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MOTOWN MUSCLE

Hi there Shelby lovers,

Well, here's the news we've all been waiting for. How did we do at the big weekend? You know, Motor City Show & Go VI. Glad you asked. As you can see by our new cover, we did well, very well. We had 133 cars on exhibit and something like 1200 spectators visited our show.

Special thanks are due some very special people who helped our show become the success it was. Retractable Ralph and the "57-'58-'59 Ford Club, the Mustand Club, and the Pantera Club each displayed 10 to 12 cars each. To each of you from other clubs who displayed your car, "Thank You".

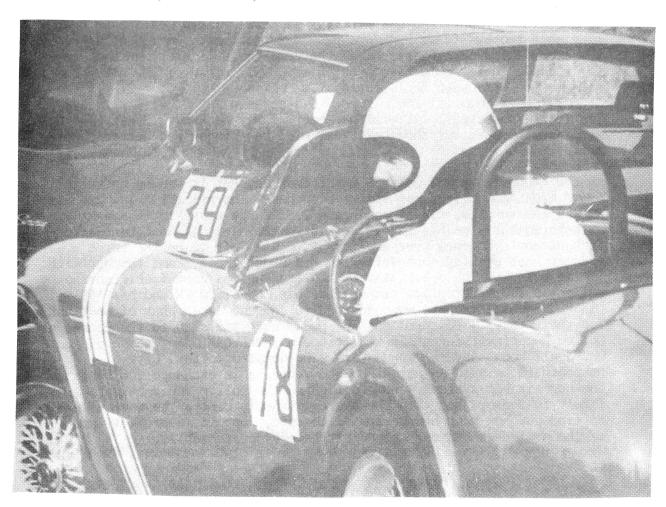
Just before the show, we were up to our hubcaps in red ink to the tune of \$650. Just some eight hours later, and after all the bills were paid, we ended up with a profit of, are you ready for this, \$1,300. More about what we'll do with the money later.

At the awards presentation, we passed out 22 first place trophys, six second place trophys and one for Best in Show. There would have been many more trophys if we had more pre-registrations. We bought a trophy for every third car registered at the deadline. If everyone had pre-registered, there would have been 45 trophys instead of 29. Just a word to the wise when registration time comes up for Motor City Show & Go VII next Memorial Day. Oops. Did someone let it slip already? Yes folks, nest year, it will be Memorial Day weekend. Start getting ready now because our show next year will be bigger and better than ever.

At the banquet, we had only 35 in attendance, but it was an enthusiastic crowd with door prizes for almost everyone. The prime rib was exquisite, as was the service. Thank goodnesss Jeff Burgy was able to speak extemporaneously on his family's trip to the National SAAC Convention in Monterey. Somehow everyone forgot to ask Jeff to be the guest speaker that evening, but Jeff with his usual flair, came through with flying colors. The other star of the evening was John Kachigian who collected TWO first place trophys for his '68 GT500 KR and his '69 GT350. Special trophys were awarded to Joe and Jason Wnuk of Westland for their totally restored Mustan pedal car, and also to the Dearborn Police Department for their '81 Lincoln Towne Car. For those of you who don't know, several Towne Cars were donated to the City of Dearborn to be used as normal police vehicles in exchange for testing the new air bag systems. FoMoCo figured the police would be more likely to deploy then than the average Lincoln owner. We were not able to find out how many had been used to date, but it is probably none as the police car in our show did't have a scratch on it.



WELL, YOU SEE, I'VE GOT THIS LEAK IN MY ROCKER PANEL!



THEY GAVE ME THIS NUMBER BECAUSE ONE COBRA IS WORTH TWO CORVETTES ANYTIME!



LEE ALWAYS PARKS BACKWARDS !!!



I F YOU TOUCH THIS CAR ONE MORE TIME, I'LL TAKE OFF YOUR HEAD!!!

For those of you who couldn't, for one reason or another make the big event, the best in show trophy was decided by the amount of money which was donated to Muscular Dystrophy in the name of the car chosen by the giver. Gary Brudna's mother stuffed his canister with a wad of bills big enough to choke a elephant quad. It follows naturally that Gary took Best in Show with his '67 GT500. Gary had about \$35 in his canister and the next best was about \$28.50. Take heart Shelby owners. If your mother loves you, you don't need a Cobra or a Mangusta to take top honors. All joking aside, Gary took a first in the '67 SHELBY class so his Best in Show was well deserved, in spite of the boost from Mom. By the way, we collected \$200 for Jerry's kids. We will be sending them a letter, a check, along with a few photos of our event.

Thanks are also due to the Corvette Club of Southeast Michigan for inviting us to participate in their autocross at Motor City Speedway in Mt. Clements. We had two Tigers, three Shelbys, and one Cobra in the race along with Chris Koss' racing Alpine. We had about 20 members come out to support and cheer our fearless drivers on. Rumor has it Rick Tweedle shifted into rapid reverse when Greg Koss nearly kissed the pit barrier. That wasn't his camera he shifted either. Wes Detrich made a good show of it in his white with blue stripes '66 Shelby. Mark Corich's Shelby sounded for all the world like he had a paxton on board but don't be fooled, it was just a whining power steering pump. Rick Bawden had reffler problems but showed the 'Vette people what Cobras are for. Rick won a first in class by doing what comes naturally in a Cobra as did Greg Koss in his roaring Tiger. You can believe those Vettes came to win but so did Greg and Rick. Nice going guys.

