

OSNCA Member Ride Jim and Brenda Dorsett 1929 Ford

No, it's not a one horse open Shay, but it is a Shay Ford replicar built in Illinois. And, though it is Pinto powered, this 2.3 liter four-banger has had a little muscle added with a mild grind cam and a Holly four barrel carb. The 1929 Ford look-a-like features a super heavy duty laminated glass body over a ladder frame. A donor Mustang II provided the front suspension and steering. Jim, he's not a small guy, cut out the rear cowl in order to move the seat back and provide more leg room.

The roadster has a rumble seat, and a top which is presently being re-done in an upholstery shop.

Plans are in the works for updating the interior with new carpeting and upholstery. The present single exhaust is to be replaced by duals.

The Dorsetts are the second owners of the car; the first owner used it as a daily driver. With the '39 Ford tail lights, the red wheels with stock hub caps and the satin black finish, Jim and Brenda are right in vogue with the resurgence of the rat rod look in vintage cars.

