

Checkpoints

VIRGINIA MOTOR SPORT CLUB

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GYMKHANA

MARCH 20. 1966 - SUNDAY

O.D. - Doris Belcher

Time and Place - to be Announced at the regular monthly meeting.

COMING EVENTS

March:

17th - VMSC Meeting 19th & 20th - Marlboro Driver's School

20th - PMSC Rallye

20th - SAAB Rallye

20th - VMSC Gymkhana

27th - VMSC 8 Hr. Rallye

April:

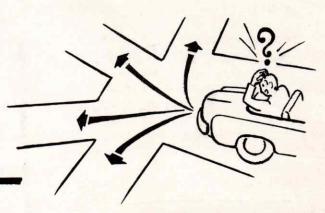
2nd & 3rd - Marlboro Races

17th - Volvo Rallye

17th - PMSC Rallye

21st - VMSC Meeting

24th - VMSC Ladies Rallye



RALLYE

AZALEA 8-HOUR

SUNDAY . MARCH 27, 1966

Driver's Meeting - 8:00 A.M.

First Car Out - 8:30 A.M.

Start - Beverly Hills Shopping Center Patterson Avenue & Ridge Road

Price - In Advance - \$5.00 for members (any recognized club),

\$6.25 for non-members.

Day of Rallye - \$6.50 for members and \$7.75 for non-members.

This will be a straight forward time, speed, distance event with NO gimmicks, not even a final mileage. The roads, we think, are challenging, and the navigation, while not excessively hard, will keep the navigator busy. Any of you that would like to run and have not already received applications may secure them from either of the O.D.'s (Al Smith & Wiltshire Greenwood). We might even deliver them if we're sufficiently desperate. Please get your applications in as early as possible so that we may arrive at an estimate of how much food, etc., to get, as the evening meal will be provided free at the end. With trophies for 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall; Dash plaques for 1st AM, 1st PM, and 1st Novice to be awarded after the meal. The finish will be at the Bon Air Community Center. There will be a Keg.

VIRGINIA MOTOR SPORT CLUB, INC.

COMPETITION REGULATIONS

As Amended Through March 1, 1965)

General

1. Officers of the Day

- a. One or more O.D.'s will be appointed for each event.
 - b. The O.D. shall plan, organize, and carry out the event, having full authority to effect changes made necessary by unforeseen circumstances.
 - c. He may enlist as many helpers as necessary. These need not be club members but should be thoroughly familiar with their assigned tasks.
 - d. He shall notify the membership in advance as to the date, time, place, and special equipment necessary for the event.
 - e. He shall secure the necessary equipment from the custodian and return this equipment promptly following the event.
- f. He shall collect fees from the contestants and deliver these, along with a statement of expenses incurred, to the club treasurer within one week of the close of the event.
 - g. He shall promptly and accurately score the event and deliver the final results to the club secretary within one week of the close of the event.
- h. Safety shall have paramount consideration in the operation of all events, and it shall be the responsibility of the O.D. to see that all reasonable precautions are taken--i.e. fire extinguishers are on hand, crowd control provided for, check-points properly located, drivers properly licensed and insured, etc.

2. Contestants

- a. Only VMSC members and invited guests may compete in events. Guests may compete for a maximum of two events per year after which they must apply for membership.
- b. For all events guest entries will be charged 1.5 (one and one-half) times the entry fee. (Charges for food, lodging, etc., excepted.)
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- d. Consumption of alcoholic beverages during an event shall be a cause for disqualification.
- e. Conviction for a moving traffic violation during an event shall be a cause for disqualification.
- f. In rallies, all cars shall contain one driver and one navigator.

 Other persons may be allowed by the O.D. Such additional persons may be a cause for additional penalty or disqualification at the discretion of the O.D. No person may compete in a rally alone.
- g. Automobiles entered in club events will not display any advertising or other writing which could be detrimental to the club or the sport; i.e., the words "racing" or "racing team." Judgment of borderline cases will be made by the O.D.

Rallies

3. Route and Instructions

- a. Detailed scoring rules shall be provided to each contestant at the start. These rules are to be established by the O.D. and are to followed without change when scoring in accordance with rule (1)(g).
- b. It is implied that contestants will stay on route until instructed to change route. No instructions will be given that do not cause a change in route unless it is clearly stated that there is no route change at that point.
- c. Changes of route will be designated as to direction: right, left, or straight. The following terms will be used:
 - 1) Turn a change in direction of roughly 90 degrees. The term turn may be understood, the instruction reading simply right or left at a certain point.
 - 2) Bear a change in direction of less than 90 degrees.
 - 3) Acute a change in direction of more than 90 degrees.
- 4) Straight a change in route without a change in direction.
 - 5) Jog a turn to the right (or left) for less than 50 feet followed by a turn to the left (or right) to continue in the same direction as before but on a different route.

