

DRIFTING BACK FROM 2004

JANUARY

30 Years Ago (January 1974)

New year - new board: President Paul Bates, Vice President Merle Dodd, Secretary Kaylaine Robinson, Treasurer Rik Larson, Social Chairman Bob Schleh, Activities Chairman Mike Doran, Tech Chairman Allen Weddle, Publicity Chairman Kirk Bradford, Newsletter Editor Eva Kay, and Past President Jim Karver.

The January 11 dinner meeting at El Macero Country Club was the traditional CRAB warm-up featuring all-you-can-eat crab, spaghetti with meat or clam sauce, salad, parmesan bread and wine, wine, wine. All this for \$6.75. PCA National President, Lou Marable, attended the dinner meeting and presented Porsche's latest movie, "One For The Road."

SVR's first event of 1974 was the January 12 Rallye School by Phillip Marks. After the classroom training, the students, in 16 cars, put their newfound knowledge to work in a 90-mile rallye written by Rik Larson. Capturing first place in mom's Saab were Dave and Chrissie Neukom (they just moved back to Sacramento), and in second were Pat Kincaid (she just re-joined) and Sue Dooley. Kirk & Linda Bradford finished third. Harvey Cain ran out of gas on the last leg - and subsequently won the Dumbkopf award.

20 Years Ago (January 1984)

SVR's new board held their first meeting January 9. Officers included President Ray Clements, Vice-president Mike Willis, Secretary Melissa Bourne, Treasurer Sally Weddle, Social Director Linda Mitchell, Competition Director Jim Austin, Newsletter Editor Stan Breyfogle, Membership Director Pat Wilson, and Past President Dwight Mitchell.

"1984, The Rallye," on January 20 with J. Toney as rallymaster, was the first Friday night rallye of 1984. The event drew 47 rallye cars, one less than the number of route instructions printed. Toney found an "Opportunity Street" to include in the route and, of course, just HAD to use "Right at first Opportunity" to lead entrants into a trap. Workers included the Dwight & Linda Mitchell, Stan Breyfogle, Pam Harley, Allen & Dolores & Sally Weddle, Ron Boeck, George & Nona Morley, Pat & Larry Wilson, Lee & Carolyn Coleman, Mike Willis, Jim Austin, and Mark & Starla Hirst. John Clever and Rik Larson won the event.

10 Years Ago (January 1994)

New SVR officers for 1994 included President Dwight Mitchell, Vice President Greg Peart, Secretary Barbara Schumacher, Treasurer Jeff Kinder, Social Director Cyndee Peart, Membership Director George Morley, Competition & Safety Director Gary Stratton, Newsletter Editors Chris & Shelagh Mackay, and Past President Tambra Kroetz.

Seventy-four members attended the January 5 Planning Meeting at Round Table Pizza on Greenback Lane which featured FREE salad and pizza. Another dozen, or so, members called President Dwight Mitchell with ideas for the 1994 activity calendar.

Phil Lawrence was given the Dumbkopf Award at the January 20 Dinner Meeting at Spices Grill & Bar on Fair Oaks Blvd. It had to do with a key ingredient of his entry in the November Great Chili Cookoff competition. Regardless, his "Concours Chili" finished in a six-way tie for second in the cook-off. Which proves there's no accounting for taste.

FEBRUARY

30 Years Ago (February 1974)

According to the February Drifter, Phillip Marks had a custom-made athletic supporter (news was really hard to come by in those days). President Paul Bates said in his column, "1974 will be great fun, even at 55 miles per hour."

Aside from the gas shortage and the new 55 mph speed limit, the big news for Zone 7 PCAers was the new Zone autocross series with eight events which would begin in March and end in October. Parade Competition Rules would govern the series.

Tech Chairman Allen Weddle reported that some 1973 911 Porsches have been recalled to correct a defective headlight dimmer switch. And in The Drifter, once again, Jim Karver announced his set of painted 356C rims were for sale at a bargain price of \$60.

20 Years Ago (February 1984)

On February 5, Dolores & Allen Weddle led a "Dial-A-Tour" to the Indian Grinding Rock State Park near Jackson for a picnic lunch and sight-seeing. Enjoying the tour were Jack & June Samples, Jim & Sheila McDade, Jay & Carla Cross, Mike & Vicki Willis, Fred & Fran Siegner, Stan Breyfogle, Marty Lausten, Ron Boeck, Sally Weddle, and Dolores & Allen Weddle.

The February 17 Dinner Meeting was located at Howie's Bar & Grill on Canterbury Road. Drifter editor, Stan Breyfogle, announced that Dolores Weddle agreed to help with typing the newsletter. He didn't say whether he would give Dolores the club's IBM Selectric. Pat Wilson, Membership Director, hosted the February 24 New Member Party.

Paul & Jeanie Bates promised a "whale of a tour" on their February 19 Whale Tour to the Bodega Bay and Fort Ross areas, and it certainly was. Watching whales and eating a picnic lunch were the main items of business.

10 Years Ago (February 1994)

The February 6 Rallye de Bus was a rallye school organized by Rik Larson where students, beginners or experts, learned all about how to win time and distance rallyes from capable instructors in the comfort of a nifty bus. The concepts of follow-lined-road and straight-off were made clear from the guided bus tour.

