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FIRST RALLYE OF THE YEAR! THE "ODO" RALLYE

OD's Ed Cobb and Tom Geddy

Final Results of "Odo" Rallye

Place	Driver	Navigator
1.	Thornton	Thornton
2.	Patterson	Ward
3.	Bothwell	Bothwell
4.	Parker	Buchanan
5.	Musgrove	Marble
6.	Kessler	Wesson
7.	Hatch	Yarborough
8.	Dauns	Vaughn
9.	Fox	Jeffers
10.	Kwass	Baldwin
11.	Grimes	Brooks
12.	Wiseman	Hucher
13.	Rathgeb	Edwards
14.	Lucy	Wilson
15.	Griffin	Reed
16.	Brown	Brown
17.	Carmine	Carmine
18.	Sarvay	Johnson
19.	Stewart	Sanderson
20.	Liggan	Williamson
21.	Applewhite	Seay
22.	Wright	Wright
23.	Moore	Moore
24.	Williamson	Peivene
DNF	Whitehead	Whitehead

Note by O.D.: The first place car won the rallye with a total error of only .15 of a mile for the whole rallye.

Yes, that's right, fifteen one hundredths of one mile total error throughout the whole day! Pretty good, wouldn't you say?

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THE "ODO" RALLY

It was a beautiful, sunny day, warm and pleasant, just perfect for a rally with no average speeds to upset the navigator. The view was nice from the top of Chimborazo Hill and the word was "Go" so we went. Down and around and all through the town, on and on we went until we were surrounded by Fort Brady and a pack of little cars all trying to get their wheels lined up for the mileage check. Then the fun began. First, we ignored two holly trees which we should have admired, so back we went 2.5136 miles to do so. It was comforting to see that we weren't the only ones to do this (blue TR3 did same). After that we decided to pay attention, and stay on the straight and narrow. This led us past various battle fields and their accompanying Project 66 signs-just how many and where is somewhat debatable. There was White Oak swamp and then we entered Hanover although the sign said enter Henrico. At Cold Harbour George and Shirley lost 0.12 (how?). Finally we found the welcome finish and refreshment at Wrights.

M. L. Thornton

This seems to be Marge's page with the above and the following.

THE PINK LADIES RALLYE
OD-Marge Thornton

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

STRAIGHTFORWARD (?)
TIME DISTANCE RALLYE

LEAVING FROM STRATFORD HILLS
SHOPPING CENTER

1 P.M.
ARRIVING
? ? ?

\$1.00 PER PERSON



MAKE YOUR PLANS NOW FOR THE UP AND COMING EVENTS

- FEB. 25, : PINK LADIES' RALLYE, OD Marge Thornton. Straight forward average speed rallye, approximately 100 miles. Leaves Stratford Hills Shopping Center at 1:00 P.M.
- MAR. 18, : SPRING THAW RALLYE, OD John Musgrove. Each car will be given full size license plate with name of rallye and car number on it. More information on next page.
- APR. 19, : MOON LITE RALLYE, OD (?). There will be a full moon the 19th of April, after our meeting for that month. If you would like to OD or help on such event, please notify ED COBB. OD and other information will be given later.
- APR. 29, : VMSC BUS TRIP TO V.I.R. NATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACES in Danville, Va. OD for this event is Ken Parker. More information following. Remember, "Go by bus and dr--k with us."

OTHER CLUBS NEWS

Petersburg Motor Sport Club announced its schedule of events for the year of 1962 at a directors' meeting in January. Earl King, one of the directors, has furnished us with the clubs tentative plans and announced that all events were considered "open" and has said that they would enjoy our fellowship and competition. So, for those of us that would like more events, here goes for the Petersburg Club:

- MAR. 10, Rallye *
- APR. 29, Rallye * (This happens the same day as V.I.R.)
- MAY 20, Rallye *
- JUNE 24, Rallye *
- JULY 29, Tune up Clinic
- SEPT. 15, Rallye
- OCT. 14, Grymkhana
- NOV. 3-4, Rallye Tour *

* All rallies will originate at Rucker's Inc., Petersburg, Va., and will begin at hours to be set later, however, usually about 1:00 P.M. The fees for these various events will also vary. Information pertaining to the starting time and location for the gymkhana and other events will be published through Checkpoints.

