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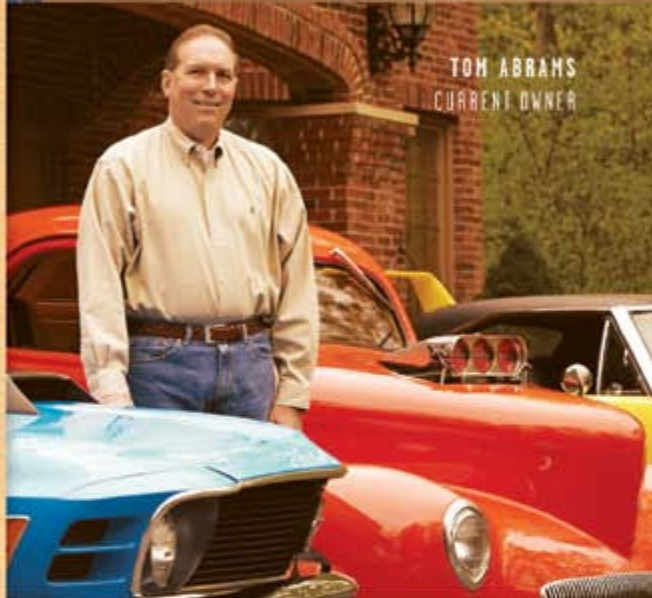
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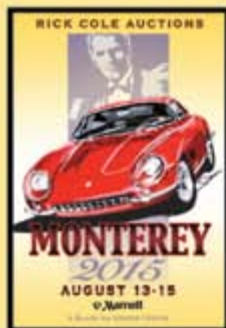
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When Bill Warner founded the Amelia Island Concours in 1996, it was a solitary event held at an out-of-the-way location. Over the years, other events joined the party, including collector car auctions by RM, Gooding & Company and Hollywood Wheels. When Bonhams announced its plans to hold an auction on Thursday, March 12, during the week of the 2015 Amelia Island Concours, the news confirmed that the collector car market was healthy and growing.

In addition, the Amelia Island Concours now hosts its own “Cars and Coffee” on Saturday morning, and Festivals of Speed holds a car show on the same day.

In short, what was once a collector-car “one-trick pony” has become a can’t-miss gathering of enthusiasts, similar in significance — if not size — to Monterey in August, Scottsdale in January and Paris in February.

This guide is designed to help you navigate all of the springtime events, with an emphasis on Amelia and Florida. You’ll find the information you need — star



cars, locations, times, contact info and more — for all the important events.

SCM will have a presence at many of these auctions and shows. Stop by our booths, meet the gang and pick up your 27th anniversary SCM pin. We look forward to meeting you. — *Keith Martin* ■

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Bonhams

The Amelia Island Auction



1911 EMF Model 30 factory racer

Bonhams is one of the world's oldest auction houses, but this will be their first time at Amelia Island. They've hit the ground running with a strong consignment list that focuses on quality over quantity. You can expect an elegant, wine-and-cheese atmosphere, bidders from around the world, and some important, expensive cars.

Star Cars

1911 EMF Model 30 factory racer.

This important and fully documented piece of American racing history is being offered for the first time directly from its custodian of the past 35 years. Fully restored to concours condition in the late 2000s, the car has been both a frequent prize-winner and an active vintage racer, competing at the Milwaukee Mile, Lime Rock Park, New Hampshire Motor Speedway, Mount Equinox Hill Climb and Savannah GP reenactment. Number 33 has even raced up Mount Washington 17 times.

1932 Stutz DV-32 Super Bearcat with coachwork by Weymann. Formerly owned by renowned collector and preservation advocate Dr. Frederick A. Simeone of Philadelphia. One of approximately 10 Super Bearcats built, with fewer than five believed to exist today. In excellent mechanical condition and retaining its original fabric covering.

Preview: Tuesday, March 10, 10 a.m.; Wednesday, March 11, 10 a.m.; Thursday, March 12, 8 a.m.

Auction: Thursday, March 12, 10 a.m.

Where: Fernandina Beach Golf Club, 4700 Amelia Island Pkwy, Amelia Island, FL

Web: www.bonhams.com

Phone: 415.861.7500

Cost: \$150 bidder registration includes catalog and admits two, \$100 catalog admits two, \$20 gallery guide admits one

1929 Rolls-Royce Phantom I Transformable phaeton. Formerly owned by silver-screen goddess Marlene Dietrich. Given new to the actress as a gift from director Josef von Sternberg of Paramount Studios, this dazzling convertible with coachwork by the Parisian craftsmen at Hibbard & Darrin also appeared in the movie "Morocco," a film on which Dietrich and von Sternberg collaborated.

1936 Wanderer W25K roadster

1956 Austin-Healey 100M roadster

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Hollywood Wheels

Amelia Select 2015



1938 Cadillac V16 convertible coupe



1970 Plymouth Hemi Superbird

This two-day sale takes place in conjunction with the Festivals of Speed lifestyle festival. There will be something for everyone at a range of price points, from perfectly restored American muscle to vintage European grand tourers to outrageous late-model exotics. Friday's entire auction is devoted to Porsches, with examples on offer representing the marque's long history.

