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SCHEDULE

MAY 16

VMSC Monthly Meeting at the Skipjack. Jack and Nita will try to have a movie about pro rallying (Courtesy of B.F.G.) after the meeting. If this should somehow fall through, your Favorite Editors have something planned that is, at once, useful and essential to the continuation of this publication - a remedial reading class. So you have a choice, John Buffum or Dick, Jane, and Spot.

MAY 18 VMSC Rally OD'ed by Alan and Bill Armstrong. Flyer in this issue. Continuing Our tradition of hedonism, there's a party after the rally.

MAY 25, VMSC two-day autocross at Regency Square. FCO 8:00 AM Sun. Unlimited practice Sat. till start. Continuous running around the clock. Eight fans per can. Entry lee \$4.00. Includes awards parous at Regency Iron (choice of Chatean Bujant of lobster talls), half price cash par Regency will close western end of the parking to over the Memorial Day weekend - they're making their employees park in Ashland. OD's are Our newest members, Innes Ireland and Rob Walker - don't miss it!

MAY 26 VMSC Party at the Hunters - Flyer and map in this issue. Since the autocross was cancelled, it allowed Bill and Shėlia (See! I spelled it right!) to have their annual picnic/ Indy 500/ volleyball (Bill knows CPR for all those worrying about heart valve operation, lubrication, cams, rocker arms, and the like)/ trail bike (chains and Wehrmacht helmets are optional) extravaganza. An annual good time.

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JUN 1,2 TSCC two-day autocross (practice Sat.) at Creeds. Info from Mark Wilson (804-622-2296).

JUN 6 VMSC Board Meeting at Gary Stout's.

JUN 9 VMSC Series Roadcross. Flyer this issue. Our annual showcase autocross series. The Mills and Weirs will need everyone's help to make it run as smoothly as all have come to expect.

JUN 16 MWCSCC "Children's Hospital Benefit Autocross at the Landmark Center in Alexandria, Va. \$10.00, preregistration. (301) 963-0839. FCO 9:00 AM.

JUN 20 VMSC Monthly Meeting.

JUN 23 VMSC Series 3 - second event.

JUL 7 VMSC Series 3 - third event.

JUL 11 VMSC Board Meeting at the Enoch's.

"SUCH A DEAL

FOR SALE

I HAVE FOR YOU "

'72 Colt 4 door
Lowered approx. 2"
Koni Rear - KYB front
Uprated struts & brakes
"40 over" pistons
Lightened flywheel
Header
Electric fan
New 13 x 5.5 slots
+ many spare parts

1984 MWSCC E/P CHAMPION!



\$1000. FOR BOTH

'72 Colt 2 door
Stripped & ready for
minor body work &
paint
Chassis excellent
Interior very good
Complete with engine,
transmission

Body on 4 door rusty so combine the two into one excellent Autocross. car.

Call Doug after 6:00 PM at (301) 774-5232

Porsche turbo performance at $\frac{1}{4}$ the price. 1968 Corvette, new RED paint, new carpet, new seats, new T/A Radials, 4 speed, 327 built by Hoehns & Eanes of Richmond, 13.0 second $\frac{1}{4}$ mile. \$7500.00 or Best Offer. Contact Mac Davis 919-398-3197.

PICTURE YOURSELF
IN MAC'S RED VETTE

HERE

(PHOTO)

STEALTH GT BANNED IN 31 STATES

When We heard this news bulletin We felt a certain gratification that Our road test last month had alerted legislators to potential safety problems of the Stealth GT. Checkpoints contacted several state representatives nationwide and the response was universally the same, State Senator Thurgood Boffenstotz summed it up: "Safety? There's a safety problem?!!? No, actually the ban of these cars was done from a purely pragmatic viewpoint. Why, without the revenue from all those speeding tickets, we'd have to raise taxes 15% and lose our jobs. So, as you (Ed. We really hate people who talk to Us in the lower case) can see, we're just looking out for the fiscal well being of the public. And with the millions we'd have to spend developing new radar technology - we sure couldn't wait for the Russkies to do it - we'd have to postpone our annual raise."

