27 - Riesentoter Meeting at Casa Maria

27-28 - Driver's School, NNJR at Lime Rock

29-30 - Driver's School, Schattenbaum at Lime Rock

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Next Meeting: Roehrig to speak

Our speaker for the May 25th meeting will be J. Kurt Roehrig, General Manager and Chief Driver for Roehrig Racing of King of Prussia.

Kurt is an honors graduate of the prestigious General Motors Institute, and among other things, was heavily involved with designing the innovative fiberglass suspension components of the 1984 Corvette.

In 1978, Kurt drove the IMSA GTU winning Porsche 911, while helping design the Roehrig Racing GTU BMW 320i for 1979. In 1981, Kurt and his co-drivers, Mullen and Bohren, received international acclaim as they finished 10th Overall at Daytona in a Mazda despite a two hour pit stop.

Although considered the real Hotshoe in the Renault Cup Series, Kurt's main concern has been the preparation of their CanAm car, a BMW Cicale Ralt. Hopefully, this car will be on display at the meeting. Kurt will talk about getting started in road racing through different methods and will answer questions on almost anything technical. It should be a great meeting.

Kurt will be joining us for an informal dinner at 6:30 (just prior to the meeting); if you would like to join the early birds, please let me know.

Craig Rosenfeld



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Welcome, New Members

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A.R. & Irene van Zijl Malvern '78 911SC

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Dennis & Shirley Eskey Mohnton 166 912

Reading 183 944

Larry & Pat Isreal Huntington Valley '74 911

Richard Reber Bernville 174 924

James & Linda Robinson Philadelphia '73 911E

Sandra Smith Pottstown '81 924

Louis Holmes Folsom '73 911 Targa

Louis Rizzuto Reading '80 911

A special welcome to Bill and Maureen Brosnan, who attended their first meeting at the Wine Tasting.





Seemed like home at the Wine Tasting, with <u>Bob & Babe Ahrens</u> joining the festivities. We've missed them during the last year or so, but their time is well spent with their growing family. In April, daughter Teresa and her husband Kevin gave birth to little Kevin, who will hopefully acquire his PCA enthusiasm from his young grandmom and dad. This is their second grandson, as daughter Denise and hubby Phil's little Phil is probably pedalling his way through pylons by now. Congratulations to all the Ahrens'.

Another little Riesentoter was born in April to <u>Bob</u> and <u>Maria Holland</u>. We warmly welcome <u>Joy</u> to the family. She has some catching up to do, as sister Jean attended her first Porsche Club event (last years Chesapeake Challenge) just a few months after she was born! Best wishes to you all.

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Imagine what you and your Porsche would feel like on that winding hilly roadway with nothing to hold you back but your own seat of the pants. This is your OPPORTUNITY to exercise your Porsche in the manner for which it was designed. It is also a great chance to improve your driving skills and explore the limits of both a great automobile and yourself. If you are a typical Porsche-pusher, you are probably already rightly proud of your driving ability, but believe me until you have tried your pride and joy in the unlimited environment of a race track, you really don't know the limits of either yourself or your car. Even fast motoring breaking all the speed limits, is only driving at about 50 to 60% of the absolute limit. Driver's Education gives you the only safe chance to find out what true motoring is really all about. The next time some broadcaster asks a professional driver "what's it like out there?" on Wide World of Sports, you will already know!

Driver's Education is around 75-200 Porsches in one place at one time, which is quite a sight all by itself. Drivers are broken down into several "run groups" from instructor to absolute beginner, depending on their high speed track experience. Those with relatively little track time are required to take an instructor with them until they are thoroughly familiar with the track, its proper driving line, location of the flag stations and the rules of the road for track driving. These drivers will also be expected to demonstrate that they can be consistently smooth and safe while circuiting the track in a reasonably

quick manner before being allowed to "solo". However, no one will force you to go faster than you feel comfortable. <u>Safe</u> high speed driving through smoothness, consistency and concentration is what PCA's Driver Education can teach you.

These events are so popular because they are fun. Riesentoter's Summit Point Driver's School July 16-17 will give you the opportunity to share two full days of enjoyment with friends and a lot of neat automobiles. Many drivers bring along their families to share in the social atmosphere of a weekend Porsche event. Come out and try it and I guarantee that you will thoroughly enjoy yourself. Be forewarned, however, because once the bug bites, it's almost impossible to shake the (performance driving) "syndrome", especially if you own a Porsche!



