

# LOTUS lines

EVERGREEN LOTUS CAR CLUB

March/April 1987

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To get right to business, we've got several events upcoming in the next couple of weeks- some of these have already been mentioned in the last few newsletters, but I'd like to cover the latest info, and our club's planned participation.

1) Next event is the Morgan Club-hosted picnic at Fort Casey on Whidbey Island, occurring on Saturday, May 2nd. This looks like it will be a well-attended event as several other British car clubs besides our own are taking advantage of the MOGs' kind invitation and will be participating. Should you wish to drive along with the Morgans, remember that they'll be departing from the Westwater Inn in Olympia, at 7:30am on Saturday- full details in the last flyer. Alternately, we are planning a scenic drive of our own, so as to arrive at Fort Casey at about noon, and hope that all of you not heading up from Olympia will join us. We will be meeting here at my house, from say 9:00 on, and will depart at 10:00, and then drive up Highway 9, past Arlington and toward Sedro Woolley (some excellent Lotus roads), and then over to Whidbey Island via Deception Pass. If time permits we can make a brief drive through LaConner, or we can go back this way after the picnic. We would like to see as many of our members out for this as possible, either with (preferably) or without your Lotus, so pack up a picnic basket and join us for what promises to be a full day. P.S. bring a flashlight, too, for exploring the catacombs of the old fort, and some warm clothes, as Fort Casey can be a little cool and windy; but then, our Seven drivers will come well-prepared!

2) Next up is the Second Annual All British Meet in Vancouver BC- entry form appeared in the last flyer for this as well, and I hope a few of you are planning to head up for this. Jim Kirbach was the sole Evergreen Lotus representative at this meet last year, but he reported that there were some beautiful cars on display and it's well worth attending. We are planning to go up early Saturday morning, and anyone who would like to drive along with us is more than welcome- please note that cars must be in place in the park by 11:00am, so we're planning to leave here about 8:00, as it's about a two-hour drive from here. This is on Saturday, May 9th- there also will be a slalom, for those so inclined on Sunday the 10th.

3) The following Saturday, the 16th is the day we had planned for our regular monthly meeting, as we've been keeping pretty regularly to meeting on the third Sat. of the month. As the XK Jaguar Restoration Club is holding their annual British Auto Swap Meet on that day, we are going to use their event as our meeting site, so please make note of the info we've reprinted in this issue concerning this event, held at the Hidden Valley Office Park, in Bellevue at 1750 112th NE, just west of I-405. If you have any British car parts to dispose of, Lotus or otherwise, bring them along. We will as usual have our short business meeting at noon (i.e. 1:00), and as our newest Lotus dealer, George Platis is only a few blocks away, we may take a little drive over to say hello and look at their trio of Turbos.

4) The following Saturday, the 23rd, the Vintage Racing Club of BC, which puts on the Vintage Weekend at Westwood each year, will be having their vintage driving training (this was originally scheduled for May 9th, but was changed so as not to conflict with the All British Meet that day).

5) On Saturday, June 13th, the LCCBC will be putting on another swap meet, at MCL Motor Cars in Vancouver- this will run from 10am to 4pm, and will be followed by a BBQ at Bruce Patrick's new home- more details on this to follow.

So, as you can see Lotussing season is upon us- while you'd be a real diehard to attend all these events, we hope you'll at least find the time to take in a few over the course of the spring and summer months, and get to know some of your fellow Evergreen Lotus members. On this subject, please note that we have a complete roster of our members in this issue, which will make it easier for you to get in touch with other members; while we have at times printed partial rosters as we gained new members, this is our first complete roster in several years and has been requested by quite a few of you. Our thanks to Alice and Dave Larson for all the work they put in compiling this for us, which is much appreciated. We do have a few corrections to make, as follows:

Lotus Car Club of BC  
c/o 1806 Wesbrook Crescent  
Vancouver, BC  
(new address for Bruce Patrick)

Crichton, Bob new address  
14529 99th Ave. SE  
Snohomish, WA 98290  
ph: 668-6841

Duncan, Shaun new address  
32223 45th Pl. SW  
Federal Way, WA 98023

Muir, Malcolm  
correct home ph: (604)941-5921

Friedli, Ron new member  
2029 NE 97th St.  
Seattle, WA 98115  
h 523-7826

Bator, Steve and Pam  
11803 Holmes Point Dr. NE  
Kirkland, WA 98034  
Work # now 821-2400

w  
'77 Esprit S1 w/Turbo body mods

Please remember also those club members who have volunteered to act as coordinators for specific models of Lotus- give them a call if you have a question as they can perhaps help you out, and you may be hearing from him if he's trying to set up an event specifically for your model. As a reminder- Dave Larson is the contact for Sevens, including Westfield and Donkevoort; Terry Elmore is the contact for early Elites; Gary Wood is covering the Elans and Plus 2s; Mike Shaw is our Europa coordinator, and Frank Grabner is the person for the Third Generation (Esprit, Elite, Eclat)

