

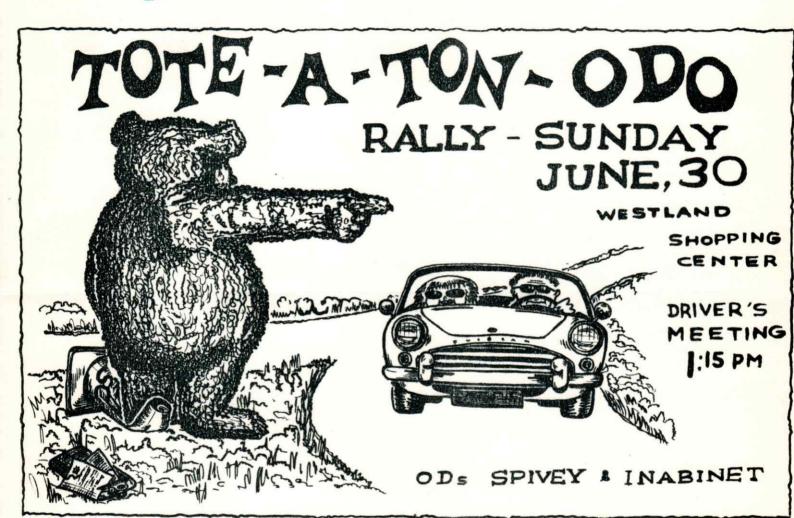
# Checkpoints

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## "24 Hours of Le Mans"

won't take but 40 minutes by film. This movie, along with Ed Cobb's slides of Nassau and Madison McClintic's film on the Indianapolis 500, is on the program agenda Thursday night at the meeting of VMSC. The cast of regulars, including Bill Harding, who will give a talk on mufflers at gymkhanas, and even Ed Cobb, back from his circular tour, will be on hand. Come and ask questions. Meeting time is 7:30 at the Branch House.

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## ALLEY



- It is hoped that the revised competition regulations will be ready by meeting time Thursday.
- Just received are the results of the gymkhana run at Suffolk May 25. Overall, VMSC'ers John Kessler placed 8th; Don Wiseman, 20th; Milford Brinton, 21st; Doris Belcher, 26th; John Ruble, 31st. Thirty-eight cars participated on the airport course and the Old Dominion region of the SCCA sponsored the event.
- Speaking of results; -the Virginia Reel rally sponsored by the MG car club in Washington, D.C., included four VMSC participants. Ed and Joy Cobb placed 54th and Al Smith and John Ruble came in 63rd. There were 68 cars on the rally which took rallyists from Washington to Mountain Lake in Virginia. It was run last month.
- The Motor Sports Club of America, the Baltimore region, is sponsoring the Chesapeake Trophy Rally June 29-30. The rally is expected to be a navigational one of 500 miles. The first night's stop is in Breezewood, Pennsylvania. The rally starts and stops in the Baltimore area. For information, contact editors of Checkpoints.
- Also---don't forget the International rally to be held in August by the MG car club of Long Island. This rally, patterned after the Monte Carlo in Europe, will start in White Plains, N.Y., go to Mont Tremblant in Canada, and end in Allentown, Pa. Call editors for more information.
- Incidentally, no one is going to the Porsche Parade at Lake Harmony, Pa., this year. Pity.
- TIE A STRING AROUND YOUR FINGER CONCERNING THE PHOTO CONTEST.

  Black and whites should be mailed to George Patteson, 4106 Cary St.

  Rd., Richmond, while color slides and movie film should be sent to

  Don Wiseman, Buford Rd., Box 3011, Bon Air. (By the way, we already

  have a black and white of Cecil sawing lumber at the gymkhana last

  month.) Enough said.

### THIS IS IT!!!

## 1963 POINT STANDINGS as

## of JUNE 1st

Bob Kwass	3900
John Kessler	3000
Cecil Wright	2650
Datab Water	2600
Edith Wright	2600
John Ruble	2550
George Patteson	2450
Bill Whitehead	2450
Berle Wilson	2450
Jan Griffin	2300
Al Smith	2300
Jim Spivey	2250
Lauretta Marsh	1950
Paul Gandy	1900
Dick Dickerson	1850
Wray Bragg	1800
Edward Cobb	1800
Kendall Parker	1800
Porter Seay	1800
Milford Brinton	1700
Leo Fallstrom	1700
Jim Morrissey	1600
Shirley Patteson	1450
Ed Inabinet	1400
Don Campbell	1350
Joy Cobb	1250
Bill Bernard	1200
John Wilson	1200
Don Wiseman	1200
	1100
Sam Carmine	
Jerry Cavedo	1100
Kent Johnson	1050
Bob Graham	950
Dru Inabinet	950
Roger Dutton	850
John Reed	850
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Anne Seay	800
Karen Spivey	800
Bob Buchanan	750
Sam Perry	700
Joyce Sarvay	700
Marie McCabe	650
Doris Belcher	550
Madison McClintic	550
Edward Bass	500
	500
Caroline Crenshaw	500
Rosalind Wilson	500
Dick Hatch	450
Janet Smith	450
Don Weeks	450
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## BULLETIN:

The PORSCHE has been awarded the unqualified endorsement of the editors of CHECKPOINTS!