CENTRAL VIRGINIA'S LARGEST DATSUN DEALER



COST: \$8,00 per team.

OD'S: Alan Armstrong Bill Armstrong



VMSC PRESENTS THE

RALY

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 1985

Registration 1:00 PM till 1:45 PM, Car #0 starts at 2:00 PM.

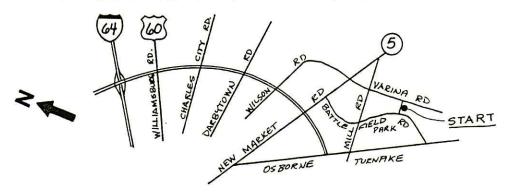
START:

Picnic area of Richmond National Battlefeild Park. (See map below.)

GENERAL :

The rally will be an easy Tulip Rally using all closed controls. The purpose of the rally is to teach the importance of being on time all the time. A party at Bill Armstrong's house will follow the rally.

If you have any questions, or would like to preregister, call Alan Armstrong at 232-3267 (Home) or 747-4951 (Work).



T = trophy winner

() = indicates penalty
 included for pylon(s)
 and/or gate(s)

POSIT	TON PRIME					, , ,			
		CLUB	MARQUE	1st RUN	2nd RUN	3rd RUN			
	FORMULA								
T 1.	Jim Myers	SCCA	Mach II	1:44.75	1:38.63	1:57.16(20) FTD			
2.	Gregg Crandall	SCCA	Mach II	1:38.99	1:59.45(2)	DNF			
M/A									
T 1.	Mike Darnell	RX-7	Mazda	1:59.99(10)	1:45.46	1.// 06			
2.	Robert Murray	VMSC	Lotus	2:03.07	2:15.77(14)	1:44.96 2:08.55(12)			
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T 2.	John Sheally	MCCDC	Corvette	1:45.32	1:42.94	1:40.16			
3.	Gary Stout	VMSC	Morgan Honda	2:46.91(10) 1:57.26	DNF	1:40.48			
4.	John Wilton	PCA	Porsche	1:55.25	1:55.75 2:03.83(10)	1:51.62			
5.		VMSC	Honda	DNF	1:57.30	1:54.08 1:55.52			
6.	Floyd Mills	VMSC	Honda	1:59.14	2:11.45	1:55.52 1:56.01			
7.	Steve Campbell	VMSC	Camaro	DNF	2:08.82(2)	2:03.83			
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T 1.	Larry Thomas	PCA	Porsche	1:58.92(10)	1:42.95 1:43.66	1:46.45			
T 2.	Sam Jessee	VMSC	Porsche	1:44.02	1:43.66	1:45.84(2)			
3.	John Phillips	HRCC	Corvette	1:46.97	1:43.86	1:44.65			
4.	Greg Bauer	HRCC	Corvette	1:47.14	1:44.96	1:44.18			
5. 6.	Greg Miller Bob Mays	VMSC NVCC	Porsche	1:48.70	1:50.45	1:56.99(10)			
7.	Lorraine Mays	NVCC	Porsche Corvette	1:52.59	1:51.89	1:51.50			
	Dollarie Mays	11700	COLverre	2:00.38	1:57.49	1:55.35			
<u>B/P</u>	G1 0 1 11								
T 1.	Stanford Vann	THSCC	Camaro	1:44.87	1:46.16	1:45.03			
2.	Mac Davis	THSCC	Corvette	1:51.90	2:00.02	1:47.30			
3.	John Murphy	HRCC	Corvette	1:51.91	1:55.33	1:55.71			
4.	Tom Womack	SCCA	Nova	2:04.89(10)	1:57.44	1:53.30			
C/P									
T 1.	Steve Terrell		Datsun Z	1:55.82	1:53.14	1:51.94			
D/P									
T 1.	Bill Hunter	VMSC	Honda	1:55.16	1:55.16	1:51.66			
2.	Shelia Hunter	VMSC	Honda	2:00.47	1:56.59	1:56.29			
3.	Wesley Tutwiler	VMSC	Honda	2:28.74(22)	2:35.25(22)	2:19.72(10)			
E/P				Annual An	TERRORE SECURIORISTICS CONTRACTOR AND ACCORDINATION				
<u>E/P</u> T 1.	Bill Gilchrist	VMSC	Plymouth	2:06.28	2:07.33(10)	1:59.55			
2.	Paul Nolte	BMWCCA	BMW	2:03.70	2:19.09(4)	2:01.12			
3.	Larry Allamong	2IOOA	MGB	DNF	2:03.38(2)	$\frac{2:01.12}{2:02.26}(2)$			
4.	Bob Miller	BMWCCA	BMW	2:09.37	2:24.99	2:19.68			
5.	Carla Gilchrist	VMSC	Plymouth	2:25.88	2:23.35	2:18.70			
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$\frac{F/P}{T}$	Gene Cooley		Pio+	1.50 07	2.02 62	1.57 10			
2.	Doug Burton	VMSC	Fiat	1:58.27 2:00.64	2:03.63	1:57.49			
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AVAILABLE THIS MONTH ONLY

