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Minutes of Officer's Meeting 4 January 1997

Since there was no club meeting in December, there are no club meeting minutes to report. However, the officers of the Pantera Club of Northern California were brought together by newly-elected president Ellis Woumm for our traditional start-of-the-year meeting, in order to establish duties and responsibilities, discuss possible organizational changes, and to start planning events for the upcoming year. The meeting was called to order by Ellis at 10:15 on a Saturday morning at the office of Michael Fertitta.

All PCNC Board members (President Woumm, Vice-president Fertitta, Treasurer Santos, Membership Coordinator Britschgi, and Secretary Drew) were present, as well as several of the

people filling appointed positions (Events coordinator Kathy Gentry, Name Badges Person Doris Britschgi, N.C.S.S.C. rep Judy DeRyke) and few Interested Parties (Jack DeRyke and Tony Harvey). Absent were Larry Stock (busy bailing out his flooded Reno office!) and Sharon Renshaw). Here are some of the highlights:

Librarian Duties: The board decided the librarian should publish a complete inventory of the contents of the library twice a year in the club newsletter. Also, Most-Active-Member points should be updated on a monthly basis, and a tally should be calculated mid-year to be printed in the July newsletter.

PCNC Motorsports Officer: Ed Kornegay has worked as the club's motorsports officer for several years without a working job description. The board decided the Motorsports Officer's duties should include (but not be limited to): tracking and publicizing upcoming events (open tracks, autocrosses, etc.) in which PCNC members might participate; keep track of which members campaign their Panteras in these various events in order to qualify them for club awards; publish articles in the club newsletter and POCA publications; and plan/organize/execute various club motorsports events (open tracks, autocrosses, rallies). As Ed wasn't at the meeting we weren't able to solicit his opinion; if he has any further ideas these will be incorporated into the job description as well.

POCA Insurance? POCA maintains an umbrella insurance policy that individual chapters can take advantage of, but we don't have the procedures for doing so anymore. Mike Drew has thus made a motion before the POCA board that these benefits and the procedures for taking advantage of them be established in writing, sent to the presidents of each chapter, and then published once a year in the POCA newsletter when the policy is renewed.

Northern California Sports Car Coalition: PCNC has been paying \$25 a year to NCSSC, a loose group intended to benefit all the car clubs in the region. This outfit has essentially gone belly-up, so the board has formally decided to terminate our membership. Judy DeRyke has been our designated NCSSC rep; that title obviously goes away as well.

Club Store/Treasury Reorganization: Bill Santos announced a few months ago that the duties of both running the Club Store and the club's treasury have become too large for one person to handle alone. He's casting about for somebody to assist him, not in the financial aspects necessarily, but perhaps in the 'product development' arena. He will formalize the duties of his assistant and publish them in an upcoming newsletter.

New Appointed Positions and Duties: Russ Britschgi has been serving as a board member in the office entitled 'Membership/Events Coordinator', two obviously different jobs lumped into one. Kathy Gentry has been serving in the appointed position of 'Activity Details Chairperson'. The board decided to split Russ' jobs. He will continue to be the Membership officer; the new appointed position will be Events Coordinator. As Kathy will be unable to continue serving in her role, Tony Harvey has been appointed. A full list of his responsibilities will appear in an upcoming newsletter.

There was some discussion of splitting the Secretary and Newsletter Editor jobs, but the board decided the two jobs were too closely related and didn't warrant splitting, especially now that the Secretary/Newsletter Editor is living back in the local area instead of Korea (!) Instead, a new position of Assistant Secretary was created, and Judy DeRyke appointed to the job. Her duties will basically be to stand in for the secretary when he is unable to make it to club meetings and take

minutes, and any other duties he needs to delegate to her.

As mentioned previously, the duties of the Motor Sports Chairperson will be formalized and printed later as well.

There are some changes to the Raffle chair duties. In the past he has started the year with \$100 in 'seed money' and administered the club raffle, an enterprise which makes a reasonable amount of money for the club each year. At the end of each year, he'd turn over all the proceeds minus the \$100 to the club treasurer and start over. Now, to make things easier he will be required to perform a raffle tally and turn over the proceeds three times a year, in April, August and December.

PCNC Membership Recruiting Cards: Our club had several zillion business cards printed up many years ago, showing our club logo and allowing a space for members to fill in their names and phone numbers. The intent was for members to carry these cards in their cars, so when potential members express an interest in the club, we'll have something to give them with a point-of-contact name and number. Alas, these cards have essentially run out. The club will look into getting more of these suckers printed and distributed to the members.

Overseas Postage: PCNC just picked up our first no-kidding overseas members, Kim and Tanya Buckley from Christchurch, New Zealand (welcome aboard, guys!) We've discovered that it's actually costing us slightly more to print and mail their copy of the newsletter than we're getting reimbursed from POCA (PCNC receives \$15 per year per member from POCA; it costs almost exactly \$15 per year per member to send out the newsletter with a 32¢ stamp, but postage to New Zealand is around \$1.00 per issue).