Star Cars Matching **1953 Porsche 356 "Pre-A" cabriolet and coupe**, offered as a single lot.

1973 Porsche 911S/RS. Ex-Peter Gregg, built by Brumos Porsche, with full documentation.

1938 Cadillac V16 convertible coupe with coachwork by Fleetwood.

Preview: Thursday, March 12, 3 p.m.; Friday, March 13, 11 a.m.

Auction: Friday, March 13, 2 p.m.; Saturday, March 14, noon

Where: Omni Amelia Island, 39 Beach Lagoon Road, Amelia Island, FL

Web: www.hollywood-wheels.com

Phone: 800.237.8954

Cost: \$200 bidder registration

1970 Plymouth Hemi Superbird. All matching numbers, not driven on the road since nut-and-bolt rotisserie restoration. Original broadcast sheet is included, along with 26-page inspection report from Galen Govier.

1969 Chevrolet Corvette L88 convertible with hard top. Verified by David Burroughs and Tim Thorpe. Bloomington Gold certified with NCRS Duntov Award. Includes original tank sticker still on top of the fuel tank.

1987 Porsche 993 RSR

1968 Porsche 911S

1961 Porsche Junior diesel tractor ■



1969 Chevrolet Corvette L88 convertible



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1974 Porsche 911 Carrera 3.0 RSR

Entering its fifth consecutive year at Amelia Island, the Gooding & Company auction has become a main event with crowds growing every year. Gooding, known for exquisitely curated offerings, will showcase over 80 vehicles at their flagship East Coast destination. Last year, a 1968 Porsche 907 Longtail sold for \$3.63m, with eight other vehicles earning two-comma prices as well.

Last year's results: 78/88 cars sold / \$31m

Star Cars

1961 Ferrari 250 GT Series II cabriolet. With rare factory hard top and built-in sunroof. Delivered new to its first owner in Zurich, Switzerland, this Series II cabriolet was driven and enjoyed. It remained on Swiss roads until 1991 before making its way to Holland and, eventually, the United States. Restored in 2012, now with Ferrari Factory Certification of Authenticity. Multiple important show wins, including the Amelia Award and Second in Class at Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance 2013. **Gooding estimate: \$2m–\$2.5m**

1974 Porsche 911 Carrera 3.0 RSR. Extensive period race history. First owner was Hector Alonso Rebaque, a nationally recognized Formula One driver from Mexico City, Mexico. It is a superbly correct example validated by noted Porsche authorities Jürgen Barth and John Starkey. Finished in its original white, red and yellow

Preview: Thursday, March 12, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Friday, March 13, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Auction: Friday, March 13, 11 a.m.

Where: Racquet Park, Omni Amelia Island Plantation, 6800 First Coast Hwy, Amelia Island, FL

Web: www.goodingco.com

Phone: 310.899.1960

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low with decals from longtime sponsor “Café Mexicano.” **Gooding estimate: \$1.2m–\$1.5m**

1951 Lotus Mark IIIB. Presented for the first time ever at auction. The Mark IIIB was the first Lotus to be sold to a private customer, Adam Currie, and the first car to wear the Lotus badge. Currently owned by a major Lotus aficionado, the car has changed hands only three times over the course of its 64-year lifespan. **Gooding estimate: \$250k—\$450k**

1957 Porsche 356 A 1600 Speedster. With limited ownership in striking silver over red. The car has been brilliantly restored, enjoyed and showcased at various driving events. **Gooding estimate:**

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1951 Lotus Mark IIIB



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RM Auctions

Automobiles of Amelia Island



1971 Ferrari 365 GTB/4 Daytona berlinetta

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Last year's results: 88/91 cars sold / \$35.9m

Star Cars

1960 Ferrari 400 Superamerica Series 1 cabriolet, chassis number 1945SA. Restored to original colors and specification by Classic Coach Repair Inc. of Elizabeth, NJ. Numbers-matching. All proceeds from this car's sale will support the owner's foundation for the education of children. **RM estimate: \$6m–\$7m**

The Works 1988 Jaguar XJR-9, chassis number 388.



The Works 1988 Jaguar XJR-9

Preview: Thursday, March 12, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday, March 13, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Auction: Saturday, March 14, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: The Ritz-Carlton, 4750 Amelia Island Pkwy, Amelia Island, FL

Web: www.rmauctions.com

Phone: 519.352.4575

Cost: Auction admission is limited to registered bidders. \$300 registration includes auction catalog and admission for two

The sole remaining original of only two purpose-built IMSA-spec XJR-9s constructed, number 388 enjoyed a huge record of success through 1988, 1989 and 1990. 2015 marks the 25th anniversary of this actual car's historic 1990 24 Hours of Daytona victory in the hands of Jones/Lammers/Wallace. **RM predicts this car will sell for more than \$3m**

1971 Ferrari 365 GTB/4 Daytona berlinetta, chassis number 14385, offered on behalf of its first and only owner. This time-warp Daytona recently emerged from 25 years' storage in a downtown Toronto condominium parking garage.

