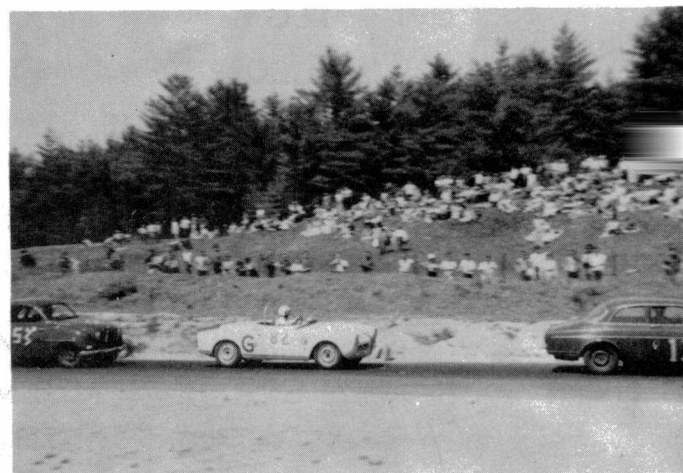




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MOHAWK-HUDSON REGION MEETINGS

Regular meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at the Circle Inn, south of Route #7 intersection on US #9, Latham, New York. Information regarding the Region and its activities can be obtained from any of the club officers.

SCCA MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the SCCA is open to all persons of good character who are sympathetic to the purpose of SCCA. The procedure for joining is as follows:

1. Obtain an official application form from any of the club officers.
2. Fill in the blanks and present it to the club officers with remittance for one year's National dues, \$10 in addition to \$3.50 for Sports Car Magazine and one year's Regional dues, \$3.50 - Total dues, \$17.00

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REports

Each member of the Mohawk-Hudson Region received a letter before the January meeting asking that he or she attend that meeting. There was a good reason for requesting your attendance and we were happy to see that 38 of our members arrived. While this is far from perfect attendance, it was gratifying to see some people we hadn't seen for many months. In fact, one member and his wife made a 210-mile round trip from their new home to be with us (does that shame some of you who live only five minutes away and didn't meet with us?).

We would like to inform those members unable to attend that we have a comprehensive schedule of events for 1963 all set up and during the meeting, volunteers accepted the job of putting these events into being. The events are listed elsewhere in this issue....mark the dates on your calendar....if you want to wear the badge of SCCA on your car and jacket, we have a right to expect your support. We are sure you will agree. The important thing about the events for 1963 is the fact that the majority of them will be put on by members who haven't done so in the past. This will be done with the help of people who have had more experience but it also means that there will be fresh new ideas and more fun for everyone. Just how much fun you derive from Mohawk-Hudson in 1963 is up to you. For the past two or three years we have averaged four events per year with an average of eight Region members participating. This would lead one to believe that you don't "enjoy motoring as a sport" and makes us wonder just why you belong. The members at the meeting were asked how many events they wanted a year and the answers ranged from seven to ten. This doesn't seem to go along with the results we have had in the past. Could the answer be YOU?

Lonnie Granito explained an idea he has for a Driver's Clinic and volunteered to put on a non-competitive, no-point event during the year. The basic thought is to attract the owners of sports and compact cars who are not affiliated with any club and show them how they can become better drivers and fully enjoy their cars. A motion was made, seconded and passed that the Region sponsor such an event. You will be hearing more about this and if it is to be successful, it will require your help...to publicize

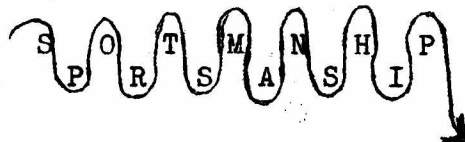
it....to work on it with Lonnie. It will be fun and could well mean that Mohawk-Hudson will increase it's membership if YOU will give Lonnie the help he must have.

Your new R.E. (who was elected by a total voting membership of 64 out of over 100?) has a peculiar idea that his most important job is to carry out the wishes of the membership. That isn't exactly what our Constitution states but in the final analysis, this is a social club not a business venture and therefore should be run as such. If you make your desires known and can get the majority of the members to agree with your thinking, then you will see your wishes carried out. Of course, if you don't come to meetings or events then your club will be run to suit those members who do.

The Region now has a Program Chairman whose sole job is to provide entertainment for each meeting. I can tell you now that we have some motion pictures of a Canadian Winter Rally for the February Meeting... be sure and see them, you may see a couple of our members making like they were on an ice gymkhana.

