

Spring 2023 Treffen in the Georgia Mountains By Greg Bayuga

This was Romy's and my first Treffen and it was a great getaway! We departed Huntsville on April 19th with sunny weather for our three-hour drive to the Barnsley Resort in Adairsville, GA. We took the Cayenne as it's a more comfortable vehicle for this type of trip. We met HOD members Rich and Nancy Corbeille there.



The Barnsley Resort.

We had a wonderful cottage with plenty of parking, a fireplace, and a front and back porch. The front porch rocking chairs overlooked the “Friday Evening on the Square” and was convenient to all the resort facilities. Our cottage was spacious, comfortable, and well equipped.

There were no complaints with the Food.

- Wednesday **Welcome Reception** - Heavy hors d'oeuvres.
- Thursday **Opening Dinner**: Grilled Flank Steak and Grilled Chicken Breasts.
- Friday **Evening on the Square Buffet**: BBQ and Fried Chicken
- Saturday **Closing Dinner**: Prime Beef Tenderloin
- **Buffet Breakfast each morning.**

Our Tours completed:

Thursday, **Boothe Western Art Museum**, Cartersville, GA. The museum is a first-class Smithsonian affiliate, and I was very impressed. The drive was ~100 miles there and about 20 miles back to the resort. We ate off a limited menu at Maine Street Coastal Cuisine. After lunch we explored downtown Cartersville on foot. <https://boothmuseum.org/>

Friday, **Savoy Automobile Museum**, Cartersville, GA. The drive was ~130 miles there from the Barnsley and about 20 miles back. Until the end of July, a special 75 Years of Porsche exhibit is on display. The BBQ or Chicken salad lunch was in the private dining room at the museum before the museum tour. The Savoy is also a world-class Smithsonian affiliate. After the Savoy we drove to Adairsville and walked the historic downtown. <https://savoymuseum.org/>

Saturday, we participated in a **2-hour ride in a Can-Am UTV** across the Barnsley's 2,000 acres. This was not part of the Treffen, but one of many Barnsley activities. After the UTV ride we drove to Cave Springs, GA to explore and get our steps in before the big dinner.



Tours we skipped:

- **Wolf Mountain Winery, GA.** Heard this was a great tour.
- **Valhalla Resort, Helen, GA**
- **Porsche Experience Center, Atlanta**
- **Pirelli Tire Factory, Rome, GA**
- **Coker Museum, Chattanooga, TN.** Heard this was a great tour.

Sunday 23 April, drove back home. We stopped at **Cloudland Canyon State Park** and hiked to the two different falls.



Our overall impression – this Treffen was a winner! The weather was absolutely PERFECT! Even the rain on Friday night kept the dust down and made some great mud holes for the UTV drive! Also, the event was well organized and there was sufficient information for all the events. We are going to try and attend the Fall Treffen in St Louis.