FRENCH CUT

FASHION FOR LADIES ONLY

- 50% Combed Cotton 50% Polyester
- · Luxury Interlock Fabric
- Scoopneck & Capped Sleeves

COLORS

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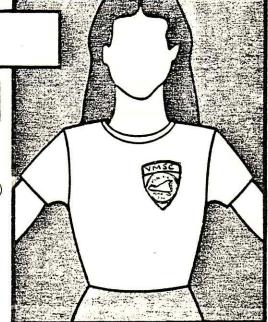
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SIZES

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> SALE PRICE A \$7.50 B \$8.25 C \$8.75



LADIES SHIRTS ARE NO LONGER AVAILABLE ON A MONTHLY BASIS. THE ONLY TIME THESE SHIRTS WILL BE AVAILABLE!!!! SALE ENDS MAY 17TH.

GT/S T 1. 2.	Butch Fisher Jim Richardson	SCCA	Mustang Firebird	DNF 2:13.16	1:52•93 2:09•55	1:52.14 2:13.47
B/S T 1. 2. 3. 4.	S. B. Sachs Bruce G. Baron Bruce J. Baron Glenn Prillaman Stuart Ragland	SCCA	Mazda Mazda Mazda Nissan ZX Dodge Colt	2:03.72(10) 2:05.69(2) 1:59.13 1:59.42 2:09.83(10)	1:53.66 2:05.31(6) 1:57.48(2) 1:57.09 2:25.06(30)	1:52.99 1:55.76 1:56.13 1:56.87 2:16.18(20)
C/S T 1. T 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7.	Jack Enoch Richard Fohl John Blanchard Wilt Greenwood Joe Bainbridge Gerry Eberhard Nita Enoch	VMSC VMSC VMSC VMSC VMSC VMSC	VW GTI Saab VW GTI Saab Dodge Omni Dodge Colt VW GTI	1:57.69 2:12.56(10) 2:01.55 1:59.14(2) 2:01.99 2:06.99(2) 3:01.27(50)	1:56.95 1:58.56 1:58.30 2:01.47(4) 2:01.96 DNF 2:27.84(20)	2:09.02(10) 1:57.18 2:01.00 1:58.49 2:00.09 DNS DNF
D/S T 1. 2.	Jerry Freeman Lloyd Hornberger		Mazda Fiesta	2:03.85(2) 2:48.59	1:57.83 DNF	1:56.16 DNS

A very large "Thank you" to everyone who worked this event, especially those who braved the heat all day long, and those who drove long distances just to help out. We couldn't have done it without you!