RM estimate: \$600k–\$750k

1938 Bugatti Type 57C Aravis cabriolet by Gangloff, chassis number 57710. This superbly restored car returns to Amelia Island after winning Best of Show honors at the 2012 Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance. **RM estimate: \$2.5m–\$3.5m**

1927 Stutz Vertical Eight Black Hawk 2-passenger speedster by Phillips. One of the great American sporting machines of the 1920s. **RM estimate: \$400k–\$550k ■**



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1964½ Ford Mustang III factory prototype

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Last year's results: 355/493 cars sold / \$20.8m

Star Cars

1964½ Ford Mustang III factory prototype, affectionately known as the "Shorty" Mustang.

Believed to be the only first-generation Mustang prototype in private ownership, "Shorty" is offered from 47 years of ownership and is one of few surviving "Total Performance"-era Ford factory prototypes. **Auctions America estimate: \$400k–\$600k**

1966 Shelby GT350. Offered from more than four decades of single ownership with a dedicated Shelby enthusiast. Boasting a well-maintained restoration completed in 1994 and finished in Wimbledon White, it is equipped with a factory 4-speed manual transmission, air conditioning, radio, wood-rimmed steering wheel and power brakes, and retains its original engine, factory sheet metal, and Shelby/Cragar wheels. **Auctions America estimate: \$150k–\$200k**

Preview: Thursday, March 26, through Sunday, March 29, 9 a.m.

Auction: Friday, March 27, 11 a.m.; Saturday, March 28, 10 a.m.; Sunday, March 29, 11 a.m.

Where: Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward County Convention Center, 1950 Eisenhower Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, FL

Web: www.auctionsamerica.com

Phone: 800.980.7635

Cost: \$20 day pass, \$50 weekend pass

1968 Chevrolet Corvette L71 427/435 convertible. Repainted in period-correct lacquer Rally Red paint, and boasting a rebuilt, numbers-matching drivetrain and matching date codes throughout. Offered complete with restored original hard top, this '68 is highly documented, right down to its original tank sticker. All hardware has been properly painted or plated to original factory specifications. **Auctions America estimate: \$90k–\$110k**

1967 Chevrolet Corvette L71 427/435 coupe. Code 986 Silver Pearl with Black interior, complete with sidepipes. The seats feature the rare RPO A82 headrests that were found on only

1,762 Corvettes in 1967. Frame-off restoration completed in 2010, Bloomington Gold certified in June 2010, received an NCRS Top Flight Award in June 2011 and Triple Diamond Certification at The Muscle Car & Corvette Nationals in November 2013. **Auctions America estimate: \$175k–\$225k ■**



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1956 Chevrolet Bel Air Convertible
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1959 Chevrolet Corvette resto-mod convertible



1961 Chevrolet Corvette 283/270 convertible

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Last year's results: 511/514 cars sold / \$24.6m

Star Cars

1959 Chevrolet Corvette resto-mod convertible.

No reserve. This original Walker's Classic Custom Corvette Hot Rod from Macon, IL, was built in 2004. One owner, and less than 500 miles since purchased.

Preview: Friday, April 17, through Sunday, April 19, 8 a.m.*

Auction: Friday, April 17, through Sunday, April 19, 10 a.m.*

Where: South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL

Web: www.barrett-jackson.com

Phone: 480.421.6694

Cost: \$40 three-day pass admits one adult. Discounts available for seniors, children, military personnel and students. Pricing available at www.barrett-jackson.com

*All times subject to change

1961 Chevrolet Corvette 283/270 convertible. No reserve. Frame-off restoration to factory specifications using NOS parts. New paint job, new interior, new convertible top. With 4-speed transmission.

1965 Chevrolet Corvette convertible. No reserve. Recent frame-on restoration, new top and interior. Replacement short block with correct casting number. Heads, intake, carburetor, rear end and transmission are all correct.

1966 Chevrolet Corvette 427 coupe. No reserve. Frame-on restoration in 2006. All matching-numbers. Rebuilt engine with original rear end and transmission. ■



1965 Chevrolet Corvette convertible



1966 Chevrolet Corvette 427 coupe

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1969 Porsche 911S

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Last year's results: 74/94 cars sold / \$6.6m

Star Cars **1955 Moretti 1200 S spyder.** The 1955 Paris and Torino Auto Show car. Designed by Michelotti. Mille Miglia-eligible.

1969 Porsche 911S. Sold New by Porsche Great Britain to France. Highly optioned, including special-order metallic blue paint. Matching-numbers with Kardex.



1955 Moretti 1200 S spyder

Preview: Friday, April 24, 10 a.m.

Auction: Saturday, April 25, 10 a.m.

Where: La Torretta Lake Resort and Spa, 600 La Torretta Blvd., Montgomery, TX

Web: www.worldwide-auctioneers.com

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Spring Auction Quick Takes

More classic-car sales from across the continent



1962 Chevrolet Impala SS 409 Lightweight, sold for \$151,250 at Auctions America Auburn Spring 2014

Silver Auctions — Arizona in the Spring

When: March 13–14
Where: Fort McDowell, AZ
More: www.silverauctions.com

Silver returns to Arizona for their twice-yearly Fort McDowell auction. Their signature laid-back professionalism attracts great sellers, great buyers and great cars. The selection is broad, but the focus is squarely on American muscle, pickups and mid-century classics. Many cars sell under \$10k here.

