



Item: Fast Lane News #02 in 2024 (#202 since 2020) on Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024, I'm writing from our Office in historic Oldsmar, Florida.

To: Our Fast Lane Travel Family in Australia, Canada, Dubai, Europe, Iceland, Israel, Japan, New Zealand, Singapore, South Africa and in USA!

Subjects: A new year and new opportunities; Trip of the week: Twelve Alpine Passes – THE best of Switzerland is waiting for you; My Final Thoughts: Hunting Flies and Female Sizes.



I. **A New Year:** Our entire team in the US and in Europe is making preparations for our **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year**. I look back with gratitude and satisfaction at what we have accomplished in 50 years for the PCA, the PORSCHE Company, and thousands of customers. 2024 will be “back to the future!” In January 2020 we were high fiving each other about what a great year we'll have – trips are selling out; hotels and cars are lined up – then COVID hit the fan.

A. The PCA, after four years, 1958 – 62, was forced to shut down the first Treffen trips to Germany because they committed to charter flight contracts, which made sense in the pre-deregulation airline era. But they couldn't fill up the planes and the wonderful trips to Germany



ceased. Twelve years later, in 1974, at the behest of my late brother-in-law, Dr. Steven Alexander, I created the first NEW Porsche trip to Germany for the Upstate New York Region. The PCA, becoming aware of that trip asked me to create and implement the NEW PCA Treffen to Stuttgart. Therefore, in 1974, I have re-established the **PCA Treffen** – the traditional annual pilgrimage to the SOURCE of our passion in Stuttgart, for the PCA. As they say, the rest is history. The trips were so successful, until the 2020 Pandemic, that the PCA decided to rename the domestic trips, formerly known as the “Porsche Escape”, as the Treffen North America and then there was a

PCA Treffen at Sea. An independent company is also offering Treffen events such as DRTX Treffen in South Florida.

B. **Thank you**, it has been a rewarding but also a challenging road. The cost to operate a traditional Treffen trip to Germany cannot be covered by the trip alone unless there are at least 24 to 36 participants. Smaller numbers do not cover the fixed costs of the trip, like tour guides, bus transfers, entertainment and minimum participation requirements for reserved seating at the Oktoberfest or Frühlingsfest, for example.

C. A little more support with Zone or Region competitions would be helpful. I am meeting in the next few weeks with the folks in Columbia, MD, to generate support for this official PCA event.

D. Credit goes to several **Regions** who have also raffled off a **PCA Treffen** to Stuttgart at their members' meetings.

E. A key element is the expectation of the Porsche Executives in Germany to have more "Amerikaner" come to enjoy the hospitality that Stuttgart and Leipzig have to offer. They are always disappointed at the sparse participation on the part of the PCA members. According to Porsche Executives, who welcome us, "Even the small PCI (Porsche Club Iceland) sends twice as many members as the PCA." Now that we're past the Pandemic crisis – let's get a group together worthy of the PCA.

F. Nevertheless, I must compliment some Regions, like the Carolinas, who just raffled off a traditional 2024 PCA Fall Treffen trip to Stuttgart.

G. **GOOD NEWS: Europe is back in full swing** welcoming us with open arms and open cash registers. Please, I want everyone planning on a trip to Porsche in Europe to book ASAP because the European hotels are filling up rapidly – we are not the only ones who want to enjoy the Autobahn and the Alps.

H. Speaking of Autobahn, the supply of **rental PORSCHEs** is limited – so please don't delay (I wanted to say dilly-dally, but wasn't sure if that is a word we still use?). We've had a good response to the **Twelve Alpine Passes** but need 4 more couples on that exciting trip.

I. Furthermore, both **50th Anniversary Trips** in September will be amazing and, based on current registrations, will definitely be sold out soon. I am personally conducting both with the enthusiastic support of our European Team. Porsche is rolling out the red carpet for this special event, as they did in 2009 for our 35th Anniversary.

J. **The PCA Fall Treffen trips** usually have a much stronger response than the Spring - same thing every year.

**II. Tuscany, Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024,** will be sold out, as every year – because it's **THE best Tuscany experience** money can buy. The Photo Rally alone is worth the experience. **That's the car you'll get if you don't sign up ASAP.**



**III. Recommendation of the Week: Twelve Alpine Passes!** This has been THE most sought-after trip each spring. Germany, Austria and Switzerland have THE most amazing mountain roads and passes, vistas, and scenery in the world. Combine this experience with 5-star hotels, superb cuisine and new Porsches . . . you'll remember this event for the rest of your life. **Names like** Hahntennjoch, Timmelsjoch, Stelvio, Foscano, Livigno, Bernina, Julier, Oberalb . . . lunch at Piz Calmot . . . Fuka, Grimsel, Jaufen, to name a few. Go to our website and join this awesome trip Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Adding the elevations of all of these magnificent Alpine Roads exceeds the height of Mt. Everest. Yes, you'll drive the Autobahn to get there, but the mountains are the main event. Bring your camera.

#### **IV. My Final Thoughts: Human Nature and Love is Blind.**

##### **Human Nature . . . Hunting Flies**

A woman walked into the kitchen to find her husband stalking around with a fly swatter.

"What are you doing?" she asked.

"Hunting Flies," he replied.

"Oh, kill any?" she said.

"Yep," he said: "3 males and 2 females:" came the answer.

Intrigued the wife asked, "How can you tell them apart?"

Husband: "3 were on a beer can, 2 were on the phone."

**Source: OverSixty.com.au**





## Women's Ass Size Study

There is a new study about women and how they feel about their asses. The results were very interesting:

10% of women think their ass is too skinny.

30% of women think their ass is too fat.

60% of women say they don't care, they love him, he is a good man, and they wouldn't trade him for the world.

Source: Ralph S. (Customer)



## V. Some Very Happy Random Memories:



According to the theory of downforce ( $F = \rho \cdot 2 \cdot v^2 \cdot A \cdot c_a$ ), when this Porsche 956 reaches a speed of 321.4 km/h, it could theoretically drive on ceilings.















Please take care of yourself and stay young; be happy and remember those who love you...Let's look forward to the great times we will have together again on one of our fabulous PORSCHE Tours in 2024. **I will be there with you, and I can't wait to see you. Yours truly, Peter**

