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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear FCA Members:

Please join me in welcoming Tony Cole as a new member of your Board of Directors. Together with those Directors, Chairpersons and "Engaged Members" that continue to serve FCA-SW, the value of your membership is secure. The opportunity to take a crack at orchestrating the activities of this diverse and motivated group of strong willed individuals as President of your Club offers a challenge for which I am grateful. Because the bar has been set high by those who have preceded me, the task should prove both simple and daunting. Simple to the extent that solid standards have been well established. Daunting to the extent that a higher standard will be all the more difficult to achieve.

And this is where the focus turns toward you. It is up to you to make a difference in achieving a heightened standard as an Engaged Member. This can be as simple as becoming more involved in the choice of already available activities. Or it can mean sharing in the reward of applying your skill set to the planning and implementation of added events. Either way, your participation shall be welcomed and embraced as our "special" branch of the car hobby increasingly brings us together.

An important part of the higher standard being set by your Club has been to combine the enjoyment of planned activities with the benefit of offering Community Service. This has been accomplished by way of car exhibits at both Juvenile Hall and the Boys and Girls Club, a Ferrari Corral at the concours benefiting the Pasadena Art Design Center and the FCA Golf Tournament benefiting the California Highway Patrol 11-99 Foundation. In this spirit, your Club is offering an extraordinary weekend event with something for every member interest on October 26th, 27th and 28th.

With the excitement of Monterey a memory, you don't want to miss this special fall weekend in Avila Beach where together with Hospice of San Luis Obispo County your Club is creating a weekend filled with activities. This three day series of events in late October will feature unique venues not accessible to the public, will highlight the finest food and wine indigenous to the area, will exhibit some of the most extraordinary cars in the world with Ferrari the featured marque and will offer you the opportunity to both drive and display your car. For complete details, turn to the Events Registration Booklet in this issue of *Sempre Ferrari* or go to www.avilabeachconcours.com where you may register on-line if you prefer.

Become an Engaged Member by registering early and registering often for the many events offered by your Club. I'll look forward to seeing you there!

Doug Prestine
Regional Director / President
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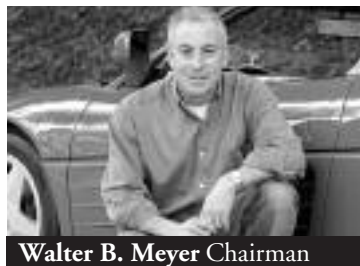
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FCA Southwest Region events in **bold**

September

- 4-8th **Ferrari Challenge Rally of Virginia**
- 8th **Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00 AM
- 23rd **Sherwood Country Club Show & Shine** Sunday. Picnic and car show at exclusive Westlake Village country club with golf courses designed by Jack Nicklaus. Box lunch/drinks and awards presented. Ride and Drives are coordinated from each In Your Area Event. Rick Principe. Information page **R2**.

October

- 7th Concours at Strawberry Farms Golf Club in Irvine - Honored Marque will be a display of the 25 Best of Show Winners. Benefiting the children of ATSC and Hoag Hospital's Heart and Vascular Institute. Advance tickets available online at www.nbconcours.com or by phone at 800-839-7520.
- 13th **Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00 AM
- 26-28th **Avila Beach Concours Weekend** Ride, Rally and Concours. Friday Ride & Drive to the Central Coast with evening Reception Dinner. Saturday Rally with evening Gala Dinner. Sunday Concours at the Avila Beach Resort. Event Information page **R4-5**.



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November

- 3-4th Ferrari Drivers Invited to Open Track Event at Willow Springs Raceway. Safely run your car at speed on a road-racing course. Instructors for beginners. Info: Jim Saxton 818-755-9555. Information and Registratio on page **R6**.
- 4th Best of France and Italy Car Show, Woodley Park, Van Nuys. Sunday. Featuring a Ferrari swap meet so clean out your garage and bring your Ferrari goodies out to sell. Info: Wally Clark - 714-630-9202, clarkinc@pacbell.net.
- 10th **Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00 AM
- 11th **Murphy Automobile Collection Tour** Sunday. View over 70 antique and classics automobiles including a large collection of Packards. Meet at 10 A.M. in Oxnard. Lunch included after Tour. Demetri Zafiris chairperson. Information page **R3**.

