miscellaneous mumblings

Hi, everyone!! I hope you’re all ready to embark on another busy, activity-filled year. The 1979 Board of Directors promises to be an enthusiastic group of people more than willing to give their time and energy to make it successful. What all of us really need, however, is your support. We need your input at “hell week” (described elsewhere in this issue), your participation in the events and your suggestions and comments that will help us provide the kind of club that all of you want. Speaking for all seven of the new board members, when you have a suggestion, problem, criticism or idea, call any of us or attend the board meetings. We want your ideas and we need your support!!

This article is appearing in the first issue of the Nugget in its new format. I’m real anxious to inspect the “new” Nugget, and also to hear your comments. Remember, this is for a trial basis only, and we must decide very soon whether or not to continue along this path.

The January dinner meeting (details in this issue) will be the annual Membership meeting as described in the region’s by-laws. This Nugget serves as the official mailed notice of that meeting. Let’s start 1979 out with enthusiasm and all attend this dinner meeting.

Impressions

Many hours of work and many hours of thought went into this issue. The hours of thought were originated by some unknown bunch that wanted to have Golden Gate’s Nugget be a first class, high quality publication. It now is, thanks to much thought, and hard work by a large, unseen group of people. Tom Foster and Bruce Anderson are probably two that deserve the most credit for getting the Nugget its chance to try advertising on for size. I feel that it fits rather well. Also around when the thought, and work reached a critical stage were Glenn Hills, Gary Walton, (who gave much needed graphics “grunt work” lessons and the use of his facility), Jerry Woods, the 1978 Board of Directors, and Barbara.

With all this change it has been necessary to change the deadlines as reported in the November issue. Deadlines for all articles and event information will be the first of the month preceding publication.

The slate of directors that were selected at the joint board meeting in December is as follows:

President  Sandi Candlin
Vice President  Marge Forster
Secretary  Bill Patton
Treasurer  Bob Buckthal
Membership  Sharon Neidel
Activities  Bob Sherman
Technical  Jerry Woods

Personally, I want to thank all of you for your support and confidence in me in 1978 and ask for your continuing support in 1979 in my new position.

See you all at “hell week” with all of your suggestions!

Sandi Candlin, President

Time now for apologies, this issue probably reached you late. Sorry, with the change over in deadlines, and the holidays I just couldn’t make it. I will make a New Years resolution to get the Nugget out on time this year!

Hope to see all of you active this year, and I would like for all photographers and writers to work with me to try to fill up all this newly acquired space.

Jeff Lateer
Nugget Editor

COVER – Photo by the Editor. Scene? Why the Joint Board meeting, and these folks are your new Board. Take a good look, they’re the ones you want to talk to if you want to see changes made.

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NUGGET/3
The December 1st Board Meeting was the annual Joint Board Meeting where the incoming Board meets with the outgoing Board. Again this year we met at the Outlook Restaurant in Campbell. All 1978 Board Members were present as were all incoming 1979 Board Members. Guests were wives, husbands, friends of both 1978 and 1979 Boards plus Nugget Editors, Jeff and Barbara Lateer.

The first item of business was the election of officers for the 1979 Board as follows: Sandi Candlin, President; Marge Forster, Vice President; Bill Patton, Secretary; Bob Buckthal, Treasurer; Sharon Neidel, Membership; Bob Sherman, Activities; and Jerry Woods, Technical.

John Breedlove reported that he had checked with POC concerning club insurance coverage and that they have the same coverage as we have with a one million limit and no officers and directors coverage. POC also gets extended coverage from tracks which require more than one million coverage — Ontario requires 10 million coverage. Bill Patton reported that he had talked with Bob Gelles by phone. Bob is convinced that we have better coverage than any other club except SCCA. Bill concluded saying we have insurance, it is not enough but we probably can’t do any better. Our current policy expires April and K and K, the carriers, will not let us know until January if they plan to pick up the policy for 1979.

Johnny Johnson reported that the new autocross trailer is done and that the old one is sold for $175, if we can find the pink slip for it. The new autocross trailer cost $641.27. The board authorized $500 for construction of the trailer at the June board meeting. The board then held up construction of the trailer until we could get a reading on our liability as a trailer manufacturer. After that was cleared up we turned Johnny loose to build the trailer. An additional $150 was approved at the November meeting.

