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NEXT MEETING

Thursday: 15 June 61 7:30 P.M. Sharp!

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Special V.T. Showing of

Monoco Races at Meeting

BE ON TIME 7:30 PM

Point Standings through May 21st.

1st	John Thornton	3750	12th	Alton Davis (Sorry we omitted your name in April)	
2nd	George Patteson	3600		Porter Seay	1550
3rd	Shirley Ward	3450	14th	Tucker Smith	1500
4th	Margie Thornton	3300	15th	Tom Vaughn	1400
5th	Sam Carmine	3100	16th	Jean Davis	1300
6th	Stuart Jenks	2050	17th	Mary Jenks	1250
7th	Jackie Carmine	2000	18th	Suzanne Kessler	1200
8th	Ed Cobb	1950	19th	Alan Wilensky	1100
9th	John Kessler	1900		Nanci Vaughn	
10th	Charlie Larus	1750			
	John Musgrove				

Kent Johnson, our Editor for Checkpoints, is on a much needed (?) vacation this week, so we are out to surprise him with an issue on schedule as has been his usual good practice.

Therefore, please be forewarned that he (Kent Johnson) is not to be held responsible for the outcome good or bad!

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Minutes of the monthly meeting, May 18, 1961.

The regular monthly meeting of VMSC was held Thursday, May 18, 1961 at 7:45 P.M. in the Branch House.

The President, Charlie Larus, presided.

New members were introduced by the President. They were Jon Nunemaker and Sonny Wells. Each was presented with a car badge.

The Treasurer reported a balance, as of May 18, of \$376.29.

Charlie showed the members the VMSC Shield that John Kessler had painted. John was given a round of applause for the grand job that he had done on this Shield.

There will be an all night rally and hill climb sponsored by the MG Car Club of Washington, D. C., June 16, 17 and 18.

In June the members will be given an opportunity to show some of their racing slides and movies. Porter Seay is in charge of programming these.

The first Gymkhana of the season will be a closed event-for members only. Len Wells and Bill Harding are to be the O. D.'s.

There will be no rally in June. The MG Car Club event will take the place of this.

Kent Johnson was thanked for his excellent Checkpoints issues.

Door prizes were given out.

Porter Seay gave out trophies for his rally.

Madison McClintic gave out the hard luck news but none was bad enough to receive a trophy.

The meeting was adjourned and two movies were shown.

Mary Jenks, Secretary

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JUST PLAIN RALLY Results

5-21-61

Stuart Jenks, O. D.

<u>PLACE</u>		<u>PENALTY PTS.</u>
1st	John Thornton and Margie Thornton	320
2nd	Sam Carmine and Jackie Carmine	370
3rd	Ed Watson and John Musgrove	800
4th	Alton Davis and Jean Davis	870
5th	George Patteson and Shirley Ward	960
6th	Charles Larus and Tucker Smith	990
7th	Al Smith and Janet Smith	1270
8th	Harold Applewhite and Evelyn Applewhite	1470
9th	Kent Johnson and Tom Geddy	1740
10th	Porter Seay and Ann Seay	1840
11th	Bill Brown and Peggy Brown	2050
12th	Dick Hatch and Terry Yarbrough	3100
13th	Dave Fox and Cindy Henderson	3560
14th	Bob Henkle and Laura Pevy	3700
15th	Joyce Sarvay and Jim Morrissey	4000
16th	Ronnie Rockhill and Pat Woods	7670

We wish to express our appreciation to Sam Carmine for taking charge of obtaining advertisements for Checkpoints. This is a time consuming job with little reward. We thank you Sam, for a good job.

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LADIES' CHATTER

This month, Ladies' Chatter about: Shirley Ward.

Our "June gal of the month" is a teacher by profession and a Porsche navigator and "hot rod" VW driver by avocation.

Every weekday morning, September through June, Shirley drives her blue Volkswagen to Douglas Freeman High School where she teaches journalism and English and in her "spare" time is a faculty advisor for the school publications.

In the summer, Shirley continues her teaching as a playground teacher and advisor--either in Roanoke (her home town) or in Richmond.

Shirley is an avid navigator for the No. 2 man in the point standing for June and, from the number of 1st places she has taken, she is as competent a navigator as she is an avid one.

When your writer last saw Shirley, she was busy watching the sports car races at Marlboro, munching a chocolate-iced brownie, drinking a cold one and writing postcards for the VMSC Board of Directors meeting. This is what I call diversification!

