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Life In The Mustang Fast Lane

# The Legend Of The Black Raven

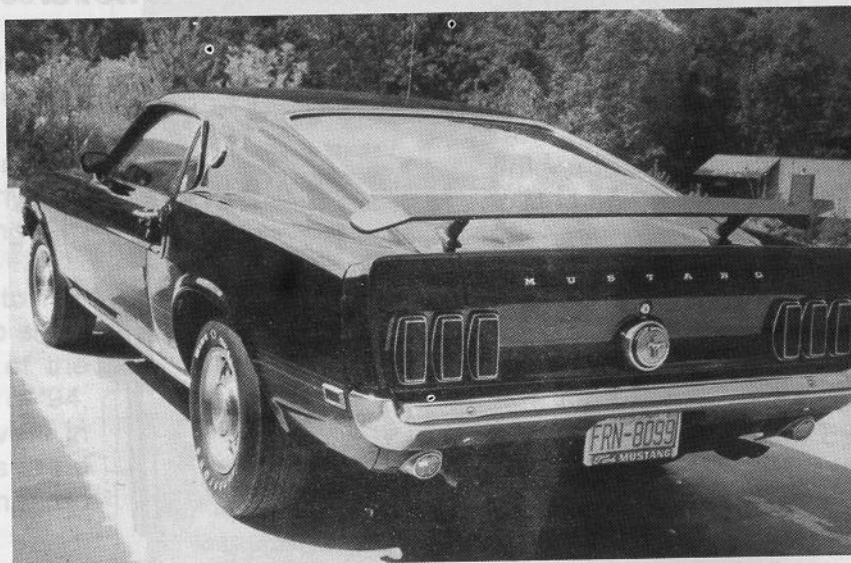
by Roger Johnson



The road to Robert Smith's Raven Black 1969 big block Mach 1 was a long and crooked one. In May of '93 Robert (MCA# 28545) was helping a friend evaluate the engine from a 1939 Cadillac coupe. He drove his '65 Mustang convertible the twenty mile trip to the old shop where the Caddy's engine was. As he approached the building one of the mechanics started talking about Mustangs and how he had one Robert might like.

C.W. Futrell, the mechanic, bought this 428 Cobra Jet new in 1969. He proceeded to blow away most of the local competition then parked it for a number of years due to his youthful accumulation of speeding tickets. It is an unrestored, original car that's been driven only 34,143 miles in its life!

Reflex action had Robert ask-



ing if it was for sale. C.W. casually mentioned that he had already turned down several offers. Being a hard-core kind of guy, Robert just happened to have a current Mustang Price Guide with him. Robert made C.W. an offer which

he casually accepted on the spot. The car sports a 4-speed and a 3.91 gear, red exterior striping and red "comfort weave" interior. The car was priced at \$4,076.48. C.W. threw in the original

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sales slip just to prove it.

When Robert recovered from his stroke of good fortune, he began showing his treasure. Last year the Black Raven claimed eight different awards. For '95 you will see this car at several shows in the south including the MCA Nationals in North Carolina.

If you'd like an up-close look at a real survivor of the street racing wars from the late 60's and 70's, feast your eyes on this one the very first chance you get.



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