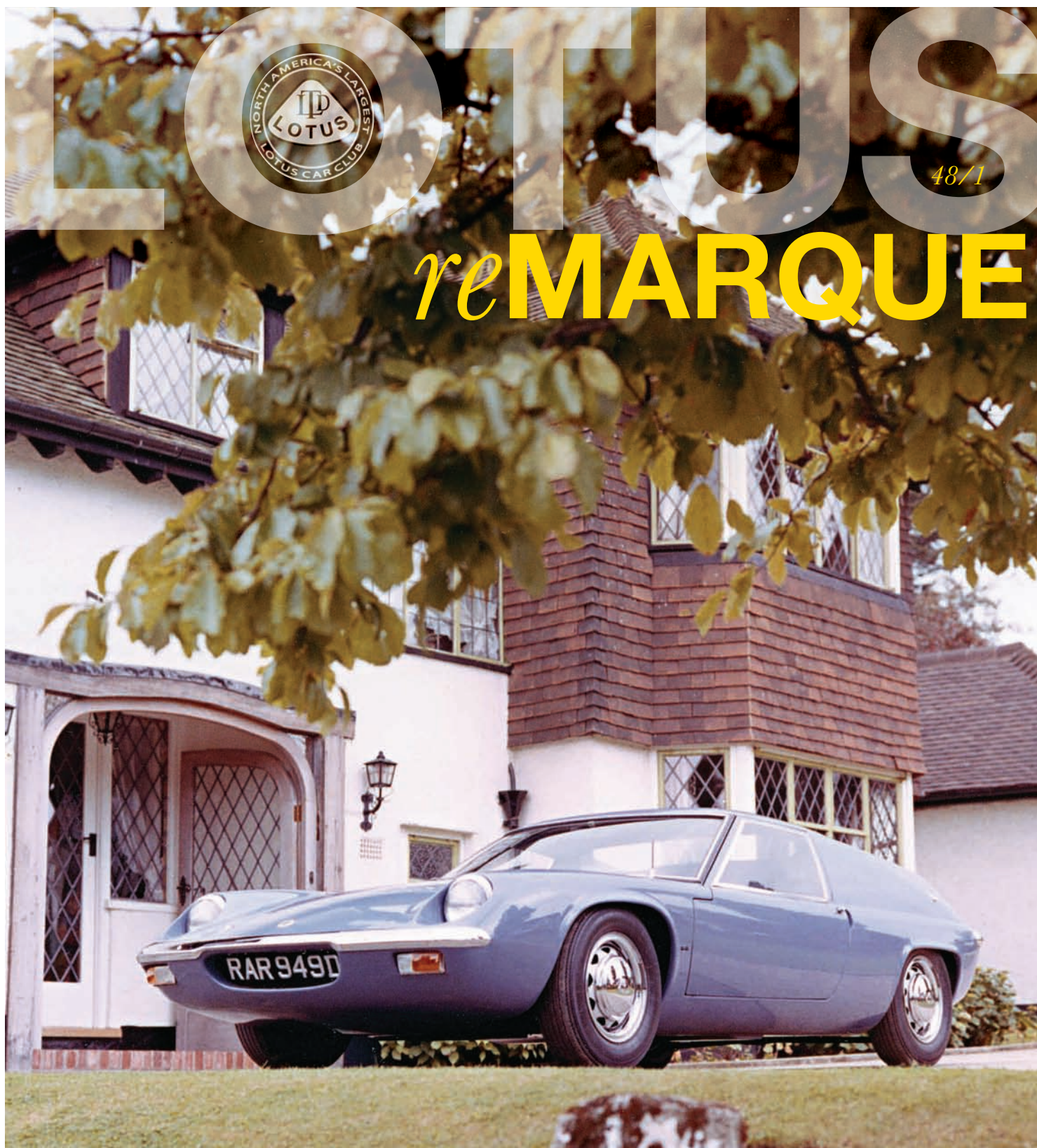




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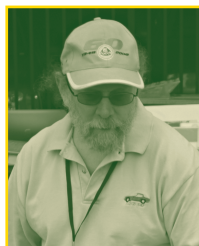
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## PRESIDENT

When you live along the western shore of Lake Erie, the arrival of spring is dependent on how much ice is on the lake. We might get a late, lake effect snowstorm, but with the lake not acting like a huge air conditioner, spring should really be just around the corner. We should have an early spring, which means we should be able to get out our Lotus cars before late April. I am always so jealous of those of you that live in areas of this planet where it is sports car season all year long.

