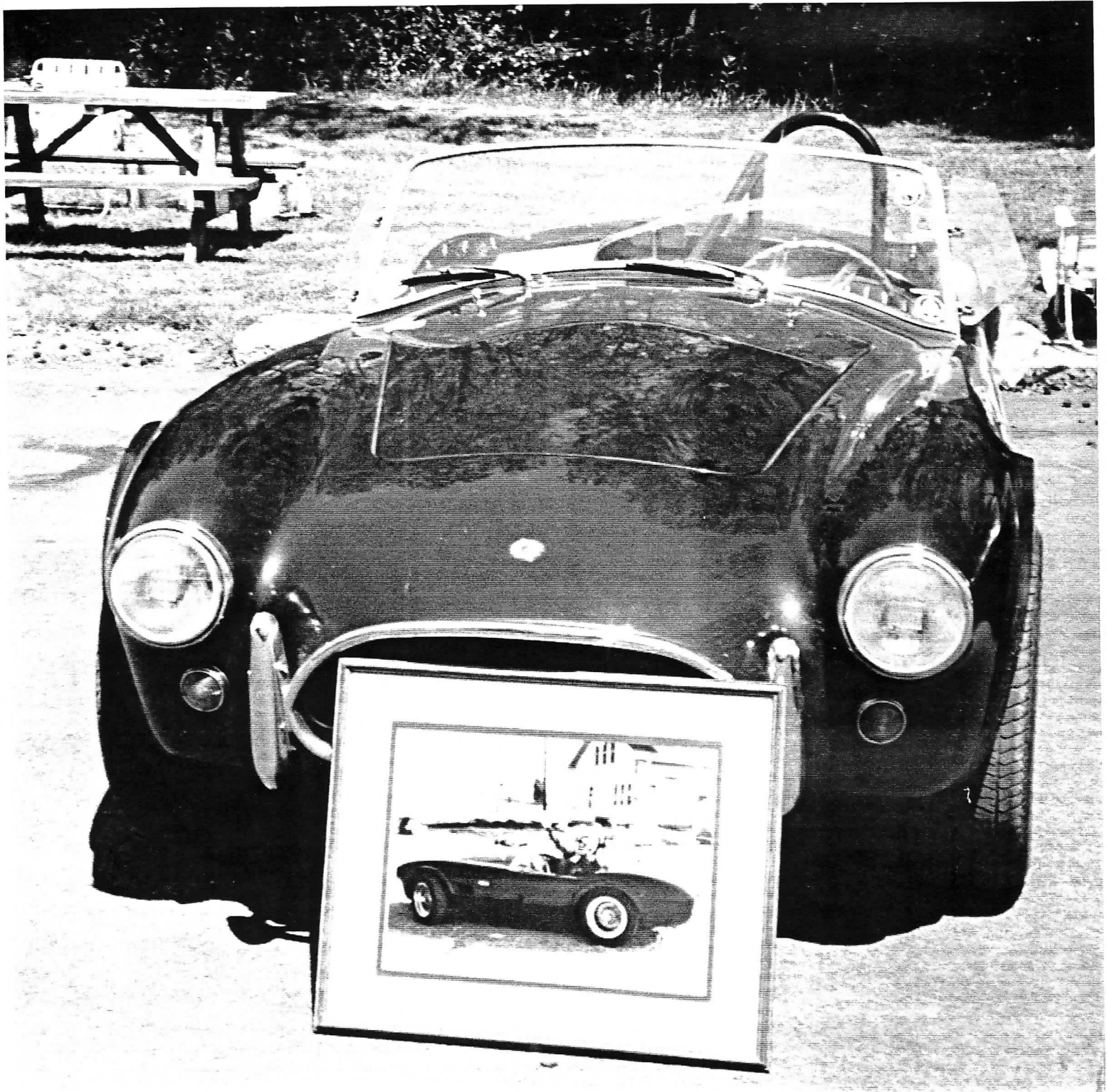


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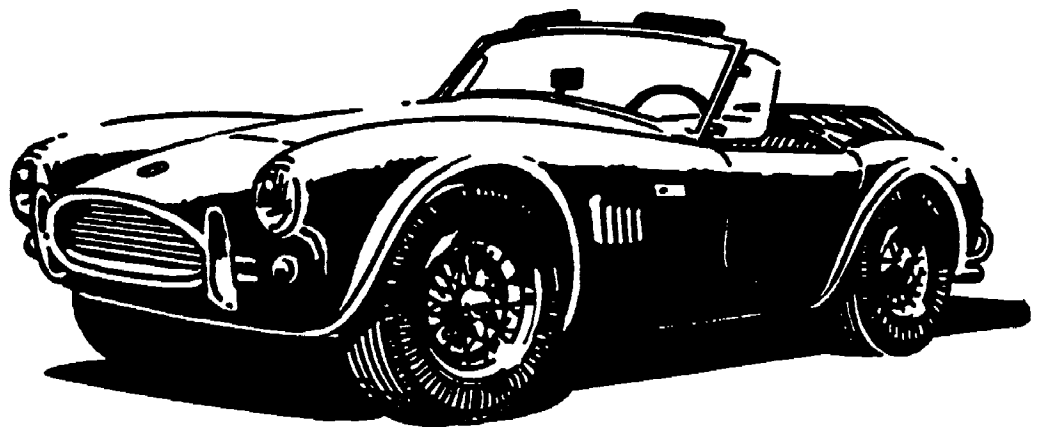
SHELBY AMERICAN
AUTOMOBILE CLUB



Second Annual
Jack Elder
Memorial Car Show

to be held at
GORNO FORD
Woodhaven, Michigan
All Ford Car Show and Swap Meet

Sunday
September 17, 1995



Sponsored by Gorno Ford
and the Motor City Region of the
SHELBY AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE CLUB
For Information

Call: (313) 421-0059

Write: 30917 Dorais
Livonia, MI 48154

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Calendar of Events (continued)

Club Officials	
President	Dean Ricci (313) 421-0059
Vice President	Mike Sedlak (313)449-2845
Secretary	Rodney Beckwith IV (810)474-0372
Treasurer	Carl Galietti (313) 591-3569
Competition Director	Larry Jacobs (810) 681-4574
Membership Director	Rich Tweedle (810) 791-0279
Editor	John Guyer (810) 528-3022

SATURDAY, November 18, 1995
WORKERS / CHRISTMAS PARTY
 (313) 421-0059

TUESDAY - SATURDAY July 2 - 6, 1996
SAAC 21 Lime Rock, Connecticut.
 Four days of Open Track, Swap Meet, Concours & Popular Vote Car Shows, Skip Barber Driving School, Dinner and Evening Program.
 (203) 3640769 or (810) 528-3022.