December

- 8th **Southwest Region Board Meeting** 9:00 AM
- 8th **Christmas Party at the Jonathan Club Santa Monica** Saturday, 12 Noon Reception with Hors D'oeuvres and Champagne serviced on balcony overlooking Santa Monica Bay. Gourmet Luncheon with wine in the Catalina Room. Seasonal music. Ferrari Corral. Peter G. Kudrave. Information page **R1**.

FCA Southwest Region Board Meetings - All Members Welcome!

Held the second Saturday of each month at 9:00AM at the Petersen Automotive Museum, 6060 Wilshire Blvd (at Fairfax), Los Angeles CA 90036 unless otherwise specified.

OTHER AUTOMOTIVE EVENTS

Sunday, December 2, 2007, Motor4Toys Charity Exotic Car Show 9am-1pm. 4th Annual. We will be setting a new world record for most Ferraris in a Parade. We must do better than 385 Ferraris! We need your help to reach our goal. We are approaching 100 cars pre-registered for this momentous event and are on track to hit our goal. We need your help to make this happen! Be a part of Ferrari History! Sunday, December 2nd, 2007. 31303 Agoura Road, Westlake Village, CA 91361. Please visit: www.motor4toys.com or www.ferrariworldrecord.com for more details.

IN YOUR AREA MONTHLY EVENTS HELD BY REGION AREA COORDINATORS

Meet Ferrari friends at a designated spot each month for an informal gathering. Everyone is welcome.

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FIRST SUNDAY EACH MONTH

On the first Sunday of each month you can enjoy a buffet style brunch with an ocean view with fellow Ferrari owners and host Tom Brockmiller at the Dana Point Yacht Club. The price is only \$15 payable at the door with preferred parking allocated for your Ferrari. Arrive between 9 – 9:30 AM. The Dana Point Yacht Club is located at 24399 Dana Drive in Dana Point.

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SECOND SUNDAY EACH MONTH

Join host Mark Process and fellow Ferrari owners on the second Sunday of each month for an informal "Show and Shine" at the Village Coffee Roaster in Woodland Hills. Breakfast is available at Labels Tables as well as a fine selection of coffees and teas at the Roaster. Interesting and rare vehicles are always the attraction as well as the exchange of car stories, racing news and club gossip. Arrive between 8:30 and 9 AM at 23351 Mullholland Drive, Woodland Hills.

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SUMMER TUNEUP

TECH SESSION AT THE AUTO GALLERY

Article By
Jim Bindman

Photos By
Chuck Houck

On Saturday morning, July 21st, 30 very lucky FCA members met at the massive new Auto Gallery Ferrari service facility in Canoga Park for the latest edition of one of our most popular events: The Auto Gallery Tech Session. We were greeted by Chuck Houck, Service Director, and his entire staff of factory trained technicians. Our 30 cars were easily housed in the indoor service area, which has an amazing capacity for over 60 cars. The event was limited to 30 cars in order to make sure every car (and owner) received ample time and the technicians spent a great deal of time with each car and were very informative.

All members' cars were treated to extensive inspections, and the cars ranged from Daytonas to Dinosaurs to F430s. One notable car was a 456 with 3 adults and a dog wearing an FCA-SW bandana! Besides having our cars inspected, Chuck provided a catered Continental breakfast and all members were given ENZO caps and other surprise gifts.

Tony Schwartz, co-owner of Auto Gallery, was in attendance and shared the latest factory gossip with members (will there be a new Dino???). Chuck and Tony emphasized their interest in performing service work for older Ferraris, as well as warranty work on the newer cars. They are particularly interested in working with our members on the Ferrari Classiche program.

Since this event has been so popular, and some members were not able to attend or attempted to sign up too late, we have been assured by Chuck that we are invited to come back next year. **SF**



Member's Ferraris were treated to extensive inspections of all mechanical components.



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I have a sample of the process, the Certificate document, Book, and the Badge in my office. Please feel free to come by, take a look, and discuss if this is right for your Vintage or Race (non-road) Ferrari.

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IN YOUR AREA GET TOGETHER

DANA POINT YACHT CLUB BRUNCH

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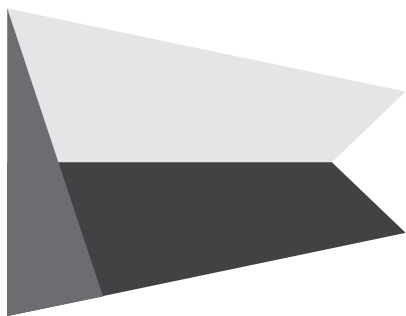
On Sunday, August 5th we experienced the largest gathering to date. Twenty three Ferraris showed up and we enjoyed brunch with both our old friends as well as first time attendees.