Our first club regalia project, T-shirts with our new club logo imprinted, are now available. The design, which appears on our front cover of this issue, was submitted by John Patrick, although we reworked it a little bit, and appears on our T-shirts in green on a yellow shirt. Available in sizes small to X-large, prices are \$7.00 for one shirt or \$13.00 for two and they'll be available at the upcoming club events. Next items will be membership cards, and embroidered patches

And, to finish off this report I'd like to run the following ad for Malcolm Muir, one of our Canadian members who has been so supportive of our group:

FOR SALE: 1967 Lotus Plus Two, RHD #50/0018, earliest production version of this beautifully styled 2+2 coupe in North America. Sound condition, with Weber head TwinCam, Recaro seats, and many new parts. Easily importable to US. \$4500US or best offer. Malcolm Muir (604)941-5921

# LOTUS ELANS

BEST SELECTION OF CLEAN, REBUILT ELANS,  
SUPER 7s & VINTAGE RACE CARS

Mini-Coopers, MG-T, Morgan, Bentley,  
Jaguar, Aston-Martin, Formula Cars, Others.

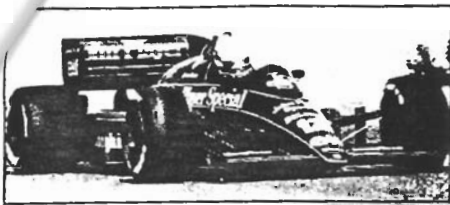
NEW ENGLAND CLASSICS, INC.  
1785 Barnum Ave., Stratford, CT 06497  
(203) 377-6746

I've always wondered about this ad in the AUTOWEEK. I imagined a row of brilliant Elans up front next to the boulevard with sevens and other Lotus providing backup. Some how, LOTUS ELANS in bold print caught my minds eye. While visiting in Connecticut on March 23, I had my chance to stop by New England Classics Inc. My imagination was not too far off, however the sparkle of the dream was a little diminished. Indeed there were some Elans on the front row. They were definetly used. All were right hand drive, drop head coupes. Mostly Series 3 & 4. One had a flat tire. There was a nice looking Elan Sprint parked at the curb on the side street. The real treat, however, was in the show room. Two Series One Sevens and two Sixes on display. This is the first time I've seen a Lotus Six in real life (remember, I am new to this game). I met Marc Evans who owns the Elan Sprint parked at the curb and runs the place. After introductions Marc invited me to the back yard. "Gosh, this is like Terry Elmore's garage only more stuff." Elan bones under a tarp, a burned Europa, a Mini Cooper, a Ginetta, a grubby Plus 2. After more car talk and and car viewing I had to leave. I felt like I had just been to a Lotus Club meeting back home.

/12	Antique and Classic Cars	3712	
E	JAGUAR 1974 XKE V-12		1966
usual	Navy Blue/Biscuit interior, only 22,000		new
1. Pre-	miles, rare automatic. Cooper: 212-929-3909		offer
-only	LAMBORGHINI 400 GT red	\$24,500	POP
100 mi.	CORVETTE '62 Wrong 327	\$12,500	
undy.	CORVETTE '66 Cpe correct	\$12,250	
	FRANCIS & MAYO	703-922-0936	
ele-	Lotus-Emira Peel's Elan		
den	The very car driven by Diana Rigg on the		
El-	Avengers. Great shape. \$15,000 or best of-		
620	fer. 202-667-2836 eves.		
	Maserati 1968 Ghibli		
nd.	Burgundy, black int, 45K mi, \$22,000. Call		
or,	201-252-9824 eves.		
uc	MERCEDES GULLWING COUPE		
85	An important 1955 300SL Gullwing Coupe		
83	which has been meticulously maintained &		
85	preserved throughout its lifetime w/11,900		
88	verifiable miles recorded. All service re-		
70	ords, history & manuals have been care-		
79	fully preserved from date of delivery to the		
	present time. The car is finished in Silver		
	w/Blue leather interior. Knock-off wheels		
	are fitted to this desirable thoroughbred.		

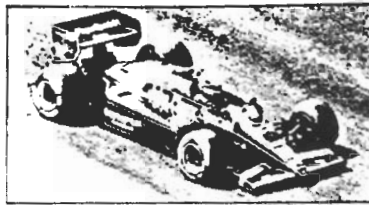
A few Sundays ago I noticed this ad in the New York Times classifieds (March 22, 1986). I don't need another Elan so I'll pass it on.