The Wednesday following the regular monthly meeting is devoted to an Executive Meeting at the Circle Inn. If you have something you wish to discuss with your Executive Committee but feel it might take too much time at a regular monthly meeting why not come and tell us about it. Any member is welcome at any Exec. Meeting for any purpose (Help or h1).

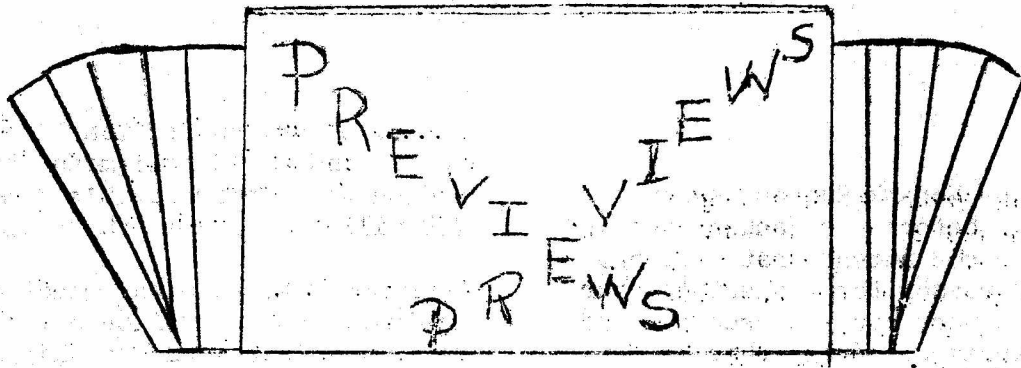
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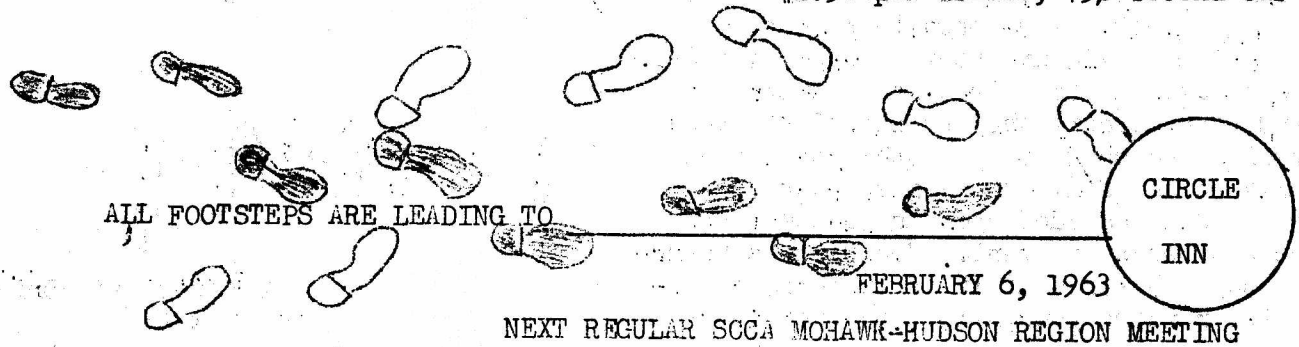


<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>CHAIRMAN</u>
February 10	Ice Folly Gymkhana - Crooked Lake Registration: 12:00 Start: 1:00 p.m.	Dave Gaul
March 31*	Hare & Hounds Rally	Hanns Flebbe
June 7, 8 & 9	Top of World Rally - Lake George	Neil Morris
August 4	Friendship CAR khana - Delmar	Dick Leonard
October 20	Shopping Center Gymkhana	Art Frederick
November 24	Fun Rally	Dolores Granito
December 4	Annual Dinner Meeting	

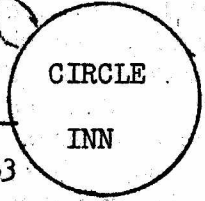
*All dates on this calendar excet February 10 are tentative until approved by Membership.

OTHER AREA EVENTS

February 3 Empire Motor Sports Club Ice Gymkhana
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FUNS THE WORD!

by Mac McClumpha

One of the main reasons for owning and operating a sports or sports type car is that it is conducive to fun. This enjoyment can come from a number of sources: driving the machine on rallyes; on hare and hounds; in gymkhanas, and even back and forth to work. Maintaining your rolling stock in good mechanical and physical condition can be a pleasurable and profitable pastime. If you are so inclined, racing in the various S.C.C.A. events is fun.

