



CHRISTMAS PARTY!

November 30th - December 2nd 2024
SATURDAY / SUNDAY / MONDAY



*The Christmas Party has become a tradition amongst *Country Lane Tours* regulars, or more correctly 'the usual suspects,' to get together and socialise in convivial surroundings, especially if they've not met up during the year.*

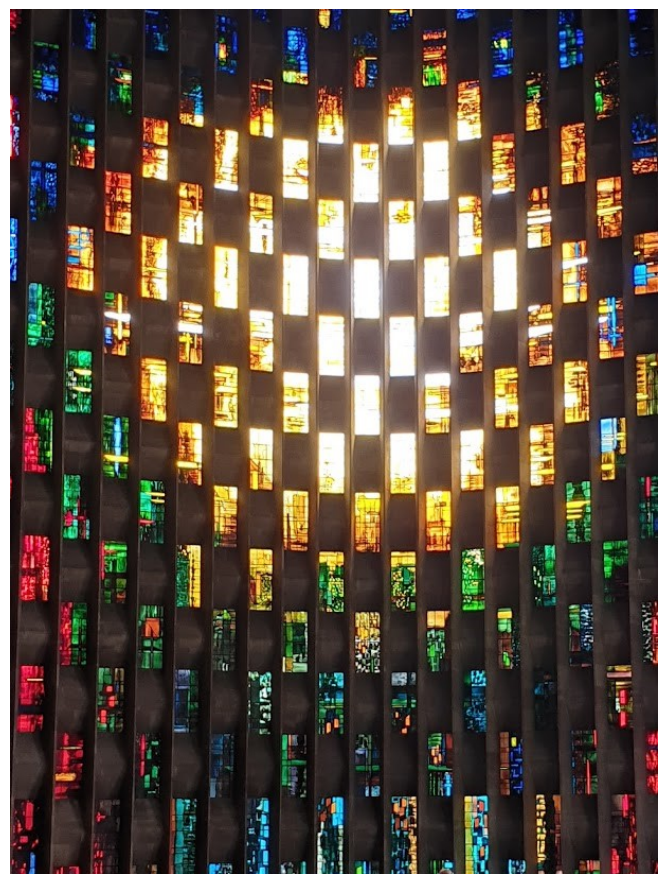
The last three years have seen an annual gathering of around fifty people and as it is not an old car event as such there's no polishing to be done!

This year the venue has moved to the amazing Coombe Abbey Hotel, Brinklow Road, Binley, Coventry, CV3 2AB. Dating back to the 12th Century it was the largest and most influential monastery in Warwickshire, remaining in the hands of the monks until the dissolution in 1539 when it was appropriated by Henry VIII.

For three hundred years the Abbey was owned by the Craven family and during their tenure Lancelot 'Capability' Brown remodelled the five hundred acres of park the building sat in. It was opened as a hotel in 1996.

The hotel is easily accessible from M1, M40, and M42 so no trekking into Mid-Wales this year!

The Coventry Transport Museum, containing the two fastest Land Speed Record cars as well as numerous other exhibits, is a short drive away as is Coventry Cathedral with the new building attached to the ruins of the old one destroyed during WW2. The stained glass window is stunning!



The pictures above show the Land Speed Record cars, Coventry Cathedral with its amazing window, the drive to Coombe Abbey through the park, and the Cloisters Bar.



With such an old building you would expect some variations in accommodation and there is a more modern block added. However in the twenty-five rooms reserved I have negotiated for ten of the more luxurious rooms – see top photo. These will be allocated on first come, first served basis.

So.....! The **two-night** dinner, bed & breakfast break, with traditional Christmas dinner on the Sunday evening, is the same as last year at **£345** per person based on two people sharing.

The offer is only available to people who are on the *Country Lane Tours* mailing list and priority is being given to those who have been on tours, but places are limited so if you wish to attend please act quickly to ensure your reservation as there are only twenty-five rooms booked.

The itinerary is as follows:

Saturday, November 30th. Arrivals at the 4-star Coombe Abbey Hotel during the day. Dinner at 7.30pm but preceded by drinks and a monastic welcome - and ghost stories!

Sunday, December 1st. A day to chill out and maybe take a walk in the park, or perhaps visit the Transport Museum or Cathedral. Drinks and canapés will be served before the traditional Christmas dinner with all trimmings at 7.30pm.

Monday, December 2nd. Departure for home.

WINTER SPECIAL. To reiterate, the cost for the event, after very serious bartering, is just **£345 per person**, based on two people sharing. Single supplement **£55** per night.

Included in the price are the following:

- Two nights' accommodation on a dinner, bed & breakfast basis at the 4-star Coombe Abbey Hotel.
- Pre dinner prosecco reception on Saturday
- Monastic welcome and ghost stories Saturday
- Traditional Christmas dinner on the Sunday evening with all trimmings
- Information pack on arrival with leaflets on local attractions
- Sundry extras

ENTRY FORM – 2024 CHRISTMAS PARTY

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Name(s).....

Address.....

Post Code.....Tel. No.....Mob.....

Email.....

Amount enclosed.....Please state cheque or transfer

Any special requirements (access, vegetarian, twin beds, etc.) Please **DO NOT** contact hotel direct as it always causes confusion!

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*The cost is **£345 per person** and in view of escalating admin and postage costs the full amount is payable to reserve your place, although it is refundable less £10 admin until September 29th . Please make cheque payable to Country Lane Tours. The bank details for direct payment are: Account Name: Country Lane Tours. Account number: 02149028. Sort Code:09-01-50. If paying by transfer please mark entry form 'TRANSFER'.*

Please send the completed form to Country Lane Tours, Tirionfa, Bodfari Road, Llandyrnog, Denbigh, LL16 4HP.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to call me on 01824 790280, or email countrylanetours@gmail.com.

Of course, being December, it's not required you turn up in a vintage or classic car!