After brunch we traveled by caravan over to Family Classic Cars to tour their collection. There were no less than six Shelby Mustangs and every other desirable classic you could name, including a beautiful Enzo.

Our Brunch on the first Sunday of each month is open to all. We meet around 9 A.M. and eat at approximately 10 A.M. Tom Brockmiller and I hope you will take advantage of this beautiful venue and wonderful brunch in the near future. **SF**



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FERRARI CORRAL AT THE EIGHTH ANNUAL

ART CENTER COLLEGE OF DESIGN CAR CLASSIC

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Sunday, July 15, 2007, was the date when Art Center College of Design in Pasadena held a unique show of cars in its *Imagination Gone Wild* themed annual event. Over a hundred spectacular automobiles were selected for display, with emphasis on the unusual, yet notable cars. These included Delahayes, Bugattis, Mercedes, Talbot-Lago, an original Corvette, Lamborghini, and, a collection of three curvaceous BAT experimental cars commissioned by Alfa Romeo in the 1950's. Ferraris on display included: F430 Coupe, 375 MM Spyder, 512TR, 275 GTB Long Nose, 330 GTC, 250 GT Cab and Fiat Dino Spider. Noted Ferrari designer Luigi Colani was the keynote speaker.

Set in bowl-like grassy sculptural court, the setting against the school's *Meisian* steel and glass architecture, was a perfect blend, which featured cars of past glory with an obvious presence in current innovative work by international students. They will no doubt design future automobiles for General Motors, Ford, Audi, Pininfarina, etc.

Approximately 20 Ferrari cars were on display in our Ferrari Corral by several Board and Club members, making a very elegant arrangement for viewing by registrants attending the car show.

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Ferrari Corral at the Art Center Car Classic's entrance.
The three Alfa Romeo BATs.
Tom Shaughnessy's 375 MM.



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While no prizes were given out to Club participants at the Corral, official awards at Art Center's Car Classic included: 1954, 1955 Alfa Romeo B.A.T experimental designs; 1957 Thunderbird Convertible, 1937 Talbot-Lago, 1958 Chevrolet Corvette, 1927 Ford Roadster, 1925 Rolls Royce Phantom, 1935 DeSoto Airflow, 1939 Delahaye and 1955 Ghia Streamline. Much thanks go to Jay Sanders, Director as well as Stewart Reed, Chair, both of Transportation Design at Art Center for including our Ferraris on display. Jay and Stewart deserve great credit for putting on the very successful Car Classic '07.

Plan to join our second annual Ferrari Corral outing next mid-July at the Art Center College of Design Car Classic. **SF**

FCA Southwest Region Doug Prestine.
Jill and Marv Landon.
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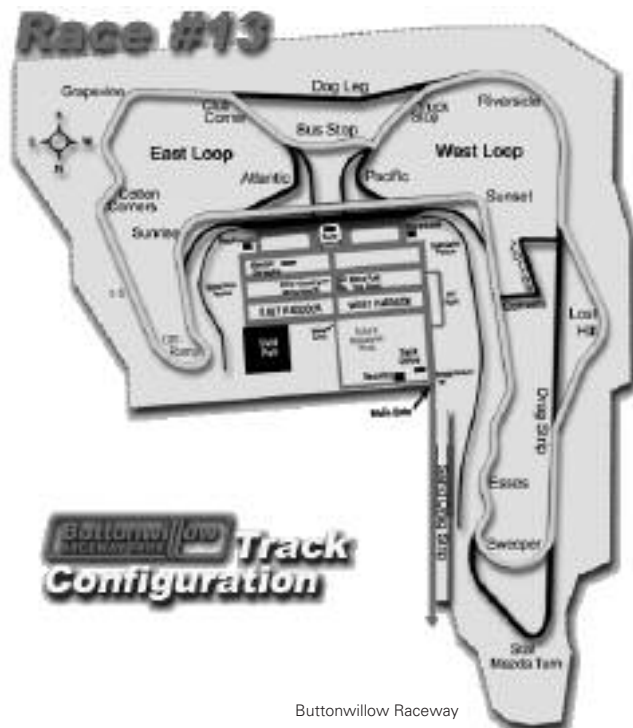
Buttonwillow Raceway was a new venue for the Ferrari and Pantera Clubs to try out, and I can report that it was a helluva lot of fun.