Registration is open at [www.clubregistration.net](http://www.clubregistration.net) for our 2020 High-Performance Driver Education Day at Watkins Glen. Wednesday June 17, 2020 is our day at the Glen and we are excited again to work with the Mercedes-Benz Club of America. Along with our full day \$350 Performance Education program we now offer an event we call the Performance Driving Experience. For a cost of \$100, you will have a few laps in the morning with an instructor driving and showing you the correct racing line around Watkins Glen. As you will be behind a pace car and driving at highway speeds, no helmet is required. Then in the afternoon, after informational classroom time, you take to the wheel yourself for a few more laps around Watkins Glen at reduced speed (highway speeds again) with your instructor in the passenger seat teaching you the correct line around Watkins Glen International. We will also have our usual Laps & Lunch, and all Lotus, Ltd. members are welcome to join us and spectate. It is a wonderful way to spend a summer day in the Finger Lakes Region of New York State. Contact me if you are interested in any portion of our day at Watkins Glen.

Plans are well under way for our Lotus Owners Gathering in Salt Lake City, Utah, September 18-21, 2020. Rich Shea and the Utah Lotus Owners Coalition (ULOCO) are planning a great LOG and we are all looking forward to making the trip out to Salt Lake City. Make your reservations and plans now for attending this year's LOG. Hotel reservations are open. More information will be forthcoming soon and will be on the Lotus, Ltd. website and in Lotus *re*Marque.

Lotus, Ltd. will be holding more car control clinics at Lime Rock Park. As soon as we have those dates firmed up, we will send out an e-blast to let you all know of the plans. Last year's car control clinics were enjoyed by all those that attended. We are working on arranging a Performance Driver Education Day at Lime Rock Park. If you would be interested in attending, please send me an email as I need to know our members level of interest.

I would like to ask all members to look through their pictures as we have a project the board has been working on. This is an exciting new idea for Lotus, Ltd. and will require pictures of your cars. If you read elsewhere in this issue of *re*Marque, all will become clear!

It usually takes me few days to write my presidents message. When I started this message, we had the threat of lake effect snows coming in from the west and causing blizzard conditions. The threats became fact and as I look out my windows at the snow blowing and the wind drifting the snow across the driveway, it seems like winter will just never end. But winter will end. On the latest newscast I see, they are they are officially forecasting an early spring for most of the country.

As I look in my garage, I see the Lotus cars just hibernating, waiting to be uncovered and brought to life. With the early spring forecast I know we will be out in our Lotus cars before I write my next President message. Gosh, I hope so.

Tony Vaccaro  
President, Lotus, Ltd.

Cover Image: This shot of one the first Europa chassis' built was taken outside Colin and Hazel's house 'High Point' in Hadley Wood, Hertfordshire in early 1966. Image © Chapman Collection

# LOG UPDATE



September 18th-20th, 2020



## HOTEL

The hotel has a very nice bar in which to relax with other Lotus lovers and has views of the mountains and, if you're lucky, a glimpse of the resident mule deer herd. Their "Thistle & Thyme" restaurant is next to the bar and there's a convenience store and Starbucks Coffee on site. Here's a link to the hotel website: [www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/slcup-salt-lake-city-marriott-university-park](http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/slcup-salt-lake-city-marriott-university-park)

## UTAH AREA

Non-Lotus activities within a very short (walking) distance from the hotel include Red Butte Gardens, the Utah Museum of Natural History, the historic Fort Douglas Cemetery and Hogle Zoo. Red Butte, the museum and cemetery are within walking distance or a short hotel shuttle ride. The zoo is best reached by car or hotel shuttle. Also within shuttle distance are downtown Salt Lake City and the Salt Lake LDS Temple, and the Utah Museum of Fine Arts.

## SATURDAY

The Casual Concours will be in the hotel parking lot so do take advantage of the free car wash and take some time to make your Lotus beautiful. The Panoramic photo will be taken in Murray Park, a short drive from the hotel. After the photo you'll have some time to take in more of the sights in and around Salt Lake City.

## SUNDAY

Sunday evening is the farewell buffet with interesting presenters and a time to talk with your new Lotus friends.

## MONDAY

The Monday track day starts early at Utah Motorsports Complex with the mandatory classroom sessions starting at 8:45. Monday is also the start of the three-day Utah Tour

d'Elegance so there will be some very interesting machinery on the track with our Lotus cars.

## ALTERNATIVE ROUTES TO LOG 40

For our out-of-town guests driving their Lotus' to Salt Lake City there are several fun ways to get here without the tedium of freeways.

