



Newsletter

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The first words

One of the nice aspects of having a Lotus related website is the international contacts, having e-mail friends all over the world. Last month I did get a tip from a friend in Spain about Leonardo Madeo in Argentina, who is an artist with resin. You can read about him in this newsletter. And from a modelcar collector in the USA I am always receiving images and subjects for the website. Thank you all for helping me!

I hope you will find the following news items useful, please enjoy!

Ronald Ringma

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News from Group Lotus

Recently we did see:

- Elise Clark Type 25 - mainland Europe
- Update on the Sixtieth Anniversary Celebrations at Lotus
- Lotus to develop OMNIVORE research engine
- Lotus Ice Vehicle

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 proactive e-zine

The July/August issue of the Lotus Engineering proactive e-zine is now available for download from the website, with interesting stories as usual;

- The Evora is here
- Lotus Eco-Elise
- British International Motorshow
- Interview with Victor Muller

Please see <http://www.lotusdriversguide.com/Proactive/index.php>

New on the website

Of course the new pages on the Evora in the Genealogy and Modelcar sections. And more news, 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

Tameo have announced a new version of the 1/43rd Type 56; the **Lotus Type 56** Turbine Indy 500 1968, Driver Joe Leonard. This model will be available by October 2008.



Tameo Type 56, 1/43rd

In Spain the company **Altaya** will soon present a new series of Rally Cars by Scalextric, scale 1/32. One of the more interesting items for us will be the **Sunbeam Lotus** model.

At this moment I do not know anything about availability, normally you will find the Altaya models also offered on websites like Ebay.



Altaya/Scalextric Sunbeam Lotus

Also new are some handbuilt resin 1/43 models of the **Lotus XI**, made by **Pinko** of Italy, here are some pictures:



Lotus Mark XI, 1956 Le Mans Allison, by Pinko, 1/43



Lotus Mark XI, 1956 Le Mans Chapman, by Pinko, 1/43

Soldados Galileo

Being a collector of Lotus model cars, I enjoy decorating these miniatures with small items like 1/43rd scale mechanics. As I know that some other collectors do the same, I like to share the following with you;

Leonardo Madeo is a 49-years young sculptor living in Buenos Aires with his family. He is creating resin figures and displays on a commission basis and, judging the images on his website, he is good at it! I am trying to convince him to make a 1/43rd Jim Clark and a Colin Chapman miniature.

Please have a look at his website and if you are interested maybe we can join forces and place an order! <http://www.soldadosgalileo.com.ar/index.htm>



Jackie Stewart 1/43rd

Lotus on Ice

In the second week of August Lotus have released a series of images that present the Lotus Ice Vehicle Concept.



Please have a look at the Press Releases section of the website for more information:
<http://www.lotusdriversguide.com/Press/index.php>

There is a video on You Tube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W9Qp0hRs2VQ>

Internet magazine

Here is a good example of an internet car magazine, iMotor. Please see <http://www.imotormagazine.com>. I really like this, an interactive digital magazine! For us, the first issue is very interesting with an article on the Lotus Evora, you can find the first issue here: <http://dennis.cerosmedia.com/1B487f128968ece653.cde>. Please do not forget to have a look at the video with designer Russel Carr explaining about the Evora, click on the link at the bottom of page 5 of the magazine. And see the video on page 13, about how to drift with a Caterham!

Books

In the books section of the website I have added a very interesting book; The Ford Cosworth DFV, The Inside Story Of F1'S Greatest Engine.

Also I found an old book about component cars. Very interesting with chapters on (amongst others) the Seven, the Elite and the Elan.

Another find this month is the book "Grand Prix Racers" by Xavier Chimits, published in May 2008. This book gives readers a look at Grand Prix racing's top drivers by way of its top photographers, the father and son team of Bernard and Paul-Henri Cahier. Their images, reproduced here in all their brilliance, capture some of the most memorable, even legendary, moments in the history of Grand Prix racing. These incomparable photographs comprise intimate portraits of seventy-two of the sports greatest drivers from the 1950s through today. The heroes of Grand Prix racing--Fangio, Jim Clark, Phil Hill, Bruce McLaren, Jackie Stewart, Mario Andretti, Nigel Mansell, and Michael Schumacher, to name but a few--are familiar to F1 fans.



More information in the Books Section on the website, <http://www.lotusdriversguide.com/Books/>

Events

If you like to have your (Club)event listed on our calendar, please let me know! There is no charge. You can find the calendar here: <http://www.lotusdriversguide.com/Events/index.php>.

Only a few days to go before we can celebrate



The Lotus 60th Anniversary.

You will find all information here: <http://www.lotus60thanniversary.com/>

Again, I like to mention the **2009 International Event in The Netherlands** that will be organised by the Lotus Club Holland from 21–25 May 2009. All members from International Lotus Clubs will be welcome during this event. The event will have a fantastic program in/around Amsterdam and the province of Noord Holland. It will also contain a roundtrip by canal boat through the Amsterdam canals and a visit to the circuit of Zandvoort. More information will be available soon on the website, <http://www.lotusclubholland.nl>

And if you need information or assistance I will be happy to help you.

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.