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# Solo II Talk

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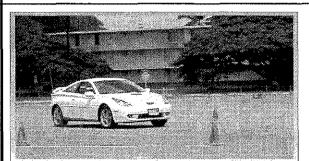
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#### **Editors Note:**

It's been a while since we last raced, and  $\Gamma$  ve got to say that I'm pretty anxious for our next event. Just remember, our new helmet rules take effect at our next event. This means Snell 90 or better. This is a National SCCA rule and we are required to comply.

Another reminder about our race dates: they are subject to change more than usual due to our agreement with the National Guard, check the schedules in the back or e-mail me if you have any questions.-- CS



Robin Uyeshiro brought his Celica GT-S home in the middle of a competitive G Stock.

We had our June race on the second Sunday of the month. Good thing, as the third Sunday in June is Father's Day. But then, Father's understand that gas is a good thing.

Welcome to our June novice racers, Chuck Patterson (BS), Emmanuel Lazo and Shawn Yee (DSP), Keli'i



Our new Solo II Talk contributor Gary Kitagawa is getting a lot out of his Prelude finishing third in DSP.

Franco (EP), Mike Sakamoto (ES), George Lindemann (ESP), Troy Morioka (FSP) and Chris Ranes (SM). George won ESP!! Thanks for joining us, and we look forward to seeing you in July!

With lessons learned from May's two-lap format, the designer's of June's race had a faster course in mind. They succeeded, with this month's fastest time of the day over 28 seconds faster than last month.



Kelly Lee is working his Audi A4 around a fast sweeping turn and his times earned him second in G Stock.

The fastest time of the day belonged to Stephen Oliberos, who clocked a 40.000. Stephen edged out Curtis Lee by only 0.059. Rounding out the top five was Robert Igarashi in third (40.487), Keith Greer in fourth (40.857) with Colin Sato (40.878) in fifth.

In PAX times, Reid Morimoto completed a three peat by once again taking the top spot. Colin Sato took sec-

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## Notes from the Regional Executive

By Ed Hollman

I am sure everyone is aware of the tragedy that occurred in June when a driver went off the freeway and died. Whether he was street racing or just driving too fast doesn't matter. If you know of anyone who is doing this highly dangerous activity, encourage them to come out to the Solo II or the track lapping sessions where their need for speed can be exercised in a safe environment. We are still working on getting a larger area for the Solo II but the 2 laps per run at the smaller Solo II track have been working pretty well. Besides giving longer track time it also changed the feel of a normal Solo II to more of a road race where you see the same corners again right away and can improve on them. You can get even more of that same experience, except at a higher speed and for a longer time, at the track lapping sessions at Hawaii Raceway Park after the end of the wheel to wheel races. We had 10 drivers on July 1st and they all seamed to have had a good time. Both their smoothness and their speed improved as time went by.

There were some problems at the track lapping session in April with cement breaking up and several pukas in the middle of Turn I creating a safety issue. That was fixed for this session. Art Sonen mentioned it to Mike Oakland who mangers HRP and he had it filled in. Many thanks to Mike for his prompt help. Now