



NTC News – June 2021

Keeping Members informed

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Postponement of City of Norwich Aviation Museum Trip.

The Government decision to delay any further relaxation of social distancing rules until 19th July 2021 would have an impact on making the most of our visit to the Aviation Museum. Also, disappointingly only two members have let Vaughan know of their intention to attend. Under the circumstance the event will not now take place on the 7th July as originally planned.

The Museum is happy for us to rearrange it to a later date should enough members wish to take part. However, before we consider doing so we must know how many of you would be interested in such a visit. Committee members give their time to plan and arrange such events, but we always have to chase the membership for responses at the last minute. If you want us to re-arrange, please let Vaughan Rowley (vaunmand@gmail.com Tel: 07395 044392) within the next 3 weeks.

80th Annual Dinner - 24th September 2021 – City Suite, Mercure Norwich Hotel.

We are still confident that the long postponed 80th Annual Dinner can, subject to sufficient attendance numbers, take place on Friday 24th September 2021 as planned. Holding this event will be a way of kickstarting the new season and renewing acquaintances and friendships after such a long break.

The charity we will be supporting is the East Anglian Air Ambulance and we are pleased that Patrick Peel, one of the two founders, will be joining us as an honoured guest. We are sure you would all agree that this is not only a very worthwhile cause, but a service which any one of us might be unfortunate to call on.

The after-dinner speaker/entertainer will be Ian Irving, a comedian, raconteur with over 30 years performance history on the corporate/charity events circuit and on TV.

Booking - The reservation form is attached. This year we are not asking for payment upfront at time of booking. Once we have sufficient numbers, no resurgence of the pandemic and are satisfied the event can go ahead, we will issue you an invoice for payment. We will of course offset any non-refunded payment(s) you made for the cancelled 2020 event.

Our contract with the Hotel requires notice of cancellation by the Club no later than 27th August 2021. Therefore, we need to have your bookings **no later than Sunday 15th August** at the very latest so that we can be sure the event is viable and can finalise all the planning. However, the sooner we have an idea of likely numbers the better. Early submission of your reservation form with your guest numbers would be greatly appreciated, even if you cannot give all of their names at that time, giving us an early feel on the likelihood the event can go ahead.

More than ever this year we are keen to attract other non-members from transportation related companies and professional or trade associations, with guests, to join us. Not only will it boost numbers to help finance the event, it will also increase the level of charity donations on the night and help promote Club membership. Please, over the next few weeks try to promote to any business or professional/trade association member etc contacts you have (that will not be on your personal guest list) what a great evening our annual charity dinners are. Subject to any remaining social distancing requirements, we can accommodate tables of up to 10, possibly 12, persons. Barry Parnell will be pleased to send a reservation form to any contact you can convince to join us.

Sponsorship – This year, like every other, in order to cover costs whilst keeping the ticket price down, we need to seek sponsors for the after-dinner speaker's fee and menu/programme card printing. We are extremely grateful that two or three of you respond to this and help ameliorate the expense. Whilst not wishing to turn down any offer those companies/individuals may once again be willing to make, this year it would be great if perhaps other members might also help. Amounts as little as £50 would go a long way to helping us avoid any financial loss. If you are willing to contribute, please speak to Barry.

He will also be happy to answer any questions and concerns over attending the dinner, you may have.
Email: thenorwichtrafficclub@gmail.com Tel: 07789 103154.

Classic Team Lotus Visit – Sunday 3rd October 2021:

Just a brief reminder. As mentioned in last month's Newsletter and accompanying outing flyer, in order to secure the booking of our visit to Classic Team Lotus on the 3rd October we needed your bookings by 30th June 2001. Disappointingly, as was the case with the Aviation Museum visit, only 2 persons have advised Vaughn they wish to attend. Although we have requested payment by cheque, we will not bank it until we can confirm the event is viable and can go ahead. Nevertheless, we do need to have reasonable assurance of likely attendance numbers by the end of this month. If you want to attend, with or without guests, and need more time before sending in your booking with names and payment, please message Vaughn with your intention to take part in the visit. (vaunmand@gmail.com Tel:..07395 044392).



Autumn 2021 Club Outing Classic Team Lotus F1



Government legislation permitting

This outing to the Classic Team Lotus Works, 6 Potash Lane, Hethel, NR14 8E will take place on Sunday 3rd October 2021. Start time 11.00
Spaces on this trip are limited to a maximum of 20 persons so early booking is essential. The outing is open to N.T.C. members and their guests.

Cost: £50 person. The 2.5-hour visit will include:

- Film presentation of a slice of Team Lotus history.
- Tour of the Classic Team Lotus race shop.
- History and technical significance of cars displayed.
- The Team Lotus archive.
- Photo opportunities with an F1 car.

Refreshments will be available on arrival.



The collection includes Grand Prix winning Team Lotus Formula One cars as raced by Clark, Hill, Rindt, De Angelis, Fittipaldi, Andretti, Mansell and Senna



Booking - Lotus require payment in full up front at time of booking. Therefore, before we can secure the date, we need to be sure we have sufficient numbers to meet their 20-attendee requirement. If you would like to take part in this event, please send a cheque for the full amount, made payable to the Norwich Traffic Club, together with:

- Your name and a contact telephone number,
- the name of any guest,

to - Vaughn Rowley, Outings Coordinator at 8 Lurkings Crescent, Sprowston, Norwich NR7 8FD.

We will not bank your cheques until the booking is secured

The sooner we have your booking the sooner we can firmly secure the date. If numbers exceed the 20 maximum, we will work on a first to book first served basis and hold any additional booking requests in reserve.

Bookings a.s.a.p. and no later than 30th June 2021 please.

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We hope you all have a good summer break, and that many of you will feel able to take part in the Classic Team Lotus outing and the 80th Annual Dinner. If not, Government legislation permitting, we look forward to seeing you and your guests at the Mercure Hotel on the 13th October.

Published on behalf of the Committee.
Barry Parnell, Hon. Secretary
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