



# FULLCHAT

emerald empire  
sports car club  
NEWSLETTER

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Next meeting: Wednesday, January 3, 1968. Banquet Room Mark's Old Mill. 8:00PM

## COMING EVENTS

- Dec. 30 OMI "Holiday" Autocross. Registration 9:00AM, FCO 10:00AM. Damascus Go-Kart Track. WOW Classes.
- Jan. 3 eesc general meeting. Banquet Room Mark's Tradin' Post in the Old Mill Shopping Center -- Springfield. 8:00PM.
- Jan. 7 BESCO "Hangover" TSD Rally. Nav. & SOP classes. Alderwood Village Shopping Center, Seattle. Registration 10:00AM, FCO 11:01AM.
- Jan. 17 eesc business meeting. 3905 Donald Street, Eugene. 8:00PM.
- Jan. 21 eesc "Hibernation Happenings" TSD Rally. (See attached flier.)
- Feb. 17 Renton Mustangers' "Olympus" Rally. Four round trip tickets to Hawaii will be awarded -- 2 in SOP, and 2 in Nav. classes. Send for info: Renton Mustangers, P.O. Box 66338, Seattle, Wash. 98166.
- Feb. 25 eesc "Icebreaker III" Autocross. (See attached flier.)

## DECEMBER MEETING

The December general meeting of the emerald empire sports car club was called to order at 8:07PM by President Tony Lum December 6. Minutes were read and approved. John Stebbins' Treasurer's Report revealed the fantastic sum of \$60.50 in our account with a \$100 insurance reserve. \$21.90 is in the club reserve, and we have approximately \$140 in outstanding bills. This seemingly gloomy condition was corrected, however, as the 1968 dues were collected at this meeting. Guests were introduced and the championship, autocross and rally standings were reported.

**OLD BUSINESS:** John Stebbins told of a new timer, the "Start-O-Matic" which the club should look into. It consists of a photocell-operated starting and stopping mechanism for a standard stopwatch. It sells for approximately \$150 without the

watch. Motion was passed to table discussion on the timing equipment. John Stebbins will head a committee which will look into all the possibilities. Tony Lum distributed a brochure on Goodyear jackets for club members to consider. Don Crouch reported that we can obtain insurance for non-race events (where only one car is on the course at a time) from NWRC for about \$21 annually. Our affiliation with ICSCC expires December 8 and will not be renewed. Name tags should be ready around the middle of January. WOW Rep. T. Long will attend the annual meeting January 6. All dates for 1968 events must be set by that meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The club elected to send a letter to the Secretary of State of Oregon expressing the club's interest in reflective license plates (?). The 1968 Concours d' Elegance will be held



July 21 or 28, 1968.

Dave Larsen from U.T.S. Company was introduced who gave a talk on Goodyear Tires.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25PM.

Guests attending the meeting were: Mr. and Mrs. Larry Oltman, Datsun; Pierre Jolley, Citroen; Floyd Raney, Mercedes; Jerry Hite, Austin Healey; Betty McFarlane, Cortina GT; Chris Zimmermen, MGB; Bill & Betty Vaughn, VW; JoAnn Gaines, MGB; Randy Jennings, Jon Joseph, MGB; Arlen Swearingen, MGB-GT; Marty Holmes, Porsche.

#### NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members to eescc during the month of December. Add their names to your list.

Betty McFarlane  
870 W. 20th,  
Eugene.  
343-7358  
Cortina GT.

Bill and Betty Vaughn  
177 S. 10th Place,  
Springfield  
746-0522  
VW

Pierre Jolley (Associate)  
2590 Cal Young Road  
Eugene  
345-0474  
Citroen

#### FOR SALE

1959 Mk I Sprite New engine, lightened and balanced. \$500 Call Lauren Sargent at 344-8427 after 6:00PM.

Darrington steering wheel for MGB -- new. Contact Shelby Newman at 1860 Alder, #4.

Unless this editor is mistaken, the Vomund MGB is still for sale for the paltry sum of \$1450. This is a 1963 model with factory chrome wires, Goodyear Blue Streaks, and a Darrington wood wheel. Contact Marty Vomund at 343-6485, or see the car at 1570 Prospect Drive, Eugene.

