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**President's message** Here it is July and half of the 2010 events are past us now, but on the bright side, half are still left!

Since our May TYP 356 Northeast NEws, we have had a number of successful events, and we all need to thank our event leaders as well as your board members who work behind the scenes.

From June 4 thru 6, the **Spring Tour** went off without a hitch, except our Spring Tourmeister, **Don and Sandy Osborne** were unable to attend due to Don's on-going medical treatment. The Spring Tour was perfect with our service at The Mountain View Grand in Whitefield, NH. Everyone present was sad that Don was not able to make it, but in TYP356ne traditions, we all talked a lot about how much Don means to the club and how we all missed them. They were there in spirit and everyone wishes Don a speedy recovery. Thanks to **Bill Collins** for planning a great drive to The Mountain View Grand on Friday and the drive on Saturday.

For those TYP356ne members who have not attended a Spring Tour, I encourage you plan on it in 2011. Great drives, great food, great drinks, and most of all, great time with other members talking about our little cars and relaxing at a wonderful get away location.

May 16, 2010, **Dick Chiasson** led the drive to the **Vanilla Bean** in Pomfret, CT. Many Connecticut members including the Speedsters of Diane Meade and Craig Bush as well as others, joined us at the Vanilla Bean for camaraderie and a wonderful lunch menu. The day was sunny and warm and the cars ran well for all of us. I picked up a luggage rack for an A Coupe and Bob Siegel was immediately interested in purchasing the item from Tech Chair, Tom Tate. If I had known that the transaction was going to happen, I would have let Bob take it home with him rather than drive it back in my car. Now it has a good home with Bob.

May 22, **Lou Frate** went to New Hampshire International Raceway for the **Historic Races** and met Ron Swenson, Len Cannizzaro, Norm and Jan Brust, Jerry Dracoli from Meister Restorations, Judy Hendrickson, Bob Gilbert, and Bob Soldani to watch a 2.0 liter 914 – 6 race successfully with a 427 Corvette.

On June 12 **Tom Tate** met nine members at **Applied Plastics** in Norwood, MA to learn how powder coating can make your sheet metal look better and more protected than with paint. If you want to learn more about how to maintain and restore your 356, plan on attending Tom's tech sessions.

**Tom Gentz** president



Photo by Tom Gentz

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May 16<sup>th</sup> was one of our great sunny pre-heat wave days and **Dick Chiasson** lead a traditional shake-down drive from Bellingham, Mass. to the **Vanilla Bean Cafe** in scenic Promfret, CT. The classic route winds thru the towns of Bellingham, Mendon, Uxbridge, Sutton, Oxford, Charlton and then into Woodstock Connecticut.

Tom Gentz reports "Over 15 cars drove from Bellingham and we met more than five cars from Southern CT lead by Craig and Amy Bush from Mystic, CT at the VBC."

"Bob Siegel, driving a 1957 A Coupe with the original paint, said he remembered driving the roads to the Vanilla Bean years ago, and loved it today!"

"Not only did our members have a great drive, but the Vanilla Bean serves a wonderful lunch from soup to burritos."

Thanks to Dick for again leading the drive that signals driving season is underway!

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Attendance at the NHIS 20th Annual **Vintage Racing Celebration** on May 22<sup>nd</sup> was coordinated by Lou Frate. A small group (Len, Lou and your correspondent) ambled up the back roads of southern New Hampshire.

There we found member **Bob Soldani** assisting his friend with the red hot 914-6 that gave a 427 "Vette a run for its money. In infield parking we found Bob Gilbert and his roadster, Jerry Dracoli of Meister Restorations was there too. Reportedly also attending: were Judith Hendrickson cabriolet and Norman Brust.

Having missed this event for several years running it was great to see the easy atmosphere was still intact. The field of racers seemed abbreviated from previous lists, but the unsuspected cars are still there: something from Indy, a racing Volvo sedan, wild motorcycle sidecars. The outfield show-car corral and swap meet we're just the right dose of diversion for a day at the track.

Well worth the trip.

**Ron Swenson.**

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Don's card from TYP356ne  
Photo by Mary Lou Gentz



Photo by John Favarolo

The White Mountains of New Hampshire are a great place, period.

