

# "Mayday"

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### M.E.T.A.'s ELECTIONS

The nominating committee consisting of Robin Jackson, Mike Holloway, Jim Sheldon and Ron Snook, are to be congratulated for a job well done. October's M.E.T.A. meeting held its election of officers for the 1978-79 year. The new slate of officers are:

President: Robin Jackson  
Vice-President: Jim Sheldon  
Secretary-Treasurer: Beverly Crump

Congratulations and good luck for the forthcoming year. Thanks to our newest Member Marion Cockroft for taking the minutes of the elections.

Bev. Crump

EXECUTIVE  
CENTRE



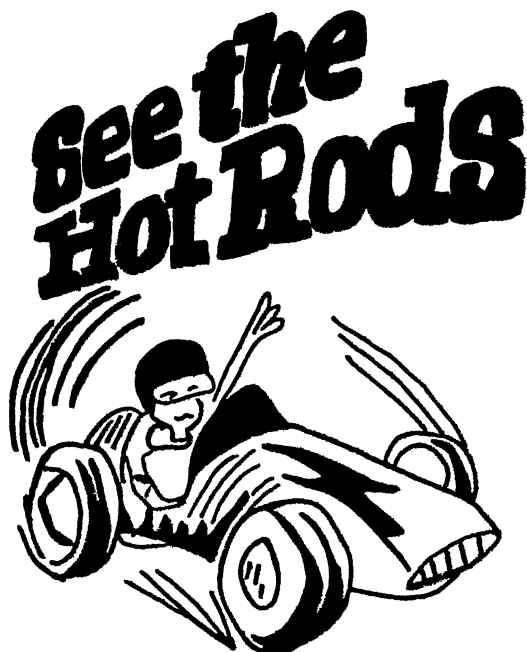
### SEVERAL RACES HELD IN RECENT WEEKS

Of the numerous different races attended by Club members during recent weeks, one of the more interesting was an Off Road race held near Yakima, Washington, where a bus load of workers went down to 108 degree temperatures, dust and lots of beer!! There were 38 starters and only 8 finishers on the punishing track.

One thing that greatly amused M.E.T.A. members was the reaction of drivers to the flags on a warning yellow, the drivers would practically stop while a blue flag would send them scooting off into the bush, just to get out of the way. Letters from both Seattle and Portland have expressed their gratitude for the large number of Westwood workers who have travelled south to help man the track for a number of races.

Unfortunately the Vintage Car Race weekend had to be cancelled to the hot weather fire hazard, but the Honda race went off with \$1,200.00 going to the winner. but even then the race almost didn't start due to some safety problems resulting in a rule being laid out to the effect that any body contact between cars would result in both cars being in for inspection.

