

Correspondence item Newsletter No 50

Letter from Vladimir Junek

Dear Mme S. Shaw,

Usually I have as my contribution once a year an input to your Newsletter, as my personal compensation for your keeping me on your mailing list.

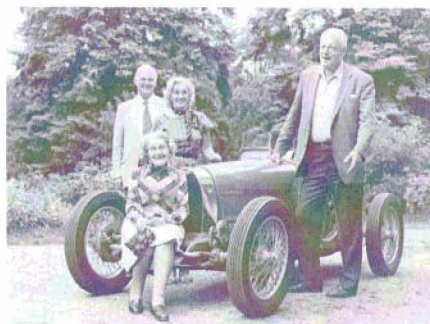
This November it will be the 115th anniversary of Elisabeth Junek's birthday.

This year not my input but perhaps Elisabeth Junek's memories on EB (enclosed) might be interesting. Explanatory text is contained in the enclosure. I leave to your decision whether at all it will be interesting to use the attached writing. Might be you have published the complete article in 1969 or 1970? I simply don't know whether the text was ever used. (*Ed: It seems it was not published*)

There is in the pipeline Elisabeth and Vincent Junek's commemorative gathering and tour organized by Veteran club Litomyšl, tentatively from 21-23

**To Mr. Jack Perkins, Honorary Editor of Bugantics,
From Elisabeth Junek – Vive la Marque**

You certainly all know very well how much Ettore Bugatti appreciated that so many amateur drivers have driven his sport and racing cars and how happy he was with their good results. Most of them he knew personally but he could not know all of them nor all their results. Therefore in 1923 he



August. The town Litomyšl, particularly its castle, is on the list of UNESCO cultural heritage sites. Furthermore it is the birthplace of composer B. Smetana. Perhaps, if somebody from the Bugatti Trust or from BOC is passing through Czechia it could be interesting to put Litomyšl on the itinerary. Once the event is confirmed, I or the organizer will let you know where to find the details (programme and accommodation arrangements) on the internet.

With best regards from Prague

Vlad



advertised a competition for his faithful clients offering three prizes - works by his brother Rembrandt Bugatti, the famous sculptor of animals. And when he announced in 1925 of 468 victories in Bugatti cars he added, "Most of these victories were obtained by my clients. I am very proud to know that I am the only constructor in the world, who can present such an incontestable proof of my construction." May be it was said self consciously but the time showed he was right.

In the twenties my husband and I were enchanted amateur drivers in Bugatti sport and racing cars and with great interest we followed the big fights and their excellent team drivers in the different Grand Prix of Europe and the performances of the amateur drivers. At that time we admired of the English Bugatti drivers most the astonishing list of victories by Raymond Mays and his

famous Brescia, later on George Eyston, Kay Don, Miss Ivy Cummings, not speaking about the wonderful records of Malcolm Campbell in the 2 litre Bugatti Grand Prix at Brooklands in 1926.

About the establishment of the Bugatti Owners' Club Ettore Bugatti told me himself with much joy, "What wonderful sportsmen the English are! I feel greatly honoured by the foundation of this club which I am sure is the first of its kind. You understand what enthusiasm there must be for my cars in this country."

So in this way I knew about the beginning of activities of the B.O.C. It was a wonderful idea to found the B.O.C. in 1929, which inspired later lots of Bugatti enthusiasts in the whole world to follow your example. I am convinced that it is to your credit that le Patron's great work still intensively lives and continues.

From Jean-Frédéric Frot

Dear David,

Thank you very much for all the trouble you went through to supply me with the drawing copies of the Bébé transmission.

The solution of getting both methods of printing should enable me to work out the whole picture.

Please find enclosed a modest donation to the Trust to help its funding and thank you for your devotion to the work of Ettore.

Yours sincerely

Jean

