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**Knapp Cup : Phil Alspach**





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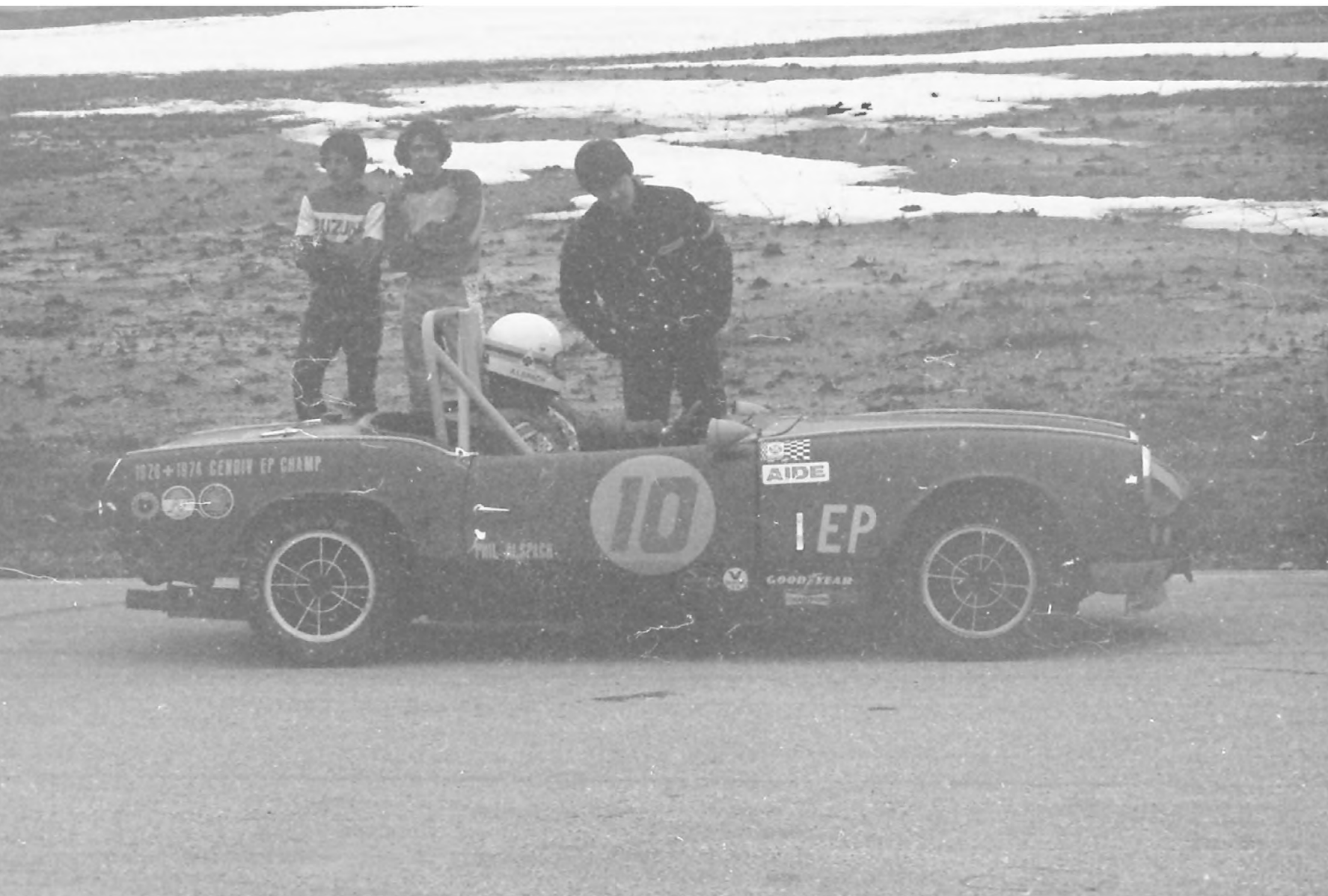
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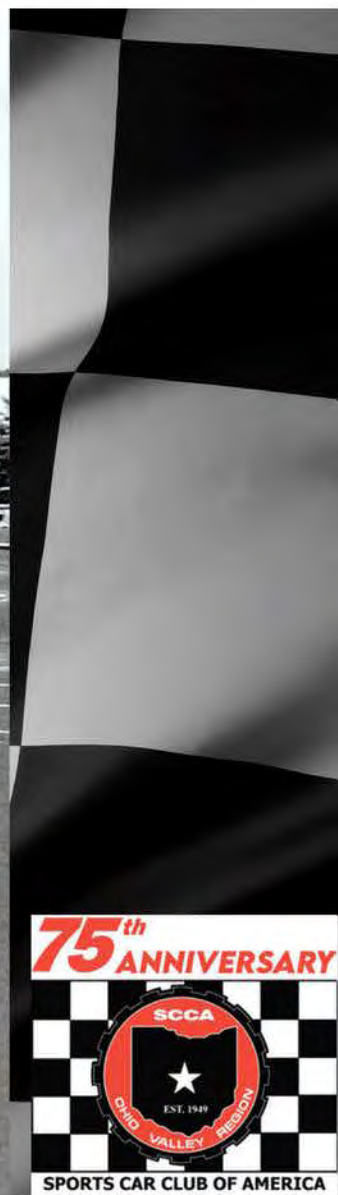
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Phil Alspach overcame a holed motor (and no spare) in practice,  
built a new (junkyard) race motor  
and finished at his first ever Runoffs©.

Photo by Ron Lindensmith

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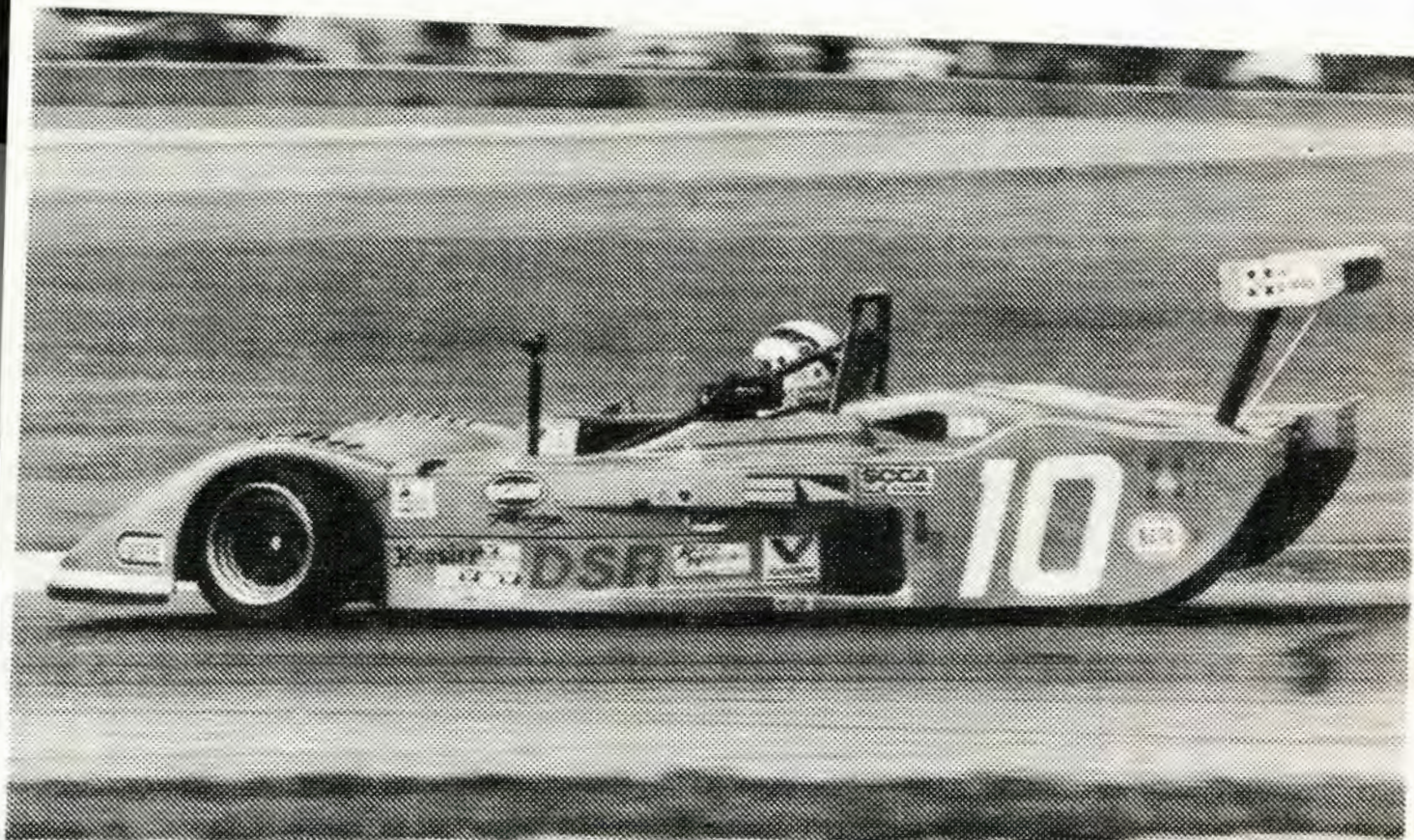


Phil Alspach (Racer Phil, this time) doesn't blow up this year and moves up to 12th in his tcr group/Dead Carp Racing DSR Ocelot 596. Phil also received the Optima Battery "hard charger award" for his drive.