PSSST - got any good pictures, for our 1996 calendar? If not, stop on the way to the next event and buy a disposable camera and take the whole roll of your car. I'm serious about this. I took a photography course after years of taking pictures. It comes down to this: you take a bunch of pictures of the same thing in different ways and one of them is bound to be good.

Please send any articles or photos to:

SHELBY LIFE

50 Glenshire

Troy, MI 48098-5539

VIDEO TAPE BARROWERS NOTE:

There are still some people out there who have had videos for quite a while (some for over a year). Please return them or call Rich Tweedle (810) 791-0279

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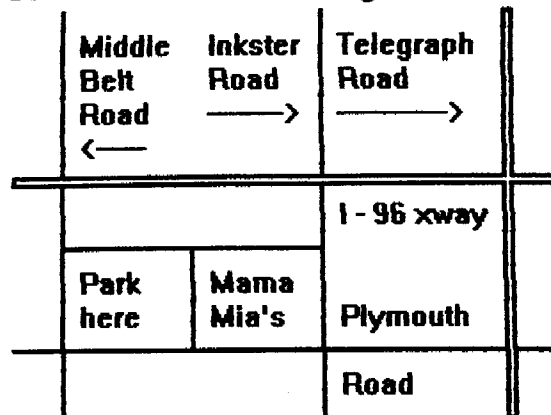
SUNDAY, September 17, 2nd Annual JACK ELDER MEMORIAL CAR SHOW
 at Gorno Ford in Woodhaven. For info (313) 421-0059

SUNDAY, October 1, 1995
SAAC-MCR HARVEST HAPPENING at Waterford Hills Raceway For info call Larry (810) 681-4574

SUNDAY, October 15, 1995
FALL COLOUR / CIDER MILL TOUR
 Meet at 11:00 AM in Meijer's parking lot Eight Mile Road and Hagerty (just west of I - 275)

NEW LOCATION FOR MONTHLY MEETINGS

FIRST THURSDAY of EACH MONTH
SHELBY CLUB MEETING at Mama Mia's 27770 Plymouth Rd. in Livonia, MI. We will be using the banquet rooms on the left (west) side of the building. Dinner at 7:00 PM. Meeting at 8:00 PM.





**Shelby American Automobile Club
Motor City Region**

Presents, Rain or Shine
Our Fifth Annual

HARVEST HAPPENING

Sunday October 1, 1995

**An OPEN TRACK EVENT to be held at the
Waterford Hills Road Course in Clarkston, Michigan
*** LIMITED TO THE 1st 50 PAID REGISTRATIONS *****

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - GATES OPEN AT 8am Track open from 10am to 5pm
FREE GENERAL ADMISSION AND LOTS OF FREE PARKING. ANY MAKE VEHICLES ALLOWED TO RUN ON TRACK
YOU MUST RUN MUFFLERS & CONVERTIBLES MUST BE EQUIPPED WITH A ROLLBAR !!!
*** DRIVER'S SCHOOL for all NOVICES ***

TECH INSPECTION REQUIRED - 75 dba noise limit. Tech will be open from 8am to 9:30am only.
SNELL APPROVED helmets are required: your car must have operational brakes, seat belts and exhaust system.
Driver's Meeting will begin at 9:15 a.m. the day of the event - All entrants MUST attend

\$60 per vehicle for SAAC-MCR members, if you pre-register.
\$75 for non SAAC-MCR members, if you pre-register.

Your fee will include free membership in SAAC-MCR for the remainder of 1994

The Pre-registration deadline is Saturday, September 30, 1995. **All vehicles \$90 after 9/30/95**

Your registration fee includes a luncheon, courtesy of SAAC-MCR

MAIL US THIS - PRE-REGISTER AND SAVE MONEY !

YES - It's a **60** for the Harvest Happening open track event

NAME : _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

DRIVING EXPERIENCE LEVEL: _____

TYPE OF VEHICLE: _____

ENGINE DISPLACEMENT: _____ Modified ? Y_ N_

You must enclose your payment with your pre-registration.

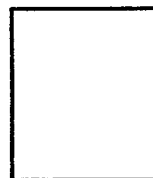
Check one: _____ \$ 60 SAAC-MCR entry fee enclosed
_____ \$75 Non SAAC-MCR entry fee enclosed

Make Checks payable to "SAAC-MCR" - MAIL TO:

SAAC-MCR HARVEST HAPPENING '95
3183 Erie Drive
Orchard Lake, Michigan 48324

Any questions ? Call Larry at (313) 681-4574

Save This - A map to the track !!!!!



**Waterford Hills
Track**

Pelton Road
North

Sashabaw
Road exit

I-75
North

The President's Report

by Dean V. Ricci

Well if you are like me and enjoy doing things with these collectible cars we enjoy so much, I imagine that YOUR summer has been as busy as mine. Not too much time to sit at idle when all these car related activities have been taking place.

Take ourselves for example; we've just finished our Twentieth Anniversary of Show and Go, and the Second coming of the Jack Elder Memorial is just around the corner. In addition to that, we had the Driver's School in conjunction with Show and Go, as well as Team MCR continuing their winning ways at the Meadow Brook Historic races.

Back in July the PFCa put on their annual Super Ford event at Milan, with enough drag racing action to satisfy any straight-liners appetite. And most recently, the Mustang Owners Club put on another great event at Wilson's Barn in Livonia.