Wesley Tutwiler, Beth Mills, Floyd Mills, Doug Burton, jet Burton, Gary Stout, Ron Day*, Mark Wilson*, Joe Bainbridge, Candy Bainbridge, Neale Dickinson, Bill Gilchrist, Carla Gilchrist, John Adams, Sue Adams, Glenn Prillaman*, Scott Powell, Anne Wilson, Gerry Eberhard, Sandy Poole*, Mike Barksdale*, Jim Richardson*, Bruce G. Baron*, & Bruce J. Baron*. * = non-VMSC member

The Richmond Newspaper, et al. have finally gotten their priorities in order, as witnessed by the stature accorded autocrossing in their motor sports section. God, it's enough to bring tears to your eyes - all those years of being the unwanted step child - look out Bernie Ecclestone.

MOTOR SPORTS

AUTOCROSS

Virginia Motor Sport Club Autocross

At Fort Lee
Formula: Jim Myers 1:38.63; A/M: Mike
Darnell 1:44.96; B/M: Wayne Tilley
1:40.16; C/M: Len Wells 1:50.81; A/P:
Larry Thomas 1:42.95; B/P: Stan Vann
1:44.87; C/P: Steve Terrell 1:51.94; D/P:
Bill Hunter 1:51.66; E/P: Bill Glichnst 1:59.55; F/P: Gene Cooley 1:57.49; GT/S: Butch Fisher 1:52.14; B/S: Steve Sachs 1:52.99; C/S: Jack Enoch 1:56.95; D/S: Jerry Freeman 1:56.16.

FORMULA ONE

Portuguese Grand Prix At Estoril, Portugal

- 1. Ayrton Senna, Lotus-Renault 2. Michele Alboreto, Ferrari
- Patrick Tambay, Renault
 Elio de Angelis, Lotus-Renault
- Nigel Mansell, Williams-Honda
 Stefan Bellof, Tyrrell-Cosworth
- 7. Derek Warwick, Renault
- 8. Stefan Johansson, Ferrari 9. Piercarlo Ghinzani, Alfa Romeo Average speed of winner: 90.20 mph.

Grand Prix points standing

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son Broach 71riuck Calhoun-Mike Petro 74-73—147; second flight: Eric. Presser-Fritz Wennings 78-76—154. Hanover C.C. — two-day spring championship — Steve Dennehy 140; first flight:

Courts Necessary 136; second flight: Ed Wickham 136; third flight: H.C. Mallory 136; fourth flight: Lee Parrish 145.

Courty Club of Virginia — net best ball

of foursome - Mr. and Mrs. Ed Swink-Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Kirchmier 59.
Willow Oaks C.C. — best-ball twosome

gross: Ed King-Bernie Davis 83; net: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kennedy 69.

COLLEGE

Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament 54 holes at Greensboro, N.C.

AN ARTICLE

BY JOE BAINBRID

SPEED SECRET

Background: Heavy trucks achieve better traction than cars. People in areas with severe winters often add weight to their vehicles to gain tire grip.

Rationale: Traction is traction. Normal speeds on a low coefficient of friction surface are comparable to high speeds on a normal, dry surface.

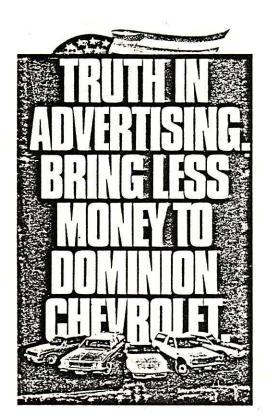
Logical action: People interested in maximizing traction (to go fast) should increase the weight of their cars. YMSC rules do not prohibit safely installed ballast. With a little ingenuity your car could be 500 lbs. heavier at very little cost.

