Le Mans Centenary announced as the first major celebration of the 2023 Goodwood Festival of Speed

- 100 years of the 24 Hours of Le Mans to be celebrated at Goodwood next year.
- The destination to see the biggest collection of cars and legends from the famous race.
- Festival of Speed presented by Mastercard takes place Thursday 13 Sunday 16 July 2023.
- Priority booking is already open to Goodwood Road Racing Club Members and Fellows at goodwood.com
- Customers can join the Fellowship to purchase ahead of public booking which opens on Monday 7 November at 9am.
- NEW: save 10% on tickets when they buy in early bird windows.

In a significant year for motorsport anniversaries, the Goodwood Festival of Speed presented by Mastercard - itself 30 years old in 2023 - will honour 100 years of the 24 Hours of Le Mans.

Every year the Festival of Speed assembles some of the most iconic names in motorsport, and 2023 will be no exception, with a roster of some of the greatest cars and drivers in Le Mans history in attendance.

Anticipating the big celebration in 2023, the 2022 Goodwood Revival brought together a total of 16 drivers who between them have won the famous 24-Hour race an astonishing 46 times, including "Mr Le Mans" himself, nine-time winner Tom Kristensen, five-time winners Derek Bell and Emanuele Pirro, four-time winner Henri Pescarolo, who holds the record for the most Le Mans starts, and triple champions Dindo Capello, Marcel Fässler, reigning champion Brendon Hartley, André Lotterer and Benoît Tréluyer.

The Le Mans Centenary celebrations kicked off in style at the 2022 Goodwood Revival when the event hosted the 24 Hours of Le Mans Centenary Trophy made by the Paris Mint. The Trophy was brought onto the starting grid before the Freddie March Memorial Trophy, which ran into dusk on Friday evening, evoking the very essence of the endurance classic.

The Revival is not the only Goodwood motorsport event to have drawn inspiration from Le Mans this year. At the 79th Members' Meeting, a unique demonstration of Porsche 956 and 962s marked 40 years since the 956's first Le Mans victory. Running into dusk during a golden sunset on the Saturday evening made for a stunning spectacle. In June, both Porsche and BMW M chose the Festival of Speed as the location for the launch of their new LMDh cars, with Porsche's 963 LMDh car tackling the Hill on the Friday evening while BMW M's Hybrid V8 LMDh car took pride of place on the marque's Central Feature.

The Le Mans centenary joins a series of celebrations at Goodwood next year including 75 years of motorsport at Goodwood, since the Motor Circuit first opened in 1948, 30 years of the Festival of Speed and 25 years of the Goodwood Revival and Goodwood Road Racing Club. In an extensive year of celebrations, the Festival of Speed's Le Mans tribute stands to be unrivalled and the event that no Le Mans fan would want to miss.

Tom Kristensen, nine-time Le Mans winner and friend of Goodwood said: "It's amazing that Le Mans has been holding this great race for 100 years. Goodwood and Le Mans are so much fun, I always enjoy visiting and have had the privilege of driving fantastic cars there. It was great to get together with all those Le Mans winners at Revival this year — I'm already looking forward to the reunion next year. I'm sure it will be a remarkable celebration."

Pierre Fillon, President of the Automobile Club de l'Ouest said: "The Goodwood Festival of Speed is famous for its display of jaw-dropping racing machines. It is wonderful to see the 24 Hours of Le Mans Centenary take pride of place at such an outstanding event, which is also celebrating an important anniversary. My sincere thanks to The Duke of Richmond and the Goodwood Festival of Speed for training their spotlight on the world's greatest endurance race."

The Duke of Richmond said: "As the 24 Hours of Le Mans is such an iconic and integral motorsport institution, it is only natural that Goodwood should join in the celebrations of its 100th anniversary. We were delighted to welcome our good friends Pierre Fillon and Stéphane Darracq from the Automobile Club de l'Ouest to the Revival in September, and to host the Centenary Trophy on its relay around the world. I'm already looking forward to seeing the greatest collection of Le Mans cars and drivers that we've ever had at Goodwood in action on the Hill next year — it's going to be spectacular!"

Further details of the 2023 Festival of Speed will be announced in the months ahead.

When do tickets go on sale?

Tickets for The Festival of Speed and Goodwood Revival will be on sale at goodwood.com on the following dates:

- Saturday 29 October Goodwood Road Racing Club Members
- Monday 31 October Goodwood Road Racing Club Fellowship
- Monday 7 November General Public

As in previous years, children aged 12 and under go free and a Young Person ticket will also be available for those aged between 13 and 21.

Buy now to save 10% during the early bird window!

New for our 2023 events, customers can save an extra 10% on Festival of Speed and Goodwood Revival admission tickets in our early bird windows. Book before 31 March 2023 to save on Festival of Speed tickets and before 30 April 2023 to save on Goodwood Revival tickets. *Terms and conditions apply.*

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For just £79 a year, customers can join the Fellowship to attend the 80th Members' Meeting and in addition, the Fellowship now includes an exclusive discount of 10% on Festival of Speed and Revival tickets. This discount can be used in addition to the 10% early bird discount. Discover all the benefits of joining the GRRC here.

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Notes to Editors:

Image caption: The Le Mans Centenary Trophy pictured with fourteen Le Mans winners (who have 38 victories between them), the ACO President and General Manager and The Duke of Richmond.

From L to R. Back Row: Marcel Fässler (2011, 2012, 2014), Emanuele Pirro (2000, 2001, 2002, 2006, 2007), Stefan Johansson (1997), Romain Dumas (2010, 2016), David Brabham (2009), Pierre Fillon (ACO President), Tom Kristensen (1997, 2000–2005, 2008, 2013, Centenary Ambassador), Dindo Capello (2003, 2004, 2008), Jochen Mass (1989), Henri Pescarolo (1972, 1973, 1974, 1984), Stéphane Darracq (ACO General Manager) and Richard Attwood (1970). Front Row: Guy Smith (2003), Benoît Tréluyer

(2011, 2012, 2014), Neel Jani (2016), André Lotterer (2011, 2012, 2014) and The Duke of Richmond (founder of the Goodwood Revival).

2023 Event Dates:

- 80th Members' Meeting presented by Audrain Motorsport, Saturday 15 Sunday 16 April 2023
- Festival of Speed presented by Mastercard, Thursday 13 Sunday 16 July 2023
- Goodwood Revival, Friday 8 Sunday 10 September 2023

Tickets & Hospitality

Tickets for the Festival of Speed and Goodwood Revival are on sale from Monday 7 November at goodwood.com. The Ticket Office can be contacted on 01243 755055.

As well as tickets, Goodwood's unrivalled hospitality packages are also now available to book for the 2022 Festival of Speed and Goodwood Revival. Whether customers are looking for a great day out with friends, entertaining clients or celebrating something special, Goodwood's hospitality provides the ultimate setting to enjoy the events. Email hospitality@goodwood.com or call 01243 755054.

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