Club members walked away with some trophies at this event. **Scott Wood** was there with his narrow fendered *Cobra* and took a class award, as did **Rick Bracken** with his *Shelby GT500*. **Ken Costella** took First Place in the Shelby / Boss class with his beautiful *1966 GT350 Shelby*. This car is very well done and would make even **Lee Swonder** and/or **Bob Varcoc** JEALOUS ! **Michael Urdike** also was a class award winner with his *Mustang GT*. Yours truly was able to go home with a class award as well, in addition to the NICE die-cast 1957 Thunderbird model I received as a door prize. **Carl Galietti**, **Kurt Fredrickson** and **Gary Jankowski** had their respective vehicles on display at the show also. I hope I didn't miss anybody. Speaking again of Ken Costella's '66 Shelby, this will be one of the (3) three vehicles he will be bringing to our two remaining track events at Waterford Hills. So, if you didn't see it at Wilson's barn, all the more reason to head out to Waterford with us in September and October.

I've also seen quite a bit of cruise nights this summer. On Tuesday nights, there is a weekly gathering at the Ice Cream place on Ford Road and Merriman. You can always see **Bob Craig** there defending his turf with his *Cobra*. Also on Tuesday nights, east siders can take in the action at Pampa Lanes, on Van Dyke north of I-696. You'll see a lot of nice cars in the bowling alley parking lot. On Wednesday, there is a cruise night at Woolly Bully's, both on the east side on Groesbeck Highway near 15 mile ... and at their west side location on Seven Mile and Northville Road in Northville. The "bulls" drew 300 cars one Wednesday night, it's quite the happening place as cruise nights go. The week rounds out on Friday nights on the east side at Continental Lanes on 13 Mile and Gratiot Avenue. These bowling alleys really have a good

thing going with these cruise nights ... they can really fill their parking lots when bowling is out of season during the summer months.

I mentioned earlier the fine showing our Team MCR guys had at Waterford again this year. **Bill Davidson** I believe won every race he was in with his screaming yellow Opel GT. **Tom Greene** got the unanimous "club" award for best *re-engineered car*. Many members commented to me that Tom's car was looking good and running smooth. Tom was turning laps faster than he ever has out there before (must have been all the extra track time he got when featured recently in an **AutoWeek** article !) **Michael Sedlak** continued his annual trip to victory circle with his '70 Boss 302. Unfortunately, an engine problem sidelined him for the feature races on Sunday. **Bob Varcoc** was in attendance with the big and bad '67 Camaro. Bob had some good showings, but enjoyed a real victory when he won a set of tires from Hoosier, as a consolation prize in the Sunday TransAm race ! The real highlight of the weekend was the driver and car combination of **Phil Jacobs** and his 1968 TransAm Mustang. In Phil's own words, he hit for the cycle on the weekend winning awards for 3rd place on Saturday, a 2nd in the TransAm feature race and a 1st place in the final race on Sunday. Phil almost was the overall winner in the final race, but a pesky little Mini Cooper finally passed him on the last lap. If only Phil had a fly-swatter with him in the cockpit !!! There was one part of the weekend that took a strange twist. In relation to where the guys were pitted, there were two Ford GT40s pitted in the back. We all spent most of the weekend admiring these cars. But the driver of one of the GT40s looked somewhat familiar to me. It wasn't until the track announcer called out his name during the race that something clicked in my old brain. Towards the end of the day I walked over to the GT40 paddock and spoke with driver in question. Turns out that, as I had suspected, he and I went to high school together way way back in 1976 ! Boy, what a kick that was to see an old classmate ... driving a GT40 in a vintage race no less.

I'll close with a tale of someone's good fortune. Getting back to the MOCSEM Barn Show again ... there was a 1995 Mustang Cobra R parked not too far away from my '93 Cobra at the show. We got to talking and I found out this fellow owned the car (he worked at Ford and I assumed is was a demo unit). He told me how the car was ordered by a racing team at Alan Ford, but they never picked up the car. His sister works in dealer relations and caught wind of it. She told him of the situation and the guy jumped on the car. Picked up the car the week before the show ... on "A" plan for \$32K. Such a deal. As of the show, he already has a standing offer of 57,900 on the car ! You know what they say, some guys have all the luck !!!

- See ya next time !!!!

**'95 Chicago Historic Races
The Cobra-Ferrari Wars Revisited
by Steve White**

One of the premier events of the Vintage Motorsports season is the Chicago Historic Races (CHR) held at Road America in Elkhart Lake, WI. Each years event is punctuated with large fields of both racers & spectators, with reportedly 400 entrants & 100,000 weekend spectators. One of the features of the CHR event is a highlighted marque or event. Recent events have been famous for their Can-Am Reunions. This years event featured a Trifecta of Anniversaries, with CHR celebrating 15 years, the Road America track 40 years, with the high water anniversary being the 30th anniversary of Americas only World Manufacturers title! a special race was held with Cobras, Ferraris & other marques of the era invited.

SAAC-MCR member Robert Varcoe once again made what amounts to an annual trip, by racing one of the ever diminishing Shelbys, most of whom don't even make it out of the garage except on a trailer to a car show. This makes the 8th year, 7 racing, in which Bob is drawn back, while I have had the pleasure of assisting for 5 years. The early years were with the Ol' Red Thumper known to members of the club. For the last 3 years, SFM5012 restored to R-model specs by Tony Conover of PA fame has carried the Shelby-American flame.

As each year, Friday evening featured a concourse for competition cars only held in the streets of Elkhart Lake, preceded by a Police escort of the comp cars the 3-4 miles from the track to town. For the third year in a row, #12 took a prize in class. This year was 2nd Place for a class normally spiced with Camaros. This year Shelbys finished 1-2-3 in class. Each winner received a special ribbon

denoting the event placed on the car, & draped over the neck of a 30 year old bottle of wine, handed out by the winner of the inaugural race 40 years ago - Phil Hill!

Saturday was reserved for practice & qualifying for all classes. Save for a 2 hour marathon spark plug indexing session to compensate for combustion chamber packaging on the 12 car, it everything went uneventfully. Also a 90 minute Enduro was run, several strong running Fords did with a 289 F.I.A. Cobra finishing 1st in class, second overall. An evening rain storm cleansed the track for Sundays events.