St. Valentine's dinner meeting, February 10, at Olive Garden featured chocolate truffle tasting. The Dumbkopf Award was given that night to Jim McDade for no particular reason, just on general principles.

Mike Willis chaired the San Simeon Tour, February 19-21, and the usual large crowd made the trip including, among others, Steve & Diane Harris, Ron & Sally Boeck, Jeff & Kim Kinder, Allen & Dolores Weddle, Kirk & Linda Bradford, and Jim McMahan & Linda Blount. Allen took the ol' beige 911SC into a muddy field and retired it right there on the spot. A replacement was found (black) in time for the March Daffodil Hill tour.

All the entrants in the February 26 Fun Autocross at Granite Bay State Park got to practice their rain technique because it rained all day.

MARCH

30 Years Ago (March 1974)

Tech Chairman, Allen Weddle, arranged SVR's first tech session of the year, held March 9 at Sportwagen Werke where George Valerio displayed his Porsche 904 and discussed 4-cam Porsche racing engines. After a break, Ken Davis and Bob Young led a discussion on 911 transmissions. Allen made sure that liquid refreshments (Bloody Marys) were served to all. Allen announced that Gin Fizzes would be served at the next tech session.

Jim Karver invited all SVRers to tour with him March 17 to the first Zone 7 autocross (ever!) conducted by Loma Prieta Region at Salinas Airport (a great trivia question). The Drifter announced that Fred Myeron is the new Chief Grid Steward for San Francisco Region, SCCA.

Ray Seamans, CRAB III Chairman declared the March 30/31 event a success with nearly 100 entries including PCA President Lou Marable, PCA Vice-president Wally Cole, Zone 7 Rep Hank Malter, and the president of every region in Zone 7. Gene Babow, Redwood Region, won the special raffle prize, donated by Niello Porsche - a Porsche 212 (you traverse the ski slopes on this vehicle). Phillip Marks arranged for two bands (one fast, one slow) at the crab banquet, Lew Church did the beer 'n' brat, Randy Blaesi handled the gymkhana, Sue Dooley did registration, Dan Boone ran the autocross with help from Dave Neukom, and Jim Karver was the multi-purpose helper. Allen Weddle won the Lew Church Snidley Whiplash Bassackwards award for doing a 360 degree spin into the mud at the autocross, and then a 360 degree spin getting out.

20 Years Ago (March 1984)

Cyndee and Damon Nightingale chaired the March 11 "Gourmet Wine Tasting" at the Private Reserve in the Rio Del Oro plaza. A selection of Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon was on hand for tasting with hot and cold hors d'oeuvres followed by a taste of Port.

The March 16 "Rides of March +1" rallye, chaired by Phillip Marks and Kathy Koepsell, took entrants in 30 rallye cars under rainy skies into the foothills for an easy-to-follow three-

hour rallye. Phillip found a "Phillip Road" to use on Leg Three without reference in the route instructions. The chatty generals said, "follow Phillip and have a good time." Of course, no one turned as they should have onto Phillip Road. Rik Larson and John Clever won the rallye.

Eighty-five drivers were enrolled at SVR's Zone 7 Driving School, March 24 & 25, chaired by Dwight Mitchell at Splinter City near McClellan AFB. Forty instructors from SVR and other Zone 7 regions helped student drivers learn the basics of driving fast, safely. Among many others, workers included Ray & Sara Clements, Mike & Vicki Willis, Don & Pam Harley, Jim & Mary Jo Austin, Pat & Larry Wilson, and Linda Mitchell. At the Zone 7 Banquet, November 10, this driving school was awarded the 1984 Zone 7 Event Of The Year.

10 Years Ago (March 1994)

The Daffodil Hill Tour, Saturday, March 26 with Andy and Jan Lundback as chairs, included Daffodil Hill and a taste and a picnic at Gerwer Winery, founded in 1980 near Foreplay, California (what a great name for a town). The daffodils were in bloom, the sun was out all day, and a grand crowd, including Allen and Dolores Weddle in their "new" black 911, Tom & Tandra Kroetz, Pat and Larry Wilson, Greg & Cyndee Peart, Bill Keegan, Ron & Sally Boeck, among others, were on hand for the event. Greg Posner convinced the group to add the Perry Creek Vineyards to the end of the tour.

APRIL

30 Years Ago (April 1974)

In the April Drifter, Secretary Kaylaine Robinson reported PCA membership nationwide had grown to 10,291 members. Treasurer Rik Larson reported SVR's treasury had been fattened to \$545.44 (which was fortunate because the Dirt, Digs, 'n Doin's column reported that Cal Expo had just tripled the autocross site rental fee).

The April 13 rallye, "Snake In The Grass," chaired by Rik Larson attracted 28 entries, including 12 cars from SVR. J. Toney & Jeanne Toney won the Expert Class and was first overall with a score of 28 points. Allen & Dolores Weddle finished 2nd in Novice Class with a score of 401 points. John & Candy Wong came in 2nd in Beginner Class (402 points). Other SVR entries included Bob & Hedy Barr, Dan & Barbara Boone, Mike Doran, John & Karen Bullington, Martin & Pearl Maxwell, Jim & Joyce Karver, Foster & Tami Maxwell, Ron Boeck, and Robin Miller & Ted Colbert. Rallye workers included Pat & Larry Wilson, Rich & Connie Farlinger, Dennis & Eva Kay, Chris & Rod Sorenson, Lettie Larson, Les Yeates and Phillip Marks.

