

# *Le Mans 62 Register*

## *News Bulletin*

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Could this be your car ??, Read on..

(Photo by Rudolf Herensperger Car 80)



### Register News

#### Welcome new Registrants...

Welcome to Mike Smith and Veronica Horsnell (Car 66) joined in August.

### A busy summer!

In the UK we have been blessed with an early and late summer (we will forget the in between!)

Plenty of opportunities for runs and weekends away.

Harrogate was very enjoyable and it was great to be able to meet up with several LM62ers including Peter Alt (Car 75), Robert Merker (Car 34), Paul Evans (Car 17), Arthur Edge (Car 8) and our new member Mike Smith (Car 66). Sadly I missed Clifford Pratt (Car 9)

Please share with us any trips that you are undertaking.

### Le Mans 62 - Via Mala Tour

Plans are now advanced and going well for the trip to Switzerland.

As reported in the last Bulletin Robert Merker and Peter Alt have organised a great 3 day tour of the Swiss Alps based in Silvaplana near St. Moritz. Several LM62ers are already signed up and we welcome anymore to join us.

As well as the weekend based in Silvaplana, Keith and Elizabeth Wait are planning a trip for those based in UK and 'neighbouring' countries to travel 'the pretty' route to 'bag' several countries on route and make the journey as enjoyable as the actual stay in Switzerland. On the return we are planning to travel the route of the Rhine and return via the Hook of Holland ferry to Harwich. All in all a trip of thirteen days covering approx.. 2,000 miles and nine countries!

As you read this the plans are being finalised but we do need to reserve accommodation as the locations are already proving popular for the time of the year.

So don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to enjoy an extended Continental Tour and ultimately the beauty of Switzerland all through the view over your cherished 'bonnet'!

#### Travel from UK option: (at additional cost)

Here is a brief summary of the planned leg from UK:

- Saturday 22nd August  
Leaving UK via Calais Ferry, travel through France, Belgium to stay at Tournai
- Sunday 23rd August - Travel to Bourscheid
- Monday 24th August - Travel to Baden-Baden
- Tuesday 25th August - Travel to Bregenz
- Wednesday 26th August - Travel to Silvaplana

#### Main Event:

Thursday 27th August - Saturday 29th August

- Three days of spectacular driving in accommodation to match!

30 Rooms have already been reserved in Silvaplana (to allow for choices) and we plan to have at least 22 cars.

[Hotel Website \(English\)](#)



