

RALLYE - by Greenwood

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12:30 pm at the A & P lot at the intersection of Mechanicsville Pike and Laburnum Avenue.

Straightforward - T. S. D.

Cost - Members: \$3.00;
Non-members: 4.00.

NOTE DATE: Sunday, Jan. 28, 1968.



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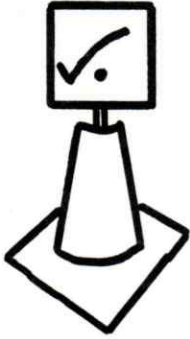
Happenings

- Jan. 13 - - - Awards Banquet
- 18 - - - V.M.S.C. Meeting
- 28 - - - V.M.S.C. Rallye
- Feb. 15 - - - V.M.S.C. Meeting *
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*More info on Feb. Events to follow in next issue.



****MEETING NOTICE****
 Jan. 18, 1968
 Branch House
 Eight O'clock P.M.



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How do you wear your hat?

When you are a little boy in a large cadet corps too many things seem too large. One thing which was too large was the hat. It was not that it didn't fit, the blamed thing was heavy. After a while, however, it wasn't so heavy. It became a part of the head and one felt naked without it.

So, too, many things throughout life seem heavy and unbearable but soon become welcomed and even expected. This is the year of the regulation - auto regulations, that is. We have lost many of our old friends to regulations and they will be missed even though they were missed when they were allowed. The fact that some of these cars are not around anymore is not so hard to bear, it is merely the fact that they are not allowed. That is what is so unbearable.

Well, here we are back to that word again, "unbearable". After a while, however, it wasn't so heavy. It became a part of the head and one felt naked without it.

HAPPY NEW YEAR! To get things off to a roaring start don't forget the AWARDS BANQUET. * January 13, 1968, 6:30 pm. The banquet will be at the Holiday Inn West, 3200 W. Broad St., Richmond. Get a reservation blank out of last month's Checkpoints and send it in. If you can't find an issue call us at 355-0932 and let us know you are coming. Big doin's - don't miss it.



Dear VMSC members:

Rounding out a year which saw members participate in thirteen club rallies, six club gymkhanas, the Riverside Braille Rally sponsored with the Virginia Commission for the Visually Handicapped, and various events sponsored by our friends in Petersburg and the Tidewater areas, was the winning of the Southeastern Virginia Sports Car Organization (SEVSCO) Championship Event by VMSC. Truly members can be proud of the fine showing made individually and as a club in 1967.

The O.D.'s of the club events are deserving of the highest praise for their many hours spent in obtaining sites for and laying out the events. Special thanks to Doris Belcher for single-handedly promoting and laying out the Braille rally. Also to Don Cully for the gymkhana and Cecil Wright for the rally portions of the SEVSCO event. All of their work went into special events outside of the club calendar.

Several club events and functions linger in mind. Who can forget the Viva Monaco gymkhana held in conjunction with the April in Monaco promotion of the Willow Lawn Merchants Association. Good publicity, an excellent turnout, and a tight demanding course spelled success; the Ellerson Spring (for source of water to drown workers and scare drivers) Autocross; the Grassy Triangle Affair Rally which ended up with all entries lost even though the instructions were perfect; or the Polo Gymkhana where the stickwork and legwork proved more vital than car speed. Just as enjoyable to many were the social events. Such as: that loud, loud Nassau party in March; the Picnic Rally complete with swimming pool; our group trip to see "Grand Prix" where we got car sick sitting still; the group parties after the Hare and Hound and Halloween Rallies; the Freeport, Grand Bahama Grand Prix of Formula Vee trip sponsored with Seaboard Railway; and coming this month what promises to be great fun for all, the Annual Awards Banquet.

For the year VMSC members had outstanding success in events in competition with other clubs. Rally wins in Petersburg and Newport News coupled with improved placings and class wins in speed events stand out.

During the year changes were initiated in competition attitudes aimed at increasing member participation and cementing friendships and relations. Also the club purchased a short wave receiver for use in rallies to correct for inaccuracies between watches used at different checkpoints.

An often forgotten friend and ally of the sports car club, the sports car dealers of the area, came in for special attention this year. A very capable and energetic committee of the club made overtures and they responded by working with us in every way requested to promote the sport.

"A Summation" continues:

We look forward to seeing representatives of the various dealers at the Annual Awards Banquet. We thank them for their Checkpoint ads, the marque trophies, various donations, and the use of cars for the July 4th Hotchkiss Field Parade. We renew our thanks to them for continued cooperation in promoting the safe use and complete appreciation of the sports car.

After prolonged discussion of the continually increasing operating expenses of the club, an amendment to the by-laws was submitted to the membership and approved. The amendment increases the initiation fee and dues thus insuring continued solvency.

The birth and apparent death of a contributing technical editor for Checkpoints in Eugene Atkinson and his "Crankshaft Journal" gladden and sadden (or vice-versa) our lives during the year. A very definite blow to those who love to autocross was the closing of the Ellerson track. However, the club has obtained an agreement with Petersburg Motor Sport Club for the occasional use of Puddledock. To PMSC, our heartfelt thanks.

Hopes for the future would include increased participation by members in events both competition and social - perhaps accomplished through better publicity, direct contact, and the advent of club points for the unequipped rally class.

All in all, the year proved interesting and highly educational to me. Without the aid and guidance of the board things would have been different, and they surely would not have been as much fun. The support of the entire club for Wiltshire Greenwood and his Board of Directors can aid him in leading VMSC through a fine year. VMSC will host the SEVSCO two day Old Dominion Rally in October and Wiltshire will be calling on many for help on this state event.

Let us all back Wiltshire and his board one hundred percent and make 1968 a banner year for VMSC and motor sports in the Richmond area.

Hart Grundy
President, 1967

As a service to its members, VMSC offers free advertising in Checkpoints. See page 2 for address to submit ads.

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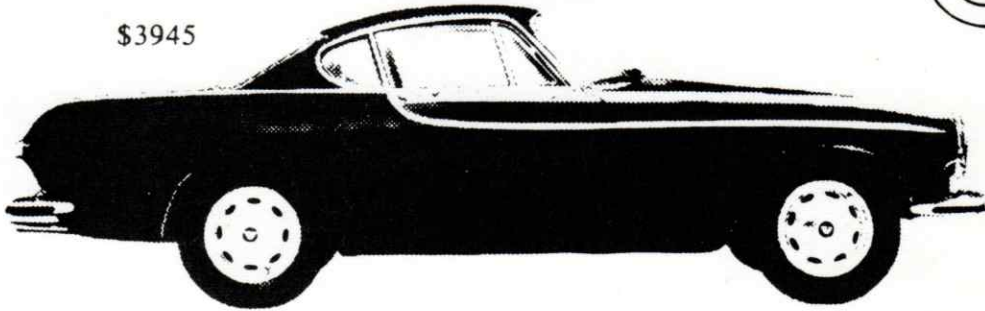
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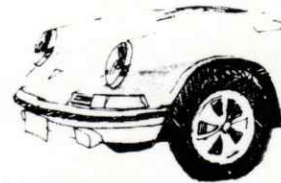
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