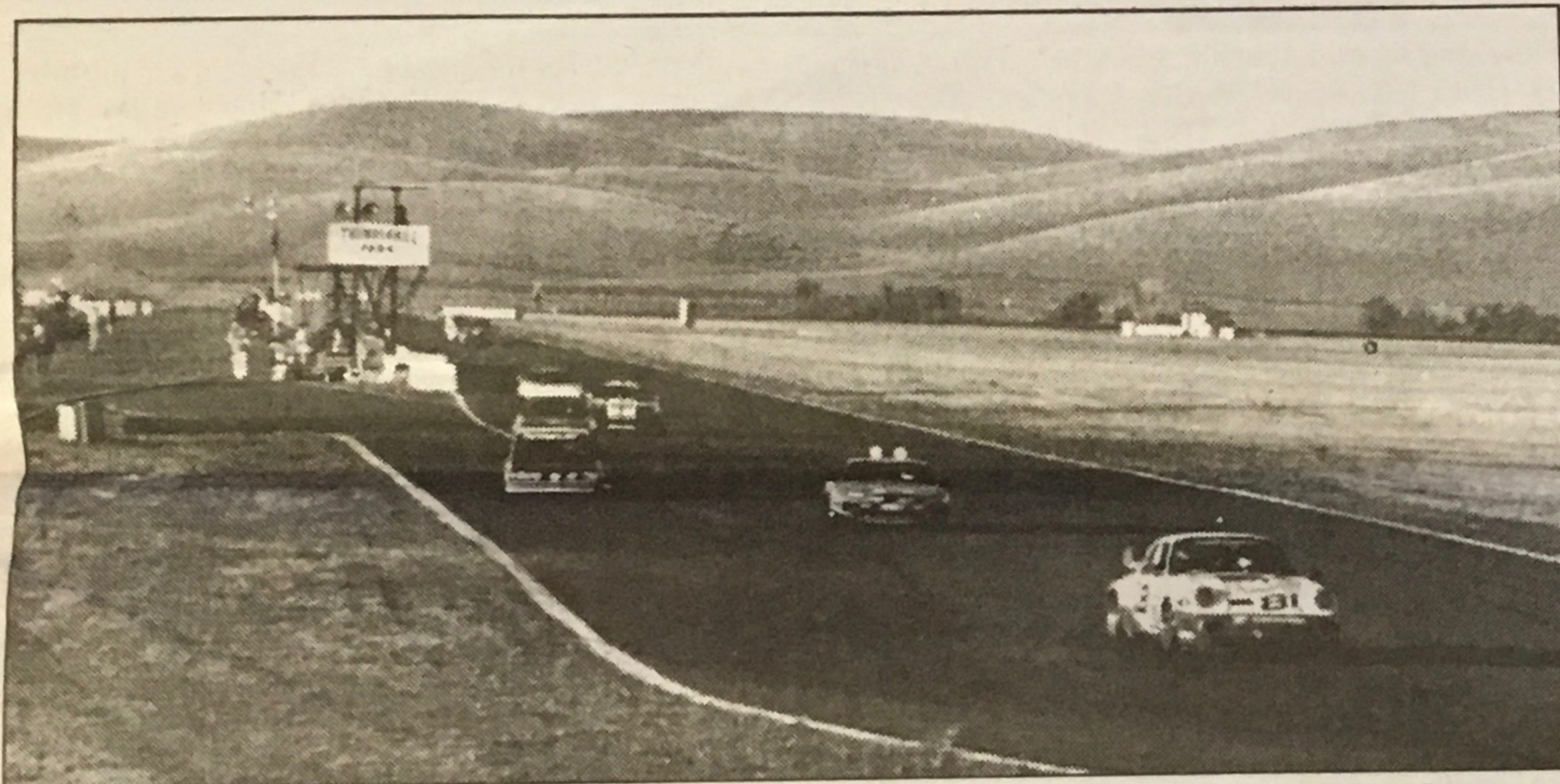


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The Team Crazy Redhead Porsche 911 (81) charges into Thunderhill's Turn 1 during the second annual NASA Timex 12-Hour Enduro. —John Kelly photo



Celebrating their win at the NASA Timex 12-Hour Dec. 4 at Thunderhill Raceway Park, Willows, CA, are co-drivers, from left, John Hill, Kim Hiskey, and Kim Wolfkill, all from Seattle, WA. That's trophy presenter Heather Chen over Hiskey's shoulder. —John Kelly photo

John Hill, Kim Hiskey, Kim Wolfkill win Timex 12-hr in Team Crazy Redhead's Porsche 911

Reported by Ali Arsham

WILLOWS, CA, Dec. 4—Team Crazy Redhead and its Porsche 911 won NASA's second annual Timex 12-hour race at Thunderhill Raceway Park.