Your club provided pop for our members on this beautiful warm day. The only thing we didn't mention was that St Clair Shores finest awarded Don Webb with a \$30 citation for exceeding the speed of light by 12 mph. Serves you right Don. We must admit the 'vette men and women do know how to drive and drive exceeding fast. Their cars are superbly prepared. We lift our hoods to you.

All the usual thanks go to our door prize donators, AAA, and the Chicago Road House. The applause should be saved however for your directors and the club members who worked so hard to make this show succeed. Hoods, trunks, and doors to each of you. Last of all to each of you who entered your car or brought people to our show, Thank You.

Make sure you read your calendar. The meeting is on the 1st this month and then, it's our victory celebration. The day before Halloween is Friday the 30th. The hall is rented. The pizza and super subs will be free. There will be free pop. There will be trophys for best costumes. There may even be free beer. All you have to do is show up. BYOB and snacks if you wish. We'll have games, music, and it will be a good time you won't want to miss. This folks, is your first benefit of belonging to the Motor City Region. Between now and next spring, there will be a Color-Cider Mill tour, 2 swap meets, Autorama, autocrosses, and monthly meetings. As you can see our nearly 90 member club is growing both in quantity and quality.

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Oct. 1	Monthly meeting Thursday night 7:30 MaMa Mia's	
Oct. 4	Waterford Hills Racetrack - Open Autocross All Day - Sunday - Tech from 8:00 to 10:00	
Oct. 11	Cider Mill - Color Tour Sunday at 9:30 at Henry Ford Library (Mystery Trip) Rain date will be Oct. 18. If in doubt, call 382-9583 before 9:00 am	
Oct. 30	Halloween Party M.E.A. Hall 6606 Greenfield Between Ford Rd. & Warren Dearborn 8:00 pm - ? Trophys - Games - Food - BYOB - Everything free to those in costumes. We need help in the music department. If you can spring your stereo loose for the evening, can Don as soon as possible.	
Dec. 6	TENTATIVE - Indoor Parts Swap - Gorno Ford Allen Road & Pennsylvania Woodhaven	
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MOTOR CITY SHOW & GO		
	CAR SHOW RESULTS	
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65-66 Shelby	2nd. C. Cevora Allen Park, Mi.	

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67 Shelby
1st. Gary Brudna
Garden City, Mi.
67 GT500

68 Shelby
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1st. David Brudna
Westland, Mi.
67 GTA

1st Ron Micallef
Sterling Hgts, Mi.
70 Mustang Conv.

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1st.Bob Muse
W. Bloomfield, Mi.
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there's this guy over in Dearborn who's got a really neat car for sale. Don't get excited. It's not another Ferrari. know I said I wouldn't need to borrow any more money but

manager of the Ford Division at Ford Motor Co. (the company his Right now it belongs to Edsel Ford, who's the marketing plans This is a Ford GT 40, and is it some kind of sweet machine. dad, Henry Ford II, ran for 35 years).

through Sports Car Exchange and willing to let it go for \$150,000. Edsel says I could get a really good deal on it. He's selling it

I figure my Saab is worth \$6,000, so with a trade-in I'd only need It's unique. This is a sleek fiberglass job that sits low to the to borrow about \$144,000, not counting the sales tax.

ground and radiates power even when the ignition's off. The steering wheel's on the right side. Crazy, huh?

years he owned it, partly because he lived in Australia for two years He says he didn't get to drive it all that much in the seven or eight course it should be. Edsel had it hermetically sealed for five years. Think of it as investment. First, it's in perfect condition. Of

the world, says Edsel. It really is a good deal because the new ones while he was assistant managing director of the Ford's unit there. Second, it's a collector's item. There are only about 20 like it in sell for about \$100,000, Edsel says, but they're just replicas. Edsel says his is "100 percent original" and he ought to know.

Besides, a guy out in California who used to be in charge of the GT 40 program at Ford was in charge of restoration on this little Edsel says it probably won't go the full 200 miles an hour that it

was designed to do when it was used as a back up car for the

LeMans race in 1965 or 1966, I forget which. My GT (I mean

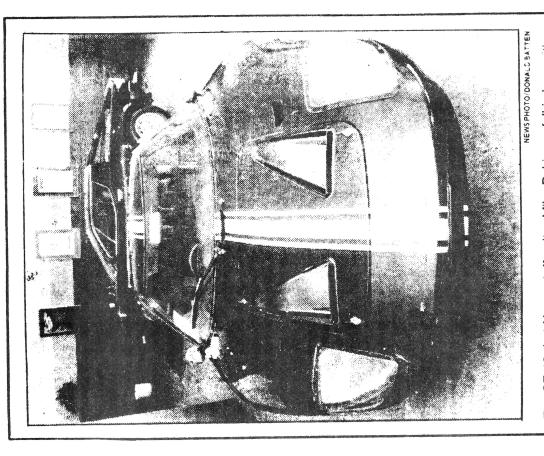
Edsel's) used to have Weber carburation system.

But Edsel says that it wasn't "driveable on Jefferson Ave." So. now it just has a four-barrel carburetor. It only has a 289-cubic inch engine.

Edsel says it's a great car. He wouldn't even sell it, he says, if he didn't have "a couple of other cars" and needs the garage space. Oh, I almost forgot. Sunday is my birthday.

Your loving son,

Mike



The GT 40 that News staff writer Mike Robinson fell in love with The 'perfect' gift for a loving son



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