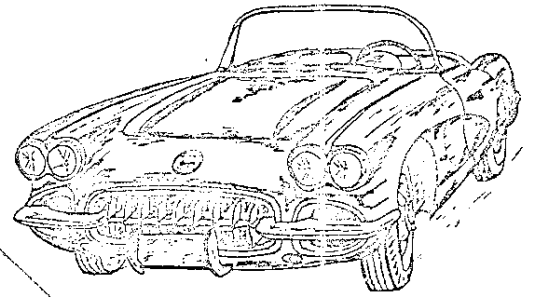


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Anyone for tennis?

Well from comments from all sides it seems you like this trite spread as is, so we will continue to ad lib as we go. But guess what...we got some help and as per agreed will print verbatim.

No joke tho'. To answer my first question, can't someone find some sights with atmosphere for a social with courts, pool, etc., besides Napa that is. Just a fun weekend without a race or autocross. Sounds real good on this front. Or how about a beach party...say a weekend at a lake resort (since I hate sharks and salt water). ANYBODY GOT A BOAT AND A CORVETTE?????????????????

If someone doesn't come up with something I'm going to have a patio party and of course you know I've been 2 years getting a patio in and gee.....just think of all the work you guys can do in a day.

Cynthia and Skip.....I'm trying.

LEADFEET ONLY

Who did bite the Birdcage? Have you found out yet???? Well just in case you haven't it was the old redhead himself, and he is just liable to do it again this Sunday at Cotati, that is if the Cage has nerve enough to face the Tamale Wagon. Sunday will be the 1st RDC Club Races this year so our glass slippers driven by wild, wild men (from Berkeley?) will be out for blood, paint, glass etc., so for an interesting day come on up.

Neil Schraeder says he wants to be rid of 2 Corvettes (He's nuts, I tell you), 1 race and 1 street model. He wants \$2,250.00 for the race model, and ??? for the street.. if interested give him a call at NE 8-9540.

Mr. J. Mannon also wants to be free of a '59, 290 F.I., positraction, and 4 speed-- (He didn't say what speeds). Pester him at GL 1-2931.

Say fellows-----heard the latest? The "Redhead" is practicing for those LaMans starts with an electric bicycle. He'll wither win or he'll be to stiff to start. Good ole' time will tell.

Understand Cliff Valin will give up his racing career. He's going to get married. Congratulations to you both. (See I knew Ed would end up with less competition.)

SIDE SECTION

The Stan Brown's are planning on moving south with the birds. Quote Stan..... "He's going into Houses and Lots.....Houses and Lots of Booze." I also understand there will be another part Corvette owner in their house.

Ron Craven will head a guided tour of the h-h-h-homes in Winnamucca.

Who has a white rat from the X-mas party 1959 with all the trimming such as shampoo, etc??? Say now what's his name?

Fred Wetton ex-Prexy is the new owner of Chevrolet's Trophy for 1960 for being an outstanding member.....Of what tho? Nobody dun tol' me. Congrats anyway Fred, and Bobby too. I really do believe us poor wives deserve some credit.

Understand Bud Edwards still has that bull for sale. Nobody will touch it with a 10' pole----it talks to much.

The magician has got'to go. He infected to many characters at the last go round an besides the dirty laundry showed up.

Gals beware, the club is growing fast and these new members will only own 1/3 of a Corvette. The news will be out soon.

PROGRESS

Social

Saturday, March 18th,
The Gold Nugget
Telegraph, Oakland
Drinks 6:30 - 8:00 P.M.-
and from there
The Rollerland Skating Rink
55th and Telegraph, Oakland

Eat first so you can stand up after the cocktail hour.

Gals--Pants or skirts
Guys--Pants, no Levis

Watch in your next bulletin for more news.



HE WASN'T INTERESTED IN ANY THING
BUT SPORTS CARS, UNTIL I STARTED PUTTING
A FEW DROPS OF GASOLINE BEHIND MY EARS!

RDC session Sunday, March 12th, Cotati
Come for the fun, dinner after....somewhere.

The Easter Egg Autocross Sunday, April 9th
This one sounds like real fun, even for you old soreheads.

Georgetown Hillclimb Saturday and Sunday, March 25th, and 26th
Accommodation deadline is March 16th.
(1 thing...Red Faris has to promise to leave the firehose alone or we are going to fight back)

Winnamucca May 27-29th,
In Nevada?, 130 miles an hour?
Jack Riis has lots of application, if he is out let me know.
(I wonder if they have rebuilt the town from last year yet?)

Dinner meeting I goofed....no information. Watch your next bulletin for all the dope. This is going to be a different kind one.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Kaleidoscope;

About Shirley McCarroll and her "shoulder to cry on" and her "big mouth" to pass our troubles on with - - - - -

I would like to cry out - The Kaleidoscope is a real sharp method of getting the word out to the far off corners of our club. For some reason, the word has been getting to my home in Napa by slow river boat, and then I'm not too sure but some of those boats sink before it gets half way.

Lets make this "Scope" the real news spreader. The past socials, and the future events. -Dates, places etc.

A real good deal if we all join in with Shirley (and Ed) and get the news to her to spread with her "Big Mouth". (Re. Kaleidoscope)

Bill Kendall
Napa, Calif.

Thanx Bill. This is the kind of help I need. If the club does it, I'll put it on paper. But the thing to remember is that club events and club people will keep me in business. Smc.

My assistant editor (?) suggests the following would be helpful for all you who might be interested. (I still don't know how he got to be assistant editor.)

