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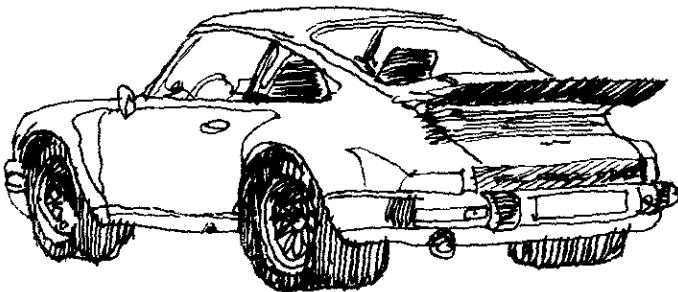
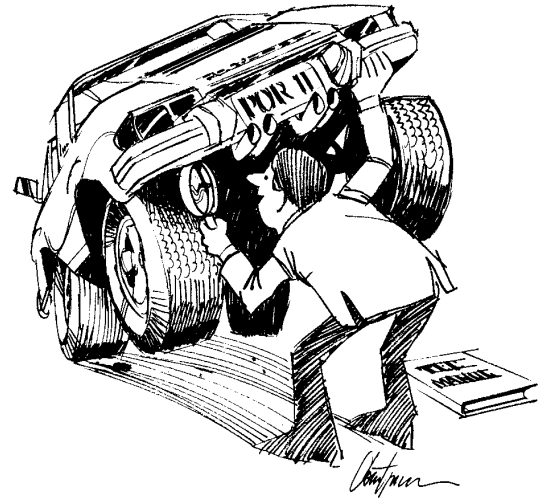
JULY 2012

Keeneland Concours Drive July 21st

It's that time of year for the Louisville Porsche Gang to head to Lexington and meet up with the Bluegrass Region for the 2012 Keeneland Concours. This is always a fun event and there should be over 100 Porsches on the lawn of the Keeneland horse barn area.

This is a weather friendly drive, but the Concours itself is a 'rain or shine' event. So if it's raining, you're on your own.

Meet at 9:45am in the parking lot of Dairy Queen next to Bachman VW on Hurstbourne, we'll leave shortly after 10am, anyone can head home whenever they want or some as a group.



Porsches To Ohio Drive

"P2O" used to be short for "Porsches to Oxford". However, now it's being called "Porsches to Ohio" because its location has been moved to Granville, Ohio which is east of Columbus. It is the weekend of **July 27-29**. There's a reception party Friday evening. The main event starts at 7am on Saturday. Registration is open and all the details can be found on our website. You can also visit: p2o.morpca.org. I personally will not be going, but some Members may want to coordinate for the drive up.

KY PCA Website

www.kypca.org

Forums & E-Mail List

Stay informed and participate! Join the KYPCA forums & mailing list and be notified of upcoming events, club news, and membership information.

Remember, it's your participation as a member that makes the club successful.

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- **Tech Talk**
- **Make It Shine**
- **Track & DE**
- **Autocross**
- **Club News**
- **Off Topic**
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www.kypca.org/news

(club activities, meetings, or general announcements from KY Region PCA, the latest issue of the Pacesetter (our monthly newsletter), announcements of new models, racing news)

www.kypca.org/information

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2012 KY Region PCA Calendar

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Current Events!!	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
<p>*****</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NEW LOCATION AGAIN!!</p> <p>*****</p> <p>July 9th, 2012 Membership Mtg. Time: 7:00 PM Clark's Pub Contact: Steve McCombs (see page 24)</p> <p>July 14th, 2012 Breakfast Social Frisch's Poplar Level Road Time: 9:00 AM- ??:?? (see page 6)</p> <p>NOTES: Contact Information can be obtained in the newsletter on Page 2.</p> <p>All events are subject to change due to weather and availability.</p>	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
	8th-14th—Parade	11th-Cars n Coffee	8th-Cars n Coffee
	9th—Membership Mtg. (see page 24)	13th—Membership Mtg.	10th—Membership Mtg.
	14th—Breakfast Social (see page 6)	18th—Breakfast Social	14-16th—DE Event Putnam Park
	14th-Cars n Coffee (see page 6)		15th—Breakfast Social
	21st-Keeneland Concours (see page 1)		
	27th-29th—Drive Porsches to Ohio (see page 1)		
	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
	7th-Churchill Down Concours	12th—Membership Mtg.	10th—Membership Mtg.
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13th-Cars n Coffee			
13th-Drive Huber's Winery			

President's Report

Steve McCombs—KY Region President

Well the summer heat is upon us and hopefully gas prices will keep falling a penny here and there. I want to give mega thanks to the DE Team for another outstanding driver's event! From all that I have spoken with, everyone said it was the best yet. It's totally apparent the DE Team enjoys what they're doing and have the system dialed-in to make each event better than the one before. Just think if you missed the June event, sit tight, there's another one in September!