Gary A Wood



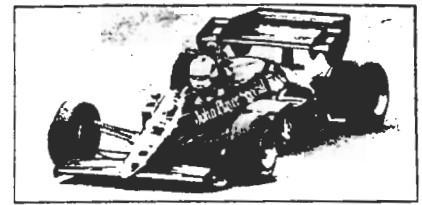
1986 LOTUS TYPE 98T

Choice of chassis  
No 2 (Ex Dumfries) — No 4 (Ex Senna)



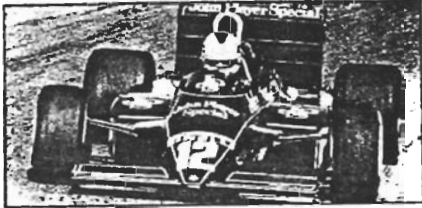
1985 LOTUS 97T-4

Senna Spa G.P. Winner



1984 LOTUS 95 T

Choice — Mansell or De Angelis  
Chassis No 1 & 2



1983 LOTUS 94 T-2

Mansell Race Car



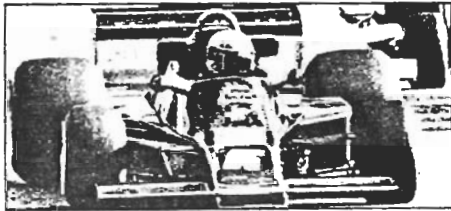
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Chassis 87-2 Cosworth



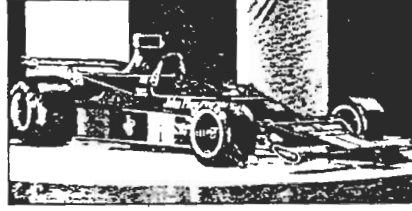
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Choice of 3 complete cars — Chassis No 2/3-4



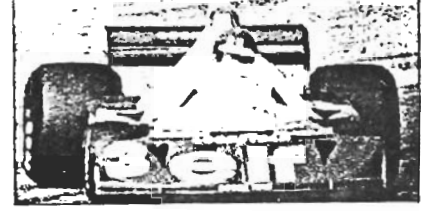
1976 LOTUS TYPE 77

Choice of 2 cars — Chassis No 2-3  
Ex Peterson Andretti



1974 LOTUS TYPE 76

Chassis No J.P.S. 12 — Ex Jacky Ickx  
Cosworth D.F.V.



TYRRELL P34 SIX WHEELER

Chassis No 6  
Ex Ronnie Peterson

Also for Sale: MARCH 761 ex. Hans Stuck. HESKETH 308E Formula 1. LOTUS CORTINA (The Best!)

Plus: TEAM LOTUS FORMULA ONE TRANSPORTER.

1 FRESH COSWORTH 3-LITRE D.F.V.

# AMCO MOTOR SPORT

Tel: 061-491 2992, Telex: 338953

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The above ad, reprinted from the March '87 issue of Classic and Sportscar, shows that Team Lotus are disposing of much of their racing heritage of the last ten years, with no doubt a fair amount of prompting from the new sponsor, Camel— it wouldn't do to have all these old cars sitting around emblazoned with the livery of "that other cigarette company", even though "that other company" had sponsored Team Lotus for nearly eighteen years, through both the seasons of glory and triumph that are common knowledge to any F1 fan, and also through the lean years, including and especially their renewal of faith and confidence in the Team after the death of Colin Chapman in December 1982. I for one will miss the distinctive JPS Black and Gold, and only hope that in the disposal sale ongoing of the JPS-marked cars, that Hazel Chapman is at least keeping one of each type for her personal collection in the "Piggery"— Colin was never much for keeping relics of the past, something he regretted later when he wanted to add a Lotus 25 to his collection and couldn't find one anywhere, for any price.

LOCALLY, and a little more affordable:

Rob Roberts is still interested in selling his Seven S4— details from him at 629-2730 in Stanwood

Jim Kirbach's yellow Europa TC is also still for sale— contact Jim for info at 822-5645 in Kirkland

WEST COAST LOTUS MEET '87 Cambria-by-the-Sea California

Having just attended the second such Lotus meet, co-sponsored by the Golden Gate Lotus Club and Lotus/West, I'd like to share some of my impressions of the weekend.

The central California coast is a beautiful area, and the weather could not have been better, sunny and about 70 degrees, a fair cry from last year's meet which was rained on almost all weekend from the reports. You might think that with a major meet and favorable skies, there would be more Lotuses present than you could look at in a weekend. Well, I must say that I was disappointed in the turnout, as there were only some 36 or so cars there (i.e. less than half the number we were able to turn out when we were the honored marque at Portland in '85!)- considering the size of the two sponsoring groups, GGLC with about 250 members, and L/W is certainly a large group as well, I was actually hoping they might have as many as 100 cars.

First event was a wine tour, and I rode with a L/W member in his Europa TC, and although I'm not a wine drinker (the only time I ever drink the stuff is on wine tours!) this was fun- first stop was the Arciero winery, a name that some of you may recognize; the Arcieros sponsored a racing team in the '60s, and Dan Gurney drove a Lotus 19 for them (a car which they recently restored at an exorbitant cost and now vintage-race), and they are still involved in racing, in CART, Super Vee, and off-road, and had examples of these three racing classes on display in their winery.

