



**Above left: You'll know about Bestop's canvas products, but the company also makes bumpers. Very serious bumpers at that. This one is home to a Warn Tabor 10-5 winch, which was installed complete with a correctly rated wiring loom – that's the sort of thing that only happens when you get a proper 4x4 specialist to build your truck for you**

**Above right: Bestop takes care of things at the back, too. This time, the item mounted on the bumper is a swing-away wheel carrier with enough capacity to cope with a 37" spare. Like the front bumper, it's Raptor coated to protect it from knocks and scratches**

Paul clearly relished the chance to develop new techniques for pushing the boundaries of what Raptor can do in terms of its finish. His signwriting work has changed more than one person's view of what can be done using a textured material, to the extent that the Jeep was winning him more commissions on its very first show, and he was even able to put in a little calling card of his own by creating a glow-in-the-dark effect for the 'Green Meany' logos on the

bonnet. Green Meany is the title Chris' daughter came up with for the Jeep... and, since its family duties extend to taking both his children away on club weekends, it's appropriate that she should have naming rights.

In the tyre supplement you'll find included with this issue of 4x4, we make the point that while everyone talks a great game about their reasons for needing this or that size and pattern of rubber, mainly it comes down to what they

think will make them look the coolest. Most would swear blind that they'd never think like that, but it's okay to have guilty pleasures. And here is a Jeep which proves that hardcore off-road vehicles can be ice-cold street rides too. Full-house Raptor coating might be a very practical way of protecting your vehicle – but it's also a brilliant way of attracting attention to yourself. And we all know how much that really matters...