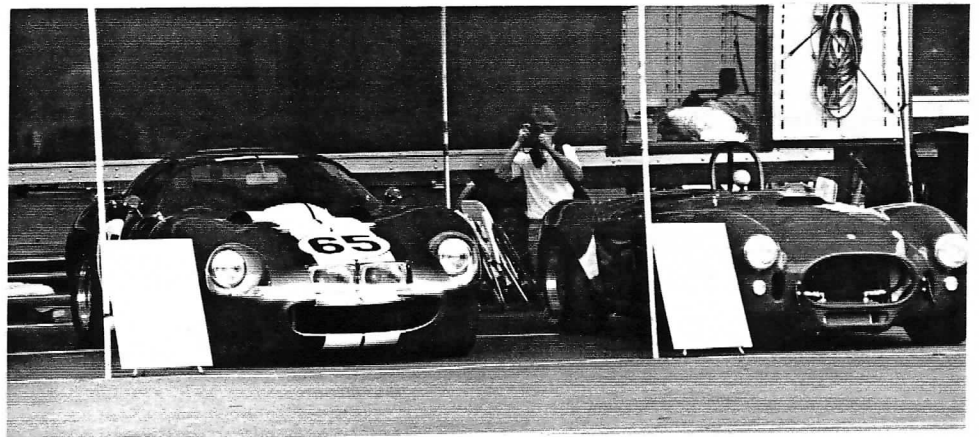
Sundays main events offered plenty for all. Around noon, the feature Cobra-Ferrari race was held. On the parade lap I counted 19 Cobras! - including a Daytona Coupe & the previously era uncompleted 427 Super Coupe, 7 Ferraris, a polished aluminum Aston Martin Lagonda wearing the car #007 decals driven by Brian Redmond, several Jags, & a lone Corvette roadster. The Cobras dominated, naturally, with Bob Bondurant in one of the 289 Cobras in a very spirited battle with fellow 289 Cobra driver Karl Schifmayer changing the lead back & forth several times. When Bondurants' Cobra lost one of its exhaust pipes, the power loss made Karls work easier. Cobras thus finished 1-2-3, with Brian Redmond in the Aston in fourth.



The Group 6 feature race had 87 entrants! However for various reasons only 47 qualified, & about 40-42 showed up on the grid for the start - still a very large field even for Road America's 4 mile length. With CHR's more liberal view on rules, the front runners were in the hyper sonic range! Bob qualified deep in the pack but had a rousing run with another Shelby, passing one of the Wild West Racers through the Carousel.

Group 7 features the Can-Am cars, & while Ford did not have a significant portion of this history, several GT40's ran in this year's race to make it interesting.

The final race was the Exhibition race, which feature the Super Coupe, a GT40, & a '65 GT350 that was driven to the track!

