



Dave Rudderow as HB Concours Winner



<http://poca.com/index.php/cl/ch/west/tpoc>

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**Dave Rudderow Passed Away** this month. Many of us will miss our President and dear friend. His efforts throughout the years have helped this Chapter so very often. I was able to get his unfinished communiqué to you. It is presented below.

**President's Message.** Hey gang, it's now February & getting closer to the Fun Rally in Phoenix. I think we should have a tech session before we jump into our 40 year old exotic toys. A quick check of all systems seems appropriate. Let Rod or me know about what might be a good Saturday in March to change your oil, filter, and water, maybe we'll even tighten some of those loose nuts and bolts.

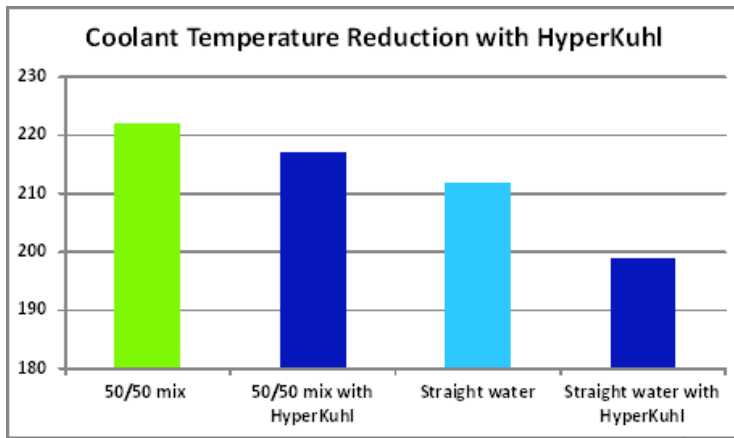
The Fabulous Fords Forever at Knott's Berry Farm is on April 21<sup>st</sup>. Perhaps we could have a picnic in the park to including a free lunch & drinks for those who bring out their Panteras.

**Coolant Consideration by Bill Wright.** For those of you in our Pantera community that may not have noticed, I have recently had a great deal (well, about 16 quarts worth) in common with some very notable automotive personalities. Mr. Nethercutt's entire Sylmar collection, fifteen of the award winners at the 2012 Pebble Beach Concours, all of Jay Leno's cars, the late great Phil Hill's magnificent machines, and my little gray car all run the same engine coolant.

My search for an acceptable corrosion inhibitor began with a slight overheating problem. Typically, a 90 degree day, stopped in traffic, and fans not up to the task could show 220 degrees on the gauge. After adding a better quality radiator and larger fans with a shroud, I also decided to dump the antifreeze (how often does it freeze in Fountain Valley) in favor of straight water with a corrosion inhibitor that I read should be good for another 10 degree drop.

I first noticed the "No Rosion" brand by Applied Chemical Specialties on the POCA forum (used in Dennis Yogi's two Panteras), and upon further investigation decided it was worth a try. The No Rosion website ([www.norosion.com](http://www.norosion.com)) has far more information and technical data on cooling systems than can be included in this article, but here are a few facts from their website and semi-annual newsletters. The company has over forty years' experience in the research, development, and manufacture of industrial water treatment chemicals. Its advanced R & D facility and automotive passion have led to several products benefiting the performance and collector car (Pantera) owner.

1. "No Rosion" is a corrosion and electrolysis inhibitor that stabilizes PH, protects all six metals commonly found in cooling systems (including aluminum), removes dissolved oxygen from coolant, prevents formation of scales and deposits, and eliminates the need for additional water pump lube. Coolant should be changed every five years.
2. "Hyperkuhl" has all of the properties/advantages of No Rosion with the added benefit of increased cooling due to the addition of surfactants that reduce the surface tension of coolant (a "wetting agent"). Should you need freeze protection, both No Rosion and Hyperkuhl are compatible with all types of antifreeze, and will prevent the glycol from forming glycolic acid.



Remember, water conducts heat better than any other fluid on the planet. Anything put in it will reduce its capacity to transfer heat. Straight water as a coolant has nearly 50% more heat transfer capacity than a 50/50 mix with antifreeze. What's the best kind to use? A reverse osmosis purified water. Most commercial "drinking water" is purified by RO just check the label.

As for using other sources of water as a coolant, caution is advised. For example, distilled water is fine but should be used with a 50/50 antifreeze mix. The distillation process leaves the pure water electrochemically imbalanced. By compounding with the glycol in antifreeze it will rebalance itself without having to strip electrons from the cooling system metals.

Soft water would be OK except for the unknown effectiveness of some water softeners which may leave chloride and sulfate contaminants behind.

Tap water can also have an unknown high level of chloride and sulfate contaminants and is not worth the risk unless tested with available water test packets. These packets are available from No Rosion.

Hoping we can all stay cool, --- Bill Wright (ed. Remember too that antifreeze makes for an unsafe and slippery track.)

**Meeting time has been changed to 7:30 – see below.** Site may be changed based on what the majority want, including any change in the meeting day from the current second Wednesday of each month. We seek to have more attending the general meeting to set the direction of the chapter. Your participation is vital for our long-term success.

**Bill Harris Videos** (WLHPantera) are an outstanding way to see some of the events we hold and visit. The following are offered for your viewing enjoyment. Be sure to turn the sound up.

October 6, 2012. West Coast Racing & TPOC high performance driving experience at Willow Springs.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1YDVsqIdHMs>

August 17, 2012 2012 Concorso Italiano Pantera Corral

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VbGsM7xQBz4&list=UUQICCB-D3F44RrhPMbNJMAw&index=10>

August 18, 2012 2012 Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion Laguna Seca.

