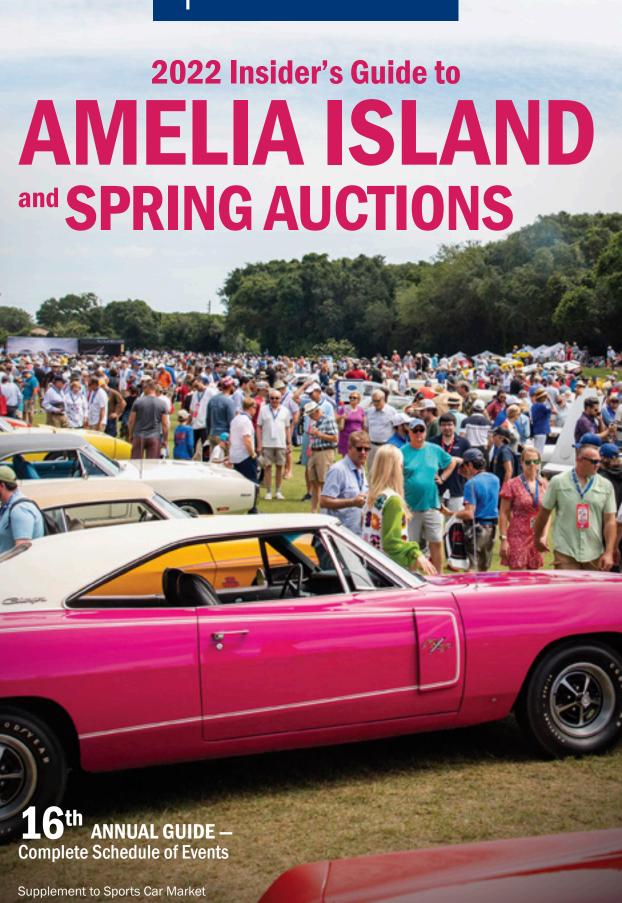
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Last year, Hagerty announced it had acquired the event, which has been renamed "The Amelia." (For some background on the new moniker and the rest of Hagerty's plans, be sure to read the Q&A on p. 22.)

All things benefit from change, which includes the infusion of new ideas and resources into existing organizations.

Hagerty's reimagining of the 2021 Greenwich Concours d'Elegance was well received. We can expect to see new and creative approaches to automobile showcasing at The Amelia, as well.

During the 25 years I have attended the Amelia Island event, I have enjoyed watching and participating as it has grown from a one-day happening to a multi-day series of activities. Auctions, Cars & Coffee events, car-club gatherings, tours and seminars are all now offered during the weeklong festival of cars. All of these will surely thrive and flourish.

This guide provides a snapshot of the activities that have been announced so far.

While we can't predict exactly what "The Amelia" will look like in years to come, it will undoubtedly provide the traditional concours and seminars collectors crave, plus new viewpoints and events that are sure to delight.

Once again, The Amelia will be an experience not to be missed.

Keith Martin

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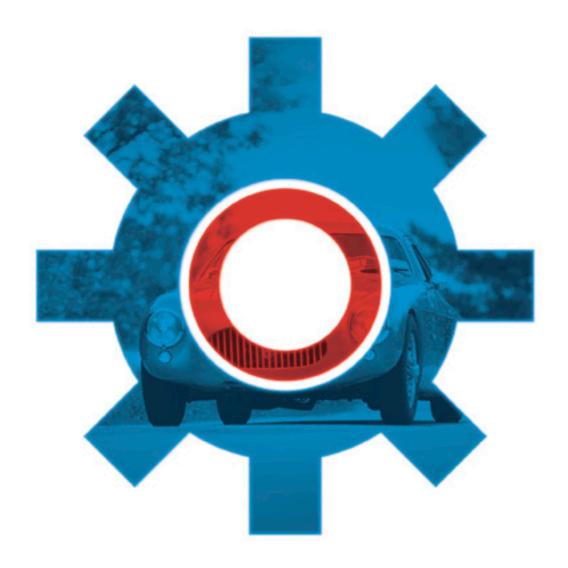
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# **2022 The Amelia Events**

Here's what you need to know before you go



Reliable Carriers Eight Flags Road Tour

# **Guardians of Porsche**Winemaker's Dinner

When: Thursday, March 3, 6:30 p.m.

Where: The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island, Amelia Island, FL 32034

Cost: See website for details

Web: www.ameliaconcours.com

**Quick take:** Kick off your weekend at The Amelia with an intimate fine-dining experience hosted by Porsche at The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island. Featuring a celebrated sommelier who pairs each course with wines complementary to the menu, this yearly event has been known to

attract drivers and celebrities from across the Porsche landscape. It is open to the public, though seating is limited, and reservations are required.