The gymkhanas and rallyes planned for this year by M-H Region promise to be in the fun category. The Rallye and Gymkhana Masters and their aides plan and conduct their events with the safety and enjoyment of the participants in mind.

Above all, don't loose your sense of humor. When your navigator blasts your head off as you overshoot a right hand turn during a rallye, smile and make a clever remark. When he slyly mentions, time after time, that you're driving too fast or too slow, or not holding the car steady while he is calculating your time or speed, smile and say something funny. When he finally says that you, the driver, were responsible for not winning the rallye, blast his head off and check his sense of humor.

MINUTES * BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING *
CIRCLE INN * DECEMBER 19, 1962

R.E. Ray Gaul appointed Dick Leonard as Activities Director.

Sharon Leonard was appointed Editor of The Knock Off.

Art Frederick was appointed Program Chairman and Mac McClumpha was appointed Flag and Communications Chairman.

R.E. read a letter from the Top of the World at Lake George stating that June 7, 8 & 9 would be fine for a week-end rallye. The rallye was discussed at great length.

The following dates were discussed for events in 1963:

- February 10 - Gymkhana
- March 31 - Hare and Hounds
- June 7, 8 & 9 - Week-end Rallye
- August 4 - Friendship Gymkhana
- October 20 - Gymkhana
- November 24 - Fun Rallye

Respectfully submitted,

Mac McClumpha
Ass't. R. E.

REGULAR MEETING * CIRCLE INN * JANUARY 2 *

Trophies for outgoing officers awarded.

Committees appointed for year:

- Membership Committee - Bernie Burns
- INEC Representatives - Mr. & Mrs. Granito
Clif Thorne
- Publicity - Bill Kane
- Advertising Manager - Chuck Schongar
- Knock-Off Editor - Sharon Leonard
- Program Director - Art Frederick

Activities report was given by Dick Leonard. Tentative schedule for 1963 was announced.

Motion made and approved that Mohawk-Hudson Reg. hold a Driver's Clinic with Lonnie Granito as Chairman of the event.

It was announced that all Mohawk-Hudson Reg. Competition Drivers will be polled concerning car emblems.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sondra Jacobson
Secretary

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Board of Directors Meeting * Circle Inn *

January 8, 1963

RULES TO REMEMBER!!!!!!

Discussion of advertising material to be displayed in area to advise sport car owners of SCCA in this area. Ways of getting new and active members to join SCCA were also discussed and mailing lists will now be kept on guests coming to meetings, so that guests may receive the KNOCK-OFF and an application to apply for membership.

Budget for coming year must be submitted by February meeting, undertaken by Courtney Wright - Treasurer, Carol McMillan and R.E. Ray Gaul.

Decided that R.E. should write Chicago for drawing of emblem so that further plans may be made.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