Mecum Auctions — Houston

Where: Houston, TX
When: April 9–11
Web: www.mecum.com
Last year: 682/967 cars sold / \$33.6m

This annual sale is a big one, sending about 1,000 cars across the block. Restored and preserved American muscle is very well represented, along with street rods, European luxu-cruisers, custom pickups, and the occasional tricked-out Japanese sports car. Average sold price here last year was \$49k, but a 1964 Ford GT40 prototype made huge money, selling for more than \$7.5m.

The Branson Auction

Where: Branson, MO
When: April 17–18
Web: www.bransonauktion.com
Last year: 118/207 cars sold / \$2.2m

The twice-annual Branson Auction attracts an unexpected mix of classic Euro sports cars, pre-war Classics, late-model supercars and ground-pounding American muscle. Last spring's top four sales were a 1999 Shelby Series 1 at \$140k, a 1931 Packard Eight Model 833 phaeton at \$103k, a 1974 Porsche 911 Carrera at \$90k and a 1967 Chevrolet Corvette convertible at \$78k. The sale takes place in historic downtown Branson, MO.

Leake Auction Company — Dallas Spring 2015

Where: Dallas, TX
When: April 17–19
Web: www.leakecar.com
Last year: 248/385 cars sold / \$5.5m

Leake's dual-auction-block format sells cars twice as fast for twice the excitement. It's a super-high-energy show that keeps buyers on their toes and makes for enthusiastic bidding. You can count on a strong selection of Camaros, Corvettes, Mustangs and Mopars, of course, but there's also a ton of classic pickups, quirky Volkswagens, modern

Maseratis and Astons, and probably a Hummer or two. The biggest sale at Dallas 2014 was a 1958 Cadillac Series 62 convertible at \$165k. Sold prices averaged out to \$22k.

Mecum Auctions — Kansas City Spring

Where: Kansas City, MO
When: April 23–25
Web: www.mecum.com
Last year: 359/578 cars sold / \$8.3m

Mecum expects 700 collector cars at this long-running, twice-annual sale. The top three cars here in spring 2014 were a 1969 Ford Mustang Boss 429 at \$281k, a 1931 Packard Deluxe Eight dual-cowl phaeton at \$160k and a 1970 Plymouth Superbird at \$140k, and the sold price per car averaged \$23k.

Silver Auctions — Portland Spring

Where: Portland, OR
When: April 24–25
Web: www.silverauction.com
Last year: 73/111 cars sold / \$918k

Silver holds this auction twice a year without fail. It's one of the Northwest's most popular classic car auctions. The selection is fun, high-quality and affordable, with sold price averaging between \$10k and \$15k most years. A 1964 Chevrolet Impala was the big-money car at the 2014 spring event, at \$37k, followed by a 1999 Plymouth Prowler at \$36k and a 1949 Triumph 2000 roadster at \$34k.

Motostalgia — 2015 Keels and Wheels Auction

Where: Seabrook, TX
When: May 2
More: www.motostalgia.com
Last year: 71/89 cars sold / \$5.3m

This auction takes place at the Keels & Wheels Concours d'Elegance. European classics make a strong showing here alongside a superb selection of rumbling Detroit Iron. One year ago, prices averaged \$79k, and high-sale honors went to a 1961 Alfa Romeo Giulietta Sprint Speciale at \$119k.

Auctions America — Auburn Spring

Where: Auburn, IN
When: May 7–9
Web: www.auctionsamerica.com
Last year: 629/760 cars sold / \$18.9m

Auctions America's biannual Auburn sales take place at the historic Auburn Auction Park in Indiana. In 2014, total sales rocketed to nearly \$19m, with a strong 83% of all lots sold. The three-day 2015 spring auction will offer something for all automotive tastes and budgets, with approximately 600 American muscle cars, classics, exotic sports cars and hot rods expected to cross the block, along with a selection of memorabilia. The weekend will also feature an onsite swapmeet, car corral, and the return of the Antique Automobile Club of America's Special National Spring Meet.

Mecum Auctions — Original Spring Classic

Where: Indianapolis, IN
When: May 12–17
Web: www.mecum.com
Last year: 924/1,420 cars sold / \$38.1m

This weeklong heartfelt sale sent nearly 1,500 classic cars across the auction block last year, and Mecum predicts 2,000 vehicles this time around. In 2014, a 1963 Shelby Cobra 289 topped the charts at \$956k, a 1963 Pontiac Catalina "Swiss Cheese" racer made \$572k, and a 1968 Chevrolet Camaro SS Yenko found \$346k. Yes, there will be some American muscle for sale here. ■