## Reliable Carriers Eight Flags Road Tour

When: Friday, March 4, 8:30 a.m.

**Where:** The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island driveway, Amelia Island, FL 32034

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**Cost:** See website for details

Web: www.ameliaconcours.com

Quick take: Experience Sunday's Concours d'Elegance vehicles in motion. Departing from the driveway of The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island, the Reliable Carriers Eight Flags Road Tour travels along the scenic roadways of Amelia Island with picturesque stops along the way. The tour concludes by staging a popular public display along Centre Street while entrants enjoy lunch, featuring the best of the Island's local cuisine. Participation in this event is open to concours entrants only (reservations required), with viewing open to the public.

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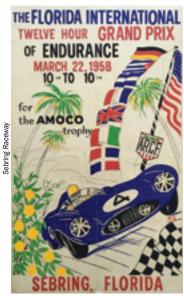
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The 36 Hours of Florida Friday Seminar features racing legends reminiscing about the state's two legendary endurance races

## 36 Hours of Florida Friday Seminar

When: Friday, March 4, 3 p.m.

**Where:** The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island ballroom, Amelia Island, FL 32034

Cost: See website for details

Web: www.ameliaconcours.com

Quick take: Racing legends gather in the ballroom of The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island to tell stories of racing in Florida's two storied epic endurance races. Panelists scheduled to appear include Chip Ganassi, Scott Pruett, Wayne Taylor, Ricky Taylor, Bobby Rahal and Geoff Brabham (subject to change). Hosted by NASCAR Hall of Fame Crew Chief Ray Evernham. This event is open to the public, although seating is limited, and tickets are required.

#### **Porsche Driving Experience**

When: Friday, March 4, 7 a.m.

Where: Various locations including The Brumos Collection, Porsche Jacksonville and Jacksonville International Airport, Jacksonville, FL 32218 Cost: See website for details

Web: www.ameliaconcours.com

Quick take: Porsche Driving Experience allows participants to enjoy the scenic roads of Northeast Florida, tour The Brumos Collection, enjoy the amenities of Porsche Jacksonville, one of the nation's only Porsche Classic Partners. and experience the performance of Porsche's newest vehicles on a Jacksonville International Airport runway. This event is open to the public, though reservations are required, and participants must be at least 21 years old. Ownership of a Porsche is not required for participation.

#### **Werks Reunion**

When: March 4, 7 a.m.-3 p.m.

Where: Amelia River Golf Club, Amelia Island, FL 32034

**Cost:** Free for spectators (on-site spectator parking is \$40 per car, Porsche not required). Porsche Corral parking is \$60 before February 2 and \$70 thereafter (Porsche required). Judged Field Participation is \$85 per car and includes a Werks event bag, reserved parking space and entry into special awards and raffle contests (Porsche required).

Web: www.werksreunion.com

Quick take: The Porsche Club of America hosts the Werks Reunion, which celebrates Porsche automobiles exclusively. PCA membership is not required to participate, and all Porsches are welcome, from classics to contemporary. The Porsche Judged Field features more than 20 prize categories and turnout for this show has traditionally been strong, with at least as many Porsches to ogle in the Corral parking area as on the show field.

## **Hagerty Ride and Drive**

When: Friday, March 4, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, March 5, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

**Where:** The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island driveway entrance, Amelia Island, FL 32034

Cost: See website for details

Web: www.ameliaisland.com

**Quick take:** Drive collectible vehicles from Hagerty's garage. Sign-up on location, at the entrance of The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island driveway.



Werks Reunion

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#### AMELIA ISLAND EVENTS

### **Manufacturer Ride and Drives**

When: Friday, March 4, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, March 5, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Where: The Ritz-Carlton and The Golf Club of Amelia Island, Amelia Island, FL 32034

Cost: See website for details

Web: www.ameliaconcours.com

**Quick take:** Sign up for a test drive in a new vehicle, provided by The Amelia's sponsors. Limited space is available, and reservations are required.

### **NASCAR Saturday Seminar**

When: Saturday, March 5, 10:30 a.m.

Where: The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island, Amelia Island, FL 32034

Cost: See website for details

Web: www.ameliaconcours.com

**Quick take:** Hosted by NASCAR Hall of Fame Crew Chief Ray Evernham, this seminar celebrates pivotal moments in NASCAR history. Panelists scheduled to appear include Rusty Wallace, Bill Elliott, Kyle Petty, Jeff Hammond and Mike



Helton (subject to change). This event is open to the public, though seating is limited, and tickets are required.