#### CROSS CURRENTS

Eight of us made it to SSCC's autocross at Grants Pass on November 19th. Billy G. did a 1st in D Prod with his Antique Healey; Bill Friday drove his MGA to 3rd in F Prod (also running in F Prod but not placing were Ron Dunlop and Bob Anderson --- both in Sunbeam Alpines); Ron Green placed his new Alpha Super TI 4th in Sedan II; Sharon LaFollette and Betty McFarlane placed 1st and 3rd in Women's I --- Sharon in her Sunbeam and Betty in her Cortina; and I received a 5th in Sedan III with the beetle.

Funny thing about that beetle, though. It blew up on the way home -- too much improvement, I guess. After a make-shift 150-mile tow behind Billy G's Healey and a hasty pulldown, the cause was found to be a sheared rod cap bolt. But the beetle will return: I hope to make it to the first WOW Championship Autocross in January.

Here and there we learned the real reason why the topless go-go dancer discovered by John Stebbins didn't dance at our Christmas Party: nobody could find a recording of "Jingle Bells Rock" by M. Previx and the Four Speeds. Marty Vomund's beautiful, fast MGB is for sale. Rod Moorehead has a full synchro tranny in his VW: "the better to autocross with, my dear." Jim Edgar has 11 Crosley engines! Those three great skiers, Ron and Nancy Green and John Stebbins, are not trying out for the Winter Olympics -- they are still trying to get to Hoodoo Bowl. And thank you Tom and Bettie Lichty for a very nice Christmas party.

There will be a WOW meeting in less than 2 weeks: I am open for date and class suggestions.

T.S. Long, WOW Rep.

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

"Hibernation Happenings", our first major event of this year, is progressing well. The rally co-chairmen will give their report to the members attending the general meeting in January. The support of all members is necessary to make this event a total success.



The Concours d' Elegance will be held on July 21, 1968 at the Village Green. The principle sponsor of this year's event will be OMSI. Their full support was assured at the last meeting of the Concours Committee. All information concerning eescc's part in this coming event will be revealed at our next social meeting.

Ron & Nancy Green will be moving to Denver Colorado, where Ron will be attending the National Cash Register school. The Greens will be making their home in Denver until September. Good luck to both of you (or the three of you, as the case may be -- ed.)

Tony Lum, President

#### A VISIT TO eescc's ANALYST

"Well, Doctor, I'm really not too sure of exactly how to explain it. I suppose if I could just lay down on your couch here, and have a cigarette....

"It all began Saturday. Saturday December 16. I was told to report to the west SEHS parking lot for a warm-up rally at 10:00 that morning, but no one was there until 10:10. At 10:30 they told me all of the speeds for the rally had been cancelled because of ice on the highway, and that we were to proceed at our own speeds following the rally instructions. Right then and there I knew it was going to be one of those affairs.

"At the rally finish they made me blow up one of those balloons -- for the breath analyzer, they said. I had only had a quart or 2 during the rally, Doctor -- nothing really serious. Then there was this keg of beer.  $15\frac{1}{2}$  gallons of beer. You had to work this little pump to get it to pour -- just like back on the farm. And there was snow. And the river. Always rumbling and rushing just outside of the cabin door -- the river.

"But the going didn't really get rough until evening, when they brought out all of that stew. Gallons of gallons of stew. And potato salad. And rolls. And beer. All the time, beer. More and more members kept coming. More and more beer kept flowing. Twenty-nine members and  $15\frac{1}{2}$  gallons of beer -- and the women weren't really drinking!

"To award the coveted eescc Post Meeting Events Trophy -- you'll remember that the rally wasn't timed -- they had to have a gala Twister contest. You know, Twister: that game with all the little circles where you do everything but assault each other. With Championship and Consolation brackets, and judges, and referees, and flashbulbs, and....

"And then it happened. We had all settled down with our last glass of brew for the evening, all curled up in our sleeping bags in front of the fireplace with our favorite pillows when they came back from the Cougar Room with Lolita! Can you imagine, here we are all asleep, when in walks Lolita, the topless go-go dancer from the Cougar Room! And man, what bad words were muttered by half-conscious bodies scattered throughout the room.

"But that's the problem, Doctor. We didn't dance, or raise hell, or even get out of our sleeping bags, some of us -- we just talked to her. Talked. A topless go-go dancer, and we talked to her.

"Until 5:00AM.

"And then she went back home, and we went back to sleep.

"Is there any hope, Doctor?"