With driving chores shared by John Hill, Kim

Wolfkill, and car owner Kim Hiskey, the "crazy redhead" who operates an indoor go-kart track in the Seattle area, the team completed 324 laps, 40 more laps than the 1998 race winners. It should be noted the race last year was completed under a driving rain storm.

Taking second eight laps in arrears was Team NayKid's Porsche 911 RS America shared by Scotty B. White Puyallup, WA; Eddie Yip, and Doug Hebenthal of Seattle, WA.

Another Porsche, a 944 model, occupied the third overall position after completing 305 laps of

the 2.866-mile 14-turn track, was the Heyer/Modderman team with driving by Tony Heyer, Jeff Glenn, Brandon Kraus, and Lew Larimer.

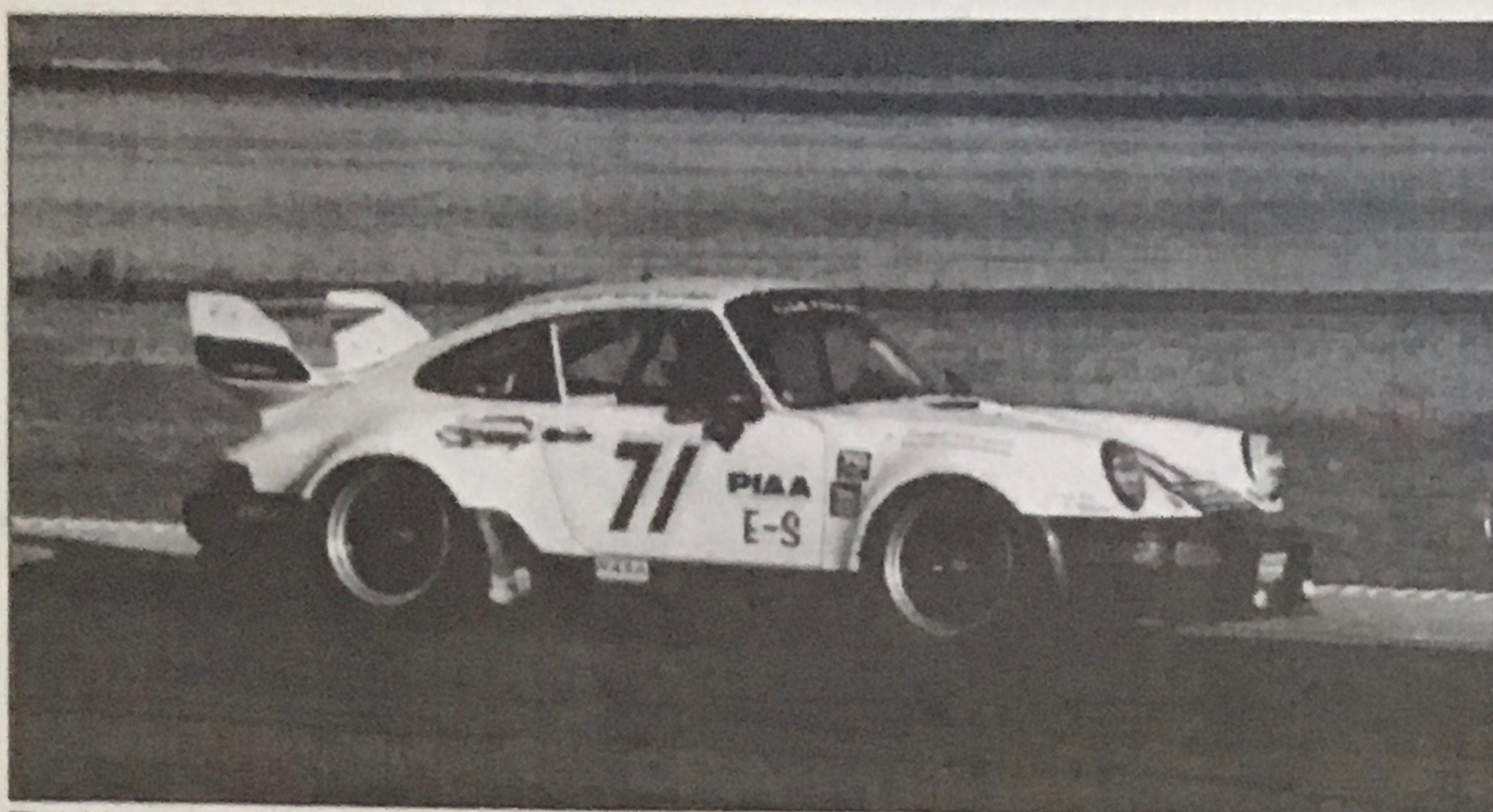
Finishing fourth overall was the Cal Best Team's Camaro which lost all of its lower gears an hour and a half into the race. They put it in fourth and also won the Enduro 2 class, completing 273 laps. Sharing the drive were Gary Faules, Mike Courtney, Marc Kirberg, and Al Butterfield.