## **Cars & Community**

When: Saturday, March 5, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Where: The Ritz-Carlton and The Golf Club of Ameila Island, Amelia Island, FL 32034 Cost: See website for details

Web: www.ameliaconcours.com

Quick take: Family-friendly automotive fun featuring four incredible events for the price of a single ticket. Cars & Caffeine is a celebration of the automobile featuring more than 300 curated vehicles displayed on the same show field as Sunday's award-winning Concours d'Elegance. RADwood is a tribute to favorite vehicles from the '80s and '90s. This event is open to the public and vehicle registration is required. Concours d'Lemons celebrates the oddball, mundane and truly awful examples of the automotive world, serving as the foil to Sunday's event, and causing almost as many smiles in the process. Finally, the Kids Zone is an automotive-themed area specifically designed for children (and the kid in all of us), featuring slot-car racing and racing simulators. Visit the website for registration details and tickets for these public events.



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## **Saturday Night Honoree Dinner**

When: Saturday, March 5, 6:30 p.m.

Web: www.ameliaconcours.com

**Quick take:** Check website for more information.

## **Amelia Concours d'Elegance**

**When:** Sunday, March 6, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Where: The Ritz-Carlton and The Golf Club of Ameilia Island, Amelia Island, FL 32034

Cost: See website for details

Web: www.ameliaconcours.com

**Quick take:** Experience the one and only Amelia Concours d'Elegance show field, where hundreds of historically significant vehicles are displayed and vying for various awards and accolades. 2022 Concours d'Elegance Classes include: Cars of Chip Ganassi; 60th

Anniversary of the 24 Hours of Daytona; 70th Anniversary of the 12 Hours of Sebring; 75th Anniversary of Ferrari; 100th Anniversary of Lincoln; Featured Coachbuilder: Waterhouse; Rare Japanese; Aluminum Racing Porsches; Davis Automobiles; Motorcycles: Poster Bikes; People's Choice (introducing the first-ever concours real-time voting system so that attendees' votes can be seen

on the show field as the results come in.) Additionally, the Concours Kids Zone is an automotive-themed area specifically designed for children and the kid in all of us, including slot-car racing and racing simulators. Meanwhile, the Lakeside Festival Experience offers a highly curated display of high-performance sports cars to delight enthusiasts of all ages along with a beer garden.



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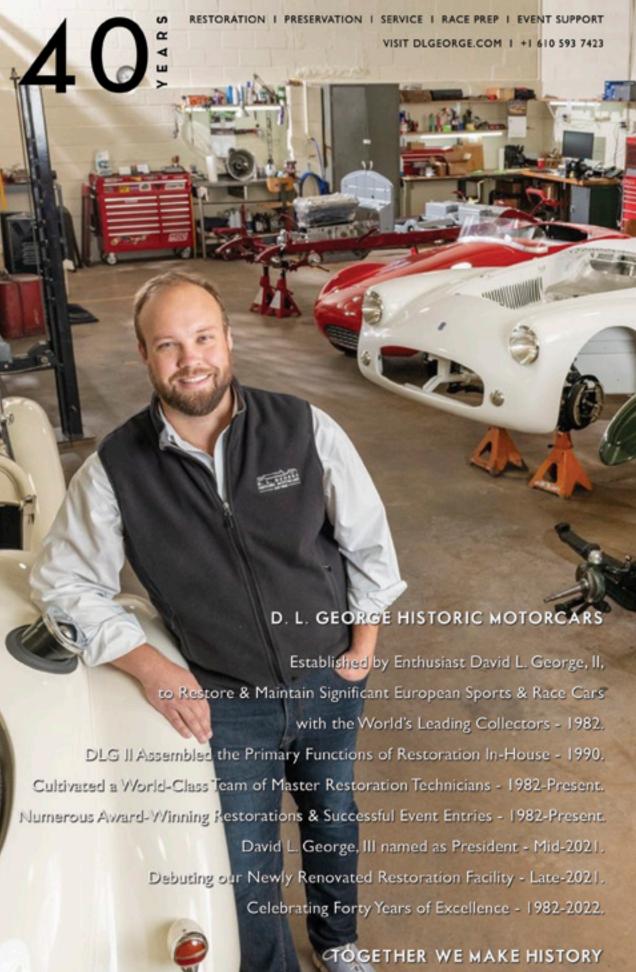
Five questions for Hagerty's Matt Orendac, Concours Event Director



# The event has a new logo and name, "The Amelia." How did that come to be?

Indeed, The Amelia Island
Concours d'Elegance weekend is now
"The Amelia." The name and logo are
indicative of the event's evolution.
Our team at Hagerty is working to
innovate while honoring tradition.
The name change also allows us
to reserve "The Amelia Concours
d'Elegance" for Sunday and to give
each day its own unique identity. The
rebranding includes a reimagined
schedule of events and a recently
launched website.







