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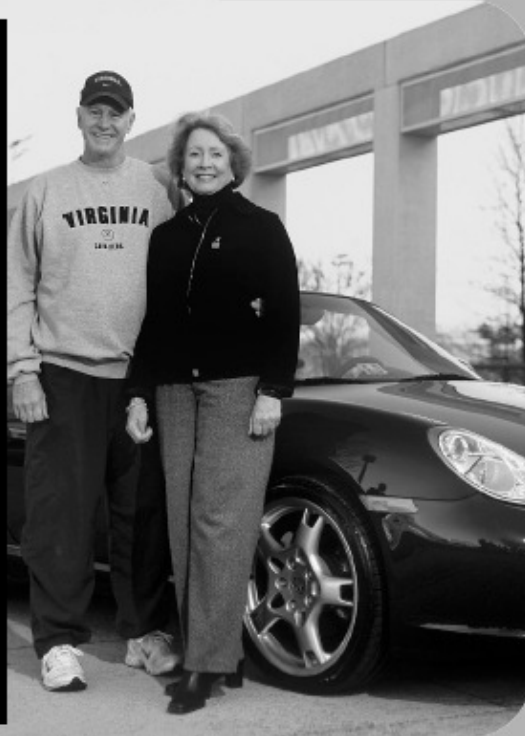


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**Calendar of Events**

• **June 3, 4, 5- Richmond Porsche Meet (RPM) Midlothian, Concours, Driving Tour, Tech Session, Banquet, Autocross. Our premier event! (Directions: Page 8)**

July 17- July Jam...Mike's Rally through Augusta County ending at his house with a rumored performance of the PCA Blooz Doodz.

Aug. 7- Autocross, Augusta Gov't Center, Verona, 10 AM.

Aug. 27- Shenandoah Region's Tenth Birthday Party at Herb Distefano's house on Lake Anna. Pontoon Boat rides! Burgers and Dogs, Cake & Ice Cream! Tour Lake Anna by land or by sea! 12 Noon

Sept. 15- Social/Meeting, 7 PM TBA

Sept. 18- Autocross, Augusta Gov't Center, Verona 10 AM

Oct. 10- Columbus Day Euroclassics Driver's Ed Event, VIR

Oct. 22-23- Synergy Racing's annual Fall Fling, VIR

Dec. 4- Annual Christmas Party, TBA

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***We believe.....***

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impacts. The list could go on and on with extra accessories such as a radio/intercom system, air ventilation ducting, and a drink hose with bite valve. As for prescription eyeglasses, look to get a pair without the ear hook. You may also want to get the shatter-proof lenses in a small oval frame just for the use with the helmet.

I hope this helps. Be safe, have fun and enjoy your spring and summer!



Bill Sanders loads up his 1994 928 GTS on the left side during the May 15th Autocross.

Photo by Phil Audibert

***Treasurer's Report.....***by Gay Jewett

<b>Balance as of 4/30/05</b>		<b>\$6721.73</b>	
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5/9	RPM Sponsors	750.00	
5/9	Heat Exchanger Ad	300.00	
5/10	RPM-Southside Speedway		1000.00
5/10	Print Source- Print HE		436.56
5/10	Dominion Mktg. Mail HE		97.38
5/19	RPM Sponsors	1500.00	
5/19	Heat Exchanger Ads	600.00	
5/19	RPM Registrations	1062.00	
5/23	RPM Sponsors	800.00	
5/23	RPM Registrations	365.00	
5/23	Heat Exchanger Ad-Crown	950.00	
5/23	Autocross Proceeds	135.47	
5/23	Alex Smith-RPM prizes/gifts		71.88
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## From the Editor's Desk

### *Human Mechanics...*

I write this on the eve of undergoing relatively minor knee surgery...nothing close to what my wife Susie went through past fall and winter, but surgery just the same.

And I would be lying if I told you I was not in the least bit concerned. When they ask me "do you want a spinal block or do you want to go completely under?" I will respond emphatically, "completely under."

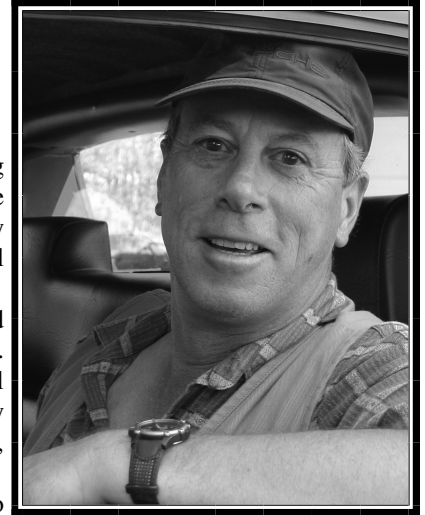
Why? Because I don't want to hear the Human Mechanics do their work.

