

The Chapman Report



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By the time you receive this the big weekend may be over. The Lotus Convention in Lake Tahoe, the Wine Country Classic vintage races in Sonoma and the Good Guys show and swap in Pleasanton.

It's time to plan on the events during the rest of the season. The slalom/autocross at Marina Airport is almost sold out. The Palo Alto Concours is always nice, and has been made more interesting with CSRG (Classic Sports Racing Group) getting involved to get more vintage racing cars there. It's not too early to get your Monterey Historics tickets through GGLC and get your corral pass (unless you want to park in Seaside and walk to the track!).

Also, start dragging those British car parts out of your garage, in preparation for Mike Ostrov's tech session and parts swap. Speaking of buying stuff, the shirt on the right was on sale of less than \$20. Unfortunately, they wanted \$30 to ship it to the U.S.

So, the car event season is here. Driving season is always here. *editor*



Lotus attire for sale. The Norwich Canaries Football Club, which Lotus supports, lost too many games and is now out of the English Premiership. So, the regalia prices have plunged!

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Membership Roster Enclosed

Historics Corral

by Kiyoshi

GGLC Lotus Corral at the Monterey Historics
Aug 19-21, 2005
Laguna Seca Raceway, Monterey CA

The GGLC will host a Lotus Corral at the Monterey Historics on Saturday August 19, 2005. This year the Historics will be honoring Chapparral.

As in the past the GGLC must purchase a minimum of 35 tickets as a block to qualify for corral parking. Purchase your Monterey Historic tickets from the GGLC on-line by going to: <http://www.gglotus.org/ggshop/ggcorral.htm> Credit cards are welcome. The GGLC uses the services of PayPal for secure on-line transactions.

The GGLC Lotus Corral will be on Saturday, but tickets for all 3 or Sat/Sun can be purchased from the GGLC as well.

Tickets & Corral passes will be distributed about 1-2 weeks before the Historics.

June Meeting

Friday, June 17th

Host: Hana Mori and Sean Morrison

Calendar

June 3 - 5	Lotus Convention	Lake Tahoe
June 3	GGLC Track Day	Reno - Fernley
June 3 - 5	Wine Country Classic	Infineon Raceway
June 17	GGLC Meeting	Host: Sean & Hana Morrison, San Mateo
June 18	GGLC Autocross	Marina Airport
June 26	Palo Alto Concours	Stanford, Palo Alto
July 15	GGLC Meeting	Host: Kiyoshi Hamaii Palo Alto
July 16	Tune-up, Tech Session and Parts Swap at Mike Ostrov's	
July 28 - 31	San Jose Grand Prix	Streets of San Jose
August 19-21	Monterey Historics and Lotus Corral	Laguna Seca

Chapman Report by Email

by David Anderson

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Lotus Bytes: *editor*

Many of us have heard the tale of the guy driving the sportscar with the long hood. He pulls up to the light and a woman in the next car exclaims: "Makin' up for your small *****, huh!", or "Can't get it up, so you're drivin' it, right!" Many think we must have an ulterior motive to drive our cars, such as 'going through your second childhood'. I actually don't remember growing out of my first childhood or the feeling of driving my first car. Well, below is another explanation for a possible motivation.



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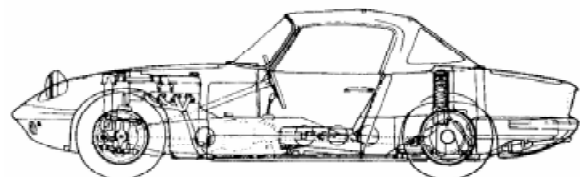
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EBay Watch: *editor*

Two bright red Elises sold for about \$47K each. Both had less than three hundred miles, touring and sports packages. One in San Francisco and one back east. I think people should look at these cars as really 'new' cars, with the owners not real Lotus people. Can't we just go and take these cars away from these people, just like a teacher takes things away from a dumb student?