Mary Jenks

CLUB CALENDAR

JUNE

- 15 VMSC Meeting
- 17-18 Mountain Lake Rally and Hill Climb; MGCC
- 17 Short Evening Rally; Wells & Harding
- 17 Le Mans Auto Races; TV (see your paper)
- 26-30 Porsche Parade, Mass.; (see Geo. Patteson)

JULY

- 9 Gymkahana; McClintic & Carmine
- 16 Summer Rally; Kessler & Larus
- 23 Marlboro Races

Daring Drivers Defy Death During Determined Dicing - Marlboro 6 Hour
by Don Wiseman

On Friday night, it rained. It rained on tools, trucks, mattresses, people, etc. Then it stopped. The cars lined up for night practice. Then it rained. The cars all got off the line and into shelter. It stopped. The cars got on the line. It rained. The cars got off the line and into shelter. Lightening hit something outside our world and the something burned. The rain stopped. The cars got back on the line. It rained. By now, nobody gave a damn. It stopped; the fire engine left for a fire; no night practice!

2:00 a.m. Rung out mattresses a bit and asleep (sort of). 4:30 a.m. Mosquitoes hit. We hit back. We lost. 5:00 a.m. Some idiot driving his D-B around the course. 5:02 Everyone up. That afternoon John Elliot performing acrobatics with his Sprite (i.e. A Chandell and $1\frac{1}{2}$ slow rolls). Scene: Mo Clark jumping up and down on Sprite hood to get it to fit back on the car. Question: "Going too fast, John?" Answer: "No, just dumb!"

Sunday dawned clear?! 6:00 a.m. Len Well's Jr. Folly walks past D-B. D-B quits practicing. 1st race. D-B fighting hot Sprite for 1st place. D-B in easy 2nd. D-B battles Alfa for 2nd. D-B hits fence. D-B gets easy 3rd. H Production. Elliott Sprite leaps into fray. So do several others. E Production. Perry's Elva shoots to easy 2nd. Perry's Elva 1st. Signore moves up. Perry's Elva dices with Signore. Perry's engine missing. Perry 2nd. Fast MG-Twin Cam. Perry nabs easy 3rd.

6 hours to Go. Chuck Bell-Sam Perry Elva off to good start, 6th overall. 5 hours to go. Perry pushes Elva into pits, collapses. 4 hours to go Elva back in race, Capt. Bell aboard. Elliot Sprite, with many little problems, still running well. Julian Bell-McClintock Sprite running well. 3:55 to go. Elva broken on course. Ed Deihl signed on spot as relief driver.

Deihl takes Bill Brown, loaded with baling wire and tools, across track. 3:45 to go, Elva, Deihl aboard, lapping faster than before. 2 to go. Pit stop. Bell and fuel added. 1 to go. Perry aboard. Cars lapping slower in dark; not Perry. 0:45 to go. Elva in pits. Broken radiator hose. Both Sprites grinding onward, ever onward. Donahue deserts Elva Courier on track. Not co-driver. Fixes broken axel and finishes without pit crew. 0:40 to go. Elva back. 0:00 to go all Richmond entries that started, finish. Accolades.

Monday, 2:00 a.m., meeting at 301. 5:30 a.m., greeted sun and into bed.

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Good News

It's here "The All New Sprite" 1961

The Club needs "desperately" a place to hold Gymkahanas! If you know of any place which is "OK" for our sports events please let Charlie Larus know!

Letter to the Editor:

The point system, which Ed Cobb is objecting to so strongly, has been reviewed many times by many people in an effort to come up with a system to award year-end trophies for overall participation in VMSC affairs.

Rewarding O.D.'s for their time, efforts and money spent by giving a specific number of points is not the idea at all. The only reason for awarding points to the O.D. to begin with is to keep from penalizing him in the overall standings as having missed an event which he, as an organizer, could not compete in.

Having been an O.D. on a couple of occasions, I can sympathize with Ed Cobb as to the effort necessary to lay out a rally. However, points, alone, are not a reasonable substitute for dollar bills, and, if he is looking for employment, perhaps the club could hire him as a professional rallymaster and compensate him accordingly.

SCJenks

CLIQUE?

The following was seen the other day. It could apply to our club too don't you think?

"Rumor has it that your club is run by a Clique. Careful investigation shows that this is really true! Furthermore, you will find that the Clique is composed of faithful members who are present at every meeting, who do all the work, who give willingly of their time, energy and efforts and who sincerely believe that the more one puts into his affiliation with the club the more he will get out of it."

Don't criticize the Clique! JOIN IT!

The Porsche Parade in Massachusetts the end of this month is going to have in attendance a lot of VMSC "Porsche Pushers"

Namely: Geo. Patteson, Shirley Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Applewhite, Julia Baylor.

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