The board approved the job descriptions as written. The board approved the additions of Club Advertising Manager (sponsorship manager) and Nugget Advertising Manager positions under appointive positions in the 1978 Boards Statement of Policy.

The 1978 General Election results were as follows:

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Voting Issue: NO 158
YES 154 Failed to pass

Number of ballots sent: 218
Number of people voting: 346
Ballots mailed late and not counted: 10

Up from the 1977 elections — 212 ballots received and 342 people voting.

Sandi reported that she had received Neufelds $100 sponsorship fee for the September Autocross. She also reported that we have collected over half of the roster advertisers money and $4,160 of the advertising money for the 1979 Nugget has already been collected — the total Nugget advertising income for the first 6 months of 1979 is $8,850. A report from the Casady’s (Nugget Advertising Managers) shows that all of the money is in for the January ads and all of the ad copy but one — assuring the success of the Nugget advertising program. There is still some confusion over the agreement on Sears Point Time Trial sponsorship between Alex’s Porsche House and the Club so we decided to let the 1979 board resolve the matter. There was a question about a nonmember using the club’s roster for business purposes which was resolved because he has just joined the region.

Glenn reported on National’s concern over K&K Insurance renewing PCA’s policy for 1979. There has been an increase in Panorama advertising revenues of 40% in the past year and the Pano Editor Betty Jo Turner, is having difficulty getting enough material to fill the larger issues required by the increased advertising. The average page increase has been from 63 to 70.6 pages in the past year — not nearly 40%. Two Tennessee regions have put in a bid to have a Parade in Knoxville. The Oregon Parade is back on again; the bad news is that Fred Flagel is going to be the Autocross Chairman — he had his chance at the ’75 Parade in Seattle — maybe downtown Sacramento wouldn’t be so bad after all. National feels there should be increased emphasis on lower speed autocrosses to increase our insurability. Glenn said that he had enjoyed himself and it was an interesting experience serving on the board as president and he was looking forward to serving as Past President next year.

At the Christmas Party, special awards were given to a number of members for their achievements during the year. Activity of the Year was given to Sandi Candlin and Johnny Johnson for their Mutha Lode Tour — this was a tough one as there were six nominees: Mutha Lode, Yosemite, Family Picnic, 86th Annual Event of the Year, Carlsten Swap Meet/Concours and Anything Goes. Keenan and Donna Jean Casady were given the Don Matthews Memorial Award for the new members who must represent the enthusiasm and spirit of Don Matthews in whose memory the award is presented. There were two nominations for this award — the Casady’s and Norb and Judy Witt. GGR’s Family of the Year award was given to Sandi Candlin, Johnny Johnson, Heather and Kim. And, GGR Enthusiast of the Year was given to Marge Forster. These two awards are based on a suggestion from Susie Atlee that we give our candidates to National for Enthusiast and Family of the Year regional recognition. As such this year’s awardees...
are receiving recognition for service in 1977 and were to have received these awards at the GGR dinner meeting immediately after the Parade. The awards themselves were not completed at that time, so a decision was made to make these awards at the Christmas Party with the other annual awards. The President’s Award was given to Ron and Sharon Trehan for their long service to the club as Autocross Chairman and host & hostess to all of the after the autocross parties for the past five years.

1978 was a fun year. Thank you for the opportunity to serve on the board. Thanks to Stephanie for all of the typing she has done over the past two years as the Secretary’s secretary.

Respectfully submitted;
BRUCE ANDERSON, Secretary

Dinner Meeting

January is the annual “Meet the New Board” and “Pick Up Your Well-Deserved Trophies” Dinner Meeting. Trophies for the autocross, concours and rally series will be given at this time.

WHERE — In the world is it? —
Chez Yvonne
1854 El Camino Real
Mountain View
967-6388

Chez Yvonne is on El Camino between Reng- storf and Stierlin (Bailey) in Mt. View. Take the Stierlin exit from U.S. 101 and go south to El Camino (Stierlin changes names and becomes Bailey). Turn right at El Camino, the restaurant will be on your right. Parking is in the back. We will have our own private entrance at the rear of the building.

