



### *Chesapeake Trophy Rallye...*

## VMSC CAPTURES 30% OF MARYLAND'S SILVER

"Down with Richmond!" were the cries of the Motor Sport Club of America, Baltimore, Inc., as VMSC entries were awarded trophy after trophy at the finish of the Third Annual Chesapeake Trophy Rallye.

Competition was rough! Over 90 automobiles participated in the grueling 600-mile run April 13 and 14 from Baltimore through Virginia, Maryland and a bit of Pennsylvania....over mountains, back roads and through creeks went the cars. (Porsches will float!) Trout season opened on the first day of the rallye and confusion reigned supreme when hundreds of fishermen (each with a car), State Police, Game Wardens and nearly 100 sports cars all converged on the same one-lane road.

Six trophies in all were awarded to the VMSC-sponsored participants. FIRST TEAM AWARD went to the VMSC team of Fine & Harding, Tignor & Lewis, and Remick & Kessler.

3rd PLACE OVERALL was awarded to Remick and Kessler in the new Porsche, as well as 2nd IN UNDER 1600 CC CLASS.

3rd PLACE IN OVER 1600 CC went to Tignor and Lewis. They also copped 10th OVERALL with the Jag-u-ar.

Fine and Harding finished 7th OVERALL in the red-nosed Porsche. A. Rennie and Gallant (also in a new Porsche) took 11th place in their class.

Finishing positions of Norton and Walker in the red Jag, and Harrington and Payne in the TR-2 were not available at publication time.

Rogers and Jett, in Neil's Jag as a private entry, finished 14th OVERALL and 5th in class.

Our thanks to VMSC for helping foot the bill for this tremendous trip.

Our thanks to MSCA for the course and the silver.

Our thanks to the Mayos for their "send-off" cards!

MSCA will forward us a complete breakdown on all the results.

### MEETINGS... Old and New

Members and guests kept pouring into the April meeting on the 18th, filled up all the chairs and overflowed into standing room only. The final count was 87!

We're pleased with all the new members who have signed up recently. VMSC now has a membership of close to 150!

The next regular meeting will be held on May 16th, 7:30 p.m., at the ESSO BUILDING, 3701 WEST BROAD STREET.

### DOOS are DOO!

1957 Dues must be paid by May 30th. After that date, the \$5 initiation fee must also be paid.

Renewal dues:

\$3.00 individual (without badge)

6.00 family (without badge)

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## CLUTCH-CHATTER

SEEN AROUND....a passel of new Porsche Pushers - Fred Johnson - Harold Applewhite - Wendell Powell - Ed Remick.

....Kay Weaver driving a new Dauphine.

OVERHEARD RECENTLY....Robert Walker calling in the night, "To Arms! To Arms! The British are coming!" - another voice in answer saying "If you all don't cut out that foolishness I'm gonna shoot the whole bunch!"

Also Overheard....Ed Wood whistling his favorite song "At Last!" Finally got the 4CV running!

It appears that Kessler should be doing more driving and less navigating - that boy's getting fat!

## WIN AN MGA!

VMSC is giving away an MGA! Any member will be happy to accept your \$1.00 donation to the club, in return for which you may receive the LUCKY NUMBER that wins the 1957 MGA!

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## Paul Revere Rallye

Fine and Harding did it again.... by winning the "Paul Revere Rallye" so well laid out by Joe Crenshaw and Harold Applewhite, and run April 18th following the meeting.

Drivers jumped out at designated intersections and screamed "To Arms! To Arms! The British are coming!" Then one light signalled a right turn and two lights a left. There were those who tore away to the right before they ever saw the second light!

When all the cars finally straggled in, the results were as follows:

- 1 Fine & Harding
- 2 Tignor & Lewis
- 3 Pettit & Armstrong - Plymouth Battleship
- 4 Remick & Kessler  
Mayo & Mayo
- 5 Patteson & Winslow
- 6 Weaver & Walker
- 7 Baggett & Baggett
- 8 Trevvett & Propert
- 9 T. and A. Rennie
- 10 Patterson & Patterson
- 11 Payne & Brown
- 12 Trink & Ed Jett
- 13 F. Norton & W. Norton
- 14 Owens & Rollins
- 15 McClees & Gunter
- 16 Laughon & Harrington
- 17 Powell & Powell
- 18 Kitts & Copley
- 19 Boehling & McClintic
- 20 Bragg & Caldwell
- 21 Fitch & Maher

Also ran:

Bob Lee  
Pendleton & Cook  
James Waters

# GENTLEMEN, START YOUR ENGINES! Here's the New Calendar!

Listed below are the VMSC events for the coming year, and those members responsible for arranging same. All dates are subject to change. Watch CHECKPOINTS each month for starting times and places.

