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### VICEROY RACING

VICEROY's two-team, three driver racing effort will be a highlight of the series as the 1975 Formula 5000 North American road championship reaches its climax.

Mario Andretti and Al Unser, wearing VICEROY colors for Vel's Parnelli Jones Racing since the "super team" was organized four years ago, are both in contention to win the often dramatic and always fiercely fought series. Andretti was narrowly edged by Briton Brian Redman for the 1974 crown.

Benny Scott, racing behind the VICEROY shield for Black American Racers for a year now, is moving up to Formula 5000 competition while continuing to fight for the VW Gold Cup series championship.

For Mario Andretti, 1975 has been a worldwide involvement in auto racing. In addition to his Formula 5000 schedule, he has run Indianapolis championship-type cars in the U.S. Auto Club's 500-mile triple crown, and returned this year to Formula One Grand Prix competition spanning three continents. One of racing's most versatile talents, he has starred in and won in virtually every form of racing including the 1969 Indianapolis 500.

For Al Unser, 1975 marks an expansion of driving activity into a full Formula 5000 schedule in addition to the USAC triple crown and National Dirt Championships. A two-time Indianapolis 500 winner, 1970 and 1971, and like Andretti a former National Champion, Unser has quickly shown his own driving versatility by proving to be a serious contender for the grueling Formula 5000 road championship. Still the all-time Indianapolis 500 money winner, only A. J. Foyt and Andretti rank ahead of him in the all-time point standings.

For Benny Scott, 1975 is the year he has moved into big-league, internationally sanctioned racing as the next step on Black American Racers' road to Indianapolis. The VICEROY Lola Super Vee he has been driving in VW Gold Cup competition is an open-wheel, rear-engine, slung cockpit baby brother to the Formula 5000 road racer he will be driving as well as to the Indianapolis championship-type car. Formula 5000 racing will bring Scott under the scrutiny of USAC officials, a necessary step in qualifying for Indianapolis.

The VICEROY Lola racing model T-332, driven by Andretti, Unser and Scott, is an unusual combination of English design and American power that has dominated the Formula 5000 series.

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