MOOERS MOTOR·CAR·CO

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# 500

It was quite a day for the rear engine fans. The victory was almost theirs, but it was undeniable that #98, the Agajanian Special, was the fastest car on the course and deserved to win.

Rising early (4 a.m.), Bill Harding, Mac McClintic, John Wylie, and I took off before daylight and flew through clouds and heavy haze into Cincinnati where the famous "500" cloudless, western blue sky bid us welcome to Indiana. Arriving over the track at 11 a.m., we were able to get to our seats--not without running though--as Tony Hulman gave the command; "Gentlemen, start your engines".

From the drop of the flag, Parnelli Jones in #98 took the lead followed by Jim Hartubise in the #56 Novi. Art Malone in the #57 Novi could not get into lap gear and was in the pits on both the first and second laps. When he did get the car into gear, the car really went. Boy, they sounded good! One sounded like a screaming Ferrari and the other like a huge Corvette. Both were flagged in during the first half of the race due to a minor oil leak and clutch trouble.

The real race was for second through sixth. About ten cars ran as a pack maneuvering for better positions. Roger McClusky always in the top four spots was a real charge. He spun on the next to the last lap probably in oil spilled by Parnelli Jones.

The Lotus Fords started in the fourth row and ran in sixth and seventh spots until the first tire changes for the other cars came due. As they pitted, the Chapman cars moved up since they had to make only one tire change; for many laps they ran first and second. During most of the race, it was Jones, Clark, Gurney. On lap 192, Gurney had to have the right front tire changed. The bolts were not properly tightened, and he had to pit on the next lap to correct this and as a result, fell back to seventh.

Through the entire race Clark and Gurney passed at will and visibly un-nerved the Indianapolis gang.

The two Harvey Aluminum Specials were comparatively slow and only the 1962 car finished (9th). The new car which reminded me of a large red crab was in the pits for about an hour with brake trouble on the right front wheel. Later the car blew the engine in front of the north pit and metal went everywhere.

During the race, helicopters flew over head with television cameras and movie cameras. The cars were so loud that the helicopters seemed noiseless. I don't know how anyone could tolerate sitting near the track.

All cars running at the end of the race were allowed to run and complete 500 miles to win prizes offered by manufacturers to the top ten finishers.



Eddie Sachs moved from way back to the top ten but lost it in the pole dash. He recovered and continued only to lose a wheel a few laps later. Eddie, always the clown rolled the broken wheel around the track to the pits waving to the crowd much to their delight.

VMSC'er Len Wells, who is in the army and stationed in Indianapolis filled me in on the background during the race.

Home by midnight and the end of a very enjoyable day.

WRAY BRAGG

Editors' Note:

Equally as interesting as the race is the story of how these four fearless fans got there and back. That chapter will be recounted by fearless McClintic at the meeting.

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A "rum swizzzle" party will greet the "Package Trip" travelers on their arrival in Nassau at the Dolphin Hotel. This "get acquainted" gathering will be given by the pool----in December---- and everyone has to leave this first night open. (Did we say "has to"?)

This should be enough encouragement to get you to send in your 15-dollar registration fee by July 15. In fact, it should be enough "push" to get you to send it in by tomorrow.

Incidentally, 41 of the 50 rooms reserved are gone! Better hurry. The following additional people, since the last issue, did:

Marion Nunnally Leonard Klein Barry Springel George A. Renn, Jr. George A. Renn, III John J. Grubar Larry Hall Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Taylor Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Huffman Mr. and Mrs. Jack Castlow Dr. and Mrs. Richard L. Wolfe Peter Schubert Mrs. Betty Grosch Mrs. Bernice Simpson Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Moore Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hudgins, Jr. William E. Brewster Banks H. Mebane Gene C. DiCola Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Reinhardt Mr. and Mrs. John M. Kessler Marlene Houser Paula Hollinger Mr. and Mrs. David Wagner, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bryant Mr. and Mrs. William H. Meserole Robert Kwass Edward Pindie Granville Tilghman John R. Anderson Ralph R. Rath Mary Jane Keating Virginia Ewing Catherine Carson

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Ronald Rhodes, tour director, says that from all appearances, the trip will be an unqualified success!

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If you ask Wray Bragg to put on a gymkhana, don't say the word "BIG" unless you want to get lost in the maze of pylons, lumber, bouncing balls, pocket books, gates and bells.

The Williamsburg Road Miracle Mart parking lot, approximately the size of the new Dulles airport, was just large enough to hold Wray's intricate course but not large enough to escape the eyes of the spectators in case the driver got

Anyway, Wray, ably assisted by Jim Worcester, really put on a "big shew" and even though the participants loved it, most felt as if they were hearing bells (three is succession) at the end!

Results follow:

#### **OVER 1600**

- 1 Atkinson - Burrow
- Dickerson Kwass
- 3 Kwass - Spivey
- Burrow Atkinson 4
- 5 Watkins - Cross
- Kessler Parker 6
- 7 Perry - Dickerson
- 8 Thompson - Cooke
- Morrissey Marsh 9
- Wright Wright 10
- Griffin Pierce 11
- Parker Kessler 12
- 13 Belcher - Clapper
- 14 Patteson - Patteson
- 15 Wright Wright

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Toth - Schadt

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