Photo by Brian Baby





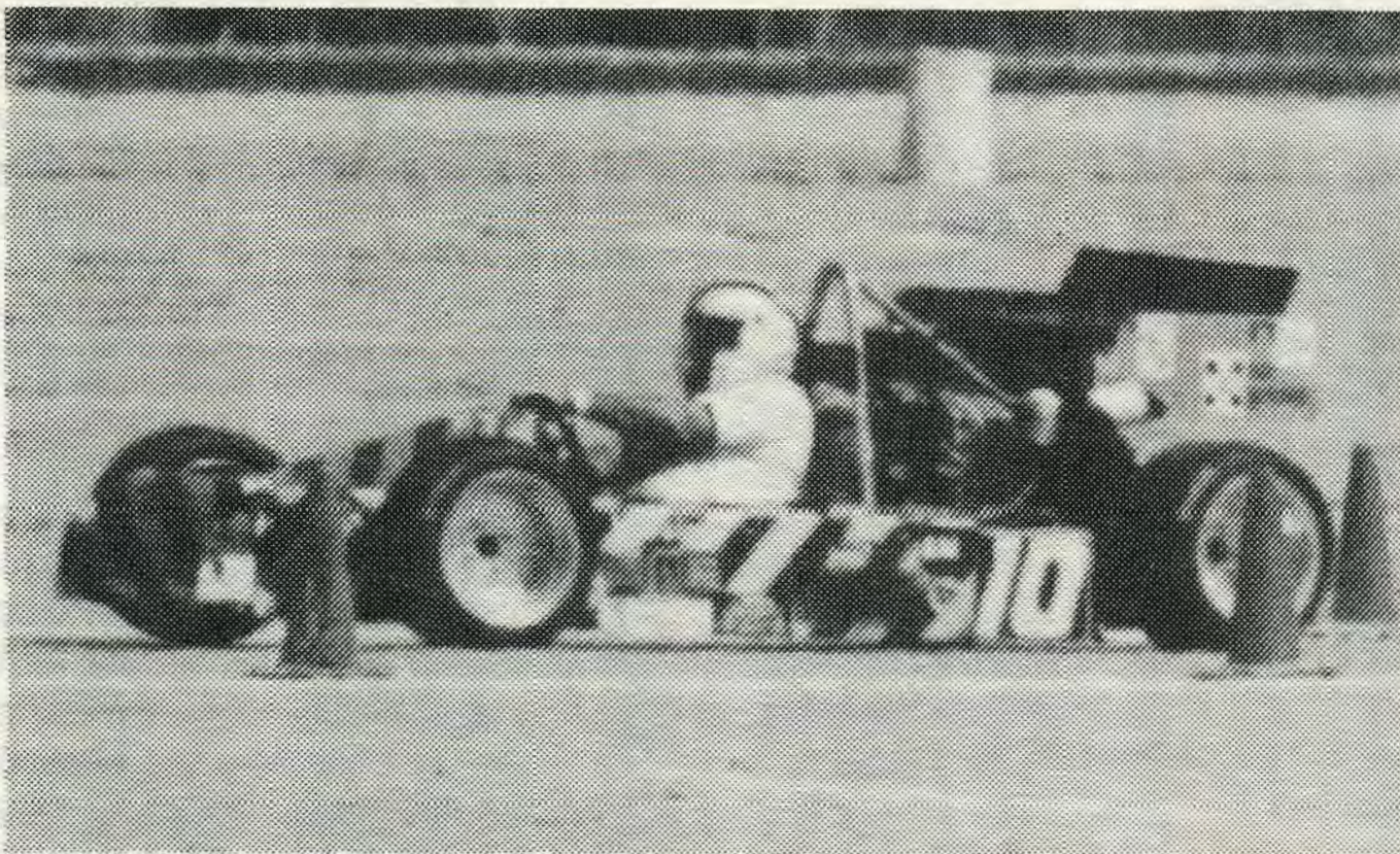


OVR's 1997 R.E. and regular *Observer's Stand* contributor Phil Alspach is seen here at speed during the Valvoline Runoffs®. Phil moved up to 12th place during the race, earning the Stack Hard Charger Award. Congratulations!

Photo by Roz Rosintoski







Phil Alspach ran his A Modified TCR Group/Dead Carp Racing Lola-Mazda in his 25th Solo II National Championship appearance, keeping his Hundred Percenter status alive.

Photo by Gordon Kinney







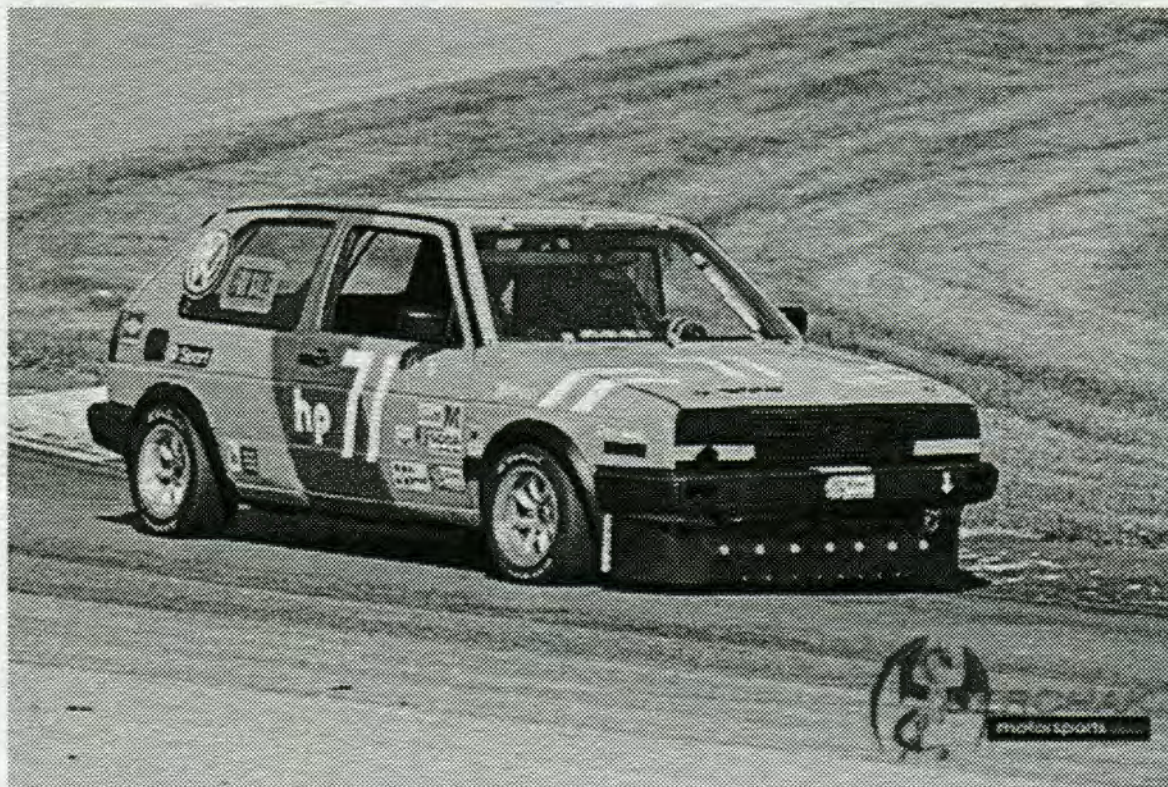




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**Phil Alspach of Worthington  
in his EP Mazda RX-7.**

**Photo by Mike Berchak**















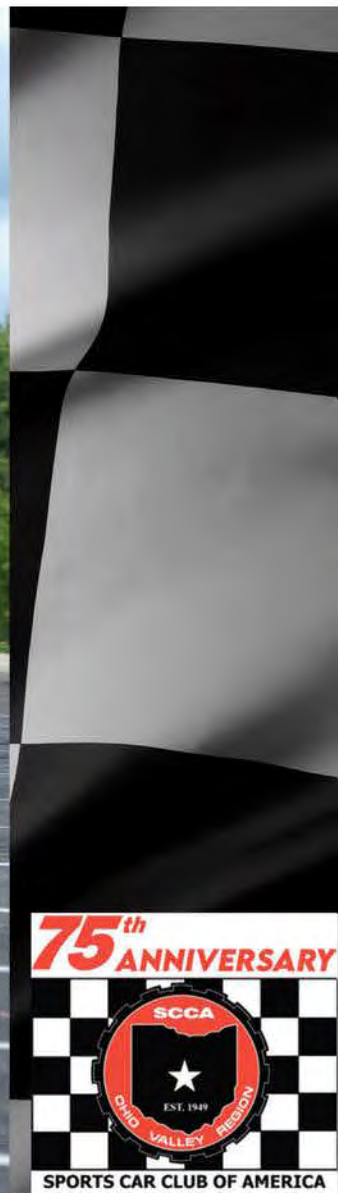












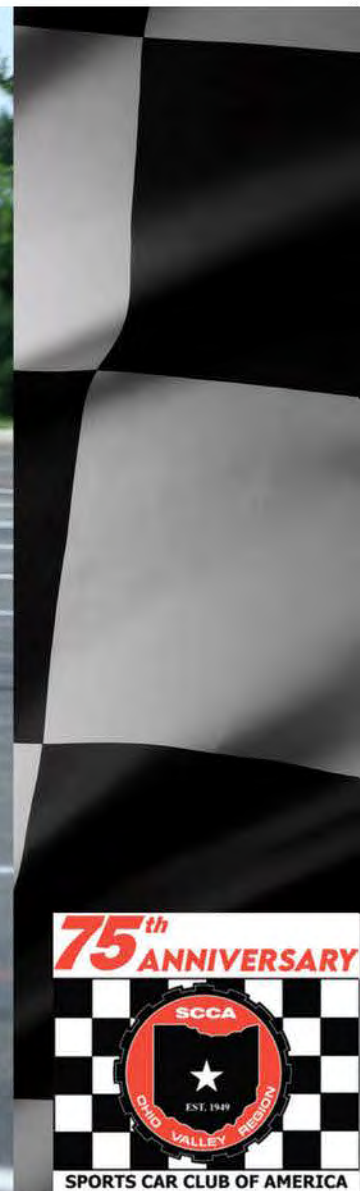
















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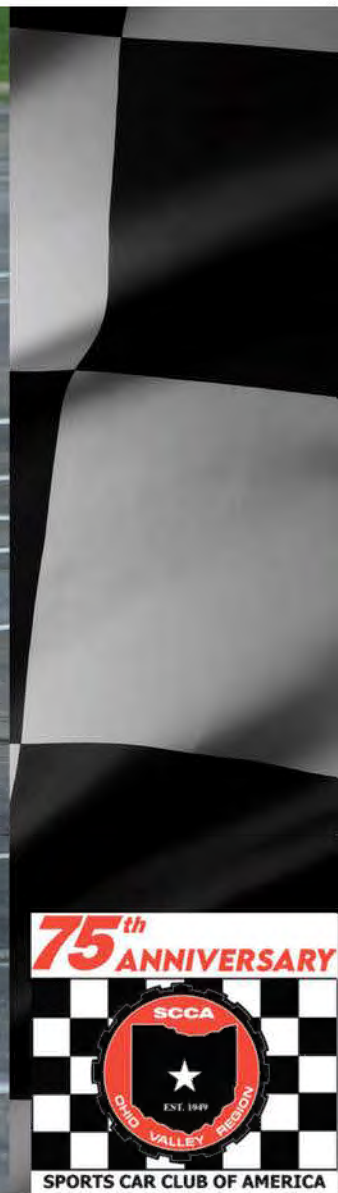