WHEN — Saturday, January 20th
6:30 PM — No host cocktails
8:00 PM — Dinner

COST — Crab Quiche Lorraine, $8.50 per person, Top Sirloin, $9.75 per person. Dinner includes choice of entree and all the trimmings. Price includes tax and gratuity.

CALL — Marge Forster, (408) 737-0861
Before January 16, or mail check (Make payable to PCA-GGR) so as to be received before Jan. 16 to:

Marge Forster
1572 Bedford Avenue
Sunnyvale, CA 94076

Anyone making a reservation is responsible for the price of the dinner if it cannot be filled.

ENTERTAINMENT: The Trophy Shuffle, by the rally, concour and auto-x winners.

Words
FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

As I was checking into places where we could have dinner meetings, I found that any place that has good food, reasonable prices, banquet facilities and an open date is rare indeed.

If you have any suggestions for restaurants, or some kind of entertainment you’d like to see, or just ideas in general on these subjects, let me know — either by phone or a note in the mail. I would appreciate your words of wisdom.

Marge Forster
Vice President
NUGGET/5
I. Start thinking now about events you would either like to put on or that you would like to participate in. Then talk to or call the appropriate committee chairperson and let them know your desires. Then make plans to be at every meeting during Activities Week that concerns the things you want to be doing with your club during 1979!

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SUNDAY
JAN. 7th, 1:00 P.M.
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JAN. 9th, 8:00 P.M.
TOURS
Norb & Judi Witt
284 Belblossom Way
Los Gatos, CA 95030
(408) 356-0866

THURSDAY
JAN. 11th, 8:00 P.M.
SOCIAL
Don & Dinah Patterson
CONCOUR
Joe & Bev Hartman
(Meeting at the Patterson's)
16478 Eugenia Way
Los Gatos, CA 95030
(408) 354-0618

MONDAY
JAN. 8th, 8:00 P.M.
RALLY
Paul & Faye Troutner
1231 Sabal Drive
San Jose, CA 95132
(408) 928-6251

WEDNESDAY
JAN. 10th, 8:00 P.M.
TECHNICAL
Jerry Woods
56 Hemlock Ct.
Milpitas, CA 95035
(408) 262-2366

FRIDAY
JAN. 12th, 8:00 P.M.
PIT CREW
Marsha Keller
2314 Flores St.
San Mateo, CA 94403
(415) 341-2103

Let's see a good turnout for each and every meeting! The more voices that are heard during the planning of our activities for this year, the more the activities will represent what you, the membership of Golden Gate Region want to do.

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GORILLA’S GIMMICK

Gorilla’s Rallye proved to be one of the best of the year with 29 cars meeting at the Almaden Plaza on December 3rd. The weather was super and the Gorilla promised us no gimmicks (what about that right at the “T” and those 5 extra pictures?) Rallymaster Ted Atlee provided us with some great country roads and pictures of some very obscure markings which we were supposed to find and note our odometer reading to the HUNDREDTH! It sounded very easy except for the one error point for every hundredth off and they sure added up after 40 miles. The rally ended with refreshments and awards at the Atlee’s beautiful home and Jeff Lateer showing off his boney knees in that fantastic pool and spa.

SHOULD’A STAYED HOME AND CONCOURRED

GEORGE AND SHIRLEY TAKE NOTES

FIRST RALLY, FIRST PLACE - NOT SO TOUGH!

Many thanks to Ted and Susie for a very fun rally, and also, a special thanks to the sponsor, Anderson-Behe Porsche/Audi, for some great prizes.

Sasha & Brooks Thiele

EVEN CLASS

1st Brooks and Sasha Thiele, Jim Fehr
2nd Walt and Barb Maas
3rd Judi and Norb Witt
4th Susan Brooking and Kay Matthews
5th Bert Wall and Marta Newcomb

ODD CLASS

1st John Johnson and Sandi Candlin
2nd Dick and Mary Wallace
3rd Joe and Bev Hartman
4th Jeff and Barb Lateer
5th John Clever
DLBF Ernest and Betty Meissner (Brand New Members)
TECH SESSION

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WHERE – Automotion/Garretson Enterprises
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NUGGET/9
If everything goes as planned you'll be reading this in your new expanded Nugget. I hope I like it.