J R M A

There has been some talk about town of a new club forming. There is, and it is James River Motoring Association. The new organization hopes to have a rallye in the near future to introduce itself. February 9th was the last meeting where the election of the officers took place. Richard Boyd, formerly president of Collegiate Sports Car Club, has been elected President; Dave Fox is the new Vice President, and Tom Jeffers is Secretary-Treasurer. For schedule of meetings and events, watch the Richmond Datebook section in the News Leader.

Petersburg Motor Sport Club
Civil War Capers Rallye

Earl King of the Petersburg club had extended earlier invitations to VMSC'ers to join them in their activities. A clear day, almost as nice as Ed Cobb's Odo Rallye, coincided with the PMSC scheduled Civil War Capers Rallye. Ed Crouch and I drove down to join the fun.

The rallye, followed by some dozen entrants varying from a Thunderbird to Ford to Comets to the regular line of sports cars, lined up 4 minutes apart and ran the on's and off's of the Battlefield route. A false checkpoint, average speed checks, shortest distance via specified locations, and some dozen or so test questions highlighted the rallye which ended at Elmo's Barbecue in Hopewell. After rallying for 2½ hours, the final results were a little surprising as we didn't know who had won the most recent Nassau Tourist Race, and had failed to answer the second question, but the final point count placed us in first place for the unusual event. A lot of credit goes to Eugene Atkinson, Lawrence Tipton, and Bob Berger, who were all Oding the event.

John Musgrove

NOTICE
MARCH MEETING

The Virginia Motor Sport Club March meeting will be held in the theater, Defense General Supply Center (usually referred to as the Bellwood Depot) at 7:30 P.M. on Thursday, the 15th of March 1962.

The Defense General Supply Center is located at Stop 24 Petersburg Pike (U.S. Route 1), approximately 5 miles south of the Richmond city limits. Entry to this "closed" Department of Defense Activity is via a main gate where each auto must be logged in with destination. The Security Force has been advised that VMSC will have the meeting here so there should not be a delay upon entrance or exit. We can park in any open parking space, and are reminded that the speed limit is 15 mph, which is rigidly enforced, and that there is plenty of room for all members (previous, current, or future) as well as guests.

John Musgrove

The enclosed application for the Spring Thaw Rallye should be completed and sent to John Musgrove as soon as possible. Remember, there are full size license plates given to all participants with the name of rallye and the car number on it.

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I guess this is John's page, but too, we'd
be glad to hear from you all.

P.S. Pertaining to the applications, if you want a particular number, send in your application early to John.

BUS TRIP TO V.I.R.

V.M.S.C. has chartered a bus to attend the S.C.C.A. National Sports Car Races at V.I.R., Danville, on Sunday, April 29, 1962. The round-trip fare will be \$4.90 per person.

A FREE BUS TRIP will be given to the winner of a drawing to be held on the bus before departure.

Bus seats may be reserved by mailing a check, or money order, made payable to V.M.S.C., to Robert R. Buchanan, 43 Malvern Avenue, Richmond 21, Virginia.

Reservations should be made immediately to assure yourself of a seat on the bus. V.M.S.C. members that have already made the necessary preparations for the trip are:

Barney Bothwell
Sam and Jackie Carmine
Ed Cobb
Kent Johnson
Madison McClintic
Carey Marble

Jim Morrissey
Kendall Parker
George Patteson
Shirley Ward
Joyce Sarvay
John and Marge Thornton

Be sure to add your name to this list by sending in your reservation.

You'll see some of the finest racing, and also some of the finest of racing machinery.



For Sale
Austin Healey Le Mans-An E-Production winner
for only \$1,395 Engine, transmission and overdrive
rebuilt. Will trade. No reasonable offer refused.
Sam Perry, Jr., 509 East Main Street, Richmond 19, Va.

P.S. Club dues should be all in now, but for those of you that haven't paid yours yet, please send \$5.00 to Mr. Porter Seay, 8221 W. Bonview Drive, Bon Air 35, Virginia

Virginia Motor Sport Club

Application for

S*P*R*I*N*G T*H*A*W R*A*L*L*Y*E

Date: March ¹⁸~~25~~, 1962

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Place: Southside Plaza at McGuire Circle

Entry Fee: \$3.00 per car

(includes auto, identification plate)

Driver's Name _____
TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

Navigator's Name _____
TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

Virginia Motor Sport Club

SPRING THAW
RALLYE

(Number)

March ¹⁸~~25~~, 1962

Applications may be submitted by mail to:

Capt John C. Musgrove

P. O. Box 7

Chester, Virginia

For further information, call ~~748-2989~~ (from Richmond, Petersburg, or Col Hts)

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