

# Boss 429 Brings Bid Of \$62,500

One of the hottest segments in the collector car market today is the high performance muscle cars of the 1960s and early 1970s. These big block gas guzzlers took center stage Dec. 1-2 at the first Charlotte Muscle Car Auction held at the Charlotte Convention Center in Charlotte, NC.

Muscle car mania was evident when a 1969 Ford Fairlane Tunderbolt commanded a high bid of \$175,000. The Fairlane was a perfect example of quality cars fetching premium prices, according to Mitchell D. Kruse, whose company sponsored the auction.

The event attracted a crowd of nearly 2,000 and hit sales of nearly \$500,000. The auction total for the 155 vehicles rose to almost \$2 million.

The Imperial Palace Award of Excellence went to Dick Bridges of Rock Hill, SC for his 1969 Ford Mustang Boss 429. The Mustang had 8,000 actual miles, original factory paperwork and a fresh restoration to concours factory specifications. The car fetched a high bid of \$62,500.

Other high bids included \$60,000 for a 1962 Chevy Bel-Air two-door hardtop 409, \$35,000 for a 1966 Dodge Coronet 500 Hemi 426, \$40,000 for a 1969 Chevy Yanko Camaro and \$25,000 for a Chevrolet Impala Super Sport 409.

## Racing Book Offered

Motorsport International Publishing Company has announced the publication of a new book, "Vintage Racing! Start to Finish," to be released nationwide in April.

Author Jim McCarthy says the book is "a definitive, informational work on the state of vintage racing in the United States."

McCarthy is an active participant in vintage racing and has written and photographed events for monthly vintage racing magazines.

The book will retail for \$11.95 plus \$3 shipping and handling. For more information contact Motorsports International Publishing Company, Route 3 Box 45, Sparta, WI 54656 or call (608) 269-5591.

## Auction Scheduled

Car enthusiasts can have some fun in the sun when they enjoy more than 500 collector cars Feb. 9-11 at the Ninth Annual Greater Gold Coast Collector Car Auction at Royal Palm Polo Club in Boca Raton, FL.

Kruse International, based in Auburn, IN, will conduct the auction, which begins at 1 p.m. Feb. 9 and 10 a.m. the following days.

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A variety of quality auction entries have already been consigned, including a 1935 Ford Cord Phaeton, a 1939 Rolls-Royce Silver Wraith, and a 1956 Lincoln Premier convertible.

"This auction has developed into one of the most outstanding collector car events of

the year," says Mitchell D. Kruse, president of Kruse International. "Boca Raton is a worldwide represented market place."

Auction consignments will arrive for check-in Thursday, Feb. 8 from 3-6 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Auction entry fee is \$300 per vehicle.

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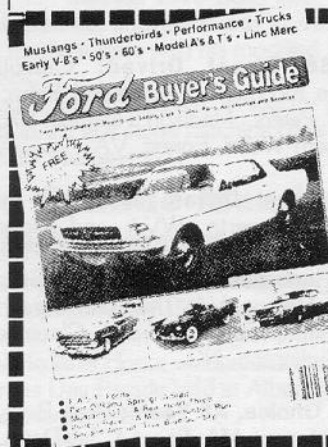
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