

Air-cooled enthusiasts enjoy Luftgekühlt's homecoming

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11/10/2022 The tenth edition of the famous celebration of Porsche's air-cooled past took place at the weekend, when Los Angeles welcome home Luftgekühlt 8.

When it comes to car culture, southern California supplies enthusiasts equally with variety and passion. From low riders and hot rods to sports cars, the region has something for everyone, and parking lots fill every weekend with purists and creatives showing off their four-wheeled treasures while admiring the tastes of friends old and new. This past weekend, Los Angeles hosted Luftgekühlt 8, a very special air-cooled gathering pulled together by Jeff Zwart, of Pikes Peak fame, the Le Mans-winning driver Patrick Long, and Howie Idelson.

With its origins rooted in LA, Sunday's meeting at CRAFTED at the Port of Long Beach was something of a homecoming for 'Luft', as it has become known. Set in and around a pair of 1940s-era warehouses

formerly used as a holding point for shipping companies, the 10th installment featured pristine examples of historic racing cars and museum-quality machines among more humble offerings driven in by local owners.

Crowds at the sell-out event mingled among highlights including a 1956 550A Spyder, a 934/5 crafted by Canepa, several 1970s Carrera RS examples, a few custom creations from California-based designers and builders, and a handful of endurance race winners covering Le Mans, Sebring and Daytona.

Hundreds more models, spanning the sports car manufacturer's rich 74-year history, were spread out in creative arrangements that not only displayed the brand's lineage, but ensured an Instagram-friendly feast for keen photographers.

A naked 356 chassis formed part of a display by Porsche Classic, which showcased its parts and services for owners looking to restore their cars. The new book by Type7, Type7 Volume 3, also made its US debut, with editor-in-chief Ted Gushue signing copies.

And dozens of food trucks – a staple of LA – kept the tens of thousands who attended well-nourished, with a menu as colourful and eclectic as the cars on show. After the 2020 event was cancelled due to the pandemic, and 2021 was limited in size, Luftgekühlt 8 proved that there is an appetite for more than good food in California – and that Porsche people know how to party.

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Consumption data

Taycan 4S Cross Turismo (Modèle précédent)

*Further information on the official fuel consumption and the official specific CO_2 emissions of new passenger cars can be found

in the "Leitfaden über den Kraftstoffverbrauch, die CO_2-Emissionen und den Stromverbrauch neuer Personenkraftwagen" (Fuel Consumption, CO_2Emissions and Electricity Consumption Guide for New Passenger Cars), which is available free of charge at all sales outlets and from DAT (Deutsche Automobil Treuhand GmbH, Helmuth-Hirth-Str. 1, 73760 Ostfildern-Scharnhausen, www.dat.de).

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