— JOE —

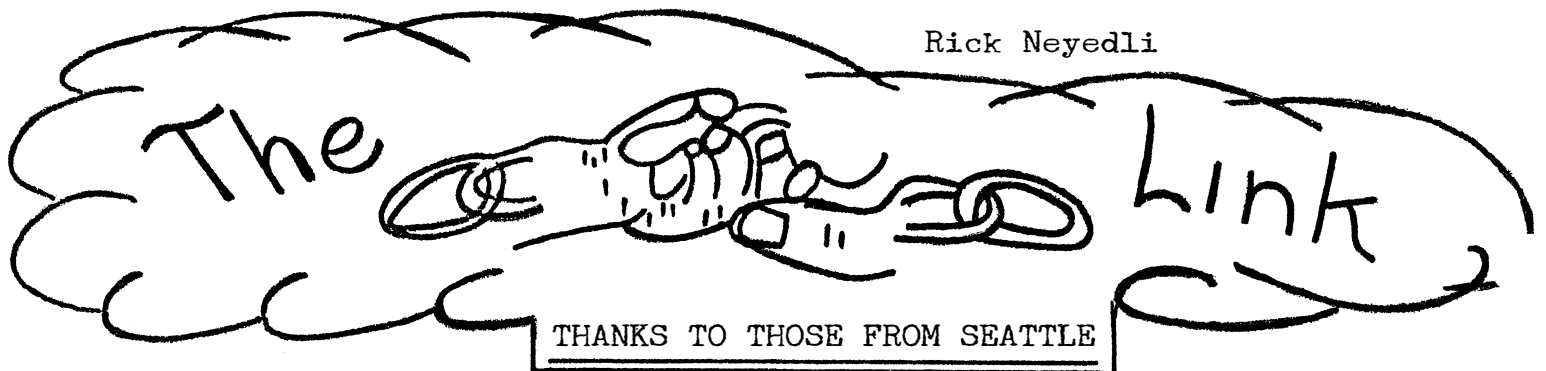


AS THE SEASON ENDS!!!!!!

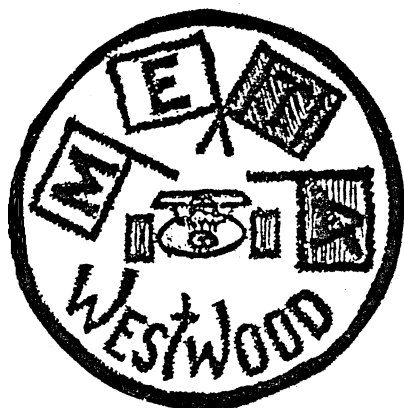
Hey, it is near the end of the Auto-Sport racing season in the Northwest, for tracks such as Spokane, Victoria and Seattle and with only an Enduro left to go at Portland, Westwood having just completed its season. Turn Crews (including timing, scoring) all have their own opinions on whether or not it was a good year, and some people tend to forget that it was the turn crews who put on the most spectacular show of all this year, better than that presented in the last years. Their tendency to travel to other tracks out of their own area has saved the day, at every track at least once at each location this season. This, along with the chance to meet new people, and the chance to learn new ways can only lead to a closer working relationship among turn crews in the northwest, all for the benefit of years to come. I end this by saying that no matter what difference of opinion exists, I hope to be able to help, and to have your help, in the coming new year.



Rick Neyedli



On the Conference Race held on the September 9 - 10/78, weekend a large number of Seattle corner workers came up to observe our working procedures on the track. As we were rather short handed their presence was greatly appreciated as they filled in not only on the corners, but also in scoring timing and the result departments. Thanks for strengthening the link ever so much stronger. We're doing it together.



Club Crests \$2.00 each

- 6 colours

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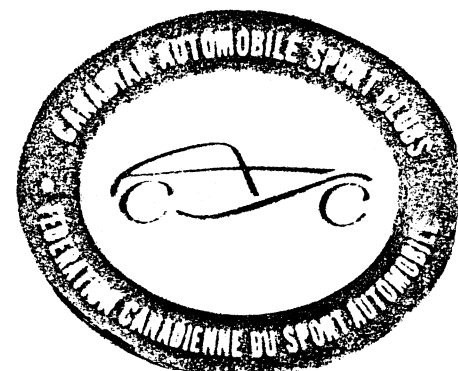
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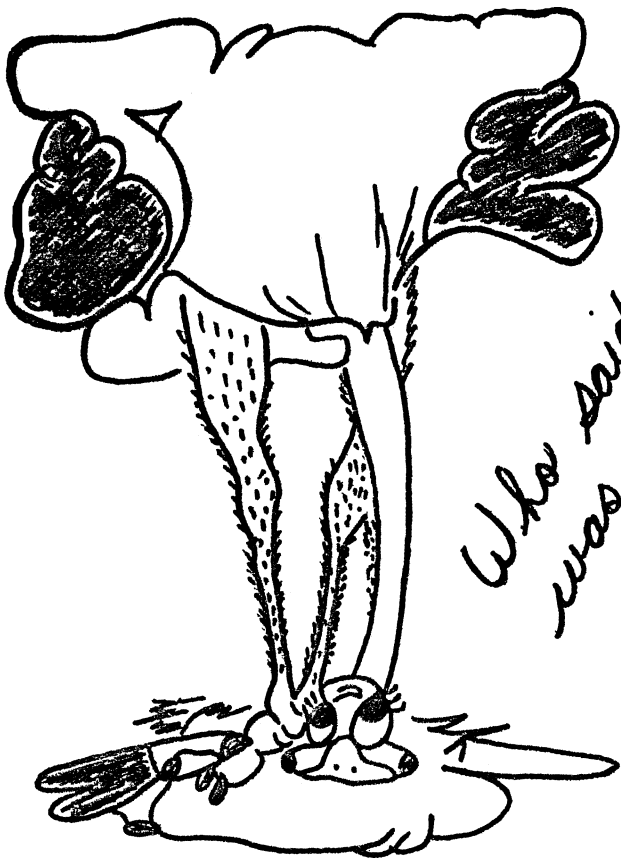
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See Beverly Crump





