

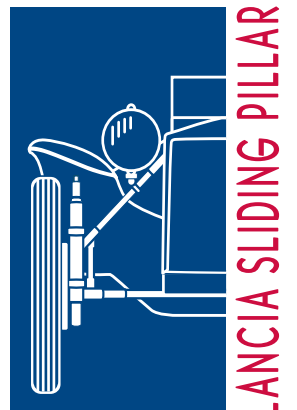


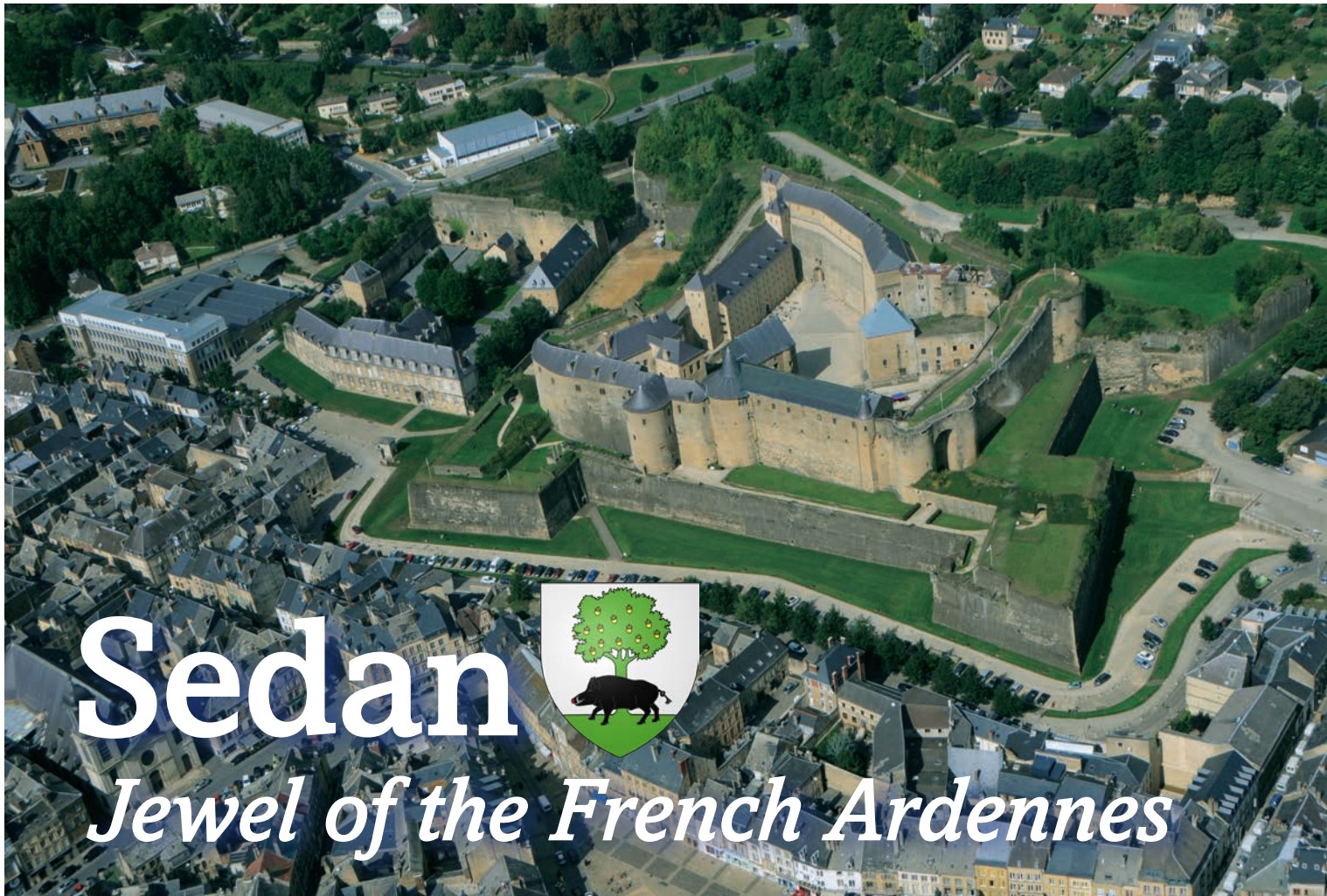
SLIDING PILLAR 7TH EUROPEAN MEETING



SEDAN • FRANCE

14-17 JUNE 2013





Sedan

Jewel of the French Ardennes

If you participated in the first or second European Sliding Pillar edition, in Houffalize, Belgium, you'll probably remember the beauty of the Ardennes region with its attractive roads across the green and unspoiled landscape. For 2013, we take you back to the Ardennes, be it this time to the French part of it. Some 100km southwest of our first gathering back in 2001, you'll be discovering some similarities and yet also a lot of differences in this area dominated by the river Meuse and its tributary the Semois.

The Champagne-Ardenne region with 1.3 million people and a density of 52/km², is one of France's least populated regions. One of its biggest cities – Sedan – will welcome the 7th European Sliding Pillar Rally from Friday June 14 till Monday June 17, 2013.

Founded in 1424, the city has had an eventful existence and has been the setting for several important battles over the

last centuries. During the Franco-Prussian War, on 2 September 1870 the French emperor Napoleon III was taken prisoner here with 100,000 of his soldiers at the First Battle of Sedan.

During World War II the German troops first invaded neutral Belgium and crossed the Meuse River by winning the Second Battle of Sedan that lasted from 12 to 15 May 1940. This allowed them to win the whole Battle of France as they not only bypassed the French fortification system, the Maginot Line, but it also enabled them to entrap the Allied Forces that were advancing east into Belgium, as part of the Allied Dyle Plan strategy.

Today Sedan is known for its castle, that is claimed to be the largest fortified medieval castle in Europe with a total area of 30,000m² on seven levels. Construction started in the early fifteenth Century and the castle's defences were constantly improved through the ages. It is the only

