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THIS MONTH'S SCHEDULE

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- 12 Aug Breakfast Club** — IHOP in Searcy **Detail; pg 3**
- 26 Aug Family Fun in the Sun** — We'll be heading to Heber Springs for a day on the water **Detail; pg 3**
- 9 Sep Breakfast Club** — Advada's in Carlisle
- 13 Sep Monthly Social** — Sonic in Little Rock in Chenal
- 30 Sep Winefest** — Wiederkehr Winery in Altus, AR.
- 14 Oct Breakfast Club** — Pine Bluff area
- 28 Oct Fun Run** — Sylamore fun run, just North of Mountain View
- 10 Nov Porschepalooza** — 10-12 November in Eureka Springs



President's Corner
By Rick Daes

Queen Wilhelmina Fun Run

The morning started off overcast and cool, once we had departed it didn't take long before we ran into rain. By the time we approached Hot Springs the sun was shining and the roads were dry and surprisingly for being June 24th, it was very pleasant.

Heading West on Hwy 270 we encountered very little traffic once we went through Crystal Springs. I heard a voice over the walkie talkie that someone wanted to stop at the Smoke House on our return trip. We were greeted by only one state trooper and pretty much had the road to ourselves except for an occasional deer. Once in Mena we turned onto the main drag which leads you to an immediate and noticeable thirty degree ascent up the southern slope of a thirteen mile winding mountain road.

Once we had climbed above the trees, the drop in temperature became apparent and very appreciated for those among us whose cars were not equipped or did not have working A/C. Once we arrived at the lodge we stood outside and admired the view, you can see Oklahoma if you know what your looking at.

We were seated in the restaurant without delay and after a short discussion everyone or-

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Membership Report
By Lisa Broadwell

As of July 1, 2006

New Members:	1
Richard Davis Jacksonville	1988 944
On time Renewals:	4
Late Renewals:	0
Transfer In:	0
Transfer Out:	3
Dropped / Non Renewals:	3

Please try to remember to pay your dues on time. PCA's Main Office doesn't offer a grace period.

Total Members as of July 1, 2006: 86

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Editor's Notes
By Michael Kennedy

Wow, I can't believe August is already here! This year has been flying by and the Ozark Region has kept pace with a variety of activities and events for everyone! Although we are just in the beginning of summer, we're already planning our fall and winter schedule, so keep watch for your Injector Updates. If you are not receiving the weekly electronic updates, please ensure we have your correct email address so you have the latest information.

Speaking of latest information, we are work-

ing on the website so it will be up to date with both events and the membership roster, for those who would like to be listed. If you don't see your name listed or your information is incorrect, please contact one of the officers to have it fixed.

As August rolls in, I'll be picking up another class. The college told me yesterday I am now overloaded, as far as they are concerned, with 10 credit hours this upcoming term as a part time student. I'm on a tight schedule to complete a full year's worth of credit in under a year as a part time student and I'm happy to announce Chuck Weeks and his son have stepped up to help me out with the newsletter. With their assistance this

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<http://www.pca.org/ozk>



Porsche of the Month

The August 2006 Porsche of the month belongs to Jason and Christie Beck with their 2002 996 Cabriolet. Here is how Jason came to acquire this beautiful Porsche

I'm one of those typical guys who loves cars, always looking and dreaming about the next shiny fast ride. My first Porsche experience was in a 1972 911 which was painted some kind of strange plum color. My friend's dad would drive us to the skating rink on Bowman road by way of the curvy part of Kanis. Riding in the back seat of a 911 with the engine screaming on a curvy road is something a 10 year old kid never forgets.

My wife and I have been toying with the idea of a sports car ever since we had kids and got stuck in the SUV/minivan rut. When it comes to vehicles my wife and I have very different taste but the one thing we always agreed on was the timeless beauty of the 911. Last New Years Eve we went to Memphis for the weekend and on a whim decided to stop by the Porsche dealership to take a look. Next thing I know I am driving a 997 Carrera Cabriolet and was instantly reminded of the special feeling you get driving a Porsche. I was hooked.



After some discussion with my wife about must haves, a convertible top for her and a back seat for the kids, we settled on the 911. I started an extensive search for the perfect used 911 Cabriolet and happened to find it right here in Little Rock. It is a 2002 996 Cabriolet, Black with natural leather. It was purchased new by the original owner in Dallas in 2002. It had lived a pampered life with only 15,000 miles when I bought it in January of 2006. It gets driven a lot now though. My wife drives it daily to work (a short 2 mile commute versus my 100 mile daily drive) and it is mine on the weekends. I take my 3 year old son driving every weekend. He loves riding in the back with the top down. It is good quality father and son time. Most of the time we just cruise and talk about the world around us but every now and then I have one of those proud father moments when he says "daddy, is it time to go fast yet".

