

LEDFOOT®

www.LedfootNews.com

\$FREE\$

March/April '14

In This Issue

Blackhawks Camaro

You Could Win!

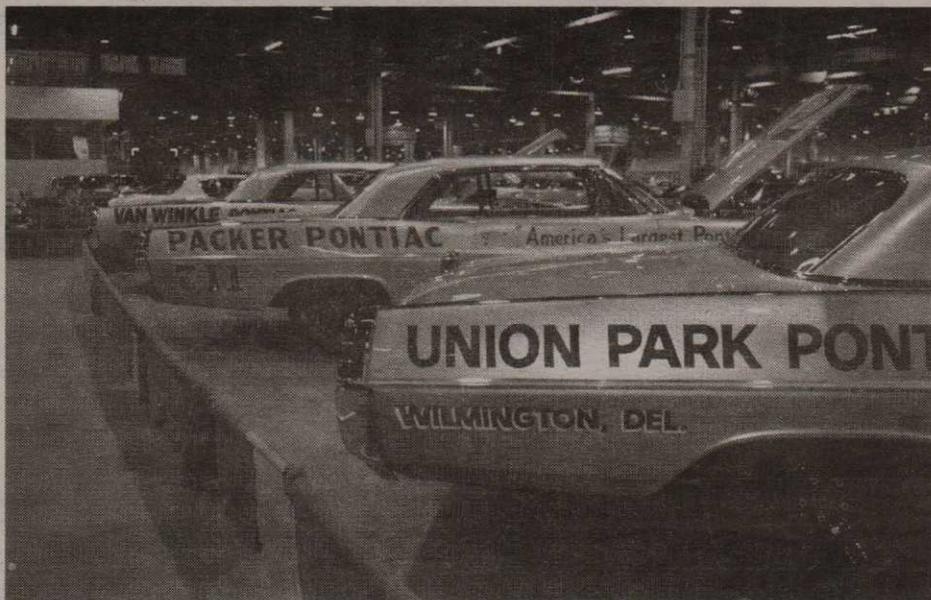


Roman Performance '67 Nova



Bennett's Two Ten

Your #1 Source For Local Resto - Custom - Performance Providers

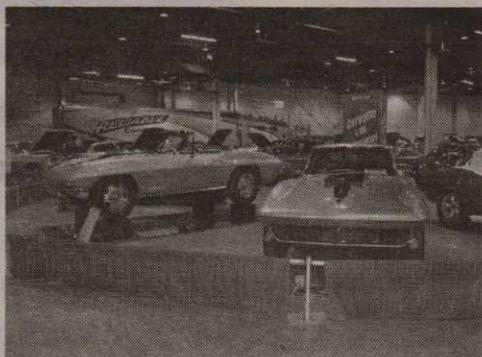


MCACN Gears Up for 2014

Courtesy MCACN

Invitational displays announced, more in the works!

2013 was another record year for the Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals show last November. Nearly 600 of the finest and rarest muscle machines and Corvettes packed the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center to capacity, and the crowds were better than ever. "We could not be happier with the end results," stated Bob Ashton, MCACN Managing Member. "In addition to hosting an incredible lineup, the feedback from our spectators has been outstanding!" he said.



With five years under their belts, the work never ends to continue to "raise the bar" as Ashton often says. "Our goal is to bring in rarely seen examples of high horsepower, along with our Premier Unveilings to the Chicagoland area, including many from private collections, rarely if ever seen by the public". And that is what makes this unique.

Keeping the momentum going means working on the show all year long. Cars like the "Four-A-Nado", the one-off front wheel drive 442 built for George Hurst of Hurst shifter fame, unveiled in 2013 at the show, along with the 1956 SR2 Corvette Sebring racer and the very first 427 Cobra built by AC, Ford and Shelby American are just a few prime examples

For 2014, the MCACN team has a new round of special displays already in the works. Known for their Invitational gatherings, we will see Anniversary displays for the years 1964 and 1969. "1964 is a really significant year, and this display will be one to be remembered" Ashton said. With the introduction of Chrysler's 426 Hemi, the Pontiac GTO and the Chevelle among the notable happenings, this one is sure to please, no matter what brand you lean to. And then we have 1969; with the 440+6 Mopars, Pontiacs GTO



Judge and Trans Am and Chevy's ZL1 427's along with Ford and Mercury's Boss 302 and 429 offerings, we know this one will be a winner!

Additional new features will include a 50th Anniversary Hemi display, showcasing the finest and rarest examples of 426 Hemi powered Dodges and Plymouths from the years 1964-1971, "Color My World" which will highlight the outrageous colors offered by not only Dodge and Plymouth, but all of the domestic manufacturers, including AMC with their "Big-Bad" colors. Blue Oval fans will certainly be drawn to the Cobra Jet gathering, featuring drop-top Mercury Cougars with the big 428 cubic inch engines under the hood. At the time of this writing, the MCACN crew had already confirmed three 428 Cobra Jet 4-speed Cougar convertibles for this one! Buick fans will certainly be pleased to hear of the GSX invitational, which will feature all of the colors and available drive-trains of the coveted GSX, considered among the most desirable performance Buicks ever made.

Speaking of anniversaries, plan on seeing special displays acknowledging both the Pontiac GTO and the Ford Mustang. "Our approach will be somewhat different than some of the other shows, since we are obviously all about muscle," Ashton stated. The displays will not be about quantity, but quality, and as such will be showcasing the highest performance offerings from the peak years of these cool cars.

Returning special displays include the Corvette Central Triple Diamond competition, featuring the finest restored and original Corvettes, and the Barn Finds/Hidden Gems area, which has proven to be one of the most popular features of the show. Muscle bikes will also return, and with the Schwinn Stingray being born in Chicago, this is always a hit that brings back all kinds of memories for many of us.

The response to the MCACN show and the recognition has been unprecedented, and we are incredibly fortunate to be able to be the home for this truly national level show. In 2013 cars came in from 29 states and several countries, and each year the "bar is raised" with an almost entirely new mix of cars and displays. With the great cars and wide variety of family friendly activities, this is a show that we don't want to miss.

This is just a sampling of what the MCACN team has in store for us for 2014, when the show returns to Rosemont November 22-23. If you are interested in participating, whether as a participant or as a spectator, please see www.mcacn.com and the MCACN facebook page for more information.