I'm placing a plea out to the membership for a true volunteer to take over as Membership Chair. This position is appointed by the President to contact new members and invite them to get involved and to maintain the membership roster. If any one is interested, please let me know, because we truly need to fill this position. If you wish, you could keep the position for as long as you like.

We do have a few events coming up but I feel we could always do more. If any new members have an idea that they would like to do, and are interested in running it, our Activities Chair would love to have you help out. If any of our Club members is interested in hosting a picnic, wine tasting or any other social gathering, please let us know. The Club will gladly sponsor the event.

The July event is the Keeneland Concours Saturday July 21. We will drive as a group and hang out in the car club paddock area. This is a "do not miss" event and always a good time.

The July general membership meeting will be at a unique place in Lyndon off of Herr Lane called Clark's Pub. See page 24 for more details.

Hope to see you there.

Steve McCombs (president)

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Cars n Coffee - NEW LOCATION!!!

By Steven Rountree

Cars n Coffee is always held on the **second Saturday from 9-11AM**, but now in the parking lot of **Captain's Quarters** on River Road in Prospect. It has been mentioned that breakfast may be available. Everything else is the same...this casual meeting involves anyone interested in all types of cars. It's a free event, however it is a benefit for Dystonia, so please make a donation and/or buy some coffee/breakfast to support the cause. It is weather-pending, but only depending on what conditions you're willing to bring out your Porsche. Just show-up whenever you can. Who knows, maybe some of us will go for a drive afterwards?

Steven Rountree 502-386-3001

Saturday Morning Breakfast Social

The breakfast club continues to be a good thing despite the "day off early hour". Most of the turnout is made up of members with older Porsches. 356's, 911's, 912's, 914's & 944's grace the parking lot with a Boxster or a Cayman in the mix to look after the older rides. The owners are really hands-on people with their cars. The conversations over coffee are always geared to what they have done themselves to keep these senior Porsches in first class condition. No dealership repairs for this bunch! The Saturday breakfast participants really are the "Patrons Of Older Porsches".

The menu at Frisch's is extensive, the breakfast bar is wonderful and the coffee is just right. The early time allows everyone time to make it to Cars n Coffee in the East End without rushing. This is a fun bunch of members, come join us. We would enjoy seeing all of you there.

No reservations required, just show up.

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Central Indiana PCA
Calendar
www.cirpca.org

CKR Solo Schedule

Central KY Region SCCA
Schedule is at: www.ckrscca.org

DE Wrap-Up by Richard Collins

The KYPCA semi-annual DE event was held at Putnam Park Raceway June 8, 9 and 10. Beautiful weather for 3 days greeted the 140 plus cars and drivers. Old and new Porsches, Beemers, Vettes, race cars, Honda's, VW's and a Cobra tested their owners' skills at high speed performance driving. The following pictures show a sample of the eclectic cars which took part in the event.

Fabulous test rides in two pro-driven 991's with PDK was a highlight of the event. If you thought the Boxster Spyders drove on rails, the new 991's are unreal when driven to their max by professionals. Bluegrass Motors sponsored the tech session, groceries, test rides, a Porsche store and much more in support of the KYPCA event. Many kudos to Randy, Mitch and all the Bluegrass staff. KYPCA DE committee members led by Jeremy Miller and his support team of Richard Darnell, Chuck Hicks, Mark Lichtefeld, Dan "the safety man" Stewart and many others put on another outstanding event. It seems like it is too long to wait until September for the next one! Nearly 50 drivers were provided trained instructors to learn/experience high speed driving technology and to ride with the instructors in their own cars for an all 'round education. The KYPCA DE's are the best I have personally experienced in the several car club events I have attended.

Richard Collins
KYPCA
1975 IROC Clone



Bowling green's Stephen White (914 Chevy Powered) and Richard Collins 911 IROC Clone between runs.



