Subject: ProTeam Classic Corvettes eFlash

ProTeam eFlash in this edition: 67 Corvettes in 1 month - The Corvette 101.1 - The "Last"<sup>TM</sup> Corvette Takes Top Flight

## **PROTEAM HITS GOAL**

ProTeam Corvette adds 67 Corvettes (valued at over 5 million dollars) to its already massive classic Corvette collection (almost 200) during the month of January 2006. Our challenge took us on a war path that lead us coast to coast - - sea to shining sea and a run in the sun and we bettered our goal of 50 Corvette purchases by 17 cars or 34%. Living out of suitcases for three weeks, many airport departures, eight collector car auctions, five car shows, and dozens of private sellers... It was a whirlwind... rapid-fire... nonstop launch that involved tremendous planning and precision in a successful reboot (reload) of our inventory after a very active and successful year end sale that ended December 30th, 2005. Some of the more significant purchases are a Bloomington Gold 1963 ZO6 Tanker (1 of 63) [Stk. #150X], The "Brass Hat" 435 hp Corvette [Stk. #137X], a 1967 435 hp known as "Bounty Hunter III" [Stk. #155X], the "Paradise" one owner 1954 Corvette [Stk. #123X], a pair of 1965 fuelies (his/hers) bookends [Stk. #125X & 127X], a 1961 collection (one of every color), Arie Luyendyk's Tasco Turquoise 1960 Corvette [Stk. #106X], an ISCA 1966 Medallion Cup National show winner [Stk. <u>#132X</u>], a 1957 Duntov Fuelie [Stk. <u>#108X</u>], a 1967 Duntov 435 [Stk. <u>#152X</u>], three 1954's (First Generation) Corvettes, three 1965 Corvettes equipped with the rare 396-425 hp engines, three 1966 Corvettes with the 427-425 hp engines, and a pair of 1970 convertibles optioned with the rare LT-1 engines. Many of these Corvettes were NCRS and/or Bloomington Gold certified. The final count: 3 -1954's, 2 - 1957's, 2 - 1958's, 4 - 1959's, 5 - 1960's, 8 - 1961's, 3 - 1962's, 2 -1963's, 1-1964, 10 - 1965's, 11 - 1966's, 14 - 1967's, and 2 - 1970's... ie: Total 67

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## **CORVETTE SEARCH 101.1**

Our January 2006 buying trip started as an assault on the southwest (southern California & Arizona).

As five of us flew from three different airports arriving within fifteen minutes of each other in

sunny California. (timing)

We were armed with three months of Corvette for sale leads (our war map) generated by ProTeam's home office.

We started from valley floor (82° F) and ended up pushing our under powered SUV up *the mountain* (7,000 ft. above sea level) to where we viewed two different collections of two entirely different people. *(timing - warm)* 

We had lunch with Len and finally met the *Real Deal Bacon* and when we headed back to the valley floor at 4:30pm it was 47° F. *(timing - cold)* 

Being expert paper-hounds and interrogators, we located a solid axle Corvette that we wanted to buy but not before the owner, a psychic, forced us to read two of our group's palms at \$150.00 per click, *[we really wanted this Corvette!!!]* 

**TIMING IS EVERYTHING**: We located and called on an early Corvette early in the morning, 7:15 am and set an appointment (about forty-five minutes later). We were the first to arrive but now the owner was getting cold feet having received dozens of other calls. We inspected this diamond in the rough but no... now his driveway has other potential buyers... an auction without a license pursued with ProTeam again being the winner but having to pay \$11,000.00 more than the seller's advertised price.

This last January's buying trip was more than the Corvettes we searched but it was about the people we met; their stories; their lives; the reason they bought their Corvettes; the reason they owned Corvettes; the reason they were selling; and why to us? Because... (1) We try to make it a win-win situation for both the seller and ProTeam the buyer. (2) The successes of January 2006 took the planning of a Five-Star General and the precision of a sharp shooter and we succeeded in adding a total of 67 Corvettes to our growing collection.

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## "LAST"™ CORVETTE WINS NCRS TOP FLIGHT

The first leg of the "Last"<sup>TM</sup> Corvette's journey began in late October with a trip to Texas where it was treated to a rapid-fire rotisserie body-off Naber's restoration. The "Last"<sup>TM</sup> '67 restoration was complete in time for its debut at the NCRS Orlando January 2006 certification meet where it earned an NCRS Top Flight. A feat that is a testament to everyone involved with the "Last"<sup>TM</sup> Project. The film crew that documented the restoration process in Texas was in Orlando filming the first-time show winner. Watch for the six-part series on Speed Channel telling the history, restoration, and campaign of this historic Corvette up through the anticipated sale of this car at Barrett-Jackson 2007. Watch the story unfold online at <u>www.TheLastCorvette.com</u>

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