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Coming Events



JANUARY 28 - RALLY FEBRUARY 18 - RALLY

ALL DUES SHOULD BE TURNED IN TO MR. WELLS, THE NEW VMSC TREASURER. THE NEW DEADLINE IS NOW FEBRUARY 1, 1967 AND SHOULD BE PAID AS PROMPTLY AS IS POSSIBLE TO DO SO.



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New Year's is a time for resolutions, many of which will be smashed, broken or streeeetched thin before the year runs its course. This we all know.

Your new editor will try to make a few resolutions which, if he is lucky, may not be smashed by the middle of February or so.

To begin, the method by which we communicate the written word within the club is open to all persons in the club. Members are urged to contribute anything which they feel will be of general club interest, any technical articles on rallying, the use of the Curta and/or any other exotic instrument or technique known to the rally driver/navigator.

With any new regime there will be some changes, due to the difference in personality if nothing else, but little is envisioned at the present for changing the style of Checkpoints.

A standard procedure, that of the winning contestant giving a critique of the event, will remain. These articles are going to be needed (if not the editor has to work harder) so the paper will have something other than a point standings list, advertisements and the garble of the pen from the editor.

Although there is, as far as written rule, no set procedure stating that this must be done, the editor understands that this courtesy is afforded to the winner. This gives the club a chance to thank officially the members, who through the output of their ingenuity, time and physical effort, staged an event for the participation and entertainment of all concerned. This "thank-you note" is the least one can do to show appreciation for the hours spent turning an afternoon of hard work into one of pleasure for you, win or lose.

In addition, this column will from time to time function as an editorial. It may praise or chastise, but it will, for the most part, be congenial.

NEW MEMBERS

ELIZABETH ANN HILLMAN

GREG HOWE

RICHARD HARD, JR.

Another year has passed into history. A year for which all VMSC members can feel pride, as competition was keen and sportsmanship abounded.

A munber of events deserve special mention because they indicate that VMSC members were vitally interested in safety and individual responsibility while enjoying motor sports. The procurement of liability insurance early in the year to cover contestants, VMSC members, and property owners had been proposed in times past, but became feasible this year through Lloyds of London. The issuing agency, located in St. Louis, Mo., insures more than fifteen-hundred clubs and SCCA racing events. The purchase of helmets (to be worn by all contestants during autocrosses and recommended for use in gymkhanas), demonstrated a highly responsible attitude toward individual safety.

These two acts made it easier to acquire autocross and gymkhana sites during 1966. Without them, we would have been hard-put to find locations. It remains, however, for each member, and the club as a whole, to continue to demonstrate responsibility by adequate safety inspections, reasonable speeds, crowd control and well organized events.

This year has been a year of competition, with 21 events. The OD's deserve a large "thank you" for putting forth the tremendous amount of effort necessary in providing the members with this variety. The number of contestants in each event has gratified the OD's and demonstrates your excellent support of club activities.

Having excellent competition during the year has left many things undone. I hope that next year we can have more social and public activities than we had in 1966. Much of the pleasure of motor sports derives from being able to "chew the fat" with fellow enthusiasts. A few people have expressed the desire to have more emphasis on technical mechanics, speed events, and a non-equipped rally class. VMSC has always attempted to provide a well-rounded attitude in promoting interest in motor sports by members airing their feelings at meetings and to the officers. In doing so they provide the kind of events everyone desires. I personally would like to see more mechanical information distributed and a non-equipped rally class. I do believe, because of the inability of the various police departments to actively support parking lot events and a generally antagonistic public attitude, that speed events per se should be limited on parking lots and be held only at Ellerson or some similar place.

Among the excellent events of the year several stand-out as returnees from events enjoyed in the past. The Azeala Eight Hour Rallye returned after a year of absence and provided a test of rallying skill for experienced and inexperienced alike. The Concoures de Elegance returned after many years of absence and saw the life members active again. The Ladies Rally proved interesting by providing a version of a map rally which many members had never run, and the Fire-Cracker Gymkhana showed what "gymkhana" really means.

