

Lincoln Tech Car Show

On April 6th, Lincoln Tech held their annual car show. The weather was beautiful and there were hundreds of cars out there in the lot and inside the building. Lincoln Tech is a magnificent facility. If you haven't seen it you owe it to yourself to go and see the commitment they have made to the education of their students. Many kudos to the staff and Theresa Simmons for putting on a first class event.



More photos from the Lincoln Tech Car Show



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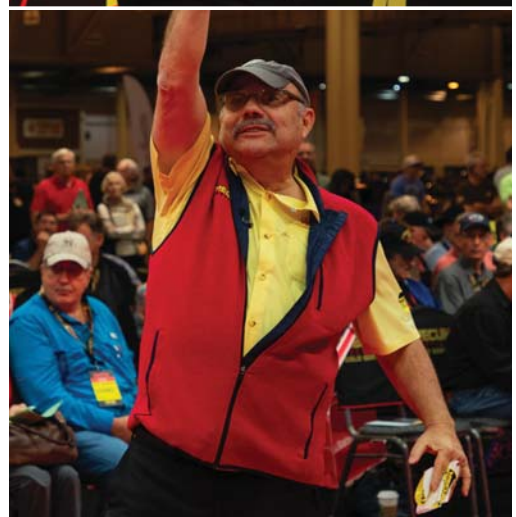
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The Ford Thunderbird Turbo Coupe is a treasure for the fanatical few

by Jim Koscs / Reprinted from Hagerty News



Jeff Korn will soon drive his 1988 Ford Thunderbird Turbo Coupe 900 miles from his home in Wisconsin to a gathering of NATO pals in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, just as he's done each May for the past 18 years. A physics professor at Milwaukee School of Engineering, Korn is also president of the North American Turbo Coupe Organization (turbotbird.com). And yes, they really call it NATO. The group's 300 paying members share a mutual mission to preserve the history and enjoyment of the 1983–88 Ford Thunderbird Turbo Coupe.

What started as a Euro-flavored performance upgrade over the V-8 Thunderbird evolved into an advanced, well-rounded GT coupe in its last two years. The 1987–88 models, which account for nearly half of the 130,700 Turbo Coupes made, remain the most sought after—at least by the few who might be seeking them.

Debuting for 1983, the ninth-generation Thunderbird looked like none before it. A clean, wind-cheating shape earned it the nickname “Aero Bird,” with a 0.35 coefficient of drag (Cd) that was very low for the time.

The sleeker T-Bird was a hit, selling 122,000 in its first year vs. 45,000 for the 1982 model. On the highway, the slippery shape boosted fuel economy. In competition, it took Bob Glidden to four consecutive NHRA Pro Stock championships and turned NASCAR champ Bill Elliot into “Awesome Bill from Dawsonville.”

In a time when Ford has given up on passenger cars for

the U.S. market (except Mustang), it may seem like a galaxy far, far away—or is that Galaxie?—when Ford would spend a quarter-billion dollars to freshen a four-year old model. The carmaker did exactly that when it gave the T-Bird a beak-to-tail makeover for 1987.

The revitalized Turbo Coupe impressed critics with its strong power, precise shifter, smooth clutch, and agile handling. Motor Trend named it Car of the Year.

The 1987–88 Turbo Coupe not only inspired a loyal following from the start, but also fulfilled Ford's mission to build a bridge to the next-generation Thunderbird Super Coupe, an even more powerful and sophisticated luxury GT.





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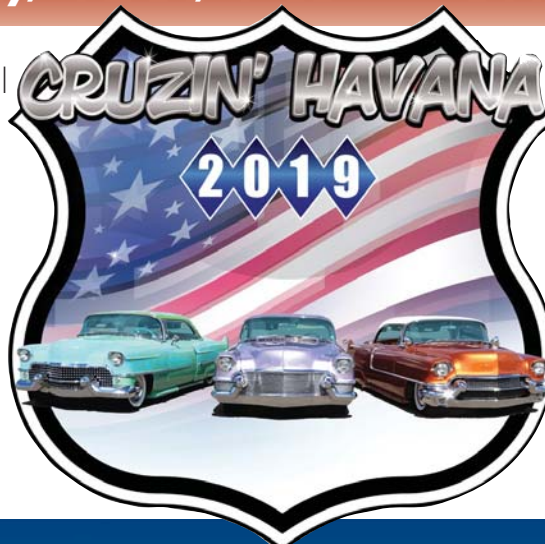
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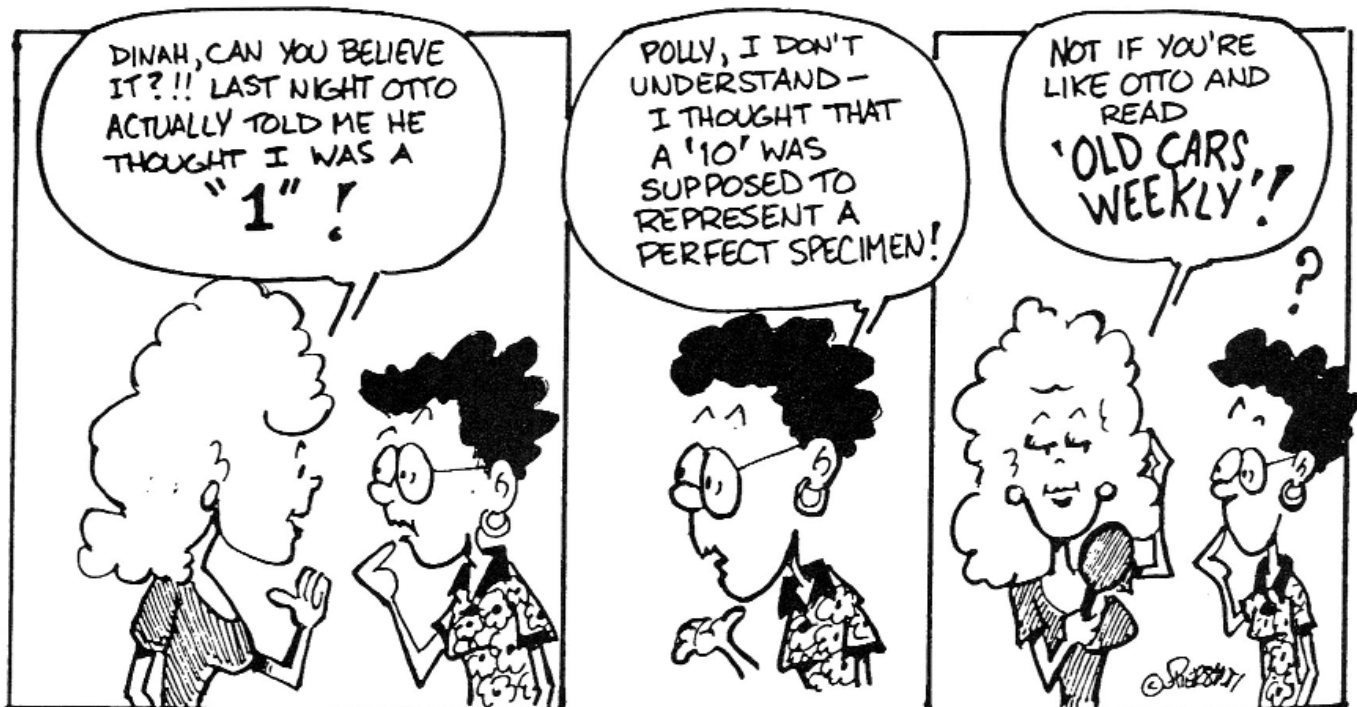
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