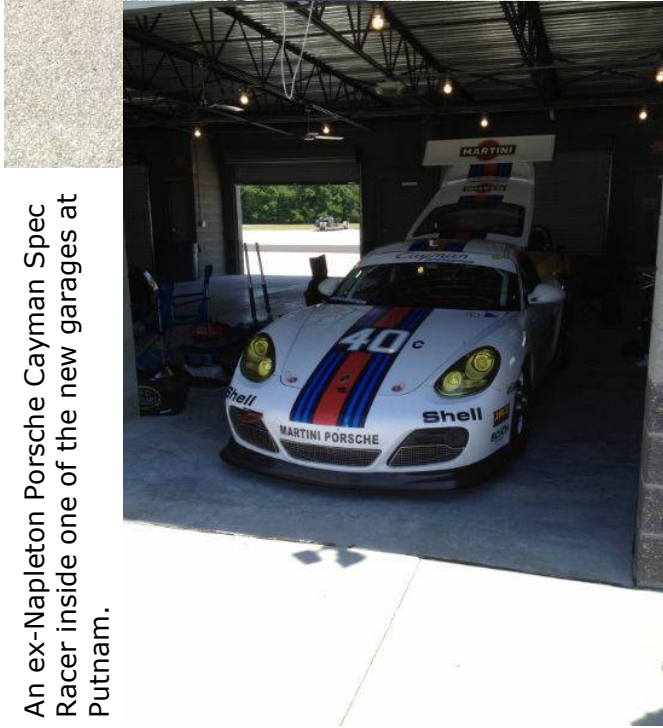
Caddy STS-V was VERRRY quick.



Beautiful and quick 1985 Factory Turbo-look.



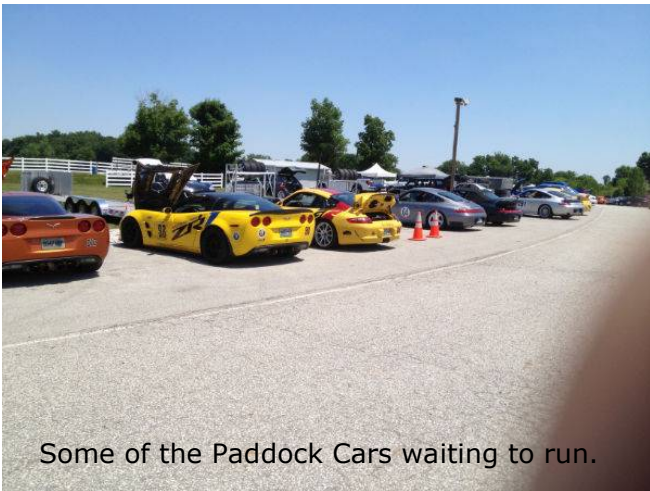
Bill Pollock of Bowling Green enroute to earning his Solo Certificate.



An ex-Napleton Porsche Cayman Spec Racer inside one of the new garages at Putnam.



Purple Haze a very quick Supercharged Carrera.



Some of the Paddock Cars waiting to run.



Stephen White's Chevy powered 914 leading a pack around turn 10.



One of the many GT3 Porsches getting exercised.



Beautiful Turbo S.



Big V-8 powered race car.



Men of Steel Motorsport Rocketship.



944 Turbo was quick and well driven.



Older aircooled machines get faster with age.

DE Photos by Holly Miller



Cars arriving at Cambria Suites on Friday evening.



Lining-up under the hotel canopy.

A racing decal on one the cars.



BlueGrass takes over the Cambria Suites Hotel.



BlueGrass Motorsport at Cambria Suites, Indy



Beautiful Cars, Beautiful Hotel.





Putnam Park Road Course Entrance.



A very cool view of the track as you enter the park.



A view of the track control building from the backside of the track.



The Martini Porsche returns to the pit area.



Two cars making their way out to the track.



More cars headed out to the track.



A car returning to the 'pit.'



Speeding By . . .



The BlueGrass set-up at the track.



The garages in the pit area.



A wide view of the pit area.



The view from the pedestrian walkway.



Cars lined up and waiting their turn on the track.



A grey cabrio waiting to enter the track.



Pit Area.



A storage building on the grounds with a rendering of the track layout.



The safety crew.



Entering the track for a 'parade' run.

PEDROSGARAGE

Nitrogen or Air?

If it hasn't happened to you already, when you purchase and mount a new set of tires on your car, you will likely hear from the tire shop: "Nitrogen-is-better-than-air for your tires" ... and "we offer the nitrogen-fill option at only \$\$" (generally \$5 - \$20 per tire).

For many years now, nitrogen has been used to fill aircraft tires, including the Space Shuttle's and also tires on race cars, but its use on street cars is relatively new and somewhat controversial.

