

CAR OF THE MONTH

1969 Mach I



We purchased this 1969 Mach I in March of 1976 and used it for a family car for a few years. When we got it from the original owner the car was in very good shape but not perfect. It is equipped with power steering, power brakes, factory air conditioning, and fold-down rear seat. The power plant is a 351 Windsor engine with 69,000 miles, coupled to an automatic transmission.

In October of 1979 we decided to fix the car up to show and we did just that. After some body work and a fresh coat of Candy Apple red paint at Newell's Auto Body in Decatur, Illinois, the car was almost ready to show. The engine and undercarriage detail work was done by myself with a lot of help from my fourteen-year-old son, Alan.

When the car rolled out of our garage the first part of June, 1980, it was ready to go. We entered eight shows last year and brought home seven trophies, including a third place at the Mid Eastern Nationals at Indianapolis.

We drive our Mach I to all the shows. I feel that most of the pleasure of owning a Mustang is being able to drive it when the weather permits. The highlight of driving our car was when we were able to cruise around the Indy 500 track for two laps at the Indy Nationals. We are looking forward to driving it to many shows this year and to meeting a lot of Mustang lovers at them.

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