Concours d'Lemons

## What else is new this year?

We are excited to host Hagerty's inaugural "Cars & Community" celebration on Saturday. Building on the well-established, but renamed, Cars & Caffeine, the event will feature RADwood and Concours d'Lemons displays as well as The Amelia's first-ever Kids Zone. A portion of every Cars & Community ticket sold will support local and national charitable partners. Additionally, previous attendees can look forward to a fresh take on Saturday evening's

honoree dinner, a two-day supercar celebration, new dining and drink options and much more.

## What hasn't changed?

Friday and Saturday's seminars, the Reliable Carriers Eight Flags Road Tour, we will celebrate an honoree from the world of racing, RM Sotheby's remains our auction partner, The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island our host hotel, and The Golf Club of Amelia Island will once again provide the canvas for The Amelia's

field of dreams. Sunday's vehicle selection will continue to reflect the automotive excellence that The Amelia Concours d'Elegance is known for. Our team will strive to create an atmosphere that is friendly, inviting and fun, landmarks of The Amelia since day one.

# Amelia is always known for having "fun" classes. What about this year?

I think everyone is going to enjoy seeing the eccentric three-wheel cars from the Davis Motorcar Company. These cars are so rare and there is a fascinating story behind their limited U.S.-based production which remains widely unknown, all of which makes Davis an excellent sequel to last year's "Weird and Wonderful" class.

# What sorts of health and safety precautions can visitors expect?

The event will follow national and state-issued health guidelines that are in place at the time of the event. You can be assured we are monitoring the situation carefully and will make announcements as the event dates draw closer. Be sure to visit our website (ameliaconcours. com) for details.



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# **Bonhams**

# The Amelia Island Auction



1954 Jaguar XK 120 SE coupe

## Insider's tip

Bonhams returns to Amelia for the seventh time, based again at Fernandina Beach Golf Club, where it will hold the first auction of the week. Last year, Bonhams' top seller was a 1934 Mercedes-Benz 500/540K Spezial Roadster, sold for \$4.9m. Other cars of note included a 1913 Mercer 35K Runabout at \$2.4m, a 1933 Duesenberg Model J dual-cowl phaeton rebodied by LaGrande at \$1.7m and a 1934 Bugatti Type 57 cabriolet bodied by Franay at \$1.3m.

2021 results: 94/116 lots sold, \$20.8m

#### **Star Cars:**

1954 Jaguar XK 120 SE coupe, coachwork by Pinin Farina. Ex-1955 Geneva Motor Show and originally imported to New York by Max Hoffman. Recently restored

to 100-point concours condition.

1911 Winton 17B 5-Passenger Touring, formerly part of the Swigart Museum Collection.



1911 Winton 17B 5-Passenger Touring

## **Details**

**Preview:** Wednesday, March 2, 9 a.m.-7 p.m.; Thursday, March 3, 9 a.m. until auction start

**Auction:** Thursday, March 3

Where: Fernandina Beach Golf Club, 2800 Bill Melton Road, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034

**Web:** www.bonhams.com/auctions/27329/

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# **Gooding & Company**

# Amelia Island Auction



1959 Porsche 718 RSK four-cam Spyder

### **Details**

**Preview:** Thursday, March 3, 9 a.m.– 6 p.m.; Friday, March 4, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Auction: Friday, March 4, 11 a.m.

Where: Racquet Park, Omni Amelia Island Plantation, Racquet Park Drive Fernandina Beach, FL 32034

**Website:** www.goodingco.com/auction/amelia-island-2022

Phone: 310.899.1960

**Cost:** Bidder registration is \$200, which includes admission for two to the viewing and the auction with two reserved seats, subject to availability. Catalog is \$75, admits two to all events. Admission is \$30, admits one to all events. Children younger than 12 get in free.

## Insider's tip

Gooding & Company will hold its 12th annual Amelia Island Auction at the Omni Amelia Island Plantation on Friday, March 4. At its previous Amelia Island Auction in 2020, Gooding's top seller was a 1914 Rolls-Royce 40/50HP Silver Ghost Torpedo phaeton at \$2.2m. Other notable sales included a 1969 Lamborghini Miura P400 S coupe at \$1.4m, a 1976 Porsche 934 at \$1.4m, a 1957 Mercedes-Benz 300SL roadster at \$1m, and a 1972 Maserati Ghibli 4.9 SS Spyder at \$753k.

2020 results: 83/89 lots sold, \$20.8m

#### **Star Cars:**

1959 Porsche 718 RSK four-cam Spyder, has been in single-family ownership for five decades. It underwent a recent restoration and was shown at the 2018 Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance.

1967 Toyota-Shelby 2000GT, the first production Toyota 2000GT ever built and one of only three cars developed by Shelby American for use in SCCA C-Production Racing. It was awarded First in Class at the 2017 Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance and has been exhibited at the Goodwood Festival of Speed and the Monterey Historic Races.