Editor's Notes Cont... By Michael Kennedy

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summer, I'll be able to continue a demanding school schedule and still produce the newsletter on time! They will be doing the hard part; the printing, folding, and mailing of the newsletter after I've compiled, edited, and created the PDF file. I greatly appreciate the work they are doing to help out and keep the membership informed.

We look forward to having a great summer and fall and seeing as many members at our events as possible. So keep the shiny side up and enjoy the great weather!

Some of you may have noticed one of our advertisers is missing this month. Well your eyes are not deceiving you, Perfection Plus had their ad pulled this month in order to comply with a requirement from Porsche Cars North America. Not to fret, we expect to have a new ad for them next month. In the mean time, do not let their absence in the newsletter sway you from partaking of their Porsche (and other makes) services as you ready your Porsche for summer!

**Perfection Plus is located in Little Rock
Contact Steve McPherson at 565-1911**

Hallett Track Day

Below is the Hallett info for September 2006. For the Porsche Club members I will give a \$10 per driver discount. That will make it \$115 per driver. I'd really like to see some Porsches out there this year. Tell everyone not to worry if they've never been on a track before. We will take care of them and give them some pointers. Also, we will keep the "idiots" off the track so everyone should be safe. Thanks.

Who? Anybody with a car that will pass tech and the money to go.

What? Racing at Hallett Raceway in Hallett, Oklahoma. Just 30 miles west of Tulsa.

Where? Hallett, Oklahoma. Approximately 350 miles from Little Rock.

When? Sunday September 17th, 2006. We will leave on Saturday afternoon and head to Tulsa to spend the night. Run on Sunday and be back home for work on Monday morning. No missed work so that takes away that excuse.

We will run it just like last year. 40 Drivers, 3 run groups, 8 hours of pure fun in the fall sun. Nothing in the world like it.

It is going to be \$125 per driver to run. That includes: corner workers, EMT and ambulance, track usage, a short driver school, and track repairs.

Cars are required to pass an SCCA-like tech. Helmets are required, must be Snell 2000 and up. Long pants, and long sleeve shirts are recommended but not required. Once again, I will keep a running list on the board of PAID participants. I will not post you on the list until you pay me.

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Breakfast Club

For the August Breakfast Club, we'll head to Searcy for breakfast at the new IHOP

Just the Details

WHEN: 12 August, 8:00 AM

WHERE: Christ the King Church on the corner of Cantrell and Rodney Parham

We'll depart at 8:15, arrive around 9:10 at the IHOP in Searcy located in the Wal-Mart parking lot. Then after breakfast, we'll take a fun run back to Little Rock on some old country roads. Back in little Rock before noon. Those folks living in NLR, Jacksonville or Cabot, we'll meet with you on the way. Call or e-mail Rick at (501) 565-5113 or rdaes@aristotle.net to make arrangements.

President's Corner Cont...

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dered the buffet where an ample selection of food was offered. Then came the topic of desserts, you wouldn't think that would be a big deal, there were several to choose from: chocolate cake, banana pudding, coconut cake, chocolate pudding, bread pudding, cheese cake and a couple of others. I think what started the conversation was the number of men who ate the coconut cake. Apparently their wives do not like coconut and therefore none is permitted in the house. These folks highly recommended the coconut cake, as they went back for seconds or had just piled their plate full so they wouldn't have to make two trips. In my house there is no coconut restrictions so I ate a thin slice and turned my attention to the neglected cheese cake. The meal with tip was about \$10 and well worth it, especially if you have been sentenced to a marital life of no coconut.

We departed the lodge leaving down the Eastern slope, there at the bottom of the mountain on Hwy 270 was a little store. Now this store was very unusual because he was "OUT OF" everything; he was out of gas, his fountain drink machine was out of order, he was out of oil but maybe he had that brand in back, nope he was out of oil in the back. He was a very charming and friendly fella but he was out of "this" and he was out of "that" and I left there feeling this guy is Out of Luck and probably will be Out of Business very soon.

Then we proceeded on back towards Hot Springs on Hwy 270 through the Ouachita National Forest, from "Y" City to Pencil Bluff, there's 23 miles of flat open road and nothing else. This 23 mile stretch is a wonderful place to put the peddle to the metal but a terrible place if you break down. In Mt Ida came a call across the walkie talkie for gas so we pulled in and filled our tanks. Then onward to the Smoke House which is not only filled with smoked and cured meats and cream soda soft drinks but a lot of Native American artifacts and other collectibles.

There at the Smoke House everyone said good-bye and we headed back to Little Rock to go our separate ways.

NEWS ABOUT PORSCHEPALOOZA

Due to requirements in the PCNA and PCA agreements, we cannot use the term Porschepalooza to name our event. It has been worked out for us to use the name this year with the PCNA lawyers, however the website had to be changed. You can register for the event online at the new web address www.pca-palooza.com.

26 August Family Day on the Lake

On the 26th of August, the Ozark Region will have a family day at Greer's Ferry Lake.

We are still working out the details, so watch for the Injector Update and the online calendar. The plan is for those of us leaving from Little Rock to meet at Christ the King Church at 8:00 a.m. depart at 8:15, drive up to Heber Springs and meet with Bret Patton at a designated (TBA) location and spend the day on Greer's Ferry Lake. Everyone needs to bring their own ice chest and picnic lunch.

For more details and RSVP contact Rick Daes at 565-5113 or rdaes@aristotle.net.



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4TH OF JULY AT THE PEABODY BY RICK DAE S

Gregg Herning must have read my article in the July news letter when "figuratively speaking" I mentioned that he had rolled out the "Red Carpet" for us at the Peabody for the Riverfest Fireworks. When we arrived at the Peabody for the 4th of July Fireworks celebration Gregg had literally rolled out the Red Carpet, the 36 inch wide, 12 foot long strips of carpet were rolled back to allow the cars to back into position and then rolled back out beneath the front bumpers of the line of cars. Our Porsches were treated as VIPs of the Peabody and on display for the passerbys to review. All tallied we had 16 cars, 41 years of Porsches, spanning from Ray Gages 1965 356 to Michael Allwines 2006 Cayman S.

We have tried for years to promote ourselves as being a family oriented club and have tried to have activities that would encourage members not only to include their spouse but also their children, at this event we finally succeeded. We had as many as 10 children ranging in age of 2 to 7 years old and their enjoyment was obvious. I challenged Hunter Wood (age 7) to a race down the long carpeted corridor leading to the banquet room, as Hunter ran off and left me, pretending he was driving his dad's Carrera, it was apparent to everyone who saw us that I am built for comfort and not for speed. Skylar Arnold (age 2) was our children's ambassador, she greeted the other children with hugs and "Hello's", she complimented them on their shoes and she showed them how to have a good time at the miniature swimming pool filled with rubber ducks. Skylar, Vanessa McPherson (age 4), Lauren-Frances Wood(age 7) and her sister Lindsey (age 3) found prizes under the rubber ducks and became known as the "Glitter Girls", they had glitter on their arms, hands, faces and eventually in their fathers cars. Brennen Beck (age 3) and Skylar also showed the crowd how fashionable it is to have ones car seat in the back seat of their daddy's 996 Cabs.

Patrick Weeks (age 6) was full of energy and was ready to drive his dad's 944 home at the end of the night.

I didn't know hot dogs and hamburgers could be presented so eloquently, no paper plates or plastic utensils like at my house. There were tables inside and out, with table clothes and candles, the silverware wrapped in cloth napkins There were glass plates and the condiment table was loaded with all the trimmings and side dishes. The hamburgers looked as if they had been patted into a ducks web foot and the hot dogs were those Big Beefy Franks. I seriously doubt if 6 time hot-dog-eating champ; Takeru Kobayashi, could have downed 53 of these big boys in 12 minutes as he did at this years Coney Island 4th of July competition.

The fireworks were spectacular and having just seen the Riverfest fireworks from the same location 40 days earlier, I can tell you they were different. They had a lot more color and a lot less noise, it seemed they went higher and cascaded in a larger umbrella deployment.

Thanks again to Gregg Herning and to his staff for treating the club to another wonderful evening at the Peabody.

BREAKFAST CLUB RUN TO JONE'S CAFE

Saturday was cool with low humidity and everyone showed up with either their tops: either off, down or sunroofs open. To think it was the 8th of July , at 8 a.m. and the temperature was in the mid 70's. Once we got out of Pulaski County heading West on Hwy 10 the drive was very uneventful. Just before we entered Perry County we did encounter a slow moving Camry with a dump truck pulling a trailer behind it but after a mile or so, we reached a passing lane and were able to continue on at our pace. Once we had arrived at the Jones Cafe we were joined by John and Diane James from Hot Springs, They had arrived earlier and had gone to the local farmers market in Perryville to buy fresh vegetables.

We all got to order very quickly and it wasn't long before everyone's breakfast was served except mine. I ordered the weight watchers special, Western Omelet with a side order of biscuits and gravy, it takes a little longer to remove those extra calories. Once we finished breakfast we visited in the parking lot and left in separate groups. John and Diane had driven from Hot Springs by way of Hwy 5 to Hwy 9 through Peron then West on Hwy 10. Their return trip was to be on Hwy 10 into Perryville to Hwy 60, then over to Hwy 7 and back to Hot Springs. The rest of us took Hwy 10 West for a short distance and turned East on Hwy 300. This took us around and past Harris Break Lake.

