

# 1968 Ford Torino GT 428 Cobra Jet: Family Heirloom Restored | David Sullivan's Story at MCACN

We were honored to meet David Sullivan at the 2023 Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals and help unveil his amazing 1968 Ford Torino GT 428 Cobra Jet, a family heirloom with a history that's as thrilling as it is sentimental.

David Sullivan, known for his roles in television and film, unveils the heartwarming narrative behind this exceptional muscle car. A car show isn't merely about machines; it's about the profound stories woven into them. Watch as David shares the emotional journey of his father purchasing this unique vehicle brand new in '68, only to sideline it for decades to prioritize family.

The Torino, ordered with a rare all-black exterior and red interior, was a symbol of speed and passion. However, family responsibilities led to a pause in its journey until David took the reins, restoring it with a dedicated team from Billups Classic Cars.

Witness the touching moment as David and Kevin Oeste unveil the once neglected Torino GT, now gleaming in the spotlight, a tribute to a father's legacy and a son's devotion.

More than just a muscle car show, the Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals (MCACN) is a place where stories come to life. David's Torino is more than just a car. It's a symbol of family, love, and the choices we make in life. His journey to restore it is an inspiring testament to the power of perseverance and the memories we hold dear.

But this video is just the beginning. We want to hear your stories too!

- Do you have a family heirloom car?
- What special memories are tied to it?
- Are you considering restoring it?

Share your thoughts in the comments below, and let's celebrate the cars that connect us to our past and inspire us for the future.

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# 1970 Buick GSX Prototype Show Car Muscle Car Of The Week Episode 284 Video V8TV

**\*\* UPDATE:** It's with heavy hearts that we regret to inform that the owner / caretaker of the 1970 Buick GSX "Prototype" show car Brad Conley has passed. He's owned this extremely special car since 1978, and it is largely responsible for our host Kevin Oeste's obsession with Muscle Cars. Please join us in extending our condolences to the Conley family, but also our deepest appreciation to Brad for finding, restoring, and showing this amazing car that touched so many lives.

Most of us have a particular car that left a mark on us, and this Muscle Car Of The Week left a burnout on host Kevin Oeste's brain like a Buick 455 burning bias ply tires across a slick parking lot. This week, Oeste is united with a childhood dream car, seeing the 1970 Buick GSX Stage 1 "Prototype" show car in person for the first time at the 2018 Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals in Chicago. It was one of many special moments from the MCACN show, and a great example of why all muscle car fans should attend this amazing event. Special thanks to car owner Brad Conley for the personal tour of the GSX.

Interview With Owner Brad Conley: <https://youtu.be/KWdznFjK4fs?t=7702>

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# **2023 Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals After Hours Walk Through Video MCACN**

Take a lap through the 2023 Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals with us after hours! The 2023 Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals show once again was jammed with unbelievable cars and displays. In this video, we take a walk-through the show after hours where the general public was not allowed to get up close in personal with many of the cars and feature exhibits. We cover the great "Who's The Boss?" Ford display, the dual engine 1966 Oldsmobile Toronado, then we see the big bodied Buick display, cars from AMC and Pontiac and Chevrolet, special featured 1968 Ford Torino GT 428 Cobra Jet, Saleen Mustangs, and much more.

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## **1970 Oldsmobile 442 W30 Convertible in PLUM CRAZY at**

# 2022 MCACN Show Muscle Car Of The Week

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This amazing 1970 Oldsmobile 442 W-30 convertible is wearing an unusual color for an Oldsmobile, it's actually a factory Chrysler color called Plum Crazy Purple! However, this amazing car was painted by General Motors in this Chrysler color back in 1970 and is considered correct for the car. How can this be? We got the whole story from restore Allan Steinbock at the 2022 Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals show in Chicago.

This is not just a pretty face, as this 442 features the 455 V8 engine with the W-30 performance package, including an aluminum intake manifold, hotter camshaft, tuned carburetor, and other blue-printed engine parts. It also features sport suspension, and the W 27 rear axle as well.

Although it is not a typical car, it is typical of the types of amazing and rare muscle cars found each year at the Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals Show in Chicago, we hope to see you there!

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## The Brothers Collection Opens To Public For Special Event Friday,

# May 19, 2023 With Ticket Purchase!

The Brothers Collection opens to public for special event Friday, May 19, 2023 with ticket purchase!

Join us this Friday, May 19, 2023, for a truly special event at the renowned Amazing Brothers Collection Museum in Salem, Oregon. This exclusive museum, which is typically closed to the public, will open its doors for a limited time to allow enthusiasts and car lovers to experience the extraordinary collection housed within its walls!

This one-day event offers a rare opportunity to marvel at a stunning array of classic and vintage automobiles, each meticulously preserved to perfection. From iconic muscle cars to elegant classics, the Amazing Brothers Collection boasts an unparalleled assortment that will leave you in awe.

To gain entry to this extraordinary event, simply purchase a ticket at the supplied link. Not only will you have the chance to explore this private museum, but your contribution will also support a worthy cause, as all proceeds from the ticket sales will be donated to charity.