We used the Race 13 configuration (shown on the track map) which has a large variety of turns. Turn one (Sunrise) was followed by On Ramp, Cotton Corners (a blind right over a hill that takes some practice to take smoothly) Grapevine, Club Corner, Bus Stop, Truck Stop, and then my favorite – a beautiful high speed banked right turn called variously Riverside or Talladega that was followed by another over the hilltop blind right known as Magic Mountain (AKA Lost Hill) then a flat out left kink, then the Sweeper (reminiscent of Turn Nine at Willow) and a series of high speed S's, leading onto Sunset just before the straight. Overall this track is challenging, and therefore satisfying to get right.

There were plenty of experienced instructors, including yours truly, to assist newcomers in optimizing their lines. The event included the usual four run groups classified by speed and experience, as well as a wheel-to-wheel race on Saturday for the brave.

Summer temperatures reached 95 Degrees, but there was plenty of shade and air conditioning in the main building, which had a lunch kitchen and a shop for necessities like driving gloves, suits and shoes, as well as real bathrooms.

Jim and Cherie Saxton of the Pantera club organized a tasty Santa Maria barbeque Saturday night with plenty of cold sodas and beer.



The track is located just off the 5 on Lerdo Highway about two hours North of LA. The nearby motels are moderately priced and clean.

I look forward to further refining my line next year and hope to see more Ferraris there to join in the festivities.

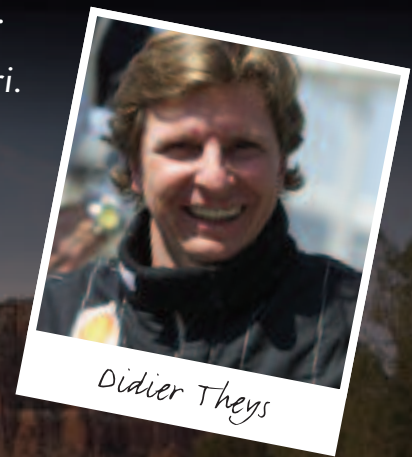
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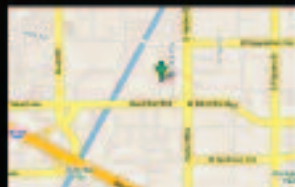
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DIRECTOR'S ROUNDUP & BBQ



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AUTOMOTIVE MUSEUM ON JUNE 23RD 2007, WAS THE SETTING
FOR THE FIRST ANNUAL DIRECTOR'S ROUNDUP AND BAR-B-Q.

FCA members came aptly attired in western gear to celebrate America's love of the prancing stallion and to "roundup" and meet the newly elected board members. Awards were given for the Biggest Best Couple. The festivities included a Prancing Stallion Corral with judging by FFCA (female FCA) members. Awards given in the following categories; Best Shoed and Cleanest Hooves, Shiniest Mane, Best Saddle, Least Likely to Make it Back to the Barn, Out to Pasture, Best Nose and Tail and Don't Look a Gift Horse in the Mouth. There were over 100 Prancing Stallions in the corral including an Enzo and three F40s.

As with any Roundup, lunch was BBQ style. The tri-tip and chicken came complete with all the 'fixens.

Lunch was accompanied by a live western band playing popular country and car songs. The festivities included a dance instructor to help out the city folks out with the most popular line dancing steps.

With an unprecedented number of attendees (over 200), there was plenty of competition at the rodeo. Members were thrilled to compete against each other at the Virtual GT rodeo arena. The competition was fierce as members battled it out on the race track and car of their choice at the computerized rodeo. The General Store was manned by Ferrari of Beverly Hills.

Board members and those active in the group received awards to thank them for their years of unselfish service to the club. Grundy Int'l, Adams, Meguiar's and 303 donated car care products. Additionally, each attendee received their choice of red or yellow bandana with the FCA Southwest Logo to commemorate the occasion.

