

Press release

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“MAHLE: The Choice of Champions” award ceremony

- MAHLE Aftermarket will award the "Choice of Champions" grand prize at the 2023 AAPEX Show
- Casey Currie Jeep Gladiator and Richard Petty 1000HP Z06 Corvette are the two vehicles of choice up for grabs during this year's promotion
- MAHLE will unveil the custom-built vehicles and introduce the four “Choice of Champions” finalist during morning press conference
- Official grand prize drawing to take place during VIP reception featuring several motorsports icons including Currie, Petty, and John Force

MAHLE Aftermarket will award the "Choice of Champions" grand prize at the 2023 Automotive Aftermarket Products Expo (AAPEX). A Jeep Gladiator, built by Casey Currie and CRC and a 1000 HP Z06 Corvette, built by Richard Petty and the technicians at Petty's Garage, are the two vehicles of choice up for grabs for this year's promotion. MAHLE will unveil its grand prize and introduce the four “Choice of Champions” finalists during a special press conference on Tuesday, October 31st at 10:00 a.m. in booth A2661. “We've added a new twist to how we will select this year's winner and have enlisted the help of several of our key sponsors to make it happen during our VIP reception on Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. at the MAHLE booth,” said Jon Douglas, President, MAHLE Aftermarket North America. Several motorsports legends are scheduled to be in attendance to assist MAHLE with this once-in-a-lifetime drawing including Currie, Petty and John Force, Championship NHRA Funny Car Racer.

“It's been awesome teaming up with Casey Currie and Richard Petty to engineer these one-of-a-kind vehicles,” said Jon Douglas. “The technicians from both organizations truly ‘pulled out all the stops’ to design and customize these incredible vehicles with our components. There is no place better to reveal these vehicles and celebrate our grand prize winner than at AAPEX.”

Off-road-ready, and manufactured with advanced MAHLE parts, the highly personalized Casey Currie Jeep Gladiator was engineered to provide its driver and passengers with the ultimate off-road experience. The Richard Petty Z06 Corvette is built with speed and sophistication in mind, backed with 1,000 horsepower to give the individual behind the wheel that added boost of adrenaline on the road and endorsed by the John Force Racing team.

This year's four finalists of the "MAHLE: The Choice of Champions" technician promotion are as follows:

- Mark Stottlemeyer, Harrisburg, PA of Sonny's Auto Service Center
- Lance Barnum, Park Rapids, MN of Advanced Automotive Service
- Andrey Shumylo, Southampton, PA of Shums Auto Repair
- Bob Mattliano, Brick, NJ of Shore Point Auto

In addition to the excitement surrounding the "MAHLE: Choice of Champions" technician promotion, those planning to attend this year's show may expect to discover MAHLE's full line of aftermarket parts, including pistons, rings, gaskets, engine bearings, filters, rotating electric, thermal management, and shop solutions. The AAPEX show will take place October 31 to November 2 at The Venetian Expo in Las Vegas, Nevada.

For more information about MAHLE Aftermarket and its brands, visit www.mahle-aftermarket.com.

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Casey Currie Jeep Gladiator



Richard Petty Z06 Corvette



Official 2023 MAHLE: The Choice of Champions logo

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About MAHLE

MAHLE is a leading international development partner and supplier to the automotive industry with customers in both passenger car and commercial vehicle sectors. Founded in 1920, the technology group is working on the climate-neutral mobility of tomorrow, with a focus on the strategic areas of electrification and thermal management as well as further technology fields to reduce CO2 emissions, such as fuel cells or highly efficient combustion engines that also run on hydrogen or synthetic fuels. Today, one in every two vehicles globally is equipped with MAHLE components.

MAHLE generated sales of more than EUR 12 billion in 2022. The company is represented with approx. 72,000 employees at 152 production locations and 12 major research and development centers in more than 30 countries. (as of 31.12.2022)

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About MAHLE Aftermarket

MAHLE Aftermarket, the business unit specializing in spare parts, uses the expertise from original equipment series production for its product range and supplies partners in the trade, workshops, and engine repair shops. The products developed by the MAHLE Service Solutions business segment for workshop equipment, as well as comprehensive services and individual training offers, round out the offer. MAHLE Aftermarket operates out of more than 30 locations around the world and has additional sales offices with almost 2,000 employees. In 2022, the business unit recorded a sales volume of more than EUR 1.2 billion globally. (as of 31.12.2022)