

# Le Mans 62 Register

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Car 48 - Bo Ejlertsson is ready for the Le Mans Classic!

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## Register News

Welcome new Registrants...

I have been informed of the following new owner of an LM62

Jen Crowe, England - Car 55

## Happy Birthday!

What is it about distant relatives? You only hear from them at Christmas and Birthdays. Well I am afraid maybe the Le Mans 62 Register is becoming a 'Distant Relative'. Because the last Bulletin was celebrating Christmas and this is celebrating a Birthday!

It is 10 years since the LM62 was launched by Morgan in June 2002 to celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of their win at Le Mans on 4<sup>th</sup> June 1962. So I will use that date as the official Birthday of the LM62 Register! So Happy Birthday and make sure you treat your car properly on the day.

I have only been involved with the Register for 4 years (and this is the birthday for that time as well as I collected the car on the 31<sup>st</sup> May 2008), before that it was founded by Peter Alt. I asked Peter what was his memories of ten years ago...

*"It was Monday, May 13th 2002 when I had an e-mail, announcing a Limited Edition - The Le Mans 62. Lovely car, should I have one??? I'm not saying, I had a sleepless night about it, but it was still quite tempting to have one. The following day I contacted Melwyn, to place an order. He got back to me - sorry, all sold. I was a bit disappointed, but I had an indigo blue +8 with 40 K miles on the clock, very nice car, no problems, why should I be bothered? On Wednesday Melwyn, who always says yes, called me - I found you a car, it's No. 75, do you want her? Now it was me, who said yes, and it all began. The +8 was sold within 10 days, and the waiting started. To make it short, I took delivery on October, 16th 2002, I'm still happy with No. 75, with 90 K miles on the clock today. Never missed 4 cylinders, the 4/4 is giving much more fun, vs. a +8, it just takes a bit longer to get there. The idea to found a Register was born more or less short after I had the car, I'm grateful to Keith, that he managed to bring it to full swing over the years.*

I thank Peter for his kind words and hope that we can continue to hunt down the remaining cars and complete the Register list. I do hope that we can come together at one of the celebration events over the coming months and show everyone that we enjoy our Special cars.



*Peter enjoys his car all year round!*

Unfortunately I will not be able to join the Le Mans Classic but Robert Merker (Car 30) will be in attendance and has 'volunteered' to be a point of contact and coordinate any meetings of fellow 'Sixtytwoers' who are attending the event. I will circulate his contact details to those that are attending.

So what follows again are the two events that I will personally be involved with.

## Assen - MSCCH Celebrations

The date 13th, 14th and 15th July 2012.

Plans are very much under way with the Morgan Sports Car Club Holland (MSCCH) to join them at their anniversary event in Assen, Northern Netherlands, and combine this with the LM62 Register's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of TOK winning Le Mans!

I have had several tentative enquiries and some definite so if you feel that you will attend then please let me know so I can coordinate our attendance. I have spoken to Machiel Kalf who is arranging the event and promised a good attendance from the LM62 cars as we hope to be featured alongside TOK in the paddocks.

Bookings need to be made individually direct with MSCCH and application forms are available from their

website - [www.msccch.com/msccch40/](http://www.msccch.com/msccch40/) (Don't forget to also book your social activities and register for the event!)

Rita and I have now confirmed travel and we will take a more direct route via the ferry from Harwich to the Hook of Holland on Wednesday night and drive direct to Assen on the Thursday. We hope to 'merge' with the group travelling up from Le Mans Classic but we will be there for the whole weekend.

Currently we have the following attending:

Peter Alt (Car 75)  
Arthur Edge (Car 08)  
Robert Merker (Car 34)  
Bo Ejlertsson (Car 48)  
Keith & Rita Hofgartner (Car 54)  
Louwe Louwes (Car 06)

Peter Alt has been busy and has prepared suitable clothing for sale for this year's events so if you want to be well dressed contact him directly - [info@pa-classics.de](mailto:info@pa-classics.de)



## Silverstone Classic - July 2012

For those not attending the Le Mans Classic or Assen do not despair!! The 'Factory' are ensuring that they have a good presence at this year's Silverstone Classic building on the success of this year's event. CranMog did a splendid job on organising a display area for many cars and next year their efforts will be supported by the MSCC as well. Unfortunately due to miscommunication this year the chance of a lap of the circuit was missed and it is planned to be better prepared for this year. To that end I am already discussing with the organisers to ensure that the LM62 Register are given the opportunity to form part of the parade in celebration of our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and of course the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Le Mans win. It seems that TOK will not be in attendance but we will wait and see if this changes. Keith Ahlers will be attending with his SLR and Cooper but no arrangements have been made by the Factory to include TOK. It seems to be a shame not to be able to celebrate the Le Mans Anniversary with a British audience.

Please make every effort to attend to make a great show of our cars to the public. You won't be disappointed as it is a

great event for all. I am sure there will be more but currently we have the following attending:

Dennis Glavis (without Car 01)  
Hubert Regnault (Car 78)  
Keith & Rita Hofgartner (Car 54)

## Rear End - face lift..

I decided to copy the modification that Achim made to his car (Car 21) and lowered the rear number plate by making a new panel. It is possible to simplify the job greatly by simply cutting the upper section of but I went with the harder option to retain the original component. I am pleased with the result and I feel it gives the car a more 'classic' appearance.



## Door Nets

Another little project that I can send you details if you are interested. A cheap and relatively simple job that solves a problem.



## Fan relays

I have had two emails in as many days during the hot spell we had last week regarding the problems owners have had with overheating. It transpires that both cars (a +8 and 4/4) had the same problem - a failed Fan Relay. Ensure that you carry a spare and I suggest that the unit from Euro Car Parts ([www.eurocarparts.com](http://www.eurocarparts.com)) Part no. 450110050 5 Pin Motronic Relay - although expensive appears to be more robust than the original Bosch units.

So, all that is left for me to say is Happy Birthday and hope to share many more with you all.

Keith & Rita Hofgartner

Le Mans 62 Registrar.