We couldn't have asked for a more beautiful day or

a more perfect venue for the event. The Petersen Automotive Museum's "Ferrari: 60 Years of Greatness" was on display in the Bruce Meyer Gallery and will be on exhibit until Oct 27, 2007. **SF**





Opposite: Supercars included F40s. Sally & Don West with the President's award. Event Chairperson Marie Manvel presenting a Garfield Exotic belt buckle to outgoing President Walter Meyer as incoming President Doug Prestine looks on (center). Event reception.

This page from top: Enzo leads the row of Supercars. Award presented to each Director for their dedication on behalf of the FCA Southwest Region. All vintages of Ferraris attended the Roundup. Director award presentation: Marie Manvel, Jim Bindman, Doug Prestine, Walter Meyer, Tambi & Tex Otto and Carlos Amato. Santa Maria BBQ was delicious. The band. Virtual GT rodeo. Three amigos: Tex Otto, "Marshall" Marshall Buck and Demetri Zafiris. Adam's Premium Car Care Products. Meguiar's Car Care Products. Ferrari of Beverly Hills merchandise. Putnam Leasing answered questions about how to easily get into a new exotic car. Grundy Worldwide Collector Car Insurance.

The FCA-SW Board of Directors is responsible for managing the activities and affairs of the Region. It's an extremely important responsibility, and all of us who enjoy the benefits of belonging to FCA-SW are very much indebted to those who offer their time and talents as Members of the Board. Directors serve two year terms, and each year an election is held to fill approximately half of the seats on the Board.

Five seats were open in 2007, and the individuals elected to fill those seats are (in alphabetical order):

Carlos Amato
Tony Cole
Doug Prestine
Tex K. Otto
Demetri Zafiris.

These newly elected Directors join the continuing Directors Jim Bindman, Mark Process and Brian Quadt. Also, the immediate past President, Walter Meyer, moves to the position of Chairman of the Board. We are fortunate indeed to have such a distinguished group of people serving our Club.



New FCA Southwest President Doug Prestine (left) accepts from outgoing President, Walter Meyer (right) Walter's enscribed bat for keeping the meetings in order.



WELCOME INCOMING DIRECTORS

2007 FCA-SW ELECTION RESULTS

Article By
Tino Mingori

Photo By
Tom Brockmiller

At the Board Meeting immediately following the election, Officers were selected by the new Board. The following list shows the complete membership of the 2007-2008 Board of Directors together with the Offices to which various Directors have been appointed.

2007-2008 FCA-SOUTHWEST REGION BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Walter Meyer	Chairman of the Board of Directors
Doug Prestine	President and Regional Director
Tex K. Otto	Vice President
Mark Process	Secretary
Demetri Zafiris	Treasurer
Brian Quadt	Membership Chairman
Jim Bindman	Advertising Chairman
Carlos Amato	Director
Tony Cole	Director

These individuals will guide our club in the coming months, and they deserve our heartfelt gratitude for all the services they perform on our behalf. I know all of you will join us in wishing them well.

We wish to thank the dedication of outgoing Directors Marv Landon and Tambi R. Otto. Their contributions to organization, creation of unique events and their generous overall spirit for our Club will continue to help guide our future, with Marv's coordination of special events and Tambi's assistance in the production of the *Sempre Ferrari* and website administration.

The continually growing membership of our Region is a testament to the fact that those who organize and document our events and activities are doing a superb job. For the continued health of the club, however, it is essential for new people to step up and take a more active role in guiding the club.

To find out how you can be an active participant in the operation of FCA-SW, please come to one of our monthly board meetings at the Petersen Automotive Museum. Board meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month, and details are published in the *Sempre Ferrari*. You will see how the Club runs, and get to know some of the people who make it go. Just contact a Board Member if you have questions about this from the Directors roster in the front of each *Sempre Ferrari*. **SF**

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CALIFORNIA BILL TO REQUIRE ANNUAL EMISSIONS TESTS

for Vehicles 15-Years Old Moves to Senate Appropriations Committee

Legislation (A.B. 616) to require annual Smog check inspections for vehicles 15-years old and older has been approved by the California Assembly and the Senate Transportation Committee. The bill now moves to the Senate Appropriations Committee for consideration on August 20th. A.B. 616 would also require that funds generated through the additional inspection fees be deposited into an account which can be used to scrap older cars. You may recall that in 2004 a new law was enacted in California to require the lifetime testing of all 1976 and newer model-year vehicles. Pre-1976 motor vehicles would remain exempt under A.B. 616.