Well, that's what they are aren't they...mechanics, or as my alternative medicine doctor calls orthopedists, "carpenters." She explained, the carpenters will insert, under my knee cap, a tiny flexible tube with a thing that resembles a pac-man muncher on the end. And the little muncher will eat up some ragged cartilage, and the tube will suck the pieces out. Then they'll put on a tiny "sander" and smooth it all out.

"Think of it as if they are doing some delicate inlay work on your knee," says my doctor friend. I'm just glad they're not using a Sawzall and a Belt Sander!

And this is nothing compared to a complete knee replacement, which our erstwhile Vice President, Herb Distefano underwent last Christmas. That's was an AMPUTATION! Well, almost...I mean, they leave the plumbing and wiring intact, but they cut out the studs and put new ones in.

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My alternative medicine doc is also a fully licensed and trained M.D. She says when you walk by an Operating Room when the Human Mechanics/ Carpenters are doing their work, you can hear the saws buzz, the drills whine! She says it can be a rather brutal and messy business, adding, "Some of those guys are Neanderthals."

That's the "alternative medicine" part talking. And I have a fleeting image of me driving my Porsche up to a grassy knoll and having an "alternative mechanic" ask it how it feels, poke it with little needles, burn moxa, and play wooden flute music. But I digress.

No wonder they don't tell you anything. If word got out that these guys who drive, ahem, expensive.... never mind, are really just Human Mechanics...I mean, just what does that do to their image?

But maybe that's a good thing, because even though they are mechanics, they are the most important kind. Medicine is the ultimate repair job. I'm just having one of my wheels fixed.

"I often thought I'd like to be a hand surgeon," says my alternative medicine doc. "That would be kinda cool."

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**B**y far, one of the most challenging duties I have encountered as President of this region is submitting my President's letter in time to meet publication deadlines. It is amazing how quickly the 26<sup>th</sup> of each month rolls around. Then I think of Phil and all he must do to put together such an extraordinary publication as our *Heat Exchanger* each month. We are so lucky to have such a talented, motivated and efficient editor!



*(Editor's note: Aw shucks, Phyllis)*

President, Phyllis Scrogam

**RPM is June 3, 4 and 5<sup>th</sup>!!!!**


**A**s in the past, Alex Smith and his helpers have been working hard to make this the best RPM ever. Alex has done his usual masterful job soliciting sponsorship and support from our business supporters. I am looking forward to meeting again with old friends and the opportunity to make some new ones. Our new Zone 2 representative, Jim Becker and his wife Margery will be joining us for Saturday's awards dinner. Don't miss this opportunity to come and meet them.

For those of you planning to bring your children to RPM, please check out a new feature that Tyler has added to our website. Parents can now print out the necessary insurance waiver forms and sign (BOTH PARENTS) and complete them prior to arriving at registration. By taking care of this beforehand, you will save Gay and the girls at the registration table a lot of time and help our club comply with the new insurance rules and guidelines. This year at RPM, those who bring completed forms for their children to registration will receive a special "goodie bag" for their child.

Finally, a big "thank you" to Herb Distefano for filling in for me at our May business meeting.

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Regards,  
Phyllis



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 event of a collision.

Buying a helmet without trying it on first is very common. In this case, just get a good measurement around your head just above your eyebrows and the ocular bone on the back of the head. You should try this a few times and use the largest. Some helmets are sized with the standard “XXS-XXL” and others use a fitted hat size like “6 ¾-8 ½”. Consult with your salesperson closely on this as the different brands will differ slightly when relating to size. Here is an example from Bell.

Inches	Size	Metric
21-1/4	6-3/4	XX-Small 54
21-5/8	6-7/8	XX-Small 55
22	7	X-Small 56
22-3/8	7-1/8	Small 57
22-3/4	7-1/4	Medium 58
23-1/8	7-3/8	Medium 59
23-1/2	7-1/2	Large 60
23-7/8	7-5/8	Large 61
24-1/4	7-3/4	X-Large 62
25-1/8	8	M3 Xtra 64
25-1/2	8	M3 Xtra 65
25-7/8	8-1/4	M3 Xtra 66
26-1/4	8-1/4	M3 Xtra 67
26-3/8	8 1/2	M3 Xtra 68

Starting with a Nomex balaclava, here are some other items to consider. Not only is this an extra layer of fire protection, it will also help keep your sweat from going directly into the helmet’s padding. You can pull the balaclava off after your session and air it out. That way it’ll be nice and dry when it’s time to go out again. Another benefit is that balaclavas do a nice job preventing the dreaded ear-fold-down. At the very least, this is a good item to have in-pocket if you have to borrow a helmet.