- d. Location of changes in route will be clearly and definitely indicated.
- e. Rallies will be run over public roads and streets unless instructions to the contrary are given at the start.
- f. No rally shall consist of more than 10% dirt roads. The annual Pathfinder Rally is excepted from this rule.
- g. An intersection may be designated as a T if it is a point at which the route along which the rally is progressing terminates in another route which runs at approximate right angles to it. A T-shaped intersection is not a T if the route does not terminate but turns right or left. An intersection will not be designated as Y, the terms bear left or bear right being preferable.
- h. All average speeds shall be within legal limits, both maximum and minimum. Speeds shall not be so slow as to hinder the free movement of traffic.
- i. It shall be announced at the start of the rally whether time is cumulative or non-cumulative. Where time is non-cumulative each leg is separate and deficiencies in one cannot be made up in another. The use of cumulative time in events of greater than 50 miles is to be discouraged.
- j. Speed change points shall be clearly and definitely indicated.
- k. No verbal instructions are to be given except in case of an emergency.
- 1. An escape envelope containing directions to the finish and to the lunch break, if any, shall be provided.
- m. Where practicable the O.D. shall avoid routing rallies through densely populated areas.

4. Mileage

a. For all rallies in which mileage or average speeds are involved, an odometer correction point shall be given.

The distance covered will be at least ten (10) miles and shall be located at or near the start of the rally.

The route to this point shall be straightforward with no deliberately confusing instructions.

b. The odometer correction point shall be located so as to provide room for cars to pull completely off the road.

5. Checkpoints and Timing

- a. Checkpoints may be open or hidden.
 - b. No checkpoint may be located before, at, or within three (3) miles after the odometer correction point.
 - c. Open checkpoints shall be:
 - 1) Located on the right side of the road
 - 2) Plainly marked and visible to the contestant
 - Located so as to provide room for cars to pull off the road.
 - d. Official club watches shall be used for timing.
 - e. Time shall be recorded to the second. Scoring is at the discretion of the O. D.
 - f. At each open checkpoint the time shall be announced to the contestant. Whether time in is time out shall be at the discretion of the O. D. and shall be announced prior to the start.
 - g. A car shall be deemed to have arrived in a checkpoint when it passes the marking pylon or when it stops within sight of the checkpoint.

Gymkhanas

- 6. Permission, in writing, for use of the property should be in the possession of the 0. D. at the time of the event.
- 7. The course shall be laid out to insure the safety of the contestants and spectators. Crowd control shall be the responsibility of the O. D.

Protests

8. All protests shall be in writing, shall be accompanied by a \$5.00 fee, and shall be delivered to the contest board within one hour of the finish time of the protesting contestant. If the protest is honored, the fee will be returned, otherwise it will go to the club treasury.

In the absence of a member of the Contest Board, the protest may be delivered to an officer of the club, any member of the board of directors or to the officer of the day.

9. A written report by the contest board on each protest will be a part of the official results.

Points

- 10. a. Competition Points for participation in club events such as rallies, gymkhanas, field trials, concours d'elegance, etc.
 - 1) Points for finishing positions will be awarded on the following basis:

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All members entering an event and not receiving 100 or more points will receive 50 points for entering.

- 2) O. D.'s receive 600 points (fifth place points). Helpers receive 400 points (seventh place points).
- 3) In events, such as gymkhanas and field trials, where cars compete in classes, separate points are given to each class.
- 4) In all events which are divided into competitive classes, there must be a minimum of five VMSC cars entered to make that class eligible to receive points. In the event that there are fewer than five VMSC cars entered, the class, for the purpose of awarding points, will be scored together with the next most competitive class as determined by the O. D.
- 5) A car with only non-members of VMSC is omitted in the scoring of an event. However, a non-member finishing in one of the top three places receives the trophy for that place.
- 6) No VMSC member may receive more than one set of points in any given event.

- b. Attendance Points for attending meetings and the annual banquet.
 - 1) Members are awarded 50 points for each meeting attended.
- 2) Members of the Board of Directors do not receive points for attenting Board meetings.
 - c. Year-end Point Standing

To determine the year-end point standings, only three-fourths of the total number of club events are counted. For example, if the club has had 16 events, then the number counted is 12, and the highest 12 scores of each member are added together to give his competition points. If a member participated in less than three-fourths of the events, all of his competition points are counted. The attendance points are added to the competition points to determine the year-end point standing.