Team Rovner won the Enduro 1 class in their Camaro. Sharing the drive were Marc Rovner, Mike Boyles, Curt Storms, and Ian Wood.

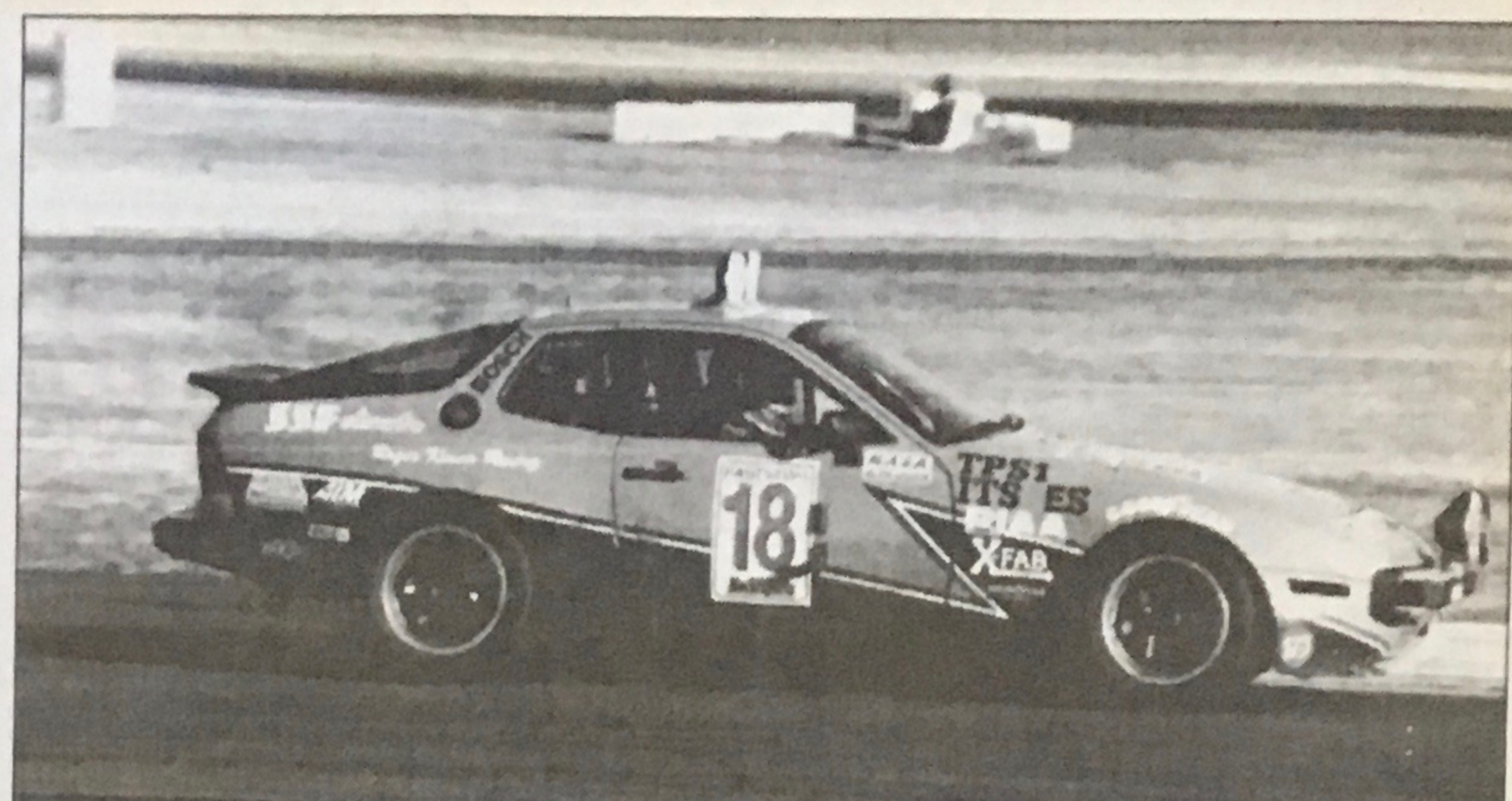
Enduro 3 was won by Team York Motor-

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Jason Leffler wins USAC Turkey Night GP, wraps National title



Finishing second overall at NASA's Timex 12-Hour race was the Porsche 911 RS America shared by Scotty White, Doug Hebenenthal, and Eddie Yip. They completed 316 laps of the 2.8-mile road course. —John Kelly photo



Finishing third overall in the NASA Timex 12-Hour was the Heyer/Modderman Porsche 944 with driving shared by Tony Heyer, Lew Larimer, Brandon Kraus, and Jeff Glenn. The team turned the race's fastest lap at 1:54.7 and completed 305 laps. —John Kelly photo

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erke's Nissan 200SX which covered 261 laps. Drivers were John York, Joe Craven, Jason Nelson, Mike Tolman.

Experiencing numerous problems but still winning the Enduro Sports Racing class was the Tiga Sports 2000 shared by Bruce Trenery, Spencer Trenery, Scott McClenahan, and Dennis Paulina. They completed 182 laps.

The second annual Timex 12 hours of Thunderhill was an extremely popular event with over 50 cars taking on the challenge. The weather turned out to be a beautiful 60° sunny day with just a small breeze. With the weather factor out of the equation, the high horsepower cars enjoyed a comfortable edge.

After qualifying, the fast Sport Racers were up front as expected. The high power unlimited Porsches were pretty close behind and following them were the limited class 1, 2, and 3 cars. Taking the pole in the ESR class was the Bachofner/Curran team with their Lola who posted the quickest time of the field. Taking the pole in Unlimited class was the Naykid team's Porsche 911. The pole in the E-1 class was taken by the Metric Motorsports team's Honda Civic. The E-2 pole went to the California's Best team's Mazda RX7 who put their best driver in the car to make sure that they would get the pole in the very competitive class. The HQ BMW team's BMW 2002 won the E-3 pole.

