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It's that time of the year again. Monterey–Laguna Seca–Pebble Beach; I traveled out there to look after the sale, at Gooding's auction, of a 1974 RSR, 911 460 9056, that I sold to the owner about six years ago. I had recommended to him that now was the time to sell, prices being so buoyant (read "high") and he agreed, so 9056 got a repaint in the colors she wore when she won the Sebring 12 Hours in 1976, driven by Al Holbert and Mike Keyser. Just seven weeks before that, 9056 had placed second in the Daytona 24 Hours, driven by Al Holbert (again) and Claude Ballot-Lena.





It's a nerve-wracking experience, watching a car that you have an interest in, being auctioned off. 9056 started up just fine, with that 'oh-so-distinctive' rasp of a competition 3-liter engine and drove proudly onto the stage. The bidding was all over in just a minute or so and the winning bid of about \$742,000 was what it took to send yet another RSR off to a new home in quite a large collection, so I believe.

Goodings was the only auction that I had time to look around and the cars on display were quite wonderful; a selection of photos of their offerings is included. In particular, I thought the Bugatti Type 57SC was spectacular, as was the early 1956 Ferrari 250 GT Tour de France Berlinetta and the slightly later 1957, 14 louver version. Spectacular cars and spectacular prices. Thank God the whole dizzying affair is over for another year!











































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