1978 was a super year for GGR. Another great job by your Board, Committee Chairmen, Event Chairmen, Nugget Editor and all. Thanx y'all.

At November's dinner meeting the Dummkopf changed hands again. But not with the usual number of hilarious runnup. Many of the RV's developed on the Ryde Hotel Tour. Seems appropriate enough. Bud Behrens involved in trying to determine how many spark plugs were on the tour, was using a calculator to add them up. Got to the last car, looked down, blank readout, dead battery. "Damn!" Arlene Arnold very carefully forgot to transfer her quiz answers from her note sheet to answer sheet and scored accordingly.

The Hills continually locked the Brookings out of their shared bath. What's wrong Glenn, wearing your funny underwear? The winner, with one of the greatest "D" stories ever, is one of the Poncirolis (which one yet to be determined). It seems they went to the autocross with a near dead battery, making it necessary to get a push start each time they wanted to run. Steve, fed-up with that, recruited me to take him to Penney's to get a new "Never Die". Obviously needing a trade-in, he removed the old one and took it along. While gone Jannie's turn to run, recruits pushers for push start, miles of pushing and clutch popping. Later, somebody lifts the hood — Opps, no battery. Steve returns with new battery. Jannie acts like nothings happened, . . . until they're alone. Fur flies. Dummkopf.

Lateers duced out on dinner to the restaurant probably cause Jeffy doesn't like capon. The Trehans were there, obviously confused and thinking it was the meeting for year-end awards. Jay Miller showed with cutey Carol but was soon empty handed when I scooted her off to reminisc about our "wonderful weekend in Carmel!". Where have you been Bill Wells?

Did you know that Sasha and Brooks Thiele, Barb Berens and Bill Newlin all went to the same high school at the same time?

The owners of the Ryde called to thank me for how well organized and what a neat group, we were. (We were the first group they ever had.) I thanked them, told them we love them too and that we'd recommended them highly to Hells Angels.

Message to Al Berens: They must have thought it was going to be another of those left-handed raffles.

New Year's Resolutions:
Glenn Hills — "Same as last year."
Al Berens — "I'll never volunteer for anything (4 years in a row) and this time I mean it."
Dick Workman — Next time we go on our honeymoon, we'll go alone."
Camille French — "Next time I will."
Cindy Kahler — "I'll remove myself from contention for all door prizes."
Johnny Johnson — "I will skip hell week or develop lock jaw when they ask for volunteers."
Don Patterson — "I'll carry all important keys on a chain around my neck."
Shirley Neidel — "I'll never let George out alone again."
Eve Maslowski — "As soon as she's not looking, I'll slip out alone again."
Jeff Hammill — "Next time I get married, I'll inspect all buttons and zippers before the photographer shows up."
Joyce Hammill — "Next time?"
Bob Sherman — "I'll never allow myself to be hypnotized again and I'll be good to Fuhrer."
Bud Hart — "I'll find a silent alarm system."
Eve Maslowski — "I will not mind my own business, and besides, is it my business."
Alan Brocking — "I'll never be discouraged by a foreign accent."
Sonja Blow — "Next time I'll back around the pump. I know I'll work."
Mike Atlee — "I'll never listen to huckster's bearing gifts."
Sally Buckthal — "I'll never answer the phone more than twice in any single ten minute period."
Gary Evans — "I'll never answer the phone more than twice in any single ten minute period."
John Clever — "Next time I'll shake and Johnny can bake."
Dwight Mitchell and Jon Millidge — "I know, lets try an Edsel shop."
Sandi Candlin — "I'll not marry him unless he gets more assertive."
Jeff Lateer — "I'll prepare in advance, twelve totally different and outrageous excuses why the Nugget was late. I'll also hold the camera upside down so the Nugget cover will have everything going the right direction."
Rebecca Newlin — "I'll try to remember what's his names name. (See above)
Len Peterson — "Honest, I'll be there. I promise."
Lorna Lynch — "I'll give up on Patton."
Barbara Berens — "Not me."
Doug Price, Toby Evans, Johnny Johnson — "We'll never again co-chair an event with Peterson or Patton. We'll just turn 'em loose together to win all the awards.