20 Years Ago (April 1984)

Ray Clements and Stan Breyfogle conducted the April 1 Rallye School which attracted 20 students including newbies Julie Roeder, Marc Wallior, John & Chris Rees, Carol & Michael Lewis, and Bob & Beth Jacobson, as well as the more experienced Fred & Fran Siegner, Lee &

Carolyn Coleman, and Shirley Newhouse and her dad, Jim Lynch. All students went on to win a trophy in the CRAB 13 Rallye.

The SVR Practice Autocross, chaired by Jim & Mary Jo Austin April 14 at Splinter City, had plenty of instructors for more than 40 students who were looking for a warm-up before CRAB 13. Carol Lewis was thought to have had the most fun. On the following day, April 15, Allen Weddle chaired the Grand Island Mansion Brunch Tour, and this time 30 cars toured down the river road for a champagne brunch. The day ended at Foster's Bighorn Saloon in Rio Vista.

CRAB 13, chaired by Steven and Lori Campbell, April 27 - 29, featured an autocross course designed by chair Ted Colbert that spelled CRAB (if you were a bird hovering 100 feet above it) and it got you into 3rd gear. A new event at CRAB 13 was the Trike-A-Cross, conducted by Vicki Willis and Marty Lausten, that gave kids a shot at going fast on their 3-wheeler at Cal Expo. Fourteen participants, from two years to 12 years of age, each received a winner's button.

10 Years Ago (April 1994)

After a year's absence, CRAB returned with the 22nd edition, April 8 - 10, with Shelagh Mackay in charge. CRAB 22 event class-winners included: (Autocross) Jay & Carla Cross, Tim & Susan Fleming, Bob Peake, Sally Boeck, Larry & Pat Wilson, Jim Dupree, Masuo Robinson, Mary Behlman, Chris & Shelagh Mackay, Greg Peart, Tony & Jill Taylor, Kern Breaux, Susan Moore, and Dwight & Linda Mitchell; (Gymkhana) Chris & Shelagh Mackay, Ron & Sally Boeck, and Rich McGlumphy & Sue Moore; (Rallye) Helen Ashuckian & J. Toney, Jay & Carla Cross, and Ron & Sally Boeck; (Concours) Greg & Cindy Peart, and Bill Keegan. Gloria & Larry Dunn won the Walking Tour. George and Nona Morley won a special greeting from the City of Rocklin during the rallye.

The Renaissance Vineyard & Winery Tour, April 24, chaired by Ron Riley and Sally Boeck, gave participants a tour through the Sierra foothills to brunch at Renaissance and a guided tour of their vineyards, winery, and Museum of Fine Art (surrounded by three acres of rose gardens). Among others, participants included Ron & Bente Riley, Ron & Sally Boeck, Allen and Dolores Weddle, Steve & Diane Harris, Chris & Shelagh Mackay, and Herb & Jan Hoover.

MAY

30 Years Ago (May 1974)

The May 3rd Dinner Meeting at the River Bend Golf and Country Club, chaired by Bob and Marge Schleh, was preceded by 18 holes of golf for just \$3.00! Georgene Dodd played and maintained her streak of attending every SVR golf tournament.

President Jim Karver invited SVR autocrossers to join him at Round 3 of the inaugural Zone 7 Autocross Series conducted by Golden Gate Region May 5 at the Pleasanton Fairgrounds (Yosemite Region had canceled Round 2). Later in the month, hill climbers from SVR headed

east to Fernley, Nevada, for the May 26 Fernley Hill Climb, conducted by Sierra Nevada Region, PCA.

The SVR Board appointed Randy Blaesi to the newly created position of Membership Chairman (and yet another great trivia question: Who was the first...?). In *The Drifter*, Ted Robinson advertised a complete and running 1955 1500 Normal engine, #34626, less muffler for only \$375.

20 Years Ago (May 1984)

SVR's May 16 tech session was hosted by Tom Goldthwaite at OK Tires and explored the various tire and wheel combinations for your Porsche as well as comments by Dwight Mitchell about suspension systems and components and the results of a recent tire test with which he was involved.

The May 19 Foothill Galleries Tour, chaired by Rod & Kathy Chandler and Pam & Don Harley, included a picnic lunch at Montevenia Vineyards with awards for the most creative place settings having a pioneer or country flair. Afterwards, the tour traveled along the backroads of El Dorado and Amador counties to visit two art galleries, Friday House and Billie G's.

10 Years Ago (May 1994)

The May edition of *The Drifter* was the first issue produced by Chris Mackay on the club's new computer, a Macintosh Quadra 610 (a Mac Plus had been used for the newsletter since 1987). Mackay, normally a "Windoze-user," said the new Macintosh computer cut production time in half.

Abby, the rallye wonder dog, produced another T&D event May 21 with a little help from assistant Richard Wetzell. Harv & Connie Cain took an excellent first-place in expert unequipped class, and Helen Ashuckian & J. Toney took 3rd in expert equipped. Workers included Pat & Larry Wilson, George & Nona Morley, Rik Larson, John Clever, June Samples, Fred Siegner, Phillip Marks, and Allen & Dolores Weddle.

