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SMOTY Winner Announced - Street Machine of the Year 2011



SYDNEY, (Australia), 17th November 2011 – Valvoline Australia, sponsor and supporter of Street Machine Magazine's 'Street Machine of the Year 2011', are proud to announce this year's winner...

Congratulations Peter & Michelle Fitzpatrick – owners of the lean green winning machine – the 1959 FC Holden.

Peter has been driving, building and refining the FC for over nineteen years.

"I still can't believe it – SMOTY is something I've aimed at for so long." commented Peter.

Street Machine Magazine editor Geoff Seddon said *"Thanks to all our finalists, and the thousands of readers who made the effort to participate; the more votes we get the more credible the award."*

Special thanks go to our SMOTY sponsor Valvoline, which not only stumps up the winner takes all purse of \$15,000 but is also an active participant in so much of our growing modified car lifestyle." he added.

You can read more in the December 2011 issue of Street Machine on sale now, and head to Valvoline Australia's facebook page to see pics.

About SMOTY

The 16 finalists were chosen by a ballot of Street Machine staff and contributors. To be eligible, cars must have been featured in one of the past 12 issues of Street Machine and must have been primarily built in Australia. Contrary to popular opinion, being a cover car did not automatically guarantee a spot in SMOTY. The finalists can include everything from pure street cars to customs, elite show cars, pro streeters and more. The final winner was voted for by the public.

About Peter & Michele Fitzpatrick's 1959 FC Holden

THE third incarnation of Fitzzy's six-time Summernats Grand Champ FC is chock-full of innovative engineering, which includes a custom chassis, beautifully integrated twin-turbo system for the 440ci small block and a mass of metal fabrication, including a sheetmetal dash, flat floor, new tubs, custom firewall, centre console and lots more. The FC took out the Street Machine of the Decade at MotorEx 2010 and placed in the Top Ten of the reader-voted Ultimate Street Machine of All Time.

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