

# SPECIAL EVENTS: AUCTIONS & SHOWS

## Barrett-Jackson Palm Beach

[RESULTS]: APRIL 12-15, WEST PALM BEACH, FLA

Barrett-Jackson's 16th Annual Palm Beach Auction featured entertainment and sports celebrities, rec-



ord attendance, record sales and a record number of bidders. Three collections were sold, highlighted by renowned philanthropist John Staluppi's Cars of Dreams Collection, all at No Reserve. Celebrities included Hollywood icon Burt Reynolds, who greeted fans, signed autographs and encouraged bidding on the block for three Pontiac Trans Ams. In total, 692 vehicles sold, nearly all at No Reserve, for more than \$38.3 million, 380 pieces of automobilia brought in over \$702,000, and \$450,000 was raised through the sale of charity vehicles, bringing total auction sales to over \$39.4 million. This year's auction also attracted more than 700 new bidders, a new record for Palm Beach. International vehicle consignments included Brazil and Italy. The week kicked off with a parade featuring vehicles from Staluppi's collection. During the four-day auction, 145 vehicles from the collection sold for \$13.96 million. Top 10 sales during the four-day auction totaled \$3,021,700; of these, eight were from the Staluppi collection and totaled \$2,007,500. Top seller (not from Staluppi) was a 2012 Lexus LFA Nurburgring Edition selling at \$770,000.

Several Cars of Dreams vehicles also set new auction world records, including the Superbird and '59 DeSoto in the Top 10, along with "Herbie," a 1963 Volkswagen Beetle (\$128,700) and a 1966 Ford Good Humor Truck (\$117,700).

Automobilia sales were among the best to date in Palm Beach, with restored gas pumps and porcelain neon signs highly sought-after. Top sale was a Richfield gas station island with rare A.O. Smith matching electric gas pumps for \$36,800.

A 2006 Ferrari F430 Spider previously owned by

Zac Brown Band fiddler Jimmy De Martini sold for \$250,000, with 100 percent benefiting Camp Southern Ground. The 35th Anniversary Corvette that raised \$350,000 in Scottsdale sold again for



\$200,000 to benefit the American Heart Association—to Jeanette and John Staluppi, who generously donated the Corvette back to be sold at a future auction.

## Barrett-Jackson Northeast

[RESULTS]: JUNE 20-23, MOHEGAN SUN, CT

Barrett-Jackson's 3rd Annual Northeast event, held at the huge Mohegan Sun resort in Connecticut, featured some 450 pieces of automobilia and more than 650 vehicles. The last production 2018 Dodge Challenger SRT Demon and the last production 2017 Dodge Viper, both painted Viper Red and billed as the "Ultimate Last Chance," raised a cool \$1 million on Saturday, donated by FCA to United Way. The 10 percent buyer's fee was donated to the American Heart Association in support of Barrett-Jackson's year-long Driven Hearts charity.

A white 35th Anniversary Edition Chevrolet Corvette donated by Darrell and Charmaine Pullen of Kentucky sold for \$60,000, with funds donated also to the Driven Hearts campaign. The Pullens were inspired by the sale of an identical car for the same charity at this year's Scottsdale auction.

The Boston-to-Las Vegas GoldRush Rally visited the event on Saturday, perfectly timed to fall along its Boston-New York leg. The Rally has its penultimate stop in Scottsdale on Saturday, June 30.

In addition to the million-dollar Dodge Demon and Viper pair, top sales included a custom 1967 Chevrolet Nova, "The InNOVator," at \$275,000; a 2015 Rolls-Royce Ghost at \$203,500; a 2018 Dodge Challenger SRT Demon at \$198,000; and a 1967 Shelby GT500E Super Snake at \$192,500.

Next up is Las Vegas, September 27-29.

## RM Sotheby's Private Sales

[NEW DIVISION]: RM SOTHEBY'S GROUP

RM Sotheby's launched a new Private Sales division in June, with newly focused attention on ser-

vice for their global clientele and a dedicated section on their website. The Private Sales division—led by veteran car specialist and global head of private sales, Shelby Myers, along with RM Sotheby's Group CFO Jarrett Rothmeier and a new addition to the team, private sales car specialist Armando Petretti—promises discreet, honest advice and transaction execution, from analysis to acquisition to sale. The new division launches with a 1998 McLaren F1 LM-Specification. The 63rd and penultimate road-specification example built, it's one of just two F1s upgraded by McLaren Special Operations with the LM-spec engine, the same engine fitted in the limited edition, stripped-down F1 LMs. This car received the Extra High Downforce Package in period, while retaining its road-specification interior with numerous upgrades including satellite navigation—making it a fully street-legal F1 with LM performance and modern driver comfort upgrades. Price has not been publicly stated.

## Russo and Steele Amelia Island

[UPCOMING]: MARCH 2019, AMELIA ISLAND, FL

Arizona-based Russo and Steele Collector Automobile Auctions recalibrates its schedule and map with the addition of an Amelia Island auction next spring during the Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance. This puts Russo and Steele in the same Arizona-Amelia-Monterey three-season coast-to-coast major concours-connected auction triad that Bonhams, Gooding & Company and RM Sotheby's include in their schedules. The two-evening Russo Amelia event is expected to have over 250 ultra-premium collector cars crossing its lively and distinctive "auction in the round" style auction block.

## Icons & Legends of Hollywood

[RESULTS]: JUNE 6-8, LOS ANGELES, CA

Historical memorabilia and artifact auction house Profiles in History held an *Icons & Legends of Hollywood* sale in June. Results were led by the sale of a 1991 Harley-Davidson Fat Boy motorcycle used by Arnold Schwarzenegger in *Terminator 2: Judgment Day*, at \$480,000. Also on two wheels, a chariot used by Oscar winner Charlton Heston in the film



classic *Ben-Hur* brought \$144,000. Jumping up to six wheels, the famous gravity-defying #2525 GM bus driven by Keanu Reeves and Sandra Bullock in *Speed* sold for \$96,000. Sci-fi movie memorabilia also had high sales, from *Barbarella's* futuristic rifle (\$264,000), to a Death Star from *Star Wars: Episode VI: Return of the Jedi* (\$240,000), Sigourney Weaver's suit from *Alien* (\$192,000) and her flamethrower from *Aliens* (\$102,000). Obi-Wan Kenobi's lightsaber chest used in the first *Star Wars* movie (*Episode IV: A New Hope*) brought \$132,000. The sale grossed over six million dollars total.

## Concours in the Hills sets records

[RESULTS]: FEB 10, FOUNTAIN HILLS, AZ

Concours in the Hills, Scuderia Southwest's



largest high performance, exotic and collector car event of the year, raised a record of more than \$117,000 for Phoenix Children's Hospital during its February 10 fifth annual show. Attendance, vehicle and sponsorship records were also set. Fountain Park was filled with 749 classic and historic vehicles from American muscle to European sports,

and everything in between, such as a US Marine Corps Viper helicopter surrounded by Dodge Vipers and an Army Aviation Heritage Foundation Cobra helicopter, surrounded by about 30 Cobra sports cars. The show was opened by famous names in racing, including Bob Bondurant, Lyn St James and Paul Tracy. The event, free to spectators, required a minimum \$60 donation to Phoenix Children's Hospital to register a vehicle, with many happily



giving more. More than 20,000 spectators attended 2018's Concours in the Hills, versus 15,000 in 2017. Scuderia Southwest also garnered 78 sponsors for the event. The sixth annual Concours in the Hills event will be held Saturday, February 9, 2019. For more information about Concours in the Hills, visit [concoursinthehills.org](http://concoursinthehills.org).

## Prescott Corvette Show 2018

[COMING UP]: SEPTEMBER 22, PRESCOTT, AZ

Lamb Chevrolet and the City of Prescott are sponsors of the 12th Annual Historic Prescott Corvette Car Show hosted by the Prescott Vette Sette, to be held on Saturday, September 22, at Yavapai County Courthouse Plaza downtown, as the town closes the streets on three sides of the plaza (or



Randall Bohl

about five city blocks). Limited to 250 registrants, the show attracts clubs and individual entrants from throughout Arizona, Southern California and Nevada, and generally has all seven generations of Corvette represented. Complete information and participant registration can be found at [prescottvettesette.org](http://prescottvettesette.org).

## Monterey & Pebble Beach 2018

[COMING UP]: AUGUST 21-26, MONTEREY, CA

This busy week includes a couple of dozen spinoff events, as well as the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance itself, which started the whole thing. The Concours itself is on Sunday, but related events including Carmel-by-the-Sea Concours on the Avenue, Classic Motorsports Monterey Cruise-in, Carmel Mission Classic, Pebble Beach Motoring

Classic, Automobilia Monterey, The Little Car Show, the Prancing Ponies Car Show, McCall's Motorworks Reunion, Exotics on Cannery Row, Barnyard Ferrari Event and many more run from Tuesday through Sunday. For Concours and related details, visit [pebblebeachconcours.net](http://pebblebeachconcours.net).

Here are major race, show and auction dates, by category and/or general sequence:

Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Su
21	22	23	24	25	26

**RACES:** WeatherTech Raceway, Laguna Seca  
**Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion**  
 .....THU ...FRI .....SAT .....SUN.....Aug 23-26

**AUCTIONS:** Most events also have preview days open to the public prior to sale dates shown.

**Worldwide Auctioneers, Pacific Grove**  
 .....THU .....Aug 23

**Mecum Auctions, Del Monte Golf Course**  
 .....THU ...FRI .....SAT .....Aug 23-25

**Russo & Steele, Monterey Waterfront**  
 .....THU ...FRI .....SAT .....Aug 23-25

**Bonhams, The Quail Lodge, Carmel**  
 .....FRI .....Aug 24

**Gooding & Company, Pebble Beach**  
 .....FRI .....SAT .....Aug 24-25

**RM Sotheby's, Monterey Conference Center**  
 .....FRI .....SAT .....Aug 24-25

### CONCOURS & SHOWS:

**The Quail, A Motorsports Gathering**  
 .....FRI .....Aug 24

**Concorso Italiano, Black Horse Golf Course**  
 .....SAT .....Aug 25

**Concours D'LeMons, Seaside**  
 .....SAT .....Aug 25

**Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance**  
 .....SUN .....Aug 26

Doublecheck all dates and details before planning travel. [www.pebblebeachconcours.net](http://www.pebblebeachconcours.net) ■