

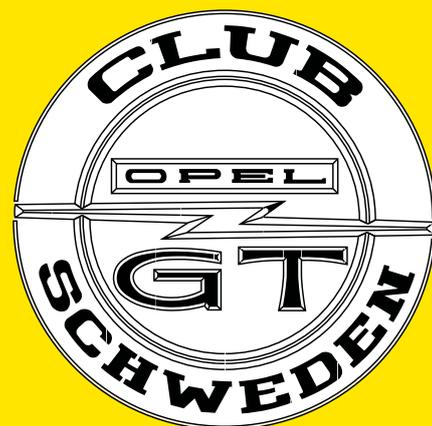
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The President has the floor

It's time to kick off the new car year. We start by inviting you to our annual meeting. This year it will be Österlen that gets to enjoy our beautiful cars. More specifically, Löderups Strandbad will have a car meeting they will never forget. It is a little later than usual, we thought to avoid the most hectic holiday period. If we are lucky, the sea is still lukewarm. Welcome!

At the end of the magazine there is an attempt to create a calendar of events for those of us who like two-seater Opelars. Please let us know if there are local events that could interest more people. Mail to lars@kleppe.se.

Stephan Keier sent me a picture of some 1:43 scale model cars and an idea was born that we might have a page with model cars for Opel GT, Opel Speedster and Opel GT Roadster. Send your pictures to lars@kleppe.se with a few lines about the model.

GT greetings

Lars Kleppe

Chairman Club Opel GT Sweden

The cover features an Opel GT Roadster owned by Peter Modling. The photo was taken by Ove Smith.



Time to pay the membership fee

It is now time to pay the membership fee for 2024. The fee is increased to SEK 250 per year. We would like to continue with GT Bladet in printed form, we hope that you also want it.

The easiest way to pay is to use the club's PlusGiro 433 39 94-4. Enter your name, registration number or membership number.

Membership fee: 250 kr

PlusGiro: 433 39 94-4

**Reference: Enter name,
registration number or
membership number**

When: Now! (or by February 29)

Invitation to this year's Opel GT meeting

Mark your calendars now for August 30 - September 1 when this year's GT meeting will be held in southern Skåne, more specifically at Löderups Strandbad and Österlen. This year's meeting is a little later than usual to avoid the worst tourist season with congestion and parking problems at the sights.

We start on Friday afternoon with checking in and looking at the surroundings and a little tire kicking for those who wish.

On Saturday we drive a tour to see different sights, and visit the Nostalgia Museum in Tryde (Tomelilla) then on to Ale Stenar and in the evening 3-course dinner at Löderups Strandbad.

The meeting ends on Sunday with a trip to Simrishamn and a visit to the Autoseum.

Löderups Strandbad is very scenic with proximity to the sea and lots of attractions such as Ale Stenar, Kåseberga harbor, Dag Hammarskjöld's Backåkra, Glimmingehus, Sandhammaren, Karl Fredrik on Eklaholm with several attractions in Österlen.

To register for the event, please contact jan.perden@gmail.com or 0701-859070.

You can book your own accommodation, and it is possible to do so now! First come, first served...

There are a few different options to choose from.

Cottages that can accommodate 4 adults and cost 2700kr/day.

They have two separate bedrooms (1 with two single beds and 1 with a bunk bed). In addition, the TV room has a sofa bed.

Hotel:

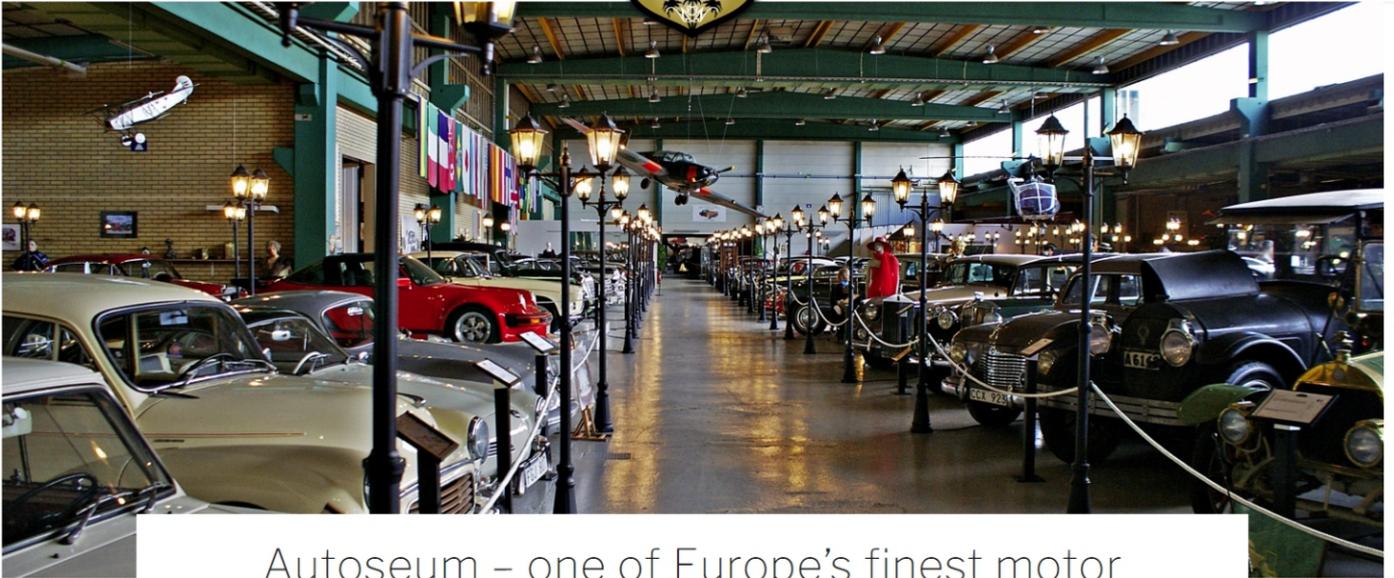
Double room on the ground floor with shower, toilet and patio at a price of 2200:-/room.

Double and single rooms on the upper level, with shared shower and toilet just outside the rooms. Double room 1490 SEK/room, Single room 1190 SEK/room.

Breakfast is included in all prices.

You can book accommodation by emailing: info@loderupsstrandbad.com or calling [0411-526260](tel:0411-526260).

NOTE: Please state that you belong to the Opel GT when booking.



Autoseum – one of Europe’s finest motor museums!

Entré: Vuxna 80kr, barn 5-10 år 40kr barn under 5 år gratis.

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INGA HÖJNINGAR av premierna (i år heller)!

Vi försäkrar kulturarv! Bokstavligen.



MHRF-försäkringen, Sveriges äldsta – och ledande – försäkring för historiska fordon.

MHRF-försäkringen drivs av Motorhistoriska Riksförbundet i samarbete med Folksam och erbjuder ett försäkringsalternativ för de flesta fordonen. Det finstilla? Fria mil och bara nöjeskörning!

Utöver försäkring för påställda fordon kan vi även erbjuda alternativ för tidsoptimisters objekt. Och drömmares projekt.

Vi jobbar för dig! Utöver den egna plånboken gynnas din klubb av MHRF-försäkringen. Likaså den fordonshistoriska rörelsen tack vare MHRFs arbete som, sedan 1969, går ut på att säkra det rullande kulturarvet. Arbetet sammanfattas: *För gårdagens fordon på morgondagens vägar.*



Motorhistoriska Riksförbundet
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forsakring@mhrf.se
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Mer info:



Clubwear

We have produced a "Bomber Jacket" in navy blue and a "Hoodie" in black. Both have the club logo on the left chest about 8 cm large embroidered.

- The jacket is available to order in sizes XS-3XL and is in so-called. Unisex model. The price is SEK 1,000 including shipping.
- The hoodie that also has the logo embroidered can be ordered in sizes XS-5XL. The price is SEK 750 including shipping. We do not have these in stock, we deliver on order.

Place your order by sending an e-mail to Helene at chjohansson69@gmail.com.



The jersey is available for purchase.

There are some hit shirts left from the 2023 edition. They cost 300 SEK including shipping. It has a nice print on the back and the anniversary logo on the right sleeve. The left chest is reserved for the club logo. They are in a nice cotton quality. Email Helene if you are interested, it is available in selected sizes.



My Opel GT Roadster - 2007

It started with an exhibition that Mazda had on a square somewhere in Germany, where the public was offered to test drive the new model MX5, I sat in it and was probably seduced. Did not drive it, just sat there and felt that this is something I want, sometime if I can afford it.