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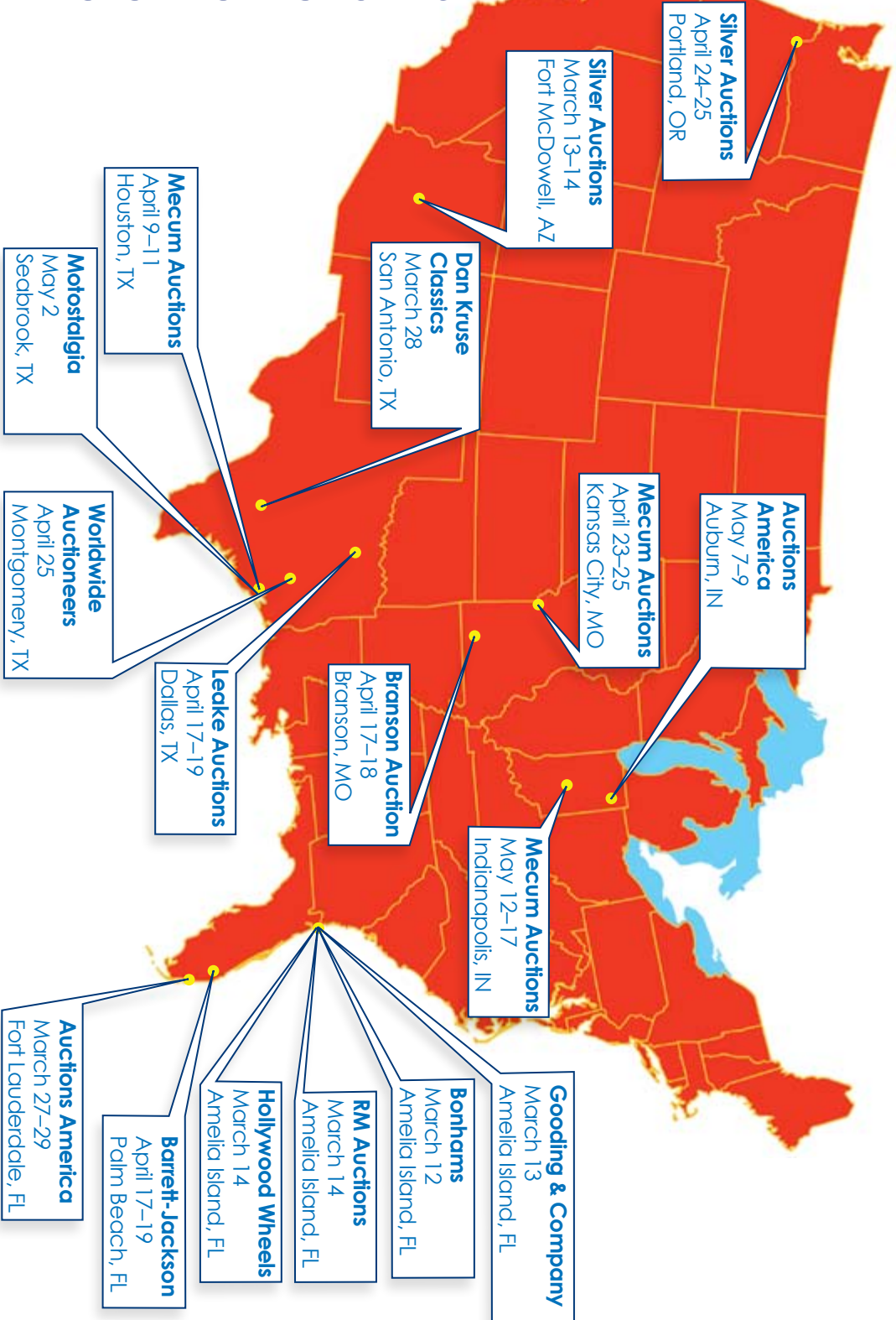
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The Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance

More than just a world-class car show

by Carl Bomstead



Ford GT40s at the 2013 concours

The Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance takes place on the barrier island, a short drive from Jacksonville, FL, on the second weekend of March each year. The show is at The Golf Club of Amelia Island. Bill Warner founded the event in 1996 as a regional concours and grew it into a world-class automotive celebration, rivaling the most respected judging events in the world.

Two decades ago, Warner was able to attract about 160 local cars for the inaugural concours, and a couple thousand spectators attended the event. Racing legend Sir Stirling Moss, OBE, was the first honoree. (He returns this year for the 20th anniversary.) At the time, no one could have envisioned the international stature the concours would achieve and that it would become a four-day mega-event.

In the days leading up to the big show, there are wine tastings, art auctions, car auctions, driving events, cruise-ins, seminars, parties, and more.

The Eight Flags Road Tour for cars entered in the Concours takes place on Friday. Motorcars traverse the island, ending with lunch at Fernandina Beach. The cars come alive on the road, and island residents who may not be able to attend the Concours can catch a moving glimpse of the spectacular vehicles that will line up for judging on Sunday.

Early Saturday morning, over 250 cars from local clubs take over the 10th and 18th fairways for Cars and Coffee. There is no admission charge, and the event is well attended. While there, attendees can visit the Automotive Fine Arts Society

(this is the AFAS's only East Coast appearance), bid on silent auction items, shop for jewelry and attend one of the interesting and entertaining seminars.

Sunday, 300 individually selected cars in over 30 classes blanket the field. At 9:45 a.m., Stirling Moss will make his entrance, piloting one of the race-winning Mercedes-Benz he drove in period. The awards ceremony begins in late morning, finally concluding with the presentation of Best in Show for two categories: Concours de Sport and Concours d'Elegance.