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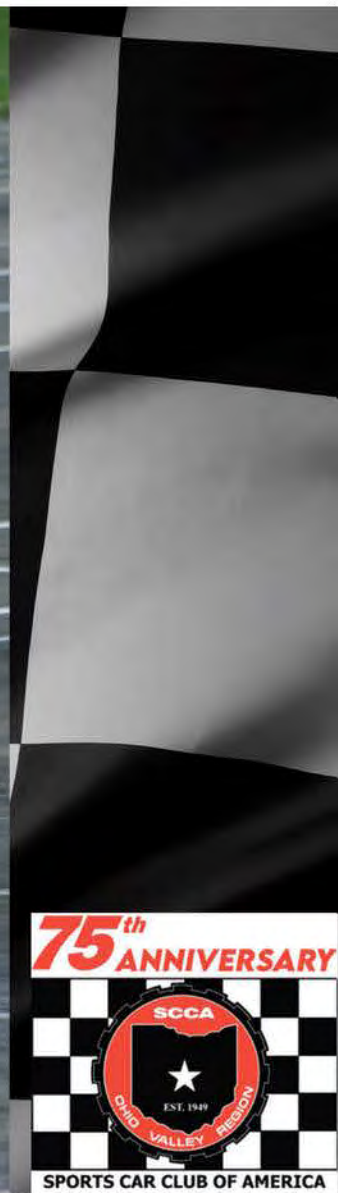








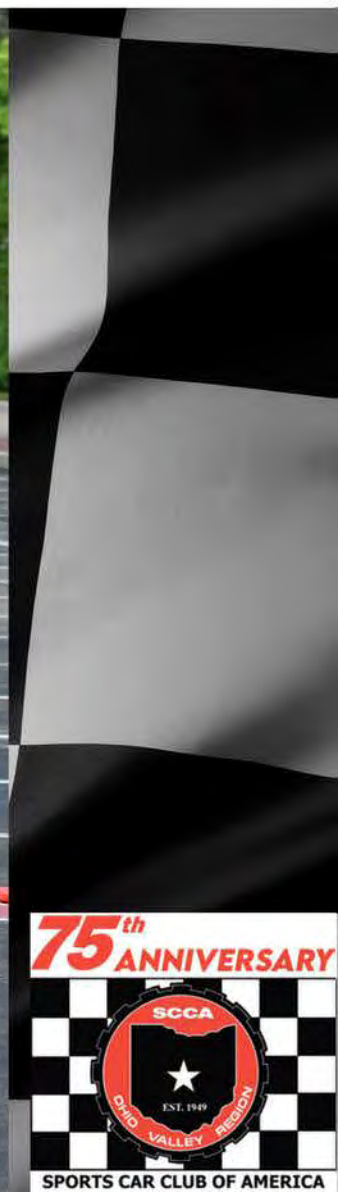











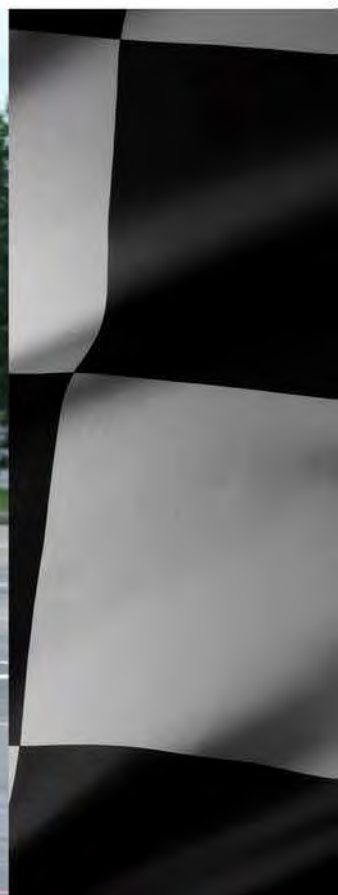


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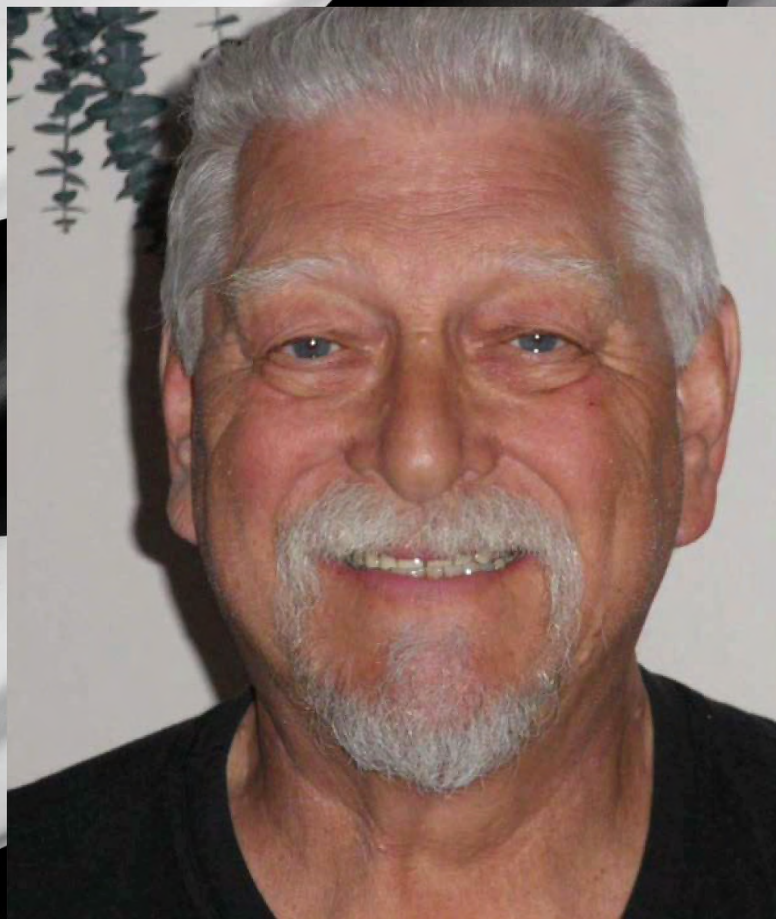










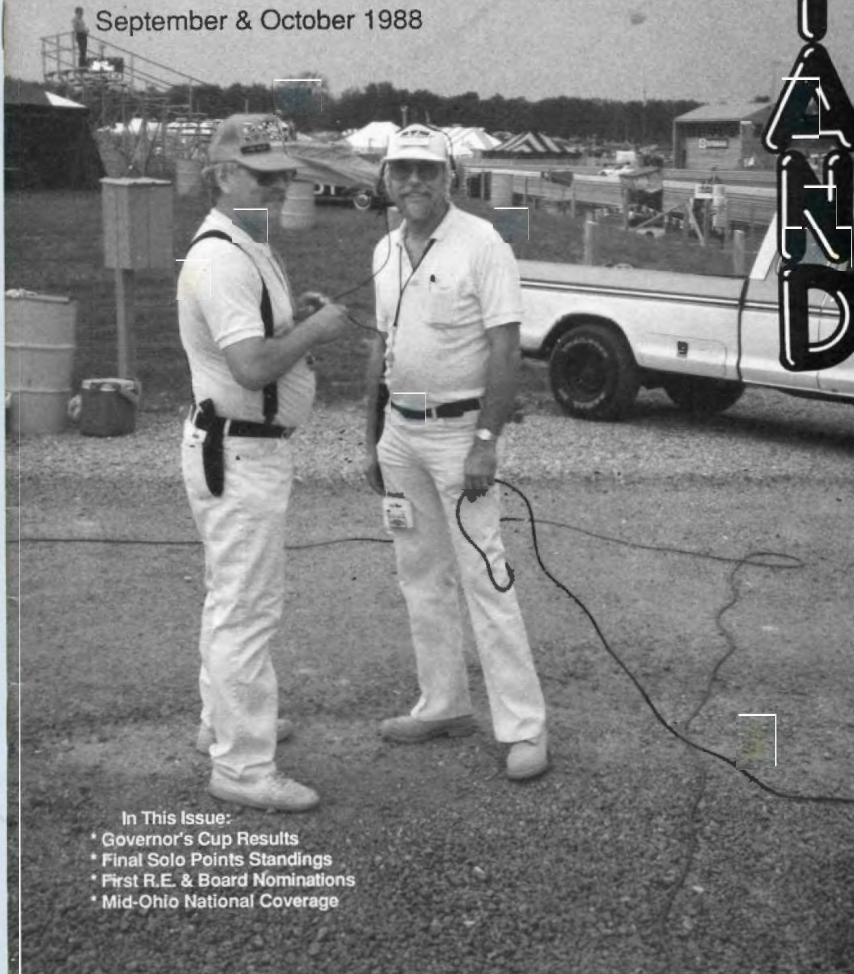




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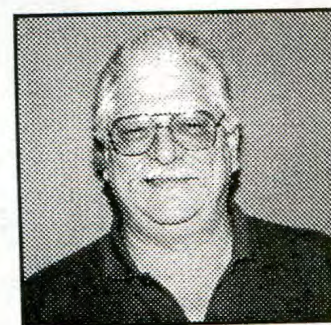




## Your 2002 Board

Rear (left to right): Barry Baker, Brian Culbertson, Phil Griffith. Seated (left to right): Phil Alspach, Jude Summers, and Rusty Bell.

Photo by Brian Baby



I can't believe Burleigh Coldiron, the missing BoD member, missed the banquet!

Photo by Kirsten Dell





**OVR's 1994 Board of Directors**

(L to R) Ron Lindensmith 1993 Past RE,  
Tom Hickey 1994 RE,  
Phil Alspach,  
Burleigh Coldiron,  
Rusty Bell,  
and  
Barry Baker.