We Urge You to Contact Members of the Senate Appropriations Committee (List Below) Immediately to Oppose A.B. 616.

- A.B. 616 ignores the minimal impact vintage cars have on air quality.
- A.B. 616 could entice vintage car owners into allowing these vehicles to be scrapped.
- A.B. 616 ignores the fact that vehicles 15-years old and older still constitute a small portion of the overall vehicle population and are a poor source from which to look for emissions reduction.
- A.B. 616 ignores the fact that classic vehicles are overwhelmingly well-maintained and infrequently driven.
- A.B. 616 would increase costs by creating an annual inspection fee for owners of these vehicles.
- A.B. 616 represents another attempt by California legislators and regulators to scapegoat older cars.
- A.B. 616 would dramatically impact the ability of fixed and low income motorists from owning and driving their older vehicles.

Please contact members of the California Senate Appropriations Committee immediately by phone, fax or e-mail to request their opposition to A.B. 616.

Please e-mail a copy of your letter to stevem@sema.org. Thank you for your assistance.

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SHELL HISTORIC CHALLENGE

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FINISH	DRIVER	MODEL	CHASSIS No.
1	Peter Giddings	Maserati 250F	2501
2	Peter LeSaffre	Maserati 300S	3057
3	Tony Schwartz	250 GT Boano	0553GT
4	Manny Delaroz	250 MM Vig Spider	0348
5	Chuck Wegner	Maserati 200 SI	2423
6	Jon Shirley	Maserati 300S	3072

DISC RACE 1

FINISH	DRIVER	MODEL	CHASSIS No.
1	Chuck Wegner	512 BB/LM	35527
2	Stephen Dudley	308 GTB/M	21883
3	Bob Benedict	308 GT/M	001
4	Charlie Arnott	365 GTB/4 Comp	14437
5	Peter LeSaffre	275 GTB	06741
6	John Goodman	512 BB/LM	34445
7	Jon Shirley	250 GTO	3729 GT
8	Scott Stupay	275 GTB	7333
9	Patrick Van Schoote	250 GT SWB - DNS	1953 GT
10	Kurt Schultz	512 BB/LM - DNS	29507

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DRUM RACE 2

FINISH	DRIVER	MODEL	CHASSIS No.
1	Jon Shirley	Maserati 300S	3072
2	Chuck Wegner	Maserati 200 SI	2423
3	Peter LeSaffre	Maserati 300S	3057
4	Tony Schwartz	250 GT Boano	0553GT
5	Peter Giddings	Maserati 250F	2501
6	Manny Delaroz	250 MM Vig Spyder	0348

DISC RACE 2

FINISH	DRIVER	MODEL	CHASSIS No.
1	John Goodman	512 BB/LM	34445
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CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY IN FONTANA

SHELL HISTORIC CHALLENGE

Article and Photos By
Tex K. Otto

As I snugged up the 5 point harness in the passenger seat and the twelve cylinders of this race prepared 4.4 liters barked to life, I knew this was going to be quite an experience. The Shell Historic Challenge afforded me the opportunity to be a more than willing witness to the symphonic ballet of Charlie Arnott's 365 GTB/4 Comp # 14437 during a few demonstration laps on the road course at California Speedway in Fontana.

Pulling out of the pits and riding the bottom apron while the engine and tires warm up, the first turn's banking fills the windshield with imposing tarmac. As we gained speed down the back stretch to drift towards the outside concrete wall, the Daytona seemed reluctant to change direction as we made a hard left turn into the flat road course section. But after a couple of corners, all systems were go and Charlie rapidly picked up the pace, as he sliced through the cone defined corners like a Benihana chef through fillet mignon.

The environment inside this comp Daytona epitomizes what a race car should be. Every cc of those 4.4 liters are letting you know they mean business. You hear the awesome exhaust sound track through the helmet padding as though you're not wearing a helmet at all. You feel the building of speed by the elevation of exhaust sound and mechanical engine tempo. The Daytona's sensitive suspension and racing slicks telegraph each detail of the track and the car's traction to your backside for a very intimate line of communication.

With the track so flat, corner and braking reference points are defined by the driver's experience with the car and time on the track. It is quite apparent that Charlie has a lot of both as his deft car control allow the wide slicks to fight for maximum grip under braking, cornering and acceleration.