1993 Porsche 964 Carrera RS 3.8, one of just 11 Clubsport models out of the 55 RS 3.8 cars built

**2005 Porsche Carrera GT,** the sole U.S.-delivered model finished in paint-to-sample Polar Silver

**1993 Porsche 964 Turbo S Leichtbau,** one of 86 models and finished in paint-to-sample Sulfur Yellow

#### Other Consignments:

1951 Ferrari 195 Inter coupe

1954 Austin-Healey 100/4 BN1

1961 Alfa Romeo Giulietta Spider Veloce

1967 Sunbeam Tiger Mk IA

1980 Mercedes-Benz 450SL

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1967 Toyota-Shelby 2000GT

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# RM Sotheby's

# **Amelia Island**



1930 Duesenberg Model J Convertible Sedan

#### **Details**

**Preview:** Thursday, March 3 and Friday March 4, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

**Auction:** Saturday, March 5, 11 a.m.

Where: The Ritz-Carlton, 4750 Amelia Island Parkway, Amelia Island, FL 32034

**Web:** www.rmsothebys. com/en/auctions/am22

Phone: 519.352.4575

# Insider's tip

The Amelia Island sales wrap up on March 5, when RM Sotheby's holds The Amelia's official auction. The 23rd edition of its sale will be held at The Ritz-Carlton once again. At RM Sotheby's 2021 auction, high sales included a 1929 Duesenberg Model J "Disappearing Top" Torpedo sold at \$5.7m, a 1995 Ferrari F50 at \$3.8m, a 1968 Ferrari 275 GTB/4 berlinetta at \$2.8m and a 1971 Ferrari 365 GTS/4 Daytona Spyder at \$2.5m.

2021 results: 94/99 lots sold, \$42m

**1993 Jaguar XJ 220,** one of 282 produced. Odometer displays 1,130 km.

#### Other Consignments:

1935 Cadillac V8 Convertible Coupe 1956 Jaguar XK 140 drophead coupe 1959 Cadillac Eldorado Biarritz 1963 Chevrolet Corvette ZO6, fuel-injected 1966 Austin-Healey 3000 Mk III BJ8 1985 Chevrolet Camaro IMSA GTO 1996 Porsche 911 Turbo

## **Star Cars:**

1930 Duesenberg Model J Convertible Sedan with coachwork by the Walter M. Murphy Company.

This car is a Best in Class winner at the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance and retains its original frame, engine and coachwork.

1955 Mercedes-Benz 300SL Gullwing, in red over a tan interior.



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## Top 10 Memorable Amelia Moments

## Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance founder Bill Warner shares his best stories

by Bill Warner; photos by Deremer Studios LLC

hen I look back on the part of my life spent creating the Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance, I have one dominant thought: It was magic. But some moments were more magical than others. Over 26 years, I lived my dream with friends I honored and had for life. It was a great ride. These are the highlights.

## #10 Ray Evernham

We had so many great seminars, I could go on and on, but Ray Evernham's "Racing Around the Rules" takes the prize. He displayed three different-length tape measures, aluminum bumpers, nitrous bottles and trick carburetor plates. It was really one of the best "insider" seminars ever.

Also, the "Cannonball Revisited" with Dan Gurney and Brock Yates, Jack May, and such icons as Bill Brodrick, William Jeanes, Oscar Koveleski and Dick Gilmartin was a real hoot. We relived what every Walter Mitty in the world wanted to do — drive coast-to-coast, nonstop.

## #9 Jim Rathmann

To celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Indy cars at Daytona (the only time Indy cars ran the superspeedway), I gathered many of the drivers who had driven in the race, including Johnny Rutherford and



Ray Evernham's "Racing Around the Rules" seminar

Bobby Unser. To cap it all off, I went down to Melbourne, FL, and invited Jim Rathmann. He was laid-back and easy to converse with.

When I introduced the panel and sat down, Rathmann was staring at the table. When we got to him, he looked up with a dazed look and said, "Where am I and what am I doing here?" My heart sank. Little did I know he was a really good practical joker, yanking my string for a laugh.

