



# Checkpoints

VIRGINIA MOTOR SPORT CLUB

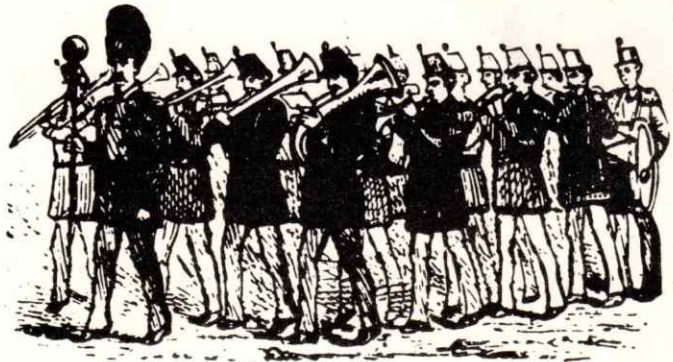
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## KICK-OFF RALLY!



To start the new year right, Milford Brinton and Leo Fallstrom will have you "RALLYING AROUND" Sunday, January 26, provided you get to the start, Southside Plaza, 12:30 p.m. All indications lead to a straight-forward, time-distance event. See you.

— Dues Are Due —

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Dear VMSC:

1964 is the thirteenth consecutive year of existence for the Virginia Motor Sport Club. Even our superstitious members should be encouraged, however, not only by the Club's longevity but also by its continued growth and success.

The past year was really one to remember: the very fine Nassau excursion; seventeen point events including rallies, field trials, and gymkhanas; Bob Tullius' enjoyable talk at the dinner meeting. 1963 had some not so happy occasions, 'though. Mac McClintic, a charter member, left the City for greener pastures as did two other members of our board of directors, Ed Inabinet and wife, Dru, and Kent Johnson.

I am looking forward to an active and interesting year for VMSC. Your officers and board of directors are determined to maintain the Club's tradition and stature in the fraternity of motor sports organizations. We will need your help and we will welcome your suggestions.

Very sincerely,  
Kendall Parker  
President VMSC



ALLEY

- Here are the people you fuss at this year:

Kendall Parker	President
Cecil Wright	Vice-President
Don Wiseman	Activities Vice-President
Bob Kwass	Treasurer
Edith Wright	Secretary
Patty Phillips	Assistant Secretary

Board members:

Ed Cobb	George Patteson
Judy Baylor	Wray Bragg
Lauretta Dixon	Jim Spivey
Bill Harding	John Ruble
Shirley Patteson	Milford Brinton

- There was a BIG reason why the folks who attended the annual banquet never were without liquid refreshment in hand. The Seaboard Railroad furnished before and after-dinner drinks, gratis. A "BIG THANKS" is in order to them "who cared enough to give the very best".

# DON'S

## "HOT LINE"...

Those of us who survived the chills of this year's Freeze Bowl and now base predictions for next year upon it all share one universal conviction; it's gonna be a helluva year. Normally this event gives an excellent preview of the new season. However, because of the cars that won and the cars that didn't show, confusion reigns in the minds of prognosticators. Some classes seem tight while others appear to be favoring one car by a little bit. The SCCA has really got some competitive classes this year and are to be congratulated.

Let's analyze the classes:

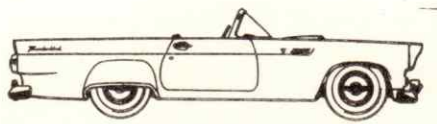
**H PRODUCTION:** As last year, the battle will be between Fiat Abarth 750's and Sprites. However, with a new option list for Fiats, the battle will not be so heavily in favor of the Sprites. It's going to be close here. So far, it's been virtually no sidwewnwxw in rhw performance of both cars. However, I've got to pick something, so this year I'll give a very slight nod to a resurgence of Italians. Odds: 50.5 to 49.5

**G PRODUCTION:** Last year it looked as though Morgan was going to walk away with it. However, the Morgan didn't compete and Pete Van Der Vate and his Sprite did with winning results. This year, Pete has a Morgan so I'll have to favor it. But watch for a close battle with the Spridgets and just-getting-started Triumph Spitfires. Odds: 5 to 4