Ted Atlee has supplied me with some material developed by he, George Neidel and Marge Forster. It has to do with Santa Claus coming but once a year . . . down the chimney. But I don't know how to use it.

Pat and Clint DeWitt have sent me a delightful note asking me to wish you all a Merry Christmas. They enclosed a foto
of their KO daughter Cathy, Miss Laguna Seca 1978. I hope they know they are stirring up trouble.

Susie Atlee waited patiently for 7 letter personalized plates so she could order "gorilla", but wasn't fast enough. Its been taken. Wait for 10 and go for Orangatang.

Bruce Anderson reports in the minutes, "This month most of us remembered our job description." A little late maybe?

Notes while reading the December Nugget: Obviously, Glenn Hills ran out of breath. I'm mad. Bruce Anderson left me out of the 1st paragraph of Mini Minutes for the first time in two years.

Thanx for a neat Nugget in '78, Jeff and Barb.

Perhaps I should report on P.P.P.S. "Did Patton really pay a locksmith to get in the Foster's house?" It seems a bunch (13) of us were at Fosters and decided to go out for dinner. Ran out to jump in cars and leave. Sylvia is missing. Everyone looks for Sylvia. Then hear whimpering and clawing at Foster's front door . . . from the inside. Poor Sylvia using the john when we all left, got locked inside.

Barbino can toast my marshmallows anytime.

After reading the Len Levine blurb, it seems obvious that we could just as easily have had a match up of Len and LaQuita and Glenn and Lynn.

Yes, I did test drive Harry Somerfield's Speedster, did not break anything and it's a super fun car.

Notes from the joint board meeting which I attended at your invitation.

Glenn Hills celebrating his Lame Ducksmanship, had a few too many and continually introduced our new President as Stanley Candlin. Jerry Woods campaigning for Tech Director commented, "I have some experience in the field." How true. Johnny Johnson graciously accepted his new role as first lady and announced will soon have a face lift.

Steph Home, offering me help in my new role as Secretary, said she'd be happy to help after hours with typing and the like. Hunt and peck, I hope.

Luv Fuhrer

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CODE UPDATE

Some changes/additions were made to the 77/78 Auto-X Code during the November meeting. Approximately 50 members were in attendance and these are the major issues that affect the new code:

1. New Class — 911-3.0, 928 and 930 have their own Production class and may use P-7 tires.

2. New Classes — two classes were added for Production cars with racing tires. The separation is for 4-cylinder and 6-cylinder.

3. New Improved Category Tire Sizes:
   - 22.5 X 7.5 X 15 for 356, 911, 912, 914, 914-6
   - 22.5 X 8.0 X 14 for 924
   These are the only allowable sizes for the new classes.

4. Previous Improved Production Classes are now referred to as Prodigied.

5. All Prodigied Category cars may use a 7-inch rim as long as the max. casing width does not exceed 9.5-inches.

6. Rim Width Changes — the maximum allowable rim for Carreras is 7 inches in Production, Improved and Prodigied categories.

Ron Trethan

CREDITS — Photos by Alan Brook, Bruce Anderson, Jerry Woods and the Editor. Many, many thanks to all who submitted photos. Keep 'em coming!

AUTOCROSS

The first event for the 1979 Auto-X Series will be a practice event.

WHERE – Alameda County Fairgrounds, Bernal Road, Pleasanton

WHEN – January 13, 1979

Reg & Tech open at 6:30 AM
Close at 8:30 AM
Drivers meeting at 8:45 AM
First car out at 9:00 AM
Reg & Tech reopen at 11:00 AM
Closes at 12:00 NOON

Further information about the new classes and revised rules may be gathered at the Autocross meeting in January. See calendar for date and place.

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Rich Bontempi - owner
Michael and the Geni

Michael picked the old bottle out of the surf and held it up. It was encrusted with barnacles and seaweed and was obviously very old. He worked the cork out and, Lo and Behold!, a Geni rushed out of the bottle. Michael rubbed his eyes and said to himself, “This can’t be happening here in Half-Moon Bay!” But it was true. The Geni explained all about being in the bottle for two thousand years and how he could have any three wishes, etc. Michael asked the Geni, “What do you do after you grant wishes?” The Geni replied, “I just sit around and wait for someone else to set me free. It’s very boring.” Michael said, “How would you like to break out of that rut and have some fun? I have an old yellow 912 Targa and what you and I could do is go racing.” The Geni replied, “What can I do, I’ve never been racing.” Michael said, “With your unlimited magical powers, you can end on this car with phenomenal performance. We can enter any race in the world and win. You and I can be the M&G Racing Team. That stands for Michael and the Geni.” The Geni got excited, “Hey, that sounds lots better than sitting in an old moldy bottle for a thousand years. Let’s do it!”