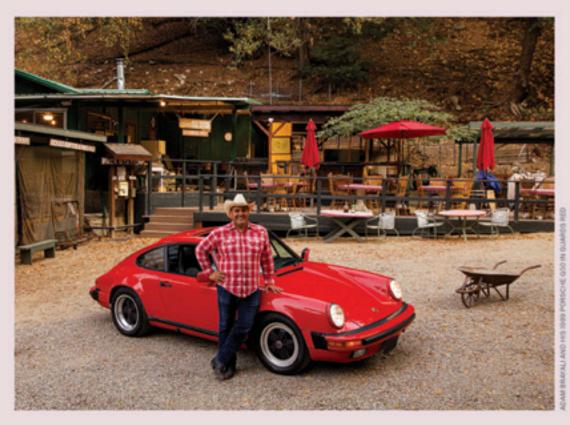
Later in the seminar, a lady asked Rutherford what it cost to run Indy in the early 1960s, and he gave a reply that included "two engines and gearboxes, associated spares and a spare chassis." Rathmann looked at him and said, "If you didn't hit the wall so much, you would not need a spare chassis."

## #8 Richard Petty

Richard Petty was a terrific honoree. He could not say no to anyone asking for an autograph or photo. His patented grin radiated all weekend. It got so difficult to get around the halls of the hotel that we'd take him down through the basement bowels of the Ritz-Carlton to get him from point to point; we'd pop up wherever he needed to be.

On Sunday morning, we met on the garage roof, where we had a golf cart waiting to take him down to his waiting NASCAR Dodge to drive on the field. When we got there, a member of the golf club had a bassboat red cart with chrome wheels. He asked if I'd take Richard on the field in his cart and have him autograph it. I was in a hurry, as

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#### **LOOKING BACK**



Petty and Warner

we were on a tight schedule, and reluctantly I asked Richard to hop in the flaming red nightmare and off we'd go to the field. Unaccustomed to this particular cart, I floored it and promptly ran into the concrete wall by the down ramp, shaking up Richard and embarrassing myself. The cart was not damaged, but my ego was destroyed, just in shambles.

Richard commented that it was not his desire to die on a golf cart.

### #7 Phil Hill

Our second year, world champion Phil Hill was our honoree. Phil and I went down to the ballroom that afternoon to check on the setup for the evening. The American Steinway Benz was being loaded in to be part of the evening affair at the Mercedes-Benz gala.

Phil sees the driver struggling behind the wheel, as it appeared to be difficult to steer. Phil looked at it and said, "He can't steer the car. The spring shackles are flipped over, probably a result of bouncing in the truck on the way down to Amelia."

He had restored the car when he owned Hill and Vaughn and knew it intimately. Two minutes later the world champion was on the rug with a floor jack correcting the shackles.

Would you see Max Verstappen or Lewis Hamilton on the deck correcting a fault on a car? I think not.

## #6 Bobby Unser

When we named Bobby Unser our honoree for 2004, Evi Gurney asked me how I was going to control Bobby. "I was an Air Force public-affairs officer," I answered. I'd dealt with nuclear weapons and such.

The Saturday night gala was sponsored by Mercedes-Benz, and Bobby opened the evening speech with, "I used to race for Audi... and I learned one thing when I raced for Audi..." The Mercedes-Benz people were looking askance at me as I smiled an uncomfortable smile. Bobby continued, "I learned that the Germans hate Americans." An uneasy rumble went through the audience. He heard it and doubled down. "No, it's true. Germans hate Americans."

I was sliding under the table to avoid the Mercedes staff grimaces, and then Unser started saying some things about Native Americans. I thought, great, we are only three minutes into a 25-minute program. What's next? Well, he next began talking about Mario Andretti, which gave him the opportunity to insult Italians with an ethnic slur.

"I'm dead, get the hook," I thought, "it's over." Somehow, we got to the end of the program, but that evening was an experience I was not eager to repeat.

When I spoke with Evi after the concours, all she said to me was, "I warned you."

I should have listened. My nuclear weapon had exploded.

## #5 Roger Penske

Roger Penske is my hero: a champion race driver, 18 Indy wins as team owner, successful businessman, humanitarian, leader... I could go on.

Unlike other honorees, every week we'd have a conference call with Merrill Cain, his vice president, on every detail of the weekend, from arrival time to dinner to the seminars. I asked Merrill what time his plane



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#### **LOOKING BACK**

would land at the Fernandina Beach airport. The answer was 3:42 p.m. Not 3:40, or 3:45, but 3:42! Needless to say, he was on time. As with everything Roger does, it was professional and in a timely manner.

It was my honor to have Roger and his wife, Kathy, with us. Kathy said to me on Sunday, "I don't know how you got Roger for three days. I can't get him for three hours."

He wrote to me on one of our seminar posters: "To Bill, you are a great leader." That meant more to me than words can express.

### #4 Carroll Shelby

For the year we honored Carroll Shelby, I could not have asked for someone who was more accommodating. Everywhere we went, people followed him like rats with the Pied Piper of Hamlin. When we stopped, they would surround the golf cart five to seven people deep.

As I was driving him down the fairway, we stopped and a young man ran up and said, "Mr. Shelby! Mr. Shelby! My dad bought a 1967 GT350 from you. Metallic green. Do you remember?" Ol' Shel looked up



Carroll Shelby

and said, "Yes, son, I remember." The young man beamed with pleasure.

