

Come to the 2011 Eastern National Meet!

The next generation of the Early Ford V8 club has arrived. The torch is being passed from our veterans into the hands of the future of our club. And to show you that the future of the Early Ford V8 Club of America is in good hands, we have planned an exceptional Eastern National Meet for you.

Nestled on the southern edge of beautiful and historic Saratoga Springs NY lies the idyllic and exquisite Saratoga State Park. Inside this 2300-acre park setting at the Gateway to the Adirondacks is the Gideon Putnam Hotel, one of this country's most historic, luxurious and prestigious establishments – the onetime playground of Captains of Industry, Presidents, dignitaries and Kings. It is where the rich and high rollers stayed and played while the Spa City earned its reputation as a World-Class resort town. Fellow Members, it is on this playground that we get to display our pride and our passion for the Early Ford. You will not be disappointed in your accommodations!

Upon signing up for Early Registration you will receive a Registration Number that will entitle you to make your reservation at the Gideon Putnam Hotel. Space is limited, and if enough people reserve rooms soon we have the opportunity to gain another 20 rooms and book the entire hotel. So reserve *now*! This beautiful hotel is available to our Club Members for a mere \$132/night, discounted from their normal rate of \$310. That's \$178 off this Luxury World-Class Resort hotel's normal rate. Swap meet, security and trailer parking will all be on-site. This is a dog-friendly hotel.

Situated in the Park within walking distance of the hotel are an innumerable array of sites and activities. Visit the Saratoga Auto Museum, or The Hall of Springs where you can have a mineral bath or enjoy the spa. There is a full 18-hole golf course, and a 9 hole course as well. You could also stroll to the Saratoga Performing Arts Center for an evening of The New York City Ballet.

But if you don't want to hang around the park you could always go into the city. During the meet there will be a FREE bus making a circuitous route to various places of interest, whether historic or recreational, before returning to the hotel. Saratoga is all about horses- from the Polo Club to the harness track to the flat track- you can watch the training and grooming of these World Class athletes. There is also the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame. Or visit the bustling downtown and relive the experience of shopping and dining on a city street. Visit the Saratoga Gaming Raceway for casino fun. Visit the historic property of Yaddo Artist's Retreat or take a walking tour of Saratoga Springs. There are many, many things to do in this weather-friendly town, and with a low population density it is an ideal place to bring and drive our cars.

And then there is the tour. Club members have raved about this being one of the best tours they have been on. It is called the Covered Bridge Tour, and it explores a handful of the few remaining covered bridges in Eastern NY and Southern Vermont/Green Mountain National Forest. Once a staple of the landscape, these bridges are now all but gone, and this tour gives us a unique opportunity to see some of the few bridges that remain, combined with the joy and camaraderie we get driving our old cars as a group. Many diverse interests can be explored over the rolling hills of this beautiful landscape, such as antiquing, site-seeing, history exploration and farm stands. There will be a visit to the Saratoga National Battlefield, the National Cemetery, Hemmings Motor News HQ in Bennington VT, and many more site-seeing opportunities.

This is the 2011 Eastern National Meet. "*Where the Early Ford Meets the Horsepower – A Sure Bet!*" If you would ever drive far for one Meet, this should be the one. This is the Meet that will be talked about for years to come. And we still have a few surprises in store! All this, including the FREE bus *and* a 10% discount card for most of the establishments and museums in the city, is available for an Early Registration fee of only \$85. We have tried to consider interests as diverse as our members, including our spouses', and think we have planned a meet that will be a delight to all. The torch is being passed to our younger members, who will continue to be grateful for your guidance. Come show your support with opulent class done affordably.

For more information on the Gideon Putman Hotel or the city of Saratoga Springs, go to discoversaratoga.com.

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