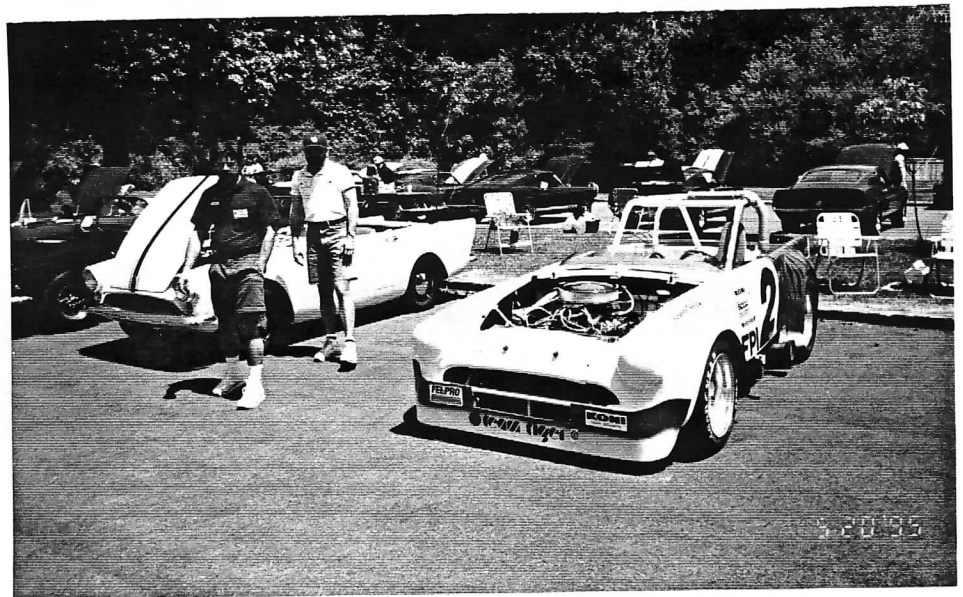


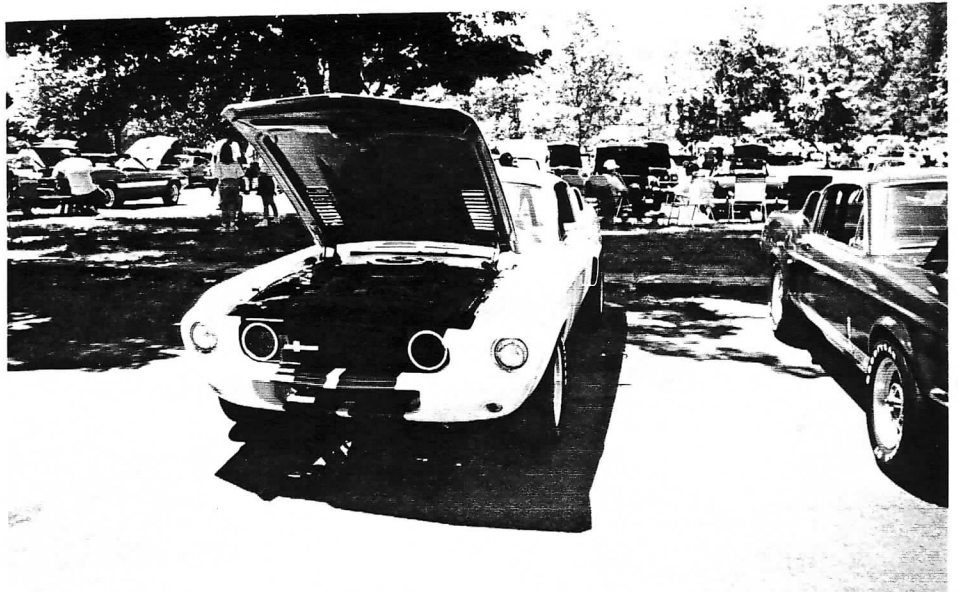
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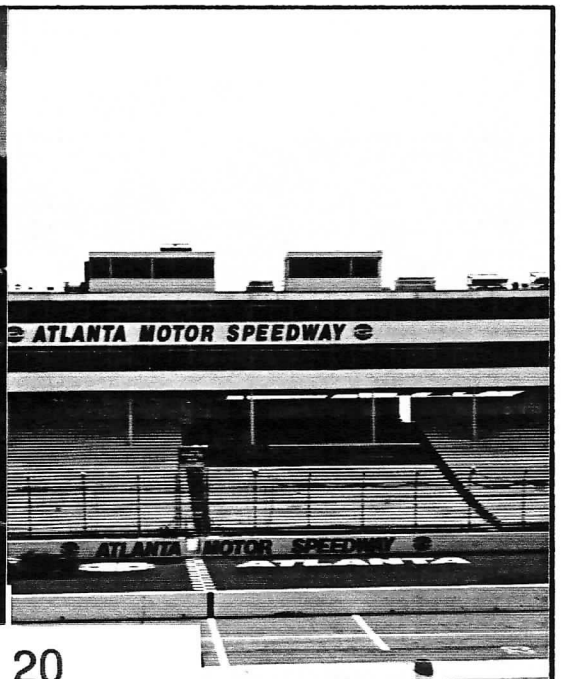




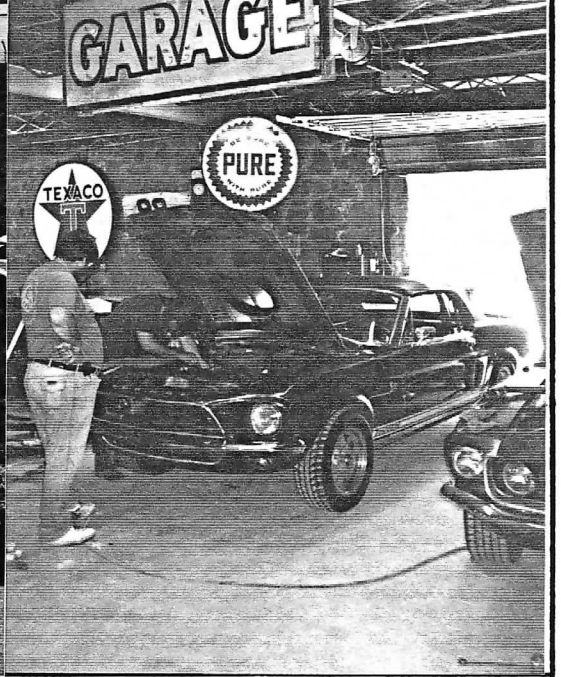
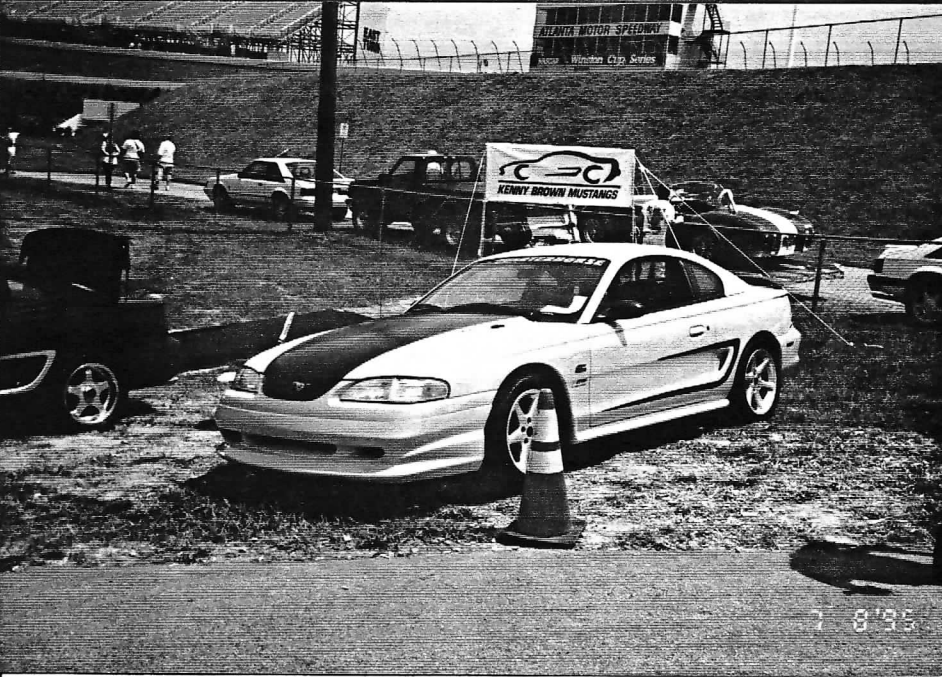
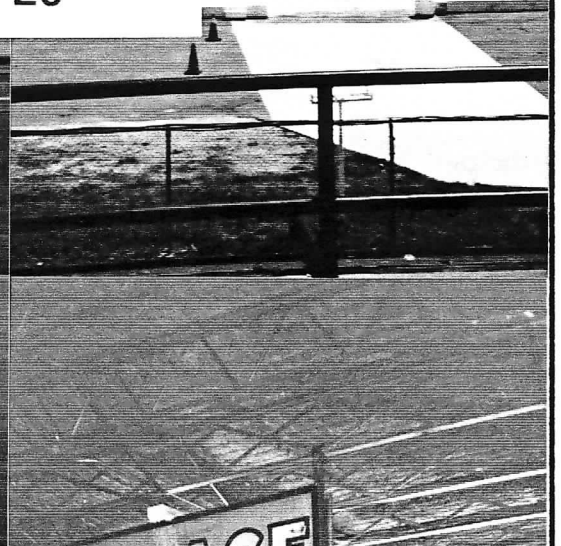


