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MEET THE **VEEP** no 1

In years past the post of First Vice President has been largely ceremonial. He appeared and disappeared as a counterpoint to the President, then faded into the distance at the end of the year.

This year, though, Mike has changed the situation rather considerably by decreeing (what else would a royal highness do?) that the First Vice President shall be the President's spokesman.

R. David McCall was born in Bluefield, West by God Virginia, because they warn't no hospitals on t'other side of the crick. After a short stay there he came (with his parents, I suppose) to Richmond and then some time later moved to Roanoke where he attended high school. It was in high school that he got the sports car bug - a friend had, would you believe, a Saab station wagon. He had the itch, but no scratch for a few years, while he attended William & Mary, courted and married Kathi Kaufer.

By his own count, Dave has worked at half the imported car dealers in Richmond and is currently Parts Manager for Bradley Sports Car Center.

Dave's first car was that Saab station wagon, followed by a '61 Dodge Lancer, a '61 Mini Cooper 998 (which Bookie Westbrook may remember), three other Saabs and a Sprite. He still has one of the Saabs and the Sprite.

He aspires to a career as a writer while neatly retired on 120 acres in Bedford County - probably has his eyes pealed for Beale's Treasure near Buford's Tavern.

In the meantime, Dave is perfecting his rally technique, camping, motorcycling, reading ancient Near East history and teaching Kathi to play bridge.

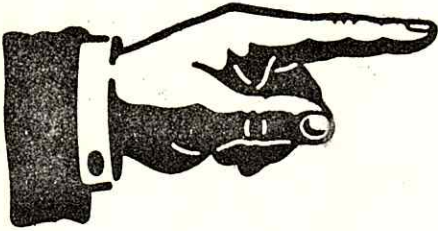
FORTHCOMING EVENTS

February 25 - PURPLE AND YELLOW FLOWERS rally, O.D.'ed by Chris Young and Tom Blot. Checked by Bookie & Kitty Westbrook. For all the information, see the flyer enclosed in this issue. Ends at Tivoli Clubhouse, Beer & soda available.

March 25 - BLIND PERSONS' BLUFF Ladies rally, O.D.'ed by Kathi McCall and Carolyn Martin, checked by Beth Beverage and Kitty Westbrook. Starts at Jarrell's Truck Stop (Doswell), ends at Shakeys on Broad St. Registration 10:00 AM, First car off at 11:01 AM. VMSC entrants limited to males only. No restrictions on non-VMSC entrants.

March 31 - AUTOCROSS I presently planned for Jarrells.

April 15 - Rally school conducted by McCall, followed by Novice Rally by the Wells'.



...AND NOW, A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Who ever thought that a guy who got D's all through high school English and then flunked second year English in college would be asked to write a monthly column in Checkpoints? Certainly not me, but Chuck seems to want to add a touch of perversion

(Mike spelled it preversion and I'm not sure what he means, but carry on, Mike) to Checkpoints, so I'll try.

This year, we are trying several different ideas, most of which I will try to write about in this column.

One of the big changes this year is the makeup of the Board. It is composed of the elected officers, six appointed members and the most recent past president. This gives us the opportunity to get more people involved in the workings of the Club without having to have a Board made up of forty people.

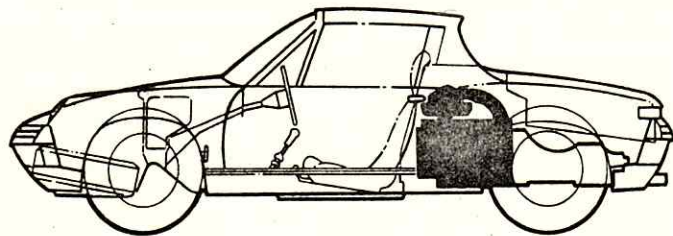
The idea of getting more people involved has caused Bookie (Outdoor Activities Chairman) Westbrook to revamp the Richmond rally scene. A rally program starting with novice-type events at the first of the year, and progressing to championship-type events at the end of the year is in the works. These will be interspersed with a couple of rally schools and will, hopefully, encourage more members to either try rallying, or at least stick around for a couple of rallies to see the fun involved.