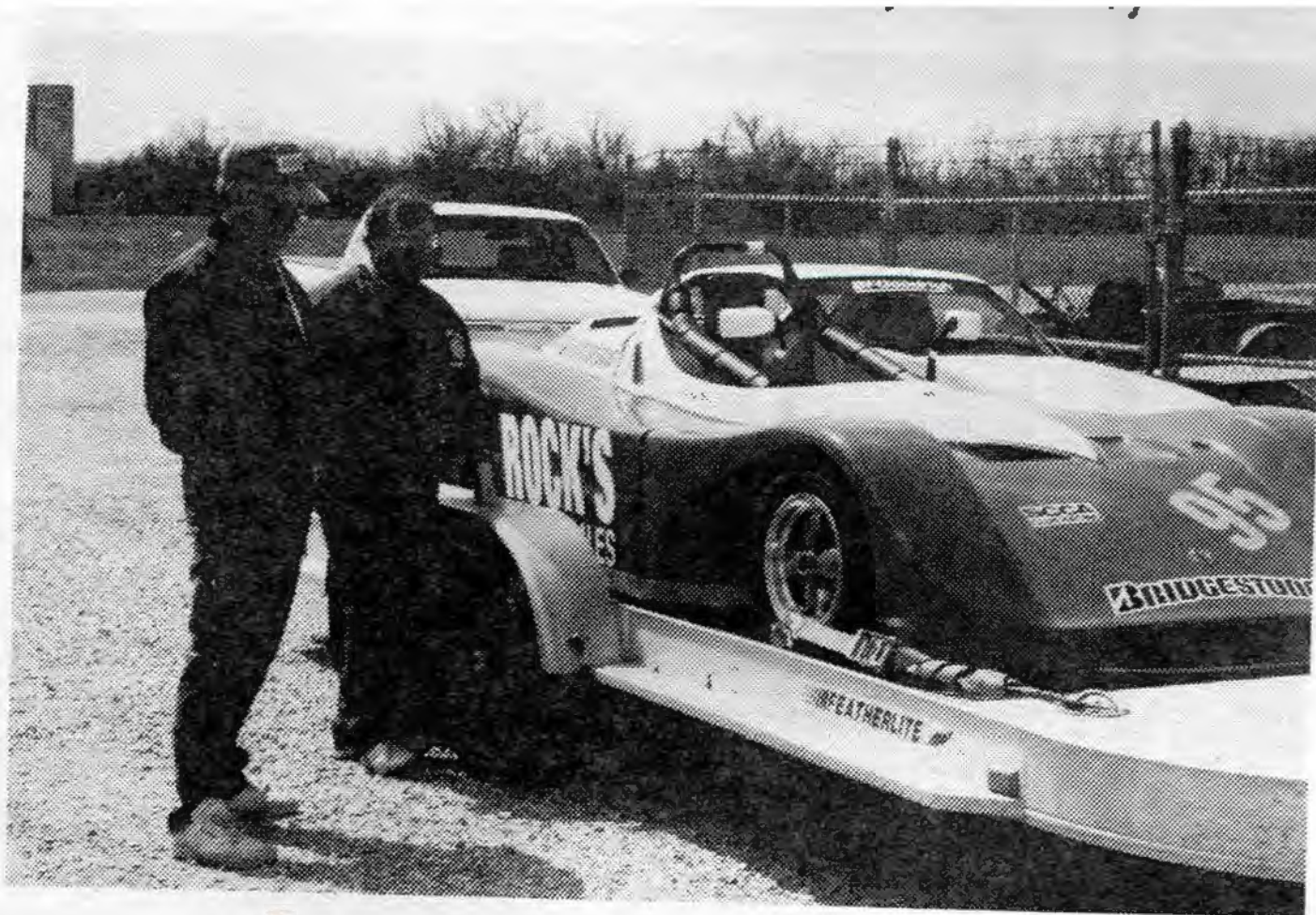
(Not pictured is Dave Stewart).

Photo taken at The Best Western, Elections Night,  
November 17th 1993

Photo by Jude Lindensmith







Burleigh Coldiron and Bill Garrett take a look  
at Chuck Rauck's pristine Spec Racer.  
Photo by Phil Alspach

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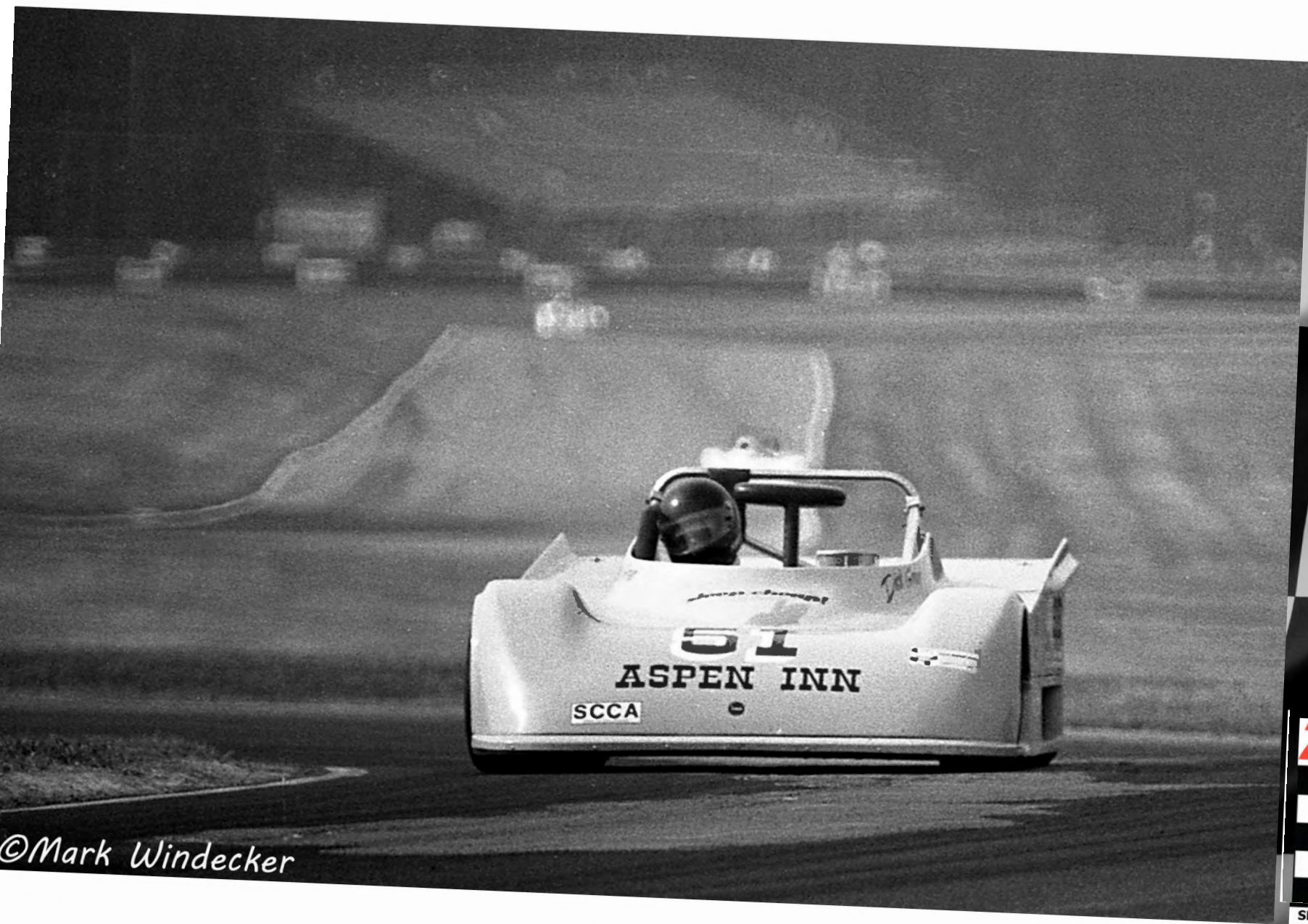