"You are viewing an auction for a rare 1969 Lotus Elan Roadster. This car is a blast to drive. The interior and moldings are in excellent condition, as well as the glass mirrors and windshield. The paint is in very good condition for a 36 year old car." Wanted \$24.8K to start, so obviously no bidders.

1969 Europa S2 with new engine, frame off restoration complete, new gear box, brakes, suspension, cd player and power windows. Was only bid to \$5.1K. No photos of motor area or interior.

"Zetec - powered Birkin Series Three (S3). Vastly superior to original Lotus 7 and comparable to its principal rival, Caterham. Birkin have been building Lotus 7 clones since 1982. Dual master cylinders with adjustable bias bar, four piston 10 inch vented disc brakes. The suspension has alloy uprights and adjustable double wishbones, adjustable anti-roll bar, a live rear axle (3.9:1) with four parallel links and a panhard rod. The wheels are 15" x 7" Kosei K1 Race Wheels with Bridgestone Potenza S-03 50ZR17" Bid to \$19K but just missed the reserve, so no sale.

"This 1967, right hand drive, Lotus Elan is an excellent driving Lotus which has been restored and enhanced for better performance and reliability. The car has a well preserved "older" frame off restoration which features a complete SPYDER frame and nickel plated tubular suspension and SPAX adjustable shocks" This owner had a staqart price of \$15K. That's a sure way to not sell or even get any offers. Might be a really nice car but prices people are willing to pay on EBay are still lower than many owners are ready to accept.

More Classifieds

For Sale: 74 Europa. Yellow with creme cloth interior. Low mileage car. Not running, bent valves trying to replace pulley seal. Head redone and ready. I didn't install for obvious reasons. Can send pictures to interested members. I live in Moorpark, Ca.(Ventura Area).Contact at 310 4660421 day cell or evenings at 805 5290544. E mail allis99@earthlink.net Reasonable offers accepted for immediate sale. (3/05)

Classifieds

(non-commercial ads are free to GGLC members and will run for three issues before requiring renewal)

For Sale: 1979 Esprit S2.

Commemorative Edition #100 (last one). Black with gold stripes (like all of that series Esprit).

Very good condition. Well cared for. Reliable. Previously owned by David Anderson (GGLC). Chuck is 3rd owner. \$10000 Call Chuck: 707-875-3728 (2/05)

For sale: open trailer ,pro built custom,15' bed,73" between fenders, fulldeck with Recessed D ring tie downs.Tandem dropped axles with full spring suspension,surge brake,new tires with new chrome wheels.less than 1500 miles on trailer.built for lotus elan and Jag xke.nice light towing trailer.

Also have lotus twin cam L block,perfect weber cyl head,omega 11:75 pistons, steel crank, carillo rods,genuine set minilites with both sets of lug nuts.all lotus components are brand new including wheels. contact Joel Mauser 209 477 4198 or 209 482 5351cell.located in Stockton,calif.

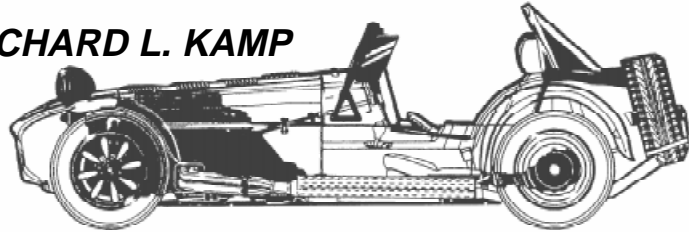
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For Sale: 1969 Lotus Elan +2 vintage race project car comes with Spyder chassis, Cosmics, limited slip dif, Koni's, steel brake lines. Extra set of widened steel wheels. Have Weber head to be installed with mild cams. \$4800.00 George at 831-648-9064 (3/05)

For Sale: Cobra (1) sport seat. Adaptor bracket fits M100. Medium grey cloth. Like new. \$200 OBO. Mel 925-831-8834 or darmel@sbcglobal.net.

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