

# \$45,000 Offered For '69 Shelby Cobra

A beautifully restored, white 1965 Sunbeam Tiger sold for \$17,000 at Kruse International's third annual Reno Collector Car Auction Oct. 21-22 at the Reno-Sparks Convention Center.

But the highest bid recorded at the event was for a 1969 Shelby Cobra GT-500. Though the prospective purchaser offered \$45,000 for the classic Mustang, it was still not enough to convince the owner to sell.

Out of the nearly 200 vehicles crossing the block, a 1954 Chevrolet Corvette convertible captured the highest sale price at \$43,000, but that was still \$2,000 below the highest bid for the '69 Shelby.

The Sunbeam had been restored to its original condition and had approximately 62,000 miles, according to Skip Sligar, the car's third owner. Sligar, of Kimberly, ID, received the Imperial Palace Award of Excellence for the car.

"Quality cars will demand premium prices at our auctions," said Mitchell D. Kruse, president of Kruse International. "If you have the best, we will get the highest possible price. People want quality cars."

Reno '89 brought a \$2 million auction total and reached \$450,000 in sales. The third-year event attracted a crowd of about 2,500 people.

Kruse International also announced it has moved its 19th annual Scottsdale '90 collector car auction, slated for Jan. 11-15, to the Scottsdale Princess resort hotel in Scottsdale, AZ. The nearly 450-acre resort offers 525 guest rooms, a Mexican colonial decor, a variety of excellent restaurants and space for one of the largest collector car auctions in the world.

"We needed room to expand our Scottsdale event to 2,000 cars in 1990," said Dean V. Kruse, national sales manager. "That's why we chose the Scottsdale Princess as our site for at least the next five years."

## Saleen CART Team Winds Up '89 Season

The Saleen/Auto Express team finished its inaugural PPG Cart Indy Car season with a 13th place finish in the Champion Spark Plug 300K at Laguna Seca Raceway Oct. 15.

Team owner and driver Steve Saleen qualified 24th for the season's last event and ran a clean race enroute to the finish.

"The effort was especially gratifying since the team was able to overcome problems

during qualifying," Saleen said. "Our best race engine blew out midway through qualifying. I was able to click off a few good laps right before the engine let go and, fortunately, those laps were good enough to keep us in the most competitive field since the Indy 500. The engine we used during the race

was really a test engine that had several hundred miles on it. We were extremely pleased that it lasted the entire race."

While his rookie season will be filled with ups and downs, Saleen said solid progress was made. In seven starts, Saleen posted five complete races, including Toronto,

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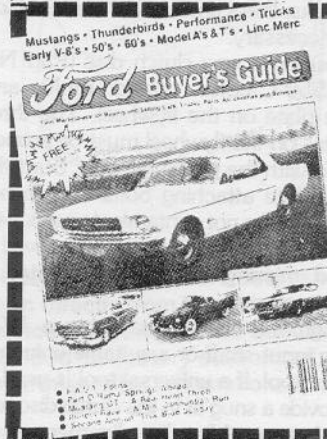
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