Bookie also hopes to do the same for autocrossing. Seven events are planned as are at least two schools. This will give you a chance to try autocrossing under non-competitive pressures, so you won't look like 'Don Dragstrip' as I did at my first autocross.

All in all, Bookie is working hard to be sure we have some good events and good competition, so give him a chance, and come to a few events.

Try to make it to the meeting on February 15, if for no other reason, come to SEE A FREAK MAKE A FOOL OUT OF HIMSELF.

Mike Castleberry



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OVERALL

1.	F. DeBardleben	1100	26.	A. Williams	350	48.	W. Clark	50
	M. DeBardleben	1100	27.	L. Parsley	300		B. Enos	50
	B. Greenwood	1100	28.	T. Blot	200		A. Jones	50
	W. Greenwood	1100		W. Britton	200		C. Martin	50
5.	B. Peaseley	1000	30.	B. Green	150		S. Martin	50
	B. Whitehead	1000		T. Green	150		S. Morrisett	50
7.	W. Edwards	900		J. Koontz	150		J. Muller	50
	Charlotte Hoelzel	900		N. Koontz	150		Dana Preston	50
	C. Hoelzel	900		S. Phillips	150		D. Preston	50
10.	D. Glenn	850	35.	E. Buck	100		S. Powell	50
11.	M. Castleberry	800		J. Buck	100		Janet Rowe	50
12.	B. Beverage	750		J. Chehaske	100		J. Rowe	50
13.	B. James	700		K. Chehaske	100		A. Weinstein	50
	H. James	700		J. Daniel	100		A. Thompson	50
	B. Westbrook	700		R. Daniel	100		N. Thompson	50
	K. Westbrook	700		J. Hamilton	100		J. Whitehead	50
17.	N. Dickinson	600		R. Hamilton	100		J. East	50
	M. Moessinger	600		R. Jones	100		F. East	50
19.	D. McCall	500		B. Phillips	100		K. Wheeler	50
	K. McCall	500		C. Young	100		H. Wheeler	50
21.	B. Johnson	450		L. Young	100		R. Hollinger	50
	N. VanAuken	450		B. Uram	100		P. Hollinger	50
	T. VanAuken	450	48.	C. Blot	50		B. Dixon	50
	L. Wilson	450		R. Carlisle	50		L. Dixon	50
	P. Wilson	450		J. Chandler	50			

EQUIPPED RALLY

1.	F. DeBardleben	1000	17.	B. Johnson	400	32.	R. Carlisle	50
	M. DeBardleben	1000		D. McCall	400		J. Chandler	50
	B. Greenwood	1000		K. McCall	400		W. Clark	50
	W. Greenwood	1000		N. VanAuken	400		B. Enos	50
5.	B. Peaseley	900		T. VanAuken	400		A. Jones	50
	W. Whitehead	900	22.	E. Buck	100		C. Martin	50
7.	W. Edwards	800		J. Buck	100		S. Martin	50
	D. Glenn	800		J. Chehaske	100		S. Morrisett	50
	C. Hoelzel	800		K. Chehaske	100		J. Muller	50
	Chuck Hoelzel	800		J. Hamilton	100		Dana Preston	50
11.	B. Beverage	700		R. Hamilton	100		D. Preston	50
	M. Castleberry	700		R. Jones	100		S. Powell	50
13.	B. James	600		C. Young	100		Janet Rowe	50
	H. James	600		L. Young	100		J. Rowe	50
	B. Westbrook	600		B. Uram	100		A. Weinstein	50
	K. Westbrook	600	32.	C. Blot	50			

