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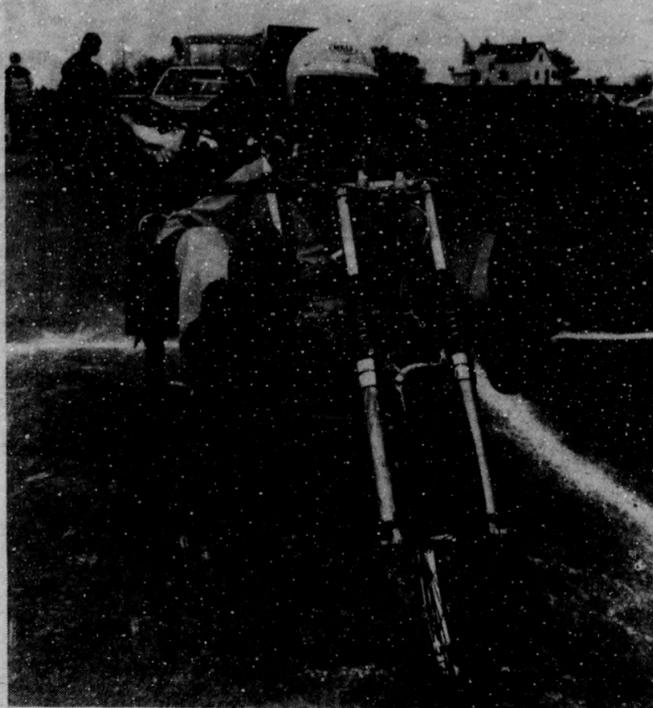
This year's coaster derby was held last Friday morning and was won by the fourth-year civil engineering car, driven by Scott Gibson.

This year the derby had a total of 16 entries, which all passed the safety inspection except one. The participants were from the Mechanical, Civil, Electrical Engineering Departments, and one car from Industrial Arts.

The race started at 10:15 and ended at 12:15. Before the actual start of the race, all the cars had one trial run. There was grand total of 14 races.

In the last race, the coaster car from ME3 which was leading throughout the race was passed in the last curve by the CE4 car driven by Scott Gibson, who won the race.

We would like to thank everyone who helped to make in one way or another this event a great success. Anyone can enter, start thinking now for the 1982 coaster derby.



Bruce Pond, representing Industrial Arts, was a competitor in this year's coaster derby.

WUSC news

Last Sunday evening at our general meeting we learned about the work of Amnesty International - a world wide human rights movement which seeks through letter writing campaigns "to obtain the release of men and women detained anywhere for their beliefs, color, sex, ethnic origin, language or religion, provided they have neither use nor advocated violence". They are people from all walks of life - teachers, tradesmen, students, labourers, etc, detained in countries through the world regardless of the state political ideology. They are known as "prisoners of conscience".

Amnesty International is independent of any government, political grouping, ideology of religion and is supported only by the donations of private individuals. Much of the work of A.I. is done at the grass roots level - local groups like the one in Fredericton, adopt prisoners (whose histories and current situations are researched by the international A.I. office in London) and write letters to government officials at various levels, asking for their release and/or a halt to torture. At first glance writing letters might not seem to be a very powerful method of working against human rights violations. However, Amnesty International reports a fifty percent success rate in obtaining the release of prisoners whose cases they have adopted, they hear of about five releases a day.

Because WUSC is centering on the theme of Latin America this term, our local A.I. guest speaker focused on Chile, where today, eight years after the military coup which overthrew the elected government of Salvador Allende, citizens suspected of non-violent opposition to the government, still risk sudden death, torture, imprisonment or internal exile. On September 9, 1981, A.I. issued a world wide call for appeals to the Chilean government to release prisoners of conscience, to halt torture and killings by security forces and to account for the estimated 1500 people who have "disappeared" from 1973 to 1977.

When we speak of large numbers of people who have been victims of human rights violations it is difficult not to be overwhelmed and lose a sense that these people are individuals. In Chile causing the "disappearances" of those who oppose the government is a popular method of disposal, the government hopes that individuals will be forgotten and remain anonymous. It is because A.I. makes appeals on behalf of individuals who thereby are no longer anonymous to the world outside that they are successful in pressuring governments concerned about their international reputation to act.

For those interested, Amnesty International meets once a month at 749 Charlotte Street. For information on the date of the next meeting call 454-4636.

Next Sunday evening (Oct. 25, 8 p.m. Room 103, SUB) Professor Dan Gleason of the political science department, St. Thomas University, will speak to WUSC on 'the National Society State in Latin America'. Everyone is welcome.

Administration Info sessions Monday

Everyone interested in administration are usually graduate programs in administration is invited to attend an informal session on Monday, October 26. The session will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Room 303, Tilley Hall, on the UNB Fredericton campus. Speakers from the UNB faculty of administration, the UNB counselling service, and the provincial department of health will speak on choosing a graduate program, the admission test, and counselling available for someone considering a master's degree in public or business administration or health care delivery.

Information will be provided on programs at UNB and at other universities, and there will be opportunities for the audience to ask questions. The session is sponsored by the UNB faculty of administration. Further information is available from professor Edward Maher, 453-4869.

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