

# Checkpoints

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## **EVENTS CALENDAR**

MAY , 1993



### MAY 20

VMSC Regular monthly meeting at Forest View Rescue Squad, Forest Hill Avenue, 8:00 p.m.



## MAY 30 & 31

VMSC presents the "<u>Last Minute Autocross"</u>, OD'd by Richard West, David Langston, Bill Lloyd, Bill Whitehead and Chip Williams, at the Food Carnival parking lot, 2-DAY EVENT. See flyer.



#### JUNE 4

VMSC Board of Directors Meeting at Datura Corp., 1926 East Parham Rd., at 8:00 p.m.



#### **IUNE 20**

VMSC Rally by Mike Weedon and Tom Yost. Further details forthcoming.

If you missed the Greenwood/Siff presentation of "Little Bridges", the rally, you fouled up, and a pie plate wasn't the only kind of plate you missed! Find out how we got "chili" on a warm May day in Gerry and Neale's report...

## **NEW MEMBER**

VMSC welcomes **GARY R. BOHAN**, of 9820 Marble Hill Rd., Richmond, Va. Gary is an account officer for Riva Financial Services. He drives a 1991 Toyota MR2, a 1986 Nissan Maxima, and a 1991 open-bodied Laser with a displacement of 175 sq. ft. (Now everyone can smugly assert that they know exactly what that is. I'm not giving out his phone number, so you'll just have to ask him at the next event. OF COURSE I know what it is. I'm just not going to tell you.) Gary is a PCA member, and is primarily interested in autocrossing. He is single.

# WELCOME to VMSC!

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# VMSC 1993 RALLY SCHEDULE

To all potential Rallyists, Rallymasters and Rally Workers: here it is, the hardly awaited 1993 Rally Schedule! As you can see, there are still several choice dates we would like to see filled, but we do have hard commitments from five experienced O.D.s, which is already better than we were able to do last year. Due to lack of lead time and general winter inertia, we're getting a late start this year - the first event won't be held until early May. That gives you plenty of time to hone (or acquire) your skills, arrange your schedules, get your equipment working, and prepare to help make this a successful comeback season for the VMSC Rally Program.

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DATE	DOW	O.D.(s)	CHECKER(s)	FORMAT
05/02	Sun	Greenwoods	Powell	Low difficulty, classic format TSD, ending in Chili fest at Andy Siff's restaurant in Ashland.
06/20	Sun	Weedon/Yost	Burton	Low+ difficulty TSD.
08/01	Sun	Dickinson/Boogher	Greenwoods	Medium difficulty TSD, ending in party.
09/12	Sun	OPEN!		
10/03	Sun	Eberhard/Webster	Dickinson/Boogher	Medium+ difficulty TSD, lead-in to year-end event.
11/07	Sun	OPEN!		
12/05	Sun	B. Hunter/Siff	S. Hunter	End-of-year championship, medium++ difficulty TSD, results tentatively not to be announced until banquet.

If <u>anyone</u>, experienced or not, is interested in putting on an event or helping with an event already scheduled, please get in touch with Rally Coordinator Wilt Greenwood (282-1493) or Activities Chairman Dick Boogher (285-4133). If the existing open dates don't suit your schedule, we can probably work around them, and you'll get all the help you want - just ask. That also applies if you'd like to try competing in a rally but aren't too sure what it's all about - the experienced types are always looking for converts and are happy to talk about the sport for hours in the interest of hooking a new competitor.