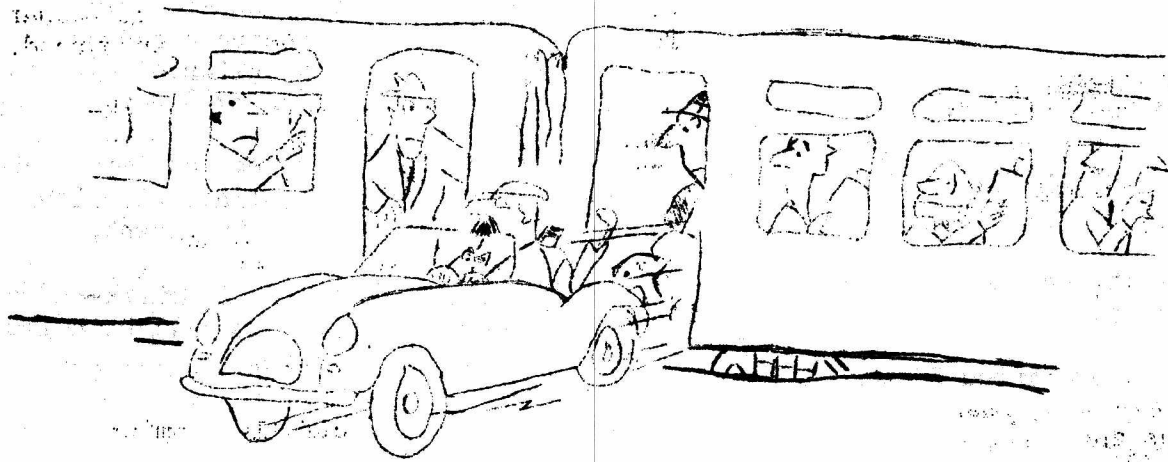
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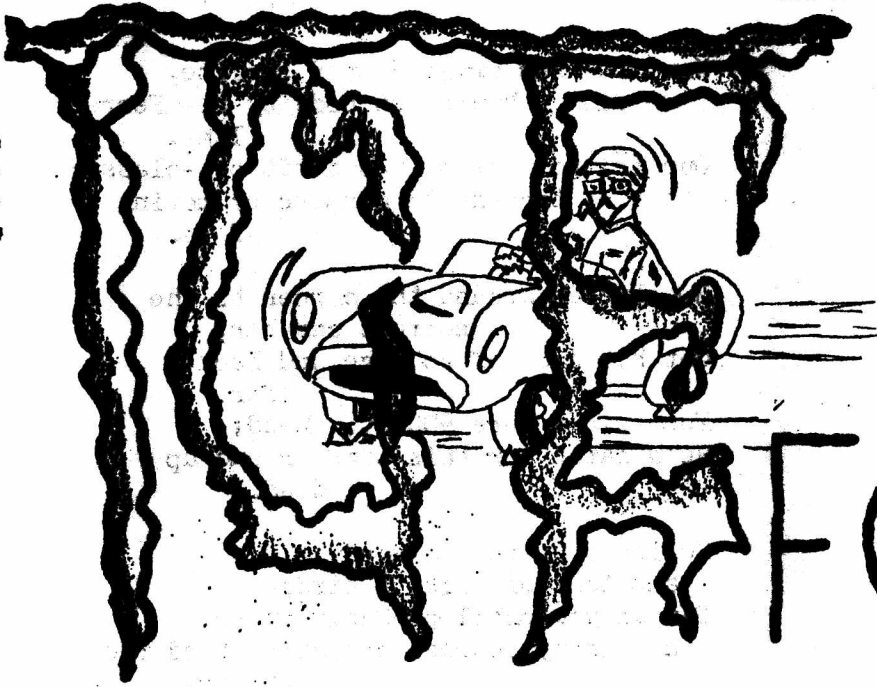
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FEBRUARY 10, 1963

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Mac McClumpha

THE BALLAD OF THE USED-TO-BE SPORTY CAR

There once was a little sporty car that cot all shined up and looked like a star. Twas Saturday night and so you see this sporty car was filled with glee. He tied his bow fender with utmost care and sped on to celebrate he know not where. He came to a corner and stopped to sich, for he saw a peach called Mona Guy.

Now Mona was dressed ever so fine, wearing a brand new body by the Ferrari line.

Our friend knew he was a bit out-classed, but he thought to conquer by moving up fast.

He slipped around the corner to the nearest car bar, Got his shot of courage and looked afar.

Mona was a mere 500 ft. ahead; He'd catch her this time or end up dead.

He lived up to his word and took off like a bird; But as you shall probably guess, his phony courage couldn't stand the stress.

Our story, I'm afraid, must end right here, for at 95 our friend was too high to steer. The moral of this rhyme we must impart and hope hou take it right to heart -

Alcohol and gas just don't mix Even when you're after a few oite. tricks.

NOTE

WOULD ALL MEMBERS AND OTHER CLUBS RECEIVING THIS NEWSLETTER PLEASE KEEP OUR ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR POSTED OF THEIR UP-COMING EVENTS SO THAT HE MAY ANNOUNCE THEM AT OUR MEETINGS. THANK YOU!

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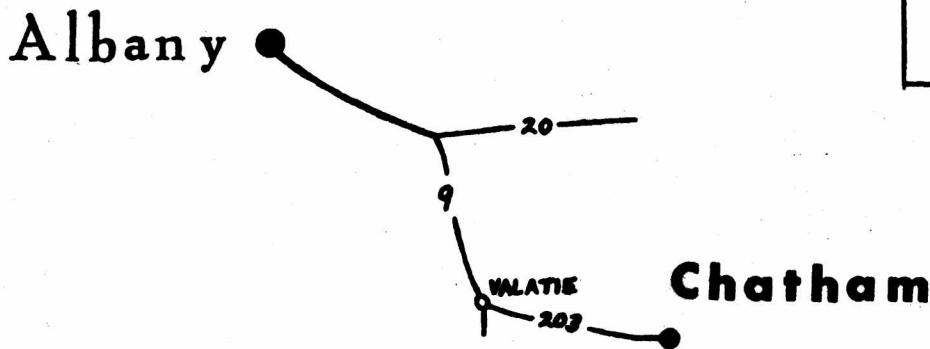
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