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YOUR FIRST CHECKPOINTS

With this first issue of CHECKPOINTS, another milestone in the VMSC has been reached.

We hope to be able to bring you latest news & happenings of the Club, its members and events from other Clubs. In order to make this effort successful, members are urged to contribute news and other material of interest to motoring enthusiasts.

In the months to come, CHECKPOINTS will bring you detailed accounts of each rallye plus many other interesting features including a few personal glimpses of our club members. Don't be surprised to find YOUR NAME in print!

This introductory copy is "on the house." We sincerely hope you will receive it with open arms. Please get your subscription entered early; rates are published on another page. Classifieds this month are also complimentary. A slight charge must be made for all future issues.

NEW YEAR... NEW OFFICERS

A class room at the University of Virginia was the setting for the 1956 annual meeting and election of officers for the Virginia Motor Sports Club on the 11th of March.

Besides a large number of guests, regular members present were Robert Mayo, Edward L. Henry, Gerry Boehling, Lee Miller, Bill Pettit, A.G. Graves, Madison P. McClintic, Tom Pendleton, John Kessler, "Happy" Batcheller and Allan Rennie.

A report of the secretary and treasurer was made by Allan Rennie--followed by a discussion of a future Hill Climb. (What ever became of that ??)

A new rule concerning entry into the club was as follows--To join, a person must pay \$2.00 dues plus \$2.00 for initiation. The Badge will be included in new price.

Jack Lewis was elected President for the year 1956; John Kessler, Vice-President

officers

and Daniel G. Everette, Secretary and Treasurer.

The meeting was followed by a "king-size" rallye, dubbed "The Monticello Rallye" and 'tis interesting to note that 5 of the first 6 places were taken by members of the Richmond group!

... AND A NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Your newly elected officers of VMSC appointed a Board of Directors to work with them in planning a more active year for the entire membership. Appointed to serve on the Board for one year were:

H. E. Batcheller, Jr.	William Harding
Kenneth Payne	Ed Wood
Allan Rennie	Tom Rennie
Allan Fine	Ed Remick

From this Board, these committees were appointed:

- Club Publication Committee - Ed Remick; John Kessler
- Ways and Means - H. E. Batcheller; Ken Payne
- Trophy - William Harding; Jack Lewis
- Publicity - Allan Rennie
- Notices & Mailings - Ed Wood; Tom Rennie

It has come to the attention of the Board that one more committee is needed to meet and greet newcomers and to invite them to join the Club. On this point we are sorely lacking. To serve on the Membership Committee, we have chosen Allan Rennie as Chairman, and our two feminine members, Judy Baylor and Virginia Harding as the Committee.



Watch CHECKPOINTS
each month
for starting points & times
of ALL-RALLYES...
as well as RESULTS!

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ANNUAL BANQUET TROPHIES

Your Board of Directors is making tentative plans for an annual banquet which we sincerely hope will receive the cooperation of each member. The banquet will definitely be held between the 15th of Dec. and the 13th of Jan. At this banquet meeting trophies will be presented to the top ten rallyists in our calendar year. It has been felt that more recognition should be given more participants, so this year, in lieu of a single large trophy, the ten individual trophies will be presented.

Accomplishments of your Club so far this year have been gratifying indeed. In addition to our four Check Point signs donated to the club by A. W. Whitehouse, the local distributor for Wynn Oil Products, your club has purchased four excellent stop watches which will serve as the official rally time for all events. Now available at a nominal cost, enamel and silver lapel pins. Contact your Sect.-Treas. Plans are also underway for a new, heavier and more attractive car badge.

Rallye Results...

Here's a brief report on the rallyes run for the current year and those members responsible for planning the rallye, referred to here as "Officers of the Day." (Sorry, there was only space to list first three cars.)