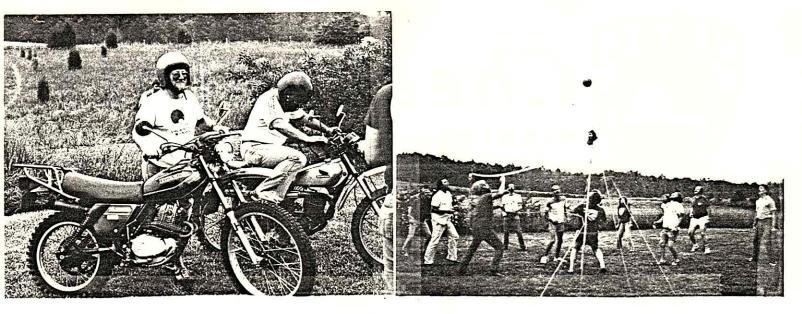
Misconception: Many autocrossers actually lighten their cars! This is done to mimic professional race cars. Race cars are light because they must be lifted and transported frequently. In fact, the further they travel, the lighter they are built. Grand Prix cars are flown to North America, Africa, etc. and therefore are very light. Local stock cars are only towed a few hundred miles and thus can be heavier.

Personal testimony: We recently purchased a used car. One of the heaviest cars in its autocross class. While the rest of you are watching TV or playing with the baby, I am thinking of ways to make this car heavier. I even have a plan to use a liquid system that would allow a shift of weight to the outside tires, the ones that need to grip in corners.

To paraphrase Alfred E. Neuman: "What, me rally?"

(Editorial note: Joe gave Us this little treatise well in advance of Our deadline for submitted material. It allowed Us the time to work up an appropriate title and do the graphics work needed to give it a more professional appearance. Thanks, Joe)





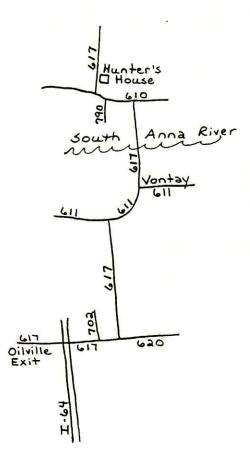
THE HUNTERS PRESENT:

"THE 7TH ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY IN MONTPELIER PICNIC AND MOTORCYCLE FIELD TRIALS"

Sunday, May 26th

1:00 p.m. until...

Bring your own food & drinks and lawn chairs or blankets. The more adventuresome should bring their motorcycles; the more sedate their "Password" or "Trivia" games. We will provide clean country air, charcoal grills to pollute same, ice, paper cups & plates, napkins, hot dog & hamburger fixins' frisbees, badminton, volley ball, horseshoes, a dart board, and a two-acre field in which to test your motorcycle skills.









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VIRGINIA MOTOR SPORT CLUB

BLAST FROM THE PAST

DEAR ED.,

I WRITE YOU THIS LETTER IN HOPES THAT MY GRIEVANCE WILL BECOME BETTER KNOWN SO THAT SOMETHING CAN BE DONE.

THE MERITS OF A SPORTS COMPETITOR DURING A GAME ARE MEASURED BY HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS. A RUNNING BACK IS MEASURED BY HOW MANY YARDS HE GAINS; A PITCHER BY HOW MANY STRIKEOUTS; A QUARTERBACK BY HOW MANY PASS COMPLETIONS. THE MORE STRIKEOUTS OR COMPLETIONS CAN ONLY ADD TO HIS ABILITY. THE RALLYIST, ON THE OTHER HAND, IS MEASURED BY THE POINTS AGAINST HIM. AS THE RALLYIST ACCUMULATES POINTS, HIS ABILITY LESSENS, WHICH LEADS TO MY HYPOTHESIS:

NO ONE WINS A RALLY. SOME JUST LOSE MORE THAN OTHERS.

THIS I FEEL IS DETRIMENTAL TO THE SPORT. FOR INTEREST TO SPREAD, WE MUST CONVEY THE MESSAGE OF HOW GOOD RALLYING IS AND NOT HOW BAD (QUESTION: HOW GOOD IS IT?). I OFFER THIS SOLUTION: CHANGE THE SCORING SYSTEM FROM PENALTY POINTS TO ACCOMPLISHMENT POINTS. THAT IS, THE HIGHEST SCORE WINS. A ZERO WOULD BE THE LEAST DESIRABLE SCORE. THIS SYSTEM WOULD ALSO LOWER THE COST OF BEING COMPETITIVE, BECAUSE A RALLY COMPUTER WOULD BE THE LEAST DESIRABLE OF EQUIPMENT: NOBODY WANTS A LOW SCORE.