UNEQUIPPED RALLY

1.	F. DeBardleben	1000	13.	B. Phillips	500	24.	J. Buck	100
	M. DeBardleben	1000		S. Phillips	500		J. Chehaske	100
	N. Dickinson	1000	15.	B. Green	400		K. Chehaske	100
	M. Moessinger	1000		T. Green	400		J. Hamilton	100
5.	L. Wilson	900		B. Johnson	400		R. Hamilton	100
	P. Wilson	900		D. McCall	400		R. Jones	100
7.	A. Williams	800		K. McCall	400		C. Young	100
8.	W. Britton	700		N. VanAuken	400		L. Young	100
	L. Parsley	700		T. VanAuken	400		B. Uram	100
10.	T. Blot	600	22.	J. Koontz	300	34.	C. Blot	50
	B. Westbrook	600		N. Koontz	300		J. Daniel	50
	K. Westbrook	600	24.	E. Buck	100		R. Daniel	50

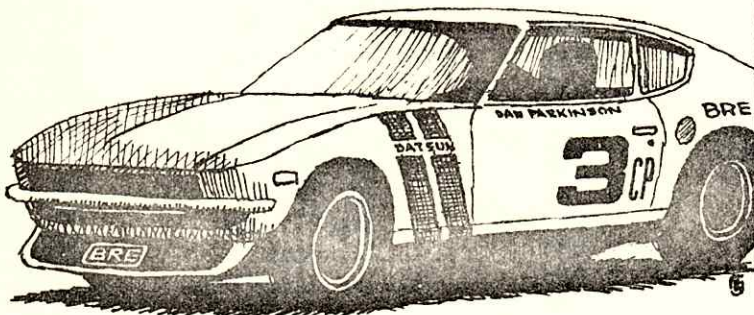
MUTTERINGS

I knew I had left something out of last month's article as soon as I gave it to Chuck. The forgotten passage consisted of the words "to be continued." What this means is that I am not through telling you what fantastic things are in store for you this year. So having disposed last month of the Outdoor Activities Committee and the quote, Telephone, quote, Committee, let us continue by examining the Historian's group (rather than take up space by naming all the members of the various committees, I refer you to the January Checkpoints). Lewis and his team of intrepid photographers will have at least one member, complete with camera, at all club functions so as to preserve a record of them for posterity. The scrapbook has some very nice new covers and Lewis says that he intends to repage the thing also. He's going to have to if he gets all the pictures he is promising!

The Trophy Committee will not be doing anything terribly different this year than before, with one exception. Last year's trophy chairman instigated the making of a new template for the engraving of the club logo (it's here and looks great, ed.). With the new and better template, we will no longer be confined to doing business solely with C.P. Dean, as the template will fit almost any engraving machine. This will enable us to shop around and get the best deal available for our engraving. This saves money (now you know why the treasurer is also the trophy chairman).

Some of the main interests of the Membership and Public Relations Committee are closely related. Publicizing the Club's events helps encourage new memberships. Because of this, these two committees have been merged for 1973. The new committee's larger size will enable it to carry out an expanded publicity program and will make possible more personalized services to new members. Flyers will be sent out as usual

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for each event, but Bruce warns that he wants complete info on each event at least 30 days in advance. More newspaper coverage is sought, and our budding relations with WWBT-TV will hopefully be expanded. For membership, Bruce and his committee plan something different. Rather than waiting until the Board meeting to receive applications for membership, the committee wants to get them ahead of time, visit the prospective members, get acquainted and find out their interests. Then, after the candidates are accepted, the new members will be called and told that they have been admitted, and will be invited to a club meeting to pick up their packets and meet the members.

The Social and Indoor Activities Committee this year hopes to offer more than just the banquet and movies after the meetings. Planned after-the-meeting activities include short courses on rallying and autocrossing, movies and talks. Starting off the year will be a school/discussion after the February meeting on checkpoint working. On the social side, Bob and his committee want to have more planned activities. There is usually a get-together somewhere after each event, but few people

CRANK SHANK'S

corner

know about them, so the solution is to plan ahead. Possibly included in the Club notice of each event will be "After the autocross, there will be a cookout at _____ house, y'all come." In the planning stages is another dressy event like the one at the Chalet, but perhaps not quite so expensive, so more people could come.

Last, and probably least is the Competition Committee which will, we trust, continue its sterling record as arbiter of the protests and club regulations.

This concludes our brief (don't you wish) discussion of the planned functions of this year's committees. Tune in next month for who knows what.

