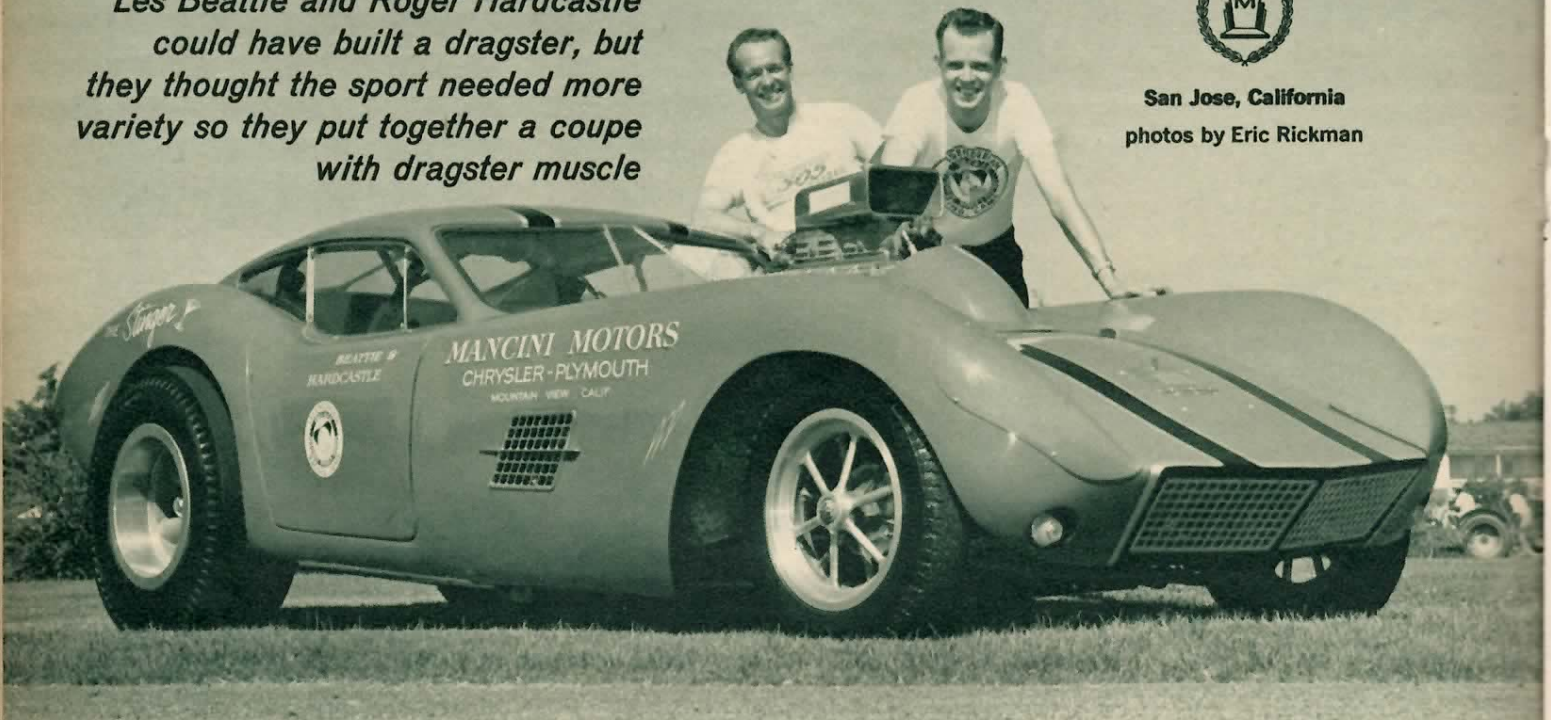


# STRAIGHTLINE

*Les Beattie and Roger Hardcastle could have built a dragster, but they thought the sport needed more variety so they put together a coupe with dragster muscle*

