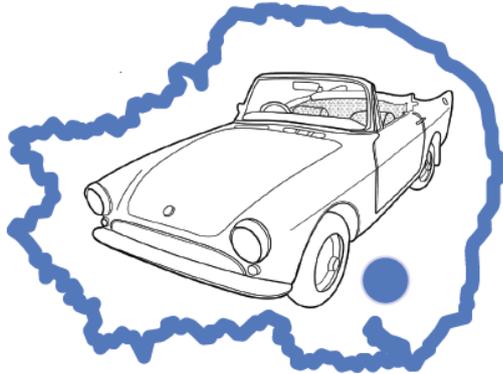


Join us for the
40th SAOC National
 2017



Sunbeam Alpine Owners' Club
 EAST ANGLIA

Thursday 3rd - Monday 7th
 August 2017

Trinity Park, Ipswich
 IP3 8UH

Advance booking before 15 July please

The event booking form is available to download from the East Anglia area website (www.alpine-east.org).

The form consists of two pages. Page one mainly booking details, page two mainly car details. Please complete both pages (sides) of the form and follow the instructions on the form for its return to us. Payment can be made by bank transfer or cheque although bank transfer is preferred. Confirmation will be sent to you by email so please be sure to double check your email address on the form.

Event information and booking form:
www.alpine-east.org

Event Facebook page, search:
 SAOC National Rally 2017

Booking enquiries:
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Event enquiries:
james.mcelhinney@btinternet.com

Suggested nearby accommodation:
Holiday Inn, Ipswich Orwell.
 0.9 miles from Trinity Park
 Reservations 0800 405 060

Programme of events

Thursday 3rd August

1300 Site open
 1830 Social get together and BBQ

Friday 4th August

All day 40th celebration event(s)
 1030 1600 Themed run out
 1830 BBQ available
 1900 2300 Quiz night and buffet

Saturday 5th August

All day Trade stands and displays
 1000 1600 Coach visit Bury St Edmunds
 1000 1400 Concours competition
 1030 1200 Annual General Meeting
 1430 1600 Aerial photograph and car display
 1630 1730 Awards presentation
 1830 BBQ available
 1900 2400 Dinner dance with live 60s tribute band

Sunday 6th August

All day 40th celebration event(s)
 1030 Run out to coast
 1830 BBQ available

Monday 7th August

1200 Departure and site closure

**Breakfast available Friday to Sunday in the site restaurant.
 Quiz night buffet & Dinner dance must be booked in advance**

Saturday dinner dance menu choices

Starters

1. Smoked salmon with a pickled cucumber ribbon and dill crème fraiche (G)
2. Seasonal melons and grape wine glaze (V) (G)

Mains

1. Chicken breast wrapped in smoked bacon served with potatoes, seasonal greens and light veloute (G)
2. Grilled sea bass fillet on roasted fennel and courgette with vine tomatoes, olives, potatoes and salsa Verdi (G)
3. Sun blush tomato, roast Mediterranean vegetables and goats cheese filo parcel sprinkled with toasted sun flower seeds (V)

Desserts

1. Dark chocolate and salted caramel torte
2. Vanilla poached pear (G)

Followed by tea or coffee.

Child menu

Sausage, chips and beans
 Chocolate cake and ice cream

(G) = Gluten free, (V) = Vegetarian

Evening events

The event centre at Trinity Park provides us with a superb function venue. On Friday night we have the (general knowledge) quiz night and buffet and on Saturday night the Dinner Dance. Live music will be provided by the sixties tribute band The Beatles – Two Beatles. Be there!



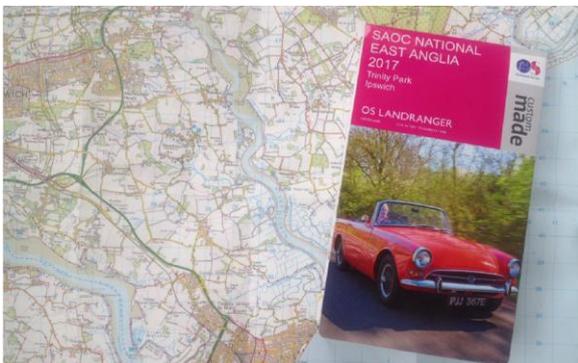
Local attractions to visit

Whilst you are in the area you might like to consider some of the attractions on offer, including:

- RSPB Minsmere
- Christchurch Park & Mansion
- Flatford
- Lavenham
- Martlesham Heath Aviation Museum
- Sutton Hoo
- Bentwaters Cold War Museum
- Framlingham Castle
- Orford Ness and Orford Castle
- Kentwell Hall
- Woodbridge Tide Mill
- Rendlesham Forest Centre
- Ipswich Transport Museum
- Melford Hall
- Suffolk Punch Trust

Reference documents on the Website

Loads of useful reference material has been published on the East Anglia area website. Go to the National 2017 page on www.alpine-east.org to see more. In addition to the booking form you will find location maps and a guide describing how to create a custom Ordnance Survey map of the area covered by the event and the two runs*.