The banquet Saturday night featured two guest speakers, Steve Barber of Barber Bros. Lotus in Concord CA, and Max Griggs, the #2 man in Lotus Cars here in the US. Steve Barber spoke with great conviction on the future of Lotus in the US, and in particular on the great strides they've made in quality control, which should see the Lotus fortunes in the US market recover in much the same way that Jaguar has reversed their long-standing reputation for unreliability. As I told him later, I wish we had a dealer in this area with the enthusiastic commitment to the marque that he has. Max Griggs spoke of the projected release dates of the new Elan and the Etna (and kept mixing the two up) and showed some tapes of the active suspension Excel test car- his most interesting statement, to me, was the fact that Lotus, in their continued support of the older cars, is now in the process of lowering their prices on parts for Elans, Europas, etc by on average 30-60%- this is going on now and should be completed in about a months time. This is certainly welcome news if it proves to be correct, however in my discussions with Bill Bennetts of George Platis, our new Lotus dealer, he stated that they were not planning to carry any parts for the earlier cars in the foreseeable future, so it will still be a matter of ordering parts elsewhere.

I did meet some of the people running the groups down there- Dan Griffin, the pres. of Lotus/West, and Larry Lim, their newsletter editor, and also saw Kiyoshi Hamai, the editor of the GGLC's Chapman Report, whom I'd met once before, and we are going to be exchanging newsletters with both these groups now.

All in all, while it was certainly an enjoyable weekend, and I'm glad I went down for the meet (although with some problems on the trip back I didn't get home until 4:15am Monday morning, and had to leave for work at 7), I still was disappointed that there weren't more people and cars in attendance.

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DEAR FELLOW BRITISH AUTO (OWNER, ENTHUSIAST, FANCIER, FANATIC):  
(circle appropriate response)

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE 12TH ANNUAL XK JAGUAR RESTORATION CLUB BRITISH AUTO SWAP MEET TO BE HELD ON MAY 16, 1987 AT HIDDEN VALLEY OFFICE PARK, BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON. HOURS WILL BE FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M. A FOOD AND BEVERAGE STAND WILL BE OPEN FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE.

YOU SHOULD PLAN TO ATTEND IF:

- 1) YOU HAVE ANY BRITISH AUTO PARTS THAT YOU WISH TO SELL (THE XKJR CLUB WILL REQUIRE A MODEST DONATION OF 10% OF SELLERS RECEIPTS TO HELP DEFRAY EXPENSES),
- 2) YOU ARE LOOKING FOR "HARD TO FIND" PARTS TO COMPLETE OR ENHANCE A RESTORATION,
- 3) YOU HAVE A "SPECIAL INTEREST" OR BRITISH AUTO FOR SALE. WHAT BETTER PLACE TO SELL A UNIQUE AUTOMOBILE THAN AT A GATHERING OF UNIQUE AUTOMOBILE FANCIERS?....(A MODEST \$10.00 DONATION WILL BE REQUIRED IN RETURN FOR A GENUINE XKJR SWAP MEET "FOR SALE" SIGN),
- 4) YOU LOVE TO LOOK AT BEAUTIFUL CARS, AND SWAP "WAR STORIES" ABOUT THE "GOOD OLD DAYS" WITH OTHERS WHO WISH TO DO THE SAME,
- 5) YOUR MOTHER-IN-LAW IS IN TOWN AND YOU WANT TO GET OUT OF THE HOUSE,
- 6) YOU WANT AN ALTERNATIVE TO "TAKING THE KIDS TO THE ZOO". (SOME OF OUR MEMBERS ARE MORE ENTERTAINING, AND YOU WON'T HAVE TO BUY PEANUTS),
- 7) YOU WANT TO JUST **"HAVE A GREAT TIME!!"**

\*A RAFFLE WILL BE CONTINUOUSLY CONDUCTED THROUGHOUT THE DAY, WITH SOME EXCITING AND UNIQUE PRIZES FOR THE WINNERS.

\*A PLAQUE WILL BE AWARDED TO THE PERSON(S) WHO HAVE TRAVELLED THE LONGEST DISTANCE TO GET TO THE SWAP MEET,.

**PLAN NOW TO ATTEND!....PUBLICIZE IT IN YOUR CLUB NEWSLETTER....TELL YOUR FRIENDS ABOUT IT!....PLAN A TOUR TO THE SWAP MEET SITE OR MEET THEM THERE!....WE GUARANTEE A DELIGHTFUL DAY AND BARGAINS GALORE!....**