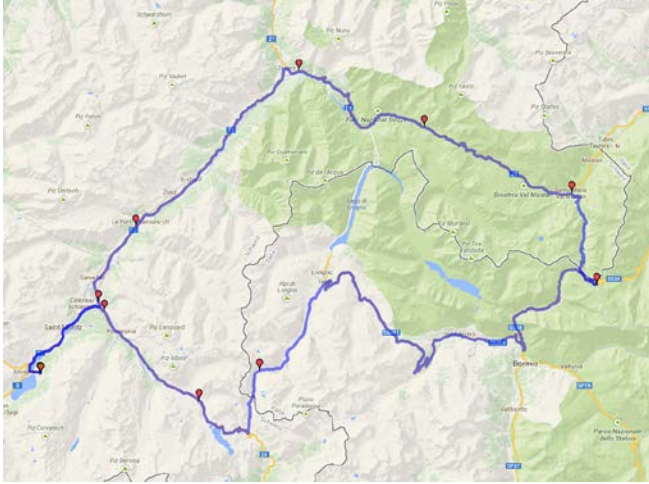
Hotel Bellavista



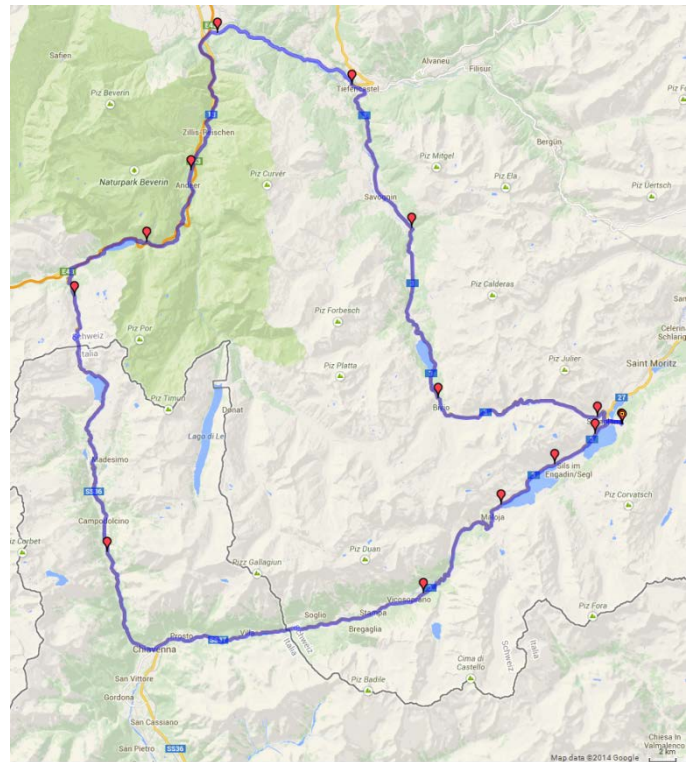
**Itinerary:**

Wednesday: Gathering in Silvaplana at the hotel

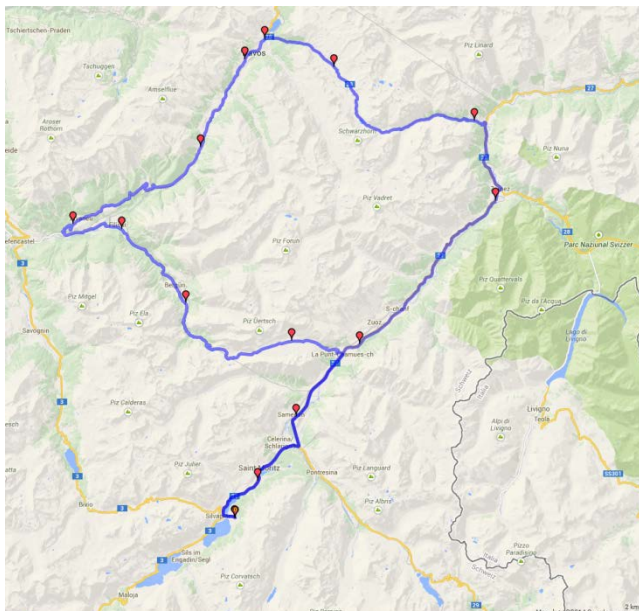
Thursday: Drive from Silvaplana - Bernina pass - Livigno - Passo Eiro to Bormio - Stilfserjoch - St. Maria with lunch in the Hotel Stelvio - Ofenpass and back to Silvaplana (190 km or 120 miles).



Saturday: Drive from Silvaplana - Julierpass to Thusis - Via Mala direction San Bernardino - Splügenpass and down to Chiavenna for lunch - Malojapass and back to Silvaplana (167 km or 104 miles).



Friday: Drive from Silvaplana - Flüelapass to Davos / Lunch - Albulapass and back to Silvaplana (153 km or 95 miles).



Sunday: Goodbye after breakfast

The **all-inclusive** price for two persons will be between CHF 1'700 - 2'250 or £ 1'200 - 1'600 dependent on choice of room. (Excluding ferries and any overnight stops en-route)

This price includes the room (for two) for 4 nights: Garage, wellness area, trip up to the mountain peak, all meals (no drinks). (No charge for fine weather or views!)

**Trip Home for those travelling 'North':**  
(at additional cost)

- Sunday 30th August - Travel to Freiburg
- Monday 31st August - Travel to Wiesbaden
- Tuesday 1st September - Travel to Leverkusen
- Wednesday 2nd September - Travel to Hook of Holland for overnight ferry
- Thursday 3rd September - Travel to UK homes..

If you are interested then please let me know and we can ensure we keep you updated with all the plans. Indeed anyone from France or elsewhere can be kept informed for their own travel plans and pairing up.

**We really need commitment by the end of October before we offer it to other Morganeers outside of the Register.**

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Another glorious photo by Rudolf Herensperger.

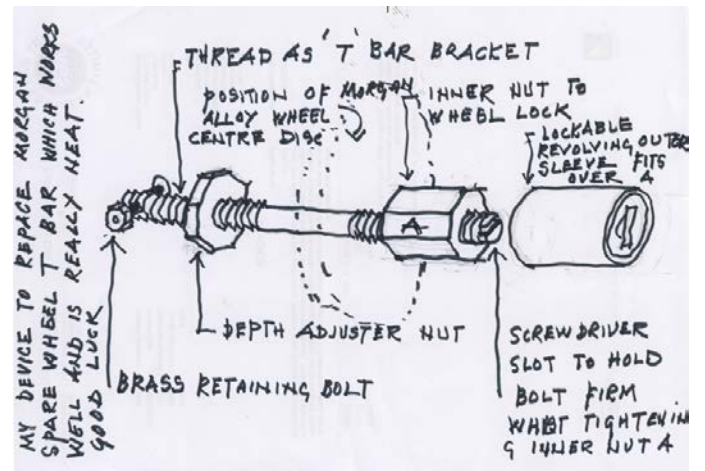
**Stolen Spare Wheels**

I must admit it was something that I never imagined happening.

But it did! Prof. Richard Grayson (Car 63) informed me that he had his stolen whilst the car was parked in Duxford Museum. So if you are considering how to make yours secure then the following seems very opportune..

Displayed at MOG2014 Harrogate as part of the Innovations Display was Paul Evans (Car 17) showing his very neat solution using an old style wheel lock (that I had on my Sunbeam Imp alloys!) with a suitably fabricated

bolt. The challenge may be trying to find the same wheel locks (I searched on eBay but failed).



Another alternative is to consider leaving a luggage rack attached as this is an added complication to the opportunistic thief.

**Carpets**

The factory are having a 'clear out' and have discovered a box of 'Le Mans 62 Carpet' blanks. These are basically the sections of carpets with the Le Mans 62 logo in green and some with the rubber heel pads with the Le Mans 62 embossed and were used to produce the final carpets as supplied originally with the car from new.

They have 13 sets of the pair on the left (no heel pads) and one set on the right.



They are asking for me to make a 'reasonable offer' for them and wondered if anyone is interested so I can make a bid or not. They are heavy items and would require postage to be paid to individuals and they will also require finishing (cutting to size and stitching the edges).

If you are interested let me know so I can decide the best approach as they will have to be delivered to me adding additional cost

*That's about it for now so keep safe and hope to see you sometime.... Keith & Rita Hofgartner - Le Mans 62 Registrar.*