**F PRODUCTION:** This is really a nasty one. Tullius' win in a TR3 over a good Lotus on its own favorite stamping grounds would seem to indicate a sweep. If Tullius drives one regularly, he'll win going away. However, this ride is uncertain as it was in a borrowed car and Triumph is now selling 4's. Other hot contenders will be the Lotus, especially with the little Ford engine, the Sunbeam Alpine and the Alfa. The Volvo has an outside chance if Art Riley again makes all the races. However, I believe that Tullius will not continue in a 3 and that Don Sessler will campaign his hot Sunbeam. Therefore an ~~erstwhile~~ and cringing nod to the Alpine. Odds: 10 to 9

**E PRODUCTION:** Although there are many good cars in this class, it looks like another year of Porsche domination. The only question is which driver? As this article is only about cars, I am spared at least this choice. Besides, I can't spell German last names anyway. Odds: 2 to 1

**D PRODUCTION:** Here the boys at Westport really got diabolical. When the TR4's swept E, they bumped them to D. Now that they've swept D, their bringing in the winners of last year's class C to do battle. However, the flying 4's have beaten Daimlers before and should continue to run away from them, especially on the shorter course. The big nemesis will be one certain Fiat-Abarth 1000 Twin Cam with Paul Richards up. If he makes the races and the rapid but comparatively fragile Fiat can hold up, he may pull an upset. However, the weight of numbers says no. Triumph TR4 it is. Odds: 4 to 3 (Next year maybe they'll put them against Cobras.)



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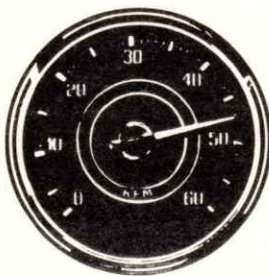
**C PRODUCTION:** Another nasty. The Lotus Super Things have the power, weight and handling to win this. However, last year they broke engines, suspensions, transmissions and everything else in or out of sight including their drivers' hearts. The Simca Abarth 1300 has the speed and agility but has anybody seen one lately? The Morgan SS is outclassed (I may be sorry I said this.). The Lotus Elan (what a beautiful package) has the qualifications of a winner but may be too new. This leaves the old reliable Porsche Carrera sitting at the top of the heap. Odds: 3 to 2.

**B PRODUCTION:** There are all kinds of cars that might win this, but only one that has just about everything going for it. The XKE in Hansgen's hands has the speed and handling but there are not enough of the really hot ones for insurance. The Sunbeam Thunderbolt is untried and I personally am dubious about the handling with all that Ford up front. The Aston Martin DB4GT Zagato might be a possibility, but they are as rare as a cannibal's steak. This leaves the old Corvettes to win with a good fight from the Jags. Odds: 5 to 4

**A PRODUCTION:** I'm afraid the swift snakes will do it again. The Sting Rays are not fast enough (when will be GS become a production reality?). The GTO Ferrarri's will outlast anything at high speeds, but most races will only be about 45 minutes to an hour long this year. Although the GTO's are rapid and mean as hell, the Cobras, with the help of the Ford's racing complex, should do it again. Odds: 4 to 3

**Footnote:** The Modifieds? Who knows? A Ford (there's that name again) juggernaut will probably win the big stuff. A Lotus 23, also with a little Ford will probably take the small ones and that's as far as I'm going in this area. So, place your bets !

DON WISEMAN



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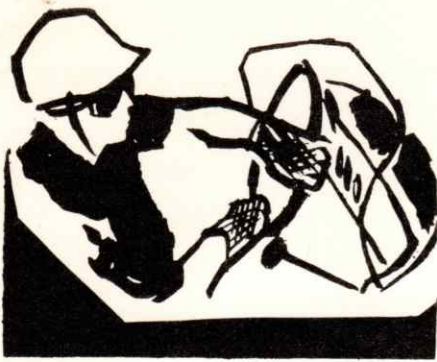
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POINT STANDINGS For 1963