The Sunday, May 22, Champagne Brunch Tour by Allen & Dolores Weddle was once again a smash hit for 32 cars of SVR members traveling to the Wine & Roses Country Inn in Lodi. After a cruise through the Delta at a leisurely pace, the group settled in at the Inn's Garden Pavilion. The program included presentation of 20-Year PCA Membership certificates to Kirk Bradford and Jim & Sheila McDade. Pat Wilson won a gift certificate for two brunches at the Inn and Steve Patton and Toni Weddle each won a bottle of wine.

JUNE

30 Years Ago (June 1974)

June 2 was the date for the Woodland Historic Tour which, for almost 100 SVR members, began with a guided tour of the Woodland Opera House. The planned restoration of the

Opera House was still waiting for sufficient funding. Then it was on to the restored Victorian home of SVR members Ken and Betty Fielding, a charming old home built in the late 1800s, for tours and beer and hotdogs. Ken & Betty approached the restoration in the same manner as they did with preparing their concours 1966 Porsche 911. Woodland Mayor Don Wiley was on hand to greet the SVR guests.

On June 7, Allen Weddle arranged SVR's Tech Session II at Niello Porsche where Mike Green, newly appointed service advisor for Niello, displayed and discussed restoration of his beautiful metallic-green Speedster which he accomplished himself over a nine-month period. Gin Fizzes were served.

Dave Neukom chaired the SVR June 16 Zone 7 Autocross with the help of Dan & Barbara Boone, Jim & Joyce Karver, Wyn Robertson, Jim Bonney, Rik Larson, Rod Sorenson, Dan Neukom, and Dale Newhouse. According to The Drifter, Larry Wilson won the annual June Sprints Formula Vee SCCA National-points race at Laguna Seca for the fourth consecutive year. This time, a victory margin of two-feet also won Larry the "Closest Victory" prize, a weekend for two at Lake Tahoe.

20 Years Ago (June 1984)

Stan Breyfogle chaired two events over the June 15-17 weekend: "Rhythm," a Friday-night rallye on June 15; and "& Blues," an autocross at Splinter City, June 17th. Twenty-six rallye cars entered with John Clever & Rik Larson taking first in Expert Equipped and Phillip Marks with Kathy Koepsell 6th in Expert Unequipped. Trophy winners in the autocross included J. Toney, Dwight & Linda Mitchell, Jim Lanier, Tim & Mike Hogan, Jim Ducoing, Kern Breaux, and Jill Mitchell.

The Imperial Dynasty Tour, June 23 - 24, chaired by Damon & Cyndee Nightingale, offered great Chinese cuisine from the Imperial Dynasty in Hanford with overnight accommodations at the Victorian Inn, also in Hanford.

SVR's "For Real Autocross," June 30, chaired by Larry Dunn and Bruce Westrup at Spinter City, featured tire-testing by Tom & Marg Green (from GGR) and Dwight Mitchell comparing Yokohama 001R tires with Michelin XWX tires with Traction recaps (slicks). Only the 001R could break 1.0G on the skid-pad.

10 Years Ago (June 1994)

June 18th was SVR day at the range (as in shootin' range). Organized by Ron Boeck and Randy Vidmar, 26 SVR members arrived at the James Mangin Rifle and Pistol Range to receive instruction on handguns, and to partake in friendly target shootin' competition. Marcy Vidmar was the top shooter with a score of 94. Sally Boeck tied Joe Schumacher for 2nd with 93. Bob Peake was 4th with 92. Jeff Kinder was last (19th) with a score of 18 (Kim had a score of 70). Experts Allen Weddle, Ron Boeck, and Randy Vidmar supervised the competition.

June 25-26 Orient Express Tour, with an overnight stay in Eureka, promised a visit to the Orient and Flume Art Glass Gallery in Chico, a catered picnic lunch in historic Bidwell Park, and then a trip along Highway 36 to Eureka with a rest stop in Harrison Gulch. Sunday lunch was in Mendocino. Jim McMahan was chair of the event. Participants included, among others, Linda Blount, Herb & Jan Hoover, Steve & Diane Harris, Jeff & Kim Kinder, Allen & Dolores Weddle, George & Nona Morley, Chris & Shelagh Mackay, Marv & Marie Smith, Ron & Sally Boeck, and Fred Siegner and June Samples.

JULY

30 Years Ago (July 1974)

In the July Drifter, SVR Photo Contest Chair Kirk Bradford was beside himself over the excellent entries for the June photo contest. The winners were: Ted Robinson for his black & white picture of *deWitt's Pumpkin*, and Ray Seamans for his color photo of *Barbara Boone racing at the Pleasanton Zone 7 autocross*. Kirk also gave recognition to runners-up including Arnold and Trish O' Shields' photo of *Allen Weddle accepting his well-earned Snidley Award* at the CRAB III banquet.

Also in The Drifter, President Paul Bates gave more information about the club's new autocross trailer. The Board authorized an expenditure of \$100 in club funds, and with an additional cash loan from each board member, the balance secured the purchase of a 5x8 E-Z Haul trailer. Bob Schleh had run across a deal he could not refuse on a "near new" trailer. The trailer will be available for rent to club members to pay off the board members loan to the club.

The big deal this month was the July 21 Annual Picnic and Charity Auction chaired by Randy Blaesi at the East Portal Park. Bob Schleh was the auctioneer and all proceeds went to the Sacramento Council for the Pre-School Retarded. As usual, there was a vigorous volleyball game between the 900s and the 356s, and all the beer and soft drinks one could possibly consume.