Who said it  
was a puff year!

October 12, 1978

Dear Workers;

Another racing season has drawn to a close, as we look back over 1978, we must admit it has not been dull or uneventful, we saw many changes, both good and bad, some very successful, some not so successful, but all were tried for the betterment of racing and ALL its workers.

I was one of the lucky ones this year, to have had the opportunity of travelling to several other tracks, both in Canada and the United States of America. It truly was enjoyable to see the sharing, the caring and down right enjoyment of so many workers from so many areas working together as teams, making friends and really enjoying it all, STRAIGHT OUT. - FAR OUT !!! If it wasn't for this bond, each race track would have faced some embarrassing race days.

Many thanks to all our out of area workers, who supported us at Westwood.

Even though we still have some problems to over come, I was always extremely proud of our Westwood workers, you have come along way in the last two years. We have started to climb, lets keep up the pace, the good work, and press on to the greater achievements of the future-TOGETHER!!

I wish all of you much health, happiness, and good luck in what ever your winter involvement maybe. Continue to support your club, and fellow workers, and enroll in your next training programe.

Who knows what the future may bring, but, I look forward to working with you in the coming year.

Yours in racing,

*Beverly Crump*

Beverly Crump  
Worker Registrar - Westwood  
Worker Director C.A.S.C.  
B. C. Region.

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What's  
happening

DON'T WEAR Red OR Yellow

Apparently several drivers have complained recently again of people on the corners wearing RED, Yellow or bright ORANGE clothing, especially during wet weather. This can be quite distracting to a driver during a race, so if the clothing must be worn (to keep dry), put it on under your WHITES.

The Labour Day weekend was to be Rust Bucket Racing, competition debut at the Forbidden Plateau "Thing". Unfortunately the 510 was not ready for its debut. So rust bucket racing made the trip minus the car, but plus Bruce Lauridsen. This trip was decided upon over such delights as Go-Kart racing or Spokane or decided upon elsewhere? In the issue?

After missing our turn off and nearly motoring to Campbell River we found ourselves and set upon a late night assault of the Mountain Course. As we rushed up the mountain, we entered a fast sweeper that wasn't, and upon exiting we decided this is where we wanted to station ourselves. After a night spent on a bed of rocks, on a strange slope, we found ourselves on the corner we wanted. So this brings us to the most important part. The entries. These consisted of a half dozen or so Datsun 510's (the real ones) including Dave Fairhall's claimer to be shared with Team Grunt, and a few Mountain Trial competitors. There was a Fiat 131 with IRS plexiglass windows and a plastic hood 5 or 6 dune buggies, including one that went like stink, and one that threw wheels like stink, a couple of Cortina MK I's and a small group of 4 wheel drives, and a couple of Volvo's rounded out the entry. The first run of the day was our wagon nearby wiped out by a crazy blazer driver and then a hunch back Volvo, and Bruce tried to save the paint job by blocking the rock spray. but he just swore a lot. Not much else happened in the morning. The topic of discussion was the brackers everyone was running in the afternoon competitors. If you want to know more about bracket racing, ask me please as my vocal cords work better than my wrist. Afternoon saw the rains come and it rained and rained. We also had a buggy lose a wheel and ditch it in the trees. (Thank heaven for small hemlocks?) One hunchback Volvo spin. And the high point of the day when Team Grunt, came visiting and B.A. a passing Lotus Cortina. Dinner at the top of the mountain and then a quick run to Nanaimo, which saw us pass the 131 and Lotus Cortina about 5 minutes the ferry slip and we were the last car on. Numbers on the door and all that crap I guess. Anyways a good time was had by all and maybe we'll see "Thing" next year.

