

## **Porsche Club GB – Region 28 – Guernsey**

### **Jacksons Porsche Open Drive Day – 24<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

**I was unable to attend the above event on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>, and I must start by thanking Gerve Brazier & Jacksons for arranging a test drive for me on the Saturday morning at very short notice.**

**I was particularly interested in the Cayman R and there was a very bright metallic green model waiting all fuelled up & ready to go when I arrived.**

**Porsche call the colour Peridot Metallic, I think it suits the “R” very well giving it a purposeful look, and it certainly stands out from the croud.**



**When you slide into the cockpit there is an essence of GT3 RS about the interior with the red fabric door pulls, the exhaust note is very quite on tick over for a car of this type, but tickle the loud**

pedal and the note rises to a satisfying growl, This car was fitted with the PDK gearbox, this new box with it's proper flappy paddles is a revelation, I love it, the changes are so fast & smooth, maybe it's the age now but I would probably go for the PDK over the manual box, although perhaps I should try a manual first before taking the plunge

Although we were stuck behind one of our famous oversized buses on the outward journey, after stopping at Fort Grey for a photo shoot I was able to sample short bursts of power & handling prowess on the way back, this car is so perfectly balanced even with firmed up & lowered suspension & the 19" wheels on this test car, the ride is extremely compliant, this is a car I could happily live with as my daily transport, must check my lottery tickets when I get home, you never know your luck!

The other models on offer for a test drive were a fabulous white 997 GTS Cabriolet and a white 997 Carrera 4S, unfortunately there was no time to try these out on the day

Roy Carré