After the first hour the fastest car was leading the pack. That car was the Lola of Bachofner/Curran. Team Pre Grid's Porsche 911 was second overall and first in the Unlimited class. The Naykid Racing team's Porsche 911 was second in Unlimited and third overall. Fourth overall and third in the Unlimited class was the Crazy Redhead Racing. The E-1 leaders were the Honda Accord of TRS Group 4 Racing followed by the Burlingame Independent-2 team's Honda Civic and the Late Great Racing's Mazda RX7 in third. The E-2 leaders were the California's Best RX7 followed by the B&B Racing-1's RX7 followed by the CMBE-2 team's RX7. The E-3 leader was the York Motorwerke's Nissan followed by the Sturken Auto Body VW GTI, followed by the Import Auto Repair Nissan.

Not much changed after another hour had passed. The Naykid Racing team jumped to the lead. The Crazy Redhead team stayed within sight and the Pre Grid team were now one lap down in third. The Bachofner/Curran team were still leading ESR two laps ahead of Fantasy Junction team's Tiga. The Late Great Racing's Mazda was now the leader in E-1 followed by the Burlingame Independent-2's Honda. Metric Motorsport was now up to third place in E-1. The California's Best team was still the leaders in E-2 with B&B Racing-i still in second but now the Marin Mazda team's Mazda RX7 was in third place. The York Motorwerke team were setting a blistering pace in E-3 as they were only a few seconds slower than their sprint pace.

The others in E-3 were letting them go figuring that they would not make it to the finish with that kind of a pace. The Burlingame Independent team's VW GTI was a distant second and the Sturken Auto Body team's GTI was third.

