

NATIONAL RALLY 2023



Royal Leamington Spa, July 28 - 30

It seems hard to believe that 2023 is a full 60 years since the Lancia Fulvia was first unveiled at the Geneva Motor Show. Just 10 years later, customers started to receive the first Stratos deliveries. In true Lancia fashion, both cars were ground-breaking clean-sheet designs which bore no resemblance to their forebears, and are rightly admired by all to this day.

By contrast, the LMC committee has decided not to adopt a clean-sheet design for this year's National Rally. Although intended to be a super effort to celebrate the Club's 75th Anniversary, the feedback from last year was so positive that the Club has decided to dig deep and reprise the event, building to a fabulous Lancia festival worthy of the marque's standing. We are grateful for ongoing support from our friends at Omicron, Tanc Barratt and Classic Motor Cars for their renewed support.

Held once again at the Woodland Grange Hotel in Royal Leamington Spa, the National Rally will span three days of fun, socialising and maybe a little bit of friendly competition! Easily accessible for most members, the hotel is centrally located minutes from the M40 motorway and A46 Coventry to Stratford-upon-Avon dual carriageway. We have exclusive use of the extensive grounds for the weekend and have reserved the majority of the hotel rooms until the booking deadline.

Starting with arrivals on Friday July 28, the brave (or should that be deluded?) will challenge Andy Collins' encyclopaedic knowledge in the lightest of light-hearted quizzes after a sumptuous hot buffet dinner.

Rally plates duly fixed, Saturday's driving tour will again feature a plethora of interesting places to stop off. Museums, National Trust properties, craft shopping villages and scenic walks will all be noted. Previous participants will also know of our penchant for a nice café with home-made cake... The road book is written to be as easy to follow as possible, but the optional observation clues may test your lateral thinking.

If you'd prefer to stay local, details will be available for several places to visit, including Georgian Royal Leamington Spa, nearby medieval Warwick, beautiful Stratford-upon-Avon or historic Coventry.

The Gala Dinner on Saturday night will be a sight to behold, with table wine once again provided by our generous sponsor. An after-dinner presentation by a notable guest speaker (watch this space for details to be confirmed) will round off an evening to remember.

Sunday morning will see the formal AGM, Q&A session and Club awards take place while the day arrivals join

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the residents parking up in the event field. The various model consortia, forums and owner's groups have been invited to join us to create a true festival of Lancia. The prominent marquee will host a mouth-watering lunch, served against the amazing re-imagining of oh-so familiar tunes by the Vyne String Quartet. Traders will have items of interest to most owners, and we are working on some ideas for participatory events to keep anyone entertained, young and old.

In the background, judges will be assessing cars for the Concours awards. Presented at the close of the day, the awards are free to enter for LMC members only, but don't worry if your car is (like mine) far from perfect – entry is completely optional, and this afternoon is all about celebrating our love of Lancia cars and enjoying their use, whatever their condition.

Bookings

Please see the booking options available on the enclosed booking form, and note the booking deadline of Friday, June 16. After this date, unsold rooms will be released to the general public, so early booking is essential to be sure of a place. Bookings can only be accepted with the required deposit. Various payment options are available; please ensure you complete the information box and sign to confirm acceptance. Overseas members only may pay by IBAN transfer. The balance will be payable to the club by June 16, and any room expenses will be payable direct to the hotel at check-out.



To make early booking risk-free, cancellations up to the booking deadline (June 16) will be accepted and deposits returned. After the booking deadline, there will be no refunds for any cancellations (and any outstanding balance will still be payable) unless the Lancia Motor Club is able to re-sell the booking to another member, in which case a 10 per cent admin charge will apply. Most annual travel insurance policies cover the UK as well, so we recommend checking to see if you're covered. Should the event be unable to take place due to government-imposed restrictions, all deposits will be returned or held over to a following event at your choice, so you can book in confidence.

Any questions?

Please contact Mark and Jo Hall on 01327 351407 or 07946 079222 (leave message if during working hours), or nationalrally@lanciamc.co.uk if you need to know anything else. Although dogs cannot be accommodated in the hotel rooms (except registered assistance/support dogs), they are welcome in the hotel grounds. If you would like to bring your furry friend(s), please contact us directly for local accommodation options.



LMC National Rally terms & conditions of booking

(Please note that a number of the terms and conditions mirror those imposed on the Club by the venue and are included to protect the Club and members)

Bookings for the National Rally (the Event) made to the LMC can only be accepted with the required deposit and duly completed booking form published by LMC. Completion of the booking form confirms acceptance of the following conditions (and those contained specifically in the booking form):

1. Payments in £ sterling only will be made by Bank Transfer, IBAN (for overseas members only), or credit card.
2. Cancellations in writing to the address or email on the booking form (NOT THE HOTEL) will be accepted up to June 16th 2023, and your deposit will be returned. After June 16th 2023 The Lancia Motor Club regrets there will be no refund unless the room is resold, in which case the deposit will be refunded less 10% administration fee.
3. If the event is postponed due to pandemic or other force majeure reasons, bookings will be held over until the event can be rescheduled, or a refund given by request.
4. If the event is cancelled by LMC or the hotel, booking payments will be reimbursed, but no other liability is accepted.
5. All prices include VAT at the standard rate in force at the time of booking.
6. You are required to retain a copy of your completed booking form.
7. No bookings can be taken after 16th June 2023 unless made in writing/email and agreed with the event organiser.
8. The balance outstanding is required to be paid in full by 16th June 2023 or the booking is deemed to be cancelled. The Lancia Motor Club regrets there will be no refund unless the room is resold, in which case the deposit will be refunded less 10% administration fee.
9. Bedrooms are available from 3pm on the day of your arrival and must be vacated by 10am on the day of departure.
10. Event participants are required to comply with all Health and Safety and general instructions issued. Emergency procedures are displayed in all rooms and should be referred to at the start of the event.
11. The Lancia Motor Club accepts no liability for any loss, injury or death suffered by you or other members of your party or other persons visiting the venue where caused or contributed to by such persons.
12. The Lancia Motor Club accepts no responsibility or liability for articles of property left, lost, stolen, or damaged on the premises.
13. The Lancia Motor Club accepts no responsibility or liability for any damage to vehicles parked at the venue.
14. Use of the venue and/or participation is at the Event participant's risk and the participants will abide by the hotel's standard conditions and regulations.

Lancia Motor Club recommends participants take out appropriate insurance to cover cancellation costs.