M&G Racing’s first event was the IMSA race at Laguna Seca. There was much levity when he rolled into the track for qualifying with the old yellow 912 with the 165 HR 15 Dunlops. The laughter turned to shock when the timer announced his qualifying time as 52.35, which was several seconds under the all-time track record for any vehicle. Michael was called to the tower. There must have been a problem in the timer, he would have to run again. So, with a dozen people holding stopwatches on him, he went out and turned a 49.63, which, of course put him on the pole. The race was a foregone conclusion by the tenth lap, he had passed Peter Gregg, who was in second place, and by the end of the race, he passed him three more times! Naturally, everyone pounced on the car in impound. The engine was torn down and it was discovered that the tired old 912 had three broken oil rings and a badly scored number 3 piston and barrel. In addition, there was oil all over the engine from a small leak in the oil cooler.

They looked at Michael in wonder. How was this car able to go so fast? Michael replied that is was due entirely to his crew chief, who was a Geni and could work magic. Of course, nobody believed this.

M&G Racing went on to have a stupendous season, with overall victories at LeMans, Daytona, Sebring, Nurburgring, and, of all places, Indy. Automotive experts all over the world became more and more baffled. Michael and the Geni were constantly interviewed by one expert or another who was trying to discover the secret to why an old yellow 912 Targa, with 85 to 108 pounds compression in the cylinders, was blowing the doors off virtually all the race cars in the world. Michael, of course, kept insisting that it was done by magic.

Finally, at the award banquet for the World Sportsman of the Year Trophy, which Michael and the Geni were awarded, the Master of Ceremonies asked Michael, one more time, how the old Porsche could go so fast. Michael sighed and looked at the Geni. “All right,” he said, “I’ll tell you.” Instantly, the room was quiet; all attention was focused on him. Michael leaned over the microphone, looked around the room at the hushed and expectant crowd and said, “Don’t you know that Yellow Porsches Are Fastest?”

Terry Zacccone
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Did 'Ja Know

Bill Newlin has surfed in Hawaii, skied the Swiss Alps, and sailboat raced in New Zealand! This "natural" athlete was born, 30 years ago in Southern California; an only child. He was swimming in the ocean by the time he could walk and has been surfing now for 18 years. "The water seems to be getting colder." He went to school in Westchester and his family moved, briefly, to San Mateo when Bill was 17. It was then that he was first nicknamed the 'Mangler'. "I'm not sure why." It was here he attended Hillsdale High School with other PCA'ers, Barbi and Al Berens, and Brooks Thiele. While "up north," a surfing buddy, John Hawkins, set up a blind date with Bill and a 17 year old girl named Becky. They were married 4 years later in August of 1970. (John and Bill are still on speaking terms, too!)

Bill became a Navy man and "saw the world". He worked aboard a guided missile destroyer as an electronic technician, but fell back to his college studies to become a draftsman with Chemetrics Corporation, a firm that designs computer equipment for laboratory analyses in major hospitals around the world.

Bill has always been a car "freak," having owned 19 cars (18 of them were funny little German cars); the other one was a '37 Olsmobile ala 'Bonnie & Clyde'. Bill's first Porsche was a 1966 white 912 with chrome wheels, 'Casper'. Bought on Valentine's Day, the 912 was destined to live only 3 months. Bill was in an auto accident and 'Casper' became merely a ghost. Three days later Bill and Rebecca were in Zuffenhausen, Germany where they visited the Porsche factory. They didn't bring one back, tho'. Since then, he has owned 'Mr. Peanut', a sand beige 912, 'Rosebud', a '58 Conv. D, partly owned a 914-6 and currently a 911T.

In closing, there's a little known fact about the 'Mangler'; he's artistically and musically inclined, often spending leisure time dabbling with guitar, piano and harmonica. The trick now is to play all 3 things at one time. You know, he can probably do it!