# Come out and run!

## May 2, 1993 RESULTS

PO	CLUB	С	P	DRIVER	NAVIGATOR	CAR	#1	#2	#3	#4	<b>#</b> 5	#6	DIY	TOT
1	VMSC	E	1	Gerry Eberhard	Neale Dickinson	n Mtsb	0	0	1	0	1	3	0	5
2	None	E	2	Gordon Wagner	Rita Wagner	Honda	0	1	200	0	2	1	0	204
3	None	E	3	Jim Miner	Arch Scurlock	BMW	2	1	2	100	4	0	200	309
4	WRC	E	4	Mike Leeper	Paulette Leeper	BMW	200	28	0	200	2	0	2	432
5	None	U	1	Skip Lankford	Mark McChesney	Nissn	11	23	194	200	1	200	11	640
6	VMSC	R	1	Charlie Passut	Charlie Passut	Shlby	12	4	200	24	82	200	200	722
7	VMSC	U	2	Bill Hunter	Andy Siff	Eagle	200	26	200	200	12	11	200	849
8	VMSC	U	3	Gordon Paterson	nPasha Paterson	Nissn	119	138	200	200	75	183	1	916
9	None	U	4	Sue Howells	Mary Isemann	Nissn	200	200	82	146	43	52	200	923
10	VMSC	U	5	John Wilton	Mike Weedon	BMW	200	33	200	200	43	200	200	1076
11	VMSC	U	6	Doug Burton	jet Burton	Honda	115	93	76	200	200	200	200	1084
12	VMSC	E	5	Shelia Hunter	Beth Mills	Honda	200	200	200	200	200	35	200	1235
13	None	R	2	Jay Henderson	Enid Henderson	Olds	58	200	200	200	200	200	200	1258
14	None	R	3	Sabra Harris	Ginger Gibson	Van	200	200	200	124	300	200	51	1275
15	None	R	4	Dee Hufner	JoAnn Hufner	Acura	200	200	60	200	300	200	159	1319
16	None	R	5	T.Nyotosriharto	oB. Permana	Mazda	114	89	125	200	300	300	200	1328
17	None	R	6	S. Henderson	C. Henderson	Mazda	200	200	21	200	300	300	300	1521
18	None	R	7	Art McKinney	Mike Greenburg	Caddy	300	200	200	188	300	200	300	1688
19	None	R	8	J. Fitzgerald	Anne Jones	MzP/U	300	200	158	200	300	300	300	1758

Car #2 received a scoring adjustment on Control #2 based on an interpretation of the General Instructions which the O.D.'s agreed could be viable. A Pause Claim filed on Control #5 by Car #3 was denied, based on the fact that the intent of the General Instructions, as well as normal rally practice, dictated that Pause Claims for delays caused by a mechanical failure of the Contestants' own vehicle shall not be allowed. Neither action caused a significant change in Position.

RALLYMASTERS: WILT & BARBARA GREENWOOD

OFFICIAL PRECHECK: SCOTT POWELL & PAT CONCODORA(\*)

DAY-OF-EVENT WORKERS: HUBIE REGISTER(\*), MIKE MALLOCH(\*), STEVE GREENWOOD, CARL RAY HOWELL(\*), SCOTT POWELL, PAT CONCODORA(\*) NOTE:(\*) INDICATES NON-VMSC MEMBER

#### RALLY ROUNDUP

Sunshine AND a Rally on the same day, incredible. Sunday May 2nd combined both under the watchful eyes of Rallymasters, Wilt & Barbara Greenwood. Nineteen teams were treated to our first rally of 1993, a beautiful day, and a fantastic "chili" feast at the Iron Horse Restaurant.

The Rally, "Little Bridges", began and ended in downtown Ashland and meandered through scenic parts of Louisa and Hanover Counties for about 100 miles including some interesting dirt roads and many little bridges. Since it had been 8 or 9 months since our last rally, we were a tad rusty and spent much of the rally trying to remember - how to. Luckily the event was low pressure with simple traps and we were able to overcome both our lack of a keen edge and several amazingly stupid moments of brain failure.

The first opportunity to screw-up occured only 1/2 mile past the end of the ODO leg, where your route took a hard left and became dirt while the tempting paved road straight ahead was actually a new numbered Route. This little exercise in following one's route

was good for a Max late.

The second leg was even simpler. You had to execute a mileage left turn which was a full 0.20 miles past the first left opportunity you encountered. I shined on this by advising my driver to ignore the first road, simple traps for simple minds, and thus saved us a Max early.

The next leg brought you to the lunch break but not before you were given a chance to make your own trap. A numbered instruction was executed just feet before a set of railroad tracks and past the "RXR" sign referenced in the succeeding instruction. If you decided that you had passed such a sign just because you had crossed the tracks, you created a Max

early for your efforts.

The much needed break allowed us to stretch our legs and use the little rooms, to read the operations manual for the computer, and to clear more cobwebs from our foggy heads. A lesson in when to flip the average speed switch was also provided and after this brief respite, we sailed forth into control 4 and a pleasant surprise. We had actually executed the dreaded Greenwood lunch break trap correctly. The trap was quite simple. A special instruction required you to turn "L at a Route having a number whose middle digit is 1" and while travelling on Route 618 you executed this SI to leave 618. The only real catch to the trap was that it occured after receiving your leg slip at control 3 which stated that this was the last Control before the break and therefore prior to instead of after the break.

