



## 5 MINUTES WITH WILLY BROMBACHER

This month, we take time out to chat with the founder of Porsche tuning, restoration and parts supply business, FVD Brombacher.

### When was the company established?

I partnered with a couple of friends and began to modify a 911 SC in 1983 at the back of the warehouse occupied by my father's furniture business. Word got around the neighbourhood that we were building something special, a reputation bringing requests for similar work from third parties. Responding to demand, FVD was established as a one-bay workshop in 1984.

### Talk us through the firm's early years.

We started the full build of street and race cars in 1988, tuning turbocharged Porsches to 450bhp, which was a huge amount of power back then. We quickly outgrew our tiny workshop and moved into larger facilities in Umkirch, where we're still based. The extra space gave us the room to play with the 964 Carrera 4 platform and build 959 clones using factory parts. It was a very exciting time and

laid the foundations for much of the groundbreaking work we would go on to achieve, including street car speed records and the development of a 1,000bhp 993 Carrera 4S.

### How many of you work at FVD?

There are thirty-three of us in Germany, from senior management through to software development, product control, sales and marketing roles. We also have distributors based in various overseas locations, including the USA, Japan, Israel, Great Britain, Finland, Spain, Denmark, Switzerland and Australia. No matter where you are in the world, access to FVD products and services is a breeze!

### What does FVD stand for?

*Fahrzeug Vertrieb Sdiens*, which translates into English as Vehicle Sales Service, although we're chiefly involved in the retail of parts and tuning packages, rather than complete cars.

### You keep a stock of sales vehicles, though?

Yes. We currently have a 1974 911 coupe and three 996 Cabriolets in our showroom. They're advertised for sale on our website. Have a look and then give me a call to book a test drive!

### How would you describe FVD to GT Porsche readers unfamiliar with the firm?

We've been setting the standard for Porsche engine building and tuning in Germany since setting up our first workshop all those years ago. In recent years, my team's mechanical and Porsche product knowledge led us to establish an online store offering a vast assortment of performance parts, spares and accessories for the entire Porsche range of vehicles. Our product line for the manufacturer's offerings is one of the biggest in the industry and attracts customers from all over the world. We're also heavily involved in the preparation of Porsche cars for racing.

### What have been your biggest achievements with Porsches at the track?

FVD-built GT2s have won many competitions, including the German FIA GT Championship. We've also been involved with and won Mobil 1 Supercup titles in other countries. Motorsport is a passion of everyone at FVD, with many of our past and present employees being able to call upon knowledge they've gained at the race circuit when advising customers regarding fit for purpose tuning solutions.

Thanks for your time, Willy. It's appreciated! ■







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