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WEATHER TODAY Cloudy, possibility of light rain.

Hi: 11°C Lo: 9 °C Wind SE 7 m/s.



Goodbye!

It's an old saying that after a great evening there will be a measly morning. True or not, but in any case this is the day when you travel home and I feel a bit wistful.

So far everything has gone well. The weather has been beautiful – with the exception of yesterday – and we have been able to carry out everything which was planned.

It is also nice to remember that

today there is still a possibility to test the cars. I know from experience that this latest opportunity is often very useful.

Last Sunday we had a meeting with the Nordic jury group, and we decided to organize the next Tannistest on the 8 - 13 October 2016. Hopefully the Danish autumn will be as favourable for testing as it was this year.

This year will also stay particularly memorable in my mind, because I intend to step down from the Tannis organisation and Søren W. Rasmussen of the Danish magazine Motor will take over.

So, it is time to thank all of you for the visit and wish safe journey back home. And remember, welcome next year to the 39th Tannistest!



Martti Merilinna

Today's program:

07.00 – 09.00 Breakfast
08.00 – 12.30 Free testing
12.30 – 13.30 Lunch
13.30 – 16.00 Free testing
19.30 – Dinner, menu:
Starter: Chicken roulade with lobster tails
Main course: Braised neck fillet with red wine and herbs jus
Dessert: Rum-pickled plum

Next year better WiFi

Tannishus is basically a holiday resort hotel, and its WiFi is not made for hundred working persons using internet at the same time. So, you know which has been the outcome. We organizers are sorry for the difficulties, but we promise to work hard to solve all the problems for the next year.

Søren W. Rasmussen



The Car of the Year 2016 will be announced on the eve of the Geneva Motor Show on Monday 29th February 2016 at 3.00 p.m.
See you there!

(The Short List is published on Monday 14 Dec 2015)



Jurors in Tannis

Every year jurors from all over Europe come to the Tannistest, but what do you know about them?

Last year in the *Tannistest Today* you met the six Nordic jurors. This year you will get to know six of the jurors from some other countries, today the Greek juror Stratis Chatzipanagiotou.

STRATIS CHATZIPANAGIOTOU

Born: 14 December 1955 in Athens, the capital city of Greece.

Lives: Athens.

Family: Living with Rena, divorced three times...

Working for: Director at Alpha Editions SA, working for Auto Bild Greek edition and 4Wheels Magazine.

Journalist life: Started in 1980 for 4wheels Magazine.

Motoring journalist since: Since 1980.

Private car: Nissan GTR 2012.

Best car driven: Nissan 240 RS 1983. I have been a rally driver for 25 years, up to 2003, driving Nissan and Seat. Twelve times Greek rally champion. Two times number 5 in the Rally Akropolis group B and A as "Stratissino", 1986 in a Nissan 240 RS and 1995 in a Nissan Sunny GTi. Also winner in group N in the Rally Akropolis 1991 in a Nissan Sunny GTI-R.

Worst car driven: MG Montego turbo. A dangerous car!

Years in Tannis: Since 1989.

Best of Tannis: Each year is better, the organization, the hospitality.

Coming back next year?: Yes.

Importance of Coty: It is the most important effort related to Automotive Industry in the last 50 years.

Your car of the Year 2016: It is too soon to decide.

However, if the Alfa Romeo Julia has been on the list this year it would have been my choice, but now we have to wait until Coty 2016. It will be an exciting comeback for Alfa with rear wheel drive. Without the Julia my five favourites this year are Audi A4, Mazda MX-5, Opel Astra, Volvo XC90 and Toyota Mirai, but we don't know yet if the Mirai will be on the list.

My favourite for Car of the Year 2016: I will decide after our test at Ceram track at Mortefontaine in February.

The 39th Tannistest on 8 - 13 October 2016

The Nordic jury group is ready for the Tannistest 2016 and welcome you all back to this unique region of Northern Jutland. If it goes as always, we again have here an exciting fleet of COTY candidates, and the meeting is most international as well as friendly. See you next year!