Also included are a few SCCA and neighboring club events.

May 11	Legendary Rallye T. & B. Pendleton	Aug 3-4	Danville Grand Prix ??
May 12	Marlboro	Aug 11	VMSC Hillclimb E. Wright & J. Kessler
May 16	Regular Meeting Esso Building, 3701 West Broad	Aug 15	Regular Meeting J. Finnegan & B. Pettit
May 18-19	Cumberland Races	Sept 14-15	Autoclade J. Lewis & R. Walker
May 31- June 1,2	Mountain Lake Hillclimb MG Car Club	Sept 19	Regular Meeting T. Rennie & L. Baggett
June 8	All Night Rallye W. Norton & S. Clark	Sept 28	All Night Rallye K. Payne & H. Batcheller
June 16	Muscular Dystrophy Rallye Winslow & Fine	Oct 13	Gymkhana E. Wright & M. McClintic
June 20	Regular Meeting A. Rennie & B. Cook	Oct 17	Regular Meeting D. Rucker & E. Jett
June 22	Historical Rallye G. Patteson & Harding	Oct 31	Hallowe'en Rallye J. Kessler & E. Remick
June 29-30	Mountain Lake Rallye Hillclimb - Roanoke	Nov 9-10	Third Annual Old Dominion Rallye
July 7	Gymkhana Fine & Harding	Nov 21	Regular Meeting F. Johnson & C. Larus
July 18	Regular Meeting E. Rucker & B. Patterson	Nov 24	Turkey Rallye B. Moore & K. Gallant
July 21	Third Annual Pathfinder Rallye R. Walker & J. Lewis	Dec 15	Christmas Rallye M. McClintic & E. Remick
		Dec 19	Regular Meeting K. Payne & B. Bowers
		<u>1958</u>	
		Jan 4	Annual Banquet
		Jan 12	Kick-Off Rallye Girls

## HILL CLIMB ROAD ??

Anyone knowing the location of a suitable "hillclimb road", privately owned and within a decent distance from Richmond, please contact E. Wright, Phone 6-0073, or J. Kessler, Phone 3-0157.

*Regular Meeting - May 16 - 7:30 pm*

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## Notes on RALLYE RUNNING...

(Contributions Welcome !!!)

Jack Lewis has one of the new Stevens calculators, which is excellent. If you haven't yet invested in a confusion wheel, this one seems to have a terrific advantage in that it can be adjusted to compute and retain the percentage error that occurs at the mileage check. It's expensive and advertised in most of the magazines. It enabled Jack to place 12th in the Loco Rallye.

Happy Batcheller built a mechanical average speed indicator a couple of years ago. I haven't seen him use it recently, but it does have value and I hope he will squeeze out its bugs and show it off. He'll explain the workings to the interested. Don't forget that anything to relieve the navigator and let him help check mailboxes is an advantage.

Jack Finnegan has a timer mounted in the Healey facia that deserves a look. I believe it is of the dark room variety but the installation converts it into Jaeger quality.

Most of the radio supply places have male-female plug or jack assemblies that can be fitted very neatly to night clip boards. Please check before using one on an item that draws heavy amps (spot lights).

Comfortable clothing goes without saying, but don't forget headgear that is useful when you have to run with the windows down or side-screens out.

Seat belts of the quick release variety are helpful in keeping the navigator nailed down on fast, up and down stretches. Drivers can provide them out of their lunch money, and the navigator will be able to complete the figuring before getting to the ✓.

Also - it is very important that ✓ be placed to provide for off-the-road stops. Don't forget that Sunday drivers are entitled to some use of the road.

## Are You a NOVICE SPECTATOR?



The following is a list of questions most asked by novice spectators. We shall do our best to answer them:

Question: Why are sports car races held mostly on airports?

Answer: Because there is too much traffic on Highway 60.

Question: What is the main difference between a Ferrari and an MG?

Answer: A Ferrari is usually painted red.

Question: What is a "Texas" start?

Answer: Don't you remember that night in Fort Worth when her husband came home unexpectedly?

Question: During a race, men keep running out on the course and holding up little signs to the passing cars. What does this mean?

Answer: These are pit signals. They are given mainly to reassure the driver that no matter how many times he has been lapped, there is someone who still cares.