Next is a neck collar or helmet restraint device. They are both designed to support the helmet and reduce its movement range in the event of an impact. The systems from Hans and Tucker are the better choices, and the collars are nice for sleeping on a long flight! Choose the one best suited for your needs and budget.

Most helmets come with the basic clear shield. I suggest having a few extras as well. Examples include amber, for bright but overcast days, light or dark smoke, for very bright sunny days and the new iridium mirror shields. These come in different colors and are essentially like high-quality sunglasses (polarized, UV protection). Besides, they look cool!

A helmet bag is a must to keep the scratches to a minimum and more importantly to keep the structural integrity safe from even the most minor of

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Saturday Rally		no charge
Saturday Tech Sesson		no charge
Saturday Dinner	_____ @ \$30 per person	_____
Sunday Autocross	_____ @ \$30 per person	_____
Sunday Box lunch	_____ @ \$10 per person	_____
	Total enclosed	_____

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for Directions turn to page 8!

## DIRECTIONS TO RPM

### ARRIVING FROM THE NORTH ON 95 SOUTH

Take exit #79 – Powhite Parkway, Interstate 195 South—stay in left lane on exit ramp—veer left to take 195 South to Powhite Parkway. Stay on Powhite Parkway—cross the James River, pay .50 cent toll. After toll stay in middle lane & continue on Powhite Parkway. Take Route 60 exit – Midlothian Turnpike (pay .25 cent toll). Take route 60 West. Look for large shopping center on right – Chesterfield Towne Center. 1 block after mall turn right onto Alverser Drive Go 1 long block until stop sign – turn left onto Old Buckingham Road. Look for Black Heath Road (do not turn)—look for tall white gates and house number on front gate (12200)

### ARRIVING FROM THE SOUTH ON 95 NORTH

Take Chippenham Parkway - Route 150 North exit. Stay on this road a long time. Go long way on Midlothian Turnpike –look for large shopping center on right (Chesterfield Towne Center). 1 block after mall, turn right onto Alverser Drive. Go 1 long block until stop sign – turn left onto Old Buckingham Road. Look for Black Heath Road (do not turn)—look for tall white gates & house number on front gate (12200)

### ARRIVING FROM THE EAST ON 64 WEST

Take exit #190 – Petersburg & 95 South. Immediately take exit #74A – Downtown Expressway to Powhite Parkway. Pay .50 cent toll—continue on Powhite Parkway (stay left at split). Cross James River & pay .50 cent toll—after toll stay in middle lane & continue on Powhite Parkway. Take Route 60 exit – Midlothian Turnpike (pay .25 cent toll). Take Route 60 West. Look for large shopping center on right (Chesterfield Towne Center). 1 block after mall turn right onto Alverser Drive. Go 1 long block until stop sign – turn left onto Old Buckingham Road. Look for Black Heath road (do not turn) –look for tall white gates & house number on front gate (12200).

### ARRIVING FROM THE WEST ON 64 EAST

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## Tech Tactics.....

### Safety Gear Guide

By Dan Nahas with CDOC

**S**afety gear should be comfortable, relatively new and used correctly to maximize it's effectiveness in saving you from serious injury or worse. Whenever budgeting for any track-bound car, whether it's the occasional driver education or for a professional racing series, the safety items should always be figured into the overall package of the car. For every upgrade in power, handling and braking, some sort of safety item should be added as well. In the next few articles, I'll touch on a number of different items of gear that may help you make choices as you accumulate items to support your efforts on the track.

**1. Helmet** You can't go far without this first necessity. So many drivers will spend untold amounts of money on their car but not their own head. In some ways you will get what you pay for. The cost of Kevlar and carbon fiber composites to make the helmet lighter and stronger is obviously more than the cost of fiberglass. A lighter helmet is not only comfortable in hard cornering and braking, but also safer as it reduces the forces on the neck and spine in the event of a collision. The G-forces can be tremendous for a very short time during a collision; so, reducing the mass being thrown around will help you.

When choosing a helmet style, think about all possible venues where you may use it. If you want the least expensive open-face helmet, this may limit your opportunity to jump into a formula car or an open cockpit car as well as a kart. If you are driving a car with a functional air bag, do not use an open-face helmet. If you plan to only use your helmet in your enclosed car, you could avoid the other end of the spectrum as well. You won't be needing spoilers and other aerodynamic features of some of the very high-end helmets.