If you're coming from Southern California consider taking I-15 into St. George, Utah then Hiway 257 through Milford and Delta then north on Highway 6. Highway 6 splits just before Eureka, the left route goes through Stockton and Tooele before ending up on I-80 which will bring you right into SLC. Take a side trip to Ophir, an almost ghost town. You'll drive by the chemical weapons disposal facility on your way to Stockton. If you take the right route through Eureka (an almost ghost town) you'll eventually come to an intersection with a real olde tyme filling station. Go east for about another 4-miles and you'll see the ruins of the mill at Harold. Make a U turn and go back to the olde tyme filling station and turn north (right) on Highway 68.

You'll go through Elberta where Elberta peaches are grown and eventually end up on the west side of Utah Lake and drive through the new city of Saratoga Springs. Continue north and eventually you'll come to Bangerter Highway; turn right onto Bangerter and it'll take you to I-15. Take I-15 north and find your way to I-215 East. Stay on I-215 until it turns into Foothill Blvd. Stay on Foothill to Wakara Way. Turn right on Wakara for about half a mile then left at the first stoplight. Welcome to LOG 40!

If you take the other route through Eureka there are several ghost towns along the way: Dividend, Mammoth and almost-ghost town Eureka. The Eureka cemetery is the best wild-west cemetery I've ever seen. It's just before you hit Eureka proper and is well worth the short side trip. Putter around Eureka and look at all the really old miner's shacks. A side trip will take you through the ghost towns of Dividend and Mammoth. The last time I was out that way they'd re-opened the old workings of Mammoth. I guess the price of silver got high enough to make it worthwhile.

## Fun drives planned for LOG 40

There are hundreds of miles of fun roads and spectacular scenery in and around Salt Lake City. A few of the drives we have planned are:

Snowbird and Little Cottonwood Canyon. A winter and summer resort high in the Wasatch Mountains. The lodge is at 8500' and you can take the tram to Hidden Peak at 11,000' altitude. The scenery is unmatched and the drive up there is a ball.

Big Cottonwood Canyon, Brighton, Guardsman's Pass and Park City. A spectacular drive up one of the biggest canyons near Salt Lake City. Make the loop around Brighton Ski and Summer Resort then take the first right to Guardsman's pass. This takes you up and over the top and down the other side where you can bear left to Park City or bear right to Midway and more sportscar roads.

The Ghost Town Tour. South and west of Salt Lake City. Real wild west ghost towns and almost ghost towns. Check out the cemetery at Eureka, it's the best wild west cemetery I've ever seen.

The Bonneville Salt Flats. About a 90-minute drive due west of Salt Lake City. The Salt Flats are world renowned as the site for land speed record attempts. The Salt is so flat that you can see the earth's curve.

The Alpine loop. A two-lane road that goes from American Fork Canyon up and over the top of the mountains to Provo Canyon by way of Robert Redford's Sundance Resort. A beautiful drive. Several turnouts provide photo ops. Spectacular.

Mt. Nebo Loop. Another high mountain 2-lane road through spectacular scenery.

Red Rock Country. It's possible to leave Salt Lake City at 6:00am, drive to Arches National Park, take a pass through the park, hike up to Delicate Arch and be back in Salt Lake by about 8:00pm.

Pony Express drive. Yes, it's the real Pony Express route. It's paved most of the way, you can turn around when the pavement runs out. Look for "Aunt Libby's Pet Cemetery".

Skull Valley, Rush Valley and Dugway. Set your watch back 120 years—there's not much out there except grasslands, sagebrush and ghost towns. Oh—and the Dugway Proving Grounds where the US military gets to play with some of their explosive ordnance.



# Get Your Lotus Out

NoVA Lotus, the Northern Virginia chapter of Lotus, LTD., will hold the 19th edition of our Get Your Lotus Out (GYLO) on Sunday, May 31st, 2020, starting at 10:00am. We have held this special gathering of Lotus cars twice a year since May of 2011. We hold these events as social gatherings, and encourage members to organize drives, before or after the event. There's a short drive to a group lunch afterwards.

We have found that this gets people from all over our area to come in, and helps new Lotus owners make contact with people who have the expertise to help them enjoy their

Lotus even more. We have had people drive here from Canada and from Michigan! Our largest-ever GYLO had 34 Lotus cars in attendance.

You should consider holding an event like this for your local Lotus group – it's easy to organize. Just designate an area where you can gather a good number of Lotus, and hold it like a cars & coffee event.

If you'd like to come to our GYLO, here is the event info:

