Rare Corvettes Reunited at ProTeam NCRS Event

ProTeam Hosts daylong NCRS Seminar featuring historic Corvettes

Napoleon, Ohio - - ProTeam Corvette hosted nearly 200 Corvette faithful at a NCRS Corvette seminar featuring some of today's foremost Corvette researchers and a panel including the GM engineers who crafted the Corvette's image and its sports car tradition. Still, the participants were over-shadowed by the real stars of the day-long event by three 1953-55 Corvettes fashioned by Chevrolet Engineering (Experimental Shop and Garage) for NASCAR stock car activity (racing) and a 1963 "Cinderella story".

The three 1953-55 Corvettes on display were highly decorated and have left an indelible mark of the Corvette's legacy on NASCAR and Sebring. Among the three was #1194 that went onto wins in 1956 at Sebring with John Fitch and Walt Hansgen co-driving in this 12-hour race. Campbell-Ewald, Chevrolet's advertising agency, celebrated the Corvette's first international class victory with "The Real McCoy" advertisement which millions have seen.

Dick Lang's storied 1963 Z06 Tanker Race Car was unveiled publically for the first time since its yearlong restoration. This is one of the early "batched built" 1963 Z06 Corvettes that battled Shelby's Cobras back in 1963 and 1964. This car's driver, Dick Lang, was one of the best Corvette drivers in the late 50's and early 60's. In 1963 Lang raced at Daytona International in two events; that weekend kicked off a winning streak including many notable podium appearances. In 1964, Lang's Corvette stood alone alongside 4 Cobras in the top 5. It was this race when the fastest and most desirable cars in the world surrounded the Corvette and its story as America's muscle car was written. Dick Lang's Z06 Tanker is as testament to the driver and the celebrated legacy of Chevrolet Racing. The restoration was performed by the world famous Naber Brothers of Houston, Texas.

Terry Michaelis, ProTeam's president, reflected on the daylong event, "This seminar really served two purposes. First was to spend the day with fellow enthusiasts and pick the brains of the people who were there when these classics first came off the GM line. Secondly, we wanted to reestablish ProTeam Corvette as the leader in the classic Corvette community with access to our world famous collection. I believe we were a success in both categories."

Images from this event for publication are available at: http://tmichaelis.com/NCRS/

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