In the winter a few years later, when I had some money left over, the feeling came back, I searched for a long time on Blocket vehicles and found the most beautiful model in my price range: no doubt, an Opel GT Roadster it would be. And the wife agreed, more beautiful than that there was probably not. The same spring, a red one appeared, 2 hours away in Norrköping and I then became the proud owner of a 9-year-old 2007, with 4600 miles on the meter. During my eight years as an owner, it has gone 300 miles per year on average, I have stopped playing with the 264 HP that the turbocharged 2 liter engine gives in the original version, and I mostly devote myself to enjoyable cruising. It may also be because the wife does not like acceleration at all and thinks that 80 km/h, with the cab down, on a moderate country road, THAT is ideal.

The GT is a fairly comfortable car, not too tightly padded, reasonably soundproofed, quite a



quiet and discreet, if it weren't for its bold appearance. Rear-wheel drive and 5-speed manual, cruise control and air conditioning are available, but the cab has to be pulled up manually. The seats feel comfortable at first, but the wood flavor comes in gradually, especially on longer journeys. The luggage space is a weak point, 66 liters is not far enough. Tailor-made bags and extra luggage racks help a little.

The model manufactured in 2007-2009 is relatively rare, there are probably about 100 in Sweden. Spare parts can often be obtained from the Pontiac Solstice and Saturn Sky, which were produced in significantly larger numbers than the Opel GT. There are not many known faults, but one such is the passenger sensor, which suffers from age and is said to crack over time. The fault manifests itself in the airbag light turning red and there is a stop at the inspection until the issue is resolved. It can be quite expensive, but for the knowledgeable and creative there are cheap shortcuts. Every year the GT träffen is a celebration and a given holiday activity. Too bad there are not more Roadsters in the club and at the meetings.

Peter Modling





Club Opel GT Sweden Events Calendar

We try to keep a calendar that can interest all of us who have Opel GT, Speedster or GT Roadster closest to the heart. If you have any good tips, please send it to lars@kleppe.se.

Events	Location	Date	Link
Local Opel meeting	Motor Nilsson, Köping	20/4 2024	lars@kleppe.se
European meetings	Kuralpe Kreuzhof	18-19/5 2024	Se nedan.
Swedish Sports Car Meeting 50th anniversary	Knutstorp	5/7 -7/7 2024	sportvagnsmeeting.se
Opel GT Klub Danmark	Tranum, Brovst	23/8 -25/8 2024	opelgtklub.dk
COGTS annual meeting with a dinner meeting	Löderup beach baths	30/8 -1/9 2024	jan.perden@gmail.com



A look in the rear view mirror. We dig into the old GT-Blad. Wonder what happened to the personal ad?

ÄNDRING AV STRÅLKASTARSTRÖMBRYTARE

På de första modellerna till ca. mitten av -69 finns endast brytare för parkeringsljus. Brytaren för halvljus är bara en attrapp. Halvljuset tänds då strålkastarna vändes upp med spaken. Ljuset tänds även om tändningen är frånslagen. När strålkastarna vänds upp tänds också den vita kontrolllampan på instrumentpanelen, som slocknar då strålkastarna låsts i uppfällt läge. Från chassienummer 1888798 ändrades denna funktion. En riktig brytare för halvljus ersätter då den tidigare attrappen. Strålkastarna kan då vändas upp och tänds inte förrän halvljuskontakten slås på.

Samtidigt ändrades även funktionen av kontrolllampan så att den lös även om strålkastarna var helt uppfällda och halvljusströmbrytaren avslagen.

En tredje ändring tillkom lite senare. De rektangulära kontrolllamporna ersattes av runda. Kanske för att bättre harmoniera med de övriga runda instrumenten.

Om någon behöver utförligare beskrivning och kopplingschema över de olika funktionerna så finns det att tillgå

