



Item: Fast Lane News #30 in 2024 (Issue #230 since Q1 2020) On July 27th, 2024, I'm writing from our office in Oldsmar, Florida On the shores of Tampa Bay and the Gulf of Mexico.
To: Our Fast Lane Travel Family in Australia, Canada, Dubai, Europe, Iceland, Israel, Japan, New Zealand, Singapore, South Africa, and in the USA!



Subjects: The weak Dollar – great news for some: i.e., Boeing;
Other news for travel. What a fabulous celebration it'll be.

I. Boeing Gets Flurry of Orders at International Airshow Orders placed by Korean Air and Japan Airlines mark a much-needed show of confidence in the embattled plane maker

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The deals come as Boeing is experiencing a slowdown in plane deliveries, in part due to supply-chain issues and regulatory scrutiny.

[Boeing BA 4.24%increase; green up pointing triangle](#) received orders for up to 70 airplanes at the Farnborough International Airshow, marking a much-needed show of confidence in the embattled plane maker.

The deals from [Korean Air](#) and [Japan Airlines](#) come as Boeing grapples with production slowdowns and regulatory scrutiny in the wake of January's near catastrophe on an Alaska Airlines flight. The production cut is causing the company to burn through billions of dollars in cash each quarter.

Currently, about 200 fully or mostly finished airplanes are parked in airfields, outside plants or other locations, awaiting parts such as interiors or engines.

This week, plane makers are gathering at Farnborough, one of the world's largest aviation trade fairs, where they tend to highlight their latest products and technological advances, while also trumpeting deals for new passenger, cargo and military aircraft.

On Monday, two Asia-based airlines announced separate deals for Boeing airplanes.

South Korea's flagship carrier, Korean Air, said it placed an order for up to 50 Boeing wide body airplanes for an undisclosed price. The order included 20 Boeing 777-9s and 20 Boeing 787-10s, with options for 10 more of the largest 787 Dreamliner variant.

Japan Airlines, meanwhile, said it purchased up to 20 Boeing 787 Dreamliners, including 10 Boeing 787-9s with options for 10 more.

Additional terms of the deals were not disclosed.

Boeing planned a smaller-than-usual presence at Farnborough, citing the need to focus on safety and quality improvements and meeting deliveries over new orders.

Through June of this year, Boeing has delivered 175 planes, compared with 266 through the first half of 2023. The company is scheduled to report second-quarter earnings on July 31.

Ahead of the event, Boeing said in its annual industry report that it projects a 3% increase in airplane deliveries across the industry over the next 20 years, with carriers requiring nearly 44,000 new commercial airplanes by 2043. The projection comes as air travel demand has surpassed pre-pandemic levels and continues to outpace overall economic growth, the company said.

II. One more comment about the “Porsche Trip of the (half) Century”

You might have friends who want to participate in the Porsche Tour that'll never be repeated, so share with them the joy of our 50th Anniversary in September. I have planned some surprises and have invited Senior Porsche Executives to join us at the joint celebratory dinner in Stuttgart on Wednesday, September 11th, 2024. Chances are it'll be one of the last major tours I'll manage and conduct.

1st 50th Anniversary: Sunday, September 1st to Thursday, September 12th, 2024.

2nd 50th Anniversary: Tuesday, September 10th to Saturday, September 21st, 2024.

Both trips overlap on Wednesday, September 11th in Stuttgart, where there will be a wonderful joint anniversary banquet with you and Porsche dignitaries in attendance.

Highlights of both 50th Anniversary trips include:

1. My personal guidance with Gerald and Fabian as the lead drivers on both tours; with logistics support by Johny in Stuttgart; Miro and Richard handling the luggage transport service; Helmut and Christoph presenting PORSCHE History in Gmünd; and Hans managing our visit and events in Vienna.
2. A rousing welcome in Stuttgart by Porsche Executives.
3. A special visit to the regal Ludwigsburg Palace followed by picking up your pre-selected rental PORSCHEs at the PORSCHE Museum.



4. Lunch at the new Hans-Peter PORSCHE Traumwerk.



5. Driving across the spectacular highest Alpine Mountain Road in Austria: **The Grossglockner.**



6. A privileged visit to the original 1948 PORSCHE Factory and the Pfeifhofer PORSCHE Museum. See who bought the first dozen PORSCHE 356s.
7. A Mozart Concert & Dinner in “Sound-of-Music” Salzburg.
8. Secure PORSCHE Parking in Salzburg and Vienna at the Blaguss Company’s HQ.
9. Staying at the renowned historic Sacher Hotel in Vienna.
10. A performance at the renowned Vienna State Opera of “La Traviata”. Hans was able to get us THE best tickets available of course at a 40% premium.



