

# HISTORIC HILL CLIMBER

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## The “Pup” in PA?



Sometime ago I was contacted by John Muller in regards to a Porsche special he was

Restoring. He was looking for documentation on the driver/car for the car's portfolio. This car tuned out to be the Emil Pupilidy special or the “Pup”. Pupilidy would travel from Long Island to compete at Giant's Despair, running in the mid 1950's.

The car had a tubular steel ladder frame with a Porsche power plant. It was not ready to go for the 1954 season so he built a car using a VW pan. During the winter the body, chassis and components were sent to Frick Motors for completion. When it was done it was sent back to Emil but was abandoned. He had moved on to a Porsche Carrera Speedster.

CLASS G MOD.		
35.	James Diaz, Jr., Turnersville, N. J.	Siata Amica
51.	Charles H. Dietrich, Sandusky, Ohio	MG Lester
52.	John H. Norwood, Rye, N. Y.	Siata Spyder
54.	Richard M. Matthews, Red Bank, N. J.	MG Spec.
57.	David T. Latsha, Camp Hill, Pa.	MG Spec.
59.	William K. Rutan, Essex, Conn.	Volkswagen Spec.
66.	E. Pupilidy, Freeport, N. Y.	Volkswagen, Spec.
77.	Stewart R. Morgan, Shickshinny, Pa.	Volkswagen Spec.
84.	R. W. Whitman, Reading, Pa.	MG-TD

I was happy to supply everything I had on Pupilidy!



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## Who's in the loop....

The list of PHA veterans that I'm in contact has grown immensely since the first issue...If you are in contact with someone, and they aren't on the list below, please forward my contact info!

Oscar Koveleski	Don Kennedy	John Gearhart	Scotty Dietz
Alan Singer	Don McLaughlin	John Katzbeck	Janet Dietz
Alex Coles	Don Struke	John Pitman	Steve Mull
Alex Miller	Duffy Ovens	John Stinesman	Steve Wilkinson
Alvin Knepper	Dwight Egolf	Jane Stinseman	Sue Salsburg
Art Gehert	Floyd Schrammeck	Judy Beattie	Ted Klaus
Barry Patterson	Fred Brandt	Keith Kendig	Terry Reed
Ben Loquasto	Fred Livezey	Keith Weidner	Tim Sprinkle
Bill Bikle	Gene Stoltzfus	Ken Hogue	Todd Firestone
Bill Haggerty	George Bowland	Ken Beck	Tom Davenhall
Bill Weaver	George Iliff	Lamar Ludwig	Tom Edkin
Bob Oswald	George Wagner	Larry Long	Tom Hartman
Bob Ramsey	Marc Gerstein	Larry Shaffer	Tom Keck
Bob Seel	Glenn Snavley	Larry Yeager	Tom Knorr
Bob Wagner	Harry Claypool	Lyle Heck	Tom Kriner
Bruce Baker	Henry Brillinger	Lynn Rau	Wayne Serfass
Buddy Scolastico	Howard Fetterolf	Lynn Wenger	William Black
Byron Levan	Hughie Maloney	Martin Rapoport	Stank Rinkunas
Carl Mugford	Bob Ladd	Mel Horn	Bob Griffith
Carl Calhoun	Jack Rabold	Mike Farling	William Sia
Charlie Lambert	Jeff Whitmoyer	Neil Fogelberg	William Rutan
Curt Bennett	Jerry Coffee	Patricia Enzman	
Dale Jaffe	Jerry Hartman	Pete Leiss	
Dan Licklider	Jerry Kieft	Priscilla Newpher	
Dan Lipperini	Jim Sieling	Ray Gross	
Dave Baker	Jim Hahn	Rich Grime	
Dave Heisey	Jim Irons	Richard Rohrbach	
Dave Latsha	Jim Margrave	Richard Schnabel	
Dave Schubel	Jim Oswald	Robert Baker	
Dave Smith	Jim Sariano	Robert Laepple	
Dave Walter	Joe Whiteley	Rolf Mair	
Dennis Frick	John Bolton	Ron Light	
Dennis Gilbert	John Brandt Jr.	Ron Szurgot	
Dennis Williams	John Dohner	Sam Armstrong	
Don Fatzinger	John Novotnak	Scott Dames	