A year's worth of planning and preparation goes into just four days of festivities, and the organizers' enthusiasm, expertise and commitment to excellence are always evident. The Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance should be on every "must-do" list. ■

20th Annual Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance

Where: Ritz-Carlton, 4650 Amelia Island Parkway, Amelia Island, FL 32034, and the Golf Club of Amelia Island at Summer Beach

When: March 13–15

Web: www.ameliaconcours.org

Phone: 904.636.0027

Cost: \$80 in advance, \$100 on day of show, \$40 youths, 12 and younger admitted free with paying adult; individual events and seminars range from \$30 to \$220

Charities: Community Hospice of Northeast Florida, Spina Bifida of Jacksonville, the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Strategy, Shop with Cops, Micah's Place

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Web: www.bocaratonconcours.com

Phone: 888.302.5439

Cost: \$60 general admission; \$125 Gourmet VIP; gala dinner tickets start at \$500 per person

Charity: Boys and Girls of Broward County

Insider tip: The Concours Grand Gala dinner will feature entertainment from comedian Howie Mandel. This year's Annual Automotive Lifetime Achievement Awards will be presented to Keith Crain and the Ed Morse Automotive Group. One of the highlights of this weekend has little to do with cars — the Concours d' Gourmet. On Sunday, 30 of South Florida's finest restaurants will prepare gourmet food and fine spirits for those with access to the Café Pavilion.

Festivals of Speed Amelia Island

Where: Omni Amelia Island Plantation & Resort, 6800 First Coast Highway, Amelia Island, FL 32034

When: March 13–14

Web: www.festivalspeed.com

Phone: 352.385.9450

Cost: \$20; \$120 VIP Admission; \$150 Luxury Lifestyle Ballroom Reception

Insider tip: Festivals of Speed is a luxury-lifestyle event, returning to Amelia Island for the third year. Friday night is the cocktail reception in the 20,000-square-foot Omni Amelia Island Grand Ballroom — featuring premium cocktails, shiny baubles and the world's most exotic automobiles. On show-day Saturday, hundreds of exotics, customs, bikes and boats will be on display on the Plantation golf course.



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Where: Pinehurst Resort, 80 Carolina Vista Drive, Pinehurst, NC 28374

When: May 2

Web: www.pinehurstconcours.com

Phone: 910.973.6594

Cost: \$25 adults prior to May 2, then \$40. Free for children 12 and younger.

Charity: USO of North Carolina

Insider tip: This third-year event continues to challenge the accepted notions of what a concours should be. Electronic judging, high-school-student judging and the military influences are just some of the outside-the-box thinking attracting more and more participants every year. This year the judging moves from Sunday to Saturday.

Keels & Wheels Concours d'Elegance

Where: Lakewood Yacht Club, 2425 NASA Parkway, Seabrook, TX 77586



Keels & Wheels

When: May 2–3

Web: www.keels-wheels.com

Phone: 713.521.0105

Cost: \$25 online in advance, \$35 at the gate; kids 10 and younger free

Charity: Boys and Girls Harbor, Inc.

Insider tip: The country's largest gathering of boats and cars draws participants and spectators from all corners. Roughly 40 classes for cars and 20 for boats ensure variety for everyone. Judging takes place on Saturday, and awards are handed out on Sunday, allowing plenty of time for each group to do its thing. Free shuttle rides from the marked free-parking areas along NASA Parkway will get you to the yacht club.

The Quail Motorcycle Gathering

Where: Quail Lodge, 8205 Valley Greens Drive, Carmel, CA 93923

When: May 16, 10 a.m.

Web: signatureevents.peninsula.com

Phone: 831.620.8879

Cost: \$75 adult; \$60 military and student; \$15 children 12 and younger

Charities: The California Highway Patrol 11-99 Foundation, Rancho Cielo and the Naval Postgraduate School Foundation

Insider tip: The Motorcycle Gathering is about celebrating the evolution of motorcycling. Featured categories include Military Motorcycles, Formula 750 Group, Chopper, Competition, Antique, Off-Road, Custom/Modified and Superbike. Two-wheeled wonders aren't the only reason to visit Carmel in May — the barbecue lunch alone might be worth the price of admission.

Greenwich Concours d'Elegance

Where: Roger Sherman Baldwin Park, 100 Arch Street, Greenwich, CT 06830

When: May 30–May 31

Web: www.greenwichconcours.com

Phone: 203.618.0460

Cost: \$30 per day; \$45 both days; children 12 and younger free

Charity: AmeriCares

Insider tip: This year, like every other, the Greenwich Concours d'Elegance is two distinct, can't-miss events back to back. Saturday is Concours Americana, followed by Concours International on Sunday. Bonhams will host their annual sale on Sunday, May 31. A select display of former America's Cup 12-meter yachts will moor at Delamar Greenwich Harbor hotel during the weekend, courtesy of 12-M Yacht Development Foundation. ■



