



New Omni comes over horizon

Dodge's sporty two-door Omni 024 is new for 1979. The front-wheel drive sister of last year's successful fourdoor model is available in the special package shown here. It has a rear deck spoiler, color coordinated wheels, four-spoke steering wheel, rally instrument panel with tachometer, dual remote control mirror and the 024 designation on the sides.

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New and used cars need care

If you attend the 1979 auto show only to look and not to buy, you should know how to keep your current car in good running condition.

• Check the radiator hoses for cracks and softness. Engine coolant these days is \$4 a gallon in most places, not to mention the road call if one of those hoses should suddenly burst some day.

• Test the radiator cap to make sure it will keep its proper pressure. Your engine could boil if the cap is faulty.

• The outside surface of the radiator should be cleaned of all debris.

• Have your thermostat checked to make sure it's operating properly. • Listen for noises and look for leaks

• An expansion tank that saves coolant

might be worth the investment.

 Batteries need frequent attention, even during the warmer weather. Check the fluid levels in the cells at least once a month or every 2,000 miles.

• Make sure the battery is free of cracks and that it's able to pass a hydrometer test that measures the strength in each cell.

Keep the battery terminals and the cable clamps that fit on them clean and tight at all times. Coat with petroleum jelly or some other protective substance.
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 Check the battery cables to make sure they are free of corrosion at their grounding point or at the starter.

Get a good tune-up. It will mean three or four more miles a gallon, and that will add up in the long run.