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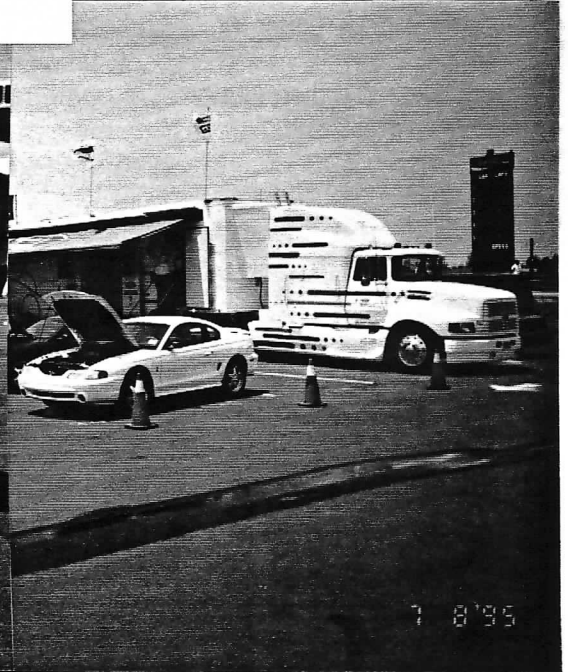


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Board of Directors – Job Descriptions

President

Coordinator, administrator. Deals with things such as club meetings, club sponsored events, insurance, club liabilities, legal actions, etc ... All board members report directly to the President, and as such the President oversees all activities of the members of the Board of Directors.

Secretary

Takes the minutes at Board Meetings and General Membership meetings. Supplies newsletter editor with meeting minutes from each General Membership meeting.

Treasurer

In charge of all finances. Treasurer has authorization to reimburse club members for expenses incurred upon production of a receipt for said expenses, with prior approval from Board Members.

Competition Director

In charge of all "moving" events, track rentals, security, ambulance services, track events administration, etc ... Required to submit a budget to the Board of Directors of all expected expenses and projected income of all moving events. Cannot spend club funds without prior approval from the Board of Directors.

Membership Director

Keeps track of membership renewals, makes sure addresses and phone numbers of membership are current. Distributes membership cards to paid members annually. Prepares and distributes membership renewal notices via First Class Mail. Produces all mailing lists as directed by the newsletter editor and the Board of Directors.

Editor

In charge of the quarterly publication "Shelby Life". Oversees layout, printing and distribution of the publication. Prepares a budget for four (4) issues of Shelby Life per year and submits budget to the Board of Directors for approval.

NOMINATION BALLOT - SAAC / MCR Elections

Club Member Name: _____

I wish to run for the following position on the 1996 Board of Directors
(check only ONE)

_____ President

_____ Secretary

_____ Treasurer

_____ Competition Director

_____ Membership Director

_____ Newsletter Editor

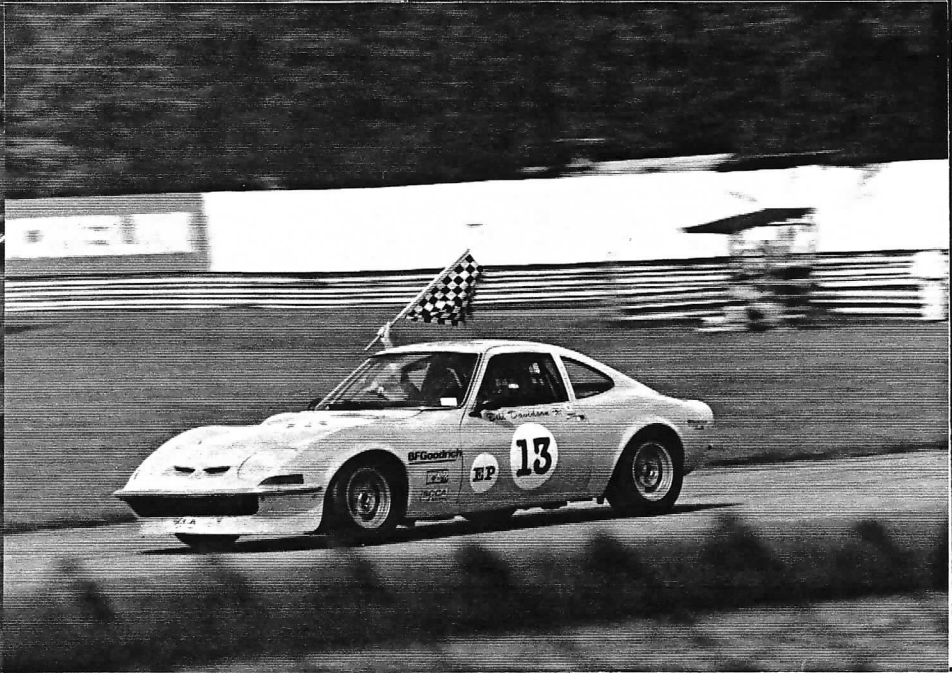
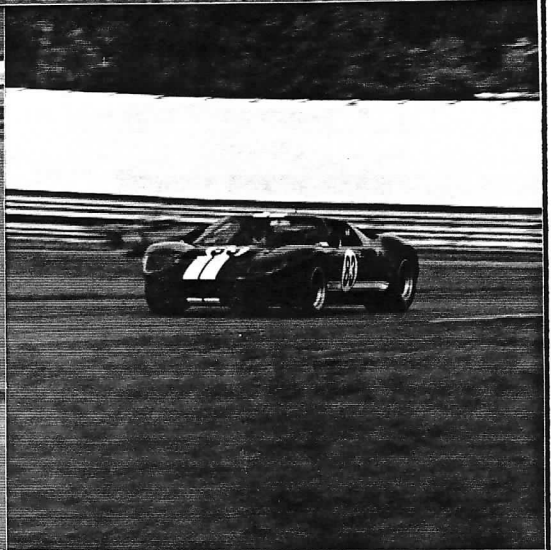
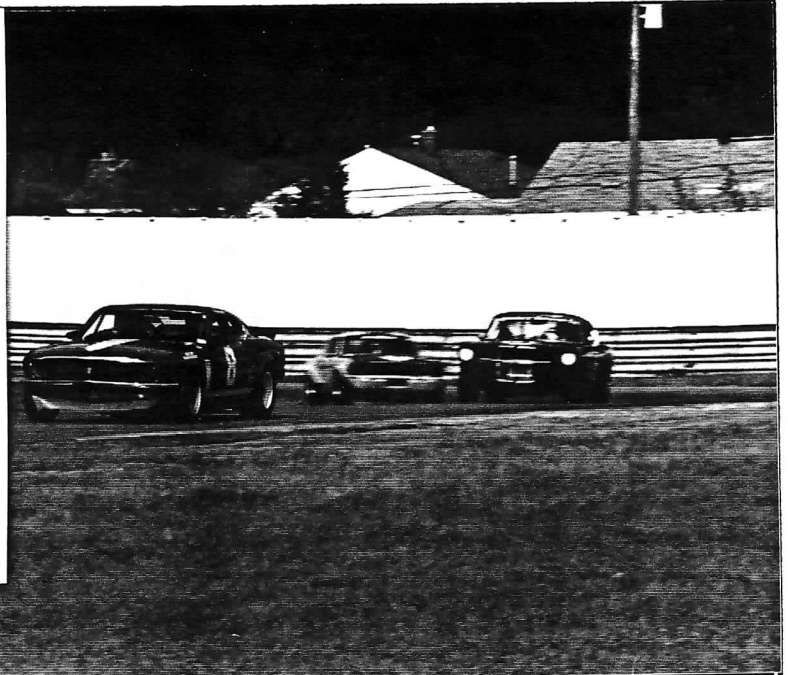
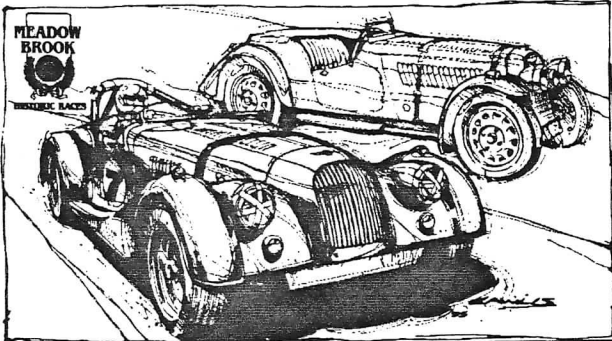
Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