"HOW TO CONVERT YOUR CORVETTE INTO A ROAD RACING BEAST"

Take off the top, windshield, front and rear bumpers, exhaust system and part of the front fenders. Then remove the engine, transmission, and differential. Step back and admire the mess you have on your garage floor. Next call all five of your children and tell them to dismantle the engine, transmission and differential. (If you don't have enough to make five, I will be glad to lend all or part of mine.) You almost have to ask the children to dismantle everything, because they have your tools scattered all over the place.

Lets start on the differential. First you contact the Getx Gear Co. in Indianapolis for a good selection of road gears, from 5.70/1 to 2.85/1. Cost: \$75.00 per set and stock because they have produced more than the required amount. Then run the kids out of sight and install the gears into the car carefully. (Be sure you are alone.) Now send your drive line out to be balanced while you overhàul your transmission. Place an order with Warner Gear Works in Anderson, Indiana for the high ratio low and 2nd gears. Install these along with your present 3rd and 4th. Makes it real good from the (standing?) start.

Next your flywheel and clutch. Sheifer is good. Now!! Block stripped, here is where it really counts. First install you production cam, Racer Brown preferred, then your chromed 180' crankshaft. (Helps with 2 cylinders firing at once.) Cost: around \$200 with core. Get (six) boxed rods: \$240.00 for 8, and Forge Pistons: 10 for \$117 (In case you break a couple). Timing Chain? Use a roller type (less friction). Send complete crankshaft, rods, pistons, flywheel (9 lbs.), and clutch disc out for balancing.

Then install in your 4 inch, worn out block. (It must be worn out because it is 4 inches.) Now we are ready for the heads. Remember you must keep within the production rules. So far everything done has had more than 150 build. Match your ports and open the valve chambers. Install 2 - 1/8" intake valves (used in GMC Products). Match all valves. They must be of same weight. Take them to your favorite Speed Shop and have them matched. Be sure you have your heads and manifold adapter razor sharp so there will be no restriction.

Pick through the parts room and get a good and even set of valve springs, tension wise. If someone asks the compression ratio you can say 11.5/. (Heads off)

Never take any off the head, because if you are protested, they always C.C. the heads, never the combustion chambers. So take it off the block. Install heads on the block assembly. Take the back plate off your water pump and grind off every other impeller on the pump. Take off the fan blade and have it balanced. Not compulsory, but impressive. Assemble all engine parts in their proper place. Install a 2 gallon oil reserve tank in the right front fender panel, between the outer fender panel and inner shirt because you wouldn't want to run out of oil during a race. Run an oil line to the side of your oil pan. Call it an oil

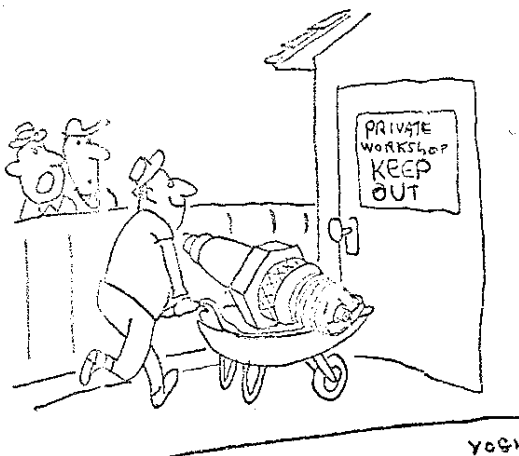
temperature gauge line, if in question. Set the engine, transmission and drive line into your Corvette. Take it to your favorite tuner and have the car tuned on the dyno. Be sure he understands you have a new engine in the car so he doesn't run it over 7,000 rpm. Use Castrol racing oil because it smells nasty. Your exhaust system must come out behind the driver. Be sure it is a tuned exhaust system and long enough to meet the required lengths (or you may have to run your car plugged up). You should pull no less than 220 horsepower at the rear wheels. After the tune up take your car home and have the children clean it up good. To make sure they do a good job, sit with a good supply of refreshments in your cooler. (Everyone to his own choice.) Lets see now, you have your racing tires out having them capped and your car is ready to race. Have you forgotten anything? Ask the children if they have any suggestion. Mike says, "Daddy, you need a roll bar." Pat suggests a safety belt. Timothy asks, "Where is the tow bar and bumper?" Kelly has the tape in his hands for the headlights. Robin wants to know, "What number are you going to use, daddy?" Holly wants to see the check book. Who drank all my beer? You know, then, after all the preparation, you are ready to race and you can tell everyone you have a perfect race car "B" Production. (That is if your name happens to start with a "B".) Mine is "K" Production.

--Johnny Knowland
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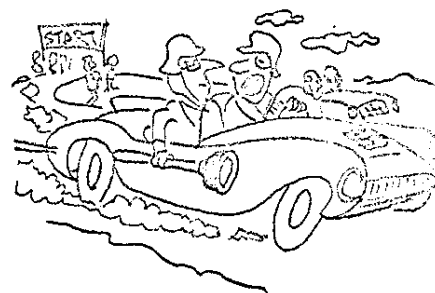
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See you soon....

Shirley McCarroll
 (or now Yogi Bear's other half Boo Boo)



I'd SURE LIKE TO GET A LOOK
 AT THAT ENGINE. BOB'S BUILDING



NOW ED IF THE FUEL LINE
 SHOULD PLUG UP.... DO YOU
 KNOW WHAT TO DO ?