

Member's Newsletter March 2010

Friedrichshafen, March 2010

Dear member,

You are cordially invited to our

Annual General Meeting 2010 on Saturday, 5th June 2010 at 16.00 h at the Messe Friedrichshafen, room Österreich

You will find the agenda as **attachment 1**. We would like to let you know beforehand, that according to § 8 of our constitution, the General Meeting only has a quorum when 10% of the members are present. Should not enough members be present at the scheduled time, the meeting will start 30 minutes later with the same agenda and have a quorum regardless of the number of members present.

With respect to booking accommodation, the Tourist Information Friedrichshafen will be pleased to help you. The address is: Tourist Information Friedrichshafen , Bahnhofplatz 2, 88045 Friedrichshafen , Ms. Julia Fikentscher phone.: ++49 (0)7541-708415, fax: ++49 (0)7541-7082415,e-mail: j.fikentscher@ti.friedrichshafen.de

We have chosen this date in order for you to have the opportunity to visit the exhibition „Klassikwelt Bodensee“, which will take place from 3rd to the 6th June. Not only oldtimers and youngtimers of land, water and air vehicles will be presented, but state of the art electro mobile technology will also be impressively presented.

Enclosed is a voucher for a quest ticket, which you can use for free entry to the exhibition. Please note that the voucher is only valid on 5th June 2010.

The Deutsche Zeppelin Reederei DZR has informed us that only a few flights can be booked for the weekend. Should you wish to book a flight, please contact the Deutsche Zeppelin Reederei GmbH, Allmannsweiler Str. 132, D-88046 Friedrichshafen, phone.: ++49-(0)7451-5900-0, fax: ++49-(0)7451-5900-499, e-mail: info@zeppelinflug.de, www.zeppelinflug.de

The Zeppelin Museum Friedrichshafen is presenting a very interesting special show from 21st to 29th May 2010: „EDUARD SPELTERINI – photographs of the balloon pioneer“. Spelterini was a famous balloon pioneer of the late 19th century. For example, he was the first to pass over the Alps and took fantastic photos of the mountains. Furthermore, Spelterini trained Count Zeppelin and some of his comrades such as Dr. Ludwig Dürr, Karl Stahl, Georg Hacker and others in ballooning in order to prepare them for airships.

Finally, we suggest you visit the new Dornier Museum near the airport Friedrichshafen.

As of 18:00 h in the evening we would like to conclude the day by sharing a meal in the Deutsche Zeppelin Reederei's check-in building „Hangar FN“, Allmannsweiler Str. 132.

So, it is worth coming to Friedrichshafen again.

Now, we have a special request: please fill out the attached registration form (**attachment 2**) and send it back to us asap. It would be a great help for organization.

Of course, the committee would be delighted to welcome as many members as possible.

Membership Recruiting

We have gained some new members in the past months and warmly welcome them into our circle. The new members compensate for approximately the amount that have left, which were usually age or health-related. If we wish to grow in order to continue the promotion of the idea of airship aeronautics, we must make an effort to find additional members. We kindly ask you for your support. In order to stimulate membership promotion, we are starting the campaign „Members recruit members“. For each recruited member you will receive a lot for the drawing of:

1st prize: a one hour flight tour with the Zeppelin NT,

2nd prize: a half hour flight tour with the Zeppelin NT

3rd prize: a Zeppelin necktie

Please use the attached flyer „FLYING DREAMS“, which includes an application form for the name of the new member. We would be pleased to provide additional copies upon request.

The closing day for registrations is 30th April 2011 and the drawing will take place during our Annual General Meeting in 2011.

Zeppelin NT News

The flight season 2009 ended on 30th November 2009. As mentioned in our November 2009 newsletter, the Zeppelin NT No. 3 D-LZZF BADEN-WÜRTTEMBERG performed 1.100 flights, 997 flying hours and carried approx. 12.350 passengers last year.

The airship underwent a thorough annual inspection during the winter break. Even after 7 years of stringent operation no considerable signs of wear and tear were detected.

The first test flight took place on 24th February 2010, which finalized the inspection..

Furthermore, the ZLT team was busy with annual maintenance work in Japan (Zeppelin NT No. 2 Ex BODENSEE) and in the USA (Zeppelin NT No. 4 EUREKA).

On 15th March 2010 the flight season 2010 started. The DZR flight plan is provided as **attachment 3**. You can see when and where flights are planned, which of course can be booked.