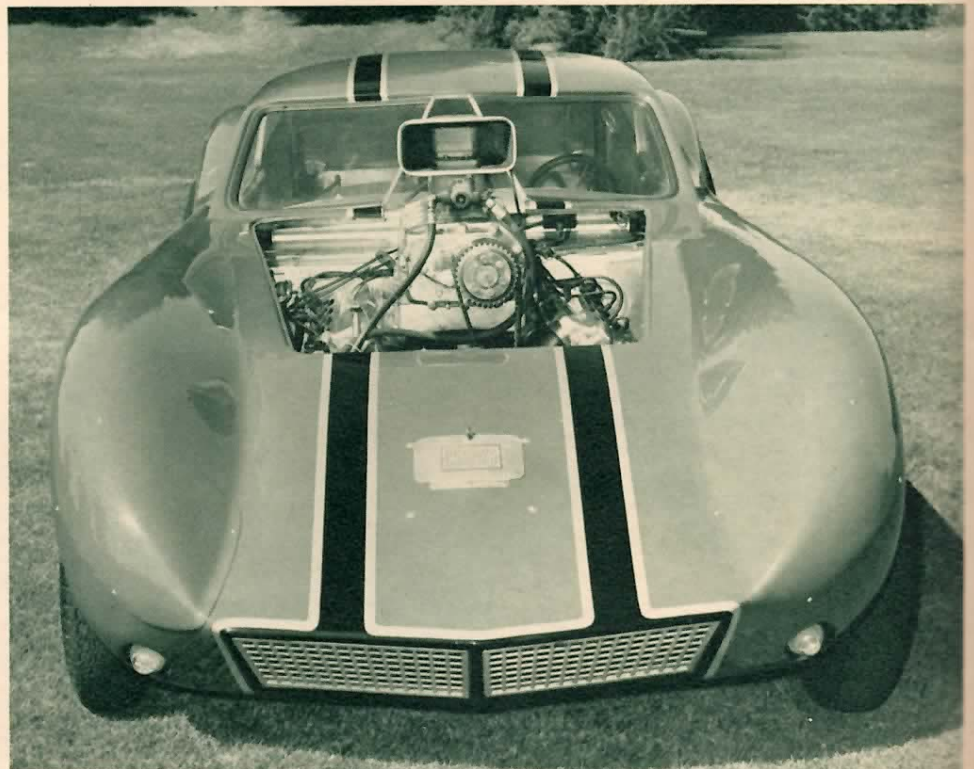
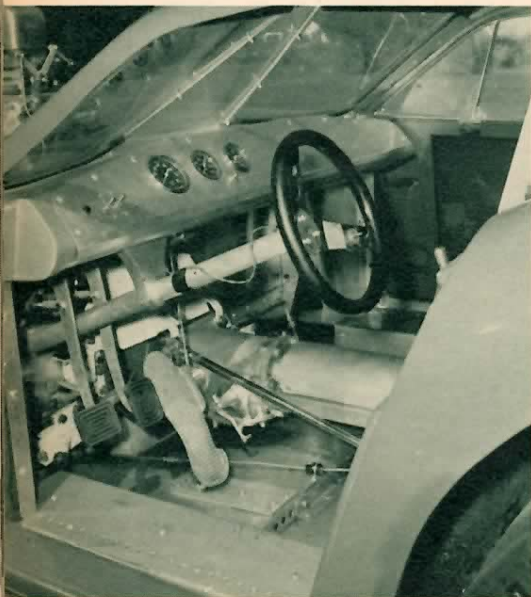


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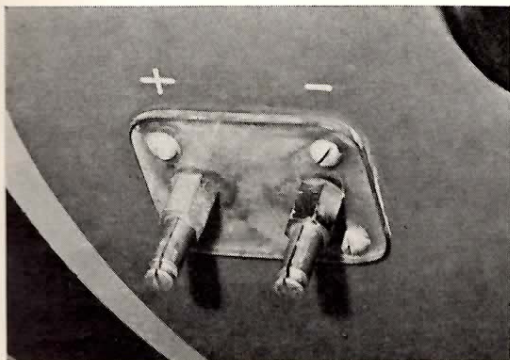
*ABOVE—Huge slicks on rear and small spoke wheels on front give initial hint that car is really a dragster in disguise.*

*BELOW—The cockpit is devoid of frills. Shoe-size go pedal and small wheel with kill button are drag standards.*

