

Saginaw Valley Region Sports Car Club of America

The CheckPoint

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Times Gone By by Tom Hudak

60 Years Ago

May, 1959

Bill Main, (Check Point Editor) reported that out of 60 SVSCC members, thirteen had pre-registered for the next club rally on May 23, to be put on by Dave Thayer & George Austin. There were several new "arrivals" in the club; the John Barbers had a new baby daughter; Dave Thayer got a new VW; George & Florence Austin got a new Karmann Ghia; and Tom Richards got a new red MGA! Tom O'Riley was surprised & delighted when he got home from work to find some of his SVSCC friends tearing down his front porch in preparation for his birthday party. They couldn't get one of his gifts through the front door!

Dave McMath & his sister Mary were driving her MG down a back road when she exclaimed, "put the top up, put the top up, it is starting to rain"! Dave explained, "That's not rain dear sister, we just went under a horse."

50 Years Ago

May, 1969

May 10-11. The April Fool's Rally was won by Dave Flucke & Barb Paget with only 23 pts., Al & Marge Quick of Midland were 2nd with 46 pts. Twenty-four cars were entered. Dave Bocker replaced Tom Hudak on the SVR Board, as Tom had moved to Galesburg, to work for Wickes Lumber in Portage, MI. Bob Hourihan of the Ralligators Club in Detroit, inquired with Harold Nadler about recruiting workers for the June 14-15 Moonlite Monte Rally. The event was to start from the Public Rest Rooms in Clare....of all places! The event would be 450 miles long with 3 or 4 special stages. Jim Miller was selling his 1967 Camaro SS 350. At the request of L.Lopatin, SVR was getting ready to work the

first Pro Event, the TRANS-AM race at MIS on May 10-11.

40 Years Ago

May, 1979

Sue Sanderson (Rueter) was recovering from back surgery. Curt Spicer was doing well, even though he had one leg in a cast and a neck brace. Allison had two broken legs, but had now gone home to her grandparents. The June General Meeting Program was a wine Tasting Party at the Das Michigan Haus, sponsored by Rick Grzesiak of the McClean Wine Co. The April Fools Rally had 18 entries and was won by Gary Hays & Dave Stone in their Datsun 510. In the Racer's Edge column by Wayne Grubaugh, Bill Schmitt was the senior racer of the club. Bill had started racing a Mini Cooper & got hooked when he won the first two races. Don Christiansen had started racing his new Caldwell D-13 in 1970. Bill Holler of Midland was racing a Lynx B in Formula V. And Wayne Grubaugh had purchased the Gary Vaughn Formula V 3 years ago, but was only now beginning to race it. Rick Misek was also just beginning to race his Lola T0440 Formula Ford.

30 Years Ago

April-May, 1989

Participation in Ice Runs was so good this year that a sixth date was added. When all was completed, Ice Runs contributed \$800.00 to the Club Treasury. Advertisers in the Checkpoint were: Rallye Import Automotive, Westbay Honda, Tuffy Muffler & Mid-Pointe Motors, Inc. Pictured in the Checkpoint at Ice Runs were: Tom Parker in a Suburban; Gail Hoult, Chevy Citation; Paul Truess, RX7; Evan Beach, Escort; Tom Smith, Toyota & Mike Kocks in a Grand Am rental car! George Austin died on Feb. 1, 1999. George was an original member of the Saginaw Valley Sports Car Club, from the late '50's. The

names of George & Florence Austin were synonymous with "volunteer effort".

20 Years Ago

May, 1999

This issue of the Checkpoint was printed a little early, as Eric Haiss (RE) and Lisa Britton (Checkpoint editor) were getting married shortly in San Juan! Curt & Lisa McGill had a new baby girl, Kaitlynn Ann on April 15th. The SVR Member Profile was on Mark Patterson of Caro, MI. Mark was racing a '95 Dodge Neon in Solo II. The Solo Report, by Jeff Grabowski, provided much information about upcoming events at Port Huron, Delphi, the Great Lakes Tech Centre and Barstow Airport. The May 2nd Delphi event was planned by Raleigh Boreen to run two cars at a time on different courses. A real exercise for the new timer. The Port Huron event was planned by Ken Barker, at the Outlet Mall.

10 Years Ago

May, 2009

R.E. Bob Olson invited all solo entrants to utilize www.MyAutoEvents.com to do registration. By using MAE, it streamlined registration for the registrar. Detroit Region & SVR were co-sponsoring a RallyCross on May 9th at the Mt. Pleasant Speedway. SVR was looking for a new treasurer as Chris Pruett was stepping down. Bob was also promoting SCCA membership renewal via on-line...it would save you \$15.00!

Dave Feighner & Tom Hudak planned a tour of Slim's Body Works, Freeland, MI on May 16th. Slim's is a very high end, custom auto body shop. Sean Tate & the SVR Board were working with WMR to do a solo event at MSU. Gary Barber and Dave Feighner were to visit the Mt. Pleasant Speedway with Detroit Region members to meet the owners of the site. Bob Olson inquired with the Board if the treasury

books needed to be audited this year. The previous audit was done when Steve Munsell transferred the check book to Chris Pruett. For Sale is this issue was the 1994 Mazda RX-7 twin turbo of Bruce Richards.

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