

## *Building It Is The Most Fun*

Rich Barnes built a Cobra replica, and then sold it. Then he built another one, and it's for sale, too. If he doesn't like the cars enough to keep them, then why does he keep building them?

Actually, he does like them, but he likes building them even more.

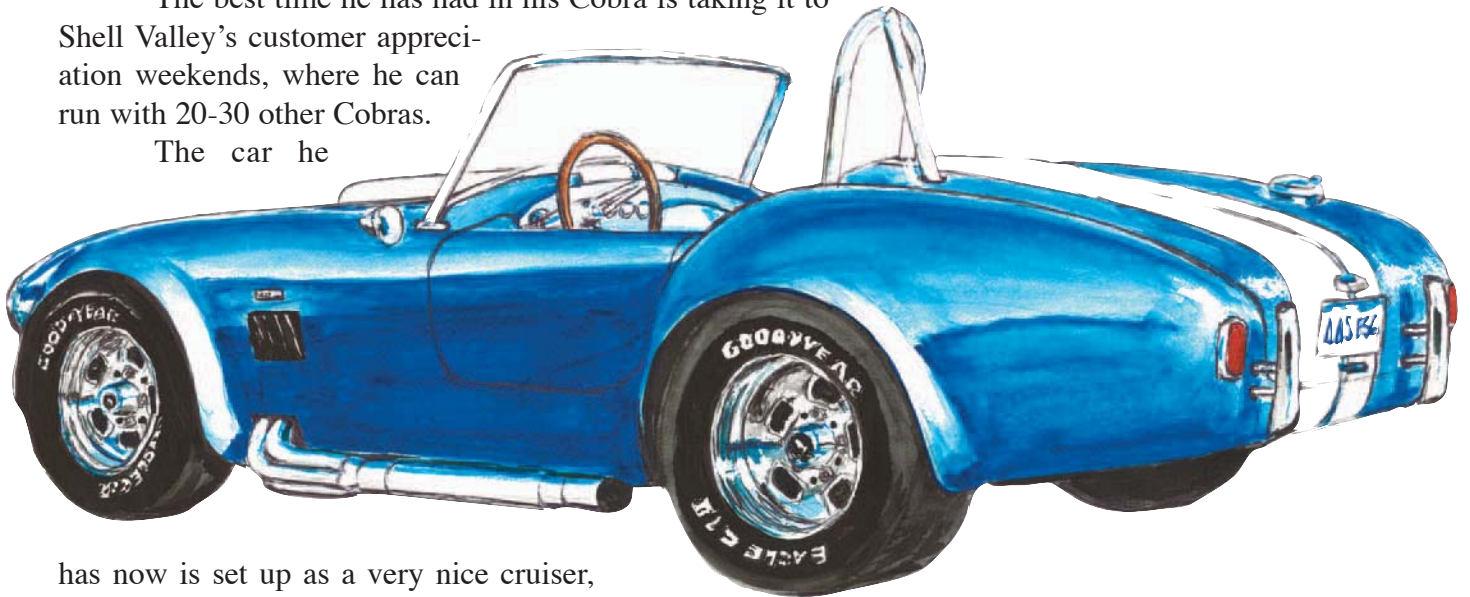
His present 1967 Cobra replica was purchased and built four years ago. The one he had before it he sold to Terry Koch just before purchasing this one, which is painted Guardsman Blue with stripes. While he has been trying to sell it also, he said he hasn't tried very hard, and just puts a "for sale" sign on it at an occasional car show. He does like it well enough that it wouldn't hurt his feelings to keep it.

"I'm enjoying cruising in it too much," Rich said.

He purchases the cars as kits from Shell Valley out of Nebraska, where he gets everything needed except the engine, transmission, paint, wheels and tires. That allows him to put the wheels and drive-train he wants on each car. If he had his way, he would build a car each year and then sell it, he said.

The best time he has had in his Cobra is taking it to Shell Valley's customer appreciation weekends, where he can run with 20-30 other Cobras.

The car he



has now is set up as a very nice cruiser, giving him power, but a calm ride down the highway. It has a Ford 351 stroked to

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408 cubic inches. A dynamometer registered this car at 450 horsepower and 475 pounds-feet of torque.

"When I built this one, I was looking for a mid-range hauler," he said.

The five-speed transmission will allow him to cruise at 75 MPH while turning only 2200 RPM. And, it will run on regular pump gas, he noted.

He chose the color based on the advice that red or blue Cobras sell quicker. And as much as he likes this car, he has to sell it if he's going to get to build another one. He can only afford one at a time.

While his wife, Melania, has given him a lot of support in this hobby, he said she doesn't ride with him in his Cobra very often.

"She doesn't like it much because it messes her hair up in it," he said.

## *An Invite to the Farm*

It's time to get out of the city again. The 8th Annual Cruise to the Farm will be held 3-7 p.m. Sunday, July 20.

Norm and Ethelyn Fey are again hosting the event at their farm, 2454 160th Ave., Edgerton, MN. They promise fun, fellowship, food, beverages and maybe a few burnouts. Those attending are invited to enjoy the outdoors around their facilities or the air-conditioned comfort of their home. Bring a lawn chair.

The Feys are inviting members of the Great Plains Streetrodders to participate as well as anyone interested in streetrods.

Children are invited, too, although the only animals they will find on this farm are raw horsepow-

er and maybe some of the streetrod drivers.

To get there from Sioux Falls, take I-90 east to Hwy 75 and go north to Rock County 1, then 4.5 miles east to 160th Ave. Turn south on 160th Ave for about 50 feet, then turn left into the Feys' driveway and follow it 1/2 mile to the farm.

## *Not Getting Any Better*

A man was just waking up from anesthesia after surgery, and his wife was sitting by his side. His eyes fluttered open and he said, "You're beautiful." Then he fell asleep again. His wife had never heard him say that before, so she stayed by his side.

A few minutes later his eyes fluttered open and he said, "You're cute."

The wife was disappointed because instead of "beautiful," it was now "cute." She asked, "What happened to beautiful?"

The man replied, "The drugs are wearing off."

## *Join The Olympics*

Want to be a part of the Olympics? Bring your ride to the Special Olympics of Sioux Falls Car Show, to be held 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, July 20.

It will be held along Phillips to the Falls between 6th and 2nd streets in Sioux Falls. Three awards

will be given in each of 57 classes in addition to Best of Show, Mayor's Choice and Athlete's Choice. Dash plaques will be given to the first 100 vehicles.

Entry fee is \$10 in advance or \$15 the day of the show. All proceeds go to Special Olympics of Sioux Falls.

## *A Sad Day*

We were saddened to hear that Great Plains Street Rodders founding member Bob Schriever passed away June 26.

Bob owned and operated Missile Muffler until selling the business and retiring in 1981. He then worked with his son, Tom, building cars and doing auto body repair. He owned a race car for a time and was recently inducted into the Huset's Speedway Hall of Fame. He helped start The Great Plains Streetrodders in 1985 as a group centered around pre-1949 streetrods. He also had been a member of the Sioux Falls Ignitors car club. He and his wife Barb were frequently seen at club activities in the 1932 Ford hotrod he had built, and more recently in a pickup truck his late son Tom started building and he finished.

Please keep Barb and the family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. If you would like to send a card to Barb, her address is: 4101 South Klein Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57106.

