

COMET

Performance

FOR '65



- ★ COMETS BLISTER COMPETITION AT RECENT DRAG MEETS
- ★ FACTORY EQUIPMENT OFFERS BLAZING PERFORMANCE—TOP SAFETY
- ★ COMET PROVES ENDURANCE—40 DAYS AND NIGHTS FROM CAPE HORN TO FAIRBANKS

SPECIALY EQUIPPED COMETS BLAST COMPETITION OFF AT RECENT SANCTIONED EVENTS



A FX Eliminator B.H. Shrewberry and his Comet at a rare moment—standing still at the Winternationals.



Jack Chynman's fuel dragster clings for traction on a demonstration run before 100,000 fans at Indy, and—



Don Nicholson lifts 'em at Suffolk. Starts like this give Don et's in the high 10s and speeds in excess of 129 mph.



Winternationals winners Ronnie Sox and Buddy Martin accept the Stock Eliminator Trophy.



—oops! The chute 10.13 seconds later for a speed of 156 plus mph through the quarter.



Comets like to fly, and Ronnie Sox took this one through at 128 plus mph after a crowd pleasing start.

THE BEST PROVING GROUNDS—

—are the highways of the world. Comet engineers believe that complete reliability comes from complete participation—in sanctioned drag strip events as well as on- and off-highway endurance runs. Comet's spectacular 100,000 mile endurance test is only one of these punishing tests. 40 days and nights on the test track at an average of over 105 miles per hour proved the outstanding staying power of the new Comets. This feat has now been further emphasized by the Cape Horn to Fairbanks run which also took 40 days and nights. On this

journey, the Comets were asked to deliver top performance for 16,200 miles—through 14 nations where the roads are sometimes virtually impassable. (see map on page 4).

By observation, careful inspection, and complete analysis of the cars used in these tests of endurance and performance plus the regular rigorous factory testing program, Comet engineers will bring to the public an automobile that is the finest expression of engineering quality in the motoring world.

CONSIDER THESE FACTORY OPTIONS available from your Comet Dealer

COMET CYCLONE HIGH-PERFORMANCE V-8

Producing an amazing 271 Horsepower from only 289 cubic inches, this engine proves to be the surprise package of the year.

SPECIFICATIONS:

Displacement (cubic inches)	289
Bore and Stroke (in.)	4.00 x 2.87
Horsepower @ rpm	271 @ 6000
Torque (lb. ft.) @ rpm	312 @ 3400
Carburetor	4x
Compression ratio	10.0 to 1
Fuel	Super premium
Exhaust system	Dual
Valve lifters	Solid

Some changes are required in cars manufactured with the Cyclone High-Performance 289 V-8. These items are convenience and safety items and are mandatory at extra cost.

4-SPEED MANUAL TRANSMISSION:

Fully synchronized, quick-shifting transmission allows selection of the right gear for maximum power, from street to track.

LOW-PROFILE RAYON TIRES:

Heavier 7.35 x 14 tires provide increased safety margin for competition events—improve stability for steadier ride.

HEAVY-DUTY FRONT SUSPENSION:

Includes heavy-duty springs, sway bar and shocks in the front suspension. Helps control front end raise and dive for straight-line acceleration.

42 AMP ALTERNATOR:

Gives higher charge rate for easier starting, top ignition performance.

Also available is the optional transistorized ignition system. It provides longer ignition point life and delivers the spark hotter—longer.

Suggested List Price	Cyclone High Performance 289 with transistorized ignition	\$516.10
	Without transistorized ignition	440.10

Available now at your Comet Dealer on a Dealer Special Order.

