## Editor: Kees Smit Tatra owners share Pebble Beach podium



Heading for the podium. The three Tatras of Kees Smit, Pavel Kasik and Chris Oehrstrom are seen here close to the podium. They later were set side by side with Chris Oehrstrom awarded 3rd place. He went to the podium first.







Kees Smit became runner-up





....while Pavel Kasik was the winner.

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The Pebble Beach Rolex Tour, August 14 2014

Preceding the Pebble Beach Concours d'Élegance was the Rolex Tour d'Élegance, held on August 14, 2014. Here, historic cars travel from Pebble Beach to Big Sur and back to Carmel. Here are some pix of the participants in the Tatra class.





**Pavel Kasik** 





Kees Smit started the tour, but saw a Horch backing into him at an uphill section after 1/3 distance. As the right front wing was touching hindered the wheel to move and Kees Smit needed some medical attention. It meant the end of his tour. With the help of the organzation, everything was repaired temporally though, the T 77a readied late on Saturday.



Jeff Lane





John & Greg Long





David Russell, round Back...





**Lane Motor Museum** 





**Frank Kollinek** 

PS. Both Danny Barnett and Chris Oehrstrom did not compete in the rally

## Pebble Beach Tatra participants



From I to r: Pavel Kasik and family, Frank Kollinek and wife, Ken Uffheill, the Danny Barnett team, Barbar Frolich, Guido Smit, Paul Greenstein andn Dydia deLyser (and dog Harpo) the Lane Museum T 603 drivers, David Russell, John Long with wife and daughter, Kees Smit. Kneeling: Chris Oerstrom and Jeff Lane. All were enthusiastic, saying it was the first American Tatra meet!

(O.K., with some Europeans...;-)





Pavel Kasik took his wife, son and mechanic along his freshly restored T 77 to become the winner of the Tatra class.



Kees Smit took his wife Barbara and his T 77a from the Netherlands to California



Chris Ohrstrom (Virginia) with the ex Ian Tisdale, ex Hampton Wayt T 87 did not make it to the Rolex Tour as the clutch failed, meaning he had to take the engine out, repair the clutch and fitting the engine in a very short time. He succeeded and was chosen as the third best Tatra by the Jury, making it to the PB podium!



Canadian T 77a and T 87 owner John Long was invited with his T 87 and enjoyed the meeting very much. "Some years ago, I was here with my silver T 77a, but I then felt a little bit of a stranger with such an unknown car; This meeting is much nicer, with all the Tatras and the Tatra enthusiasts."

Along with John came his brother Greg, his wife and daughter.



David Russell was the only Tatraplan representative. He took his late, VW engined, Tatraplan.





Jeff Lane from Nashville, Tennesse, entered his T 97. He also entered the former Rene Berger T 603-1 on the name of his museum. The guy on the 125 cc CZ motorcycle is motorcycle entrant from Los Angeles who also own a magnificent T 87 together with his wife Dydiade Lyser



Danny Barnet of Las Vegas was a last minute entry. After already having bought tickets for PB to see the Tatras on show there, he just thought "Why don't I ask them if they want my car" and he succeeded! With his brother Jack and Kenneth Uffheil, who took a plane from Texas to Las Vegas, and two other passengers, they drove the narrow mask 1966 T 603, an original US car, imported by an American Jawa dealer, to Pebble Beach.





Toronto based Frank Kollinek toko his T 603 with him. Dressed in a Czechoslovak army uniform, he was a much photographed participant.



Last, but not least, we should mention Texas Tatra enthusiast Kenneth Uffheil. He flew from Texas to Las vegas, worked for two days on Banny Barnett's T 603 before to join the T 603 yellow submarine team to Pebble Beach. Ken is seen here with with his friend Jackie Stewart, former F1 world champion, who now has an apprecianticeship with Ken to study Tatra technology.

# BMW i3 compared to T 603....

