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(Neb.)-Fur Trade Car Show Sees Record Number Of Entries

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(Chadron)-The annual Fur Trade Days car show was a bigger hit this year than in years past, and one of the organizers said he believes it was location, location, location! This year, the show was held at Wilson Park instead of downtown Chadron, and Ken Korte said he estimated there were almost double the entries as have been seen in other years.

The 107 entries in the show were spread around the upper loop of Wilson Park, with classic rock 'n roll music playing and a food vendor, that Korte said sold out by the end of the day. Entries were received from all over the area with many different automobiles for people to enjoy. The winners were selected after tabulating ballots from those who entered the show, with nine different categories.

Best of Show was awarded to Robert Aberle from Rapid City, SD. His entry was a 1936 International Pickup. There were many other classics as well as other newer vehicles. In each category, there were two winners selected from the pool of entries.

Best Corvette:
1. 1957 Roadster, Ted and Lorrie VanKampen, Scottsbluff, NE
2. 1961 Roadster, Bill Naugle, Custer, SD

Best Car Pre-1955
1. 1929 Ford Town Sedan, Gary Danford, Chadron, NE
2. 1934 Ford 3-Window Coupe, John Thompson, Hemingford, NE

Best Car 1956-1969
1. 1969 Camaro SS, Scott Kernick, Gordon, NE
2. 1957 Volkswagon Beetle, Meghan Merkel, Chadron, NE

Best Car 1970-1989
1. 1970 Olds 442, George Lois, Scottsbluff, NE
2. 1979 Pontiac Firebird, Justin Englehaupt, Alliance, NE

Best Car 1990-Present
1. 2013 Dodge Challenger, Betty Nelson, Gordon, NE
2. 1999 Ford Mustang Cobra, Jerry Liestritz

Best Truck Pre-1960
1. 1936 International Pickup, Robert Aberle, Rapid City, SD
2. 1955 Chevy Stepside, Tom Romick, Alliance, NE

Best Truck 1960-1989
1. 1978 Ford F150, Jeff Englehaupt, Alliance, NE
2. 1965 Chevrolet, Nadine Schledewitz, Gering, NE

Best Truck 1990 and up
Tie   2007 Ford F150, Meghan Merkel, Chadron, NE
        1993 Ford Lightning, Mike McInnis

Unfinished
1. 1948 Studebaker, Clark Gardener, Chadron, NE
2. 1934 Ford Coupe, Don Foulk, Chadron, NE

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