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Wilderness Trail Region Porsche Club of America

JANUARY '11 NEWSLETTER

Our January 3rd meeting was held at Giuseppe's and VP, Craig Haltom opened the meeting by welcoming guests and stating we need to elect some new officers as our primary business. He sincerely hopes new leadership will take our club to more of a social level rather than focusing on DE events. He suggested wine-tastings, tours/drives, dinners and one event in particular, going to Asheville and experiencing the Grove Park buffet- as he has had personal experience. Also these social events should get more spouses involved. Greg Miller commented he would like for someone to take over as Social & Events chair, so we can focus on moving in another direction.

Craig nominated Greg Schuette for President and Hugh seconded his motion. Greg stated he would accept if he had the support of the club and the communication support Hugh has provided with our newsletter and other means. Greg S. then asked if Hugh would consider continuing with the Secretary-Newsletter Editor position and Hugh responded in the affirmative if he (Greg S.) would accept the President position, and only for one additional year and if his salary of Secretary-Newsletter Editor was tripled. The club voted unanimously yes for Greg Schuette and Hugh Tackett. Hugh's salary will be triple zero for 2011.

More discussion followed the elections regarding how changes can be made in our club. Greg Miller feels new officers can easily change the direction of the club by doing things the club prefers, which will get more members involved as well as new members. Greg M. also would like for the club to be fun/enjoyable and hopes all the membership will not be so critical of every little detail of individuals performance, so we can all enjoy our cars and everyone's fellowship. With a new attitude he hopes all the membership will reach out to current members (not attending for whatever reason), to allow our club to grow and make it an enjoyable and fun experience. Hugh mentioned a great way to grow our club is to solicit members when we see them driving or parking their Porsche's. He passed around some WTR business type cards his son had made for him (with his e-mail address and phone), he uses them to pass out to prospective members or places them on their Porsche windshield with a note to send him their e-mail address, if interested in getting involved with our Porsche club. If he receives a response he adds them to his master e-mail list for all e-mails.

Greg Miller announced that he, Robert McQueen, Stan Mosley and Mark Finley have formed a corporation called Rezoom Motorsports specifically for DE events. They have acquired eleven (11) dates from various tracks for 2011 and their first

event is Barber Motorsports Park on March 26th and 27th. Their organization has sent out a couple e-mail notices of their schedule and current registrants of upcoming DE's. Since this organization has been formed several club members access has been denied to Motorsport reg.com for viewing any registrants who may have signed up for our March DE event at VIR. We asked Greg if he or his organization was aware or had anything to do with our access being denied? Also why our club DE roster list was used for their events which even had our WTR name listed in the information? Much discussion was followed and Greg Miller and Robert McQueen stated they would meet with us to discuss the confusions and resolve any issues. Based on Rezoom Motorsports schedule they will be having DE's within a week of our scheduled events in March and September, therefore we discussed the possibility of canceling our events with VIR since it seems the same registrants and e-mail list will be used and most would not want the events that close together, which could cause our events to suffer. Craig will call VIR to discuss these issues and possibly see if a June 3rd date would be available for our club to use for a DE.

Craig mentioned other ways the club can earn income if we decide to not do DE's this year. One thing other clubs have done is driver safety training for high school students. There are also charity events we could hold and PCA will pay us to have the event.

Want to enjoy your Porsches now instead of waiting for summer? Rub elbows with other owners and have some fun? See the Calendar of events listed below for the next few months.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR SPRING 2011

January 29th —Rolex-24 @ Daytona Speedway—Contact Speedway for information/tickets.

February 7th—WTR Club meeting. Location to be determined.

February 11th—Grove Park Inn—Asheville —Seafood Buffet. Contact Craig haltomc@yahoo.com or Wayne thacker@chartertn.net for meeting place and time to depart.

February 19th—Smokey Mountain Region annual Great Porsche Show Off—Ruby Tuesdays @ Northshore & Pellissippi Parkway 10 AM until 2 PM. Contact Bob Hutchins for more info hutchib@knology.net

February 26th—Cincinnati Region and Porsche of the Village are having their annual Winter Concours Saturday from 5:30 to 9:00 within a 50,000 sq ft facility. Last year they had 50 to 55 very choice Porsche's. 15 to 20- 356 Porsches, at least the same number of historic competition cars and wide array of very special Porsche's for viewing. See last years event at the following link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pEirgCyKB8o>. Or contact Bruce Harnish @ 937-672-9417 or e-mail: BHarnish@PorscheoftheVillage.com

March 4-6 —Tennessee Region in Chattanooga in having their annual Winterfest weekender and the Concours is IN-DOORS. Event to be held at the historic Chattanooga Choo Choo with many other events. Near TN Aquarium, IMAX Theater, Discovery Museum, Art District and many more places to see. See web site for more details and registration-<http://www.tr-pca.org/>

March 7th—WTR Club Meeting. Location to be determined.

March 11-13—Amelia Island Concours. Bobby Rahal is the honoree, many Seminars and Porsche Experience. See web site for more information: <https://www.ameliaconcours.org/>

April 4th —WTR Club Meeting. Location to be determined.

April 15-17—Smokey Mountain Region annual Spring Thing in Pigeon Forge. The wives will want to attend this one so they can shop till they drop. For info call Vic Rola @ 865-207-4303 or e-mail vicrola@hughes.net. Or check more details on their web site: <http://www.smt pca.org/>

Also see the latest issue of Panorama for PCA events. Enjoy—Until next month.....*Hugh*