



Dear Member,

I thought I would add a few words of the latest information from St. Moritz, where your Secretariat has been based for the past week.

Run Opening Date

The Run is almost complete and we expect to open on 19th December, regrettably one day late but still the earliest for a long time. As always, we cannot guarantee the date until just beforehand, but we are keeping our fingers crossed and, hopefully, by the time you receive this missive the Run will be open.

Dinner after Cocktail Party on 6th February

Dominique Godat tells me that those of you who have not made any plans for dinner after the cocktail party would be very welcome to reserve tables at the Sunny Bar (for Japanese cuisine) or the Kulm Pizzeria (Italian cuisine). Either can be reserved on + 41 (0) 81 836 8226.

Ladies Event

As mentioned by the President, the number of entrants for the Ladies Event on 10th February has necessitated an earlier start than appears in your Fixture Card. We have decided to start the first of two courses at 10 a.m., with a Death Talk for all riders at about 9.30 a.m. I therefore suggest that entrants should be at the Clubhouse at 8.30 a.m. As George Bingham is responsible for this race, I have asked him for the rules. His response was "The rules, which will be made up as we go along and may be (and almost certainly will be) changed with no prior notice, must be strictly adhered to".

Firework Display

Gunter Sachs has decided that his Firework Display will be at 11.30 p.m. on 10th February, with Dracula's being the perfect viewing platform – what a fantastic way to end an exciting day for us all!

British Motorists

So far, I hear that there are only eight British Members bringing their interesting cars out for the many motoring events that have been organised in St. Moritz. I do hope that this is just the normal Members' behaviour of leaving arrangements to the last minute and trust that many more British Members will join in, leaving Hyde Park on 3rd February.

Cresta Poster Display

Finally, the poster display of the Cresta has opened and makes a trip down the escalators to the lake an essential part of your visit to St. Moritz – the pictures are simply stunning and a tribute to the enormous effort and time put in by Robert Allenspach.

I hope to see you here in sunny St. Moritz very soon.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David Payne", is located below the text.

David Payne
16th December 2009