N.B. For those of you who are so crass as to check off the committees as listed in Checkpoints, I did not discuss the planned duties of the Checkpoints Editors and Business Manager, as I feel they are quite capable of telling you themselves (which they have).

Hilift Camdwell has sent along a couple of trickies for you calculating nuts to work on this month. You are on a rally and your average speed is 40. The next instructions are:

10.00 11. Another car is approaching from 15 miles at 70. Turn right when you meet.

17.38 12. Another car is approaching from 2 miles back at 56. Turn right when it passes you.

At what official mileages do you execute instructions 11 and 12? Answers are somewhere else in this issue.

Jackson Slipshod notes that it's a lucky thing that there were multiple road signs at one intersection on the Snow Plow - The Daniel's tried to take one with them.

Who was that spiffy young man in the white jacket at the awards banquet?

Martha Moessinger is moving. Giving Neal or the landlord the slip?

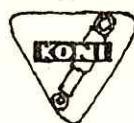
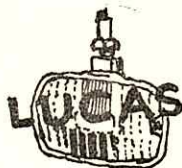
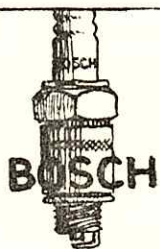
Perseverance pays. Peter & Libby Wilson refused to blow their cool and see what happened!

Then Baxter & Sharon, Tim & Betty found the rest stop but not much else.

Oh, well, some folks sleep through entire rallies.

When you're off-course, Bruce, how do you know how much time to buy?

Add to the rolled Saab one mashed Datsun, courtesy of the latest Winter Ceries.



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					1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
1	1E	M.Leeper *	K.Leeper *	2	2	2	29	9	38	2	85	18	11	4	200	BWM 2000ti1
2	2E	W.Greenwood	B.Greenwood	11	0	1	6	1	550	1	82	9	2	0	652	Porsche 914-6
3	3E	E.Mason *	P.Eckstein *	10	32	3	14	2	51	5	154	271	2	159	693	Porsche 356C
4	4E	W.Whitehead	B.Peaseley	12	50	62	28	2	26	13	96	400	27	2	726	Porsche 911-S
5	5E	C.Hoelzel	C.Hoelzel	5	181	44	38	3	400	28	80	49	55	26	994	Porsche 912
6	6E	M.Castleberry	B.Beverage	7	400	143	7	3	43	438	108	6	58	18	1224	Datsun 510
7	7E	B.James	H.James	1	337	69	148	2	750	25	68	25	65	7	1510	Porsche 914-4
8	1U	N.Dickinson	M.Moessinger	15	400	102	50	8	111	23	189	800	800	800	3333	Volkswagen
9	2U/N	L.Wilson	P.Wilson	9	343	800	400	400	600	128	400	272	73	63	3479	MGB
10	3U	P.Martin *	A.Williams	6	195	800	400	400	81	550	800	400	315	116	4257	Porsche 914-4
11	4U	W.Britton	L.Parsley	8	7	800	600	500	400	4	500	800	800	800	5211	Volkswagen
12	5U	T.Blot	T.Tennyson *	13	114	800	800	800	800	400	359	800	800	184	5857	Datsun 240-Z
13	6U	S.Phillips	B.Phillips	18	139	800	800	800	800	400	289	400	800	800	6028	Datsun 510-W
14	7U	B.Green	T.Green	14	104	800	400	800	800	400	800	800	800	800	6504	MGB
15	8U	N.Koontz	J.Koontz	17	231	800	16	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	6647	Camaro
16	9U	W.Talley *	D.Crowl *	20	65	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	7265	Volkswagen
17	10U	G.Jacob *	R.Fornili *	19	137	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	7337	Volkswagen ?
18	11U	R.Daniel	J.Daniel	4	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	8000	Volkswagen

TROPHIES: EQUIPPED 1ST (LEEPERS), 2ND (GREENWOODS), UNEQUIPPED 1ST (DICKINSON/MOESSINGER), 2ND (WILSONS), 3RD (MARTIN/WILLIAMS), NOVICE AWARD TO LIBBY & PETER WILSON.