20 Years Ago (July 1984)

July 28-29 saw 83 Porsches from Zone 7 regions plus Northwest and San Diego regions run the 3rd annual Tahoe Dixie Tour & Cruise, chaired by Jim & Sheila McDade. The route wound through Fiddletown, Mt. Aukum and up the Mormon Emigrant Trail with lunch at Kirkwood Meadows Ski Resort. Then east on Highway 88 to the Tahoe Sands Vagabond Motel and a pool-side party with cold refreshments, hors d'oeuvres, and jazz music by the Gil Lester Trio (and Larry Wilson sitting-in with his flugelhorn). Jim Austin won the "broadjump," and Sally Weddle took the "pole vault" competitions. Door prizes for all included 80 bottles of liquor. SVR members George & Linda McClarrinon won \$350 in services donated by Niello Porsche. A four-hour dinner cruise on the Tahoe Queen

paddlewheeler capped off the evening. It was brunch next morning and then sightseeing, gambling, and/or the trip home.

10 Years Ago (July 1994)

Parade News: The Drifter (editors Chris & Shelagh Mackay) won first-in-class in the 1994 national PCA newsletter contest. Contest results were announced and awards presented July 11th at the 1994 Porsche Parade, Lake Placid, New York, by PCNA Director of Public Relations Bob Carlson, PCA President Burt Misevic, and PCA National Newsletter Committee Chair Larry Wilson. Rik Larson and John Clever won overall in the Parade Rallye with J. Toney coming in second with partner Willie Williams.

The July 16 Autocross School, chaired by Jim Dupree at Granite Bay 4th Stage Parking Lot, was a huge success for the students who knocked 3 to 5 seconds off their times at days end. What's the formula for success? Seat-time with an instructor. That's what students got plenty of.

The Great SVR Family Camp-Out at Plasse Resort at Silver Lake, between Jackson and Kirkwood Ski Resort, July 22-24 (Friday through Sunday), was chaired by Arlene Pluth and Mary Siles. Happy memories included hiking, biking, horseback riding, a general store, dining room with bar, shower facilities, firewood, and evening camp fire circles. Happy campers included Joe & Barbara Schumacher, Bill & Tori Keegan, Steve & Diane Harris, Bob & Mary Siles, John & Arlene Pluth, Ron & Sally Boeck, Greg & Cyndee Peart, Bob & Marian Berriman, and Phil & Jean Keith.

AUGUST

30 Years Ago (August 1974)

The August 2 dinner meeting was at Alfred's, on Stockton Boulevard near Mack Road and Highway 99. Bob and Marge Schleh, Social Chairpeople, arranged a dinner of salad, 1/2 chicken, potatoes, vegetable, garlic bread, coffee and dessert - all for \$5.00 and with dancing at 10:30 p.m. Outside the restaurant, SVR member Fred Colton (a transferee from Arizona Region) had his beautiful black Speedster on display.

In this month's Drifter, Pig Pen said, "Hats off to Redwood Region for an excellent drivers school. We hear that it was a safe, informative and fun event (for most)." This school was conducted at Sears Point Raceway, and once again SVR member Harvey Cain hit the wall with his 911 thereby forever earning the moniker, Harvey Wallbanger. Actually, he smote a mighty blow to the concrete wall outside Turn 10 on the school's last lap with instructor and SVR-member Clint deWitt in the passenger seat. The "Silver Streak" was expected to be out of commission for several weeks with numerous abrasions and contusions.

20 Years Ago (August 1984)

The August 4 FRAX Autocross at Splinter City (McClellan AFB), chaired by Don Harley and Ken Smith, provided plenty of seat-time with, or without, an instructor.

Co-chairs Kern Breaux (who couldn't attend) and Mary Jo Austin made sure the August 12 Picnic and Charity Auction at Hamilton Park offered something for everyone: free beer and wine and soda, "celebrity" pie throwing (bidding was fierce for the Hank Malter pie), a family picnic, lots of kid's games, the charity auction, and the "4s" versus the "6s" volleyball game. Special Olympics was the charity auction recipient.

10 Years Ago (August 1994)

The August 12 dinner meeting was held at the home of Jerry and Patti Thomas and featured a catered barbecue around the pool in their backyard. August 14 was another Adopt-A-Highway pickup day for SVR's two-mile stretch along I-5. The eighteen lucky trash pluckers, supervised by Greg Peart, included Joe & Barbara Schumacher, Patti & Jerry & Chris & Kevin Thomas, Rik Larson, Chris & Shelagh Mackay, Tim Fleming, Mike Willis, Jim Dupree, Sue Moore, Nikki Duncan, Kelli Jenson, Tambra & Tom Kroetz, Pat Perez, and Doug McElroy. Claudia McElroy, Vicki Willis, Daymon Nightingale, and Cyndee Peart had lunch ready and waiting when the pickup was over.

Greg Peart moved up to SVR president from vice president after Dwight Mitchell resigned as president because of new business commitments.

SEPTEMBER

30 Years Ago (September 1974)

This month, Kirk Bradford's Photo Contest reached big-time status with the winning Black & White photo by Merle Dodd being featured on the September Drifter cover. As Kirk described it, "Merle's winning entry was an experiment with two black and white exposures placed together. The result is an appealing composition of a Porsche alloy wheel dominating and serving as a frame for the second exposure of a 914 seen 'through' the center hole of the wheel."