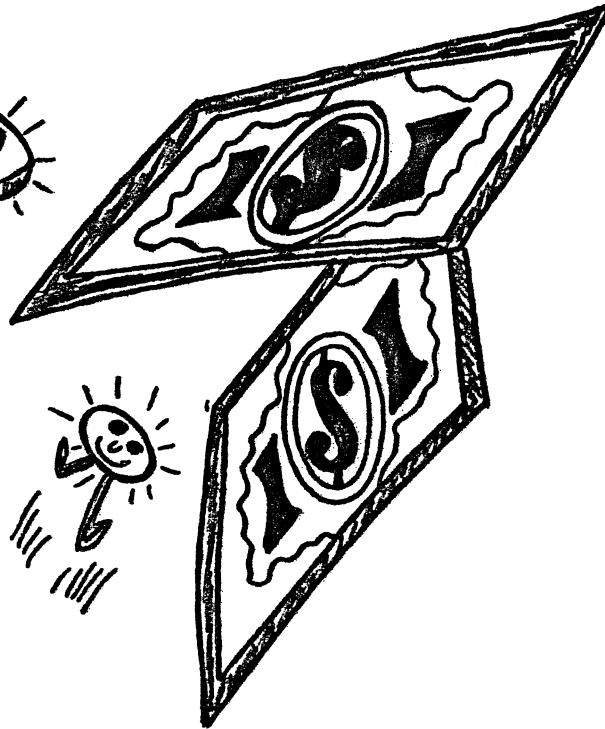
P.S. The absolute best part of the weekend was at dinner Sunday, when Blake McGuffie gave us a cheque for \$40.00

Ron Snook





JOIN THE AFX TEAM



ANOTHER CAR SHOW -----

Club members helped put on a car show at Eaton's downtown store, on the October 5 - 7th weekend. Put on by AFZ-Aurora models, CKNW, and Eaton's. the show featured Rick Lim Formula Ford, and Bill Sainsbury, sports racer. Monies realized from the show went towards CKNW's Orphan Fund. The show also allowed us to promote M.E.T.A. (we have some protential new members), as well as the 7 Hour Enduro.

The big winner at the AFX Aurora Mini Grand Prix, was none other than our own Tony Weinburger who was awarded a \$200.00 road race set for his efforts.

----- Joe Proud -----

A NEW RECORD!!!!

At last something that seemed an impossibility, a Honda race without a roll-over. this rare occurance took place on the Enduro weekend, and at the same race Mike Payne, driving the familiar #14, (Blue with red flames on the front), established a new lap record at 1:34:63. This for Mike who has managed 3 or 4 roll overs this season. proves that it is indeed a good idea to keep all four wheels pointed downward.

----- Joe Proud -----

From the Results Department !!!!

I was wondering how to fill in this space so the Mayday could be put to bed, unfortunately I must fill this space with bad news. The previously typed item concerning Honda Driver Mike Payne, well, Mike's car was protested and found illegal. Therefore Mike has been disqualified from that race, and all records for the 1978 year will be stricken, as stated in the Honda Rules. Unfortunately the new track record does not stand, therefore no new Honda record.