The tire shop will tell you that nitrogen in your tires:

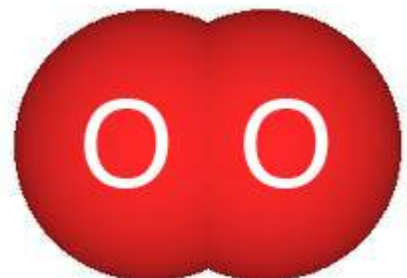
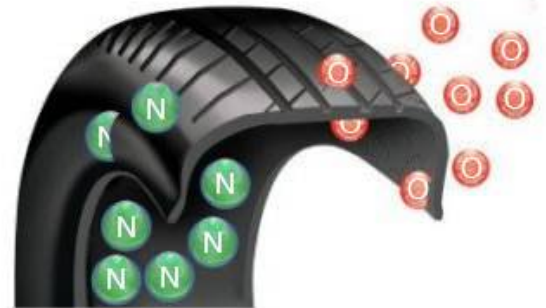
- Improves steering
- Improves handling
- Improves braking
- Reduces the chance of tire failure
- Dramatically slows pressure loss from permeation
- Improves fuel economy
- Reduces tire oxidation
- Eliminates interior wheel corrosion
- Reduces running temperatures
- Decreases false alarms and activation of your TPMS (tire pressure monitoring system)

As with most marketing there is a little truth to it but the rest is mostly **HOT AIR!**

Nitrogen molecules (N_2) are larger than oxygen molecules (O_2) so therefore, pure nitrogen will permeate the walls of your tires less than oxygen molecules.

But by how much?

Well, a nitrogen molecule measures roughly 300 picometers while an oxygen molecule measures 292 picometers. That's only a 2.6% difference in size. One picometer is one trillionth of a meter (1 m / 1,000,000,000,000).



Consumer Reports did a study in 2006 where they measured pressure loss of nitrogen-filled vs air-filled tires over a one year period. They took 31 pairs of all season automotive tires (H and V speed rated). One tire of each pair was filled to 30 psi with air, the other tire from the pair was filled to 30 psi with nitrogen. All 31 pairs were then set aside, outdoors for 12 months.

Their conclusion was that nitrogen does reduce tire pressure loss over time (12 months), but the reduction is only 1.3 psi. Air-filled tires, originally filled to 30 psi lost 3.5 psi over a one year period. Nitrogen-filled to the same starting pressure of 30 psi lost 2.2 psi over the same period. More importantly ALL tires lost pressure, so consumers should check their tire pressures routinely regardless of the gas used.

The air around us, in our atmosphere, what we breathe, and what is in most automotive tires, is a mixture of gasses.

Air = 78% nitrogen + 20.95% oxygen + 1% other gasses (0.93% argon, 0.038% carbon dioxide, trace amounts of other gases and a variable amount of water vapor).

So, already all of the above claims are not true by 78% because going to pure nitrogen will only replace 22% of the tire's internal volume.

The claims of improved steering, handling and braking, as well as reduced chances of tire failure and improved fuel economy are true for properly inflated tires regardless of the gas used to fill them.

Then there's the claim regarding the reduction of internal tire oxidation because nitrogen is inert and oxygen is corrosive. I don't think any of us have ever replaced a tire that had internal rubber decay because of oxygen corrosion. Although it is partly true -oxygen is corrosive-, your tires will wear out many times over before oxygen starts to damage the rubber material. If this claim were true and oxygen causes rubber corrosion that quickly, what about the outside of the tire? It is exposed to 22% oxygen even if you have pure nitrogen on the inside!

Some people also will tell you that tires filled with nitrogen don't change pressure as much with heat as those filled with air, or that tires filled with nitrogen run cooler than those with air and that's why most race cars including F1, Indy and NASCAR all use it. Again, not true.

At the temperature (150 – 250°F) and pressure (25 – 45 psi) thresholds found in racing tires, both air and nitrogen will act as "ideal gasses", meaning that they will react exactly the same to temperature and pressure.

The real reasons why most race teams use nitrogen gas in their tires are:

- Nitrogen is an inexpensive, non flammable gas that can be transported safely in high-pressure bottles
- Nitrogen is dry (no water vapor)
- Racing teams strap nitrogen bottles onto their tents' legs to hold them down.



- Nitrogen tanks nearby allows them to fill or adjust tires and to run their pneumatic tools without the need for an air compressor which requires electric power (generator).

Oh, I almost forgot. There are those that claim that since nitrogen is lighter than air you'll save weight and have better performance.

