

Checkpoints

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RALLY MEGEORGE

Thursday, August 15, after meeting at the Branch House

Fun type

special equipment

WRNL Coverage See you!

HANDICAP RALLY

OR

GET AL SMITH LOST RALLY

(handicaps will be based on past performance, experience and equipment)

SHOPPING CENTER, 2300 BLOCK STAPLES

MILLS RD., US RT. 33, .7 MILES NORTH

OF BROAD STREET

TIME:

10 a.m., AUGUST 25 VIRGINIA BOAT CLUB

ENDS:

BRING:

LUNCH, SWIMMING SUIT, \$1, RALLY GEAR

"PRE-FIELD TRIAL HEARING"

Sunday, September 1

1 p.m.

at the "old bowl"

(Route 10, just before Chesterfield Court House -watch for pylon!)

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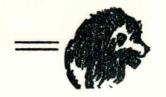
- WRNL will be on hand to cover Ed Cobb's rally after the meeting, Thursday night. Winners of the rally will be announced on "Nite Beat" at 10:15. If you've been waiting to be discovered, better show up for this one. It could be your big chance.
- Speaking of being discovered, you're too late for casting in the television film "Stonewall Jackson's Way" because it's already been telecast. VMSC'er Don Wiseman was a writer, an editor, and overall director for the presentation. As a result, he is scheduled for a trip to Miami to attend the United Film Producers conference where he will show the film. Wiseman is associated with the Virginia Department of Education.
- FLASH! The book Sports Car Rallies, Trials and Gymkhanas can be ordered from Sears for \$2.67. The price everywhere else is six dollars. Ask for book 3G1337.
- The SCCA, Washington, D.C. region, is issuing invitations to VMSC members to attend its monthly business meeting September 20. It has been set for the John Marshall Hotel and will consist of cocktails, dinner, business meeting, and perhaps later, dancing. The cost is \$3.50 per person. Sounds interesting. More about this later.
- BET YOU'VE FORGOTTEN ABOUT THE PHOTO CONTEST! STOP SENDING YOUR PICTURES TO THE NEWS LEADER ONE. SEND THEM TO DON WISEMAN OR TO THE EDITORS OF CHECKPOINTS!

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RALLY LEO

A small band of point-hungry rallvists (everyone else had gone to Marlboro) gathered at Thompson St. A&P on July 28. After threats of rain, confusing time signals, frantic long-distance calls, and a brief look at some cryptic photographs, Rallye Leo got underway.

The first leg, which later proved unnecessary, wandered, via ESSO map, through numerous west end streets and eventually led to the mileage check leg. After finishing the mileage check at Laurel, we proceeded for several miles to the start of the timed portion of the rally.

From that point on there was considerable lively discussion between drivers and navigators as the rally wended its way through Hanover to Ashland, across to Mechanicsville and Highland Springs, and back to Richmond through Gillev's Creek. Commonly heard remarks were: "Are you sure this is the second road to the right?", "How far is 42.68 minutes?", "Here's the house in the picture but there's no place to turn left", "This is the first right after the farm but the route doesn't change and that house over there looks like the one in the picture", "How do I know when it's 5.63 minutes from instruction 31 when I don't know what time it was at instruction 31?"

Edith quit speaking to Cecil and the first car through Porter Seay's checkpoint was 17 minutes late. The only car that saw John Kessler's checkpoint was going in the wrong direction. A traffic jam at Mechanicsville added a little spice, especially when everybody was already late. No one saw a checkpoint at the finish and everybody assumed that it had closed. (It was well hidden.) In other words, the beer at the Robin Inn was most welcome.

From a winner's point of view, it as a straight-forward, challenging rally. (We've heard that there are other opinions.) Let's have more like this one.

"LEO" RESULTS

- 1 Thornton Whitehead
- 2 Cobb Cobb
- 3 Kwass Spivey
- 4 Ruble Smith
- 5 Fallstrom Brinton
- 6 Cavedo Timberlake
- 7 Wright Wright
- 8 Wilson Doyle



John Thornton Bill Whitehead

I put the belt across my lap
and buckled it down tight;
I don't believe I'll need the thing
but then again I might.
The odds of needing it this trip
I know are very slight,
But then I think about the guy
who hit the bridge last night!
My car has now been safety checked
and found impairment free;
No other hazard does exist
unless it could be me.

-AUTHOR UNKNOWN

PORSCHE PANORAMA

STANDING ON OUR OWN THREE FEET

READ THESE AND GET SICK:

"I bought a new sports car", Tom said triumphantly.

"How many gears does your car have?" she asked shiftily.

"Blow your horn", she bellowed.

"That car needs to be tried out somemore", he said testily.

"This car has only three cylinders", she sobbed.

"My windshield is broken", he said breezily.

"What a beautiful Mercedes", she said starrily.

"That VW will never boil over", she said airily.

Speaking of VW's --- Why don't elephants ride in VW's facing backwards? Because they get car sick! Bet you thought we were going to say because the trunk is up front!

(If you think these are bad, why don't you write a few yourself and send them to us. We print anything --- obviously.)

COMING EVENTS

AUGUST

- Regular Meeting and Rally (VMSC)
- Marlboro 12-Hour 18 (TSCC) Rally
- (VMSC) Rally 25

SEPT.

- Field Trial 1
 - (VMSC) (TSCC) Rally
- 8 Regular Meeting 19
- (VMSC)
- Field Trial 29 (VMSC- SEVSCO)

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