



## Touring with Rotary. Antique, Classic, & Historic Automobile world Fellowship of Rotarians



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30 years old and unabated energetic !!

Dear Members,

Covid-19 has caused havoc worldwide: in human, economic, financial and social terms. The dramatic developments had far-reaching repercussions within National Chapters and our Fellowship, but these are of lesser importance in view of the numerous victims and casualties, which we had to deplore.

Against the agony and lock down of regions the organization of many tours came to a standstill: many rallies had to be abolished and/or postponed until next year.

Fortunately, our German Chapter succeeded to organize the Muensterlaender Castle Tour in August, showing 90 cars at the start with some participants dressed up to the period their car saw life. Two BMW Dixi (1928) opened the 92 years car history present with various Rolls Royce ( including Phantom, Silvercloud, Corniche) , Mercedes (SL , Pagode, R 107 to R 129) and Bentley .With the support of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation € 60 000,- has been transferred to the End Polio Now ; thus tours are not just fun for petrol heads but also contribute to Rotary's activities. The success has induced the organizers to have another Muensterlaender Castle Tour on May 8, 2021

Also, our Italian friends have been able to organize the 4 days Raduno/Abruzzo tour in September, thereby finding some distraction from the evil of Covid, which has battered the country so heavily.

Two ACHAFR Europe Tours in 2021

This year's ARACI/ACHAFR Europe Tour became victim to the pandemic. No less than 60 teams from all over Europe had been looking forward to meet together while travelling to beautiful places and making them to join a very Rotarian service by many local Rotary Clubs, which felt honoured to host all of us and to show the historic, cultural, geographical and of course the gastronomical assets of their towns and regions.

We are pleased and thankful to our friends of ARACI that they have decided to postpone the tour into June 2021 and to take some advantage of their hard work they had already put in for some 12 + months to make this year's tour a memorable one. And we are sure they will do so in 2021.

Following a pre-tour starting in Ascoli-Piceno and showing us the beauties of this former Roman city and the beautiful surrounding area- and of course a tasting at a private vinery !! – the Tour will then bring us in 5 days from Ascoli via the fantastic lentil flower fields in Casteluccio di Norcia and Urbani's Truffles to Assisi and from there to Montalcino ... for the fine(st) wines and finally on a day cruise to the island of Giglio and Giannutri before saying 'Arrivederci' after the Gala Dinner in Argentario Osa Village .

In September 2021 our British friends invite us to the RRAF/ACHAFR Europe Tour 2021 ,which will bring us from September 6- 10,2021 to the Peak District (N-W England). We will stay at the fabulous Shrigley Hall Hotel Macclesfield and will tour from there through parts of Peak District National Park and into delightful highways and by-ways of Cheshire. The cost for 4 nights Dinner, Bed& Breakfast will be +/- € 1100,- per couple and.... your stay may induce you to visit Goodwood Revival.



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Apart from these highlights we are confident that many a national chapter and local Rotary Club will organize vintage car tours in 2021. You are advised to keep a close eye on our website [www.achafr.eu](http://www.achafr.eu), where you will also find more details about the mentioned Europe Tours in 2021. And tours in 2022

Already now we throw eyes on tours in 2022 :

From April 25-27,2022 our British friends invite us to the Cornwall Tour, From the Penventon Park Hotel in Redruth they will promise: "You may well have visited Cornwall many times but we guarantee that you will go to places where you haven't been before".

In June 2022 our German Chapter will organize the Europe 2022 ROFD/ ACHAFR Bavarian Lakes and Mountains Tour. This 3 days tour will bring us to Chiemsee ( Herrenchiemsee Castle),to Austria - Fuschel- and Wolfgangsee, Salzburg and Kitzbühel as well as to Berchtesgaden (Rossfeldstrasse) and the Sudelfeldpass at Wendelstein .

If so, we will resume the main characteristic of our vintage car tours: to be 'family festivals' of petrol heads. At those joint events and adjacent social gatherings, the closeknit car-family attitudes prevail over nationalities and languages and add to Rotary's philosophy of close cooperation and communication at home and across borders, which is extremely important and valuable in nowadays changing environments and tendencies.

The Board of ACHAFR wish all of you good health and trust that this extremely difficult period may be surpassed in the near future: then we can continue to

**KEEP ROTARY ROLLING**

With finest personal regards  
Matthijs van den Adel

