



Dear LOTUS friends,

This year, we are celebrating a major LOTUS milestone: "50 Years of LOTUS ESPRIT". Exactly 50 years ago, Colin Chapman unveiled the legendary LOTUS ESPRIT for the first time at the 1975 Paris Motor Show.

But that's not all! 2025 brings more LOTUS anniversaries to celebrate. The iconic LOTUS ECLAT turns 50, LOTUS CARLTON celebrates its 35th anniversary, and we also mark the 30th anniversary of LOTUS ELISE and the 25th anniversary of LOTUS EXIGE.

In motorsport, LOTUS is celebrating "The Greatest Year", marking 60 years since its iconic victories in Formula 1, the Indy 500, and the F2 success in the Tasman series.

These are certainly great reasons for us LOTUS fans to come together and celebrate! There will also be an awards ceremony at the TABAC CLASSIC GRAND PRIX.

We would love for you to join us in the celebrations at the TABAC HISTORIC GRAND PRIX in Assen. Alongside many LOTUS clubs, we will be marking these incredible anniversaries in style.

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LOTUS HISTORIC REGISTER GERMANY

Siegfried Herrmann

Ladies and gentlemen, dear LOTUS friends,

I hope the new year has started off well for you, even though we are hardly hearing anything positive from the world and politics. Unfortunately, we will probably have to live with that for a few more years. But life goes on, and all the more reason to look forward to some good LOTUS news.

I will start with the great news that I will be staying with you until the LOTUS anniversary "80 Years of LOTUS" in 2028. We will then celebrate this amazing milestone together!

As every year, we will meet again in 2025 at RETRO CLASSICS in Stuttgart on March 1st and 2nd, 2025. I am planning to organize a special LOTUS Stammtisch (Get-Together) on March 1st at 7:00 p.m. at Gasthof Wichtel. Please let me know by February 15th, 2025, if you

would like me to reserve a seat for you at Gasthof Wichtel. This is important because it's becoming increasingly difficult to book a restaurant for a larger number of guests.

However, I have managed to secure a good number of seats there. So, please let me know in advance if you would like to join. Below is the address:

Böblinger Wichtel  
Motorworld Böblingen  
Graf- Zeppelin Platz 1  
71034 Böblingen

We are kicking off the year for us LOTUS friends with our big LOTUS event at the Hockenheimring from May 9th to 11th this year. A major HIGHLIGHT of the ADAC Hockenheim Historic will be the historic Formula 1, which will be making a guest appearance in Hockenheim this year for the Jim Clark Revival after a long time absence.

Our next highlight will be the anniversary of “50 Years of LOTUS ESPRIT” as the legendary LOTUS ESPRIT S1 was introduced at the Paris Motor Show exactly 50 years ago in 1975. There are also other LOTUS anniversaries to celebrate in 2025. These include “50 Years of LOTUS Eclat” and “30 Years of LOTUS ELISE”. And let’s not forget the anniversary “35 Years of LOTUS Carlton”, better known as the LOTUS Omega.

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I have also decided to host an awards ceremony for LOTUS participants at the ADAC Hockenheim Historic “Jim Clark Revival”. Prizes will be awarded in the following categories:

The Most Beautiful LOTUS ESPRIT S1

The Most Beautiful LOTUS ESPRIT in Original Condition

The Most Beautiful LOTUS ESPRIT Turbo

The Most Beautiful LOTUS Eclat

The Most Beautiful LOTUS Omega

The Most Beautiful LOTUS ELISE MK1

The Most Beautiful LOTUS Exige MK1

Surely, this is another great reason for all LOTUS friends to come to Hockenheim this year.

The next big highlight will be the TABAC HISTORIC GRANDPRIX in Assen, Netherlands. We will be hosting a big LOTUS-Festival together with LOTUS clubs from Luxembourg, Belgium, and the Netherlands. As the organizer, Mr. Lee van Dam from the Race Circuit Assen, has informed me, a prominent racing driver (former Lotus F1 driver) will also be driving a LOTUS F1 car there this year.

We can also look forward to other beautiful Lotus Race Cars in Assen. ATTENTION: All LOTUS participants will also have the opportunity to drive a few laps on the Race Circuit Assen in front of a full crowd. I will provide all LOTUS friends with more details in my next newsletter, including information on club tickets, hotel recommendations, and more.

That's all for now. I'll be in touch with you all again soon!

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