Also in the September Drifter, Secretary Kaylaine Robinson reported the SVR Board initiated a petition to place the name of Hank Malter (outgoing Zone 7 Representative) on the ballot for PCA National Treasurer in addition to the favorite person of the National Nominations Committee (as it turned out, Malter made the ballot, then won the election as Treasurer, and several years later, he was elected National President). The SVR Board also voted to nominate Dwight Mitchell (then from Golden Gate Region) to replace Malter as Zone 7 Representative.

20 Years Ago (September 1984)

Stan Breyfogle and J. Toney chaired the *Carrera de Sierra X*, September 8-9, a two-day rallye for 36 rallye-cars to Yosemite Park, and overnight stay and outdoor barbecue at Camp Curry, and return to Micke Grove in Stockton for awards and early dinner.

SVR and Sierra Nevada Region hosted the final 1984 two-day Zone 7 Autocross weekend, September 15-16 at Splinter City. Larry Wilson was chair for SVR's event. The weekend was well-attended, partly because of the Saturday-night, outside-by-the-pool spaghetti feed at the home of Dwight and Linda Mitchell. Eighty-three people converged on the Mitchell's home and, with 46 people in the spa, were able to break the previous year's spa-stuffing record of 40 people. Also that evening, after evening gown and personality judging by the crowd, Rich McGlumphy lost to Brian Perry of Redwood Region in his bid to become SVR's first Miss Zone 7 of 1984. Whatta drag! SVR autocrossers with a first-place finish during the weekend were Ray Clements, Stan Breyfogle, Larry Wilson, Dwight Mitchell, Rich McGlumphy, Sara Clements, Pat Wilson, Jill Mitchell, and Linda Mitchell.

Don Harley arranged for the September 18 tech session at Paradyme Electronics which covered car audio basics plus some high-tech innovations and new audio systems designed especially for Porsche cars.

10 Years Ago (September 1994)

The September 8 SVR Golf Day at the Dry Creek Ranch Golf Course and Dinner Meeting at the Golden Acorn Restaurant was chaired by Fred Siegner.

The SVR Charity Auction, September 18, was chaired by Bill and Tori Keegan and held at the home of Tom and Brenda Solter. Over \$2,000 was raised by SVR members, bidding on auction items, for Family House, a temporary housing facility for families of children undergoing cancer treatment at the University of California Medical Center. Kirk Bradford and Larry Wilson were auctioneers. Other auction workers included George Morley, Barbara Schumacher, Greg Peart, Rik Larson, and Cora & Kent Brandon.

OCTOBER

30 Years Ago (October 1974)

Once again, Kirk Bradford's Photo Contest had top-billing in *The Drifter*. Kirk announced Fred Myeron won the September contest for color photos with his shot of the Zone 7 autocross held at the Solano County Fairgrounds. The Black & White winner was Mike Doran and the December issue featured his stunning photo of Michael and Mary Peters' 356SC in front of the Fielding's Victorian home in Woodland.

The "Goosas Tew" California Championship Rallye on October 5, chaired by Phillip Marks, had a "novice" class for SVR members not running the full series. The Novice class was won by Jim Karver and Bob Agers with Dolores and Sally Weddle coming in fourth. At the finish of the event, Rallymaster Phillip Marks thanked the workers: Sue Dooley, Les Yeates, Rik and Lettie Larson, Merle Dodd, Rich Farlinger, Barbara Boone, Eva Kay, Dave and Delores Johnson, Ted Colbert, Ted and Mother Goose Robinson, Dave Neukom and Robin Miller.

Allen Weddle chaired the October 26 "Safety Tech Session" where members affixed a detonator to their Porsche that measured driver reaction and braking distances at 20 and 30 mph. A passenger triggered the detonator, which fired a chalk mark at the pavement. A second marker fired automatically upon conclusion of driver reaction and the beginning of braking. A tape measure was used to record the braking distance. Jack McGee had the fastest reaction in his 1972 911E Targa,

20 Years Ago (October 1984)

The October 11 Dinner Meeting at Aldo's in Town and Country Village brought out some people not seen in a while: Jack & June Samples, Chris & Elyce McIntyre, and Richard & Lois Soward.

The October 20 Wine Tour to Napa was led by SVR's head wino, Jim McDade, who saw that the other 16 Porsches didn't get lost or miss a drop, all day long. The photos are fading, but you can see some of the participants: Mark & Starla Hirst, Larry & Gloria Dunn, Bob and Beth Jacobson, Jay & Carla Cross, and Marv & Marie Smith.

Twenty-four cars turned out for the October 28 "Big Apple" Rallye with George Morley as Rallymaster. It was an "easy" Sunday drive to Placerville, by way of Sheldon, Rancho Murieta, El Dorado Hills, Latrobe, Lotus, and Chili Bar. Event entrants were rewarded by actually seeing Phillip Marks drive his Porsche 912 in the rallye (and it was raining, too!). Ron Boeck and Sally Weddle finished third in Expert Unequipped class. J. Tony, with Erick Hauge, were third in Expert Equipped class.

10 Years Ago (October 1994)

Carrera de Sierra XVII, October 15-16, offered a Saturday rallye route to the overnight stay in Susanville, and then on Sunday to the rallye finish in Auburn. Phillip Marks was the event chair with John Clever as rallymaster.