At the three hour mark, the Bachofner/Curran team's Lola was two laps ahead of anyone else. Crazy Redhead, Pregrid and Naykid Racing were still the top three leaders in the Unlimited Class. The California's Best team and Marin Mazda

were the E-2 leaders with Scotts Valley Chevron in third in their Mazda. Late Great Racing, Metric Motorsports and Burlingame Independent-2 were the leaders in E-1. York Motorwerke, HQ BMW and the Sturken Auto Body team were the E-3 leaders.

By the four hour mark, sound became an issue as many cars were black flagged and had to be quieted down. The Bachofner/Curran team now enjoyed a two lap lead on the rest of the field and an amazing 41 lap lead on second place ESR car of team Welters. The Marin Mazda team's all star driver line up helped propel them to the lead in E-2 for the first time in the race. In E-1, the Metric Motorsports team's Honda managed to take the lead in E-1 with Late Great in second and the Rovner team's Chevrolet Camaro in third. In E-3, York, Burlingame, and Sturken remained the leaders.

After five hours had passed, the Bachofner/Curran team started having problems and they dropped to sixth overall, but still 35 laps ahead of their closest competition. The rest of the classes remained pretty consistent as drivers were pretty comfortable in the pace they had set for themselves.

At the halfway point, the Bachofner/Curran team was out of the competition. Crazy Redhead, Pre Grid, and Naykid were the leaders overall and in Unlimited. The three Porsches seemed invincible. Fourth overall was the Mazda RX7 of California's Best which did not know that this was a long race. They were determined to drive a fast pace and to beat all others.

By the time the seventh hour had come, the top four cars were Unlimited Porsches. They were followed by the California's Best team who were leading E-2 and the Dublin Honda Acura Integra Type R who were fifth in Unlimited. Metric Motorsports were leading E-1 with Late Great in second place and Rovner in third. Scotts Valley Chevron was now in a solid second place with Tracy Honda's Civic in third. York was still in the lead in E-3 with Sturken in second and Burlingame in third. At this point in the race there were several teams in the paddock changing major parts such as engines and transmissions.

Darkness was starting to set in after the eighth hour has passed and things were getting interesting. The Pre Grid team were started having problems which propelled the California's Best team to third place overall. The Dublin Honda team was now in third place in class and fourth overall. The Tracy Honda team were now second in E-2 with Marin Mazda in third. The Rovner team's Camaro took over the E-1 lead with Metric Motorsports in second and Late Great Racing in third. York Motorwerke was still in the E-3 lead with Burlingame in second and now team Mastercard's GTI in third.

Things remained pretty much the same at the nine hour mark and continued to the finishing mark three hours later.

After 12 hours had passed, the Crazy Redhead team's Porsche 911 was the first across the finish line with 324 laps completed. Crazy Redhead's drivers Kim Hiskey, John Hill, and Kim Wolfkill did an outstanding job with no mistakes to win a tough race. The 324 laps completed was 40 laps more than last year's winning car although in all honesty last year was one of the wettest races in memory. The Naykid Team's Porsche was second overall with drivers Doug Hebenenthal, Eddie Yip,