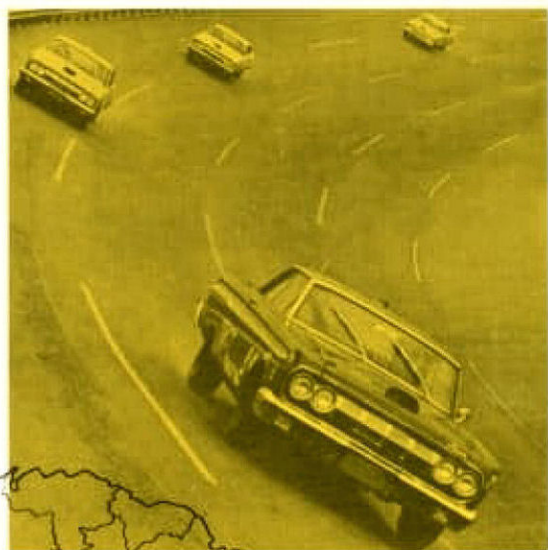
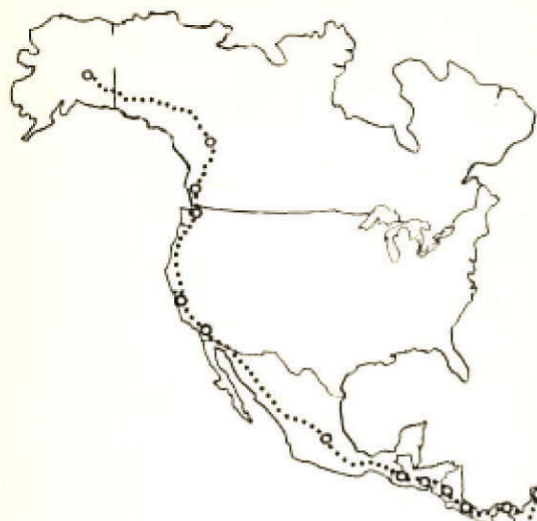


PUT COBRA POWER AT YOUR COMMAND

—with Cobra Kits from your Comet Dealer. Specially designed for the 221, 260, and 289 V-8's, these kits offer you a boost in horsepower to fit your budget. Put more fire in your Comet—see

your Comet Dealer, and ask to see the facts and features of the Cobra Conversion Kits—He's the man who has the plans and prices to fit your every need.

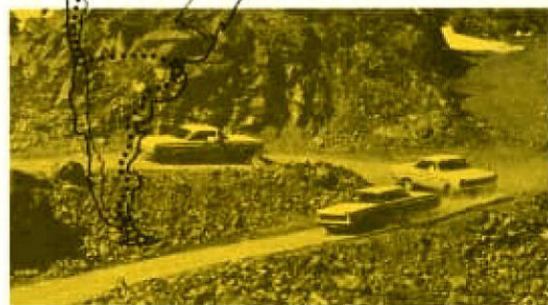
Cape Horn to Fairbanks Endurance Run



**40 DAYS AND NIGHTS
ON THE DAYTONA TEST TRACK,**

**AND NOW—
THEY'RE ON THE ROAD!**

Sept. 12	USHUAIA	<i>Start</i>
Sept. 18	BUENOS AIRES	2,150 Mi.
Sept. 21	SANTIAGO	3,046 Mi.
Sept. 25	LIMA	5,287 Mi.
Sept. 28	QUITO	6,846 Mi.
Oct. 1	BARRANQUILLA	7,953 Mi.
Oct. 1	PANAMA CITY	7,953 Mi.
Oct. 3	SAN JOSE	8,472 Mi.
Oct. 4	MANAGUA	8,769 Mi.
Oct. 5	SAN SALVADOR	9,215 Mi.
Oct. 5	GUATEMALA CITY	9,417 Mi.
Oct. 8	MEXICO CITY	10,460 Mi.
Oct. 12	LOS ANGELES	12,509 Mi.
Oct. 13	SAN FRANCISCO	12,909 Mi.
Oct. 15	SEATTLE	13,765 Mi.
Oct. 15	VANCOUVER	13,885 Mi.
Oct. 16	DAWSON CREEK	14,773 Mi.
Oct. 22	FAIRBANKS	<i>16,247 Mi. Finish</i>



From the Bottom to the Top of the World

In an amazing sequel to the 100,000-Mile test track endurance run that stunned the automotive world last year, three Comets have just been driven from the tip of South America at Cape Horn to the top of North America at Fairbanks, Alaska. In this test of stamina and endurance, these

Comets went 16,200 miles through 14 nations, in all extremes of weather and road conditions. They completed the historic journey up the Pan American Highway system on October 22, after 40 days and nights of driving.