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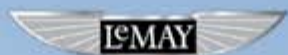
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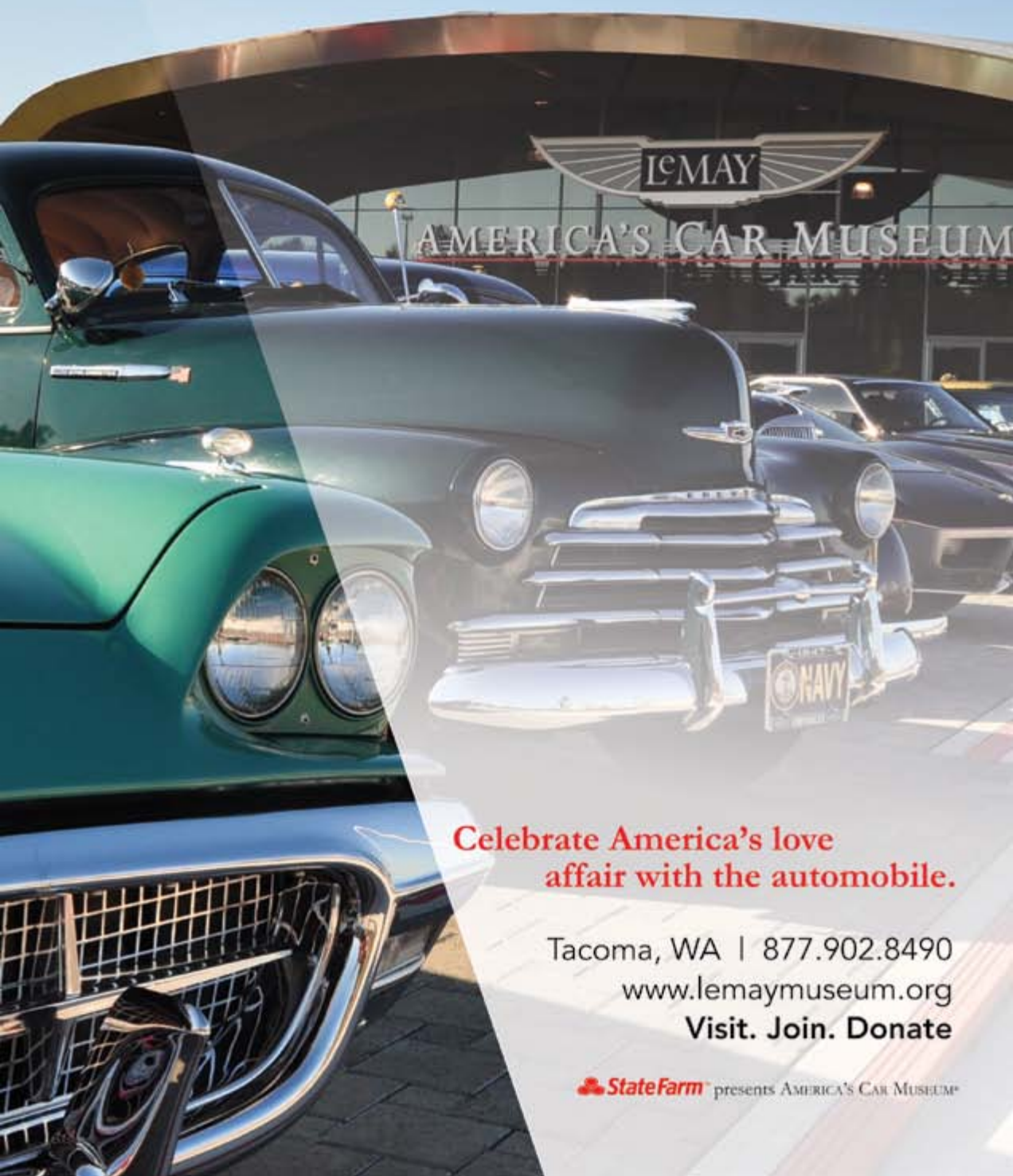
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When: April 17–22

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Phone: 602.307.2007

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Eligibility: 85 cars built before the 1974 model year

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Insider Tip: This year's event adds one additional day of driving. This Southwest classic kicks off at Tempe Diablo Stadium, where the public can spend time gazing at the gorgeous cars. The 2015 route is secret and will be released only to participants. That said, the 1,000 miles of this rally include some of the best two-lane highways in the United States. Participants can expect a police escort for all 1,000 miles to aid in trouble-free motoring, as well as full-time mechanics who will rescue vintage cars and drivers of vintage cars.

25th Annual California Mille

Where: Begins in San Francisco, ends in Sonoma

When: April 26–30

Web: www.californiamille.com

Phone: 415.479.9940

Cost: \$7,000 (double occupancy, meals included)

Eligibility: 60 cars that did participate, or could have, in the original 1927–57 Mille Miglia

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Insider Tip: The California Mille still carries the spirit of Martin Swig, and this great event travels over 1,000 miles of the best driving roads in the state, which coincidentally tend to be free of extraneous traffic. And the food, wine, and conversation aren't half bad, either. Entries range from diminutive Porsche Speedsters to hulking Panamericana Lincolns, and the route never fails to bring out the best in each.

23rd Annual New England 1000

Where: This year's route is through Vermont's Green Mountains and the White Mountains of New Hampshire, with 1,000 miles of twisty, two-lane driving.