The 3rd Annual SVR Swap Meet and Zone 7 Concours on October 23 saw the largest vender turnout with 35 swap meet spaces sold and great results for SVR members in the Concours. The Swap Meet chair was Cyndee Peart and the Concours chair was Phil Lawrence. SVR members who were class-winners in the Concours included Phil Lawrence, Wash and Shine Class; Jim Phillips, 900 Street Class; and Greg Peart, Competition/Special Interest Class.

NOVEMBER

30 Years Ago (November 1974)

The November 1 Pot Luck at the Fair Oaks Club House was a grand success due to the work of Nancy Myeron (and Fred, too). The food was great and the singing lively. Newly elected PCA Treasurer Hank Malter and his lovely wife, Caroline, were surprise guests.

November 10 was the date for "Patricia's Goremay Tooer," chaired by Patricia Kincaid and advertised as "A low-key tour through beautiful Gold Country with a stop at D'Agostini Winery, time to browse through Sutter Creek antique shops, and an Italian dinner at the Belloti Inn." Twenty-five Porsches wound through spectacular scenery and a photo rallye was an added challenge. In addition to winery stops and Bellotti's for dinner, the group had beer and ice cream at the St. George Hotel in Volcano. SVR members attending included couples Boone, Colbert, Dodd, Doran, McDade, O'Shields, Larson, Weddle, Yeates, Karver, and Andres, plus Robin Miller.

The 1974 SVR competitive events season was closed out with the November 17 Low Bucks Autocross, chaired by Dan Boone and Mike Peters. Over 50 cars competed which netted \$78 for charity. Jim Bonney took top time of day with his "prodified" 912. Lew Church was less than a tenth behind in his 1974 911 Carrera.

20 Years Ago (November 1984)

The November 9th Turkey Luck (potluck) Dinner Meeting, chaired by Kathie Chander, was held at the Sacramento Horseman's Association clubhouse on Longview Drive. After drinks and hors d'oeuvres, members enjoyed a smashing dinner with a menu of barbecued turkey and baked ham, cream of pumpkin soup, zucchini dressing, broccoli cheese casserole, mashed potato, sweet potato pudding, and a surprise dessert. Kathy also published the recipe for each of these dishes in the November Drifter.

Among the new members Membership Director, Pat Wilson, welcomed in the November Drifter were Tom and Tandra Kroetz. Pat said, "they are primarily in social activities, but they did show signs of interest at the last autocross." Alas, those signs did not last.

Paul and Jeanie Bates welcomed all SVR members to their business, The Light Opera Co., on November 17 for a pre-Christmas party and open house.

10 Years Ago (November 1994)

The November 5 Napa Wine Tour, chaired by Jim McDade and Bob Peake, featured wine tasting at Pine Ridge Winery including a tour of their caves. The picnic was held indoors in the winery's VIP room. The next two wineries were S. Anderson and Clos Pegase. The day ended with dinner at Chantrelle in Napa.

Eighteen cars entered SVR's November 6 Turkey Run '94 rallye through Yolo and Solano counties, chaired by Phillip Marks. SVR was well-represented with five cars and all did very well in the final results: Expert Unequipped class was won by George and Nona Morley with Sean O'Hara and Jim Karver in second and Ron and Sally Boeck in fourth. In Expert Equipped, J. Toney and Helen Ashuckian won with Rik Larson and John Clever in third. Rallye workers included Pat & Larry Wilson, Rod & Lee Sorenson, Mike Neff, Maggie Roggero, and Mike Willis.

The Second Annual Great Chili Cookoff and Potluck was held November 10. Event chair, Gary Stratton, arranged for "blind judging" to be used in the cookoff competition and entertainment included several Porsche factory films.

The November 11-13 Mendocino Tour was chaired by the Larsons, Weddles, and Willises with overnight stay Friday and Saturday at the Little River Inn. Others attending included Kirk & Linda Bradford, Tandra & Tom Kroetz, Jeff & Kim Kinder, Tina & John Murphy, Larry & Pat Wilson, Chris & Elyce McIntyre, Chris & Shelagh Mackay, and Ray & Sara Clements.

DECEMBER

30 Years Ago (December 1974)

According to the December Drifter, the December 6 Christmas Party at the Sacramento Inn would feature a naked Christmas Tree available for Porsche related ornaments for those who enter the Great Christmas Tree Ornament Contest. Kirk Bradford had all photo contest entries on display for the Photo Of The Year judging with emphasis on "a photo that reflects some of the things that makes SVR the best region in PCA."

Also in the December Drifter, the New Members Section welcomed Mike Willis and his Sepia Brown 914 2.0. Drifter Editor Eva Kay gave special recognition to those who helped with the newsletter during the year: Barbara Boone, Rich and Connie Farlinger, Lorie Church, Rik and Lettie Larson, Collier Duncan, Don Brincka, Pat Kincaid, Gary and Barbara Craig, and Georgene and Merle Dodd.

