



**2012 THE QUAIL, A MOTORSPORTS GATHERING NAMES  
1930 BENTLEY 4 1/2 LITER ‘BEST OF SHOW’**

*Tenth Anniversary Celebration Featured More Than 180 of the World’s Most Revered  
Automobiles and Motorcycles at Quail Lodge Golf Club in Carmel, Calif.*

**CARMEL, CALIF. (August 28, 2012)** – A 1930 Bentley 4 1/2 Liter owned by the Robert M. Lee Trust in Nevada was awarded “Best of Show” at the Rolex Circle of Champions Awards at the 10th annual [The Quail, A Motorsports Gathering](#), which took place on Friday, August 17, 2012, at [Quail Lodge Golf Club](#) in Carmel, Calif. Sold out to 3,000 guests, the exclusive 10th anniversary celebration of the luxury motoring lifestyle featured more than 180 exceptional automobiles and motorcycles admired by enthusiasts and collectors in an intimate garden party setting. Notable attendees included The Hon. Sir Michael Kadoorie, Sir Stirling Moss, Piero Rivolta, Derek Bell, Alain de Cadenet, Wyclef and Adam Corolla.

This year, *The Quail* paid tribute to the 50th anniversary of Iso Automobili, with Piero Rivolta, author, former managing director and designer of Iso Rivolta, sharing the rich heritage of the Italian automobile manufacturer with event attendees as part of *The Quail’s* popular Fireside Chat series. Rivolta’s own 1968 Iso Rivolta GT led an impressive collection of 27 Iso motorcars.

*The Quail* also honored Pre-War Alfa Romeos by featuring the “Best of Show” winner from its first gathering held in 2003, a 1938 Alfa Romeo 8C 2900B Touring Spyder owned by avid motorsports enthusiast William E. “Chip” Connor II. Ten years later, the celebrated motorcar returned to the rolling greens of Quail Lodge Golf Club and also graced this year’s commemorative poster. Sports and Racing Motorcycles, together with Revolutionary Designs and Bizzarrini Classes, completed the themes highlighted at the day-long event.

Renowned as a highlight event during the legendary Monterey Car Week, *The Quail* showcases some of the world’s finest driving machines. This year, extraordinary automobiles on display included:

- **McLaren X-1** – created by the brand’s Special Operations team on commission for an anonymous McLaren customer, the one-of-a-kind super car made its first public appearance

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- **1939 Bugatti Type 64** – one of just three built by the French carmaker before the death of Jean Bugatti in 1939
- **2013 Aston Martin Vanquish** – made its North American debut
- **Lamborghini Urus** – the Italian marque's new concept SUV made its first U.S. showing
- **BMW, Jaguar, Mercedes-Benz, Cadillac and Land Rover** – offered test drives for guests

The highly-anticipated sale of the ex-GTC Gulf Team Davidoff McLaren F1 GTR 'Longtail' FIA GT Endurance Racing Coupe hit the mark by selling for \$3,850,000 at Bonhams' two-day auction, which in all totaled just over \$13 million. Additional top sales went to a 1966 Ford GT40 that sold for \$2,200,000; a 1966 Lola T70 MkII GT Coupe for \$324,000; and a trio of rare Crocker V-Twin motorcycles that was sold to a private collection in Asia Pacific for approximately \$300,000 each.

More than \$75,000 in proceeds was raised at the 10th annual event to benefit local charities, including California Highway Patrol 11-99 Foundation, Voices for Children – CASA of Monterey County, Rancho Cielo, the American Red Cross, Monterey Bay Area Chapter and the Naval Postgraduate School Foundation, whose students kicked off *The Quail* this year with a spectacular aerial display. Skydivers from the School parachuted into the middle of the show field, setting the stage for a wonderful day of camaraderie among friends. Guests also enjoyed cuisine from five signature Culinary Pavilions featuring the cuisines of Asia, Great Britain, Cuba, Italy and the Carmel Valley, complemented by fine wines and spirits.

The morning of *The Quail, A Motorsports Gathering*, The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, owner of Quail Lodge Golf Club, announced plans to re-open the resort's 90-room hotel in April 2013. The revitalized hotel will be renamed "**The Quail Lodge & Golf Club**" and be repositioned as a family-friendly destination offering exceptional value, accommodations, resort activities and facilities for leisure travelers as well as groups. The US\$28 million renovation plan will include interior updates to all guestrooms, public areas and meeting spaces as well as a refreshed and enhanced 18-hole golf course. Guests at next year's *The Quail Motorcycle Gathering* and *The Quail, A Motorsports Gathering* will be able to stay at the new hotel.

*The Quail* concluded with the Rolex Circle of Champions Awards. In this unique awards ceremony, entrants were called upon to subjectively choose the vehicle that has achieved what they believed to be

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its design goal, performance expectations and overall impact on automotive history and soul in their class. *The Quail* 2012 category awards and winners included:

### **Rolex Circle of Champions**

#### **Best of Show**

1930 Bentley 4 1/2  
Robert M. Lee Trust

#### **FIVA Award**

1958 Fiat Viotti 750 Sport  
Donald Osborne & Frank Garofolo

#### **Road & Track Award**

1963 Ferrari 250P  
JSL Motorsports, LLC

#### **50th Anniversary of Iso Automobili**

1965 Iso Grifo GL Proto-Type  
Sandro & Elinor Lee

#### **Revolutionary Designs**

1969 Lamborghini Miura S  
Greg Critchfield

#### **Bizzarrini**

1968 Bizzarrini GT 5300 Strada  
Michael Gulett & Rebecca Fuller

#### **Pre-War Alfa Romeos**

1939 Alfa Romeo 6C 2500 Coupe  
Bob & Ellen Cole

#### **The Great Ferraris**

1963 Ferrari 250 GTO  
Gwen & Tom Price

#### **Pre-War Sports & Racing**

1937 Lagonda LG45R  
Ron Rezek

#### **Post-War Sports Cars**

1958 Porsche 356A GT 1500 Carrera Speedster  
Nicolas Clemence

#### **Post-War Racing Cars**

1969 Ford GT40 Mark I  
Randall Johnson

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**Sports and Racing Motorcycles**

1960 Matchless G50

Jim Truitt

**Super Cars**

2012 McLaren MP4-12C

Russell & Susan Perry

**Spirit of The Quail Award**

1947 Ferrari 159S 002C

James M. Glickenhau

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**About Quail Lodge & Golf Club**

Nestled on 850 acres, The Quail Lodge & Golf Club includes many trails, beautiful lakes, lush gardens and rolling hills. The Lodge is located in the heart of sunny Carmel Valley, California and has been managed by The Peninsula Hotels, owned and operated by HongKong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., since 1997. Quail Lodge is home to The Quail, A Motorsports Gathering, celebrating its 10th year as one of the premier events in the automotive world, and The Quail Motorcycle Gathering, in its fourth year.

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