A suggestion was made that we approach POCA to try to get increased funds from them, but Mike pointed out that POCA is paying a bunch to send them stuff too, and is actually losing money as well. The POCA board discussed the issue at length several months ago, even considering eliminating rebates to the chapters for overseas members entirely! In the end, they decided that the losses were trivial when compared to the international camaraderie and goodwill that is being fostered between Pantera owners of different nations. In that light, the PCNC board decided the same holds true for us! Since the Buckylys are said to be considering attending Las Vegas this spring, we'll let them buy us a few beers and we'll be even!

Additional PCNC Board Meetings: Historically, PCNC has been able to get away with only one board meeting at the beginning of the year, because we weren't doing anything all that terribly complicated. Now that we've put ourselves in the National Event business (sponsoring both the Las Vegas track event and the Monterey Historics event on behalf of POCA), there's simply a lot more business that needs to be attended to, and therefore we've decided that we'll hold at least one board meeting (removed from the various event committee meetings) prior to each of these events.

Formal Announcements for Publishing Deadlines: Because there has been some confusion, we'll clarify the deadlines for getting items in the local and national newsletters. The local newsletter is fairly fast and flexible, and anything submitted to the newsletter editor prior to the 15th of the month should appear in the next month's newsletter. Note that contributions should be made directly to the editor unless special circumstances dictate otherwise.

The POCA newsletter requires a considerably longer lead time. Because of the time required to

send it to San Diego to be printed, and then mailing time (bulk rate takes awhile), contributions received before the 10th of a given month will appear in the *next* month's newsletter, and be in the reader's hands at the end of the next month. For example, a flyer received on the 5th of January will be incorporated into the February newsletter, which is printed and mailed in the first few weeks of February and arrives at the end of February. Contributions to the POCA newsletter should be made directly to the POCA newsletter editor's *wife*, otherwise they're likely to get buried somewhere and not turn get found again for six months (ask Jack about the belt buckle!)

Tech Sessions at the Next Few Meetings: PCNC is trying something new this year; instead of inspecting Panteras three weeks prior to the Las Vegas event and discovering all sorts of problems that cause the owner to thrash about to try to fix them in time, instead we'll be having fifteen-minute tech seminars at each of the next few meetings, where our ShadeTree Mechanic will delve into a Pantera system and discuss some of the maladies commonly encountered and the various cures. The January topic will be Running Gear, specifically rear axles/bearings, and steering rack problems.

PCNC Christmas Party: Shari Stock and Candace James will organize our Christmas party for 1997. By the time you read this they should already have a venue picked out and reservations made (talk about getting ahead of the power curve!). The tentative date is Saturday, 6 December.

Club Events: The people present held a brainstorming session to come up with ideas for possible club events for 1997. In a very short time quite a long list was generated. Elsewhere in this newsletter is a 'ballot' for you to vote on which events you'd be interested in. Simply mark an 'X' next to the ones you'd be likely to participate in, and also note if you'd be interested in sponsoring the event, and either send the ballot in or bring it to the January meeting. Also, feel free to suggest additional events (particularly ones you're willing to organize and host!) Once we crunch the numbers we'll determine which ideas to pursue further. In the meantime:

Upcoming Events:

World of Motorsports Show — 11 January: It's unlikely you received this newsletter in time to read of this event. Therefore, several club officers have taken it upon themselves to attempt to phone everyone and inform them of our club's intentions. We'll be meeting in the lobby of the Santa Clara Convention Center at 3:00 p.m. to tour the show, which features everything from hot rods to motorcycles to boats to sports cars to dragsters to phenomenal babes in microscopic bikinis to BMX demonstrations to...well, you get the idea. Following the show, we're planning on moving over to the Pepper Mill Restaurant right around the corner (in Santa Clara) for dinner, around 6:30 or so. If you missed it, well...you missed it!

PCNC Super Bowl Party — 26 January: Well, the 49'ers got stomped, but there's still going to be a Super Bowl. Therefore, there will still be a PCNC Super Bowl party, at the home of Rod and Kathy Pack in Discovery Bay. See the flyer elsewhere in this newsletter for all the details.

Air Conditioning Tech Session and Barbecue — 29 March: Although the location and organizers have yet to be determined, we have a date, so we have a start! This ever-popular event will return, and will include an opportunity for members to tech their cars prior to the open-track event. Mark your calendars, and watch for details in next month's newsletter.

Las Vegas Run Rally and Open Track — 24-27 April: While you're at it, mark your calendars for this event too! PCNC will be managing the Open Track portion of the convention, and that means we'll need lots of volunteers to help out on Friday. Rather than work a small number of people to death, we'd like to have a lot of people volunteer to work for two or three hours. All volunteers will gain free admission to the track (the debate still rages whether we should charge \$5.00 to spectators or not) plus free lunch. Some jobs will only take a few hours (such as timing and scoring for the race) while other jobs will require somebody to be there all day (working the gate to get spectators to sign the requisite waiver and collect the \$5.00 admission).