The fifth leg was the old standard "confidence leg" requiring you to travel over 30 miles looking for "L onto a Route whose number contains the digit 2" numbered instruction while repeatedly executing two very similar special instructions, following your current numbered route as it took off in various directions at several intersections, and wondering

what you may have done wrong.

The last manned leg almost spelled disaster. A numbered instruction was executed at a mileage at a large sign and appeared to cause you to change speed only. The General Instructions stated that "The execution of any instruction must cause a change in route by number unless that instruction contained the abbreviation NRC" (No Route Change) and since the above instruction did not contain said abbreviation, a route change had to occur at the mileage. This experienced navigator was too clever to fall for such a simple trap. I highlighted the instruction as causing a route change and then promptly told my driver to follow our current route at said mileage while I changed speed in the computer. A 1/2 mile later WE realized OUR mistake and luckily had plenty of time to make up our lost time prior to reaching the control.

The DIY (Do It Yourself) leg proved that the Greenwoods still believe in little hookers at the finish. While the Generals had expressly ruled out 4-digit routes they had also stated that "All roads used will be through public roads numbered with a two or three digit route number". We departed Control 6 and began looking to execute "L at 'STOP' and begin DIY leg". This subtle instruction appeared to occur at Route 1 but if you were alert and remembered the Generals you continued on your current route while seeking another stop sign. Yes, if you took the bait and turned onto Route 1, you got a final Max.

Thanks to the Greenwoods for an enjoyable rally, to the Siffs for a great feast, to

all the workers who made it happen, and to Mother Nature for the gorgeous day.

Neale i Gerry

## THE INITIAL AUTOCROSS III

## Dick Boogher and Phil Webster OD's March 28th, 1993

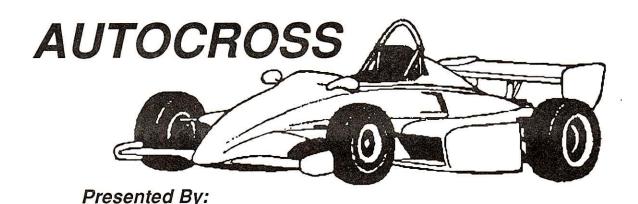
Finish Name	1st Run	2nd Run	3rd Run	Best
A Stock 1 T John Sheally 2 James Adcock	1:39.59+2P 1:39.30+1P	1:38.33 1:34.87+1P	1:35.83 1:36.07	1:35.83 1:36.07
B Stock 1 T Richard West 2 Charlie Passult 3 James Fiden 4 Gerry Eberhard	1:34.98 1:43.47 1:43.59 1:50.58+2P	1:32.08+2P 1:41.67 1:41.64 DNF	1:33.40 1:39.78 1:46.69 1:45.95+2P	1:33.40 1:39.78 1:41.64 1:49.95+2P
C Stock 1 T George Ferrell 2 Jason Deiter 3 Jim Caruthers	.1:42.57 1:48.52 1:47.28+1G	1:40.23 1:48.19 1:47.77	1:38.29 1:41.93 1:45.70	1:38.29 1:41.93 1:45.70
D Stock 1 T Ben Schaeffer 2 Bill Shelley	1:58.91 DNF	1:46.68 1:46.63	1:45.71 DNF	1:45.71 1:46.63
E Stock 1 T David Langston 2 Georgia Langston 3 Tyler Hancock 4 Chris Bradshaw	1:39.32 1:43.37 1:41.39+2G 1:54.75+2G	1:37.83 1:45.27+1P 1:41.53 1:51.63	1:37.90 1:40.69 1:40.23+1P 1:47.77+1P	1:37.83 1:40.69 1:41.53 1:47.77+1P
F Stock 1 T Del Cavazos 2 David Diaz 3 Kerry Flynn 4 Bill Nixon	1:45.65+6P 1:48.44+1P 2:02.13 2:05.42	1:48.15+2P 1:49.18+1P DNF DNF	1:43.47 1:48.40 1:53.62 DNF	1:43.47 1:48.40 1:53.62 2:05.41
G Stock 1 T Forrest Keeton 2 Charlene Johnson	DNF DNF	1:49.07 1:58.63+2G	1:51.81 2:14.11	1:49.07 2:14.11
H Stock 1 T Bob Kacsur 2 Bill Lloyd 3 Jennifer Nixon 4 Michael Roane	1:43.60+1G 1:42.00 2:00.87+6G DNF	1:48.07 1:42.56 2:00.52 DNF	1:40.43 1:41.17 1:57.60 1:49.39+4G	1:40.43 1:41.17 1:57.60 1:49.39+4G