Prepare to be captivated as you wander through the museum's carefully curated exhibits, admiring the beauty and craftsmanship of each vehicle. Immerse yourself in automotive history, surrounded by the extraordinary designs and stories that have shaped the industry.

See the cars featured here on Muscle Car Of The Week in person!

Don't miss this opportunity to witness automotive excellence up close and personal. Secure your ticket now and mark your calendars for a day of unparalleled excitement at the Amazing Brothers Collection Museum. Help us make a difference while indulging in your passion for classic cars. We can't wait to welcome you to this extraordinary event that combines the love for automobiles with the spirit of giving.

**PURCHASE TICKETS:**

<https://www.etix.com/ticket/e/1036072/museum-admission-salem-elsinore-theatre>

All of our proceeds from our ticket sales will be donated to SleepSafe in honor of Mother's Day.

This will be one of the few times this year we will be open to the public and it is going to be a great day. They will have two food trucks onsite that day and the weather so far, looks like it will be great.

Stay tuned for more event information on The Brothers Collection Museum!

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# **1971 Plymouth 'Cuda 440 4-Speed Convertible Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals 2022 MCACN**

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1971 Plymouth 'cudas are scarce, even more so are the 17 440 convertibles built that year, and this one is one of the hottest! This 1971 'cuda convertible features a 440 six-pack V8 engine breathing through a shaker hood, and is coupled to a 4-speed manual transmission. The list of options is long on this car, including front and rear body-colored bumpers, front and rear spoilers, dual color-matched side racing mirrors, leather bucket seats, a Dana rear axle, and much more. We caught up with owner Bob Bartosiewicz after unveiling the freshly restored 1971 440 'cuda convertible at the 2022 Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals show where he shared some of the cool stories behind this amazing muscle car. Would you

believe it was ordered new by an FBI agent? Who specified every option except power windows? Bob tells us all about it in this special episode of Muscle Car Of The Week from the 2022 MCACN show!

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# **Plymouth AAR Cudas and Dodge Challenger T/As at Brothers Collection Museum Muscle Car Of The Week**

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The 1970 Plymouth Cuda AAR and the 1970 Dodge Challenger T/A are two amazing muscle cars that have their roots steeped in SCCA Trans Am racing. In this video, an excerpt from the Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals special shot at The Brothers Collection, we hear from AAR and Challenger T/A expert Dave Wise about what makes these street fighters so special. From the unique 340 in.<sup>3</sup> V8, the high-performance suspension, the exclusive staggered wheels, and the side exit exhaust to the amazing graphics package and available High Impact colors, the 1970 Plymouth AAR Cuda and the Dodge Challenger T/A remain some of the most sought after Muscle Cars of all time.

It's interesting to deconstruct the AAR in the context of the day. The AAR model was Plymouth's street version of the comparable Trans Am series race car, as the rules of Trans Am stated that the automaker had to produce 2500 consumer

copies of any race car campaigned in the series. Chevrolet had the Z/28 Camaro, Ford had Boss 302 Mustangs, AMC had the Javelin, and Plymouth chose to name theirs after Dan Gurney's All American Racers team, who built and raced in the Trans Am series with highly modified Cudas like this one. To my knowledge, the AAR is the only production car named after the race team that used the car in a series. Or am I wrong? Shelby was the racer's name, but they also built the original GT350 cars. Unfinished Mustangs left the line to be completed at the Shelby shop. In this case, AAR Cudas were completely built on the regular Hamtramck Michigan Plymouth assembly line, so it's not like they left as unfinished bodies that were completed in the AAR race car facility.

The SCCA rulebooks stated that if a part special to the race car, a street version had to exist. So if the race car had special body modifications like spoilers, the street version had to have that as well. Certain safety items, roll cages, padding, and the like, didn't have to be used on the street cars. It was cool to see that the Sports Car Club Of America sanctioning body did allow for the use of aftermarket performance parts on the race cars, provided that they were integrated in to the Original Equipment Manufacturer's parts catalog. There are a lot of cool speed parts stamped with factory numbers on Trans Am cars.

Race versions had to run a 305 or smaller cube V8, but Chrysler didn't have one of those, so the 340 was allowed for production. These were very stout blocks built with huge main bearing webs to support the forged crankshaft and 10.5: compression pistons.

It made 290 HP, Or at least that's what Plymouth told the public. The 340 6-barrel was rated at 290 HP just like the Boss 302 and Z/28 in the competition, but we've seen dyno tests up around 320 HP for these engines. You could get a 4-speed or an automatic like this car, and the rear is stuffed with a Sure-Grip 3.55 gearset. These knocked-down mid 14-second quarter mile times, but they were really more about slot-car racing on open roads.

The AAR is a total package car, with improvements made to the suspension and body as well as the engine. Most obvious is the AAR logo-capped Strobe Stripe blinking out a pattern from back to front, leading the eye to the Organasol black textured fiberglass pinned down hood. These elements don't jump out quite as much on a dark green car, but they still look awesome. The rear spoiler looks great from the back or the front, and is contoured nicely to the rear of the car.