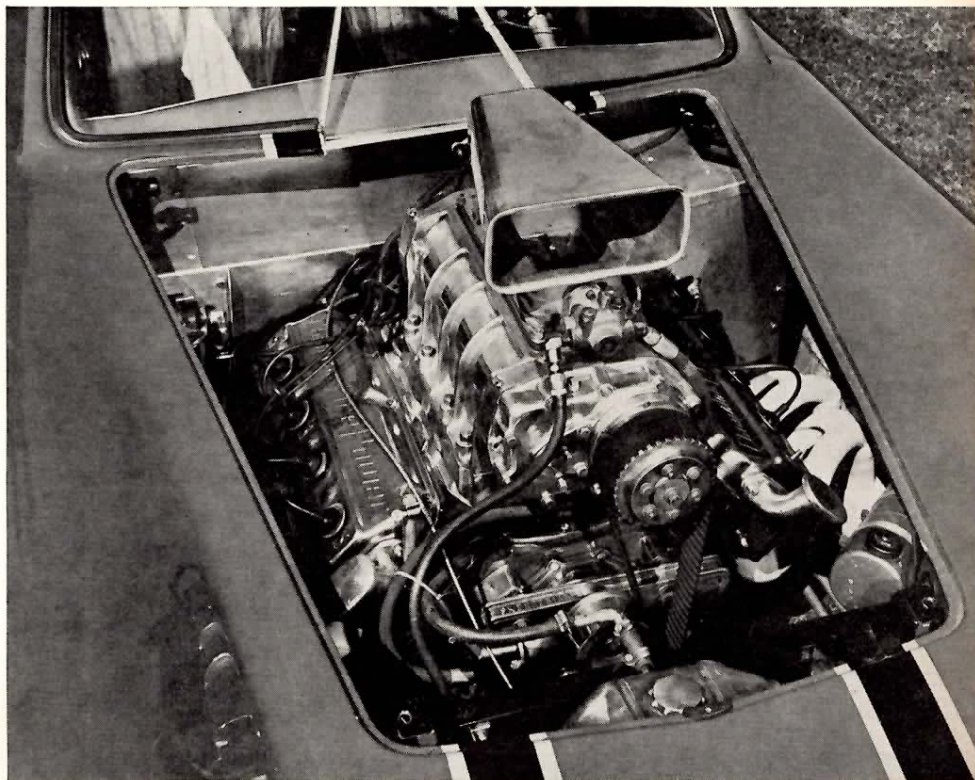


*Extremely sleek lines of Astra J-5 coupe are apparent when viewed from straight ahead. Hood has large bubble to help streamline air around 6-71 GMC blower. Headlights concealed under fairings on fenders. 1/4-mile data is 143.85 in 10.02 seconds.*