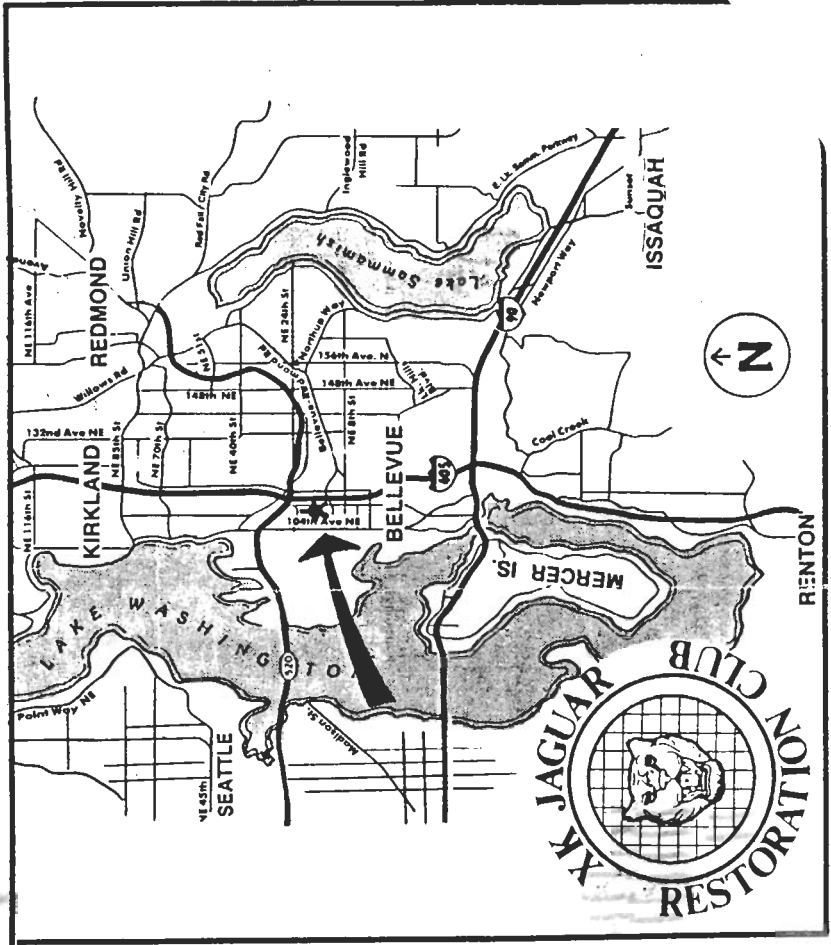
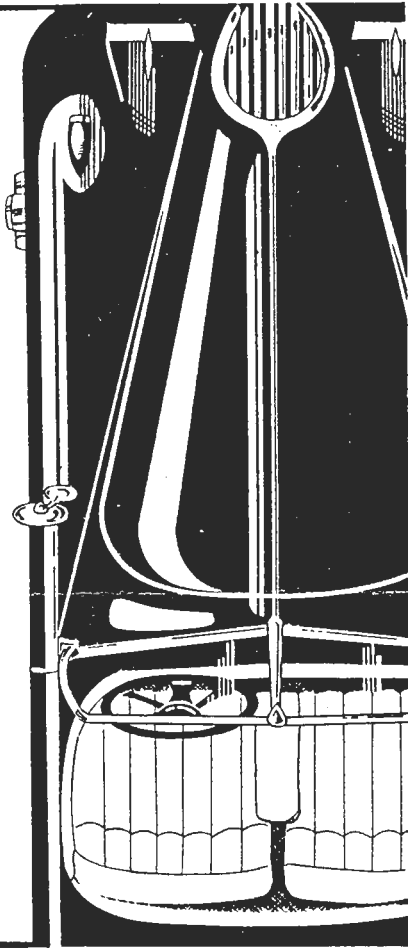
A COVERED DISPLAY AREA ALLOWS US TO STAGE THE EVENT, RAIN OR SHINE.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CALL ANY OF THE FOLLOWING XK JAGUAR RESTORATION CLUB MEMBERS:

DAVE BOSWOTH, (206)821-3046    LARRY BENSON (206)361-9755  
RAY BELARDINELLI (206)641-9720    DANN GADBOIS (206) 743-2190

**12TH ANNUAL XK JAGUAR RESTORATION CLUB  
BRITISH AUTO SWAP MEET**

LOCATION: Hidden Valley Office Park 1750 112th NE, Bellevue, WA  
 DATE: Saturday May 16th, 1987 9am-3pm  
 For More Information Call: 641-9720, 743-2190 or 821-3046



**BIZARRO / Dan Piraro**



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ANOTHER newsletter? Yes, we have some additional information, and event dates received since the most recent newsletter went out that we want to bring to your attention before the next regular newsletter issue will be out at the end of this month (yes, three newsletters in one month, but then we'll be back on schedule for bimonthly issues due out the end of each odd-numbered month). Also, we're one behind as there wasn't an issue for Nov/Dec of last year (did anyone even notice?).

First item- Lezlee and I were planning an informal little get-together here this coming weekend, which we had mentioned at the last meeting, sort of a bon voyage party for Maury and John Montag before they head south, but due to schedule conflicts we'll have to cancel that- perhaps we'll have something when they get back.

Additions to the calendar that appeared in the last issue of LOTUS LINES:

Saturday, April 11- The MG Car Club has invited us to participate with them in a drive up to Skagit County and LaConner- details on time and meeting place to follow.

Saturday, April 18- The Northwest Alfa Romeo Club is having a Drivers Training Clinic at SIR, which I can now report will be open to other cars such as ours. The entry from is reprinted elsewhere in this issue- please note a couple of things- 1)if you pre-register by April 6th the cost is \$30.00, otherwise it's \$45.00 (and assuming there are any spaces left- a limit of 50 cars, notice, which they easily filled last year); 2)they are requiring that non-Alfa participants use their marque cars, an entirely reasonable idea as they want to get some interesting cars out, so don't enter as an Evergreen Lotus member but plan to drive your brand X everyday car- Lotus only, please. So, if you're interested in participating, send in your registration as soon as possible, and then check over your car to make sure it'll pass tech (for your own benefit). As this is the day that we had slated for the monthly club meeting, we are now planning to have our meeting down at SIR, during the lunch break of the Drivers Training. I should mention that you are of course welcome to come down and observe the cars taking part in the Track Day without entering yourself, and there's no charge to get in, so we would like to see as many from our group as possible come down and "show the flag" which is one reason why we would like to have the meeting there at the track.