Rebecca Newlin

"Did 'Ja Know . . . Lorna Marie Lynch, the tall, beautiful, blonde affectionately remembered as "Best Disco Dress - 1978", is also a bona fide autocross enthusiast, downhill skier, equestrian, cosmetic consultant, student and disco dj? (No wonder she looked so hot that night -- Lorna has Saturday Night Fever!) That's a lot of living packed into just 21 years! But, as Lorna says, "You're only going to die once, so you might as well have fun doing it!"

Lorna's idea of living includes a "man, two kids and a place in Nebraska to raise chickens". Until then she's having a good time driving fast, working lots and playing hard. While her "dream car would be the Green's black 914", Lorna's making do quite nicely with her white 1974 1.8 litre 914 which bears a teasing threat of a license plate -- "Z EATR". To help her keep that promise (eventually Lorna wants to race in SCCA competition), she has recruited the Bontempi brothers as her mechanics; "My racing career is in their hands!". Future plans to pamper her Porsche include "some new shocks, sway bars, cheater slicks, and its 'watch out sharon!'" (referring to Lorna's friendly competition with Class 14's number one driver -- Ms. Neidell). While autocrossing isn't new to Lorna (she raced her 1964 Mustang with the Mustang Club), she "learned a great deal" at the Women's Autocross School in April and gives the school a high recommendation, "especially if you get right out there at the next autocross". Lorna wants to advance to time trialing and SCCA competition, but not while Z EATR is her "only transportation".

Lorna's other future PCA plans include attending a Parade, a try at concouring (hear that Hartmans and Forsters, another wacko in the works?), and helping with the next disco dance event (sign her up quick, Jannie!). In between, Lorna will continue studying for her degree in Broadcast Communications and Advertising Art at St. Mary's; riding at Oakdale's Shady Lawn Farm; discoing at Danceville in Danville; and trying to outwit the boys in blue! Look out world -- here comes Lorna!

Donna Jean Casady
For a quick look at "the way things used to be" how about a look at two Nuggets from 1969. The covers of these two issues were drawn by Dave Willis, and they easily contained the 10 pages of articles and announcements. The editor at this time was Barbara Jones, and some of the officers were: Dave Hancock, President; Arlen Riggs, Vice President; Jack Tedford, Secretary; Barbara Rose (now Maas), Treasurer; Bob Wagner, Activities; Dick Spear, Membership; and Bob Sheldon, Tech.

Articles detailed the usual dinner meetings, (both under $6.00), tech sessions on suspension and ignition, the Family Picnic, a Wine Tour, and a club campout!

Also in these issues were articles on the first Santa Rosa Concours D’Elegance, the Yosemite tour, an Occidental tour, and Gegen Die Uhr. Sounds like they had plenty to do. Listed in the Mart was a 1951 aluminum bodied Porsche Roadster at $2,000, a 1959 1600 Super at $1250, a 1966 912 "cherry" at $3995, and a "Golden Mink car cover at $28 by Chuck Tracy!

New members of the day included Paul Lang, Toby and Leta Evans, and Reinhard Riedel. To top the whole thing off, first class postage was only six cents!

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RACE WRAP-UP

Accompanying the 4-hour endurance race at Sears Point Raceway were SCCA’s production car races. The E-Production class race was high-lighted by a tough battle for second-place between Sam Linville in his 914-4 and Clint DeWitt in his 356B roadster. Modern won over ancient as Sam got by Clint at midrace. But Clint had an excellent year by winning the regional championship in his Porsche roadster.

At SCCA’s National Championship Runoffs, the long domination of the MG’s was broken by an outstanding win by Florida’s Bob Overby in his much modified speedster.

Porsche totally dominated IMSA racing, with Peter Gregg winning GTX class in his 935. GT class was won in a 911 RSR by Dave Cowart; and GTU class by Dave White in a 911S. While Porsche did not beat the Renaults at LeMans, Dick Barbour’s 935 won its class on the long French course; and Jim Busby won group 5 behind Dick’s well-prepared cars.

And of course our local talent Jon Milledge, Dwight Mitchell and Dorrell Overstreet won the very damp RDC Endurance race in a 914-6. All in all, a very proud and successful year for Porsche.