As for fit, the helmet should be as snug a possible without being painful. If you think it might be a little too tight when you first try it on, you should give it the ten minute test. After that time, you'll either have a headache or you've forgotten all about the helmet and are thinking about other things. There's your answer. If you find yourself between sizes, go with the smaller one. Keep in mind that the padding is new and cold. Over time the padding will break-in to conform to your head's shape and become more comfortable. The larger size will just get looser. This is unsafe as it will allow your head more momentum before striking the inside of the helmet in the

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**Richmond Porsche Meet (RPM) 2005**

**June 3-5**



RPM 2004 Photo by Phil Audibert

**To do list.....**

1. If you haven't already, fill out and send the registration form (Pg.7).
2. Spruce up that Porsche Friday, June 3.
3. Jump in it and drive to Alex and Gail Smith's house early Saturday morning, June 4 (directions, facing page at left).
4. Line it up with other similar models.
5. Gawk at the rare and beautiful.
6. Shmooze with your brand new best friends!
7. Stuff yourself at the Café Carrera!
8. Learn something new at the Tech session.
9. Go on a tour of the lovely Piedmont countryside.
10. Laugh at whomever is roasted at the banquet.
11. Squeal your tires at the autocross Sunday morning (directions below).
12. Go home happy!

**DIRECTIONS TO SOUTHSIDE SPEEDWAY.....**

*Autocross location for Sunday June 5th-*

**From Midlothian Turnpike– Route 60.....**

**If headed West** on Rt. 60 go to top of long hill and turn **left** onto N. Woolridge Rd.

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## Social Meeting Notes May 19, 2005.....

by Dave Lasch

The meeting, held at CDOC in Charlottesville, began about 7:15 PM and ended at 8:00. Prior to the meeting, food was provided by the generous people at CDOC. Thank you very much CDOC.

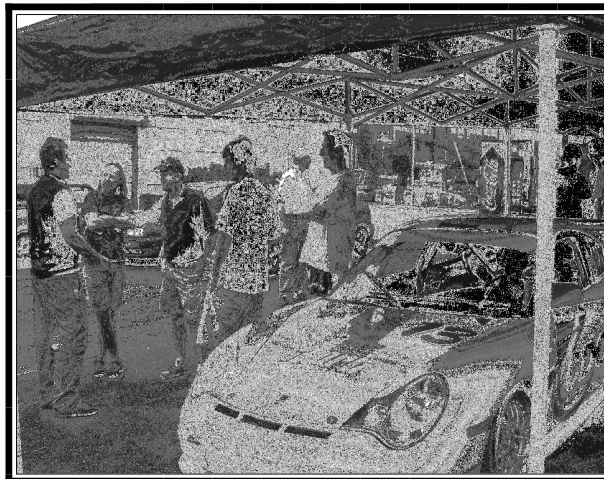
Herb Distefano conducted the meeting, in his inimitable style, in Phyllis Scrogam's absence.

Herb presented the membership report: 168 active members; the treasurer's report: \$9399 (this amount includes RPM sponsor donations and advanced registrations); the social report: a tour to Luray Caverns on Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>; the web master report: an insurance waiver can be downloaded from the website and an update on RPM: concours judges are needed.

Herb also noted that the planning phase for the region's Tenth Birthday Party is well on its way. He intends to ask the Board of Directors to make it a free event as the Christmas parties are.

Rick Ebinger indicated that the May 15<sup>th</sup> autocross at the Augusta Government Center was well attended and enjoyable. Erik Boody made another request for a laptop computer to facilitate the scoring of the autocrosses. Both Rick and Erik mentioned the increased cost of renting the Southside Speedway, currently at \$1000.

Phil Audibert noted that the *Heat Exchanger* has been lengthened by eight pages over the past two months because of an increase in the number of advertisements. He thanked Johnny Johnson for his efforts. The deadline for the June issue was advanced to Monday, May 23, in order to have it available before RPM.



Colin Dougherty (left) of CDOC in Charlottesville hosted a Cruz-In recently. Photo by Phil Audibert

A nicely done DVD, "PCA - 50 Years of Fellowship," was presented. Five members attending a meeting for the first time were introduced: Brian, Mark, John, Christopher and Keith. The meeting was adjourned and Mac Horn and his colleagues from CDOC were thanked for providing food and a venue for the evening.