# SPORTSCAR

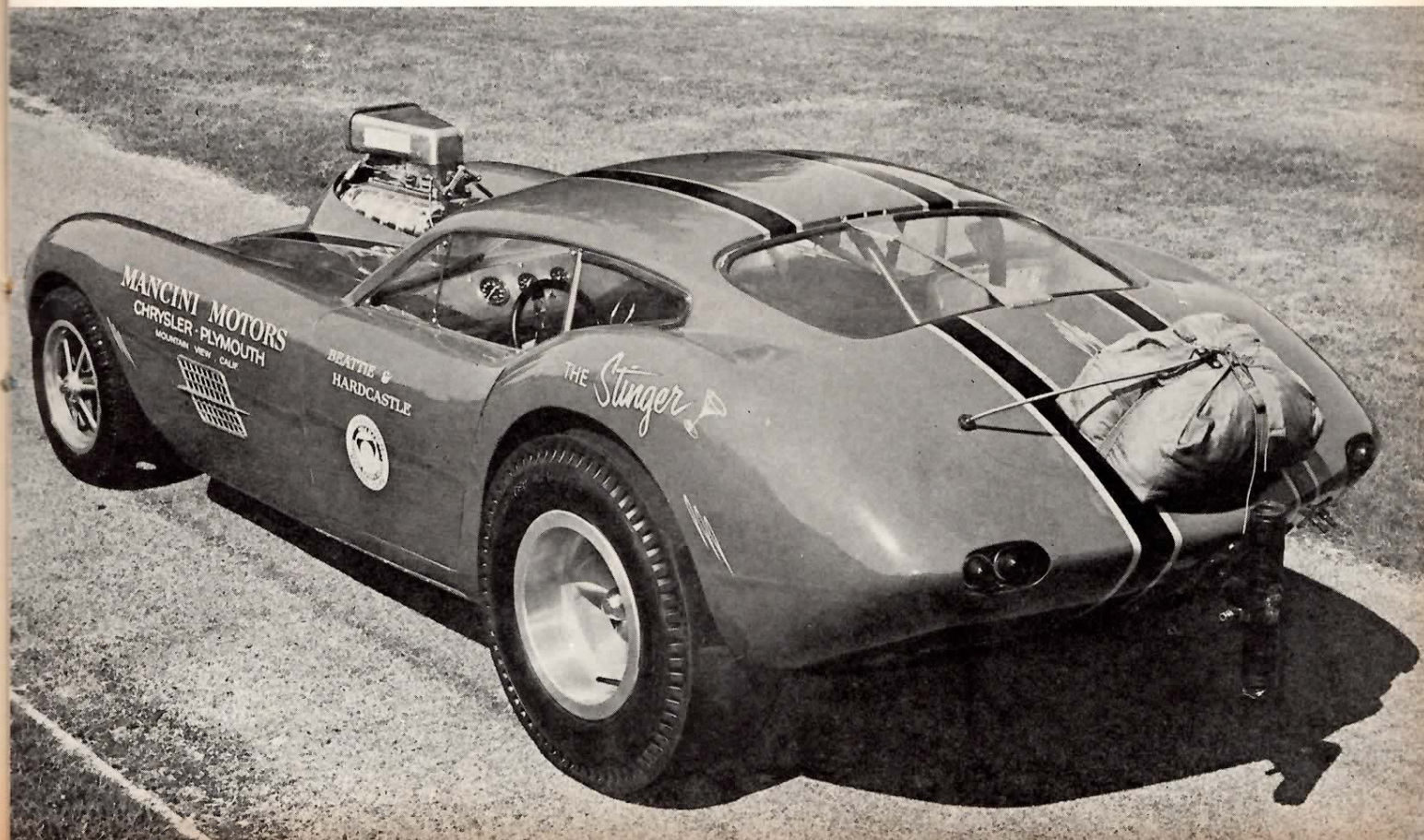


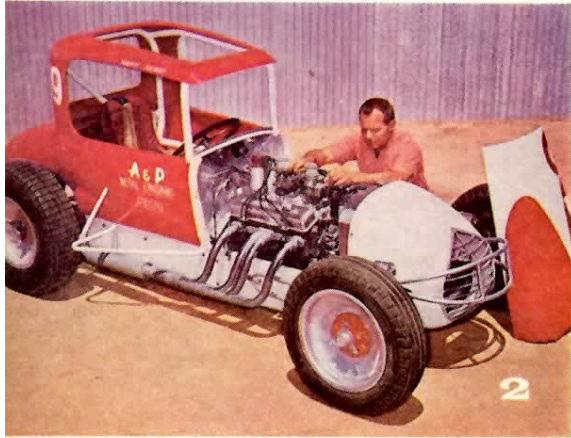
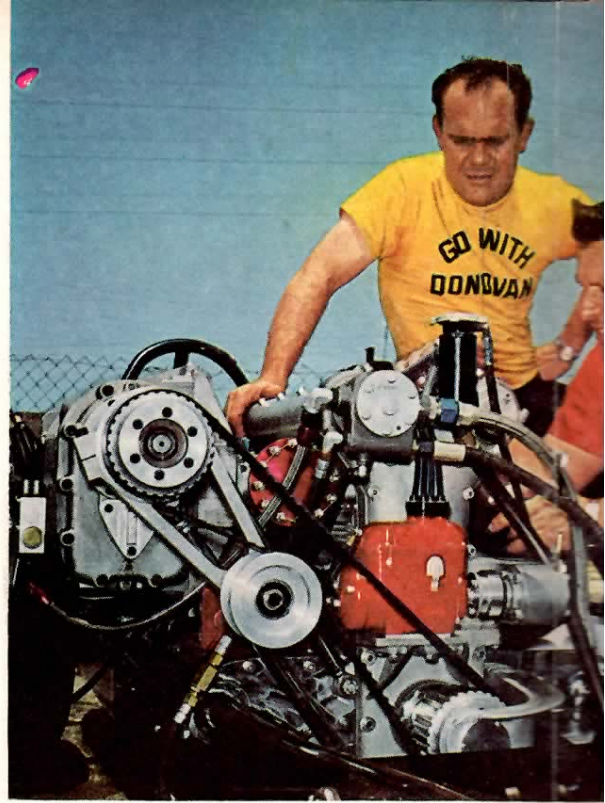
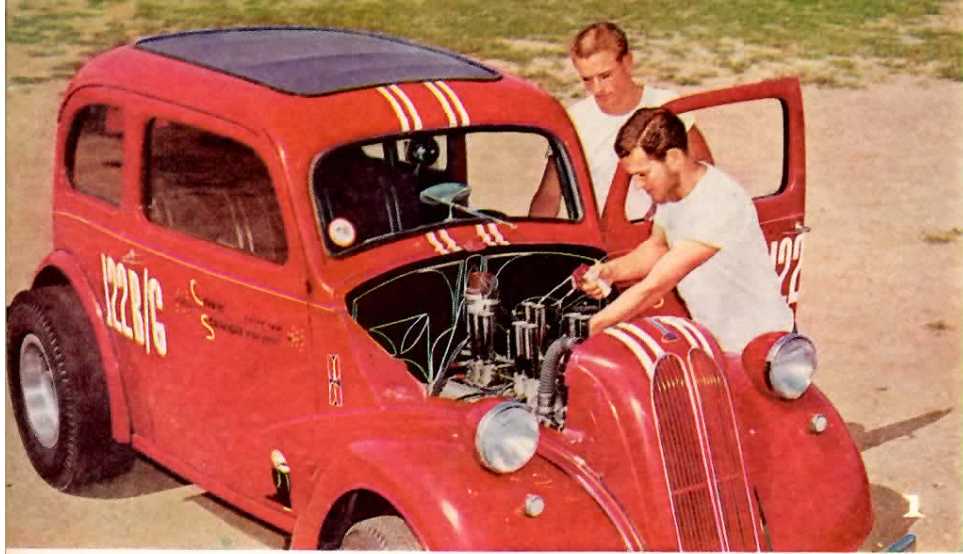
*ABOVE*—Electrical connections on rear of body are for outside power source, assist car's battery to start Chrysler.



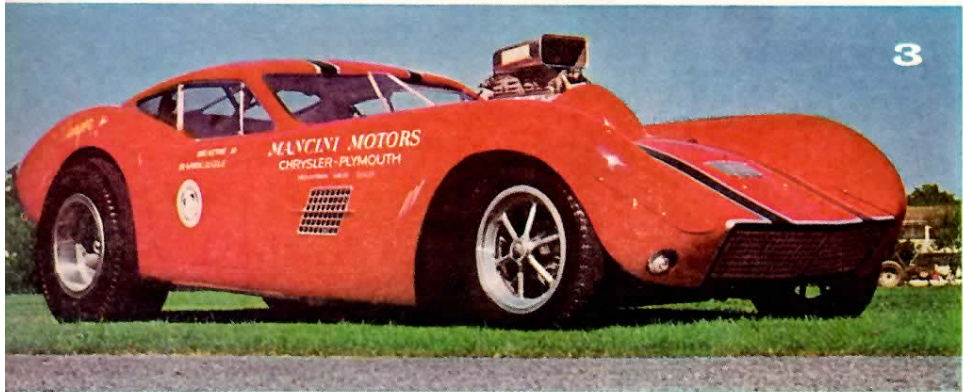
*RIGHT*—460 inches of Chrysler lurk beneath Enderle injector and blower. Inside are Isky cam, Forgedtrue pistons, Schiefer clutch and '40 Cadillac trans.

*BELOW*—Lowness is accentuated by fact that injector scoop stands as high as the top. Wheels are American mags.





*With the approach of springtime, winter-bound doors swing wide, out pour the wonderful, colorful hot rod creations once more.*



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