OK, so let's analyze this one. I mean, less unsprung weight is good, no?

The weight difference between oxygen and nitrogen is less than 3%, but let's take the full 3%.

One 255/40/17 summer tire holds approximately 13.88 liters (0.5 cu.ft.) of air at 2 bar (29.4 psi).

One liter of air is roughly equal to 1 gram so there are roughly 13.88 grams of air per tire, 55.52 grams in all 4 tires. Nitrogen is 3% lighter than oxygen, but there's only 22% oxygen in air, so the difference in weight from all 4 tires is 0.3664 grams, that's a whopping one third of a gram!

Here's the math: $55.52 \text{ gr} \times 0.03 \times 0.22 = 0.3664 \text{ gr}$
To put it in perspective, one official ping pong ball weighs 2.7 grams.

So, in essence, filling your tires with nitrogen won't hurt anything and will provide some minimal benefits.

But, is it worth it?

Absolutely ... **if** you go to Costo or other shops where it's a **free service** with your new tires. But paying an average of \$10.00 per tire is absolutely not worth it.

Furthermore it may give you a false sense of security where you won't regularly inspect your tires. Remember, even filled with pure nitrogen your tires will lose pressure over time.

For more information about tires, and how to fix them, fill them, and more, please visit my website at: www.PedrosGarage.com.

Happy Porsche-ing,

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Bourbon Trail Drive

By Steven Runtree

We had a nice turn-out of twelve Porsches on Saturday, May 26 for our Bourbon Trail Drive. It was a beautiful, hot sunny day already when we met at Blue Grass Motorsport. At 9:30am we drove east on I-64 bound for our first stop, Woodford Reserve. We had a private tour, sampling and ate lunch on the veranda. We learned the history of this very small producer and how their Bourbon is made from start to finish, plus watched the mash bubbling in their small 7,500 gallon old wooden vats. It was a lengthy visit and well-worth it. Next, we took a short drive to Wild Turkey where we had another private tour guided by the Grandson of Bourbon Legend, Jimmy Russell. Wild Turkey is very much in contrast to Woodford Reserve in that they're the second largest distillery with 28 warehouses filled with aging barrels. We toured the facility, watched the mash bubbling in their very large 30,000 gallon stainless steel tanks, and went into the barrel-filling room. We ended the tour with a nice tasting back at the visitor's center. For our last visit, we drove to Four Rose's. Upon arrival it was getting a little late and the tours were finishing for the day. However, their tasting room turned-out to be the perfect spot for us to sit and take-in some ice-cold air conditioning while watching their tour video. At that point we really didn't need to see another tank anyway, right? So, we absorbed some A.C., watched their tour video and then went right into tasting their Bourbon...perfect! This put us right back onto schedule and we made it back to Louisville at 5:30pm as planned. It was a nice long day of driving, a good learning experience and everyone had fun...thanks to all that could make it. See you on the next drive!



The Bourbon Trail Crew.



The Bourbon Trail Cars.



The Crew learning next to the old copper stills.



Aging barrels at Woodford Reserve.



Wild Turkey's very large facility.



Looking into one of the 30,000 gallon tanks at Wild Turkey.



Four Roses established in 1888.

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MAY 2012

1982 Schweinhart, Mark & Belinda
1989 Cloar, Robert & Patricia
1996 Meredith, Doug & Tammy
1999 Miller, Jeremy & Shelly
1999 Vater, Richard L. & Cathleen
2003 Dicken, Matthew J.
2008 Brewer, Billy & Wendy
2008 Meszaros, Gary A. & Mary
2010 Brown, Marcia J.
2011 Gallus, Martyn & Collin Gallus
2011 Kirzinger, James A. & Kimberly Higdon

Welcome New Members!!

MAY 2012

Bynum, Matt D. & Beth
Louisville, KY
2002 911 (996) Blue

Randelia, Pervez II
Louisville, KY
2007 GT3RS Orange

Rose, Stephen M.
Glasgow, KY 42141
2011 911 Turbo Gray

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The 502 Auto Club.



Two of their Porsches in the front lobby.



Their own classic restored wrecker and some of the cars stored at the facility.



Looking toward the lobby from the restoration bay.



Several makes and models are stored at this facility.



KY PCA members enjoying pizza.



Porsche in the lead again! :)



KY PCA Members mingling with 502 Auto Club employees.



KY PCA Members at the 502 Auto Club.



The Manager, Silas Boyle's first Porsche purchase.



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