*A simple route guide will also be provided for the runs.

Concours Competition

The concours competition will be held on Saturday morning with the usual categories up for contention.

Entry to the competition is free to SAOC members attending the National Rally.



Classes: Series I, II, 3, IV, V, Harrington and Venezia, non standard, master Class, best engine bay, best interior, best amateur restoration, overall winner, best paint finish. Trophies for the winners in each class, certificates for the runners up.

Limited edition rally plate



We will have a limited number of modestly priced rally plates available for you to buy at the event. A great memento and ideal to adorn the Alpine for the two runs.

On the day tickets

You may have noticed by now that we are keen to encourage everyone to **book in advance**. This helps us with cash flow, estimating numbers and managing the registration process on arrival. You can of course turn up unbooked on the day but please note:

- We can only accept cash on the day
- It would help if you complete a booking form before you arrive
- Bookings for the Quiz night and Dinner Dance **MUST BE MADE BY 15 JULY AT THE LATEST**. The caterers need numbers confirmed prior to the event weekend.

We look forward to welcoming you all to the 40th National at Trinity Park.

p.s. Don't forget to order your event polo shirt and cap via the SAOC regalia page.

National 2017 at Trinity Park, Suffolk

Concluding the series of articles on the delights to be experienced at this year's National Rally here are two more highlights.

Bury St Edmunds



The destination for the coach trip on Saturday morning is Bury St Edmunds - a unique and dazzling historic gem of a town.

An important Suffolk market town with a richly fascinating heritage, the striking combination of medieval architecture and elegant Georgian squares provide a distinctive visual charm.

Foodies and shoppers will find their fill in Bury, from the Saturday market to the boutique shops, cosy restaurants and enticing delis found in the town centre.

For those keen on culture, Bury St Edmunds' most famous landmarks are its impressive abbey ruins and their adjoining gardens. Once a great monastery, the abbey was built around a shrine to Saint Edmund, which for centuries was a point of pilgrimage for peasants, kings, and everyone in between.

Other historical sites include St Edmundsbury Cathedral and The Angel Hotel, a Georgian coaching inn frequented by Charles Dickens - apparently, his favourite four-poster is still in use today!

Two other attractions deserve special mention:

Theatre Royal. A must-visit for theatre lovers and history buffs, being the only surviving Regency playhouse in Britain. The theatre is a National Trust property and visits can be arranged by calling in advance on 01284 769505.

Greene King Brewery. See how real beer is brewed using natural ingredients and traditional brewing methods. Guided tours run daily around the beautiful and historic working Brew house, and show you the best view of Bury St Edmunds from the roof. For booking see the Greene King website or call 01284 714297.

The coach will depart from outside the event centre at Trinity Park. Tickets cost £5 and can be purchased on arrival at Trinity Park. Numbers are limited by the capacity of the coach..

Sutton Hoo



Close to home is Sutton Hoo. Sitting on the banks of the river Deben near Woodbridge, it is famous as the site where the greatest haul of treasure ever recovered in Britain was unearthed.

It is the burial site of an Anglo-Saxon king, complete with his ship and his treasured possessions – jewels, coins, gold and silver plate, armour, weapons and decorative objects of every sort with artefacts from as far away as Egypt and Byzantium.

This enormous site lay undiscovered for many centuries until a widow (Mrs. Col. Frank Pretty) who owned the estate developed an interest in the twenty or so grassy mounds that stood close to her house.

Deciding to excavate them, she contacted the Ipswich Museum, which put her in touch with a curious figure named Basil Brown. Brown was a farm labourer and odd-job man, but he had a genius for archaeology.

In the summer of 1938, Brown dug trenches through three of the mounds, but found nothing. Undaunted, he returned the following summer and excavated what is now called mound one. Almost at once he found a piece of metal, which he correctly deduced was a ship's rivet and that this was a ship burial. This was quite an insight for there was no history of ship burial in Britain – this is still one of only two ever found.

There are about twenty mounds to visit, and you can also visit the Pretty's house, which is decorated as it would have been in Mrs Pretty's day.

The visitor centre is stylish and bright, and the displays are interesting and informative and give a good impression of what the burial would have looked like when it was new and again when it was found centuries later.

Abridged from 'The Road to Little Dribbling', by Bill Bryson

Sutton Hoo is a National Trust site.