KICK OFF RALLYE

1-19-56 30 miles
O.D. Fine and Harding
 1st T. Rennie and Olmstead
 2nd A. Rennie and Crenshaw
 3rd Batcheller and Payne

BROKEN HEARTS RALLYE

2-12-56 80 miles
O.D. Lewis and Batcheller
 Tie 1st T. Rennie and Olmstead
 Fine and Harding
 3rd Pendleton and Pendleton

Results (Continued)

REVENGE RALLYE

2-29-56 40 miles
O.D. T. Rennie and Walker
 1st Fine and Harding
 2nd Armstrong (alone, yet!)
 3rd Kessler and Bernard

GRAVEYARD SHIFT RALLYE

4-7-56 150 miles
O.D. Remick and Moore
 1st Lewis and Kessler
 2nd Mayo and Thomas
 3rd Fine and Harding

LULU RALLYE

4-19-56 30 miles
O.D. Fusco and Wood
 1st Bowers and ?
 2nd Kessler and Pickus
 3rd Giles and Giles

JUST A RALLYE

5-17-56 30 miles
O.D. Pettit and Armstrong
 1st T. Rennie and A. Rennie
 2nd Batcheller and Payne
 3rd Fusco and Wood

THREE IN ONE RALLYE

5-26-56 140 miles
O.D. Batcheller and Pendleton
 1st Lewis and Kessler
 2nd Fine and Harding
 3rd T. Rennie and Cavedo

WE-PICK-A-DILLY RALLYE

6-24-56 200 miles
O.D. T. Rennie and Walker
 1st Kessler and Lewis
 2nd Remick and Moore
 3rd Applewhite and Applewhite

2nd ANNUAL PATHFINDER RALLYE

7-8-56 120 miles
O.D. Fine and Harding
 1st Batcheller and Rosenbaum
 2nd Schiff and Cowan
 3rd Remick and Moore

BENCH MARK RALLYE

7-15-56 120 miles
O.D. Keith Gallant
 1st T. Rennie and Cavedo
 2nd Walker and Weaver
 3rd Lewis and Payne

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Here's a calendar schedule of the remaining rallies and meetings for the year. All meetings are held at TRAN-SPORT SALES AND SERVICE, 1010 N. Boulevard, Richmond, at 7:30 P.M. unless otherwise stated.

July 19th	Regular Meeting
Aug. 16th	Regular Meeting
Aug. 26th	Day Rallye
Sept. 16th	Gymkahana
Sept. 20th	Regular Meeting
Oct. 18th	Regular Meeting
Oct. 31st	Halloween Rallye
Nov. 3-4	Old Dominion Rallye
Nov. 15th	Regular Meeting
Dec. 15th	Christmas Rallye
Dec. 20th	Regular Meeting
Jan. 5th(?)	Annual Banquet

THE BATCHELLER'S CORNER by H. E. Batcheller, Jr.

Here are a few personal observations regarding the care and feeding of our pet infant...the sports car.

Wire wheels look pretty, but to many the care is an abomination, especially cleaning. This can be helped by the choice of brushes: A long toilet bowl brush (not the ball type) is good for cleansing the hubs and a long slender brush of the gun cleaning type is good for the rims; however, the rims can be cleaned more easily if the wheels are off.

A flat tire is bad enough, but a seized hub is worse, especially if it comes on top of a flat. This can be prevented by proper lubrication of the hubs: Every 2-3,000 miles remove the wheels and clean the old grease off the hub and the wheel center; then, apply a good high pressure grease liberally to both halves of the splines, replace the wheel and put the caps on very tight, as friction between the spline halves causes rapid wear.

While the wheels are off, it is possible to help the complaint of no brakes in wet weather. Remove the drums and clean the accumulated dust from them, and brake shoes, etc. This is easily done with a small paint brush (and vacuum cleaner, if available).

Next month, "The Batcheller's Corner" will list many replacement parts that may save you time & money.

TOP 20... 1956 POINT STANDINGS

The following point standings for the 1956 "Rallye Year" were compiled thru the Bench Mark Rallye, of July 15th.

1st	Jack Lewis	580
2nd	John Kessler	550
3rd	Tom Rennie	392
4th	Bill Harding	343½
5th	Allan Fine	325½
6th	"Happy" Batcheller	238½
7th	Ed Remick	219½
8th	Robert Walker	203½
9th	Bob Moore	202½
10th	B. Cavedo	162
11th	Merton Rosenbaum	144
12th	Charlie Armstrong	138
13th	Allan Rennie	127½

14th	Bill Olmstead	110
15th	Robert Mayo	109
16th	Harold Applewhite	91½
17th	Keith Gallant	87½
18th	Ken Payne	85½
19th	Tom Pendleton	80
20th	George Graves	65

In order to participate in the point standings, each person must be a member in good standing of VMSC with dues paid in full. No points are given to non-members. Trophy awards at the end of the "Rallye Year" will be individual and no ties will be honored. If two members are tied, they must separate on some rallye and attempt to break the tie.

CHESTERFIELD LE-MANS RALLYE

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