11. Champagne and Canapes during the Opera Intermission in the Opera's Marble Hall.
12. A police escort, led by Gerald, visit to historic Mürzzuschlag (home of Brahms and Kaplan) with a reception in the Mayor's Office.
13. An overnight stay in Zell am See, the PORSCHE Family's hometown with a special dinner.
14. The most luxurious hotel in Austria: The Inter Alpen with a free day to enjoy THE most amazing spa in Austria.
15. A spectacular drive across the Hahntennjoch Mountain Pass to Bavaria and the A-7 and A8 back to Stuttgart.



We still have space for a couple participants on each trip. **It is urgent that you sign up ASAP.** Hotels are almost filled up. Thank you.



III. Please take our 2025 PORSCHE Tours survey

A key success element of mine has been my practice to follow this principle: **“If you want to know how to run your business, ask your customers!”**

This will help us to meet your expectations. You will be rewarded for your participation in the survey! Thank you very much.

This is the **survey link**: <https://fastlanetravel.com/survey-2025/>

Thank you for taking the 2025 survey. **Your reward**: when you book on one of the 2025 tours, you will receive an FLT spa treatment voucher and/or additional benefits, depending on the trip you chose.

We have had numerous requests for various PORSCHE Trips next year – including some good ones . . . like a trip through Patagonia or another one through Iceland. These will take a little more planning and an on-site location and logistics check. The key element is not the destination, but the number of participants who are committed to doing such a trip. Designing a Porsche trip for such a new destination has a substantial up-front cost associated with it.

For example, as I have done in the past, I have created some amazing trips, like in 2015, driving Porsches in the foothills of the Himalayas in China and playing golf in Lijiang on the Jade Dragon Snow Mountain Golf Club at 8,548 ft. When you t-off the ball goes all the way to Pakistan . On that trip, we had 6 couples committed to doing the trip and were able to design and conduct it. Thus, **if you have a group of friends who want to do something truly unique, exciting, luxurious and fun – then call me and I make it happen; +1 813 343 3001.**

Currently, we are planning ten trips next year:

1. **Stuttgarter Spring Porsche Fest**: Sat. April 19 - Sat. April 26, 2025: German Autobahn, Bavarian Alps, PORSCHE Museum & Factory, and the legendary Stuttgarter Oktoberfest in the Spring.
2. **Stuttgarter Spring Porsche Fest PLUS**: Sat. April 19 - Thu. May 1, 2025: The same as #1 above plus 3 days at **Lake Como** and our famous **James Bond Photo Rally** with "valuable prizes".

3. **Amazing Hidden Austria:** Sat. May 3 – Fri. May 16, 2025: We'll take you to places the "Band of Brothers" hasn't been to. Beautiful hidden valleys, little villages, delightful venues, and local cuisine and music.
4. **Adrenaline Adventure:** Tue. Jun. 3 – Thu. June 12, 2025: We will traverse our traditional 12 Alpine Passes plus some spectacular new hotels and routes.
5. **USA Colorado Rocky Mountain High:** Thu. July 10 – Fri. July 18, 2025: Pikes Peak, Colorado National Monument, spectacular Gateway Canyon, McCoy, Toponas & Kremmling. THE best of the WEST.
6. **Exclusive Dolomites:** Sun. Aug. 31 – Sat. Sept. 13, 2025: An excursion to Italy's northern Alps – unforgettable scenery & venues.
7. **Stuttgarter Fall Porsche Fest:** Mon. Sep. 15 – Sat. Sept. 22, 2025: German Autobahn, Bavarian Alps, PORSCHE Museum & Factory, and the regal Castle Ludwigsburg & medieval dinner.
8. **Stuttgarter Fall Porsche Fest PLUS:** Mon. Sept. 15 – Sat. Sept. 27, 2025: The same as #7 above plus 3 days at **Lake Como** and our famous **James Bond Photo Rally** with "valuable prizes".
9. **Tuscany Fall Porsche Fest:** Sun. Sep. 28 – Sat. Oct. 11, 2025: Private Estate, Montepulciano, Roman Baths Bagno Vignone, Siena, Florence, Buonconvento, and Stuttgarter Oktoberfest with reserved seating.
10. **USA Moonshine Festival:** Wed. Oct. 22 – Mon. Oct. 27, 2025: Helen, GA, Dawsonville Moonshine Festival & Car Show; Tail of the Dragon; Cherohala Skyway & Lake Lanier.

IV. My Final Thoughts: Camping in Alaska

In case anyone is considering doing some camping this summer, please note the following public service announcement:

In Alaska, tourists are warned to wear tiny bells on their clothing when hiking in bear country.

The bells warn away MOST bears. Tourists are also cautioned to watch the ground on the trail, paying particular attention to bear droppings to

be alert for the presence of Grizzly Bears.

One can tell a Grizzly dropping because it has tiny bells in it.

Afterthought: "Do not follow where the path may lead. Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail."

V. Some More Random Fond Memories:









Please stay healthy and stay young; be happy and take good care of yourself..... Let's look forward to the great times we will have together again on one of our fabulous PORSCHE Tours this year and let's look forward to 2025. I will see you soon in Stuttgart. Can't wait. - Peter

