

September 2004

A sure sign that the club-racing season is in full swing is that SCCA Inc has had a swing in of revenue of almost \$254k in the last month. The financial sheets do indeed look better, but we are still slightly behind budget year to date.

Two members (one each from both coasts) visited Topeka to help hammer the last bugs out of the Avectra software. Everything is now going out on time. With member renewals going out on time, the membership numbers (& \$) should catch up soon.

With the swing in revenue, ProRacing is now projecting a profit of \$70K for this year. ProMiata finished the year on budget. Neither Enterprises nor Pro have drawn on the BOD approved credit line.

President Steve will appear on a Safety panel with Max Mosley, Brian France and Tony George during the upcoming SAE conference. Cadillac has begun talks on renewing its contract with SCCA. Talks are also ongoing for World Challenge to appear with the IRL at its road course events.

Bryan Cohn from Club racing tells me that as of August tenth we have five-hundred ninety-two entries for the Run-Offs which is forty-one ahead of the same time last year. In 2003 we had just over seven hundred entered and six hundred ninety some took the track. I hope to see many of Area 13 workers and racers at Mid-Ohio.. But before that, I will take my highly anticipated trip to the Solo Nationals. There I hope to hook up with the successful NW region crew, which had five champions among its ranks last year. I promise to take a group photo shot for the cover of the Loud Pedal.

Former Presidents Cup winner Bobby Rahal will write the forward for the upcoming 60th anniversary book. The Hall of Fame committee is working on a nominations list to be submitted to the BOD this fall so the first class will be ready for induction at the next national convention.

Hopefully, by the time you read this, the tape of the Safety Symposium will have been distributed to the Regions. All the sponsorship has been secured, an introduction has been taped, and the project is in currently in final editing.

The end of August will find me in Topeka again to meet with the entire board. As the 2005 rule changes begin to roll in I will have a lot to write about in the next Pre-Run-Offs, Solo Nationals column.