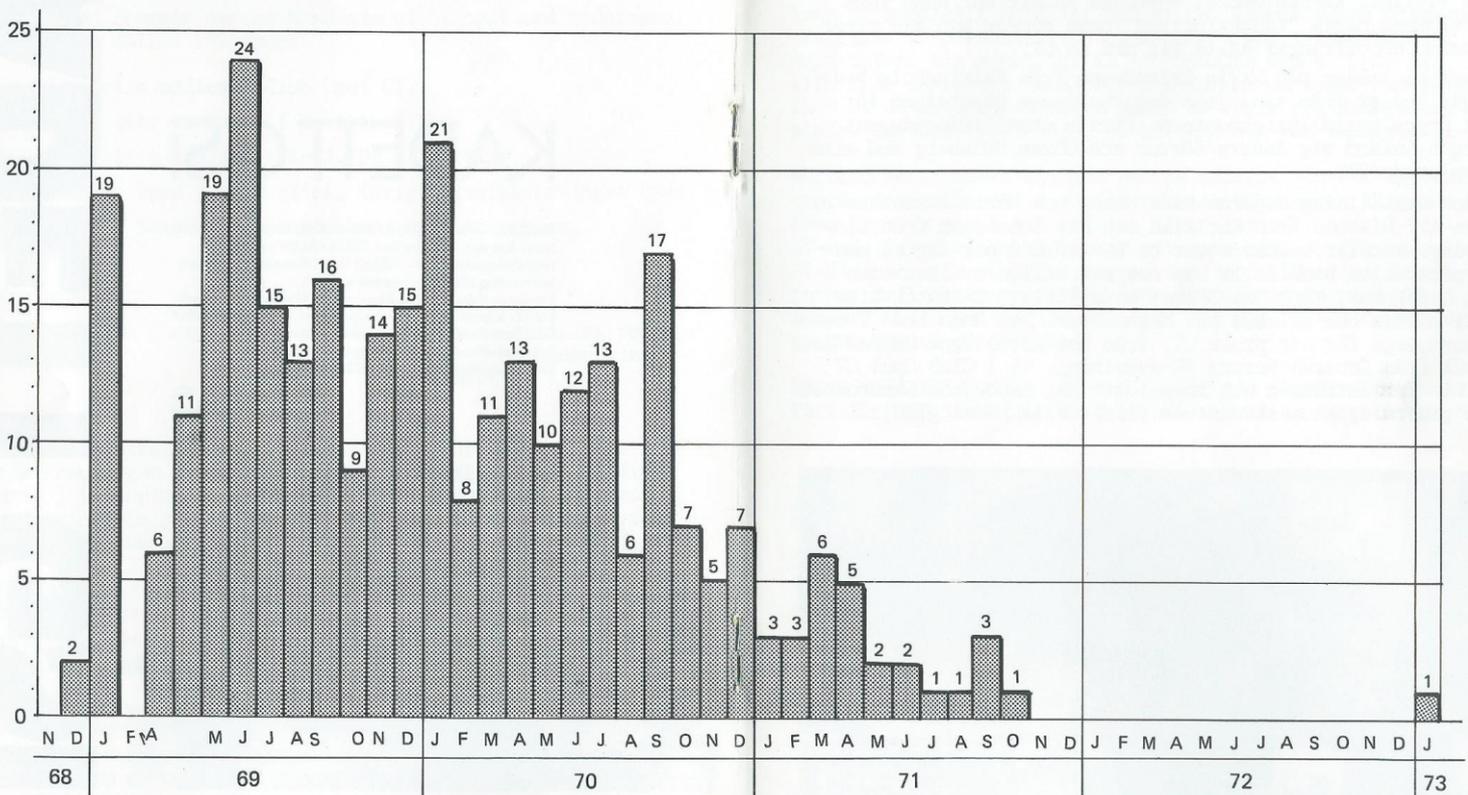
BEKANTSKAP ÖNSKAS

Önskar komma i kontakt med tjej som äger en Opel GT.
Gärna i gott skick. Skicka bild, av GT:n.

Sign: Veteraninnehavare

Registration statistics taken from an old GT magazine.

Försäljningen av Opel GT i Sverige 1968 - 1973.



Sammanställning: Jan Lifvergren, Club Opel GT.

Jan-Olov Säfvelin has built a so-called. Watt linkage to the rear axle.

The advantage of the watt link is that the movement of the axle when sealing is straight up and down.

When you have the panhard strut, the movement becomes arcuate.

I find it fun to rebuild and improve the GT. The difference may not be so great if you drive on country roads. The difference will be if you drive on a track.

/ Jan-Olov

Figures 1 and 2 are the so-called "propeller".



Figure 3 Rear axle cover with reinforcement bar



Fig. 4 Linkages on the right and left side.