remaining part of the once enormous fortifications in and around the town. A part of it has recently been converted into an exclusive 3-star hotel that will provide an unsurpassed setting for our next event. As an extra this year, we've foreseen a guided tour to discover the castle and its secrets, prior to the official kick-off with the welcome dinner on Friday evening.

As in the previous editions, the programme follows the usual pattern, beginning on the Friday evening, followed by two days of (non-competitive) rally driving to discover this attractive cross-border region, and ending with a farewell breakfast on the Monday morning.

As the common language will once again be classical Lancia, a real enthusiast such as yourself cannot afford to miss this international event. Once again, we look forward to meeting you for a highly enjoyable weekend in June.

Your Sliding Pillar tea



Programme*

* *Provisional*

Friday 14/06/2013	15:00 - 19:00	Registration at Hotel Le Château Fort de Sedan
	17:00 - 18:00	Free visit of the Château Fort de Sedan (please indicate participation on registration form)
	20:00 - 22:00	Welcome dinner
Saturday 15/06/2013	07:30 - 09:00	Breakfast
	09:30 - 11:30	Rally Part 1: drive in the region
	11:30 - 13:30	Lunch
	14:00 - 18:00	Rally Part 2: drive back to Sedan
	19:30 - 22:00	Gala dinner
Sunday 16/06/2013	07:30 - 09:30	Breakfast
	10:00 - 11:30	Rally Part 1: drive to Bouillon (Belgium)
	11:30 - 14:30	Lunch + visit of the castle of Bouillon and its bird of prey spectacle
	15:00 - 18:00	Rally Part 2: drive back to Sedan
	19:30 - 22:00	Farewell dinner
Monday 17/06/2013	07:30 - 10:00	Breakfast
	10:00 - 11:00	Farewel & departures



Rates

*All-in arrangements • complete programme**

Car + driver • Standard room	€ 510
Passenger	€ 430
Children (up to 12 years old, in parents room • Supplement superior room included)	€ 177
Superior room/Suite supplement • Double rooms only	€ 60
Single occupancy supplement • Standard room only	€ 160

* The entire hotel complex of the Château Fort of Sedan has been reserved for the complete Sliding Pillar weekend from 14th to 17th June 2013. This means that only the complete programme is on offer and no special arrangements can be made for a partial participation in the event.