Changes

11. Suggested changes to these regulations shall be presented to the contest board in writing. Changes must be approved by the contest board and by the Board of Directors.

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Well, another month has come around again for your Editors; they aren't very happy; it's really a sad story so all of you can shed a tear. It was all carefully planned with a picnic lunch and a walk case of liquid refreshment that a journey would be made to Marlboro for the races. Then a thought came to us that Drivers School would be held instead, so here we are working faithfully on Checkpoints.

There is some big news for all of you Rallye experts. The club is going to replace all four watches with 12-Hour Splithand Stopwatches ("Racine") and they will be auctioned off weather permitting at the Autocross in May at Ellerson. We would like to welcome at this time a new advertiser that made all of this possible "Lundin Jewelers" (they will be willing to talk about quanity discount to anyone interested).

At the next meeting a film on the Sebring Races will be shown; and a Rallye discussion on Rules and Regulations by Bill Dixon, and a discussion on Rallye Techniques by Chuck Edwards will be presented immediately after the regular meeting.

Wiltshire Greenwood announced that the book'Rallies, Trial and Gymkhanas" can be ordered through the catalog department at Sears, also at the Cokesbury Bookstore.

Now is the time for that big request of a weeks vacation the first of December. The Nassau Tour will be held again this year for International Speed Week (we hope this is not the last time, but there is some doubt) so start saving all that green stuff; its so nice to be swimming while Richmond is having a blizzard, and just think of the shoveling you get out of.

Some very good places have been attended so far for the Social Hour, they were the Rath Cellar and the Switch Board, very excellent sleuthing.

welcome

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DEAR FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS:

It has come to my attention after two club meetings that it might be helpful if everyone knew the order of business for each club meeting. Therefore, the following program is offered as a guide and will be followed subject to particular requirements in any area:

8:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

(When the Indoor Activities Chairman has obtained a movie, the movie will be shown followed by the CALL TO ORDER.)

READING OF THE MINUTES

WELCOMING OF GUESTS

PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS

TREASURERS REPORT

OLD BUSINESS

(committee reports)

- a. Outdoor activities (Inter Club Activities)
- b. Indoor activities
- c. Nassau tour
- d. Membership
- e. Trophy
- f. Publicity and Commercial Relations
- g. Law Enforcement and Legislative
- h. Social
- i. Other comments

NEW BUSINESS

Trophy presentations
Call for new business from the floor

GUEST PROGRAMS

ADJOURNMENT

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Bill Dixon

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*Membership Application Submitted

FEBRUARY FOLLY

Ann and I arrived at the start of Bill and Lauretta Dixon's February rally with some misgivings springing from Bill's previous references to "one good gimmick". The drivers' meeting was already missed. Some of the other contestants were kind enough to give us this information, and after writing it down we looked up to find Bill explaining how to read an I.B.M. card directly from the punches. I must admit that I thought at first that we would have an advantage somewhat in error. We had not finished interpreting the unpunched cards by the end of the odometer check, and were forced to drive slowly in order to accomplish this.

Fortunately, the first checkboint was far enough away to allow everyone to get the cards read, and from then on it was an ordinary, though interesting, TSD rally. Our only problem was a little difficulty in card handling. For example, it was hard to remember whether the last card had been stored in the door pocket, the bulkhead pocket, the glove compartment, or the defroster duct. Apparently we picked the right repository often enough to arrive at the checkpoints without too much error, although I wouldn't have sworn to this at the end.

Both of us enjoyed this rally, and we feel that it, together with the January rally, has gotten 1966 off to a good start. I hope that the rest of the events this year will maintain this high standard of quality. If they do, this should be a bumper year for VMSC.

Wiltshire and Ann Greenwood

(They were driving a red Porsche)

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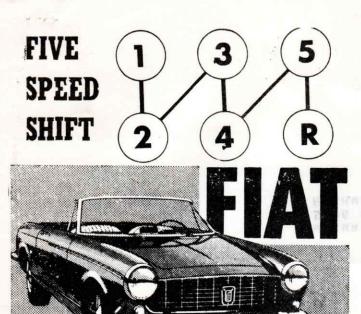


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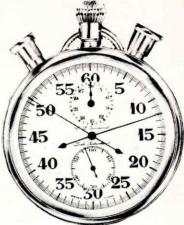
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