Question: What is a production built body?

Answer: A car with a factory-built body.

Question: What is a gentlemen driver?

Answer: Almost everybody - between races.

Question: Is road racing a sport?

Answer: Yes - Ask the owner of any garage who specializes in body work.

Question: I see so many blue coveralls with the name "Pirelli"-- What does this mean?

Answer: Italian families are usually quite large.

Question: What is the best way for a person to get into sports car racing?

Answer: Stick up an American Trust Company office.

# SHIFT and DRIFT... by S.I.R.

## 14 April Beltsville Time Trials

The course utilized a Drive-In Theater. It was more of a speed Gymkhana than a trial, but very interesting, nevertheless.

There was a varied field present as shown in the results section, which gives the best time of each type. Among those present were, driving: McClintic, Tom Elliott, and Ed Wright; coffee drinking, Gerry Boehling, Dave Mellon and Marvin Donger.

McClintic and Wright had difficulty in engaging the proper gear at the stop-start line, the only casualty of the day being a speaker station and an MG-TD.

Results: (Time in seconds)

TR-3	52.55	Singer	67.53
Jag 140	53.09	Morgan	79.00
A-H	54.60	Cyclops	
MGA	54.72	MKI	2063.47
190SL	55.60	Cyclops	
Porsche		MKII	2001.35
Coupe	57.81	Cyclops	
TD	58.66	MKI Blown	
VW	60.32		2001.04
Ford		Isetta	2007.52
Station Wagon		McClintic	55.62
	61.90	Wright	57.47
TC	62.19	Elliott	62.00

## 20 April Marlboro Practice Session

From Richmond, Bob Bowers - Alfa Romeo, McClintic - A-H 100M, Wright A-H 100. In the first session, Wright discovered that it takes more than two laps to cure new tires. Bob Mayo has proof of this. Wright discovered that the hay is of inferior quality and not worth sampling a second time. During the day, a Corvette left oil on the "Ess" turn and McClintic, with others, went skating sedately off the track while an MGA rolled in the hay. Wright was steaming into this waltz of the flowers, saw the

oil and stopped in time to assist the MGA driver who was unhurt. Wright then proceeded to ruin a good record by pinching his finger in the door of the MGA to become the only casualty.

Charlie Wallace was present with his 550 Spyder. A 4.5 Ferrari and a modified TR-3 w/Devin body with the Spyder made very rapid laps. It was most disconcerting to have your foot through the fire wall on the back straight and have them go by as if you were tired.

After 100 or so miles on the track, the Richmond group got their temporary licenses and staggered wearily home.

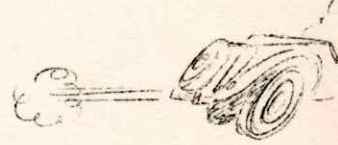
Prospective pit crews and drivers, check with Ed Wright for information, tips, sympathy before going - Phone 6-0073. SCCA: "All pit crew members are under the direct control of the Pit Steward and any infractions of the rules committed by them are charged to the driver and may result in his disqualification."

## Midget Story

Just as the elderly man stepped off the curb, a huge dog tore around the corner and knocked him flat. He barely struggled to his feet when a small foreign car brushed against him and knocked him down again.

A passerby helped him to his feet and asked if he was injured.

The old man steadied himself and said, "That dog didn't hurt me any but that danged can tied to his tail nearly killed me."



# TOP 20... 1957 POINT STANDINGS

The following point standings were compiled through the Paul Revere Rallye of April 18th:

1 (Tie)	Allen Fine	473.5
	Bill Harding	473.5
2 (Tie)	Al Winslow	333
	G. Patteson	333
3	Jack Lewis	326
4	Allen Rennie	322
5	Mary Byrd Tignor	309
6	Tom Pendleton	304.5
7	Marge Mayo	278.5
8	John Kessler	260
9	Bob Mayo	247.5
10	Kay Weaver	238.5
11	Suzanne Branner	238
12	Bill Pettit	236
13	Robert Walker	227.5
14	Judy Baylor	227
15	Bob Cook	218
16	Keith Gallant	192.5
17	Madison McClintic	173
18	Frances Norton	170
19	Gerry Boehling	166.5
20	Charlie Armstrong	155.5

In order to participate in the 1957 Point Standings, each person must be a member in good standing of VMSC with dues paid in full. Trophy Awards for the "Rallye Year" will be individual....ties must be broken by the end of the year.

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