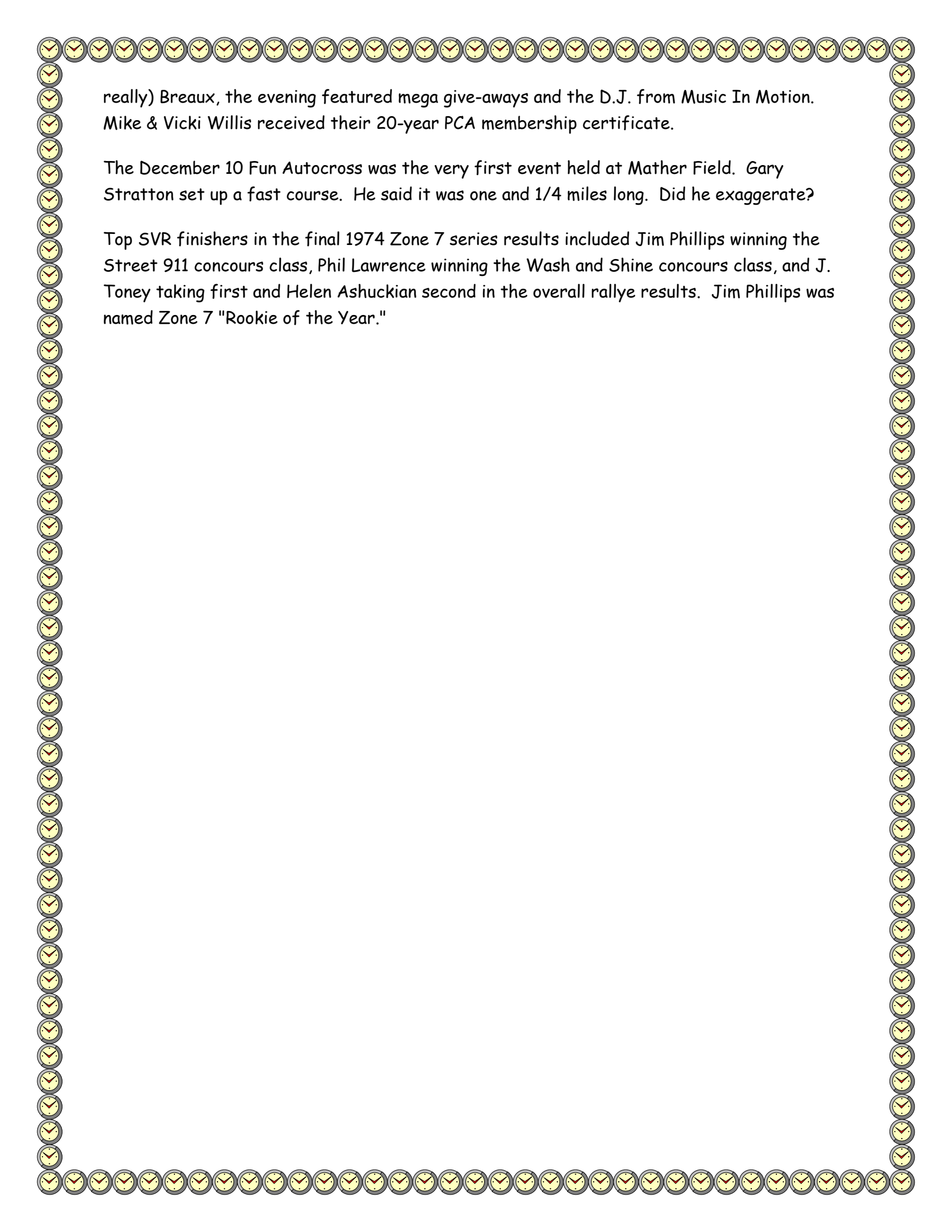
20 Years Ago (December 1984)

Treeless SVR members joined Ray and Sara Clements on the December 9th "Help Sara Pick Out a Tree" tour to a Christmas tree farm in Camino. Tree searchers included C.C. Craig & Karen Mangin, Honeymooners Ron & Sally Boeck, Jim & Mary Jo Austin, Mike Willis, and Jill & Linda Mitchell. Consensus was not the order of the day: Ron wanted a small tree - Sally wanted a bushy tree with hips; C.C. wanted a tall tree - Karen wanted a short tree; Sara wanted a big tall tree - Ray wanted one that would fit the stand.

The SVR Christmas Party, December 15, at Rancho Murieta Country Club in a room overlooking the golf course, featured a giant Christmas Tree, an elegant buffet, and an exquisite ice carving. Jeanie Bates, event chair, arranged for dancing by live music of the Gil Lester Band. Louise and Wayne Sauseda won the 1984 SVR Rookies of the Year award, which was a Porsche clock made by Tim and Joann Wilson.

10 Years Ago (December 1994)

December 3 Christmas party offered a selection of Prime Rib, Chicken Piccata, or Salmon at the Blue Oak Restaurant at cherry Island Golf course in Elverta. Chaired by Kern (Cindi,



really) Breaux, the evening featured mega give-aways and the D.J. from Music In Motion. Mike & Vicki Willis received their 20-year PCA membership certificate.

The December 10 Fun Autocross was the very first event held at Mather Field. Gary Stratton set up a fast course. He said it was one and 1/4 miles long. Did he exaggerate?

Top SVR finishers in the final 1974 Zone 7 series results included Jim Phillips winning the Street 911 concours class, Phil Lawrence winning the Wash and Shine concours class, and J. Toney taking first and Helen Ashuckian second in the overall rallye results. Jim Phillips was named Zone 7 "Rookie of the Year."