Hwy 300 winds around and through such communities as Pleasant Valley, Little Italy, Wye, Monnie Springs, Roland and Natural Steps. Once you get past Harris Break and are driving towards Pleasant Valley there are several nice straight-aways to allow you to stretch your legs while your foot is resting on the accelerator. The fields had been cut for the second time and the sweet smell of freshly cut hay still lingered in the cool air. Once past Pleasant Valley the road turns into a series of short hair pin turns going up and down the hills towards Little Italy. We had the road to ourselves except for an occasional car or bicyclist. This was one of those fun runs when you wished more folks could have been able to take advantage of the beautiful July weather and the deserted highways. A Good Drive was had by All.

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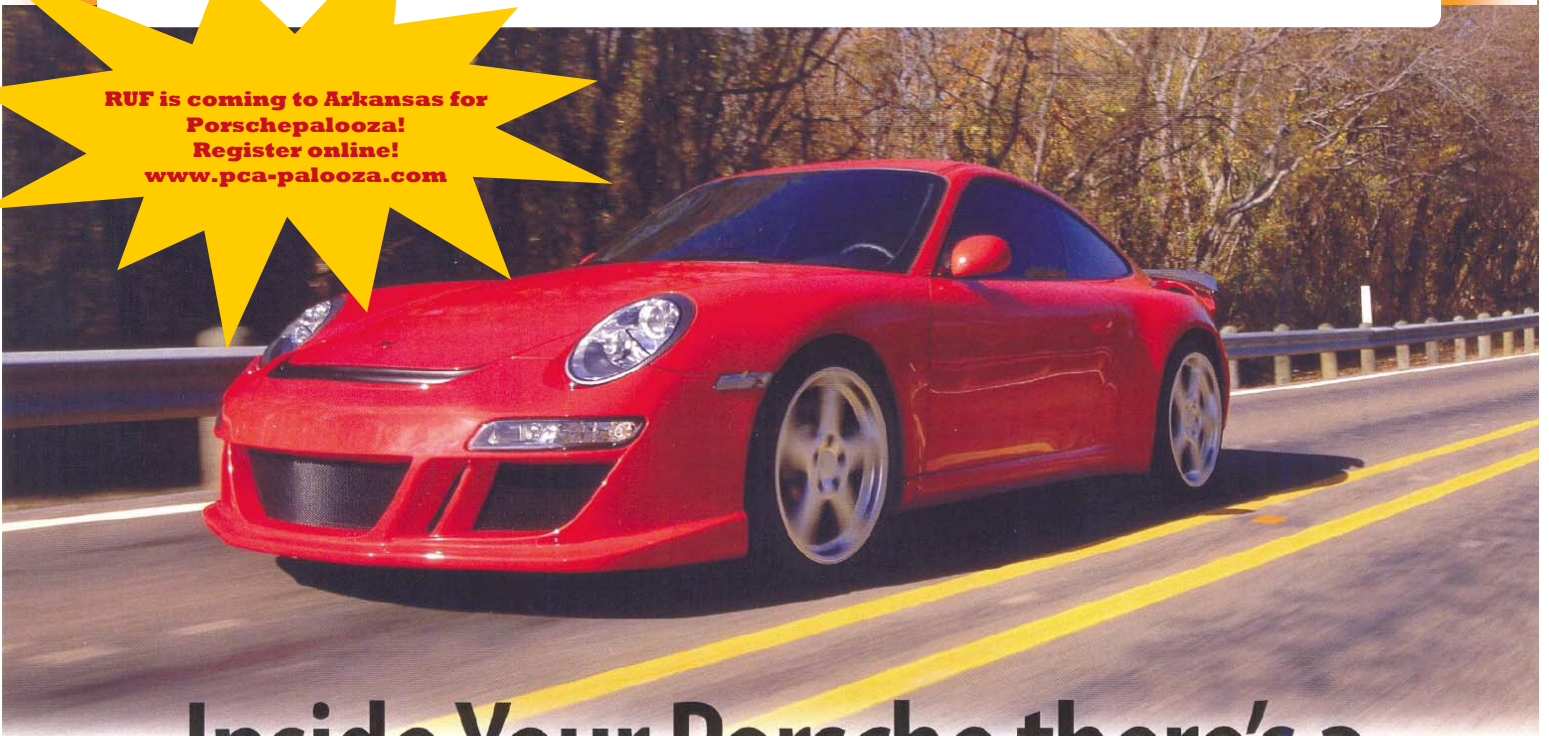
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