Starvation Sets In: At this point the meeting was beginning to resemble the Donner party; those that weren't freezing to death were seriously contemplating gnawing on somebody's arm to keep from starving to death. Round Table pizza arrived and the heat got turned on just in time to avoid a decidedly nasty situation, and we all gorged ourselves on pizza and soda. Conversation continued about a variety of topics, and the meeting formally ended around 3:30 or so, although track committee members remained behind and discussed the Las Vegas open track and other ancillary issues for another hour or so.

The next board meeting will be held on the 24th of March.

NEXT CLUB MEETING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 1997
8:00 P.M.

COCO'S RESTAURANT
1209 OAKMEAD PARKWAY
SUNNYVALE, CA
(Take Lawrence Expressway South Exit off Highway 101)

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

January 26 ————— PCNC Super Bowl Party (Rod Pack)

March 29 ————— Air Conditioning Tech Session (Larry Stock)

REMINDER — NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE BY 15TH OF EACH MONTH

Possible PCNC Events Survey

This is a listing (in no particular order) of possible club events for 1997. Some of them we've done in the past, while others are new proposals. Note that not all of them are Pantera-related; some of the specifically don't call for the use of our cars and are strictly social (such as a ski trip). Place an 'X' next to those event you'd be interested in participating in, and alongside indicate which events you'd volunteer to organize, then detach and mail this page (see reverse) to Tony Harvey.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Concours de la Garage | <input type="checkbox"/> Dyno Day |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Drive | <input type="checkbox"/> Mt. Tamalpias tour |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mystery Rally | <input type="checkbox"/> Trip to Angel Island |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tour of Craig Breedlove's shop (land speed record chaser) | <input type="checkbox"/> Christmas lights tour |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tour (road trip)/dinner | <input type="checkbox"/> Progressive dinner/brunch |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Engine Tech Session at Al Leist's shop | <input type="checkbox"/> Halloween party |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Air Conditioning Tech Session | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint events with other clubs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weekend tour to Hearst Castle | <input type="checkbox"/> Autocross |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Auto Detailing Seminar | <input type="checkbox"/> Save Mart 300 NASCAR Race at Sears Point |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fuel hose replacement tech session | <input type="checkbox"/> Sears Point Vintage Races |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shakespeare festival | <input type="checkbox"/> IMSA Race at Sears Point |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ski trip | <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday night drag races |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rally to another chapter's club meeting (i.e. Capitol City Panteras) | <input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Coast Dream Machines show |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weekend rally to the new Stock home in Carson City and/or... | <input type="checkbox"/> Silver State Rally in Nevada |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rally to Shelby/Ferrari Club Virginia City Hillclimb | <input type="checkbox"/> Brentwood Corn Fest car show |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Checkered Flag Open Track events | <input type="checkbox"/> Wine Country Tour |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Filoli Mansion tour | <input type="checkbox"/> San Jose Concours |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rally to the charities we donate to (Guide Dogs for the Blind in Marin, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Classic Machines (Woodside High School) car show |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Picnic | <input type="checkbox"/> All-Italian Car and Motorcycle Show in Alameda |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Castle AFB Museum (in Modesto) | <input type="checkbox"/> Italian Festival car show in Santa Clara |
| <input type="checkbox"/> En masse group flight to L.A. to tour Hall/Wilkinson's shops (cheap tickets a must!) | <input type="checkbox"/> Social events (opera/theater) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rally to Roaring Camp & Big Trees RR (steam train in the Santa Cruz Mountains), picnic | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer at soup kitchens, etc. |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Towe Ford Museum in Sacramento |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Delta Queen Museum |
| | Other Ideas? |
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Possible PCNC Events Survey

After filling out the survey, remove this page from the newsletter, fold and staple it, and mail it to Tony Harvey (or bring it to the club meeting). Also, if you're interested in volunteering to help stage an event, please write a note to that effect somewhere on this survey!

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From: _____

Place
Stamp
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Tony Harvey
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6550 Tustin Rd.
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Don't Forget!

Due to the slight mix-up before the Christmas party, quite a few of the intended raffle prizes were left behind. That means that you have a second chance at all those goodies, including a giant stack of Hall Pantera gift certificates, plus valuable prizes from Edelbrock, Borla, and a host of others.

So don't forget to bring your cash to the January meeting. Christmas Party raffle rules will be in effect, with tickets costing \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00.

Used 351 Cleveland Parts For Sale

Roush Single Plane Intake Manifold. 1 Set of Crane Roller Rockers (1.73 Ratio). Crane Solid Lifter Cam .7 inch lift, 106 degree lobe centers plus lifters and push rods. 1 Set of Venolia Domed Pistons: .020 Over with wrist pins. 1 Set of 6 Inch Ferrea forged H-Beam Connecting Rods. Peterson Dry Sump Oil Pan and Pump Bracket. Price Negotiable Other parts available.

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