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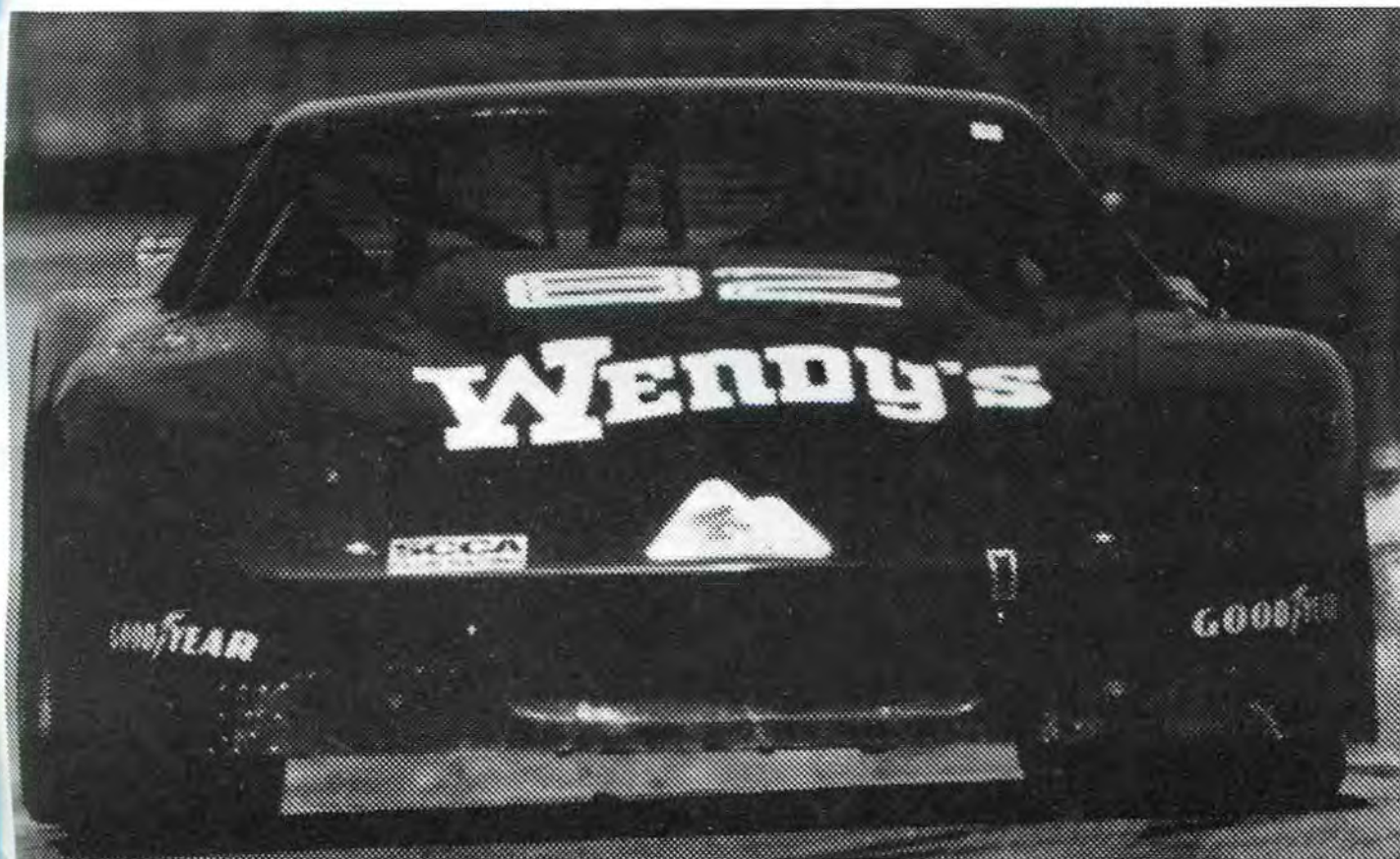
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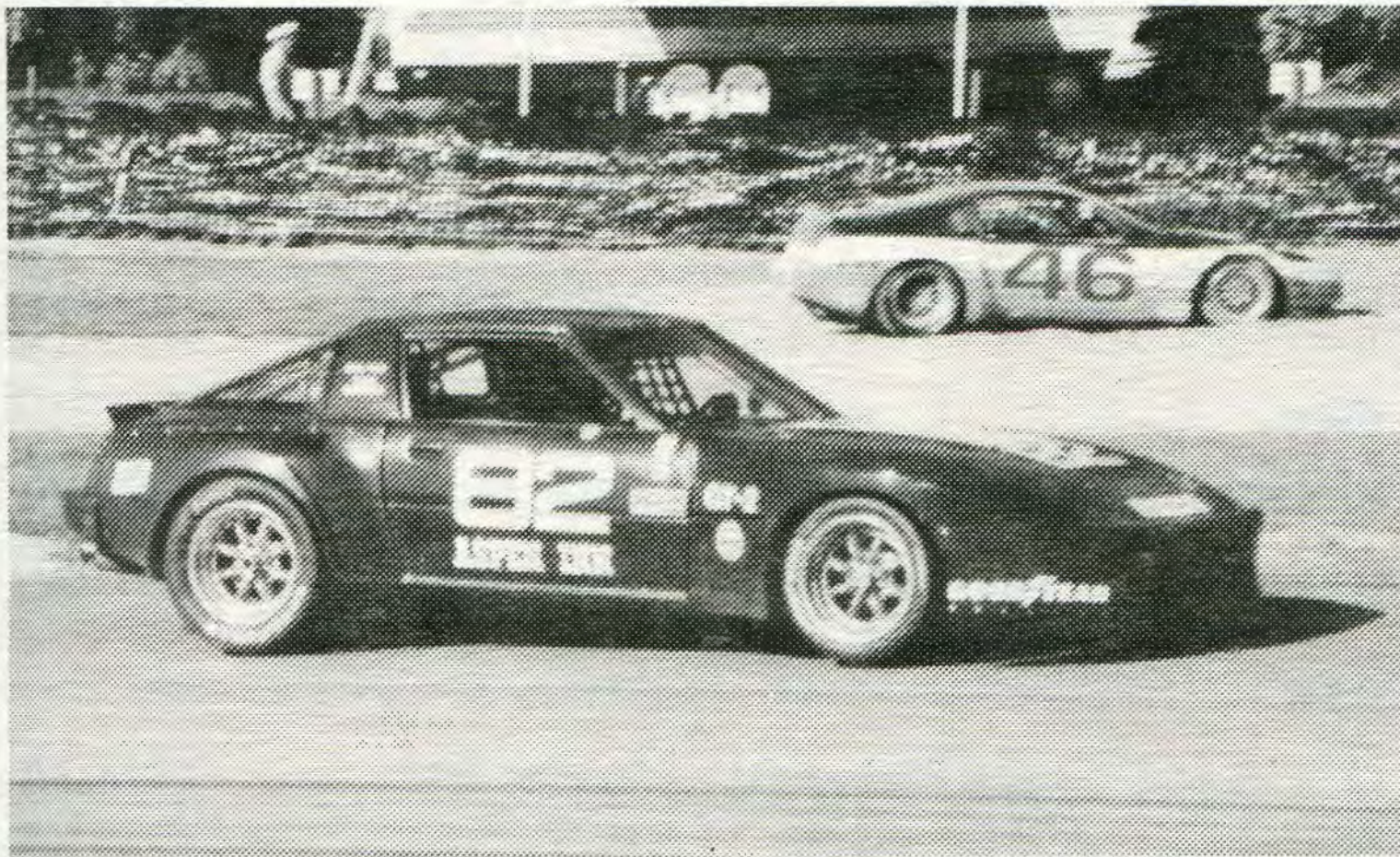


Veteran Club Racer and Pro Racer, Dick Greer returns to our CD-ROC race this year in his Wendy's Camaro. He turned his best lap of 1:33.928 on the way to a second-place finish!

Photo by Roz Rosintoski







Dick Greer gets a well-deserved 6th in GT2 with his Aspen Inn Mazda, as he passes another competitor who is playing in the sand box.

Photo by Dan Hodge

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Dick Greer's Aspen Inn GT-2 Mazda has been a fixture around CenDiv and beyond for years.

Photo by Dan Hodge



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**Dick Greer has been doing this for a while, and in a variety of classes and series. He was, at one time, the oldest class-winning driver ever at the 24 Hours of Daytona , and as a privateer, no less! Paul Newman now holds that record.**

Photo by Earline Kirk







Dick Greer never had time for racing until he turned fifty, but he's been making up for lost time ever since. He's been racing in Trans-Am for a while, but this is probably his best car yet!

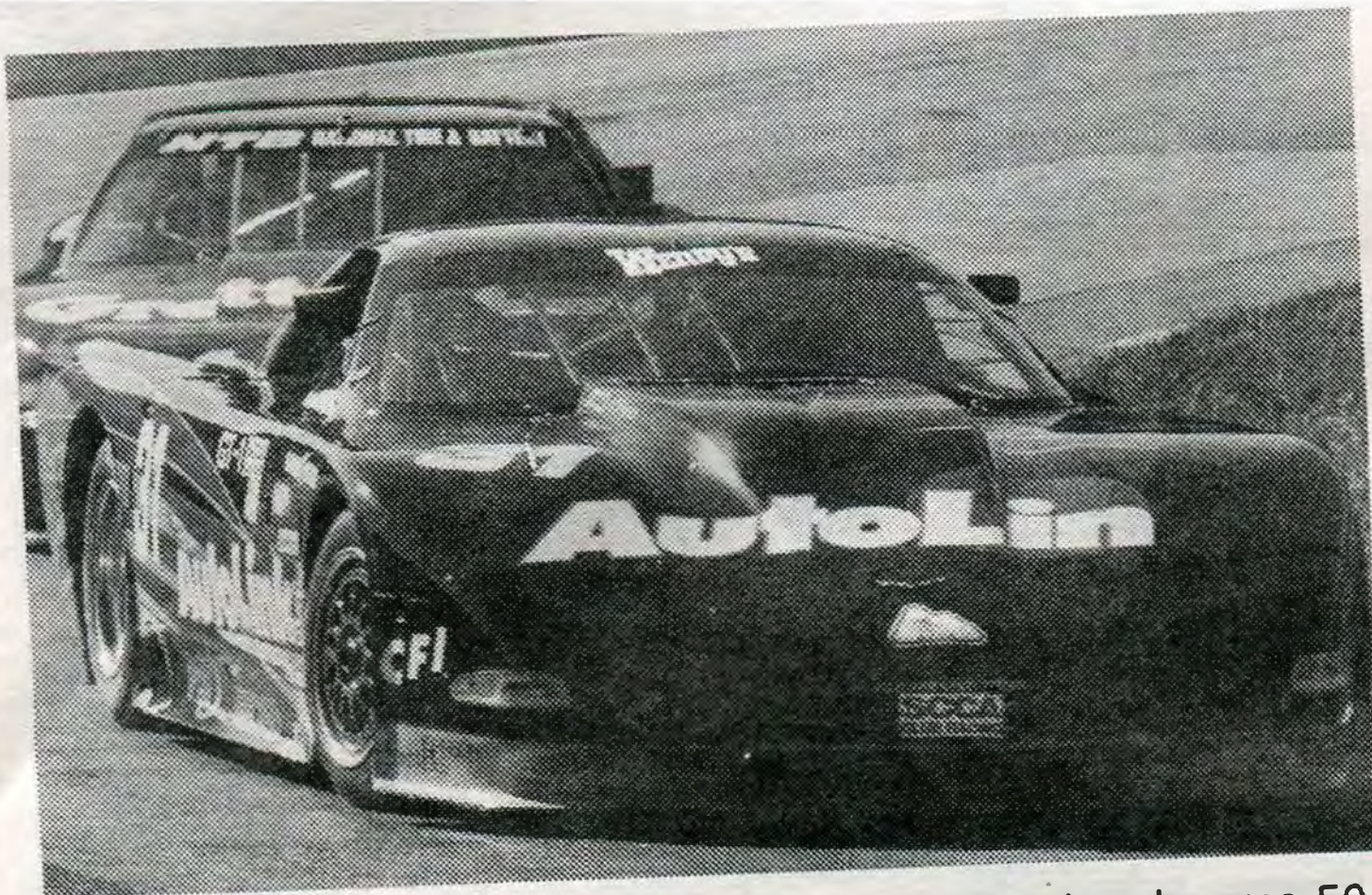
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Dick Greer's racing career began 16 years ago, when he was 50. He's won at the Daytona 24 Hours, and we hear he has his sights set on Trans-Am next year in this Ex-Gentilozzi Corvette.