Sorry - Beverly Crump

## WHAT EVER HAPPENED TOO ????????


It seems quite a shame that workers from the U.S. can come to Westwood, work all day, and then be told that they can have only one bottle of beer and one hamburger, then have to pay for anything else that they want. They, and most of the local workers are somewhat less than happy, especially in light of the situation in the states where most of those items are supplied FREE to the workers at the end of the day, and a few of the southerners were heard to express some surprise at the local situation. This is when we manage to get anything at all, for it seems that the SCCBC either cares little about their workers or not at all, witness the foul up at the last two races prior to the Enduro. Either someone with at least a small amount of organizational ability is required or else one person, only should be in charge. It is especially aggravating to listen to the P.A. System announcing beer and burgers for the workers all day long, then afterwards being told that there is beer only (and that only thanks to certain people). Why too did not any of the SCCBC make a general announcement to that effect at the clubhouse, as several members of the executive were there yet, not one of them, it seems had the guts to stand up and offer any explanation to the workers, much less any type of an apology.

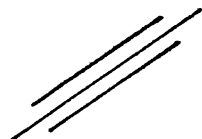
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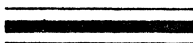
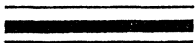
## AT LAST, SOMETHING FOR THE WORKERS

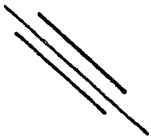
Shortly after the above article was written, at the Enduro, free lunch was provided for all the workers. This gesture was greatly appreciated by all and helped to make the day even more enjoyable, especially as, after the race, once more burgers and beer were available, FREE and with the workers given preference!!!! Thanks a lot folks.

Joe Proud









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## Making Some Money for Club Projects.

Mike Holloway and Robin Jackson have presented the club with an excellent chance to make some money for the club, perhaps towards a party? As representatives of Amway Products, Robin and Mike have made an arrangement, whereby the profits from sales of automotive oriented products will go towards M.E.T.A., this includes laundry products.

According to those who have already sampled some of the products, they work quite well. Sooooo don't hesitate to call. Hey Bev., Rogers pants really are alot whiter, now. ??????oooooppppppssssss, did it again?!!



THANKS GIVING  
OCTOBER 9, 1978

I hope all of you gave thanks in  
your own special way, and had  
a day of great joy, spent  
amongst you love ones.

Bev.

METRA

Just a note to sincerely thank all of  
the "METRA" people who work at Westwood and  
make it possible for races to be held. I would like to  
give a special thanks to those involved in helping me at  
the CASC/SCCA race after my car landed upside  
down and I was trapped. Thank-you.

yours truly

Gary Pellyblank



HALLOWE'EN

The night of gohsts and goblins  
and other hairy creatures, both  
large and small, be kind to all  
and be careful, keep the home-  
stead safe from friendly intruders.

Remember the grand days of our  
youthful Hallowe'en pranks, too bad the  
now generation couldn't share the fun and  
frolics and all the scrumptious homemade goodies  
our bags held in days gone by. HAVE A HAPPY NIGHT.

Bev.

a closed mouth  
gathers no feet!

Henry Ford invented  
perpetual motion.

The Ford is a fine car  
with a good body and  
excellent chaos.



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### Conventions & Banquets

\* The Sports Car Club of B. C. will hold  
the C.R.R.C. awards banquet at the  
Sheraton Villa, October 1, 1978 @ 7:30 p.m.  
\$12.50 per person.

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\* C.A.S.C.-B. C. Region will host the  
1978 Convention at the Delta Vancouver  
Airport Inn, October 27, 28, 29, 1978.  
Full package \$30.00 per person, includes  
Disco, Lunch, Dinner and Dance, and Brunch  
Individual prices are: Lunch \$8.00 per,  
Dinner & Dance \$20.00 per, and Brunch  
\$8.00 per person. Disco Party \$2.00  
Bring your friends.

The Workshops and General Meetings are open to any member of a C. A. S. C.  
Club or B. C. 4 Wheel Drive Club.