Holbert's Open House

Tony Checkowski

You are invited to an Open House party at Holbert's Porsche-Audi, Route 611, Warrington, Pa, 9am - 6pm.

Bring your Porsche or Audi to enter the top-only Concours. Prizes will be awarded by a popular judge selected by Holbert's. Movies showing your favorite car in action will be shown all day. Shop mechanics will be more than willing to answer your car-oriented questions. The race shop will also be open. Both Al and his dad, Bob, will be available to discuss all the finer points of driving, as well as show you around the various shops. When you get hungry, there will be food and refreshments just a step away. Both gates will be open so you may park on the spacious and well protected grounds.

There will be some <u>surprise vehicles</u> at the Open House. Enough said to those of you who want to see and

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RIESENTOTER REGION, PCA



DRIVER'S EDUCATION AND TIME TRIALS
JULY 16 - 17, 1983

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RIESENTOTER/SUMMIT POINT JULY 16 - 17, 1983 REGISTRATION FORM

First Driver

Second Driver

Name: Address: Tel. No. PCA Region: Car Info: Driver Info:	(1) (1) (2) (1) Year (2) Model (2) (2) (3) No. of high speed events attended? (1)(2) Give details: (1) (2) How would you rate yourself? Novice (1)(2) Beginner (1)(2) Intermediate (1)(2) Have you ever instructed previously? (1)(2) (1) (2) (2) (3) (4) (6)
	Would you prefer a particular car number: First Driver Second Driver

Information packet will be forwarded upon registration. Riesentoter Region PCA reserves the right to refuse any entrant.

I hereby certify that I have no physical or mental problems which jeopardize myself or others if I participate in this event.

Signature, First Driver

Signature, Second Driver

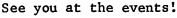
In keeping with Riesentoter's perfect record for the last 5 attempts, our Autocross School for April 10 was rained out. We had set up four representative sections of an autocross for instruction - to be combined into an autocross course at the end of the day. A really good learning experience! We have since checked with the National Weather Service, the Farmers Almanac and a local gypsy, whose tarot cards say that the next major rainfall is scheduled for June 5, so we have rescheduled our School for that date. Remember, mark your calendar for the Autocross School, June 5.

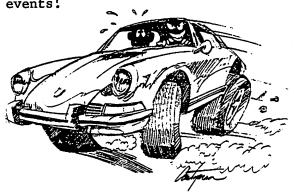
Two weeks after the cancelled school, we hosted the first DVSA Sprint of the season. Again, we were prepared with a good, fast, open course - only to awaken to another torrential rain. Nine die-hard autocrossers did show up, but we decided to cancel. Because of the extremely full schedule this year, we probably will not reschedule this event. Other events on the DVSA schedule will be underway by the time you read this - check the calendar on page 2.

The Driver's School/Time Trial season is in full swing - I hear Axel has been to 37 events already! The PATTS (Porsche Atlantic Time Trial Series) looks as though it will attract enough participation this year so that we can continue next year, hopefully with more events. If you have not yet registered, there are still a few spots left. You probably can not get into the May event at Pocono, but you only need 2 of 3 events to qualify for end-of-year awards. So send in your application and join the fun.

Plans for our Time Trial event (July 16-17 at Summit Point) are moving along quite smoothly. Axel has sent notices to all regions in Zone 1 and Zone 2, and Bob McCullen has contacted SCCA for flagging people. Remember, those of you who are not going to drive in the event can come down to help us.

For your information, a group of us were invited by Northern NJ Region to check out the feasibility of using the "long course" at Pocono for a Driver's School. Let me tell you, that is one big mutha course! Actually, it was a lot more interesting and exciting than I thought it would be. It does, however, have an awe-inspiring effect. The back straight seems like it goes on forever. If it ever does get used, it will probably be at the October event.





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It quickens the pulse, gets the adrenalin flowing, and gives a sense of pride that few other endeavors can give - COMPETITION! The knowledge that you are better than the rest, that you can beat them at their own game. It is little wonder that wherever you look, someone is competing for something against someone else. It is my downfall; I love competition and I love to beat other people at whatever I do. I sense that most of you are like that also. Why else would you have joined the Porsche Club?

Some of you may be saying, "No, not me. I don't race my car. I only enjoy it for its quality and engineering." Hogwash! You love the car because of its exclusivity and its prestige. It makes you feel much superior to the rest of the cars on the road, and that is competition. And I think that the competition among the non-racing members may be even greater than between the racers. I know that I would not sit up all night with a toothbrush and Q-tips cleaning the underside of my car. Some of the fiercest competition goes on at the concours, especially at the Parade. I even heard of one 928 driver who took the entire rear suspension off his car to clean it - "too dirty".

