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INTRODUCTION

Having toured North Wales last year it is now the turn of 2017 for us to tour Mid - Wales.

Our base hotel - the four star Lake Country House Hotel at Llangammarch Wells near Builth Wells was recently awarded the Good Hotel Guide, Spa Hotel of the Year.

Sitting on the banks of lakes and the River Irfon this luxurious hotel offers the very best in comfort and award winning cuisine. It features a spa and swimming pool, golf course and 50 acres of woodland.

On Thursday 3rd August we head south to the Brecon Beacons with dramatic scenery through the Black Mountains. After a coffee stop near Ammanford we continue to our visit of the day at the Aberglasney Gardens. One of Wales' finest attractions this is a renowned plantsmans paradise with a unique Elizabethan cloister garden at its heart.

Our return route back to the hotel takes us through the River Towy Valley to Llandovery and onto Llangammarch Wells.

Friday 4th and it is a highly dramatic drive over the Abergwesyn Pass. The Devils Staircase is a steep climb with sharp hairpins leading us to the high moorland landscape above.

On reaching the small market town of Tregaron we continue westwards to Aberaeron on the coast. We then visit the former fishing harbour at New Quay before turning inland for a cross country route to Lampeter. Our visit of the day is to the National Trusts's Dolaucothi Gold Mines. The Romans mined for gold here and today visitors can try their hand at panning for gold and if successful take home their finds!

Our highly scenic route takes us over the hills to the Llyn Brianne reservoirs within the Cambrian Mountains before returning to our hotel.

Saturday 5th dawns and we head for Rhayader for the popular and dramatic drive along the twisting mountain road past the Elan Valley lakes. Then it is high over the Cambrian Mountain road to Devils' Bridge for our coffee stop. From here it is a short drive to our main visits - the Rheidol Hydro-Electric Power Station. Firstly we make for the Visitor Centre for a lunchtime snack before transferring to the nearby power station for a guided tour. This I am confident will be a highly interesting visit.

After this visit we continue on our route to bypass Aberystwyth and follow the coast road to Borth and the three mile stretch of golden sands.

Turning inland we pass through Taly-y-Bont to take the mountain road to the Nant-y-Moch Reservoir.

Then it is a main road drive along the A44 and A470 to Llanidloes before heading south back through Rhayader and on to our hotel.

The final day - Sunday 6th and we have a particularly attractive morning visit to Abbey-Cwm-Hir. Set in a breathtaking location this 52 room family home combines outstanding architecture, stunning interiors and fascinating collections. Our guide will be the owner - Mr. Paul Humpherston whose informative yet amusing descriptions will keep you spellbound.

After this most interesting of visits we enjoy a highly scenic drive through border country to Knighton before heading south to our final stop and tour finish at the historic 14th century Rhydspence Hotel on the Wales- Herefordshire border where we partake of our traditional end-of-tour cream tea.

So there ends an enormously scenic indeed dramatic Mid-Wales tour. An excellent and atmospheric hotel, amazing scenery and a variety of interest filled visits. This tour is certainly one not to miss so I look forward to welcoming your early entry to secure a place.

Keith McGee



Antiquities at Abbey-Cwm-Hir

REGULATIONS

1. ORGANISATION

The Merlin Summer Classic Tour from 3rd - 6th August 2017 is a Touring Assembly organised by Keith McGee of Dalkeith Enterprises Ltd, trading as Merlin Events.

All entries and enquiries should be addressed to:

Merlin Events, 38 Kenmore Drive, Yeovil, Somerset BA21 4BQ.

Tel: 01935 474630 Fax: 01935 472290 or Mobile: 07767 200744

E-mail: merlinevents@hotmail.co.uk (enquiries only).

2. ENTRIES

Entries open with the publication of these Regulations and close on 1st July 2017. Entries will only be accepted if completed on the official application form and accompanied by the required entry fee. Late entries subject to space available. The Organiser reserves the right to refuse any entry without reason.