YES, OF COURSE, THE CLASSING SYSTEM WOULD HAVE TO BE CHANGED. I PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING CLASSES:

EQUIPPED:

THOSE TEAMS IN WHICH NEITHER MEMBER HAS EVER

TROPHIED IN A TSD OR SIMILAR EVENT.

UNEQUIPPED:

CARS IN WHICH BOTH MEMBERS HAVE RUN LESS THAN 100 RALLIES AND WHICH CONTAIN NONE OF THE FOL-LOWING EQUIPMENT: BRAKES, GAS PEDAL OR SPEDO-

METER, TIRES.

NOVICE:

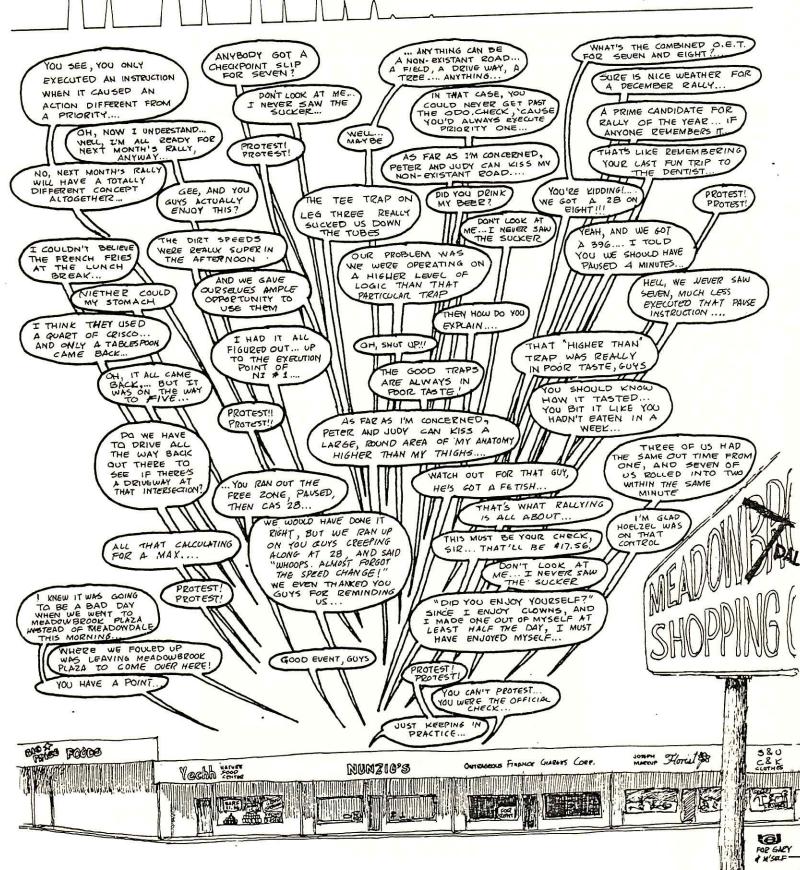
CARS IN WHICH BOTH MEMBERS HAVE COMPETED IN MORE THAN 100 RALLIES AND WHICH CONTAIN CUMULATIVE CALCULATING DEVICES, E.G., ZERON, ROBO,

SPEED PILOT, OR AN IBM COMPUTER.

THESE CLASSES ARE STRUCTURED AS THEY ARE TO MAINTAIN THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF EQUIPPED CARS BEING AT THE GREATEST ADVANTAGE. HOWEVER, THERE ARE A FEW BUGS TO BE IRONED OUT. THESE I INTEND TO FIND SOLUTIONS FOR IN MY CONTINUOUS SEARCH FOR THE PERFECT SCORING SYSTEM. LET'S WIN A RALLY AND NOT LOSE ONE. OH YES, TELL DAD TO SEND MORE MONEY.