Return your nomination ballot by 10/31/95 to:

SAAC-MCR Elections
30917 Dorais
Livonia, MI 48154



MEADOW BROOK XI HISTORIC RACES



SHELBY AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE CLUB
MOTOR CITY REGION

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
Annual Dues \$15.00

Please type or print clearly:

Name _____

Spouse _____

Children _____
(to be used in planning social events)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone-Home _____ Work _____

VEHICLES:

Type:	Year:	Color:	CONDITION			Show Quality
			Restoration	Fair	Good	
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What are your interests:

Autocross ___ Drags ___ CarShows ___ Social Events ___ Rallies (Non Speed) ___
Parts Swap ___ Tech. Seminars ___

Other _____

Are you willing to help with club activities:

Newsletter ___ Mailings ___ Planning & Organizing Events ___
Working at Events ___

Other _____

Are there other ways in which you may help the club: Such as parts discounts,
trophies, making signs, technical assistance, club jackets, etc.

Mail completed application with check or M.O. for \$15.00 to:
SHELBY AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE CLUB, Motor City Region
35334 Griswold
Clinton Twp, MI 48035

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE:

[4] BF Goodrich Comp TA R-1's
235 x 60 x 15 used, but tread left for
open \$100.00 or best.
Stu Cashman (810) 781-9921

FOR SALE:

Holley 4V (600 cfm) carbs,
rebuilt, \$85 to \$110. BBK 70mm throttle
body & EGR spacer for 5.0 EFI \$100.
Motorsports 70mm mass air / 24 pd
injector / processor kit - \$250.
Mike Riemenschneider (313) 459-1348.

FOR SALE:

1970 351C - 4 bbl., closed
chamber heads, good block, crank
needs .010" under, complete. \$300.00
b.o. Must sell Howard Smith
(810) 629-8947

FOR SALE:

1995 F150 XLT New chrome
grille headlight bezels, and chrome
bumper. Make offer!
Rodney Beckwith IV (313) 255-7653.

FOR SALE:

F-70 Polyglass GT tires Orig.
\$400. 00 o.b. Craig Shefferly
(810) 698-8825

WANTED:

"C" servo & piston for Hi-Po C-4
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FOR SALE:

'84 Bronco, lift kit, BIG tires,
302, automatic. Best offer.
Jason (810) 528-8428

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Michelin Sport XGT
265 X 50 X ZR16 (10" wide)
315 X 40 X ZR16 (12" wide) 2 each.
New in wrappers, \$500.00
4 BF Goodrich radials on polished
aluminum wheels. 85 % tread left.
P245/50/R14 (10")
P295/50/R15 (12") Exc. cond.
Best offer. Spencer Cottingham
(810)626-4222

FOR SALE:

Boss 302 tube headers, cheap.
65-66 Coupe trunk lid.
2.79 8" rearend Ford.
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2 EA. 15" X 7" 10 Hole Mustang
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FOR SALE:

'67 GT500 Brittany Blue / Black
interior; "documented" dealer - installed
427ci; 2x4V; 4-speed restored to
concours; \$49,000 OBO.
Vito (519) 969-4527

FOR SALE:

'94 Unique 427 S/C metallic
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★ The **ONLY** national enthusiast organization that caters to the cars from Carroll Shelby: Cobra • GT350 • GT500 • Ford GT40... as well as virtually every other Ford powered performance car: Sunbeam Tiger • Mustangs of all descriptions from 1964½ to the present GTs and SVOs • Boss 302 • Boss 351 • Boss 429 • Mangusta • Pantera • Griffith - you name it and if it's powered by a Ford engine and goes like a rocket, you'll probably see one at a SAAC meet!

