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1979

President's Message

As most of you already know my favorite Porsche Club activity is sprinting. I have been doing it for about eight years and I am still not a strong contender. I am rather mediocre in quickness and consistency. Still it is one hell of a good time. I still try my best to win.

As I look at the three major sprinting events of the year I am somewhat puzzled at the varience in our club's performances. Very few of our sprinters are eligible for championship standings in the DVSA series. The same was true of the tri-regional series. Therefore our club is not well represented in the winners circles. Conversely our region did well at the Chesapeake Challenge sprint. It appears that our problem is one of participation not one of performance.

This conclusion forces me to reflect on my two years as president of Riesentoter Region and think of the small portion of our membership that has enjoyed the other events sponsored by the club. Again it is not that the events were unenjoyable but few participated.

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clusion of this message should be. I will leave it to you to decide.

By the way, I have a beautiful '73 911S Targa for sale. The car is well equipped and is in almost perfect condition. This is not a forced sale. The price; \$14,500.

Special Notice

The Nominating Committee is soon to deliberate over what slate of nominees for offices it will present to the Membership for the general election to be held in October.

Mr. F. Nicholas Imperato, owing to his status as Most Recent and Living Past President, would be pleased to receive your suggestions of (or commitments to volunteer yourself as) Club officer candidate(s).

From your responses, and based upon knowledge peculiar to the Nominating Committee, that Committee will at the September 27 meeting of the Membership present its slate for the 1979 elected positions.

Additional nominations from the Membership after that time must be received by Mr. Imperato prior to the October 25 meeting of the Membership, at which time the election of 1979 officers will take place.

Don't be shy! Do something about your (and the Club's) future.

Meeting Notice

The September meeting of Riesentoter Region, PCA will be held at 8:30 p.m. at the Springfield Hotel, Flourtown. It's on the east side of Bethlehem Pike, 2 miles north of route 422 (just north of the railroad tracks), with plenty of parking in the shopping center just north of the Hotel on the same side of the street.

After presentation of the slate of officers for the 1979 election, to be held at the October meeting, a slide presentation will be offered. This is the time to get your name onto the roster for the 1979 election.

For some months the duties and tasks of putting out <u>Der Gasser</u> have been under scrutiny. With enough work to keep several people busy, the need for reorganization has been recognized.

Cornered at a recent PCA meeting John English, Editor of <u>Der Gasser</u>, revealed his plan. Two members, John Heckman and Jim Brody, have agreed to provide staff assistance. Unfortunate it was, said English, that neither volunteered for the Editor slot. "Even though the job will be easier now, I think <u>Der Gasser</u> should have a new Editor for 1979—two years is long enough."

English explained that he has divided <u>Der Gasser</u> duties into three relatively logical groups: copy, circulation, and editorial.

Jim Brody will be the new Copy Manager responsible primarily for, strangely enough, preparation of the material (copy) to be printed. He will solicit articles from members, edit & prepare the copy suitable for publication, and determine layout instructions for the printer.

John Heckman will be the new Circulation Manager, responsible for mailing mechanics, advertising accounts, and general accounting.

The Editor continues to have overall responsibility for the publication, working closely with the Managers to produce <u>Der Gasser</u> on schedule and to maintain consistently high standards.

All three positions will be responsible for producing articles of interest to the membership, either by solicitation from officers and members or by writing them from scratch.

Asked about the Editor's position, English asserted that it is time for new blood, and that he's noticed a decline in his enthusiasm and a staleness of ideas lately. "One tends to get comfortable in such a position, and it becomes 'just a job,' then just distress in the lower tract. I don't believe that last stage has been reach-

ed yet, but it might have by now except for the substantial relief offered by Jim and John."

English said he hopes someone will agree to assume the Editor's position in time for consideration at the Oct-ober election, both for his sake and Der Gasser's.

HELPFUL HARRASSMENT

Some of you may remember that, at a recent Riesentoter meeting, Dick and Connie Sweigart were asking members to sign a petition urging changes in proposed legislation which could materially effect hillclimbing (present wording would in essence make use of all (any) public highways illegal for purposes of any form of racing, even controlled events such as those sponsored by PHA).

As a result of our interest and harrassment in the form of the petition requesting a rational approach to highway safety, Dick and Connie have received word from State Senator Edward L. Howard that the language in Section 3367 of House Bill 1171 is presently being worked on, and that if the bill is reported out of the Transportation Committee before the ent of this legislative Session, amendments are intended.

While not to diminish the efforts of PCA at the national level through Bob Rassa and others, it appears that we should make certain that those at the local level who are in a position to control the fate of competitive driving, such as our friendly State politicians, should be directly confronted by local Club members when existing or pending legislation is irrational. It seems that they do listen to reason.

Thanks, Dick and Connie; thanks, Senator Howard.

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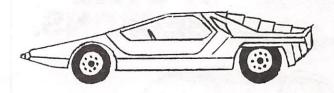
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Alchtung!

DVSA/VFMC championship event Sep 24 at Montco.

Sep 27 Meeting at Springfield Hotel Oct 6 Executive Committee Meeting

Der Gasser deadline Oct

Oct 15 DVSA/SCCA at Montco.

Oct 22 DVSA/OYRSCC

Meeting at Springfield Hotel-Oct 25 annual election of officers

Oct 29 DVSA/VFMC championship event at Montco.

Executive Committee Meeting Nov 3

Der Gasser deadline Nov 10

Nov 29 remember: no meeting!

Dec 2 ANNUAL BANQUET Der Gasser deadline Dec 8

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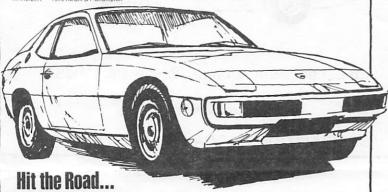
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JOE BICKEL

Competition

PRELIMINARY RESULTS OF TRI-REGIONAL

Results of the individual sprints will be published in the next issue. Since the deadline for <u>Der Gasser</u> was the day after the last of the Tri-Regional events, we can only give you the <u>overall</u> standings at this time.

Class Place

Α	2	Bob Russo
C	5	Don Applestein
D	2	Bob Holland
F	2	Joe Shelanski
\mathbf{F}	3	Bob Koerbel
G	1	Ted Sechowicz*
I	1	Skip Chalfont (tied)
I	2	Paul Walsack
I	3	Bill Smith (tied)
\mathtt{BL}	2	Maria Holland
\mathtt{BL}	3	Linda Applestein
\mathtt{DL}	3	Judy Smith

PAUL WALSACK

Don't blame DVSA, either, if you aren't eligible for a trophy this year. As Ted Sechowicz told us at the last meeting, plenty of championship events were scheduled this season, and you just need to have run in <u>five</u> of them to qualify for a season trophy.

The following have still got a chance to do so if they get out to one or both the remaining DVSA champion—ship events which are scheduled for September 24 (Montco) and October 29 (Montco):

Bob Ahrens (has run 4 events)
John Chatley (has run 4)
Joe Shelanski (has run 4)
Don Reinhard (has run 3)

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