When: May 17–22

Web: www.vintagerallies.com

Phone: 860.364.0311

Cost: \$5,800 (double occupancy, meals included)

Eligibility: 50 sports, racing, GT or exotic cars built pre-1991

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Top 50 U.S. Sales From Spring 2014*



No. 1: 1964 Ford GT40 prototype, sold for \$7.6m at Mecum Houston

Rank	Model	Sold Price	Lot #	Auction Location	Date
1	1964 Ford GT40 prototype	\$7,560,000	S147.1	Mecum, Houston, TX	4/10/2014
2	1937 Delahaye 135 Competition Torpedo roadster	\$6,600,000	167	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
3	1968 Porsche 907 Longtail	\$3,630,000	66	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
4	1959 Porsche 718 RSK	\$3,300,000	48	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
5	1955 Ferrari 250 Europa GT	\$2,530,000	62	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
6	1958 BMW 507 Series II convertible	\$2,420,000	152	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
7	1964 Mercedes-Benz 300SL Roadster	\$2,035,000	29	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
8	1957 Mercedes-Benz 300SL Roadster	\$1,842,500	122	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
9	1958 BMW 507 Series II roadster	\$1,815,000	21	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
10	1961 Ferrari 250 GT Series II cabriolet	\$1,760,000	162	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
11	1934 Duesenberg Model SJ convertible	\$1,567,500	174	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
12	1933 Rolls-Royce Phantom II Henley roadster	\$1,430,000	58	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
13	1973 Porsche 911 Carrera 2.7 RS Lightweight	\$1,402,500	10	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
14	1956 Lancia Aurelia B24 S Spider America	\$1,292,500	54	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
15	1988 Porsche 959 Sport	\$1,100,000	36	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
16	2015 Chevrolet Corvette Z06 coupe	\$1,000,000	3004	Barrett-Jackson, Palm Beach, FL	4/11/2014
17	1955 Mercedes-Benz 300Sc roadster	\$990,000	80	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
(Tie)	1965 Shelby Cobra 289 roadster	\$990,000	179	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
19	1965 Shelby GT350 R	\$984,500	147	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
20	1928 Bugatti Type 37A Grand Prix	\$962,500	171	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
21	1963 Shelby Cobra 289 roadster	\$955,800	S134	Mecum, Indianapolis, IN	5/13/2014
22	1957 Mercedes-Benz 300SL Roadster	\$946,000	84	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
23	1937 Bugatti Type 57C roadster	\$902,000	163	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
24	1932 Packard Twin Six Individual Custom convertible	\$840,000	135	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
25	1963 Shelby Cobra 289 roadster	\$825,000	549	Auctions America, Fort Lauderdale, FL	3/14/2014

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No. 3: 1968 Porsche 907 Longtail, sold for \$3.6m at Gooding & Company Amelia Island

Rank	Model	Sold Price	Lot #	Auction Location	Date
26	1967 Chevrolet Corvette 427/390 coupe	\$783,000	S128	Mecum, Houston, TX	4/10/2014
27	1972 Ferrari 365 GTB/4 Daytona coupe	\$781,000	176	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
28	1972 Ferrari 365 GTB/4 Daytona coupe	\$770,000	34	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
29	1986 Porsche 959 Vorserie	\$687,500	132	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
30	1931 Mercedes-Benz 370S Mannheim Sport cabriolet	\$671,000	131	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
31	1972 Ferrari 365 GTB/4 Daytona coupe	\$660,000	74	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
32	1969 Ferrari 206 GT Dino	\$638,000	70	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
33	1972 Ferrari 246 GT Dino	\$627,000	45	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
34	1939 Aston Martin 15/98 short chassis open sports	\$616,000	121	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
35	1970 Maserati Ghibli Spyder	\$605,000	166	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
(Tie)	1973 Ferrari 365 GTB/4 Daytona coupe	\$605,000	586	Auctions America, Fort Lauderdale, FL	3/14/2014
37	1963 Pontiac Catalina Swiss Cheese 2-door hard top	\$572,400	S158	Mecum, Indianapolis, IN	5/13/2014
38	1963 Porsche 356B Carrera 2 coupe	\$550,000	39	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
39	2015 Chevrolet Camaro Z/28 coupe	\$500,000	3002	Barrett-Jackson, Palm Beach, FL	4/11/2014
40	1949 Jaguar XK 120 Alloy roadster	\$495,000	141	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
41	1971 Plymouth Hemi 'Cuda	\$489,500	43	Worldwide, Montgomery, TX	5/3/2014
42	1968 Chevrolet Camaro Yenko RS/SS	\$486,000	B4	Mecum, Houston, TX	4/10/2014
43	2005 Porsche Carrera GT	\$478,500	133	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
44	1935 Amilcar Type G36 Pegasé boattail roadster	\$467,500	158	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
45	1955 Porsche 356 Super Speedster	\$462,000	82	Gooding & Co., Amelia Island, FL	3/7/2014
(Tie)	1960 Aston Martin DB4 coupe	\$462,000	138	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
47	1938 SS 100 Jaguar roadster	\$451,000	157	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
48	1974 Iso Grifo 7-liter	\$440,000	111	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
49	1974 Ferrari 246 GTS Dino	\$429,000	127	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
50	1914 Packard Six runabout	\$412,500	137	RM, Amelia Island, FL	3/8/2014
(Tie)	2006 Ford GT Heritage Edition	\$412,500	548	Auctions America, Fort Lauderdale, FL	3/14/2014

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