Photo by Brian Baby

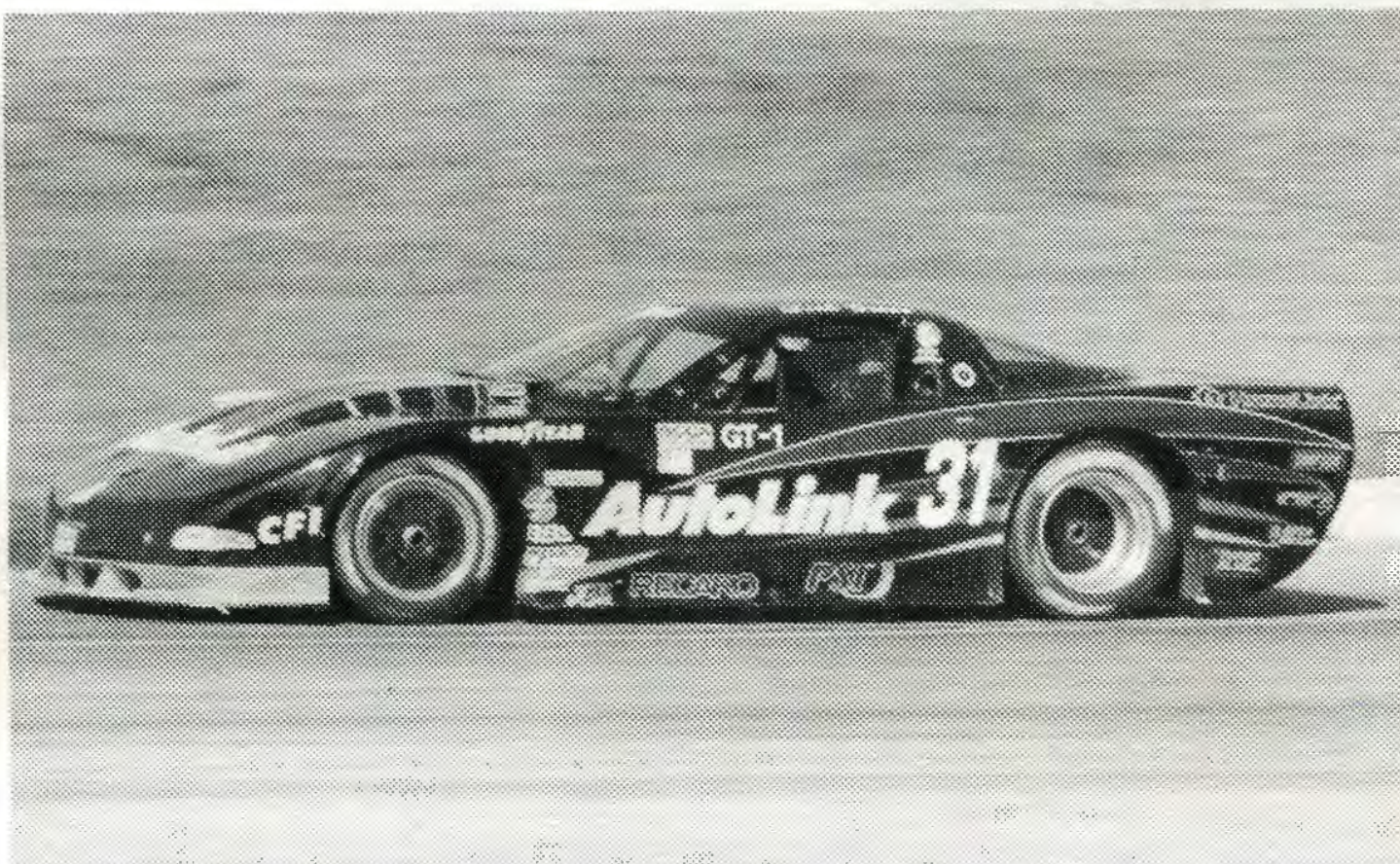
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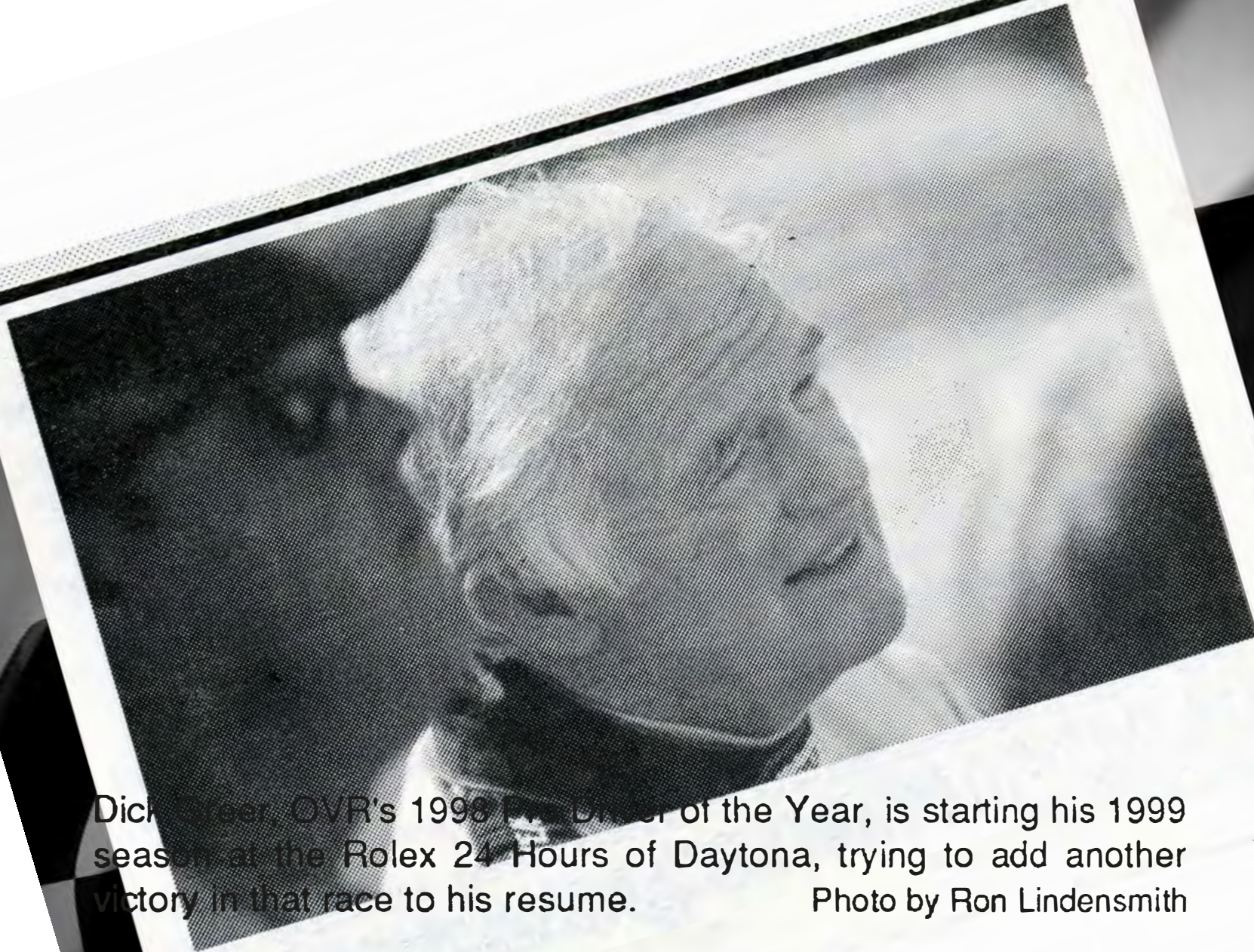


Can Dick come out and play? Dick Greer didn't pick up his new toy until the middle of Runoffs® week, but still finished on the podium.

Photo by Ron Lindensmith





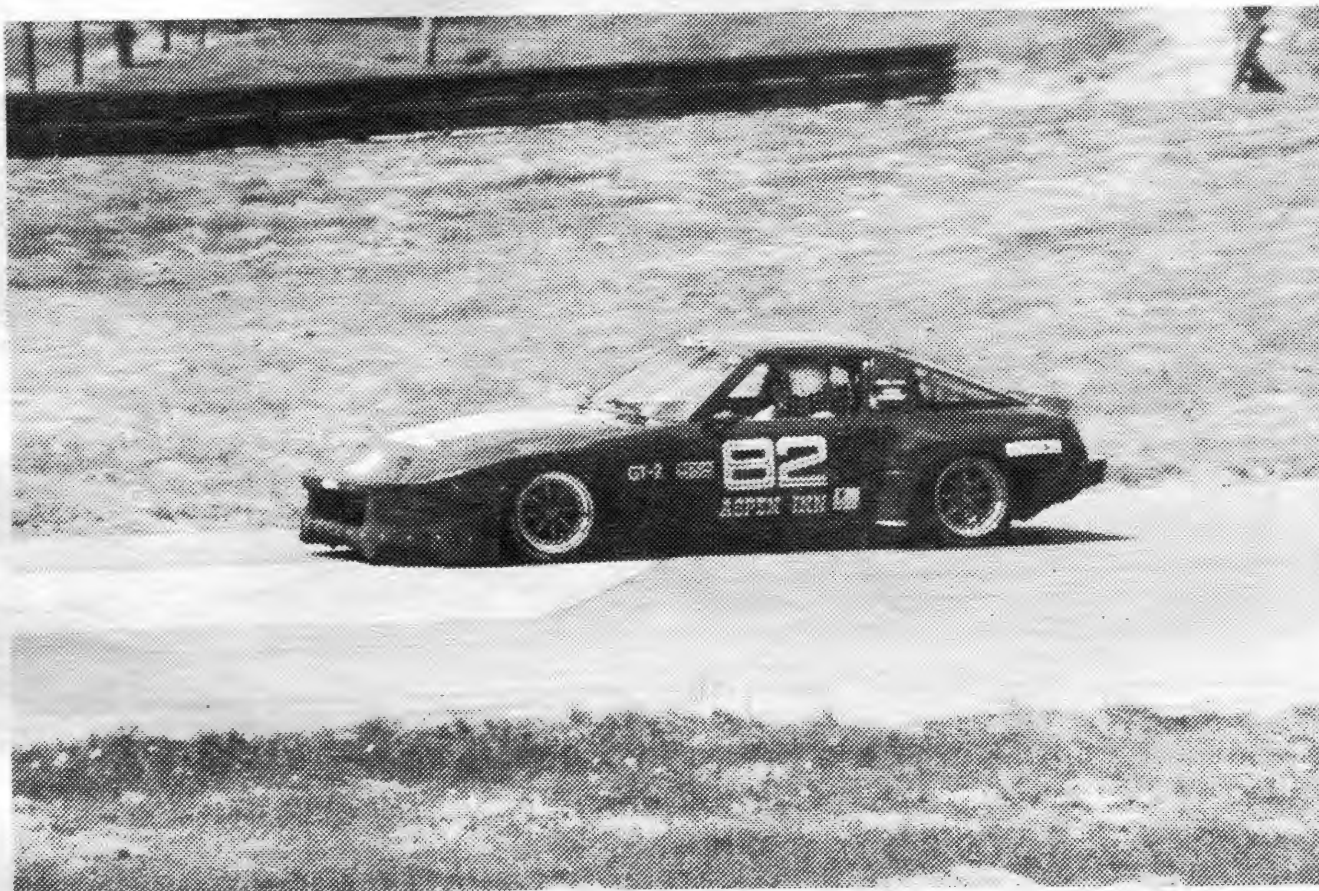


Dick Greer, OVR's 1998 Pro Driver of the Year, is starting his 1999 season at the Rolex 24 Hours of Daytona, trying to add another victory in that race to his resume.

Photo by Ron Lindensmith







(L to R) Dick Greer and Matt Mnich at our Showcase National OVR is proud to have the "who's who" in Mazda RX7 GT2 Category. National Championships to IMSA's Endurance races. They both accomplishments.