On the second lap, the first turn's banking is less ominous as we're on the banking looking up through the turn. The banking is much steeper than it looks from the grandstands and allows for incredible side forces that makes the form fitting racing seat and harness belts come into play. Through the road course section, Charlie and his Daytona have struck their rhythm. We blaze full throttle, followed by hard braking to clip the apex, then a smooth roll out of the corner to hunt down the next corner.

Back on the front straight, the tach needle bounces between 6 and 8 grand where Charlie feathers the throttle in fifth gear. The exhaust sound through the car plus it's bouncing off the outer retaining wall is true Marenello music.

Once more through the infield road course with even more aggression and defiance of physics, and my euphoric ride is over as we coast down the immense pit lane. As I unfasten the buckles and thank Charlie for an incredible thrill, there is one last ride available in the press F430 with accomplished racer Claude Bourbonnais who is one of the official FNA driving coaches for both the Ferrari Challenge



and Shell Historic Challenge series.

The ride in this F430 coupe with its accent stitched interior was much more luxurious than the Daytona's purpose built architecture. It was much quieter as well. At least until Claude dropped the hammer after the first corner, where he applied maximum power and animated the F1 paddle shifters like *Tommy* the Pinball Wizard going for a new high score. Over 6 grand, the 430's engine pulls incredibly strong and seems to rev forever until Claude pulls for the next gear. The aural intensity picks up as well with a serious exhaust note mirroring the extremely fast pace around the road course. On the first lap, there were numerous times when I was waiting for Claude to apply the brakes while he kept accelerating. His experience with the well balanced Ferrari was impressive to say the least when he would firmly squeeze on the brakes, downshift a couple of gears and glide the 430 to the next corner. Each of his movements was very smooth without any loss of forward momentum. There was one left hand double apex corner around which Claude 4 wheel drifted with opposite steering lock to break the lap's routine. Such control.

It's very impressive to experience the very high performance that a modern road going Ferrari can reliably deliver lap after lap in a comfortable environment. Of course during Claude's demonstration laps, he was probably not driving much more than 50% of his potential, which equates to what would be at least 350% for most of the rest of us.

The Shell Historic Challenge races were held Saturday and Sunday afternoon with the drivers gaining experience for the following week's Monterey Historics with race results for the drum and disc brake races on page 27.

Also during the weekend were the Ferrari Challenge races with Fontana being the final race on the North American schedule. Derek Hill drove a 430 Challenge car for demonstration laps as his father and F1 World Champion Phil looked on. The races will be broadcast on Speed TV on October 13th and 14th.

Thanks to Ferrari North America, Charlie Arnott and Claude Bourbonnais for an impressionable experience. **SF**

Opposite:

Around 8 grand in a competition Daytona on the front straight at California Speedway.

This page from top:

250 TDF and Peter LeSaffre's 275 GTB and Maserati 300S. Charlie Arnott's Competition Daytona competed in the 1977 Daytona 24 Hours with Paul Newman/Mintner/Forbes-Robinson and finished 5th OA. Manny Del Arroz's 250 MM Vignale Spider. Phil Hill. Jon Shirley's Maserati 300S and 250 GTO. Derek Hill gives Speed TV a few demonstration laps around the 2.8 mile road course. Symbolic's Competition SWB that sold a few days later in Monterey. Jon Shirley prepares for Friday's practice session.



CARS AND AUCTIONS

MONTEREY WEEKEND

Article and Concorso Italiano Photos By
Wally Clark

My Monterey weekend started with a stop off at the Auto Gallery to see the Ferraris before they took off on Thursday. A quick bite and a cuppa and we were off to help set up the field at Concorso.

Bright and early on Friday, we all assembled to await the influx of cars. It was not too bad this year. We ended up parking 400 Ferraris! The early cars thru the 355's were judged this year and it appeared that only about 1/4 of the field was judged. There were more Maserati's this year with a great display of 3500s. Not to be outdone, the Lambo contingent honored the anniversary of the Countach with many of the winged wonders on display. Best of Show went to a Ferrari 275 GTS this year. As usual, the Pacific Region handed out the FCA trophies for the Platinum, Gold and Silver winners.

And, there was no fog this year! It was actually very nice in the Monterey area the whole weekend.

Saturday took us to Laguna Seca. I'm sorry I missed the Ferrari Historic races that were held on Friday along with a parade of F40s. However, most of the Ferrari Historic cars were in the paddock on Saturday. The feature this year was early Indy cars and there were also a bunch of vintage CanAm cars.