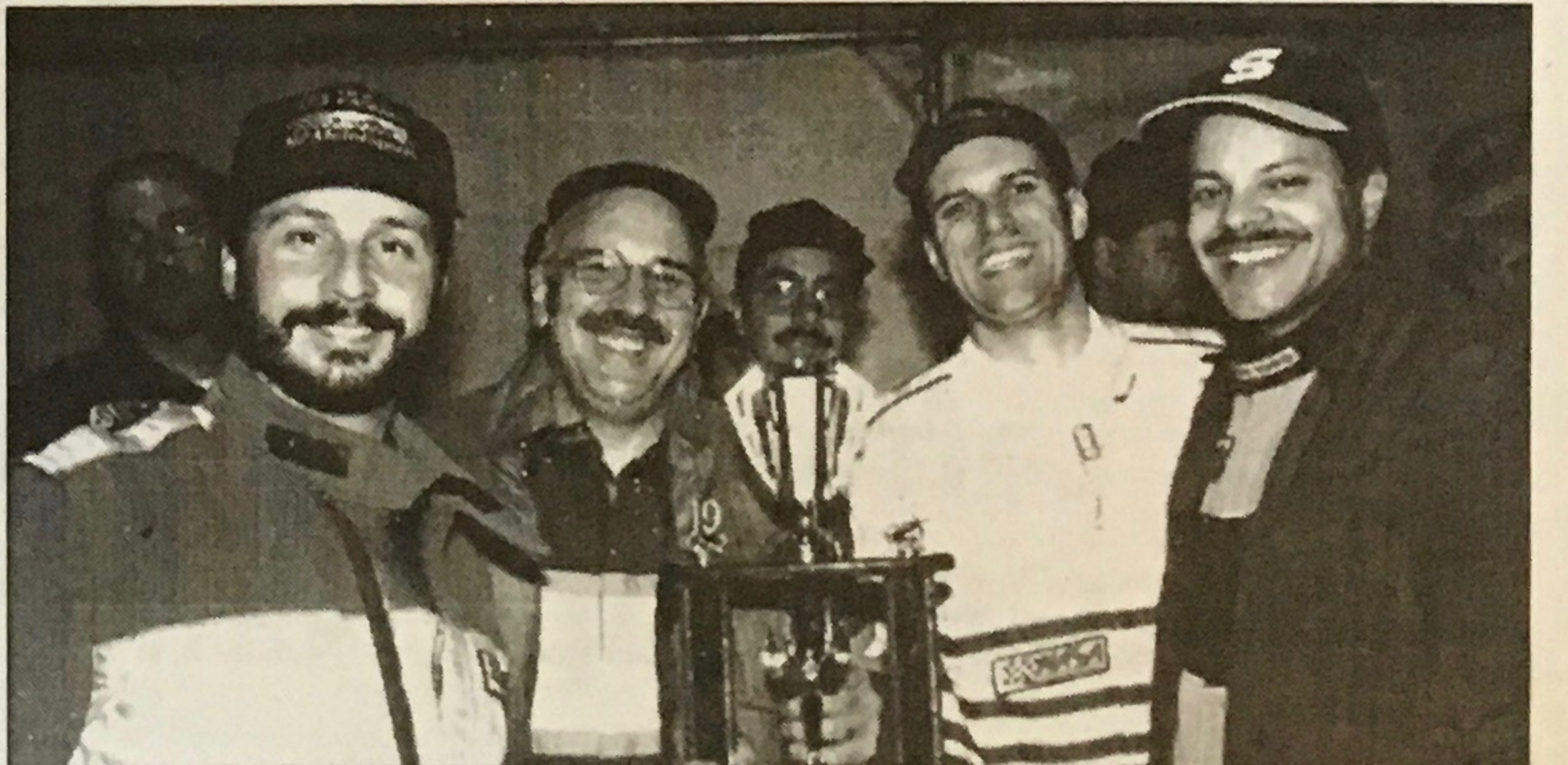
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Finishing second overall at NASA's Timex 12-Hour Enduro was Team NayKid's Porsche 911 shared by, from left, Scotty White, Puyallup, WA; Eddie Yip; crew chief Greg Fordahl, Bremerton, WA; and Doug Hebenenthal. That's trophy presenter Heather Chen smiling in the background. —John Kelly photo



Third overall in the Timex 12-Hour was the Heyer/Modderman Porsche 944 driven by, from left, Jeff Glenn, Oakland, CA; Brandon Kraus, Castro Valley, CA; and Lew Larimer, Hayward, CA. Trophy presenter Heather Chen grins in the background. —John Kelly photo



The Sturken Autobody team's Volkswagen GTI finished 15th overall, third in Enduro 3. Team drivers were Steve Sturken, Peter Triantos, Tom Clayton, and Rocky Triantos. —John Kelly photo



Bruce Trenery, second from left, and Bruce Trenery, second from right, shared the ride in the two Enduro Sports Racers that finished first and second in class at the Timex 12-Hour. Other drivers who participated in the two cars are, from left, Bill Welters, at left; Scott McClenahan, center; and Dennis Paulina, at right. —John Kelly photo



Winning the Enduro 2 class and finishing sixth overall was the Cal Best team in a Mazda RX-7. Team drivers, from left, Marc Kirberg, Al Butterfield, Gary Faules, and Mike Courtney claimed their awards from the Timex 12-Hour trophy presenter Heather Chen. —John Kelly photo