(ed. note: Winners of the Championship Twister contest were Chuck and Sandy Cutting displaying an amazing amount of manual dexterity and balance. They were awarded the coveted eescc Post-Meeting Events Trophy and a Matchbox mini-car. Winners of the Consolation bracket and the beautiful second-place mini-car were Max and Shirley Brown. Special thanks goes to Nancy Wood, who was the only member sober enough to correctly compile and maintain the complicated bracket scoring system.)

Don't miss the next eescc social event; it may even be bigger and better than the last.

ICEBREAKER IS COMING!!



## RED LINES AT 11:45PM??

(ed. note: the following is the first of four installments of the autobiographical history of the Orange Crate -- sometimes referred to as the Denbeigh of the emerald ampire. We suggest that you file this issue after you have read it, for referance.)

"I began in pieces that were truly cosmopolitan, and was assembled by a guy immersed in the abyss of a mechanical nightmare.

"My composition, which is far from asthetic, includes a much too rusty Model T frame, a Nash Metropolitan 1478 cc engine, a transmission of questionable origin, 2 gallons of international bridge primer orange rescued from the city dump, a VW front end, 3 Dunlop and one Pirelli tire, one Schwimm bike horn, and a Timex alarm clock mounted on my dash which simulates a tach and red lines at 11:45PM."

(Next month -- the Orange Crate takes the flag at Delta Park.)

## FOR SUPERVOLKSWAGENS ONLY!

The post-meeting entertainment for the January meeting will be of special interest to Porsche lovers. Chuck Merrill of Pape-Cross has arranged for Rudi Spielburger, the Porsche Factory Representative from Porsche Car Northwest, Beaverton, to bring movies of Sebring 1962 and the Porsche factory in Stuttgart. Following the movies Mr. Spielburger will be open to questions regarding Porsches. All are invited to attend, as usual, and Porsche lovers in particular.

Erskine Wood

## THE BEST LAID PLANS OF MICE AND MEN...

...and so went essee's tour to WMC's "Xmas Xcuse" rally. Blurry-eyed and nine-tenths asleep, we met Pat and Don Crouch and two of our friends for breakfast at the Country Squire. Evidently we didn't have enough coffee and/or time to wake up, for upon arriving at the first Salem exit, we didn't. This wasn't too bad, as we didn't know which one we were supposed to have used anyhow. --Such was the beginning of our day.

After finally reaching the fairgrounds, we joined slightly over 50 other cars and 100 shivering people -- all ready for a chance at first place.

Everything went along pretty well until we reached leg 3. Looking back on it now, I wonder why we didn't just give up then. Leg 3 began by us getting lost, really lost! At least we were lost legitimately due to an instruction with two possible interpretations -- if that's any consolation. Fortunately we had a lunch stop that we could cut short and make up our lost time.

On the last leg Don, Pat, Erskine and I all found ourselves in the same predicament: a road south of Salem with no place to go (or at least no instructions to get us there). Six other cars managed to join us before we found our way out.

All in all, it was a good rally -- we just can't interpret instructions in the same language as WMC writes them. In any event, we will be ready to go come time for the next rally.

Nancy Wood

(ed. note: late results find the Crouch's occupying 11th in class and 17th overall, with the Woods about 60 points behind and 14th in class.)

## GOODYEAR TIRES, ANYONE?

Our post-meeting activity at the last general meeting was an informative lecture. Dave Larsen, Goodyear's racing tire representative in our area, brought with him a dozen or so tires. The samples ranged from ordinary street tires to full race. Each tire was given a compound, tread design, usage, and practicality breakdown by Mr. Larsen. After his talk an informal question and answer session was held.

Any club member may purchase the tires displayed at the meeting at the University Tire Service. For information, contact:

Dave Larsen  
1651 E. 25th Avenue  
Eugene  
344-8978



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# FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>



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REGISTRATION DAWN - DUSK • TROPHIES THREE DEEP IN CLASS  
DASH PLAQUES • WOVEN CLASSES



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# HIBERNATION HAPPENING



JANUARY 21<sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY  
REGISTRATION... 11 AM.  
FIRST GEAR OUT... 12:00 P.M.  
START AT 10 AM  
MAYBE

ACROSS FROM THE T-BIRD MOTEL - EUGENE  
BEGINNERS - SOP - CLASSES \$2 REG. FEE

3 OR MORE TROPHIES EACH \* DASHPLAQUES