**Central Division National  
1992 Driver Class Winners**

(R to L) David Downey, first in S2000 and Dick Greer, third







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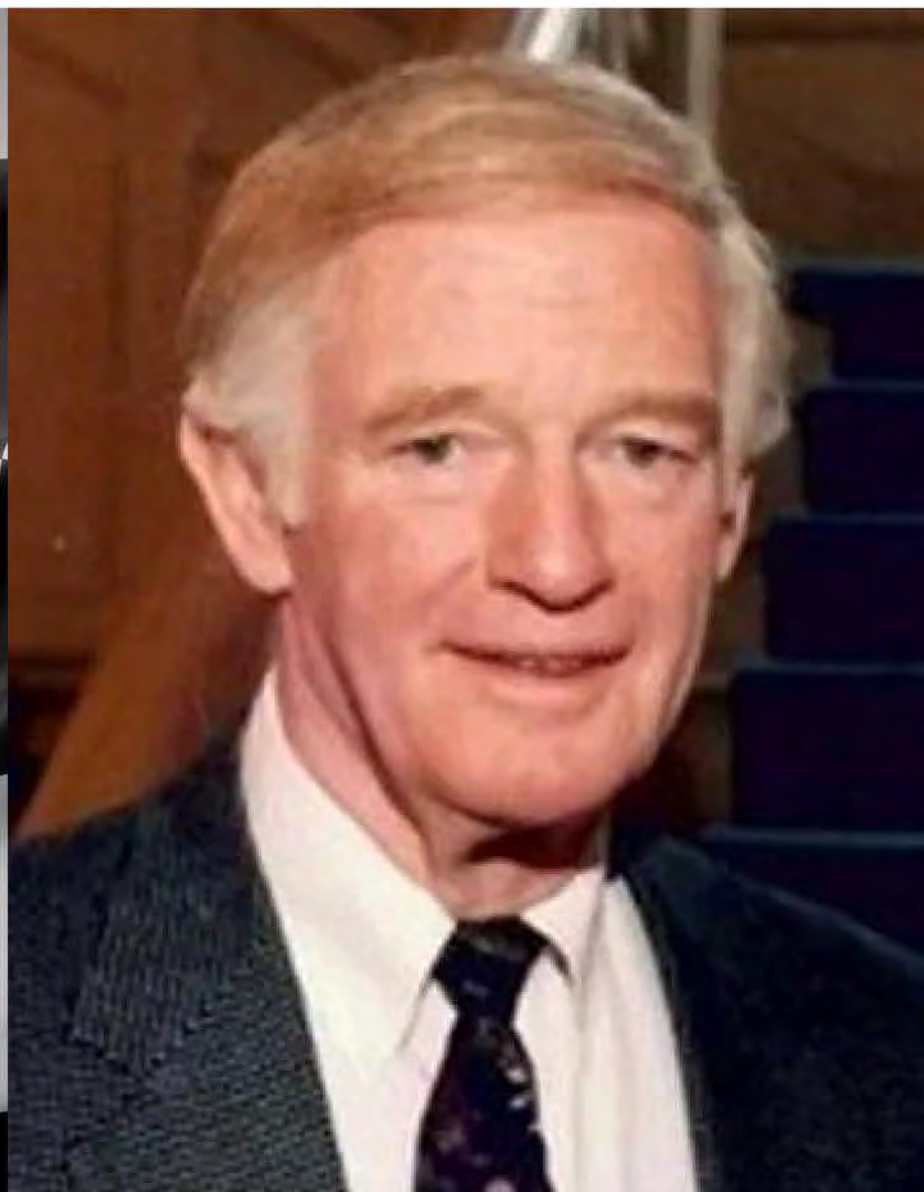


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**Dick Rose, Sam Halkias & Sheila Vermeer  
Sam is awarded the Champion's Cup by Dick & Sheila,  
(in memory of Doug Vermeer).**



























Sam Halkias struggled all week, looking for more speed.

Here he is sliding through turn 6, on his way to ....  
a blown motor!

Photo by Ron Lindensmith

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Sam Halkias started ninth and finished ninth, but don't think he didn't do any racing; he ran as high as seventh and as low as tenth in between Start and Finish.

Photo by Brain Baby







**Sam Halkias of  
Westerville in  
his EP TR6.**

Photo by Mike  
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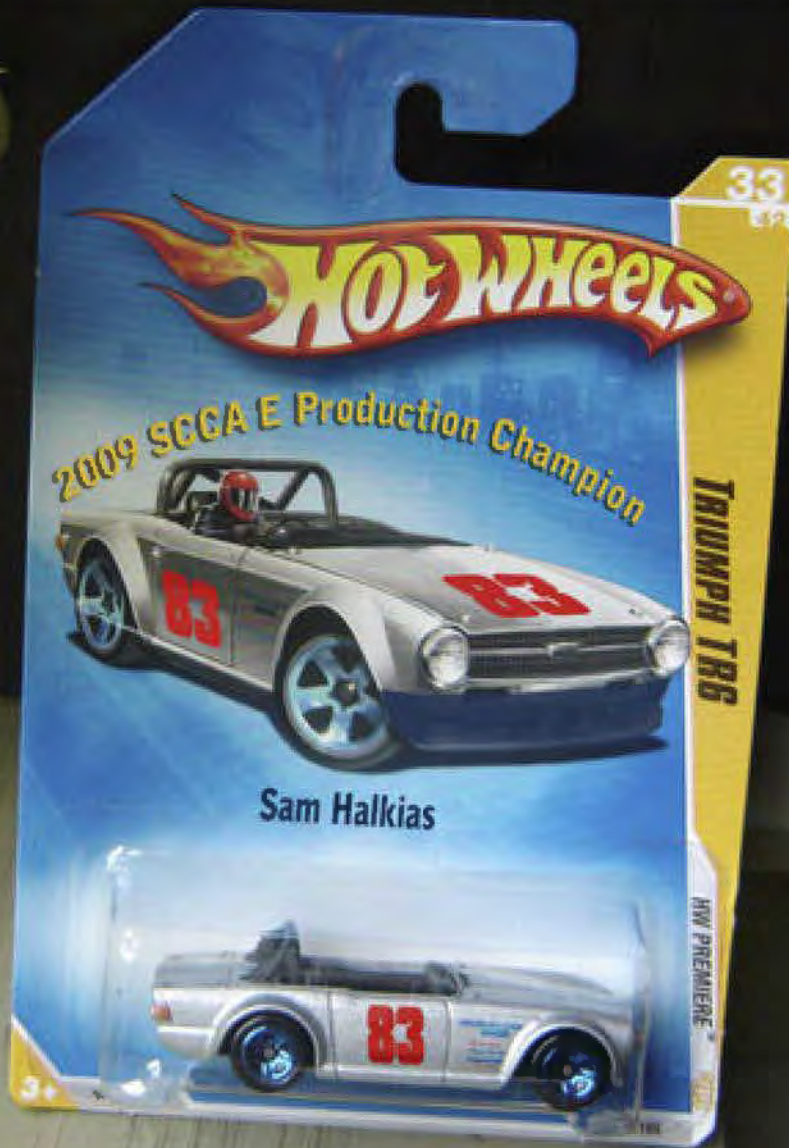














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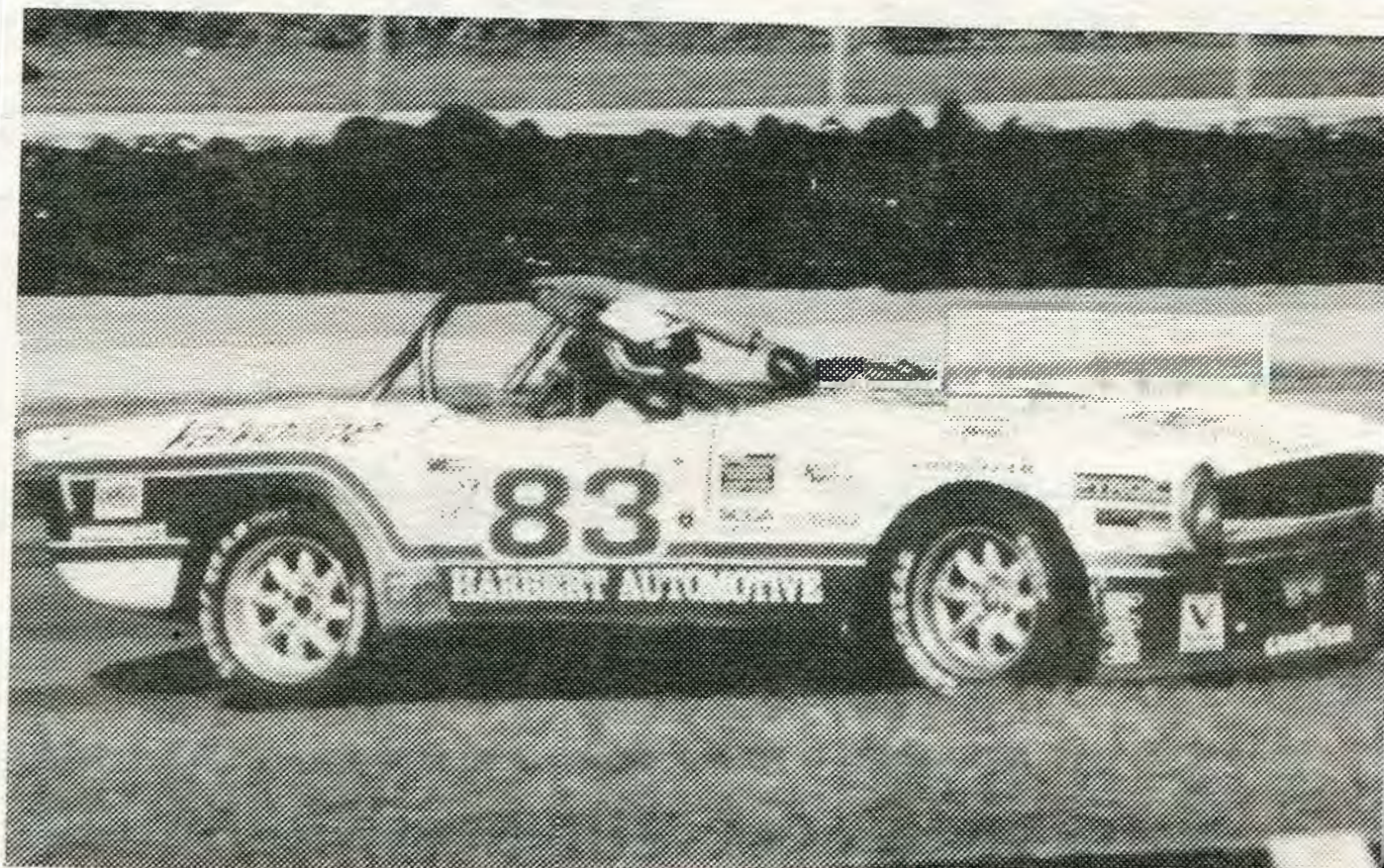












Sam Halkias holds on in a three way battle, moving from 5th to high as 2nd, to finally settle for a 3rd place podium finish in the Valvoline/Catawba Island (back-up car, we're we're told) Triumph TR-6.

