

A EUROPEAN CADILLAC LA SALLE CELEBRATION Is Coming In 2018

Some Background:

In 2006 the first CLC* approved Grand European Meet (GE's) took place on the Belgian coast, in Zeebrugge. Since the first European Cadillac Club Affiliated with the CLC in 1997, the growth has been very fast throughout Europe, and today there are 12 CLC Affiliates in 11 European countries. Continued growth is expected as more Cadillac Clubs become Affiliates in the coming years. Grand European Meets followed the Belgian meet; in Germany - 2008, France - 2010, The Netherlands - 2013, and in Switzerland - 2015. Sadly the 2017 meet ended with a "non-GE," although the "stranded" participants were taken care of in the best possible way. This situation alerted us to the need of some guidelines/structure to insure the success of our future GE's.

The Future:

It is not an easy task to set up a GE with so many people attending from all over the world. Members have expectations of enjoying a great Cadillac & LaSalle family event, at a reasonable cost, to network and meet like-minded hobbyists.

To accomplish this, your CLC Director of European Affiliates, Dirk Van Dorst, CLC Assistant Director Western Europe, Sigrid Hofmann, and CLC Assistant Director For Northern Europe, Anders S Wald, with the help of the CLC Vice President for International Affiliates, Ron Zahn, decided to create an independent non-profit European office, and it has been established in France, Richelieu. This new association, called Vintage Wheel Events (VWE) is recognized by the CLC Inc. USA, and will support the creation and success of future GE's, but also be available for other vehicle related events in Europe.

A Celebration:

VWE, is organizing a special party celebrating CLC's 60th anniversary. This party and Cadillac meet will be held in France, Loire valley, on Thursday 30 August through Sunday 2 September 2018. The starting point will be the same place as the 2010 GE, in Richelieu, France which is easy reachable by car and various means of transportation.

This will be a great get together of CLC members and Cadillac owners from all over Europe and the rest of the world to celebrate CLC's 60 years. A summer party under the French sun, cruising on the wide open roads, making use of the lawns of Chateau's and the park of Richelieu.

During this celebration we also will discuss the future of the CLC Grand European.

Detailed program and registration will follow soon.

Don't miss this opportunity !

Mark your calendars for the celebration of sixty years CLC

Dirk, Sigrid and Anders are welcoming you.

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