3. ENTRY FEES (ALL PAYMENTS TO MERLIN EVENTS)

Entry fee is £45.00 per person per day. For National Trust Members a reduction of £6.50 per member (Friday ONLY). See Entry Form.

Please pay by one of the following:-

Direct to bank - Lloyds Bank Ltd.

A/c name: Dalkeith Enterprises Ltd. Trading as Merlin Events

Sort Code: 309998 Account Number: 00780127

Ref: Your Name

Cheque to Merlin Events.

The above entry fees include:

- * Entry into the event on all three days.
- * Admission to visits as listed in para. 7.
- * Cream Tea at the Finish.
- * Souvenir Rally Plate.
- * Tea/Coffee at Registration.
- * Coffee stops on each day.
- * Detailed Route Instructions.
- * All administration costs.

4. VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY

This event is open to any Pre-War cars and Post-War Classic cars introduced prior to 1990, plus later Sports and Grand Touring cars and other cars of special interest. The Organiser reserves the right to refuse any entry should the vehicle be deemed unsuitable or inappropriate for this event. All vehicles must be correctly registered, currently licensed, have a valid M.O.T. certificate if applicable and be fully insured.

5. ASSEMBLY, REGISTRATION AND START

Assembly will be at the four star Lake Country House Hotel, Llangammarch Wells. Registration will be in the hotel on Wednesday 2nd August from 4.00pm - 5.30pm and for those arriving on the following mornings between 8.30am and 9.00am. Coffee and tea will be served during these Registration periods during which the Route Instructions in the form of Tulip diagrams will be issued. Breakfast each day will be available from 8.00am.

Participants not staying at the hotel may purchase full English breakfasts at £14.95 also dinner at £45.00. The Start will be from the hotel car park at 9.30am on each day with cars leaving in numerical order.

6. THE ROUTES

The scenic routes on A, B and unclassified roads will cover approximately 345 miles in total, enabling participants to enjoy the attractive countryside and villages along the routes.

Please note, there will be very steep hills in mountain regions.

7. THE VISITS

Thursday 3rd	:	Coffee stop to be determined Visit to the Aberglasny Gardens
Friday 4th	:	Coffee stop to be determined Visit to the Dolaucothi Gold Mines (NT)
Saturday 5th	:	Coffee stop at the Devil's Bridge Hotel Visit to the Rheidol Hydro Power Station
Sunday 6th	:	Coffee stop and visit to Abbey-Cwm-Hir The Tour Finish at the Rhydspence Hotel

8. THE FINISH

The Finish is at the Rhydspence Hotel near Hay-on-Wye where a cream tea will be served from 2.30pm on Sunday 6th August.

There will be no element of competition on this event. However overall time schedules will apply to the Stopping Points and Finish location.

Drivers are requested to abide by these times and not arrive at locations before the scheduled times.

9. MAPS

Whilst a map is not required for navigational purposes, it is recommended that you carry a suitable map with you.

10. EVENT SUPPORT

There is no travelling technical support on this event. Entrants are expected to belong to one of the established breakdown and recovery organisations who can provide a far more comprehensive service than we can. Entrants should help each other and are expected to carry reasonable spares and tools.

11. SOUVENIR RALLY PLATE

A traditional styled rally plate will be issued with Final Instructions. This must be securely and prominently affixed to the front of the car and must not be defaced in any way.

12. ROAD BOOK

A Road Book containing detailed daily itinerary and Tulip diagram route instructions will be issued at Registration.

13. CANCELLATIONS

The Organiser reserves the right to cancel or amend the event if necessary. If the event is cancelled the entry fee will be refunded in full. If an entry is cancelled the entry fee will only be refunded less a £10 administration charge, if the cancellation is notified in writing by the closing date.

14. INSURANCE

The Organiser has arranged public liability insurance to the sum £2 million for those parts of the event which take place on private land. Entrants and drivers must have valid insurance in accordance with the requirements of the Road Traffic Act and relevant law applicable in Great Britain. Cars must also be insured to cover any non-competitive use on private land during this event.