Saturday, May 9- The VRC (Vintage Racing Club of BC, which puts on the Vintage Weekend at Westwood each year- see the last issue for info and entry form) is having their drivers school at Westwood on May 9th (preceded by a mandatory class session the evening before)- cost is \$60.00 Canadian, which includes a membership in the VRC, which is \$30.00 Cdn alone. This event unfortunately is the same day as the All British Meet in Vancouver (for more info on this, see below) but if you are interested in participating in the Vintage Weekend and don't currently have a vintage or competition license this Drivers School would be a must. Contact me for info on how to sign up. Incidentally- the cut-off date for vintage-eligible Elans, Europas and Sevens is 31 December 1969; the LCCBC had petitioned the VRC to allow some later cars, but was just turned down.

Also on May 9th is the All-British Car Meet in Vancouver, and we now have entry forms for this meet, which are reprinted in this issue. If you're interested in entering this Meet, please do send your entry in as soon as possible, for a couple of reasons- first, to ensure that you will get one of the 20 spaces (two classes, 10 cars per class) now allotted for Lotus; second, the meet directors have informed me that if response is great enough, they'll add a third class of 10 cars for Lotus which would likely then be assigned to the Third Generation cars (Elite, Eclat, Esprit).

May Meeting- we still don't have a meeting site arranged for our May meeting, tentitively scheduled now for the 16th- any volunteers?

June Meeting- John and Nikki Daniels will be hosting this one, which will include their rally they had planned for last year which we never got around to- more details, map etc to follow in an upcoming newsletter.

Hear of an event you think might be of interest to Evergreen Lotus members? Let us know about it. Think you might like to put on something (backroads tour, brewery or winery tour, etc etc)- we would welcome some members taking the initiative and planning some little event once in a while. For example, do you want to have a garage tour this year?- if so, how about volunterring to organize it, by making a few phone calls and lining up some garages to visit, then setting up a meeting place and route for the participants to follow. It's easy enough to do, but I sure could use some help on little projects like this. Thanks.

Terry Elmore

### **NWARC DRIVERS' TRAINING - REGISTRATION**

Cost (\$U.S.) of the April 18 Drivers' Training Clinic at S.I.R. is:

AROC members (U.S. and Canada) = \$35.00 (\$20.00 by pre-registration)

Non-AROC = \$45.00 (\$30.00 by pre-registration).

Registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis with a maximum of 50 cars limit. All pre-registrations must be postmarked by April 6, 1987 and sent to: Mr. Steve Moe, Scott Bldg., 545 Rainier Blvd. N., Issaquah, WA 98027.

Open cars must have a roll bar. Helmets and seat belts are required for driver and passengers. Properly secured fire extinguishers are recommended, but not required. We recommend a full tank of fuel, increase your tire pressure to 35psi, change your oil and filter, bring extra oil. Safety check your car before you arrive. Wear non-synthetic clothing. Lunch and refreshments will be available.

Complete, detach and mail with check (no cash) to:

Steve Moe, Treasurer  
NWARC  
Scott Building  
545 Rainier Blvd.  
Issaquah, WA 98027

NAME (S): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS : \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

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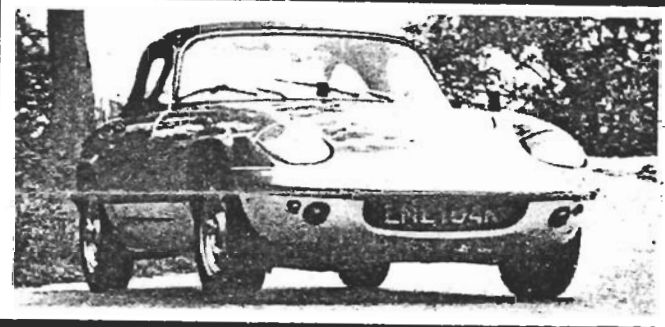
CHECK WHICH CLASS: NOVICE \_\_\_\_\_ INTERMEDIATE/EXPERT \_\_\_\_\_

AROC MEMBER? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NORTHWEST ALFA ROMEO CLUB.

# NEXT MONTH

With its entertaining writing and inspired photography, CLASSIC AND SPORTSCAR strives to be the best car magazine there is, but we are pulling out all the stops – and giving away a Lotus Elan Sprint – in our special April issue to see in our fifth anniversary with a bang!



