

### The first words

In this fourth issue I like to show you the Eagle.... Yes, I really do! And I hope the image that was sent to me by email is just that! Thank you and please, please only sent me images that will not get me into copyright trouble!

Also some model car news, new information on the Lotus 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event and an International Event in Holland coming up!

And here is something that I like to share with you, my new pride!



The beauty and the beast....

I hope you will find these news items useful!

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## News from Group Lotus

Recently we did see:

Lotus Cars and Sony Entertainment celebrate release of Gran Turismo 5 Prologue

Read all about the news items in the press releases section of the website, please follow this link: <http://www.lotusdriversguide.com/Press/index.php>

## New on the website

Model cars, books, press releases, a complete overview of what is new can be found at the 'news' page on the website: <http://www.lotusdriversguide.com/new.php>.

## Model cars

I have never seen models made by the Italian company Top Model, but these look good:



Lotus Type 19 1/43

The model shown above is the 1/43rd 1962 Winner Daytona (Dan Gurney) version, there are also green and red 'street versions'. You can find images in the model car section of the website, please follow the hyperlink <http://www.lotusdriversguide.com/Modelcars/index.php>.

This is something special: the Lotus designed Hot Wheels® concept! You can read about this project on the website, please follow the hyperlink [http://www.lotusdriversguide.com/Press/Lotus\\_Design\\_Hot\\_Wheels\\_concept.php](http://www.lotusdriversguide.com/Press/Lotus_Design_Hot_Wheels_concept.php). The images are showing a Hot Wheels® prototype.



Hot Wheels® prototype 1/55

And here is the production model:



Hot Wheels® Lotus Concept 1/55

### **Project Eagle**

Lotus are preparing its most important product launch since the Elise. "Project Eagle", the new Lotus to fill the gap between the Elise and the coming Esprit, will be presented to the public at the London Motor Show in late July. The car will have an aluminum chassis with a bonded one-piece carbon-fiber roof including A-posts.

This could be it!



Project Eagle ?

## Events

Please see our events calendar, <http://www.lotusdriversguide.com/Events/index.php>.



The **BIG EVENT** this year will be Lotus 60th Anniversary.

Starting June 1, 2008, you will be able to find all information here:  
<http://www.lotus60thanniversary.com/>

Here are some things that you can expect this day:

Passenger Demo Rides (with Lotus Test Drivers) - Pre-booked only.

Factory Tours - highly recommended!

Car Give-away - Competition running throughout the year with a Car as the first prize (not confirmed but hoped to be a supercharged Elise).

Red Devils - Track Rides will cease while they land!

Interesting Lotus Cars dotted around the site on Plinths.

Car History - If you own it, you can register for a copy of the build records etc. To be sent out subsequently.

I have booked our room in a nice hotel and I think you should not wait doing the same!

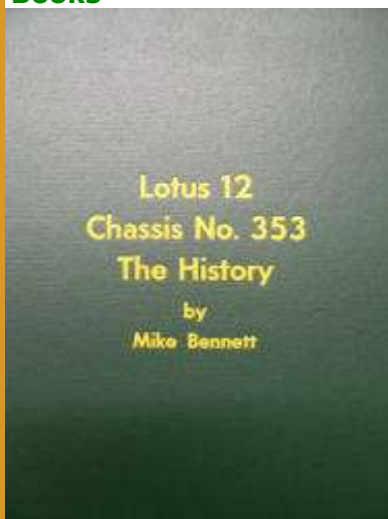
## International Event in The Netherlands!

Lotus Club Holland will organize an international event in 2009 from May 21 until May 25. All members from International Lotus Clubs will be welcome during this event. The event will have a fantastic program in/around Amsterdam and the area above Amsterdam, the province of Noord Holland. It will also contain a roundtrip by ship through the Amsterdam canals and a visit to the circuit of Zandvoort. More information will be available on the club website <http://www.lotusclubholland.nl/>.

## Downloads

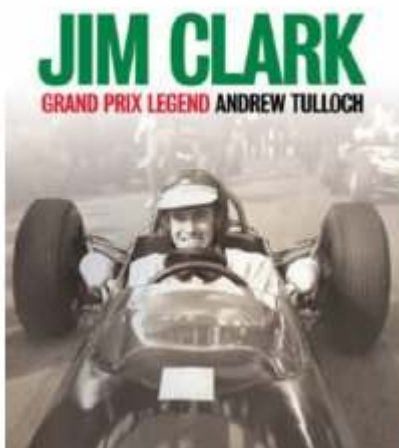
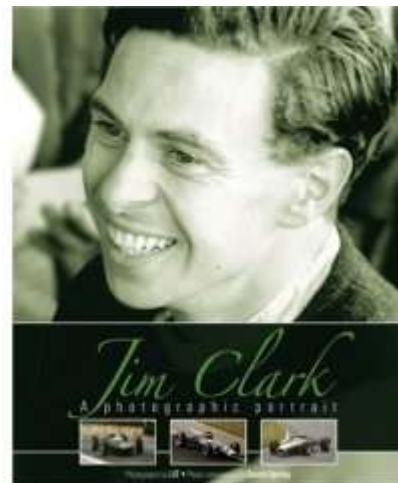
If you have anything that you like to share with other Lotus enthusiasts and that will not get me into copyright problems, please let me know. I am happy to make it available from the website.

## Books



A very interesting book is "**Lotus 12 chassis No 353: The History**" by Mike Bennett. The complete story of the oldest and first Lotus GP car. The book covers the design of the Lotus 12 model and the history of chassis number 353. This will be a rare item as production will not exceed 200 copies. Hardbound in green Buckram, 164 pp

Another recent book is "**Jim Clark - A photographic portrait**" which brings Clark's career vividly to life through stunning images.



And you can look out for another Clark book, called "**Jim Clark: Grand Prix Legend**" that is due for June 2008. His story is told here by the curator of the museum dedicated to his extraordinary exploits.