1- Cobb, Edward	11100	30- Bowes, Bob	2100
2- Cobb, Joy	8800	31- Morrissey, Jim	2000
3- Ruble, John	8650	32- Dickerson, Dick	1950
4- Kwass, Bob	8350	33- Spivey, Karen	1950
5- Smith, Al	8200	34- Bernard, Bill	1850
6- Brinton, Milford	7750	35- Cavedo, Brent	1800
7- Patteson, George	7450	36- Jenkins, Marie	1750
8- Fallstrom, Leo	7100	37- Ferry, Sam	1750
9- Parker, Kendall	6950	38- Haug, Caryl	1600
10- Wright, Edith	6500	39- Inabinet, Dru	1550
11- Whitehead, Bill	6400	40- Wilson, John	1400
12- Wright, Cecil	6350	41- Thornton, John	1300
13- Seay, Porter	6050	42- Brion, Denis	1300
14- Spivey, Jim	6000	43- Whitehead, Jackie	1300
15- Wiseman, Don	5500	44- Seay, Ann	1250
16- Kessler, John	5100	45- Wiseman, Ann	1250
17- Campbell, Wayne	5050	46- Timberlake, Guy	1200
18- Patteson, Shirley	5050	47- Schubert, Pete	1150
19- Griffin, Jan	4600	48- Belcher, Doris	1150
20- Wilson, Berle	4400	49- Carmine, Sam	1100
21- Dixon, Lauretta	4150	50- Johnson, Kent	1100
22- Bragg, Wray	3900	51- Dutton, Roger	1050
23- Hickman, Kathleen	3150	52- Harding, Bill	850
24- Cavedo, Jerry	3100	53- Reed, John	850
25- Inabinet, Ed	2750	54- Bennett, David	750
26- Musgrove, John	2700	55- Buchanan, Bob	750
27- Graham, Bob	2700	56- Sarvay, Joyce	750
28- Gandy, Paul	2600	57- Applewhite, Evelyn	700
29- Hatch, Dick	2100	58- Applewhite, Harold	700

59- McClintic, Madison	700	89- Powell, Loraine	100
60- Phillips, Pattie	700	90- Powell, Wendell	100
61- Wilson, Rosalind	700	91- Remick, Ted	100
62- Perry, Barbara	650	92- Wells, Len	100
63- Crenshaw, Caroline	600	93- Wylie, John	100
64- Kessler, Suzanne	600	94- Bennett, Landrum	50
65- Ingram, Barry	550	95- Brown, Peggy	50
66- Timberlake, Beverly	550	96- Carmine, Jacqueline	50
67- Weeks, Don	550	97- Davis, Doug	50
68- Bass, Ed	500	98- Feild, George	50
69- Smith, Janet	500	99- Jarrell, Jo Ann	50
70- Baylor, Julia	400	100- Ratliff, Shelia	50
71- Fine, Allen	350	101- Welchons, David	50
72- McCray, Bob	350	102- Adamson, C. A.	0
73- Jarrell, Francis	250	103- Bothwell, Jane	0
74- Pearson, O. C.	200	104- Brown, Charles	0
75- Ryan, Louis	200	105- Davis, Mrs. A. T.	0
76- Sykes, Neal	200	106- Davis, Alton T.	0
77- Thornton, Marge	200	107- Hawthorne, E. W.	0
78- Bonavita, Fred	150	108- Irby, Ernest	0
79- Bowers, Bob	150	109- Jewett, Mathew	0
80- Larus, Charlie	150	110- O'Neill, Ed	0
81- Ratliff, James	150	111- Otis, James	0
82- Bothwell, Edgar	100	112- Pettit, Bill	0
83- Brown, Bill F.	100	113- Price, June	0
84- Cato, Bill	100	114- Smith, Tucker	0
85- Crenshaw, Joe	100	115- Williamson, David	0
86- Crumpton, Charles	100	116- Williamson, Ray	0
87- Fox, Dave	100	117- Woodley, James	0
88- Larus, Pat	100	118- Wright, Ed	0



Printed below is Paragraph 10 of VMSC's Competition Regulations relating to points which became effective January 1, 1964.

### Points

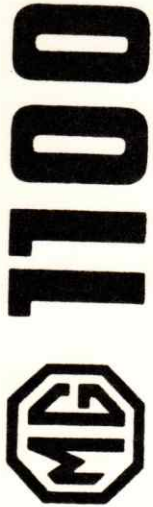
10. a. Competition Points - for participation in club events such as rallies, gymkhanas, field trials, concours d'elegance, etc.

- 1) Points for finishing positions will be awarded on the following basis:

<u>Place</u>	<u>Points</u>
1st	1000
2nd	900
3rd	800
4th	700
5th	600
6th	500
7th	400
8th	300
9th	200
10th	100

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.



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### COMING...

JANUARY	26	Rally (VMSC)
FEBRUARY	20	Regular meeting (VMSC)
	23	Ladies rally (VMSC)
MARCH	15	Rally (VMSC)
	19	Regular meeting (VMSC)
	29	Gymkhana (VMSC)

### NEW MEMBERS

- GENE ATKINSON
- IRVIN SANDERSON
- BILLY STEWART
- ALAN WALDRON

### POINTS (con't.)

- 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 attending 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.