*The Lotus Elan celebrates a significant birthday this year – it's 25 years old – and we are offering you the chance to win an immaculate, 126bhp Elan Sprint convertible in Gold Leaf colours in our free-to-enter competition. This fabulous car, hand-picked from the best currently available, could be yours! We also present our comprehensive guide – the best, we believe, ever published in a magazine – to buying an Elan, with everything you need to know about purchase, ownership and maintenance.*

This blurb, reprinted from the March 1987 issue of CLASSIC and SPORTSCAR, shows that their next issue will be well worth picking up. In addition to a promised extensive article covering the Elan in its Twenty Fifth year, an Elan Sprint is to be given away (RHD and probably harder than hell to get into this country, but I'll worry about that after I win it, right?). As I subscribe to this magazine, by airmail, I will reprint the entry form as soon as I receive it – because by the time the issue is available on the newsstands the contest will probably have ended!

The prices on Elans in the UK have gone up tremendously in the past year, very good examples going now for upwards of £9000, due in large part to the Japanese who, after clearing the UK market of all the good Sevens and early Elites a few years ago, are now grabbing all the good Elans, and jacking the prices up. With the exchange rate, the cost of Elans from the UK has effectively tripled in just a couple years, and will probably do the same here with all the press the Elan is sure to receive this year, so if you want one, better buy it soon.

The idea that Dave Larson brought forth, that I reported in the last LOTUS LINES, of having a club member acting as the "rep" or organizer for each Lotus model in the group, has received some support and encouragement from the general membership, and we have the following people lined up:

\*Sevens (including Caterhams, Westfield, Donkevoort, and all other 7 types)–

Dave Larson Rt. 4 Box 423 Vashon 98070 ph. 463-2816

\*early Elites

Terry Elmore 3010 132nd Ave. SE Snohomish 98290 334-5768

\*Elans and Plus 2s

Gary Wood 17607 SE 297th Pl. Kent 98042 631-8585

\*Europas

Mike Shaw 20923 161st Ave. SE Monroe 98272 775-3114

\*Third Generation (Esprit, Elite, Eclat)

Frank Grabner 844 NW 58th St. Seattle 98107 783-5726

We haven't really firmed up just exactly what the "duties" of these reps will be, I guess it's a matter of what they want to do, and what the other club members with the same cars ask of them. For example, we're planning to emphasize certain models at meetings or events during the year, as we've mentioned, so if for example Frank Grabner, who is hosting this month's meeting on the 21st, wants to make this meeting an emphasis on the Third Generation cars, those in the group with Esprits, Elites and Eclats may get a call from Frank encouraging them to show up.



The Morgan Owners group Northwest invites you and your club to picnic with us at Fort Casey State Park at Keystone Ferry Landing on Whidbey Isl. at approximately 12 noon Sat. May 2nd. You already know this but I want to add that we are going to start our tour at Olympia by staying at the Westwater Inn and depart Sat. at 7:30 A.M. to tour up Hood's Canal and cross via Ferry to Keystone. If you and, or your club wish to join us there call the Westwater Inn for rooms, either under the Morgan Club or block rooms off for your club in the same area as ours, you will get convention rates.

Side note: The Morgans will continue across Whidbey Isl. to LaConner for dinner and lodging that evening.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bob Nelson".

Bob Nelson

743-5244 WK

387-3241 HM

When the invitation from the Morgan Club, to join them in a picnic at Fort Casey was first mentioned at the meeting in January, several people asked if it would be possible to go on their drive with them- while I did not know for sure, I said that my interpretation of the invitation was that the Morgan Club wanted their drive to be just for their members, and that they wanted all the other marques they were inviting to meet them at the end of their run.

This latest info I've just received, however shows that I was wrong, and we are welcome to go along with them on their drive up from Olympia along the Hood's Canal to Port Townsend, and then across by ferry to Keystone and Fort Casey. The phone number for the Westwater Inn in Olympia, should you wish to stay over Friday night, is 943-4000.

As an alternative plan- I would like to propose that we use this event to have a joint get-together with the Lotus Car Club of BC, arranging a meeting place with them (for example, in LaConner) from which we can go as a group over to Fort Casey as a group (with, perhaps a side trip or two on the way). I haven't seen this event mentioned in any of the other marque club newsletters that we receive, so I don't know yet what the response will be from some of the other British car clubs, but this sounds like a good opportunity to see how many Lotuses we can get out for an intermarque event (and may be taken as a challenge to some of the other clubs- how about it, MGCC, Tyee Triumph, Cascade Healey, SAMOA? See you there?).

I will be attending the next LCCBC meeting, on Wednesday the 4th of March, and will propose this joint gathering to them then, and will keep you informed as plans progress (meeting places and times, routes, etc.)

## GENERAL INFORMATION

The Old British Car Society invites you to attend the second annual Vancouver All British Field Meet to be held once again on the beautiful grounds of Van Dusen Botanical Gardens on May 9, 1987. The meet is open to all makes of British automobiles regardless of vintage. The Old British Car Society is a non-profit organization comprised of clubs representing the following marques; Aston Martin, Austin Healey, Bentley, Jaguar, Lotus, Mini, MG, and Rolls Royce.

