

## Classic Car Festival In The 37<sup>th</sup> uae National day celebrations

Classic car enthusiasts from across the UAE played their part in the 37th National Day celebrations with a stunning display of vehicles dating back to the romantic days of motoring up to nearly 90 years ago.

More than 150 vehicles, all lovingly maintained and polished to prime condition, lined up in the two-day Emirates Classic Car Festival which began on the Khalid Lagoon in Sharjah on Monday and concluded at Dubai Festival City last night (Tuesday).

They included a 1963 Porsche proudly paraded by Ahmed Al Attar from the UAE which was voted the best Classic Luxury car and a 1920 Ford owned by Mohammed Al Jasmi, the winner in the Pre-War category.

They were eight overall category winners singled out by the judging panel at Festival Centre in Dubai at the climax of a colourful programme of National Day celebrations.

The festival was organised by the Automobile and Touring Club of the UAE (ATCUAE) in conjunction with the Ministry of Culture, Youth & Community Development, and was supported by Sharjah Old Cars Club and Museum and Dubai Festival City.

"We have a growing community of classic car lovers in the UAE, and we're looking forward to staging many events that will bring them together," said ATCUAE President Mohammed Ben Sulayem.

### Emirates Classic Car Festival – prize winners

#### Classic Luxury

1. Ahmed Al Atar, 1963 Porsche
2. Mohammed Mubarak Al Ahri, 1955 Porsche
3. Hussein Owada, Mercedes

#### Classic 4 x 4

1. Ahmed Salem Mohammed, Land Rover
2. Suhail Bohalaba, Suzuki
3. Mohammed Al Helli, Suzuki

#### Pre War

1. Mohammed Al Jasmi, 1920 Ford
2. Sharja Museum
- 3 Rashid Al Muhiri, 1933 Pontiac

#### 1940 - 1949

1. Hussan Al Alili, 1948 Plymouth

#### 1950 - 1959

1. Shaka Noora Al Moala, 1954 Chevrolet

#### 1960 - 1969

1. Majid Al Hathbour, 1968 Datsun

#### 1970 - 1979

1. Ahmed Rashid Majid, 1979 Lincoln
2. Mohammed Salem Al Nuami, 1977 Chevrolet

#### 1981 - 1983

1. Mosa Abdulla, 1980 Datsun
2. Omar Almari, 1981 Datsun
3. Ahmed Al Hathbour, 1980 Nissan