As we drove off. I looked at Shell and said, "Give me a break. There is no possible way you'd remember that." He looked at me, smiled and said, "If he's happy, I'm happy." Classic Shelby.

## #3 Jacky Ickx

When Jacky Ickx was our honoree, I wanted to find his Citibank Lola Can-Am car for the display. After

months of searching, we found it in a storage building in Deland, FL, for the Motorsports Hall of Fame of America. But they did not realize they had the championship car, hence the storage. I did a deal to bring the car up to Jacksonville and cosmetically clean it up to be presented for The Cars of Jacky Ickx class.

Although we had the car, we kept it a secret. Jacky asked me the week before the show if we had found the car, and for once, I lied. I told him no, we were still looking.

When we rolled all the cars in for the group photo on Saturday, we saved the Lola for last. We had hidden it from Jacky behind the grandstands, and when all the cars were in place, we rolled it out. Jacky was blown away. "That's my favorite car of all I drove," he said.

His smile told me we were more than successful, and I was so pleased he was surprised and happy.

## #2 John Surtees

The year we honored John Surtees, it came time for him to present the award for the best motorcycle. This happened to be one of his World Championship MV Agustas from the Barber Museum. I looked around the judges' stand and could not find him to present the award. I then looked out on the field and roaring up at top rpm was John on the bike. He came up front with the bike, shut it down, crossed his arms and grinned from ear to ear.

Legendary automotive journalist David E. Davis Jr., who was behind me, put his hand on my shoulder and said, "It doesn't get any better than this, does it?" I had to agree.

### #1 Dan Gurney

Upon completion of the 2002 Amelia, I handed Dan Gurney a bottle of Moët to spray. He looked at me with a grin only Dan could muster and sprayed me from head to toe. I felt honored. It is the most expensive shower I ever had. •



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## RM Sotheby's

#### Fort Lauderdale



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#### Insider's tip

RM Sotheby's will hold its Fort Lauderdale auction on March 25 and 26. This two-day event at the Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward County Convention Center is expected to feature some 350 collector cars as well as a selection of automobilia. In 2020 RM Sotheby's South Florida auction was an online event, with over \$13.7m in total sales and a sell-through rate of 69%. Top sales included a 1996 Porsche 911 GT2, sold at \$891k, and a 2019 McLaren Senna with 200 miles on the odometer, sold at \$847k.

2020 results: 179/259 lots sold, \$13.7m

#### **Star Cars:**

2001 BMW Z8 in Jet Black over a Sport Red/black leather interior, with 28k miles 1929 Stutz Model M dual-cowl phaeton with bodywork by New York coachbuilder LeBaron. This older cosmetic restoration is powered by a 332-ci 8-cylinder engine.

#### **Other Consignments:**

1936 Packard Twelve coupe roadster 1953 Buick Skylark convertible 1960 Cadillac Eldorado Biarritz convertible

#### **Details**

Preview: Thursday, March 24, 4-8 p.m.; Friday, March 25, 9 a.m.; Saturday, March 26, 9 a.m.

Auction: Friday, March 25, 10 a.m., and Saturday. March 26, 10 a.m.

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## **Barrett-Jackson**

#### Palm Beach



2020 Ford GT Carbon Series

#### Insider's tip

Following a two-year hiatus, Barrett-Jackson returns to Palm Beach for three days of auctions at the South Florida Fairgrounds. At its last event here in 2019, Barrett-Jackson recorded total sales of \$31m. Notable lots included a 1959 Volkswagen Transporter Samba 23-window microbus that sold for \$193k, a 1969 Shelby GT500 fastback at \$165k, a 2012 McLaren MP4-12C coupe for \$118k, a 1965 Austin-Healey 3000 Mk III BJ8 convertible at \$110k, and a 1986 Porsche 911 Turbo coupe at \$99k.

2019 results: 640/643 lots sold, \$30.9m

#### **Star Car:**

2020 Ford GT Carbon Series, chassis #40 with 200 miles. Finished in Frozen White.

#### **Details**

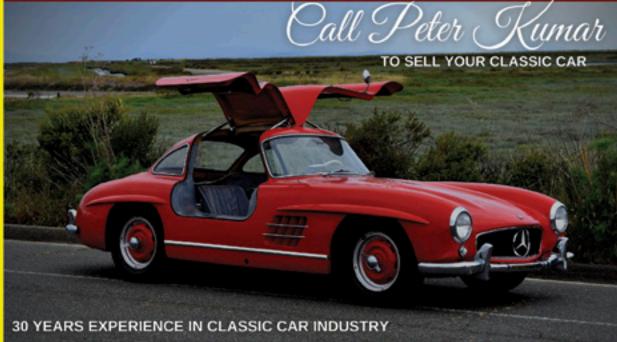
**Auction:** Thursday, April 7, through Saturday, April 9

