## *Editorial* How About A Formual Ford?

#### by M.G. Lewis

Many of our drivers just don't believe that a real racing car has fenders, and I would like to suggest that these drivers consider owning a Formula Ford. Fords repesent one of the best values available in open wheel racing. They have long been the choice of most professional driving schools because they are durable, easy to maintain, relatively affordable, and are excellent for teaching the basics of competition driving. If you learn to drive a Ford well, you will have the skills necessary to move to a faster car.

The Formula Ford is a purpose built racing car. This has several advantages over a production car in that all of the components are designed to withstand the stress of racing. Fords are very durable and seldom break unless they are crashed. Maintenance in most cases is quick and easy. Ask Steven Lee how much it costs to keep a Ford running. The cars are also easily adjusted for changes in tracks and racing conditions.

These cars have been around for a long time, and because of this there are always many available for sale. The buyer can always select a car that best suits his needs. Although a "state fo the art" car is quite expensive, \$5,000 to \$8,000 should buy a car suitable for Hawaii. Demand for Formula Fords of all ages remains strong. SCCA club racing provides classes for the older cars, and vintage racing is very popular on the mainland. It appears there will always be buyers if you should choose to sell our car.

Formula Ford racing in Hawaii does not have to be expensive. If we all buy similar cars, we can have close competition racing and keep the cost low. The key is to work together.

#### **1994 Wheel To Wheel Racing Schedule**

March 20 June 5 August 28 August 27 October 30 Regional Race Regional Race Regional Race Regional Race Regional Race

### **Welcome Novices**

The SCCA Hawaii Region would like to welcome February novices **Daisuke Matsuura**, **Ryan Nakamura**, **Noriaki Togashi**, and **Kendrick Yeung** to SCCA Solo II racing. Congratulations to **Noriaki Togashi** for being the fastest novice with his Honda CRX in C Street Prepared.



# **Racing Update**

March 20 Regional Race

Our next wheel to wheel event will be a regional race at Hawaii Raceway Park on March 20. It looks like we'll have lots of entries in the open wheel race, and two RX-7's should add new excitement to the sedan group. Remember, this is our last race until the summer, so come out and join the fun!

Please call M.G. Lewis, 672-8255, if you plan to come out as a worker or driver.