Tom & Mary Green
Race Editors

technical tip

Time trialers can gain much greater fire protection by wearing 100% cotton thermal underwear under their Nomex suits. This underwear is very light and not bulky. When wet from perspiration, 100% cotton is very flame retardant and offers an additional layer of safety. Full sets may be purchased for under $10.00 at Sears, Penney’s, etc. Be sure to specify 100% cotton.

Tom Green
Competition Director, Tech Panel

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The list of trophy winners contains for the most part names associated with autocrossing for years. The conclusion is that experience is a big factor in winning one of these very prized trophies. Experience has come both via the countless Saturdays spent in studying courses, corners, drivers and in honing one's own ability to relate both to the course and the car that is being asked to give so much. Experience also comes from the many late night sessions that go into car preparation and experimentation. It all adds up to hundreds and sometimes thousands of hours. It is worth every minute, when one steps forward in front of the club and fellow competitors to be recognized and honored as a winner in a club of so many winners.

This season was an exceptional season. Not because it was great, which it was, but because it was the fourth season in a row where event administration has been flawless, where comradeship and fellowship have been at their highest, and when fun, safety and fairness have always been the guidelines. This is our opening to tell you how much we appreciate the great efforts of Ron and Sharon Trethan. Autocrossing is a great sport, but it takes talent to run a successful series. Ron has been a very successful administrator, Sharon a superb record keeper. But this is not their talent. Their success — and ours — is their attitude. They love autocrossing; they love our club and our cars; and their easy-going, friendly attitude has given all our events a warm atmosphere. Now Ron and Sharon are retiring from chairing the autocross committee. At this point, we want to thank them for their unselfish effort, and we would like to see every club member stop and thank Ron and Sharon the next time you see them. And we don't hesitate to suggest that our future chairmen adopt the same attitude. Ron and Sharon — we'll miss you as much as we appreciate how much you have given us.

Congratulations to the 1978 winners and may 1979 be even greater.

Tom & Marj Green
Autocross Reporters

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*1. Karl Beckle 100
*2. George Neidel 88
3. Karl Beckle, Sr. 58
4. Chris Mason 22
5. Norbert Nieseny 18

CLASS 2
*1. Bill Newlin 96
*2. Gary Sanders 61
3. John Breedlove 60
4. John Souza 40
5. John Seymour 35

CLASS 3
*1. Bill Burns 92
*2. Al Bicker 68
3. Rick LaPerle 40
4. Tom Everhart 36
5. Jeff Lateer 20

CLASS 3A
*1. Alan Davis 100
*2. Bob Sherman 78
3. Norb Witt 61
4. Gary Steele 43
5. Dan Balsley 33

CLASS 4
*1. Rich Bonetempi 100
*2. Mark Bonetempi 84
*3. Steve Ponciroli 71
4. Michael Silver 58
5. Tim Rosatelli 31
6. Jerry Woods 20

CLASS 5
*1. Terry Zaccoone 100
*2. Jeff Hammill 84
*3. George Harrison 60
4. Norman Olaine 50
5. John Hammill 48
6. Jim Gaeta 27
7. Richard Phifer 20
8. Al Munoz 20
9. Dave Blanchard 18
10. Roger Ryan 17

CLASS 6
*1. John Hawkins 100
*2. Glenn Hills 77
*3. Walt Maas 69
*4. Ted Atlee 53
5. James Schofield 39
6. Dale Bates 29
7. Pete Kemling 27
8. Leo Pruett 23
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Events

JANUARY
5 BOARD MEETING – CANDLIN
7 AUTOCROSS MEETING – ATLEE
8 RALLY MEETING – TROUTNER
9 TOUR MEETING – WITT
10 TECHNICAL MEETING – WOODS
11 SOCIAL/CONCOUR MTG. – PATTERSON
12 PIT CREW MEETING – KELLER
13 PRACTICE AUTO-X – TRETHAN
20 DINNER MEETING – FORSTER
27 TECH SESSION – FORGE
27 ZONE AWARDS BANQUET

FEBRUARY
TO BE ANNOUNCED – WILL BE ARRANGED
DURING ACTIVITIES WEEK, JANUARY 7-12