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Where: Glendale, AZ When: March 16-19 Web: www.mecum.com

Last year: 723/823 lots sold,

\$41.4m

Mecum returns to State Farm Stadium, where it will hold its fourth Glendale auction. The auction house aims to offer 1,500 cars and hopes to build on its success of last year. In 2021, Mecum Glendale boasted an 87% sell-through rate and broke the event's previous record for total sales. Top sellers included a 1967 Chevrolet Corvette L88 coupe at \$2.7m, a 2016 Ferrari F12tdf at \$880k, and a 2011 Ferrari 599 GTO at \$721k.

#### Premier Auction Group — Punta Gorda

Where: Punta Gorda, FL When: March 18-19

Web: www.premierauctiongroup.com

Premier Auction Group will hold its Gulf Coast Classic Auction over two days in Punta Gorda. Consignments include a 1981 Chevrolet Camaro Z/28, a 1975 Jeep CJ-5 Renegade, a 1929 Ford Model A, and a 1954 Chevrolet 3100 resto-mod, among others. Bidding available on-site, over the phone or online via Proxibid.

#### **Mecum Auctions — Houston**

Where: Houston, TX
When: March 31-April 2
Web: www.mecum.com

Last year: 624/726 lots sold, \$21m

Mecum hopes to fill Houston's NRG Center with 1,000 vehicles for three days of auctions. Last year, top sales included a 1968 Dodge Hemi Charger R/T at \$231k, a 2016 Mercedes-Benz custom camper van at \$182k, and a 2019 Chevrolet Corvette ZR-1 convertible at \$165k.

#### **Carlisle — Spring Carlisle**

Where: Carlisle, PA When: April 21–22

Web: www.carlisleevents.com

Fall Carlisle 2021: 291/429 lots

sold, \$6m

Spring Carlisle returns with two days of auto auctions accompanied by thousands of vendors who will offer automotive parts, accessories, collectibles and memorabilia. Fall Carlisle 2021 recorded \$6m in sales, with 291 vehicles sold and a sales rate of 68%. The top five sales included a 1968 Ford Shelby GT500 KR at \$141,775, followed by a 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air convertible at \$87,740, a 1970 Chevelle SS at \$80,250, a 1969 Buick GS at \$75,970, and a customized 1969 Ford Bronco at \$72,760.

#### The Branson Auction

Where: Branson, MO When: April 22-23

Web: www.bransonauction.com

**Fall Branson 2021:** 127/186 lots sold. \$2.7m

The Branson Auction has been running for 46 years, and returns to the Branson Convention Center in April. Last October, the fall edition saw 126 vehicles sold, with total sales of \$2.7m. The top sale was a 6.2-liter LSA-powered 1966 Chevrolet Chevelle resto-mod at \$108k. Other notable cars included a 1967 Chevelle 427 big-block at \$55k, a 1970 Dodge Challenger R/T at \$47k, and a Jaguar Mark V DHC at \$46k.

#### Worldwide Auctioneers — The Enthusiast Auction

Where: Auburn, IN When: April 23

Web: www.worldwideauctioneers.com

**Fall Auburn 2021:** 116/121 lots

sold, \$17.1m

Worldwide hopes to achieve a comparable level of success in April to what it recorded during its last showing in Auburn. At its annual fall auction in September 2021, Worldwide sold over \$17m of vehicles and hit an impressive sales rate of 96%. The top seller was a 1938 Bugatti Type 57C Atalante coupe at \$1.8m. Other notable sales included a 1965 Shelby Cobra that was rebodied in the 1990s as a Daytona coupe for Carroll Shelby at \$1.5m, a Dietrich-bodied 1934 Packard Series 1108 Twelve convertible at \$1.4m. and a collection of 31 Packards from the Fort Lauderdale Antique Car Museum Collection, which sold for a total of \$1.8m.

#### **Mecum Auctions — Indy**

Where: Indianapolis, IN
When: May 13-21
Web: www.mecum.com

Last year: 1,651/2,031 lots sold,

\$99.5m

For its 2022 Indy Auction, Mecum plans to bring 3,000 cars and trucks to the Indiana State Fairgrounds for a busy week. In 2021, Mecum fielded over 2,000 cars, with an 81% sell-through rate. Top results included a 1967 Shelby 427 S/C Cobra roadster at \$3.3m, a 1930 Duesenberg Model SJ Rollston Convertible Victoria at \$3m, and the 1969 Ford Bronco "Big Oly" at \$1.9m.



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