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LV\\_qrAcg4OU&list=UUQICCB-D3F44RrhPMbNJMAw&index=9](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LV_qrAcg4OU&list=UUQICCB-D3F44RrhPMbNJMAw&index=9)

June 3, 2012 Huntington Beach Concours d Elegance 2012

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wlsb01YSyD8&list=UUQICCB-D3F44RrhPMbNJMAw&index=13>

POCA Fun Rally 2012 DeTomaso Pantera Club events

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPIJ2ES\\_aC4&list=UUQICCB-D3F44RrhPMbNJMAw](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPIJ2ES_aC4&list=UUQICCB-D3F44RrhPMbNJMAw)

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zFiyV\\_TSPc&list=UUQICCB-D3F44RrhPMbNJMAw](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zFiyV_TSPc&list=UUQICCB-D3F44RrhPMbNJMAw)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MeeFMrGNOnA&list=UUQICCB-D3F44RrhPMbNJMAw>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S9i1R1QQ9-g&list=UUQICCB-D3F44RrhPMbNJMAw>

Oh, be sure to thank Bill for the magic he does to these postings. I love 'em.

**Willow Springs** is my favorite track. It's a great place to learn how to handle your car well in a variety of elevation changes with both tight and very fast turns. A good instruction of how to approach the track is the youtube video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fLCpHnA54cQ> of Jack Olsen's 72 Turbo 911 Porsche. He covers the track features in detail along with what to do in each section. His car is comparable to our Panteras with similar weight and power when using street tires. Panteras post time in the same 1:30s or better. My trouble spot is explained in the video as turn 3. (Here, I have spun out.) There are free instructors included by West Coast Racing to help insure a safe and enjoyable weekend. Your car can make the 110mph corners and hit the straights at 145. Add a second driver for just \$25 to your \$245 to make an inexpensive two-day fun ride. See Jack being chased by a 69 Z28 Camaro at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jwhGtWUqQBM>. Note: we usually field a team to help staff this event with Jim Saxton.

**Mullin Museum** is being considered as a run. It is the site of the world's most expensive car. Is there any interest? Any suggestions?

**Cars n Coffee** in Irvine is the Saturday site of some truly fine automobiles. The variety is unsurpassed with cars from the early project stage to multi-million dollar creations. Exotics are often seen with 'one of ' examples from time to time. A short drive ending with a leisurely breakfast is the norm. So, get up early and drive your Pantera there to have others enjoy seeing our contribution to the showing. See Bill Wright's photo commentary at "past events" page of our [ocpanteras.com](http://ocpanteras.com) site.

**Membership Directory** is found on-line at POCA.COM in the Club tab then select My Chapter. You must be signed in to see this screen so please do. It is a convenient way to also reach your fellow POCA members. Confirm the information posted there and send updates to Judy since the POCA membership file is its source.

**POCA Membership** is offered by Judy McCartney at [jpoca2@hotmail.com](mailto:jpoca2@hotmail.com). Contact her there and be sure to say which chapter you'd like to join --- TPOC jumps to mind. She has a flyer outlining the benefits of membership in this worldwide organization. BTW, consider carrying it in your car as a handout.

**Reminders:** from [rkunishige@hotmail.com](mailto:rkunishige@hotmail.com). Everyone with an interest in DeTomaso cars is always welcome.

Feb 23 **Hot Rod & Car Magazine Cruise** at ADM El Segundo [automobiledrivingmuseum.org](http://automobiledrivingmuseum.org).

Mar 2-3 **Willow Springs Open Track** days is where we mix it up with Porsche and F cars at Willow Springs Raceway in Rosamond, California just north of Lancaster. Here you can run your car regardless of make or model at speeds on a closed course known worldwide. Big bore machines of the CanAm series were right at home here so our Panteras are well suited with their big torque engines to power out of the high speed turns and onto the long straights. Just contact Jim Saxton, long time TPOC member, at 626 285-2515 [Jim@westcoastracinginc.com](mailto:Jim@westcoastracinginc.com) for details and an application. An optional performance seminar is sometimes offered for personal instruction including how to make setup changes to your car like tire pressure, shock and spring adjustments.

Mar 13 **TPOC Mtg 7:30pm** Coco's Restaurant at 18380 Brookhurst, Fountain Valley.

Mar **Annual Fix-up at Rod's Garage**

Apr 10 **TPOC Mtg 7:30pm** Coco's Restaurant at 18380 Brookhurst, Fountain Valley.

Apr 19-21 **Long Beach Grand Pix.**

Apr 21 **Fabulous Fords Forever** Knotts Berry Farm, Buena Park [fabulousfordsforever.org](http://fabulousfordsforever.org).

Apr 24-8 **POCA Fun Rally** is listed in your POCA newsletter and on the POCA.com site. Early reg get a raffle ticket.

Apr **Seal Beach Show**

May **Vic Edebrock Garage Tour**

Jun **HB Concours**

Jun **Concours de Nice**

Sep **Belmont Shore Show**

Sep **Coronado Speed Festival** San Diego

Oct **Wings, Wheels and Rotors** Los Alamitos

Dec **John Force Holiday Show** Yorba Linda

Dec **NO TPOC Mtg**

Dec ? **Christmas Party** at Foxfire once again. Contact Bob Singer for your tickets.

Dec ? **Gondola Tour** - Contact Bob Singer for your tickets.

**Long Beach Swap Meet:** Feb 10 Mar 10 Apr 7 May 12 Jun 9 Jul 14 Aug 4 Sep 8 Oct 13 Nov 10 Dec 1@ 6am – 1pm at Veterans' Stadium \$8.

**Weekly Events:** Garden Grove – Friday, Donut Derelicts – Saturday, Cars n Coffee - Saturday