Bright rally wheels with staggered tires hide front disc and rear drum brakes, and specially muffled side pipes blast everyone you pass. Wide-eyed fog lights look to the future, and turn signals are hidden above the grille. Stiffer torsion bars and shocks work with the oversized sway bar to keep the AAR flat in the turns.

We dig the 150 MPH speedo and 8000 RPM tach, and a 4-way gauge shows oil pressure, temp, fuel and electrical juice. Below sits an AM tuner, and above is a clock... with delta at 0 minutes and hours on the inner ring. This AAR also sports a bench seat with a fold down armrest to keep the driver from sliding out the passenger window under hard left turns. This car has no frills.. And it doesn't need any.

Be sure to check out the extended version of the Brothers Collection Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals episode found in the link below.

Brothers Collection Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals MCACN episode:

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## **1971 Pontiac GTO Judge 455 4-Speed Pilot Car Restored at MCACN Muscle Car Of The Week**

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We originally featured this great-looking 1971 Pontiac GTO Judge Pilot car on

episode 338 of Muscle Car Of The Week, and now it has just been unveiled at the 2022 Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals with a new owner and completely restored! Gary Riley of Level One Restorations takes us through the car.

PRE-RESTORATION VIDEO: <https://youtu.be/QUpWdezpa-k>

It's believed to be the first '71 Judge off the line, and it was used as an evaluation car to confirm assembly procedures and details for the '71 Judge program.

And a cool history, the car has indeed. You may recall that the original Judge concept was to sell a low-frills GTO to compete with other bare-bones Muscle Cars like the Plymouth Roadrunner. However, It's interesting to note that the Judge began to pick up extra equipment over the years, and by '71, you could get almost anything you wanted on the Judge. This one is lots of comfort options like power steering and brakes, comfy bucket seats, pushbutton radio with an 8-track, and wood grain dash trim.

The original dealer is noted as Pontiac Motor Division Engineering Development on the invoice, and when you couple that with the low sequence VIN and the early production date, you have further evidence of this car's place in GTO Judge history.

But this 1971 GTO Judge is not just cool because of the pilot car status. It's a fully-stocked rockin' machine featuring all kinds of signature Pontiac goodies, starting with the 455 HO engine. The 455 got the round port Ram Air IV cylinder heads to help it breathe through the aluminum intake manifold, resulting in 335 HP, but also churned up 480 lb-ft of torque as soon as you stabbed the throttle. All that twist worked up the heavy-duty clutch and close-ratio Muncie 4-speed transmission, but the Safe-T-Trac rear end did what it could to put the power to the pavement.

1971 saw the revised nose design on GTOs, and this one is made from the flexible Endura material. The rear wing adds to the speedy look, as do the color-keyed side sport mirrors. Honeycomb wheels and raised white letter tires complete the look.

Our first feature of the car showed it in mostly original condition, and now it is as fresh as brand new. What do you think? These are the kinds of cars you can see in person at the Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals in Chicago!

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# 1969 Dodge Charger Daytona 440 at Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals 2022 MCACN

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MCACN Muscle Car Of The Week

The 2022 Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals featured an unbelievable display called “Wings Over America”, and it consisted of dozens of “Wing Cars”, also known as 1969 Dodge Charger Daytonas and 1970 Plymouth Superbirds. These factory-built customs shared some of the same distinctive modifications made to their NASCAR racing counterparts. In fact, Dodge and Plymouth were required to build street-legal versions of their race cars in order for the race cars to be legal in NASCAR stock car racing. They called it “homologation”, we call them awesome.

This amazing 1969 Dodge Charger Daytona is wearing a fantastic color combination of orange with a white interior and Daytona wing stripe. The owner claims the car is wearing most of its original sheet metal. The orange steel wheels with “dog dish” hubcaps and redline bias-ply tires look perfect on the car, and the original white interior still looks great today.

Under the extended hood you’ll find a 440-4 barrel V8 backed by a 4-speed manual transmission. A Dana rear axle spins the tires.

Perhaps one of the greatest attributes of the car is how the owner drives the car as much as he can, with his wife and young kids on board. They all enjoy the ride... and who wouldn't love a bright orange and white Dodge Daytona? This video was shot at the 2022 Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals show in Chicago.

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# **A walk through the Barn Finds and Hidden Gems at the 2022 Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals MCACN**

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And join us as we take a walk through the barn finds in hidden gems section of the 2022 Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals show in Chicago. This display consists of many cars that were recently discovered in less than ideal storage situations, or other special acquisitions that are in pre-restored condition. This year, the range of cars is impressive, from 2 1968 hurst Oldsmobiles, a Dodge Charger 500 , Plymouth Superbird, a 426 HEMI powered Dodge Challenger and a 1970 hemicuda! One of the most amazing cars was a real deal 427 Yenko Nova! On the tour, we speak with Ryan Brutt who curates this collection each year, and we meet the original owner of a 1965 Ford Galaxie. The Barn Find and Hidden Gem display is one of the most popular at the Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals

every year, and many of these cars will return to the show after a complete restoration to be unveiled on the main show floor.

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