

TIGER 50 **MONTE TOUR**



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This is the 1st Bulletin for the Tiger50 Monte Tour and straightaway it is very pleasing to tell everyone that the take up to date by Club members and international Tiger enthusiasts has been fantastic. So much so that after receiving 35 confirmed entries we increased the maximum number of crew entries to 50.

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We feel it is very likely the extra places will soon be filled once this first Bulletin is widely published! We are also very hopeful that Rootes Group rally star Rosemary Smith with long term co-driver Pauline Gullick will be able to join the Tour.

New Start Date

Our professional advisors have recently completed their reconnoitre of the route of the Tour and as a consequence we feel we need to start the Tour one day earlier on Saturday 30th August. This is because originally we had everyone arriving on the morning of the start (1st) day and we feel that doing so would have left little to no room for error by arriving crews, be that due to breakdowns or simply arriving too

late for the driver's briefing and so disrupt the start. Pretty well everyone has to stay somewhere between Calais and Saint Quentin, France on the Saturday, all we doing is asking that we now all stay in the same hotel.

This revision will give us a margin for error and recovery time. Importantly it will also allow the Driver's Briefing to take place on the eve of the Tour start proper and for us all to be up 'bright & breezy' on the Sunday morning.

Change to Cost

By including the Saturday night in the Tour a small upward adjustment to the overall cost of the Tour will be necessary but in fact in all no more than each crew would otherwise have to pay out!

Tour Dates

This alteration means the Tour schedule now looks like this:



GRAND TOURING CARS OVER 2.500c.c. Peter Harper and Ian Hall also 4th overa





GRAND TOURING CARS UP TO 1,000c.c.



The Crew Package

What's included?

Saturday - Dinner, Hotel (B&B)

Sunday - Lunch, Dinner, Hotel (B&B)

Monday - Lunch, Dinner, Hotel (B&B)

Tuesday - Lunch, Dinner, Hotel (B&B)

Wednesday - Lunch, Dinner, Hotel (B&B)

Thursday - Lunch, Dinner, Hotel only

Friday - Lunch, Hotel only

Saturday - Gala & Awards Dinner & Hotel only

Sunday - Concours Show & Hotel only

Rally plaque and two 'Monte' Golf / Denim shirts Support Crew and local repairs & recovery

Package Price: Cost per crew sharing double or twin room

What's not included?

Channel Crossing - Out & Return

Friday - Dinner

Friday to Sunday - Breakfasts (TBC later)

Sunday - Dinner

No alcoholic drinks except for 'Gala Dinner'

Premium for The Grand Hotel Days 6 / 7/8 Return car transport to England



The Route

It is still early days but our professional advisors recommended route has been gone through together with the chosen places for lunch stops and overnight hotel stays etc. The map below gives you a taster of the Tour's direction. Once you have obtained your copy of the Michelin Atlas of France (scale 1-200000)

- Christmas stocking perhaps - you will able to get an idea of what's in store.



The planned route will include many quiet and delightful French 'D' roads, where you will be able to enjoy motoring in your Tiger in conditions as close as possible to those you might have enjoyed in 1964. In addition there will be some little gems from the route of the Geneva rally of 1964 and the Monte Carlo rally of 1965, which were the two first European Rallies entered by the Works Tigers.

Come the day the whole route (even the bit in Switzerland), will be governed by a Road Book including 'Tulip' instructions to hopefully make it easy to follow the correct intended route. The Navigator does not have to be an expert, and will need only the most basic map reading skills. However, I shall be taking my SAT NAV as a fall back!

The Tour Regulations will be issued with the 2nd Bulletin.

Cannes Hotel

In the interests of camaraderie and friendships that will no doubt be struck up among the crews during the Tour we feel it would be nicer and frankly more fun for everyone if we kept the choice of our hotel in Cannes to one regular and one luxury hotel. Apart from anything else Cannes is known to have some intricate traffic challenges and manoeuvring up to 50 Tigers from several hotels to one place or another is best not encouraged.

Therefore we would like each crew to choose from either the Novotel Hotel, Cannes or the Grand Hotel. As mentioned in the Tiger50 programme there will be a £££ supplement for staying at The Grand.





We would welcome knowing your choice of hotel as soon as convenient and no later than the end of December this year so that we may firm up reservations early in the New Year.

Novotel: http://www.novotelcannes.com/home/novotelcanneshotels.shtm

Grand Hotel: http://www.grand-hotel-cannes.com/uk/grand-hotel-cannes-site-officiel.php

Please feel free to raise any questions you may have with the Club organisers. Until the next Bulletin...

All the best Graham Vickery