



**Item:** Fast Lane News #37 in 2024  
(Issue # 237 since 2020) On September 14<sup>th</sup> 2024, I'm writing from Room #414 at the magnificent Interlpen Hotel in Tirol, Austria; continuing the 1<sup>st</sup> of our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary PORSCHE Fests Trips  
**To:** Our Fast Lane Travel Family in Australia, Canada, Dubai, Europe, Iceland, Israel, Japan, New Zealand,



Singapore, South Africa and in the USA!

**Subjects:** Hans-Peter PORSCHE Traumwerk; Sound-of-Music Salzburg; Vienna; La Traviata; Mürzzuschlag; Zell am See; Gerlos Pass; Hotel Interlpen; 2025 Dates; My Final Thoughts: The Physical

**I. Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> 2024:** our drive guide team had the Porsches lined up in the courtyard behind the hotel in two driving groups, with everyone's names properly displayed on their dashboards. The hotel staff blocked the traffic so we could all get out and head up the B27 towards Stuttgart's Airport and the Autobahn A-8. "Getting out of Dodge" the first day is always a challenge because of traffic lights and morning commuter traffic. We made it smoothly onto the A-8 on this my 238<sup>th</sup> PORSCHE Tour. Shortly after the STR Airport we could open it up on the first no-speed-limit section of the German Autobahn.



About 25 minutes out of town we made our first pit stop, stretched our legs, and resolved any questions about the new Porsches. In Germany the guides refer to it as a Technical Stop. I'll have to tell you a funny story about that term next time we see each other. We then continued up the Aichelberg to the Allgäuer High Plateau. Once again, wide open Autobahn – no speed limit – direction München. We circumnavigated Munich on the north side and whooshed through the Hofoldingen Forst towards Salzburg.

A half hour before Salzburg is this wonderful new **MUST-SEE** attraction: the **Hans-Peter PORSCHE Traumwerk**. It's a museum, historic venue and wonderful restaurant. It's only 5 minutes off the A-8 and fantastic.



Parking, of course, was reserved for us.







After a delicious lunch of currywurst or superb salad with fried chicken breast with nice cold Almdudler (no alcohol at lunch). We arrived at the Salzburg Sheraton about 20 minutes after lunch. Check-in was smooth and everyone was thrilled with their accommodations. Tonight, we enjoyed a Mozart Dinner Concert at the St. Peterskeller. Europe's oldest restaurant was



founded in 804 . . . yes founded 1,220 years ago. No worries, they did update the kitchen and the restrooms. The building was a former baroque monastery with wonderful acoustics.





**II. Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup> 2024:** Today's destination was Gmünd, the site of the original post-WW II PORSCHE Factory and the wonderful Pfeifhofer PORSCHE Museum. We crossed over the highest Alpine Mountain Road: the ominous **Grossglockner**. Everyone was grateful for the Fast Lane Travel vests they got the night before as their good night present with our traditional goodnight note announcing tomorrow's activities.



The **only private Porsche Museum** is in Gmünd in Carinthia, Austria, where the first vehicles bearing the Porsche name were built between 1944 and 1950. The extensive collection includes the **Porsche 356 Type 356 020 ALU**, the **buoyant Porsche hunting car (1956)** and **Porsche rally and racing cars**. Another highlight is Austria's **first and only police Porsche 911**. A special exhibition changes every year. This year: **"60 years of the Porsche 911"**. A multimedia presentation on the history and designs of Porsche provides further informative information. Of course, we also arranged a "closed to the public" visit of the original first PORSCHE Factory. What a treat to sit at Ferdinand Porsche's desk and touch his drafting table. The original blueprint of the Cisitalia and the list of the first 20 PORSCHE 356 customers are also on display. Does the name Ruprecht von Senger sound familiar?

**III. Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup> 2024:** Today Vienna was on the agenda. The Porsches were lined up eagerly ready to go.



We left Salzburg through easy morning traffic and headed on the Austrian Autobahn A-1 to Mondsee's rest stop. We gassed up all the cars in our normal F-1 procedure. Since you can't pay at the pump in Austria, Germany, Italy etc. we have developed our highly efficient system of gassing the cars with minimum time wasted.





















We had a smooth and quick trip to Vienna. Everyone was looking forward to the renowned 5-Star Sacher Hotel right behind the Opera House and on the corner of Kärtnerstrasse – Vienna's elegant shopping street. However, like most cities in Europe parking in Vienna is challenging. Thus, we arranged parking outside of Vienna at one of my dear friend's bus company great headquarters. They were ready for us and all Porsches were safely parked inside a cavernous bus garage. In the meanwhile, our luggage has already arrived with our luggage van and was waiting in the customers' respective rooms at the Sacher.

Check-in was efficient and everyone was very pleased with their junior suites or rooms. We had an early dinner at the Sacher because we were slated to enjoy a performance of Giuseppe Verdi's *La Traviata*. After dinner we strolled across to the Vienna State Opera. Our man in Vienna, Hans was able to get spectacular seats, albeit at a hefty 140% premium. Even if you are not an opera buff, to attend an opera at this world-famous venue is truly a lifetime experience. **To be continued next Saturday.**

#### IV. The planned 2025 Fast Lane dates are:

SUN	18-May	FRI	23-May	STR	Fast Lane Spring PORSCHE Fest
SUN	18-May	TUE	27-May	STP	Fast Lane Spring PORSCHE Fest <b>PLUS</b>
FRI	30-May	TUE	10-Jun	AMA	<b>Amazing Hidden Austria - Off the Beaten Tourist Path</b>
SUN	8-Jun	MON	16-Jun	LEM	2025 102nd 24 Hour <b>Le Mans Race</b>
SUN	15-Jun	TUE	24-Jun	FAA	Fast Lane Adrenaline Adventure (TAP)
THU	10-Jul	FRI	18-Jul	COM	<b>USA Colorado Rocky Mountain High</b>
SUN	31-Aug	SAT	13-Sep	FDA	Fast Lane Dolomites & Alps Exclusive PORSCHE Tour
TUE	16-Sep	SUN	21-Sep	FTR	Fast Lane Fall PORSCHE Fest
TUE	16-Sep	WED	24-Sep	FTP	Fast Lane Fall PORSCHE Fest <b>PLUS</b>
TUE	30-Sep	SUN	12-Oct	TPF	Tuscany PORSCHE Fest
THU	23-Oct	THU	30-Oct	SMR	<b>USA 58th Dawsonville, GA Moonshine Festival</b>
FRI	5-Dec	FRI	12-Dec	CHR	<b>Christmas</b> in Vienna, Austria

We are still working on ironing out some of the details, but mark your calendars. The challenge is always to get the commitment from the various hotels for rooms without having to pay a fortune up front; avoiding various European and/or regional holidays or events etc. You get the picture.

#### IV. My Final Thoughts: The Physical

After the eighty-three year old lady finished her annual physical examination, the doctor said, "You are in fine shape for your age, but tell me, do you still have intercourse?"

"Just a minute, I'll have to ask my husband," she said.

She stepped out into the crowded reception room and yelled out loud, "Bob, do we still have intercourse?"

And there was such a hush you could hear a pin drop.

Bob answered impatiently, "If I told you once, Irma, I told you a hundred times ... what we have is Blue Cross!"



## V. SOME MORE OF MY HAPPY MEMORIES







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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

