Dick Lang's Z06 Tanker Race Car Wins Best in Class at Dayton Concours d'Elegance

Napoleon, Ohio - - ProTeam's 1963 ex-Dick Lang Tanker Race Car finished the concours season with the Best in Class award at the Dayton Concours d'Elegance at Carillon Park on September 15th.

The Dayton Concours d'Elegance is relatively new to the circuit in its 7th year and almost overnight has become renowned for hosting the most unique and historically significant automobiles in their marque. The one-day event is set at Carillon Park amid a beautiful backdrop of buildings perfectly preserved allowing guests to step back to another time. The concours itself expects the same quality in its award winners as it does its surroundings. Thirty-two juried classes are thoroughly inspected and judged to the highest standards; among the most competitive classes is the "Race Cars, All Years and Styles." The Dick Lang 1963 Corvette Z06 claimed top honors in this select category.

"It was a homecoming of sorts for the famous Lang Race Car as Dayton is only 15 miles from ex-Lang Chevrolet Dealership in Xenia, Ohio." Terry Michaelis, ProTeam president, spoke on the significance of the car's homecoming, "We were invited to participate earlier this year when the Lang Race car was on display at the Amelia Island Concours and again in June when the 1963 Corvette participated at the Ault Park Concours. It is fitting the car finish the show season in its 'hometown'."

ProTeam's 1963 Corvette Split Window Coupe was among the earliest "batched built" Z06 Corvettes that battled head to head against Shelby's Cobras in the early 1960's. Dick Lang was from Xenia, Ohio and one of the best Corvette drivers of that era racing throughout the Midwest, Central, Northeast, and Southeast regions of SCCA.

When this car and driver connected it was something very special!

In 1963 they first raced at the Daytona International weekend and by 1964, Dick Lang was the only Corvette driver among four Cobras in the top five standings. The legend had been solidified on those tracks and against the Cobra in the 1963 Corvette. Those challenges to the elite of the sport placed Corvette squarely as the face of America's coming muscle car obsession.

Lang continued to race joining the DeLorenzo Owens-Corning team in 1969. The Z06 tanker Corvette lived life on and off the track for decades before being brought back to its better than new racing splendor by ProTeam and Nabers Restoration of Houston, Texas.

The ex-Dick Lang Z06 Tanker Race Car is on display in ProTeam's world famous classic Corvette collection in Napoleon, Ohio. The inventory of 1953 to 2010 Corvettes is open to the public in climate controlled indoor showrooms. Many of these Corvettes have been beautifully restored to like-new condition and carry prestigious honors such as the Bloomington Gold Certification, NCRS Top Flight award, and the Triple Crown designation. ProTeam Corvette is recognized as the nation's leader in classic Corvette sales, service & restoration selling an estimated 10,000+ Corvettes over the past four decades. Email: proteam@proteamcorvette.com or on the web: www.proteam-corvette.com

The Dayton 8th Annual Concours d'Elegance is scheduled for September 2014. It will again be held on the grounds of Carillon Park. Email: Skip Peterson at <u>mgbskip@aol.com</u> on the web: <u>http://www.daytonconcours.com</u>