15. HOTELS

The base hotel for this Tour is the Lake Country House Hotel, Llangammarch Wells, LD4 4BS.

The rates for Dinner, Bed and Breakfast are based on two people sharing.

Standard Rooms £85.00/person/night.

Junior Suite £95.00/person/night.

Suite £105.00/person/night.

Single Occupancy £130.00/room/night.

Allocation of rooms at the hotel is on hold until 1st July 2017, after which accommodation will be subject to availability.

Entrants requiring accommodation should request a Hotel Booking Form which will be sent to you with your entry acknowledgement. You should then send the form directly to the hotel. Reservations will only be accepted on the official Booking form, not by telephone.

Safe overnight parking will be provided at the hotel. Whilst every effort will be taken to ensure the safety of your car, no responsibility can be accepted by Dalkeith Enterprises Ltd., trading as Merlin Events or by the Lake Country House Hotel.

16. DOGS

Dogs are accepted on this tour. The hotel charge is £15.00/night.

17. FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

Final Instructions will be posted to entrants one week prior to the event.

Please send your entry without delay to :



MERLIN EVENTS

38 Kenmore Drive, Yeovil, Somerset BA21 4BQ

Closing date : 1st JULY 2017



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ENTRY FORM

ENTRANT/PASSENGERS Please use block capitals throughout.
If an entrant is under 18 years of age this form must be countersigned by a parent or guardian.

ENTRANT MR/MRS/MISS/OTHER

FORENAME SURNAME

ADDRESS

.....

..... POST CODE

TELEPHONE MOBILE

E-mail

NAVIGATOR AND PASSENGERS

AGE IF UNDER
16 YEARS

1: FORENAME SURNAME

2: FORENAME SURNAME

3: FORENAME SURNAME

CAR ENTERED

MAKE MODEL

STYLE OF BODY COLOUR

ENGINE SIZE (hp/cc)..... REG NOYEAR

FEES PAYABLE

PAYMENT BY BANK DIRECT Refer to Para. 3

PAYMENT BY CHEQUE TO . . MERLIN EVENTS

1. THE ENTRY FEE OF £45.00 PER PERSON PER DAY £

FOR NT MEMBERS LESS £6.50 PER MEMBER (FRIDAY ONLY) £ _____

HOW MANY DAYS ? **TOTAL PAID £** _____

WHICH DAY(S) ARE YOU ATTENDING? PLEASE STATE :

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BREAKFAST AND/OR DINNER FOR ENTRANTS NOT STAYING OVERNIGHT

Will you be requiring Full English Breakfast at the hotel? Yes No How many Day
Will you be requiring Dinner at the hotel? Yes No How many Day

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Yes No

Do you require a Hotel Booking Form for the Lake Country House Hotel?

DECLARATION

You are required by Dalkeith Enterprises Ltd. to read and sign the following Declaration.

I have read the Regulations issued for this event and agree to be bound by them.

In consideration of the acceptance of the entry and of my being permitted to take part in this event I declare that my car as entered is correctly registered, currently licensed, possesses a valid MOT certificate if applicable and is fully insured.

Furthermore I declare that the car as entered is also fully insured for any activity which forms part of this event and which takes place on public or private land. In this respect I understand that no part of the event, either on public or private land, is competitive and that no timekeeping or pacemaking prevails.

I therefore accept full responsibility for my own actions and those of my co-driver and / or passengers and for the condition of the car as entered.

DECLARATION DATE

NEW TO MERLIN EVENTS? WHERE DID YOU LEARN OF THIS EVENT? PERSONAL RECOMMENDATION, MAGAZINE, CLUB, ANOTHER EVENT ETC. IF MAGAZINE, CLUB OR EVENT, PLEASE STATE WHICH.

POST NOW TO :

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38 KENMORE DRIVE, YEOVIL
SOMERSET BA21 4BQ

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