This leads us to the racing crowd (you knew I would get to you). A group of crazier people never existed until someone took his noisy, clanking mechanical horse and proved that it was the fastest in the county. Ever since then, people have been pushing their more and more expensive machinery faster and faster. And they have been spending more and more money to do it. The cries echo through the pits - "Wait til I get my \$1000 set of Comp T/As, wait til I get my Konis and swaybars". For the love of winning, I would think nothing of sitting up all night fitting stiffer bars and shocks. Why? Because beating other people gives an enjoyment not found in other activities. That's why all sports are so popular today.

People can get carried away with being competitive. Normally sane, careful people that park their cars miles from other vehicles, almost never drive their cars in the rain, would roll on the ground laughing hysterically at the suggestion of someone else driving their car - will risk over-revving their motors or stuffing the car into a guardrail just to win a small trophy. I am no less guilty of this than anyone else. I look for areas to compete in that no one else would think of. My wife, Cheryl, says that I am too competitive and that games with me are no fun because I try too hard to win. When she asked why I was writing another article for Der Gasser, I told her that I have written two articles and at the same time, so has Mike Stolper. If he has not written an article for this month. THEN I'VE WON!

Another One!

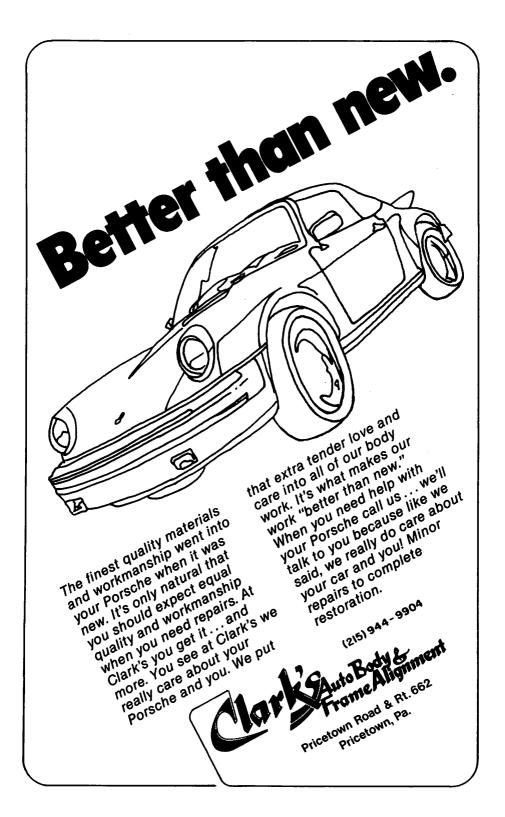
Juanita Elliott

To the Editor:

I had to let you know how much I enjoyed the article "The Last One?" by Larry Herman, which appeared in the March <u>Der Gasser</u>. It certainly made the point about 914s in a descriptive and amusing way. My Porsche has been a pleasure to drive, and when I've carelessly let my mind wander from the road ahead, it has handled itself beautifully, driving around close calls, through and between other drivers, and over some bad snow conditions.

One day a friend, sitting in the passenger seat as I started my car, hearing the noise of the engine and the rattle of the sunroof, feeling the acceleration, quietly asked, "Have we been cleared for take-off?"

By now, Larry, you "should understand what I'm driving at, and driving in". Loved the article. Thanks for letting other Porsche owners know how we feel about our special sports car.



On April 9, at YBH Porsche-Audi, it looked like rain, smelled like rain, and because you stayed at home - it did not rain!

A small group of Porsche owners had the place to themselves. We had Rolf and Bob, the core of the mechanics force at YBH, working all day on tough problems. This writer thanks Rolf (from West Germany since '72) for uncovering and fixing hidden problems in my 67S that must have been there for years. Several other club members were likewise rewarded by the fine work of the YBH crew. Sandy, the General Manager, also provided donuts and coffee. As a thankyou to us from YBH, it looks like we may have another advertiser for Der Gasser. Like most of the dealerships in our area - they know what they are doing.

The next scheduled tech session is July 9 at Holbert's Porsche-Audi, Rt 611, Warrington, PA. Get your Porsche teched for the Summit Point Driver's School and Time Trial event hosted by Riesentoter (your club).

We will be holding one or two more tech sessions by the end of the year. YBH and Rosemont are the most likely places. If you have other places in mind to hold tech sessions let Bob Patton or myself know.



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