A great place to drive a 356, a great place to take in the views, a perfect environment to gather and socialize. As it was a hundred (+) years ago when the grand hotels were built, as it was in 2003 when the **Mountain View Grand Resort & Spa**, Whitefield, NH was renovated and the 5<sup>th</sup> Spring Tour. As it was on Friday to Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010 for the **TYP356ne 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Tour**.

Tourmeister **Don Osborne** reserved a 40-room block of space for the event and went to work organizing and marketing it.

Naturally the veterans have grown used to the two-night event, a dinner buffet on Friday and a plated dinner Saturday, breakfasts on Saturday and Sunday mornings – all lubed by a welcome Cocktail Reception. A little additional 356 seat-time is included on Saturday driving events. Plenty of chances to gather and share what's new.

Notwithstanding the sure-fired format, the anticipation builds as one arrives at the starting points for the Bill Collins' group drive and another led by Rainer Cooney. The great NH roads promise much and they deliver. Finally Porsche after Porsche pulling into the hotel signal the tribe has gathered. Sadly Don and Sandy Osborne couldn't attend -- his doctor warned him to beat a respiratory problem before he ventured forth. For all attending it brought a focused moment of reflection.

The weekend carried on joyfully, Saturday drives, some intermittent rain, meals and sitting on the big white porch taking in the view. With all enjoying the events and camaraderie.

Sunday morning small groups disappear into the sunny patches between the fog and clouds. A Spring Tour devolves the way it assembles – familiar car and folks wave and take an exit – leaving you to contemplate you own piece of the road ahead.

**Ron Swenson**



Photo by Tom Gentz



The Grand View from MVG  
Photo by Craig Hess

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*Bill Collins just came over to the coast have lunch with us and he brought back my Saturday drive map. I can't thank you all enough for taking the time to sign it and send along your kind wishes. After spending so much time planning the event, I was so happy you all seemed to enjoy the weekend. As we've always said, "it's not just about the cars"! We have a great little group that I have renamed "The Typ356 eating & drinking Club". Keep the faith and get out and enjoy these great little cars. If Dr. Porsche had wanted them to be kept inside and used as coffee tables, he would have made them with flat tops!!!*

*Best regards,  
**Don & Sandy Osborne** tourmeister*



Craig Hess' Best Porsche of the Show  
Photo by Natasha McKittrick

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At **German Car Day** on June 20<sup>th</sup> the Best Porsche of the Show went to Craig Hess with his highly polished Red Outlaw 356 - - the crowd raved over his car today! There was a huge field of more than 50 Porsches present, so this was a true accomplishment for Craig. The lower field was almost full of German cars too. Many said that they had not seen so many cars at German Car Day.

Additionally, Bob Seigel won the prestigious award of "Museum Employees' Car of the Show." Bob has a wonderfully preserved 1957 A coupe that came from Florida a year or so ago. The mechanicals and interior are up to date, but the paint is still original and the MOT employees appreciated that Bob has decided to hold off on the paint job and let interested viewers see how the car looked in 1957.

We had over 20 club member cars present today, and photos will follow on the web site.

Tech Chair, Tom Tate was in charge of parking cars on the field and welcomed all the members who wished to stop by after the show to have a beer and a cheeseburger. Thank you Tom for all your hard work organizing German Car Day for TYP356ne, and the MOT, and the great visit at your home and your new Black A coupe under construction.

Congratulations to Craig, Bob and Tom Tate!

**Tom Gentz** president

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## ***In Porsche History***

**50-Years ago:** In the Porsche 718 RS 60's first racing season it is overall winner at **Targa Florio** and the **Sebring** 12-hour race.

**40-Years ago:** With nine out of ten possible victories, Porsche again secures pole position in the brand world championships. Hans Herrmann and Dick Attwood celebrate the **first overall** victory in the Porsche 917 at the **Le Mans** 24-Hour Race

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## Events

Regrets to all that signed up for the **Harbor Cruise**. Risk of inclement weather dictates that we will be cancelling our much looked forward to outing. We will be looking to reschedule the event in the near future possibly in September. We will keep you posted on the new date. Rain will not go away for now.