SINCERELY,

The Heart of Dinwiddie Coroner's Report

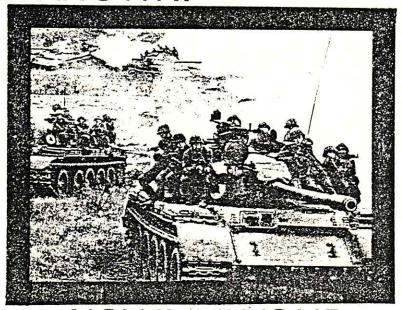


BUICK ANNOUNCES THE RETURN OF THE GERMAN MADE OPEL COMPLETE WITH:

OPEL PANZER CONVERSION KIT ALL FIBERGLASS—SO REALISTIC NOT EVEN ROMMEL COULD TELL THE DIFFERENCE

CONVERSION KIT INCLUDES ALL NECESSARY ITEMS: TREADS, TURRET MACHINE GUNS, 88 MM CANNON

THINK OF THE FUN: TERRORIZE YOUR NEIGHBORS, GET THE RESPECT OF YOUR FELLOW DRIVERS, GO THRU RADAR WITH THE IMPUNITY FEW HAVE EVER KNOWN.



NOW! AT YOUR LOCAL BUICK—OPEL—PANZER DEALER

The Virginia Motor Sport Club is pleased to present the "SERIES 3 ROADCROSS"

The course will utilize the 1/3 mile paved oval and incorporate the paved infield crossover. The course will be wide-open and challenging; yet with safety a prime consideration.

The exellent organization and event administration that has become a hallmark of "SERIES 3" will continue. Registration will be restricted to 150 cars. Pre-registration prior to **JUNE 1st**. guarantees you an opportunity to compete and reserves the same car number for all three events. The registration fee for all three events is \$23.00 or \$9.00 for each individual event. Dash plaques will be given to the first 100 entrants.

The event will be run RAIN or SHINE. Registration and tech inspection will open at 8:00 AM, first car off at 9:00 AM. Registration will remain open until 3:00 PM.

MWCSCC class system. Exhaust supression required in stock and prepared classes. Camber compensation required on all swing axle vehicles. Roll-over protection is required on all non-hard top vehicles.

Points will be awarded for each event as follows: 9 points---1st

6 ----2nd

4 -----3rd

3 -----4th 2 -----5th

1 ----6th

One trophy will be awarded for each 5 cars (average) or fraction thereof in class based on point accumulation for the Series.

While we cannot guarantee your choice of car numbers, we'll do our best to comply. The sooner you register, the closer we can come to your preference,

all 3 events and mail to the registrar...





"SERIES 3 ROADCROSS" VISORS

One size fits all. Available at VMSC club meetings, at the Series, or by mail from the registrar. \$3.00 each.

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE VIRGINIA MOTOR SPORT CLUB'S 8th 'SERIES 3 ROADCROSS'

NAME	PHONE ()	-
FULL ADDRESS		_
VMSC Member? Another Club?	Club Name	_
TYPE OF CAR; MAKE	MODEL YEAR	_
NUMBER PREFERENCE (1st choice); (2r	nd); (3rd)	
I WILL BE COMPETING ON: JUNE 9 JUN	NE 23; JULY 7; ALL 3	
Enclose will your check made payable to VMSC for \$9 for each event or \$23 for	Beth Mills 518 Mt. Hermon Road	

Ashland, VA

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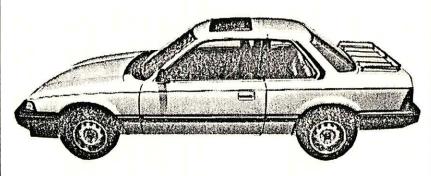
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