### Who is it?



### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

**I'm setting aside July 17th this year as an open house day at the Archives.**

**Drop by and say hello!**

**8am - 4pm**

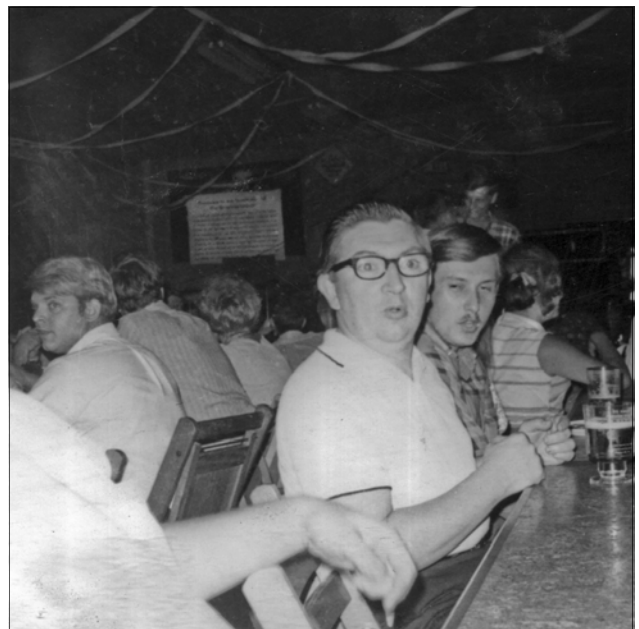
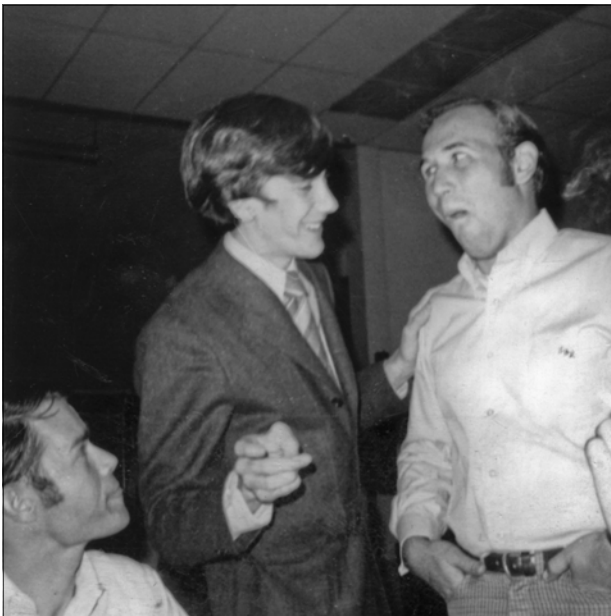
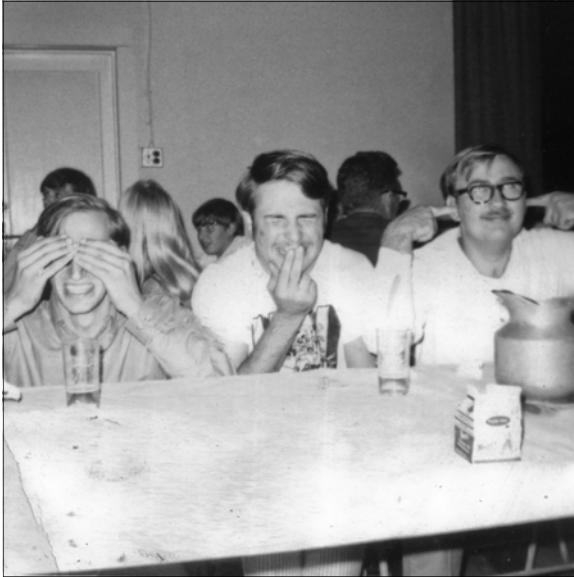
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**717-838-2698**



# Party On!

I've recently have been receiving a slew of photos from Keith Weidner....a good number of them are from Hill Climb Parties. Looks like some good times....If you recognize anyone in the photos...please help ID!



There are some familiar faces on here...who do you see?



## MYSTERY HILL CLIMB DISCUSSED...Dave Schubel recounted some memories about Big & Little Pocono.

The first thing that came to mind while reading (Mystery Hill Climbs) about "Big Pocono" & "Little Pocono" around 1962 is a hillclimb that took place near Stroudsburg, Pa. I tried to run it that year or perhaps a year later. I say "tried to run" because the entire event did not go so well. My memory suggests that an AC Bristol driver by the name of Jack Spies organized the event after it's having been inactive for several years.

The timing and communication equipment kept failing and resulted in long delays on Saturday. As nary a car had made a practice run by late afternoon, a decision was made to run 10 or 15 cars up the hill in groups. Not a wise decision as adrenaline trumped common sense in these driver groups. I departed in group 2 & within 100 yards of the start we were all dicing like mad. This was made somewhat more complicated as the drivers in group one were dicing like mad on the way down the hill, all innocent victims of yet another communication failure. Remarkably there were no serious collisions but many of us submitted to an underwear change shortly thereafter.

Things did not get better on Sunday as the course physician flipped his Sprite into the pond lying to the left of a brief downhill 3rd gear right-hander. Later in the day another communications failure occurred allowing some public traffic onto the course. A B production 'Vette driver was absolutely astonished up toward the finish at full chat (& somewhat airborne) to see a 4 door DeSoto with 4 bluehairs on board back onto the course from a lookout point. He was astonished again seconds later to find himself tumbling down the course in his seat & what appeared to be a roll gage. The rest of the car had pretty well disintegrated. I seem to remember the tranny being broken apart from the engine & the tail shaft & it's housing gone from the transmission. The driver, I was told, suffered minor injuries. The little old ladies were OK which was truly a miracle as their trusty DeSoto had been T-boned at the pillar. The DeSoto (I seem to remember) was pushed into a cop car which was pushed into still another cop car on which a cop was leaning (back on front fender) and he sustained a back injury.

At this point everyone thought it best to just go home. I forgot...the BMW700 Sport Coupe that I was running decided to have a main bearing failure on that Sunday morning. The only photo I still have of this fun filled weekend is of Ray Tessier towing my BMW home with his NSU Prinz. (583 cc)

Perhaps this will spark some memories on the exact location of this hill! Thanks Dave!

**RIP Ted Banning.** I got an email from Hughie Maloney pertaining to the passing of another PHA veteran. He didn't compete often...drove a D Production Triumph TR-4 during the 1969 season. He may be more remembered for being a mechanic for many of the local Hazelton hill climb cars. He worked as a mechanic for Mike Oleyar and crewed his hill climb Corvettes. He later built the Con O'Donnell Vette of the late 70's. He had a race prep and import repair shop and worked with such drivers as Bill Lockwood, Bill Gorski, Bill Moorse, Samy Ryan and Hughie Maloney.

## PHA Veteran gathering 2010.

I'm shooting for Saturday, October 2nd for this year's gathering.

If anyone sees a major conflict...please let me know. I didn't get much feedback from the last newsletter...are we still interested in gathering?



If so, I'm trying to nail down a picnic grove in Belle Grove, PA.