### John Favaloro

Our annual **Founder's Day** club drive and luncheon is being held this year at the home of Ken and Gloria Nykiel in Stoughton, MA. The date is Sunday August 1st with a rain date TBA if needed. Due to parking in the area, the Nykiel's have asked that we hold the number of those attending to 60 people. This will be on a first come, first serve basis. If you would like to attend this event, I suggest you notify Ken at [kjnykiel@yahoo.com](mailto:kjnykiel@yahoo.com) as soon as possible. Information about the event is posted in the Schedule of Events on our club's website.

### Bob DiCorpo event promoter

August	1	Sun	<b>Founders' Day</b> . Stoughton, MA. Contact Ken Nyquil.
	7	Sat	*British Car Expo. Wolfeboro, NH. Contact <a href="#">Bill Collins</a> .
	15	Sun	<b>McManus BBQ</b> . Brookfield, MA. Contact <a href="#">Greg McManus</a> .
	28	Sat	<b>Club drive to F-40</b> in Portland, CT to visit Wayne Carini's auto collection and shop, followed by lunch at a place TBA. Contact <a href="#">Bob DiCorpo</a> or Craig Bush.
September	11	Sat	Cohasset Car Show. Cohasset, MA. Contact <a href="#">Tom Tate</a> .
	19	Sun	<b>DYPD. North Shore</b> . Contact TBD.
	24	Fri-	East Coast Holiday. Cleveland, OH. Contact <a href="#">Bill Collins</a> .
	-	Sun	
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October	2	Sat	<b>Meister's Customer Day</b> . North Barnstead, NH. Contact <a href="#">Tom Gentz</a> .
	5-	Tue-	West Coast Holiday. Park City, UT. Contact <a href="#">Bill Collins</a> .
	10	Sun	
	8-	Fri-	<b>Fall Tour to Owl's Head Car Show</b> . Boothbay, ME. Contact <a href="#">Lou Frate</a> .
	10	Sun	
	23	Sat	<b>Cape Drive</b> . Cape Cod, MA. Contact Chip Bechtold.
November	7	Sun	<b>George and Jennifer Nelson's Open House</b> from 11AM-4PM. Milton, MA. Contact <a href="#">Bob DiCorpo</a> .
	20	Sat	<b>Coughlin Machine</b> . Stoughton, MA. Contact <a href="#">Tom Tate</a> .

\* asterisked items are not official Typ356ne Club Events

## Reviews – books, sites, &c.

Our President Tom Gentz' 1966 911 grace the pages of July and August 2010

issues of Hemmings magazine **Sports and Exotic Car**. They've been keeping an eye on this project of Tom's since they covered a tech session at his garage about 5 years ago.

Articles on TYP356ne cars including **Bob Dicorpo's** Speedster, **Joel Horvitz's** 550 and **Norm Brust's** cabriolet.

In the recent September issue they feature the 356 C in the Buyers Guide. While they went to California for the subject car, they got quotes from TYP356ne member **Alex Finigan**. "If you're rating cars from the era in terms of maintenance and ease of ownership, it's at the top."

<http://derwhites356literature.com/>



Chrome bumper on a 356-A Cabriolet (with Removable Hardtop) as listed in Porsche 356-A Factory Accessories (Late).

The literature guru "**der White**" – aka Charlie White lists Porsche **Factory Accessories** along with most 356 era literature.

## ***Members***

### **New Members:**

**Richard Patrick** Leominster, MA; 1964 356SC coupe, 1964 356SC cabriolet

**Marc Myette** Merrimack, NH; 1957 356 Speedster replica

**Donald Buchholtz** Newton, MA; 1999 Boxster, 1957 356 Speedster replica

**Jim Haas** Barrington, RI; 1957 356A Speedster, 1964 356SC sunroof coupe.

## ***For Sale / Wanted***

**Wanted:** I am looking for a set of **seat hinges** for a 1964 or 65 cabriolet. I need the complete hinge including the round bar that connects the hinges. This is for a fellow member who is restoring his car. **Ralph Hadley** risammax@verizon.net v11n4

**Wanted:** I am on the hunt for a **911 or 912**. The years I'm focusing on is 69 through 73 but will not ignore a 68. I am not looking for a trailer queen or something that needs a major restoration. A good driver that has not been Frankenstein'd into something not resembling a 911 from that period. **Ronald Bargantine** ron@realtimeone.com v11n4

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