The Auctions. WOW! There were at least 10 Ferraris sold at more than \$1,000,000 each. Probably the most watched car was the ex-Steve McQueen Lusso which sold for \$2.3 million. The next spotlight car was the ex-Bob

Grossman 250 LWB alloy California Spider LeMans car which sold for \$4.9 million. About six of the late Greg Garrison's cars were auctioned off and the ex-Dean Martin Daytona Spider (the last one built) went for over \$2 million, with most of the others at over \$1 million each. Tom Shaugnessey even sold the rusty Ferrari transporter that we had on display at the 2002 annual meet in L.A. Of course, all the production Ferrari prices were up also.

For a non-Ferrari oriented weekend, there sure were a lot of 'em there this year! It was great! **SF**





CONCORSO ITALIANO

Opposite top: Lots of 308s. Bottom: Bon Appétit!

This page from top: Daytonas. Custom 599 GT. Puma 599GT. 328s. Best of Show 275 GTS. Dinosaurs.



ROLEX MONTEREY HISTORIC AUTOMOBILE RACES

From top: Numerous Indy Roadsters were in the paddock and in a special enclosed display. They also ran in races to the delight of Offy lovers. McLaren velocity stacks. Tom Price's 250 GTO. 250 LM. Impressive row of Bentleys.

Photos By
Tambi Otto



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A MOTORSPORTS GATHERING

THE QUAIL

Article and Photos By
Tex K. Otto

During the Monterey weekend, Friday is a busy day of beautiful cars on the fairways. While throngs of lovers of all things Italian are at Concorso Italiano, another event has become a destination for enthusiasts of a broader range of marques. In its fifth year, The Quail, A Motorsports Gathering, is a lifestyle event with groupings of cars of similar disposition, that are surrounded by bistros of international cuisine, complemented by world-class champagne, fine wines and spirits. The event is limited to 3,000 guests which allows for a relaxed atmosphere in the garden-like setting at Carmel's Quail Lodge Resort and Golf Club.

Among the selection of rare and significant automobiles, this year's event celebrated the 50 years of racing at Laguna Seca Raceway, the 50th anniversary of the Ferrari 250 GT Series 1 Cabriolet, the 75th anniversary of the Monte-Carlo Rally and the 100th birthday of legendary racer, Briggs Cunningham.

Around noon, the event's tempo was raised when the traditional Historics to The Quail Run group arrived via police escort from Laguna Seca. Announced by the throaty rumble of their racing engines, the participants in the Group 6A class of Cobras, Sheldys, Tigers, Corvettes, Ferraris and Jaguars parked in the central area for a lunchtime display.

Other Quail highlights were the Bonhams & Butterfields auctions of fine jewelry, classic cars and automobilia, and drives in the new luxury models from Lexus, Maserati and Land Rover.

The day concluded with the Rolex Circle of Champion Awards where vehicles were subjectively chosen by the entrants of each group which have best achieved its design goal, performance expectations and overall impact on the automotive history and soul.

Best of Show and the *Briggs Cunningham 100th Birthday Award* was awarded to Fred Simone's 1952 Cunningham C-4R.

Award winning Ferraris were:

Ferrari 250 GT Series 1 Cabriolet 50th Anniversary Award

1957 Ferrari 250 GT Series 1 Pininfarina Cabriolet owned by Robert Lee

Post War Racing Cars Award

1960 Ferrari 250 GT SWB Competizione owned by Tex and Tambi Otto

The Road & Track Editor's Choice Award

1958 Ferrari 250 GT Series 1 Pininfarina Cabriolet owned by Linda and John Clinard

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From top: Display of racing and road Cunninghams. Post War Sports group included 275 GTB, mid-year Corvettes, Porsches, Morgans, Mercedes-Benz SL and Alfa Romeo Spiders. 1949 Auto Shipper Special Indy Race of the Mallya collection. One of the featured Series 1 Cabriolets. The "Historics to The Quail Run" return to Laguna Seca Raceway after a lunchtime display, shown here with Tom McIntyre and his Z06 Mickey Thompson Corvette. 1957 Ferrari 250 GT Series 1 Pininfarina Spyder owned by Robert Lee. Tex & Tambi Otto's Post War Racing Cars Award winning 250 GT SWB Comp in the Circle of Champions.

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