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Hi my name is Dave Hinze

Just recently I came across a web site about racing cars serial numbers. (classicscars.com) As I was at one time a Lotus 47 owner back in the 80s I had a look and found my chasse number (Lotus 47 GT-09) Witch was owned by Jack Boxtrom in 1982. Before Jack had it, it belonged to someone in Quebec. I purchased this car from Jack in 1983 or 84 ? with the intension of restoring it for Historic Racing. When I bought it, It was a rolling chassis with some parts. I found a twin cam motor here in Toronto and then started to dismantle the chassis. Since the body needed allot of repair I removed the chassis plate and placed it in my binder with all the other document I collected about the car.

Well after a few years I ran out of money and some one called me from NY and wanted to buy it. Reluctantly I did. I never followed up on this car till some times in the 90s, I was in Sonoma (Sears Point Race Track) and I decided to take a walk towards the garages and have a look. As I walked by an open door I noticed a Dark blue Lotus 47. At first I just had a look and then I noticed a Lotus 47 body in the back of the shop in gray primer. I recognized the car immediately and started to talk to a person working their about the car. Surprisingly it did not have the chassis plate, and he did not know the number but insured me it was a real 47. I informed him that this car belonged to me at one time, to his surprise, and told him the last owner must still have the original chassis plate. I tolled him it was no. 9. SO I remember taking a picture of the car and headed back to the race shop. WE had a Porsche turbo GT and used Kevin Bucklers shop preparing our car for the race that weekend.

SO to sum this up I think your car might be the Lotus 47 that I owned at one time unless you can tell me your 47 is not GT-09. I hope I was some help to you.

Sincerely Dave Hinze

PS. If you have any questions please e mail me or call me at