Our first meet was held last May and was a resounding success with 181 entries and a warm sunny sky. The field consisted of a good variety of makes including such rarities as a Raitton, Brough Superior, and Singer Airline Coupe. Sixteen of the entries were pre-war including the beautiful 1928 Aston Martin LM-1 of Dr. Robert Follows. This ex-factory team car with a very distinguished racing career took the overall Peoples Choice Award.

This year's event promises to be even better than the last. With a number of conflicting meets and Expo 86 out of the way, we are expecting a much larger turnout than last year. Display space at the gardens is limited so PLEASE REGISTER EARLY to avoid possible disappointment!

Awards will be presented to First, Second and Third place in each of the 36 classes (see back cover). There will also be Special Awards for Best Debuting Restoration, Cutest Car, and Best In Show.

## ACCOMMODATION

The Host Hotel and Meet Headquarters for this year's event will be the Pacific Palisades Hotel near Stanley Park in Vancouver. We found this hotel to offer the best combination of location, amenities, service and price. Every room is a self-contained suite capable of sleeping four which offers a fully equipped kitchen for a nominal charge. Price ranges from \$80.00 CDN up. Reservations may be made directly by contacting:

The Pacific Palisades Hotel  
1277 Robson St., Vancouver, B.C., V6E 1C4  
(604) 688-0461 / Toll Free: 1-800-663-1815

Please inform them that you are with the Old British Car Society and book early as we have a limited number of rooms set aside for us. A roped-off underground parking area will be provided.

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**Friday, May 8 — 7:30 p.m. — Cocktail Party, Pacific Palisades Hotel: 1277 Robson St., Vancouver. Late Registration, Slalom entry, Posters and Entrants Packs will be available. Directions: From HWY 99 cross the Oak Street Bridge and turn Right at 25th Ave. (King Edward). Proceed to Cambie St. and turn Left. Cross the Cambie St. Bridge. Turn right at Beatty. Proceed one block to Robson and turn left.**

**Saturday, May 9 — All British Field Meet and Entrants' Choice Voting. Location: Van Dusen Botanical Gardens, Oak and 37th. Car placement: 8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Car display: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Note: Balloting closes at 2 p.m. Awards Banquet: "The Point" restaurant in Stanley Park (follow the Park Drive to the restaurant by the Lions Gate Bridge). Menu: Salmon Wellington, gourmet salad and dessert. Cocktails from 7 p.m., Dinner at 8 p.m.**

**Sunday, May 10 — Slalom (Yes, Virginia, there will be a slalom!) Particulars were still being finalized at press time and details will be provided in your Entrants Packs.**

FOR OBCS USE ONLY  
CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_ ENTRY NO: \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE RECD: \_\_\_\_\_

## REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ PROV./STATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
CODE: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
MARQUE: \_\_\_\_\_ MODEL: \_\_\_\_\_  
YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_ BODY STYLE: \_\_\_\_\_ COLOUR: \_\_\_\_\_  
HISTORY: \_\_\_\_\_  
CLUB AFFILIATION: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check if you wish to qualify for The Best Debuting Restoration Award (completed within the last 6 months and not previously shown)

NO. OF CARS ENTERED: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 ... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. OF BANQUET TICKETS: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$22.00 ... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
SOUTENIR POSTERS: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 5.00 ... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
SLALOM: \_\_\_\_\_ DRIVERS @ \$ 5.00 ... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Maximum 2 drivers per car)

NOTE: All entrants are required to abide by the following conditions:  
— Cars must be in place on the grounds by 11 a.m. and will not be removed before 4 p.m.  
— Engines must not be started prior to 4 p.m.  
— The gardens are a "Quiet Zone" - the use of any audible sound devices are prohibited.  
— Please respect the lawns. Cars must move slowly and carefully while on the grounds.  
— "For Sale" signs of any sort are not to be displayed in or on the cars. A Bulletin Board will be provided on the grounds for those interested in selling cars or parts.  
— There will be no refunds within 7 days of the event.

Please make all cheques payable to "The Old British Car Society" and mail to: P.O. Box 82664, Burnaby, B.C. V5C 5W4.

For further information call: Steve Diggins — 291-7074 or 291-2017  
Doug Lupton — 437-8887

CLASSIC MOTORBOOKS      book orders

I am holding some of the books that have been trickling in from our book order last year, and so have items for Frank Grabner and Ed Harrison which I'll bring along to the next meeting at Frank's and can hopefully deliver to you then.

Several people have expressed an interest in placing another order, so we will be taking orders at the next meeting for sending in the last week of March; so, if you're interested in adding any items to your automotive library this is a good opportunity to save quite a bit of money in the process. We will have copies of the Classic Motorbooks catalog available for you to go through, or see their ads in e.g. Road & Track for currently available items and new releases.

One notable new release, for Seven enthusiasts, is the new volume by Jeremy Coulter of Thoroughbred and Classic Cars, in the MRP Collector's Guide series (the two previous Lotus titles in this series cover the Elan and Europa, and the Third Generation cars). The new volume covers the Lotus and Caterham Sevens, and has been highly **recommended** in the reviews so far as the best Seven reference book published.

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