Photo by Dan Hod







Sam Halkias continues to be a force in E Prod. competition in his TRF Racing, Catawba Island Marina Triumph TR6. Sam took fourth in the CD-ROC race, and will most definitely be a contender for his competitors to deal with at this year's Runoffs®!

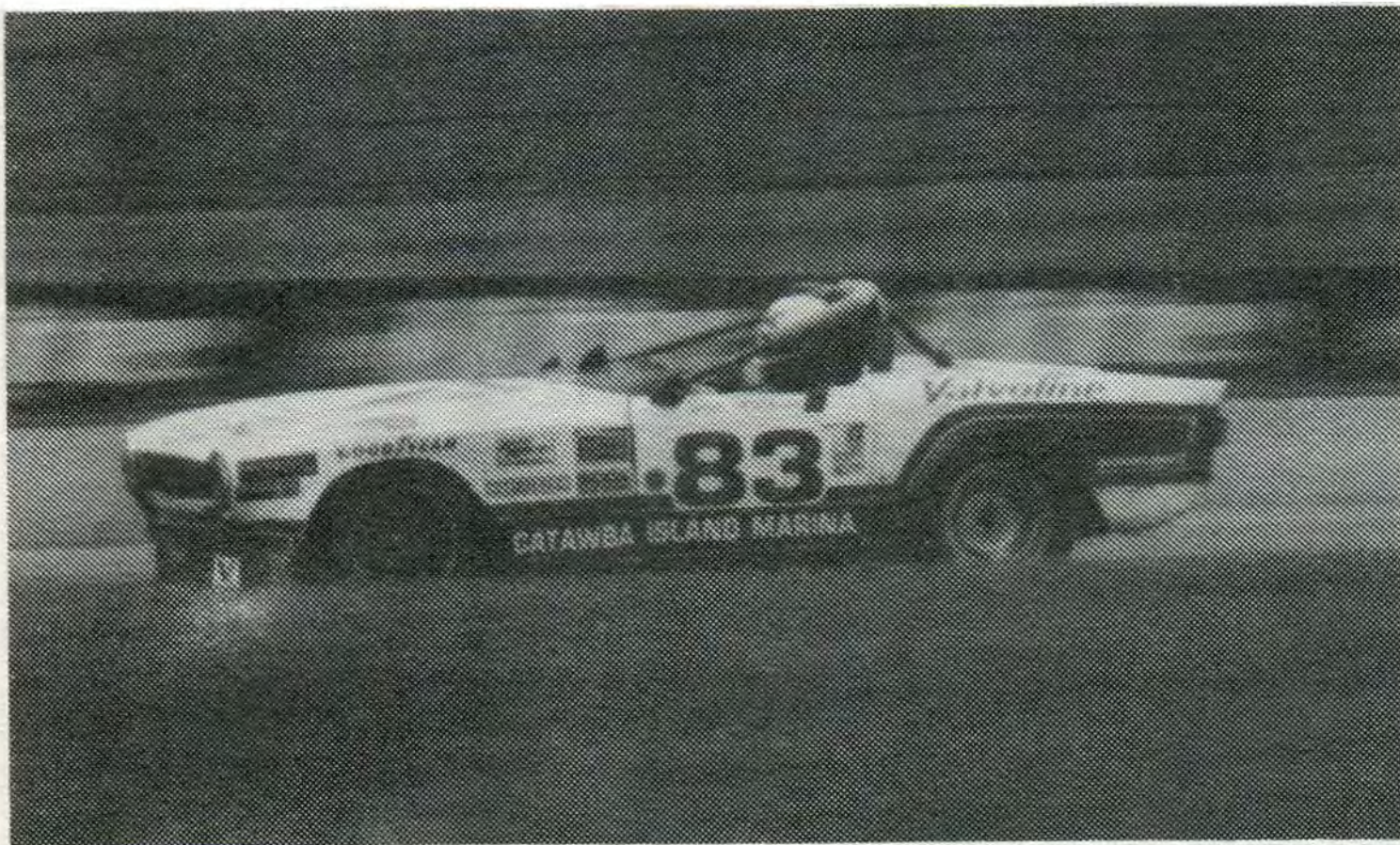
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Sam Halkias pilots his Catawba Island Marina E Production Triumph TR6 around a wet track - does that sponsorship help in these conditions?

Photo by Dan Hodge











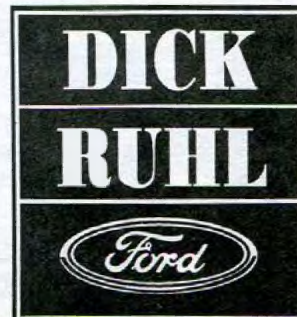


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*Dick Ruhl*

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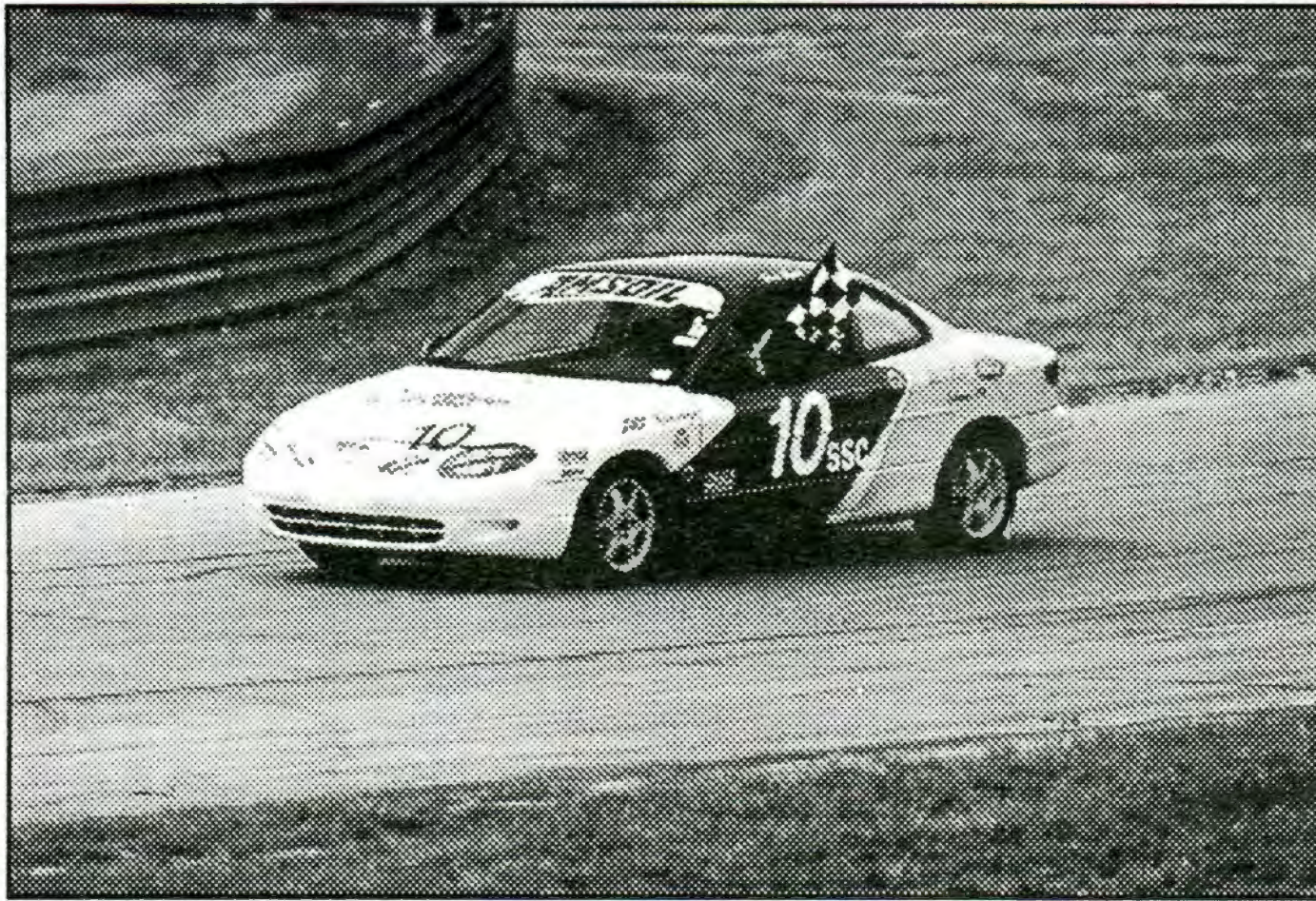
Why do these pictures get to share a caption? Because they are pictures of Columbus Ford dealer Dick Ruhl in his '99 SSC ZX2, which he races at Marysville, and his car is a Spec Racer Ford. Ford Motorsports has been at this level, too!

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Dick Ruhl, Brat Bash Double Regional at Mid-Ohio.  
Photo by Roz Rosintoski

















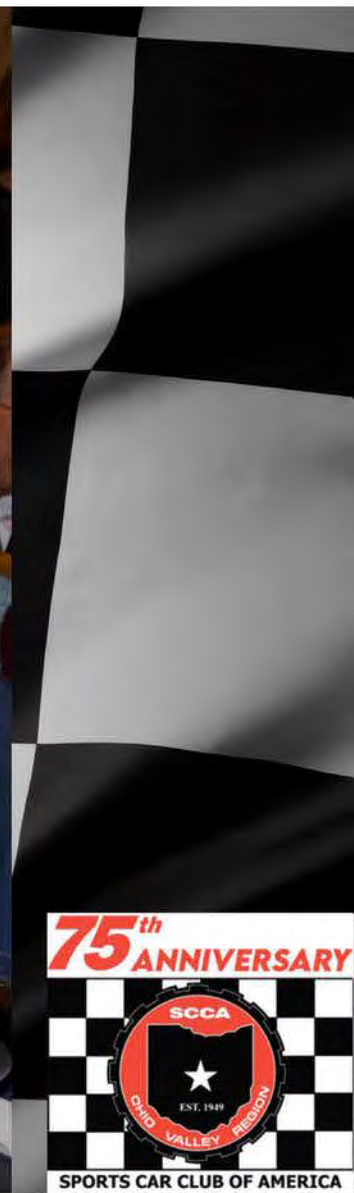


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