The following tours are currently being organized: Munich, Venice (being negotiated), Paris (special mission), Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

Operation of the NT in Venice is a special highlight, which is planned for 31st August to 21st September 2010. The airship will be stationed at Aeroporto G. Nicelli, which is at the north-east end of

the Lido. This means that after one minute of flight one can enjoy a beautiful sight over the Venice lagoon.

ATTENTION: All these tours are not fixed yet! As the rare seats are usually booked out very quickly we suggest you let us know if you are interested in any of the tours by filling out (non-binding) the form provided in **attachment 4**. We will then let you know the details and conditions as soon as possible.

ZEPPELIN EUROPE TOURS – Project News

As already reported, the search for investors has become even more difficult due to the financial and commercial crisis. The ZEPPELIN EUROPE TOURS – team is still striving to realize the project.

In order to preserve the rest of the capital to enable us to continue work after the crisis, we have liquidated ZEPPELIN EUROPE TOURS AG in Zürich. The activities will be carried out by ZEPPELIN EUROPE TOURS PRODUCTION GmbH, which has moved from Neuhardenberg to Immenstaad and is now named ZEPPELIN EUROPE TOURS GmbH.

AOB

Zeppelin-Necktie

The Zeppelin neckties we offered in our last newsletter are now available. We have procured more neckties than were ordered in order to serve additional orders. So, you can still order.

New book: „Der Zeppelin kommt! 100 Jahre Luftschiffe über Dresden“ („The Zeppelin is coming! 100 Years of Airships over Dresden“)

Our member Thomas Lohse from Dresden has written this book on the occasion of „100 Years of Airships over Dresden“. It is an authentic and interesting report on the airships in Dresden, starting with the appearance of the Parseval-Airship PL 6 over Dresden in 1910 and the preliminary ending of the visiting Zeppelin NT in 2006. The city of Dresden and its citizens have always been highly interested in aeronautics, which led to the founding of the public airport and the airship harbor. The book contains many pictures. We warmly recommend this book and have attached an offer for subscription.

In conclusion, we hope to see you all again in Friedrichshafen and wish you well.

Cordial greetings on behalf of the entire committee

Wolfgang v. Zeppelin

Attachments: 1 Agenda and program Annual General Meeting 2010
2 Registration form for Annual General Meeting 2010
3 Flight Plan 2010 - Deutschen Zeppelin Reederei
4 Information Request for Z-Tours 2010
Voucher for entrance „Klassikwelt Bodensee 2010“
Flyer membership recruitment for den Förderverein Zeppelin-Tourismus e. V.
Flyer „Programm Zeppelin Museums Friedrichshafen“
Flyer „EDUARD SPELTERINI – Photographs of the Balloon Pioneer“
Subscription offer for the book: „ Der Zeppelin Kommt! 100 Jahre Luftschiffe über Dresden“

Attachment 1

**Annual General Meeting Fördervereins Zeppelin-Tourismus
on 5th June 2010 at the Exhibition „Klassikwelt Bodensee“ Friedrichshafen
Room Österreich
Start : 16.00 h**

Agenda Annual General Meeting

1. Report Chairperson
2. Report Accountant
3. Report Auditors
4. Release of Committee
5. Business Plan 2010
6. Appointment of Auditors
7. Report ZEPPELIN EUROPE TOURS – Project
8. Motions
9. Lecture : „new Technologies Zeppelin NT 07“ by Development Manager Robert Gritzbach
10. AOB

Ref. 8.

Motions are to be presented in written form by 15th May 2010. Motions submitted at a later date cannot be dealt with in this year's AGM.

Program during the AGM 20092010

Saturday, 5th June 2010

16:00 h Annual General Meeting till approx. 18:00 h.

18:00 h Dinner at Restaurant „Hangar FN“ in the new DZR check-in building

Attachment 2

Geschäftsstelle Förderverein Zeppelin-Tourismus e. V.
c/o Tourist-Information Friedrichshafen
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**Registration
for Annual General Meeting of Fördervereins Zeppelin-Tourismus e. V.
on 5th June 2010 at the Exhibition „Klassik Bodensee“ Friedrichshafen**

Please return by 15th May 2010!

I will come to the Annual General Meeting with ... persons.

I will join dinner with ... persons.

Surname: First name:

Address:

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Attachment 3

Geschäftsstelle Förderverein Zeppelin-Tourismus e. V.
c/o Tourist-Information Friedrichshafen
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Information Request for Zeppelin Tours 2010

I would like to obtain non-binding information on the planned tours of the Zeppelin NT for the year 2010

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City

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Country

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Phone./fax

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Signature