Special thanks for an excellent job to our Checkpoint Workers: Kathy & Dave McCall, Kitty & Bookie Westbrook, Dave Glenn, Bill Edwards, Betty & Kenny Johnson, Peter Martin, Karen & Steve Peterson, Nancy & Tom Van Auken. And much thanks to our Checkers: Dave Glenn, Bill Edwards, Kitty & Bookie Westbrook.

* = Non-VMSC members

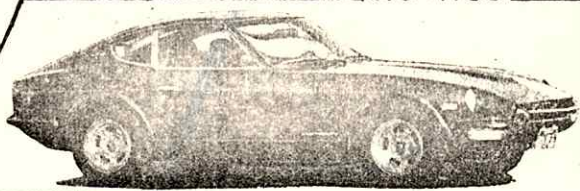
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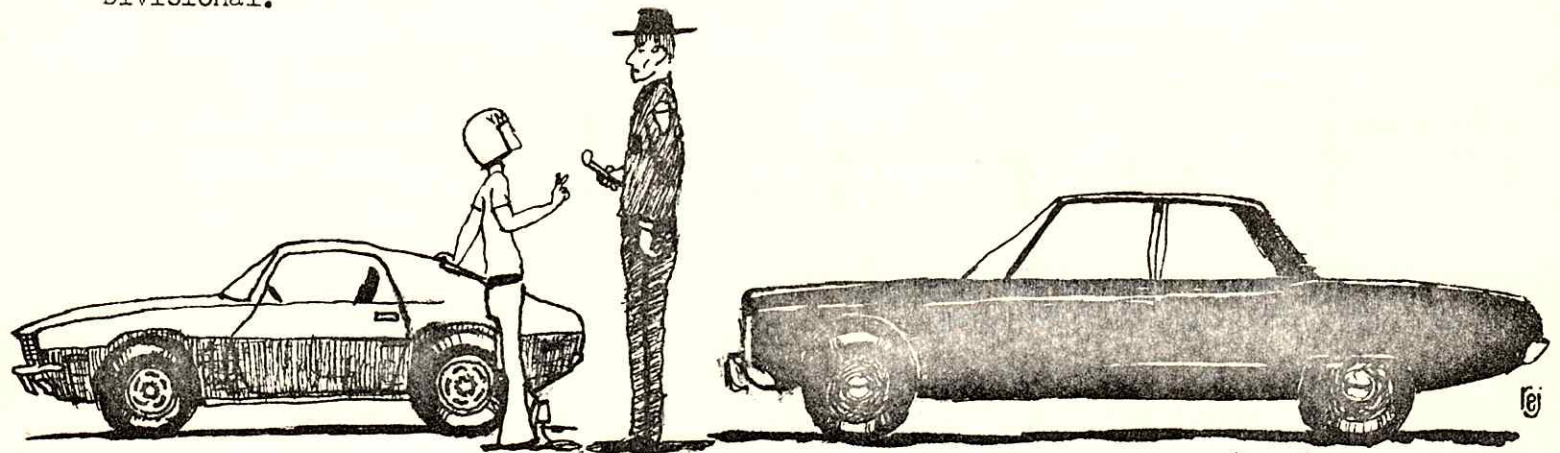
A. W (for Winner) Greenwood reports:

The "Snow Plow," Fred and Marian DeBardleben's January rally, was expected to be an unusual event long before it was due to be run. This was mainly because Fred and Marian don't exactly qualify as your run-of-the-mill novice O.D.'s, having taken to the sport with an enthusiasm which more normal couples reserve for extramarital inter-digitation. They've run more rallies in and out of Richmond in the last year or so than most of us have since we started. Nevertheless, this was to be their first try at putting on an event, and there was a certain amount of apprehension in the ranks. It's not unusual for even an excellent rallyist to blow his first try at course lay-out; the temptation to show how tricky one can be is overpowering, and it is often indulged at the expense of the contestants' enjoyment.