Club members represented VMSC in outside events throughout the year. Many participated in the Tidewater events and a field of nine VMSC cars participated in the two-day Old Dominion Rally, winning first, third and sixth places. Competing for the Southeast Virginia Sports Car Organization (SEVSCO) Championship, VMSC placed third out of seven clubs being beaten by Andiamo Motor Sport Club and Tidewater Sports Car Club, a significant improvement over last year.

In cooperation with Seaboard Railway, VMSC again sponsored a successful Nassau Speed Week holiday, owing to the effort of Cecil Wright and the Support of many club members.

The persons and companies who have generously supported VMSC and its activities during the year are numerous. McGeorge Motor Company again graciously supplied cars for the July 4th celebration held at Hotchkiss Field. All dealers, with the exception of one in the far west end, supported the club by advertising or discounts to club members. This support offered VMSC members a unique benefit and demonstrated the dealers enthusiam for organized motor sports.

I suppose it wouldn't be natural if I left the office of president without some nostalgia and feeling of sympathy for the new president. I'm sure that Hart Grundy will have, as I now have, a better appreciation of motor sports organizations. Also, if you, as members and officers, give Hart the support which you have given me, VMSC will continue to be a source of enjoyment, continuing to represent responsible motor sports enthusiasts in the Richmond area.

Bill Dixon President, 1966

SEVSCO Championship Event Results

Car	No. Driver/Navigator	Club	Total Pts.	O/A Pos.
12	Ross/Addison	TSCC	93.64	1
1	Guthrie/Guthrie	AMSC	91.48	2
11	Keyser/Shawlin	TSC	78.06	3
17	Foss/Foss	PSCC	78.04	4
22	Pierce/Taylor	AMSC	73.84	5
8	Scott/Carter	AMSC	73.06	6
21	Greenwood/Greenwood	VMSC	70.21	7
19	Sronce/Edelblute	TSCC	68.06	8
14	Winfree/Grundy	VMSC	66.72	9
24	Sykes/Sykes	PSCC	63.16	10
28	Whitehead/Dixon	VMSC	60.38	11
23	Peterson/Peterson	PMC	60.30	12
13	Stinson/ Stinson	SCCA	56.08	13
10	Collins/Peters	PSCC	52.73	14
6	Wisdon/Wisdon	SCCA	49.80	15
26	Smith/Manowski	TSCC	49.10	16
27	Fentress/Lampert	SCCA	49.04	17
9	Bowman/Webster	PMC	32.72	18
18	Campbell/Sawyer	TCC	32.70	19
25	Hall/Brokaw	TCC	24.92	20

Awards will be made at the next SEVSCO MEETING

MARQUE TROPHY AWARDS

WILTSHIRE GREENWOOD BILL WHITEHEAD GEORGE WINFREE DON STUART LAURETTA DIXON JOHN CHEHASKE

FINAL TOP 20 STANDINGS

- 1- WILTSHIRE GREENWOOD, 13,950
- 2- ANN GREENWOOD, 12,750
- 3- BILL WHITEHEAD, 12,650 4- BILL DIXON, 12,250 5- HART GRUNDY, 11,450

- 6- GEORGE WINFREE, 10,750
 7- LAURETTA DIXON, 9,950
 8- CHARLES EDWARDS, 9,950 (Tie with 7th. broken on competition points)
 9- JOHN BERGERON, 9,750
- 10- JACKIE WHITEHEAD, 9,750 (Tie)
- 11- CARYL HATCH, 9,550
- 12- KATHLEEN EDWARDS, 9,250
- 13- AL SMITH, 8,700
- 14- DICK HATCH, 8,350 15- PORTER SEAY, 8,300
- 16- JOHN CHEHASKE, 8,250 17- DORIS BELCHER, 8,050

- 18- BILL THOMAS, 7,100 19- GENE ATKINSON, 7,050 20- SANDRA PEABODY, 6,950

THE REMAINING LIST OF THE FINAL POINT STANDINGS WILL BE PUBLIBHED IN THE FEBRUARY ISSUE OF CHECKPOINTS.

NEW OFFICERS FOR 1967

HART GRUNDY, PRESIDENT WILTSHIRE GREENWOOD, 1st VICE-PRESIDENT GEORGE WINFREE, 2nd VICE-PRESIDENT LIN WELLS, TREÁSURER DORIS BELCHER, SECRETARY CARYL HATCH, ASSISTANT SECRETARY

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