Venue



Hôtel Le Château Fort de Sedan

Porte des Princes

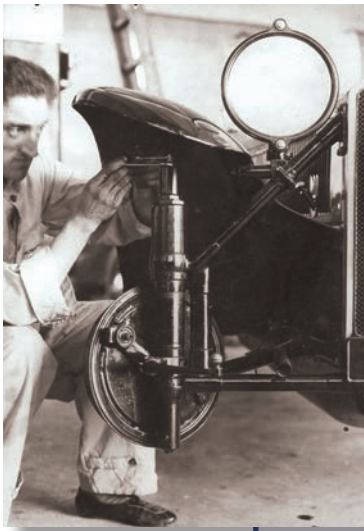
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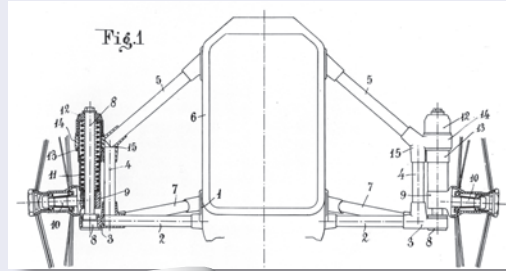


Sliding Pillar?

The characteristic "SLIDING PILLAR" independent front suspension found on every Lancia for over forty years is a significant engineering feature that doubtless contributed to the marque's success.

From the revolutionary Lambda to the subtle Appia all Lancias shared this ingenious suspension. We think that for this reason "Sliding Pillar" is also the logical name for an event having the ambition to bring the glory and the brilliance of these magnificent cars really back to life.

Whether you drive a Lambda, Dilambda, Astura, Artena, Augusta, Belna, Aprilia, Ardennes, Ardea, Aurelia, Appia or Florida, you are warmly invited.

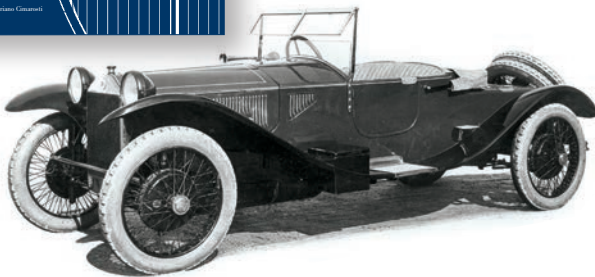


While the Sliding Pillar weekend remains the international reunion of choice for owners of all such cars, for 2013 onwards we officially welcome the owners of Flaminia, Flavia and Fulvia to participate as well. These forty to fifty-year old classic Lancias that appeared occasionally in the previous editions of the Sliding Pillar Rally clearly deserve a place beside their famous forebears.



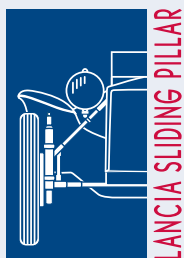
A great deal more information on Lancia's famous sliding pillar front suspension and indeed on the first hundred years of the company's history (1906-2006) is to be found in "La Lancia" by Wim H.J. Oude Weernink.

First published in 1979, this book immediately became the standard reference for numerous Lancia enthusiasts worldwide. For further information, or to order the recently published and expanded third edition of this major work, please visit www.la-lancia.com



Lancia Sliding Pillar Rally

It was in 1991 that the twin brothers Ade and Ed Rudler first had the idea of organising a rally mainly for pre-war Lancias as well as post-war models with similar characteristics. Thus the 'sliding pillar' feature became the event's leitmotif. The rally was a purely English event, a Sunday outing with a picnic lunch and a barbecue at the end of the day, until 2000, when the Belgian team gained the founders' approval to organise it on the continent. Thus the 'First European Meeting' was held in 2001, and extended over a long weekend to make it sufficiently attractive for foreign entrants who came from afar. Since then the rally is being organised alternately each year in England and on the continent, and welcomes Sliding Pillar fans from all over the world.



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