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\* I.C.S.C.C. 1978 Awards Banquet, November 11, 1978. Red Lion Inn/Sea Tac  
Seattle, Washington. \$12.00 per person. Workshops start at 10:00 a.m.

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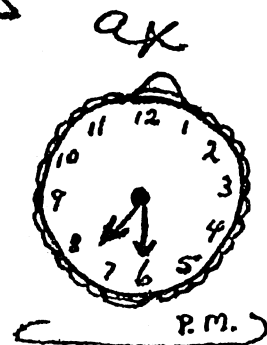
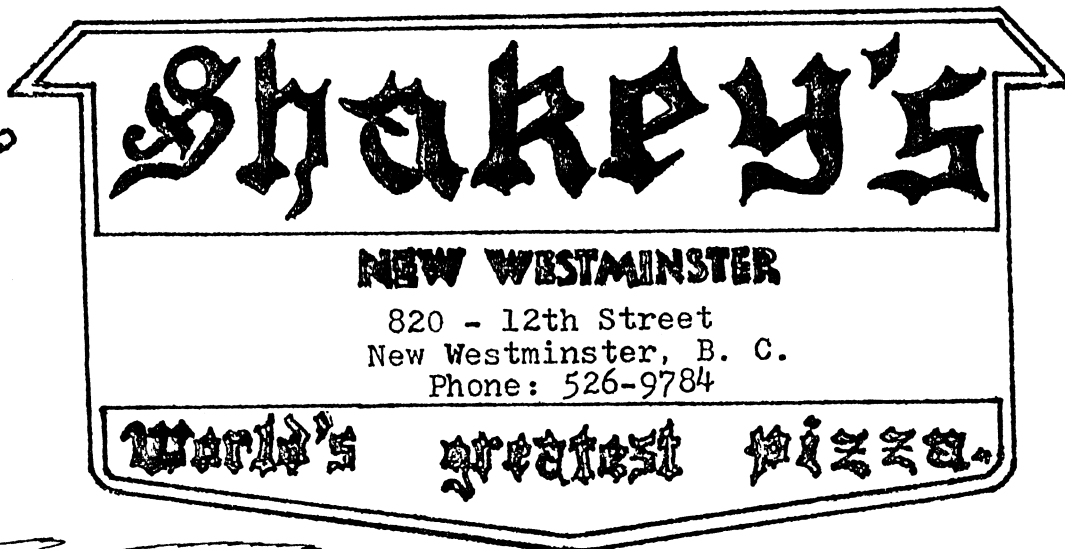
\* S.C.C.B.C. Annual Banquet, November 25, 1978. At the Plaza 500,  
\$28.00 per couple or \$15.00 per person. Come one, Come all, a fun  
way to close summer tracks.

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### WHY WORRY ? ? ?

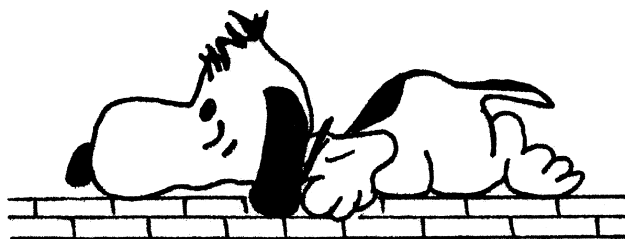
There are only 2 things to worry about, either  
you're healthy or your sick. If you're healthy  
about and if there's nothing to worry you're sick . . .  
There are only 2 things to worry about. . . Either  
you'll get well or you won't. If you get well  
There's nothing to worry about . . . Either you'll  
Go to heaven or to hell. If you go to heaven you  
have nothing to worry about, and if you go to hell  
you'll be so busy shaking hands with all of us  
that you'll have no time to worry.





Next meeting - November 15, 1978

President of S.C.C.B.C. Tom Wilson will be  
present for an open discussion ALL  
ABOVE BOARD - If you've got some-  
thing that needs an answer -  
That's the time for it.



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