When the Generals appeared, the feeling of uneasiness among the old hands was not significantly ameliorated. In fact, because of what seemed to be gross omissions of necessary information, it was intensified. Therefore, one of our number, a certain Doctor Hoelzel, was selected to draft a letter of questions to the O.D.'s, on the theory that more writers would be redundant. I remember the same theory being applied in a Pogo strip, circa 1957, in which Beauregard was pushed into a cave by several friends with a long forked stick. Snoring noises were coming from the cave, and the idea was to discover if they were being made by a groundhog so the group could find out how many more weeks of winter there would be. The outcome in both cases was similar; in the Pogo strip Beauregard was removed from the cave by a large bear yanking on his caudal appendage, and the good Doctor didn't find out when winter ended either. The upshot of the whole thing was a general decision to play it where it lays.

Happily, all this intrigue was absolutely for naught. The rally as presented fitted the Generals exactly, and was squeaky clean and beautifully thought out. It was precisely the kind of event this crew enjoys most, with NO tiny signs and a plethora of logical traps. Unusual course following priorities were employed which were modified by special instructions, non-existent roads were used to advantage, speed changes were put into effect by the control slips, and there were just enough timing chores to keep you distracted without feeling overloaded. We bit hard on a generals trap which stated that a certain course-following priority could not be executed in a free zone (we had been warned about it earlier, too) and drove 20 miles on some beautiful roads that I'll wager the O.D.'s would have loved to use, if only they'd known they existed.

All in all, our only complaint about the entire rally was that we felt more call-back mileages should have been present. Five miles off-course for the error we made would have been a generous plenty. This omission was minor, though, compared with the total excellence of the event, which we felt to be one of the most interesting we've run anywhere. If Fred and Marian continue to improve the quality of local rallying as they did with this event, maybe we can sell next year's "Snow Plow" to SCCA for a Divisional.



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The VMSC Motivational Systems Survey will be delayed one month because your editors won't hold the presses.

Watch for an exclusive interview next month with an East Coast sports car personality by one of our Club members.

OUTSIDE EVENTS OF INTEREST

March 3-4 - SCCA Drivers' school at VIR

April 7-8 - SCCA Spectator National at VIR

NOTES FROM THE BOARD MEETING---

The Competition Committee proposed and the Board accepted the rule that safety inspection for rallies shall be for the following:

1. Valid inspection sticker if required by State of registry.
2. Turn signals.
3. Brake lights.
4. Tire tread.
5. Brake pedal travel and feel.
6. Equipment check for unequipped class.
7. Car number as required by generals.
8. Seat belts as legally required.

In addition, it is strongly recommended that at least three flares be carried.

VMSC has been invited to organize the Colonial Trail Divisional for 1973. The Board, because of prior commitments, has declined but has expressed an interest in 1974.

The Historian is eager for donation of photos of recent club events for inclusion in our everlovin' scrapbook.

The Telephone Committee has discovered that a lot of names, addresses and phone numbers are wrong, wrong, WRONG!! Please inform the secretary at your earliest convenience of any such changes.

The Board has reiterated its intent to follow the MWCSCC autocross classing system. For those of us who don't subscribe to Stopwatcher, the classes will be published here next month.

The Snow Plow scored 82 on the CER's.

The Treasurer reports:

Balance, 1/1/73		\$ 953.02
Receipts	1013.52	
Disbursements	1012.37	
Balance, 2/1/73		\$ 954.17

The Audit, prepared by Charles E. Edwards, CPA, was accepted with thanks by the Board.

Speaking of MCP's, one of the editors thinks President Castleberry is one, too!

When did you last say "Thank you" to checkpoint workers for freezing their butts off and still doing a good job so you could have some fun? Remember, some of them used to be friends of the rallymaster.

Instruction 11 is executed at 15.556 miles.
Instruction 12 is executed at 20.047 miles.