Figure 5 Extended bracket on the right side

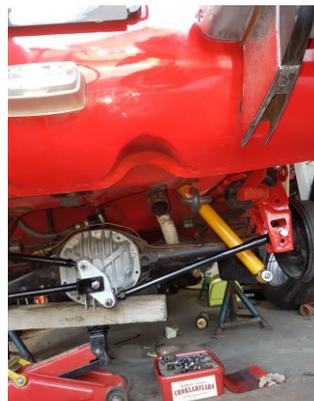


Figure 6 new bracket on the left side welded in place



Opel GT Umbrella organization - update

In the last issue, we presented parts of the new board of the Opel GT Dachverband (). (the umbrella organization). We have added a new picture showing all the officials and we have scribbled a few paragraphs from the statutes.



from left: Martin Kast (Switzerland), Laurin Decker (Germany), Marie van Bonn (Germany), Bernd Callsen (Germany), Louis van Steen (Netherlands)

Statutes of the Federation of European Opel GT Clubs

Paragraph	Title	Definition
§ 1	Name and Location	The name of the association is: Dachverband europäischer Opel GT Clubs or Federation of European Opel GT Clubs. The federation is based in Rüsselsheim, Germany.
§ 2	Purpose of the Association	The purpose of the association is to maintain and preserve the vehicle Opel GT vehicle by promoting and supporting the exchange experiences among its members, mutual help between members and maintaining contacts with other organizations in the context of the Opel GT. The Federation is available to third parties as a point of contact.
§ 3	Association activities	The association fulfils its purpose by organizing and holding meetings and discussions of its affiliated members.

My finest model. Scale 1:18. Tecnomodel. Opel GT 1900 Targa Florio 1972 / Lars



Board of Directors

We are the board of directors:

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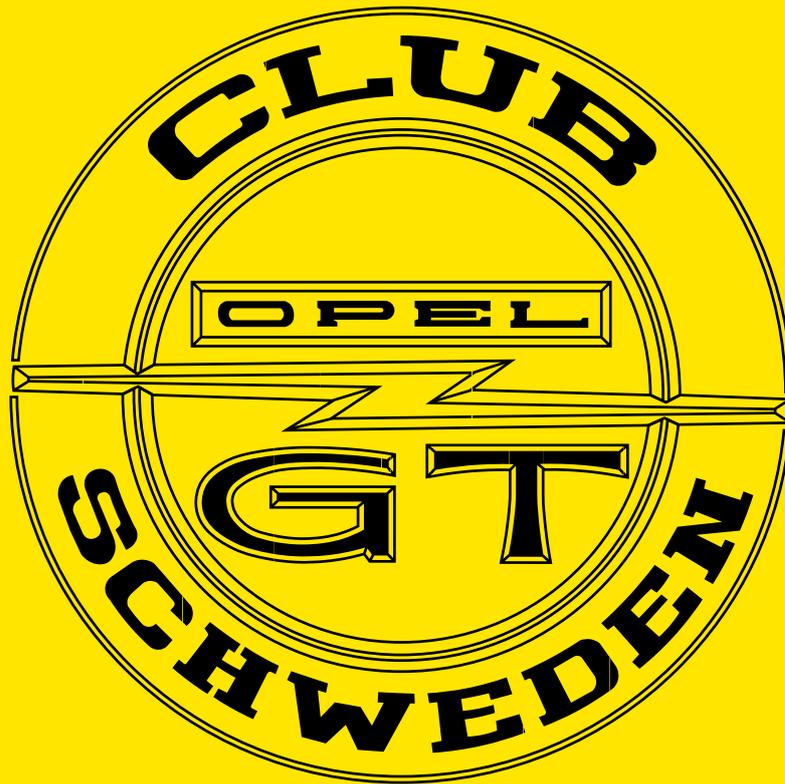
We have some problems with our Facebook page "Club Opel GT Schweden" has disappeared but we will start a new one shortly with the same name, like us there and you can follow the club's flow. We are 3-4 who administer the page so there may be club information from several places. There is also a group on Facebook for all of us called "Club Opel GT Schweden".

(the group)", here everyone who likes Opel GT can post, we moderate it so that it does not spread spam. Join it and you can post your own pictures, questions etc and everyone in the group can answer and comment. It will be a great way to spread information and knowledge.

For those of you who like Instagram better, we can also be found there under CLUBOPELGTSCHWEDEN. Please tag your pictures with #CLUBOPELGTSCHWEDEN and #opelgt.

Of course we still have our website www.opelgt.se.

We are not so active there but there is some useful information about the club.



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