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**Membership Report**

May 2005 by Mel Brannan

**168 Active Members**

**Welcome to the following New Members:**

- **David Bealmear** of Crozet, VA 1997 Porsche 911
- **Harry Kennison** of Charlottesville, VA 2005 Porsche Boxster



**AUTOCROSS**

*much better this time around*

By Rick Ebinger

**F**or the second autocross of the season, I

Fastest Time of the Day (FTD) belonged to Rick Ebinger, seen here braking after the cross-course straightaway at the Augusta Government Center.

Photo by Phil Audibert

was finally able to get my act together and put together a pretty good course, with two laps and a straight away

across the entire parking lot. The track had almost a drifting sort of feel to it since most of the turns were wide open and could be taken at a higher speed than usual. Don't worry; we had some tight spots for the little cars as well.

With the diversity of the course, and the second lap, everyone had a blast and I will really work to set this type of course up again. The day was very nice and we had a lot of new faces show up.

Some random notes: I have combined the Boxster and 944 classes this year. When I put together the season points after the RPM event, they will be laid out as such.

Chess Earman has stepped it up and will probably be a bigger handful than he already is when the 930 comes back from the shop.

I was able to try a few different cars this time besides the 914. Matt Einstein let me drive his fleet during the fun runs. Stephen Garstang loaned me his BMW 2002, and I also drove a 2004 Jetta TDI.

Erik let me take a few runs during the day with his 911T. I will be co-driving his 911 at the Parade autocross so the practice is very much appreciated. I have asked him to let me drive it to work each day, until the event, but he acted like he didn't hear me. I guess I'll have to ask again.

We had a lot of new faces and some rookies show up. Again the other-than-Porsche class was the largest, and I would like to see more PCA members come out and play. If you are interested, please come and try it. I have yet to hear from anyone who didn't like it. You will find it a valuable tool for learning how your car feels at speed and at the edge of control.

It is interesting when traction control kicks in on these new vehicles, and it is certainly something I would rather experience for the first time in a

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**May 15th autocross results.....**

	Name	Class	Car	Time	Pts
1	Rick Ebinger	Early-'79	'74 914	75.256	3
2	Erik Boody	Early-'79	'73 911 T	76.664	2
3	Rick Ebinger	Early-'79	'73 911 T	76.951	1
4	Mick Seal	Other	'02 Miata	78.502	
5	Matt Einstein	Late '95-'05	'05 997S	78.865	3
6	Chess Earman	Mid '80-'94	'85 911	79.466	3
7	Michael Moore	Other	'92 Miata	80.114	
8	Marty Fraiser	Other	'96 BMW M3	80.213	
9	Chess Earman	944,928,986	'86 944 Turbo	80.293	3
10	Ray Shumin	Other	'04 Ford Focus	80.295	
11	Rick Kiser	Late '95-'05	'98 993-S	80.695	2
12	Stephen Garstang	Other	'73 BMW 2002	82.124	
13	Phil Audibert	944,928,986	'99 Boxster	82.653	2
14	Andy Turner	Mid '80-'94	'85 911	83.646	2
15	Owen Peterson	Other	'85 Volvo 740	83.658	
16	Bill Sanders	944,928,986	'94 928 GTS	83.765	1
17	Joel Smith	Other	'98 BMW 323	86.071	
18	Stephen Grove	Other	'85 Golf GTI	86.139	
19	Matt Einstein	Late '95-'05	Cayenne Turbo	86.479	
20	Paul Hansen	Other	'90 Miata	88.084	
21	Robert Lane	Other	Dodge Neon	88.350	
22	Steve Mohn	Other	'91 Volvo 740	92.835	
23	Imraan Faruge	944,928,986	'85 944	93.247	
24	Diane Earman	ladies	'86 944 Turbo	94.203	3



As far as we know this is the first time we've seen a Cayenne at one of our autocrosses. Here, Matt Einstein awaits his turn as Rick Kiser blasts through the finish in his 993.

Competitors line up at the autocross May 15th at the Augusta Government Center in Verona. Autocrosses are safe, timed events that allow drivers to stretch their cars to the limit without fear of doing damage to themselves or their vehicles.



Photos this page by Phil Audibert

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controlled environment and not in a panic situation. Think about it and ask questions. These events are set up so you can learn your car first; and then be competitive second. The personal goals you set for yourself and the fact you can beat other cars and "buddies" is what makes it fun and worthwhile.

Even with an 80 second course and five runs, we were done with the competition by 3:30 PM...not a bad way to spend five hours early Sunday and still have the rest of the day to do whatever.....

See you at RPM Southside,

Rick