★ Almost 6000 members. SAAC has members in every state in the United States as well as in Canada, Europe, South America, The Middle East, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, Southeast Asia and Japan.

★ A professional magazine that has been acknowledged as the finest club publication in the country; each issue contains articles covering a wide variety of subjects:

- technical how-to articles
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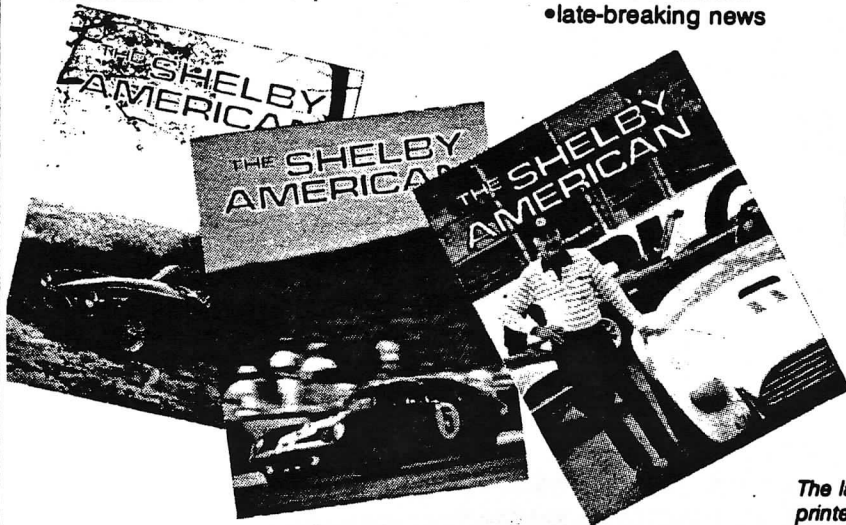
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- free to members; no word limit
- national calendar of events
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★ An action-packed Annual National Convention every summer, rotating around the US. You've probably heard about these: 1000+ cars and more than three thousand people at a first class hotel for three days and nights.

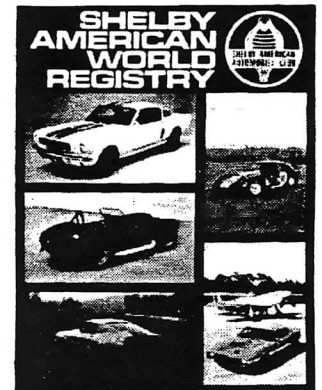
- popular vote car show
- judges concours
- high speed event
- parts swap
- guest speakers
- evening programs
- vintage race films

★ Organized and active regions across the country

- Events tuned to the desired of local members
- car shows, parts swaps, autocrosses, picnics, socials



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NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY-STATE-ZIP _____

TYPE OF CAR CURRENTLY OWNED _____

SERIAL # (if Cobra or Shelby) _____

\$36.50 SAAC Membership

\$8.50 — just send me The SHELBY AMERICAN and the latest bulletin

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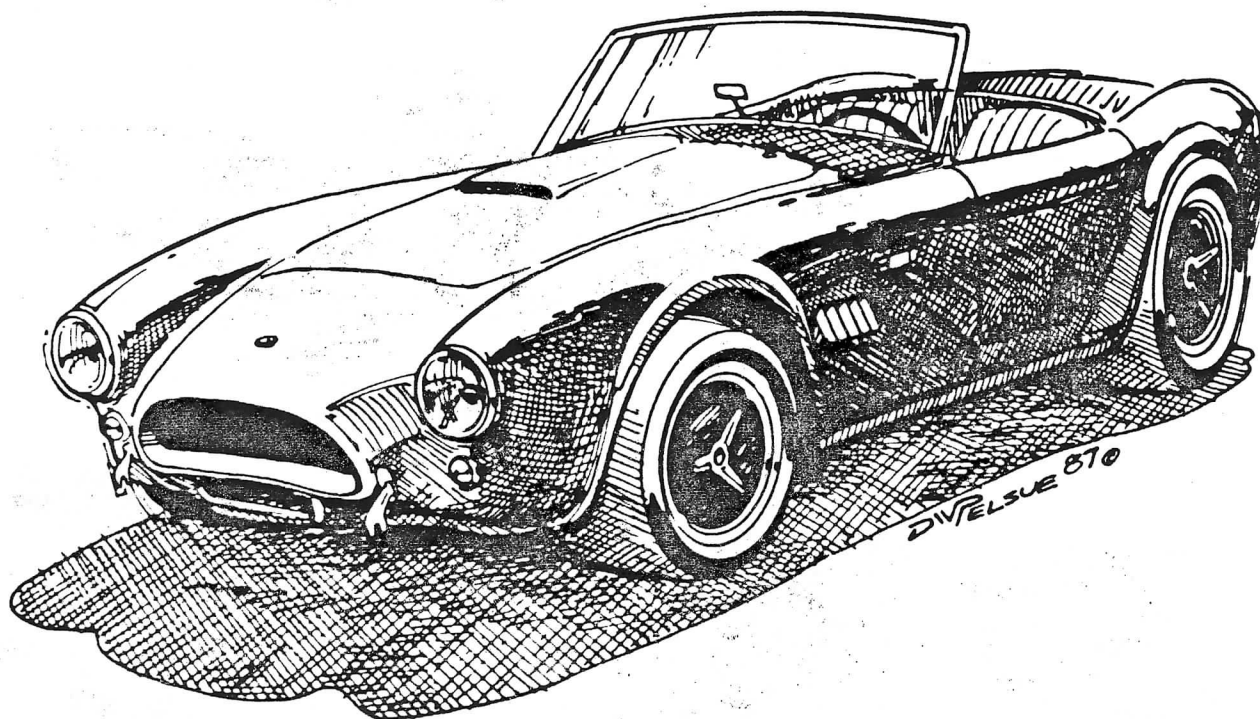
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