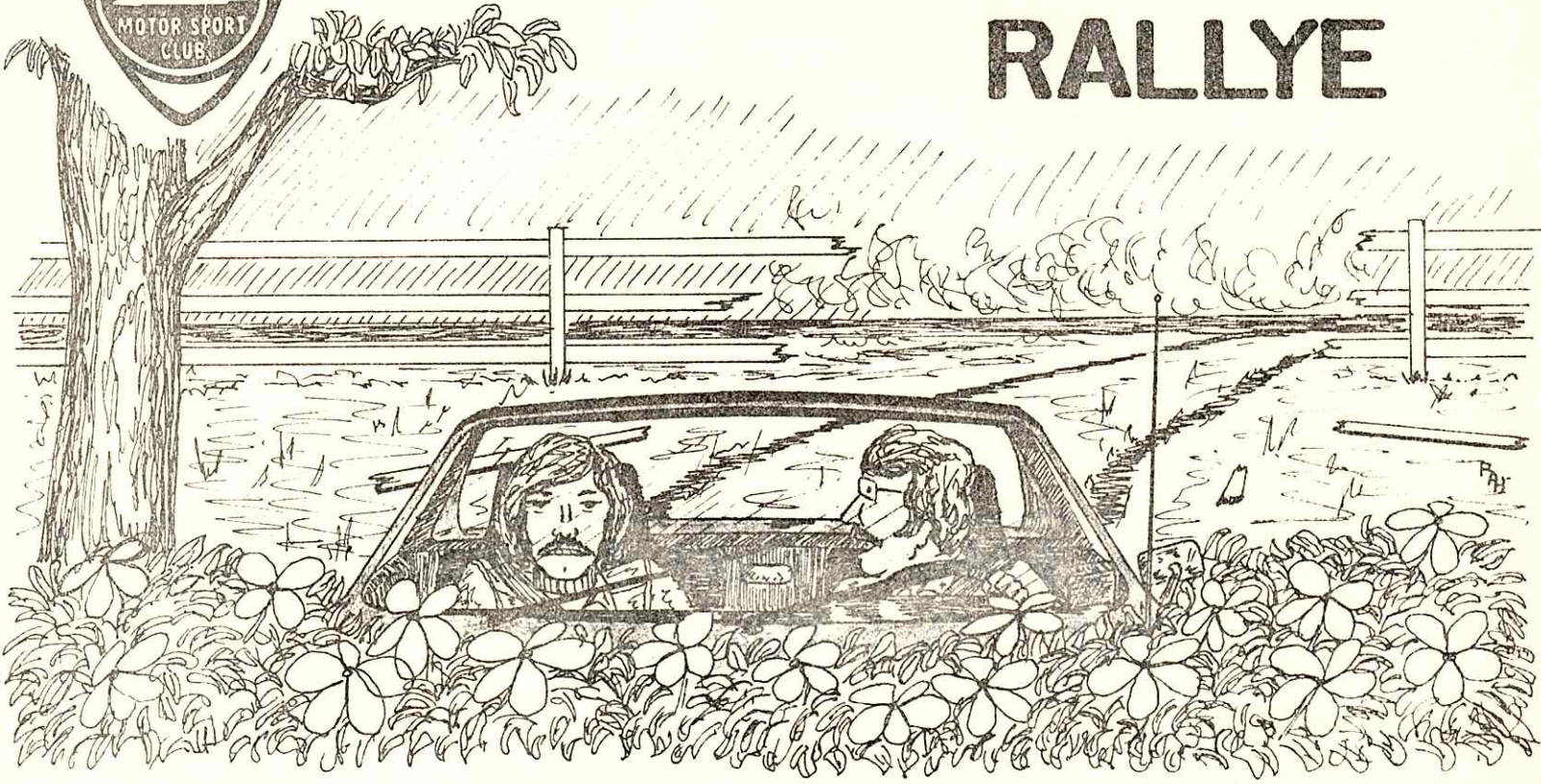
Whoever heard of Humpback Bridge?
Fancy Gap?
Gressitt?
Java?

Ask our map experts, Anne, Pat, Peter and Dave. They're not sure you can get there from here or vice versa.

Slipshod reports: It is reliably reported that our membership chairman, Bruce James, is a male chauvinist pig - refusing to give time, space or words to one of our new members, Ellie East. When contacted by our ace reporter, James denied all, preferring to lay the blame on Mr. East.

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