Finish Name	1st Run	2nd Run	3rd Run	Best
A Street Prepared 1 T Bill Whitehead 2 John Estep 3 Roger Garrett 4 John Hartka 5 Bud First	DNF 1:41.60 1:43.45 2:04.48 DNF	1:33.70+1P 1:41.45+1G 1:42.73 1:43.41+1P DNF	1:31.84 1:40.37 1:40.83 1:42.30 1:51.07+2G	1:31.84 1:40.37 1:40.83 1:42.30 1:51.07+2G
C Street Prepared 1 T Chip Williams 2 Ryan Sanford	1:39.03 1:57.57+3G	1:36.50 DNF	1:34.92 DNF	1:34.92 1:57.57+3G
D Street Prepared 1 T Dick Boogher 2 Joe Creery 3 Paul Hale 4 William Thacker	1:40.53+1P DNF 1:45.18+1P DNF	1:38.50 1:46.37 DNF DNF	1:40.08+1G 1:45.68 1:43.93+1P 1:54.42+2G	1:38.50 1:45.68 1:45.93 1:54.42+2G
E Street Prepared 1 T Nick Smilek	1:28.33+3G	1:41.49+1G1	P 1:41.26	1:41.26
C Prepared 1 Andy Siff	1:41.62+1P1	G 1:40.72	1:39.73	1:39.73
E Prepared 1 T Robie Robinson	DNF	1:47.14+2P2G	1:45.64	1:45.64
A Modified 1 T Allen Goode	1:33.11	1:34.57+1P1	G 1:31.29	1:31.29
Fun Runs	٥			
Richard West Richard West Michael Roane Bud First Rob Lowery Paul Hale Chris Bradshaw Bob Kacsur James Adcock Darryl Jackson Forrest Keeton	1:33.87+1P 1:33.XX+1P DNF 1:47.XX 2:09.XX 1:.43.XX 1:50.XX 1:41.XX 1:37.XX DNF 1:50.XX	1:32.93+1P 1:33.XX 1:54.+4G 1:44.XX+3P 1:55.XX 1:42.XX+3P 1:51.XX+1P 1:40.XX 1:35.XX 1:49.XX	DNR 1:32.32 1:51.XX 1:41.XX+1P 1:55.XX 1:42.XX+1P 1:48.XX+1P 1:38.45 1:34.23 1:48.08 1:48.XX	1:32.87+1P 1:32.32 1:51.XX 1:41.XX+1P 1:55.XX 1:43.XX 1:50.XX 1:38.45 1:34.23 1:48.08

T=Trophy position
P=Pylon penalty (add 2 seconds)
G=Gate missed (add 10 seconds)
X=Missing data on time sheet
DNF=Did Not Run, DNR=Did Not Run

The OD's wish to thank everyone who participated and worked this event.

# LAST MINUTE...



# Virginia Motor Sports Club

Saturday May 30th (Practice Day) Date:

First Car off at 11:00 a.m.

Min: 3 runs more if time allows...

Skid Pad (Saturday only)

Sunday May 31st (Autocross Day)

First Car off at 10:00 a.m. 10 car heats, 3 timed runs SCCA SoloII Classing

(Midlothian Turnpike) Location: Food Carnival Parking Lot

Fees: \$10.00 Members - \$10.00 Non-members (Saturday only)

\$12.00 Members - \$15.00 Non-members (Sunday only)

(Both days) \$20.00 Members - \$23.00 Non-members

Richard West OD's

(804) 271-8424 (804) 744-6264 (heat numbers) David Langston

Bill Lloyd Bill Whitehead

Chip Williams

Each participant is required to work one heat or forfeit their best time. Noise regulations will be in effect for all Stock and Street Prepared cars. V.M.S.C. safety regulations will be enforced

NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ALLOWED !!!

# DIRECTIONS TO THE SITE OF THE FIRST EVENT OF THE VA. STATE AUTOCROSS CHAMPIONSHIP. ROANOKE, VA.

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TAKE EXIT 4 ONTO ORANGE AYE. EAST.

RIGHT ON WILLIAMSON (1ST LIGHT)

LEFT ON RUTHERFORD (SECOND LIGHT)

RIGHT AT "T" ONTO KIMBALL,

LOT IS 1.5 BLOCKS ON LEFT.

REGISTRATION 9AM TO 12PM, FCO 12:00

OD's are still needed for several upcoming events for which dates and sites have already been set.

Call Dick Boogher if you can help.

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